



Knights of Columbus

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November 2016 Newsletter



Grand Knight's Message

November is here already and how time has flown. We celebrate the lives of those who have gone before us, with All Saint's Day on November 1st and All Souls Day on November 2nd. The men of our order who have gone before us have given us much to be thankful for and much to try to live up to. I hope we can all take some time this month to remember those who have given of themselves for the benefit of others. We celebrate our nation's abundance and blessings on Thanksgiving Day. May we take time to thank God for the many blessings we have been given and ask for His guidance as we face the challenges ahead.

One such challenge is the protection of human life in all its stages. The respect for human life is under attack from all sides in our society these days. Our thanks to all the knights who led the parish in praying the Rosary before each weekend Mass in October. And thanks to all those who joined these knights, asking the Blessed Virgin's intercession for the conversion of hearts so that all may realize that every human life is sacred.

Priesthood Sunday was October 30th and the knights led the parish in a blessing for our priests. May the Holy Spirit guide them as they serve His people. And may God inspire young men to choose the priesthood as their vocation, knowing that their role in the church is essential to our Eucharistic celebration. We will have bookmarks with the prayer available in the church. Please take them home.

Card Lotto was another success this month. We had 20 residents participate along with 3 knights, 8 confirmadi, and 3 parents. The next Card Lotto will be held on November 15th at 7:00pm at Columbia Convalescent Center.

We're making a final push to sell raffle tickets for the Nativity Set, made in the Holy Land, and ready to make someone's Christmas decorating a little nicer this year. We still have plenty of tickets to sell. If you haven't already bought one, I encourage you to do so. Even if you already have a nativity set, what a great gift it would make, or a nice heirloom to give to your kids. We will be selling tickets after Mass on November 5th and 6th and at the Fall Festival and Hayride, where we will pull the winning ticket, on November 12th.

Look for vocations raffle tickets to be arriving in the mail soon. Thanks to brother knight and vocations chairman John Haubrich for leading this ministry for us.

Family Movie Night showed Disney's *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*. It was a favorite of kids and parents. The Christian undertones of love of all and the value of every person are great lessons for kids to learn. Thanks to Nick Matrisotto, Ted Haney, and Brian Repp for keeping the Family Fully Alive.

Thanks to all the knights who helped with Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 30th. We served almost 250 hot dogs along with Steve Dressler's famous apple cider. The kids were all very polite and appreciative of our refreshments.

If you are a first degree looking to become a full knight, the Waterloo Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a Major Degree on Saturday, November 5th at Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic School. Check-in is at 12:30 with Admission (1st) Degree at 1:00, Formation (2nd) Degree at 2:00, followed by the Knighthood (3rd) Degree. If you know of someone who would like to join our ranks, contact membership director Steve Dressler at dresslersg@charter.net or at (618) 281-7889.

There's still time to make your nomination for Knight of the Year. Contact me at gk@kofc6165.org with your nominations, or better yet, come to the November council meeting and make the nomination yourself. We will vote on the nominations at the November meeting and honor one knight at the parish Christmas party.

And speaking of the Parish Christmas Party, thanks to Mike Ledbetter for leading this event once again. The party will be held on Saturday, December 10th in the ICS gym. Doors open at 5:30PM, with dinner at 6:45, and dancing until 10:30. Music will be provided by "A Family Affair" and Santa will stop by for a visit. Tickets are \$12.00 per adult (ages 13 and up), children ages 7-12 are \$6.00, and kids 6 and under are free. Reservations are required and we ask you to please pay in advance. Call John Haubrich at 618-281-6021 or email him at kcchristmasparty@gmail.com.

Vivat Jesus!
Pat Grawitch



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Charles J. Pogorelac	29
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John I. Whitworth	15
Lon W. Broske	13
Jeff J. Haberl	13
Douglas A. Newton	13
Elmer V. Schmidt	13
Alex J. Sueme	13
David D. Boser	10
Wayne E. Gallagher	6
Everett L. Hamilton	6
Mark E. Braun	5
Samuel J. Olsson	5
James J. VonDerHaar	4



Knights provided the refreshments for Trunk or Treat. Pictured from left to right: Steve Wilson, James Huch, Mike Heller, and Bob Stadler. Not picture are: Steve Dressler, Pat McDermott, Pat Grawitch, Jim VonDerHaar, and Maddie VonDerHaar (Jim's daughter).

Thanks!!!

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Calendar of Events

Eucharistic Adoration- Every Tuesday

9:00am-10:00pm in the Reservation Chapel

All Saint's Day (Holyday of Obligation)- November 1st

Masses at 8:15am and 7:00pm

All Soul's Day – November 2nd

Mass at 7:00pm

Major Degree Ceremony- November 5th

12:30pm Registration with 1st Degree at 1:00

Council Meeting- November 10th at 7:30pm

Fall Festival and Hayride- November 12th at 6:00pm

Thanksgiving Day- November 24th

Mass at 9:00am

Blood Drive- November 20th After All Masses

Parish Christmas Party- December 10th at 5:30