



The Messenger

St. Joseph the Worker Council 13359

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Grand Knight's Report

Congratulations Council! In addition to getting the Star Council award, we were also given several awards at the state convention including a State Officers Award for our Faith programs. Kevin Gaffney deserves special recognition as our Faith committee Chair person in addition to his current role as Recorder! As we look to the next calendar year and things are reopening, I'm interested to hear from you with how the council should help the community, parish, and each other. Please send me your ideas so we can review and support you. The council is in need of a Inside Guard for next year as well as a Community program chair. Both involve participating in the Officer meetings (4th Tuesday meeting) and helping coordinate events. Please consider becoming an officer for the next year. I promise you'll get more back than you give.

I pray for all of you every day.

Andy Fischer, Grand Knight



PASTOR'S CORNER

Rev. Mike Sullivan



Brothers,

After more than a year of being shut down it is good to see people begin the process of re-entering the world with their presence. We have had a couple of 4th degree meetings at St. Joseph the Worker because of the large space where we can gather safely. With more people being vaccinated all of the time it will be very good for me to see more people in attendance. Our next 4th Degree meeting in June is particularly important as it is the installation of our officers. Our officers this past year have been particularly careful in providing us a safe gathering over the past year. I would like to thank them for being so watchful and caring of our members. We have had excellent food, great fellowship and very good meetings these past two months. I encourage you to join us in the 4th degree, and in person on June 7th at St. Joseph the Worker in Maple Grove and experience the reunion of the faithful. In the meantime, remain as safe as you can. Our battle against COVID is not over yet.

Rev. Mike Sullivan

The June membership meeting will be streamed on Zoom at 7:00pm on June 8th whether we meet in person or not:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85855838348?
pwd=ZFdLcjNyVGdZTEJPVTlZ1djZTMrQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85855838348?pwd=ZFdLcjNyVGdZTEJPVTlZ1djZTMrQT09)

Meeting ID: 858 5583 8348

Password: **636872**

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The Value of the Guaranteed Purchase Options on your Children's policies

As a father, you worry about your children and do everything you can to protect them. Many of you have purchased life policies from the Knights or are contemplating such coverage on them. If you have taken this important step don't forget about the valuable benefits included with those policies, including the Guaranteed Purchase Option provisions.

When you insure a child, you are protecting his or her future. If you purchase a policy for your child from the Knights of Columbus with a guaranteed purchase option, it guarantees that more insurance can be purchased for that child at certain set dates, without proving insurability. When the child turns 17, and every three years around the time the young adult turns 25, 28, 31, 34, 37, and 40 you or they are able to increase their coverage without regard to any medical issues they may face now or in the future.

Take it upon yourselves to ensure your young adult children are taking advantage of these options. Often times the Knights are unable to maintain contact information for these insureds to allow us to contact them about their benefits. And as many of you know, some of these young adults do not realize the advantage of obtaining permanent life insurance at an early age. So help them out and encourage them to at least talk to me to consider the advantages of these options.

Contact me today to update the contact information for any of your children that you have coverage for, or to discuss the many policy options for child plans for your dependent children. Plans can be put in place which are paid up front with premiums on deposit or paid over 10 or 20 year periods to be completely paid up with policy coverage for life. These policies can be structured to grow a significant cash surrender value that can be tapped for college expenses or other needs when the children are young adults. Grandchildren can also be covered with policies paid for by the grandparents assuming the father of the child is a Knight or eligible to become one.

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2021-2022 Proposed Council Officers

Andy Fischer	Grand Knight	612 418-7417
John Jordon	Deputy GK	763 557-6997
David Miller	Financial Sec.	515 883-0316
Mike Johnson	Chancellor	763 498-2536
Aaron Manse	Treasurer	612 202-0608
Don Berg	Warden	763 360-6099
Vacant	Inside Guard	
Brent Miller	Outside Guard	612 360-9735
Kevin Gaffney	Recorder	763 257-2506
Bob Fischer	Advocate	763 516-1024
Fr. Mike Sullivan	Chaplain	763 425-6505
Franklin Vaca	Trustee 3	225 281-7876
John Yaeger	Trustee 2	763 420-5942
Brodie Pederson	Trustee 1	612 272-5541

Upcoming Calendar of Events

Due to uncertainty with virus control measures we will update the calendar by e-mail as events change.

June

8 KC Council Meeting 7:00pm on Zoom

13-16 Lake of the Woods Fishing



20 Father's Day

22 Officer's planning meeting





The Silver Rose program

A rosary and consecration ceremony for the Silver Rose in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe was held on May 10 organized by Kevin Gaffney and led by Deacon Kevin O' Connor. It was a wonderful program and is held annually so make it a point to attend next year.



RECRUITING

Have you asked a friend, acquaintance, or total stranger to join the Knights this week? You should, and direct them to **Knights.net** to join us on-line. Free first year dues ends on June 30th. They can enter their personal information and use the code DFALSTAD to have their first year dues waived. Have them use your member number or 2743823 as a referral number so we know they are interested in our council.

Once they are an on-line member they can attend an in-person or on-line exemplification ceremony to become members of the council of their choice. Please direct them to **MNKNIGHTS.ORG** to register for a live video version of the exemplification almost every Wednesday

KC Golf League

The K of C golf league plays Wednesday's at Daytona Golf Club. We recently started but are still looking for subs to fill in for the regulars when they are unable to golf on a given day. Subs can also golf with us on any given night without scoring for league play.



If you are often free on Wednesday's and would like to be on the list of available subs on the league, please send me an email with your contact information or call Dick Montroy or Dan Falstad if you have any questions about the league or subbing. You don't have to be a good golfer to join, Dan is a prime example of that.

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Report of the Fourth Degree

Your next opportunity to join the Patriotic Degree of the Knights of Columbus be this summer on July 17, 2021 in Mendota Heights sponsored by the Fr. Tim Vakoc Assembly # 3335.

This is an excellent opportunity to involve your spouse in the social based, patriotic wing of the order.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

All Catholic men and their families are invited to join the Knights of Columbus through the online **Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity!** Men are invited to join the Order while their families may observe the lessons presented and appreciate who we Knights are and what we do. Check with one of the officers to get the on-demand invite for your friends and neighbors. You can also advance to the third degree by signing up for this exemplification. Go to MNKnights.org/About/Ceremonials to sign up for a live or taped program.

If you are interested in fishing Lake of the Woods with your brother Knights this summer please contact John Jordan at 612 719-3834. We have made cabin reservations for June 13th to the 16th.



Your Newsletter

Please forward articles, pictures, and suggestions for changes to the newsletter to Dan. This is your newsletter and you can



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Brian Gordon Meline
May 2, 1947 - May 3, 2021

We unfortunately lost one of our brother Knights in May. Our condolences to Mary and the rest of the family. A fourth degree honor guard was posted for the funeral and a rosary led by the Knights was well attended. Thank you to the 21 brother Knights that were able to attend the funeral.



Your council received a State Officers Award for our Faith programs. Thank you for your participation and to Kevin Gaffney for chairing our Faith committee .

Elections for next year's Officer Team are coming up fast! We need a few good men to step forward and help lead our council. If you feel like the time is right for you to get involved, send me a message and we can figure out a role that is right for you.

Elections for elected positions will occur in May, but there are also appointed positions that might be a good fit for you. Feel free to ask any current officer to answer any questions you might have about getting involved. Call or send them a message via email or text to the number on the previous page.

Most of the officers have agreed to serve another term but if you wish to be nominated to run against them they will understand. We also have a vacancy for inside guard and would like someone to volunteer to join our officer team. Proposed officers for next year so far are:

Andy Fischer – Grand Knight
John Jordan – Deputy Grand Knight
Mike Johnson – Chancellor
Kevin Gaffney – Recorder
Aaron Manse – Treasurer
Bob Fischer – Advocate
Don Berg – Warden

Inside Guard -

Brent Miller – Outside Guard
David Miller – Financial Secretary
Fr. Mike Sullivan – Chaplain
Franklin Vaca – Trustee 3
John Yaeger – Trustee 2
Brodie Pedersen – Trustee 1

A big thank you to Patrick Farrelly as his term as District Deputy ends and he moves on to other opportunities. Patrick has been a driving force in the success the council has achieved since we started. Please welcome Kevin Ahlers as our new District Deputy



A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION IN TIME OF PANDEMIC



The ancient fresco of Madonna del Soccorso (Our Lady of Help) in St. Peter's Basilica was restored with the support of the Knights of Columbus to mark the Year of Faith (2012-2013). Photo courtesy of Fabbrica di San Pietro/M. Falcion.

O Mary,
you always brighten our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain
while remaining steadfast in faith.
O loving Mother,
you know what we need,
and we are confident you will provide for us
as at Cana in Galilee.
Intercede for us with your Son Jesus,
the Divine Physician,
for those who have fallen ill,
for those who are vulnerable,
and for those who have died.
Intercede also for those charged with
protecting the health and safety of others
and for those who are tending to the sick
and seeking a cure.
Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus
who took upon himself our
sufferings and carried our sorrows,
so as to lead us, through the Cross,
to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

*Under thy protection we seek refuge,
O Holy Mother of God.
In our needs, despise not our petitions,
but deliver us always from all dangers,
O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.*

Adapted from the prayer of Pope Francis

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS