









Msgr. Clement H. Kern Council #8284

May 2023

Fr. Michael J. McGivney

Brother Matthew Kurt Ordained Deacon

On Saturday April 15th our fellow brother Matthew Kurt was ordained a transitional Deacon for the Archdiocese of Detroit. The following day Matthew celebrated and preached at his first Mass at St. Thomas a'Becket. Many of you know Matthew and his family. Matthew has been a member of our Council from 2020 and has one more year of study at the seminary before being ordained a priest next May.

After Mass there was a parish celebration for Matthew. Many of our Council members attended and congratulated our fellow brother. Please continue to pray for Matthew on his path to the priesthood.



Election Season

Each Fraternal Year we hold officer elections for the upcoming Fraternal Year that starts July 1st. The process occurs over two General Membership Meetings. We had our first nominating event at our April General Meeting. At our May General Member Meeting, nominations for office positions will be again accepted and elections will be held to finalize the officers.

All Council members in good standing that have completed their 3rd degree Exemplification are eligible to be nominated to an officer position.

Please mark your calendars and attend the May 17th meeting so you can be part of the process of choosing your Council's leadership for the next twelve months.

Officer Installation will be Sunday July 16th and all Council members and family are invited to attend.

Columbian Award

We have received word that our Council has been recognized with the Columbian Award for the 2022/2023 Fraternal Year. Congratulations and thanks to all of the program chairpersons and volunteers that made the award possible. Your charitable work lifts both our Council and our community.



Knight of the Month

Our April Knight of the Month is Mike Goodhart. Mike ran another successful MI/Tootsie Roll Drive on Palm Sunday Weekend. Mike does all the coordination of locations, scheduling, money pickups, and with the help of his wife Theresa the sorting and counting of all the donations. This is a very large investment of time and effort, and our drive would not be a success without the efforts of Mike. We will once again be able to make sizable donations to our selected disability charities with the \$5,530.76 collected. Thanks Mike, for all your hard work.



Family of the Month St. Vincent De Paul Society @ STAB

At St. Thomas a'Becket our St. Vincent De Paul Society has been very active helping and supporting members of our community. This past Christmas they put together holiday packages that helped thirty-eight needy families enjoy the Christmas holiday. There charity of time, effort, and energy was recognized by our Council. Their ministry is having an impact.



Membership

We are Catholic Men Striving the be the Best Husbands, Fathers, and Leaders We Can Serving Our Community

Here are a few helpful facts to share with someone you invite to become a member.

- We have more than 16,000 Councils headquarterd in Catholic parishes around the world
- We offer men the opportunity to grow in their faith while helping others and supporting the Church, and to become better Catholics, husbands and fathers.
- The Knights of Columbus contribute nearly \$200 million to worthly charitable causes around the world and in our community each year.
- Knights donate nearly 100 million hours of their time each year.
- Our founder Blessed Michael McGivney has been beatified by the Church. People around the world seek his intercession thorugh prayer.
- All practicing Catholic men 18 years or older are invited to join.

Join by clicking on this QR Code and designate Council 8284.



Please wear your red shirts to Mass on Sundays



Upcoming Council Birthdays

Please join me in wishing a "Happy Birthday" to our council brothers celebrating a birthday next month! The following are the **September and October** council birthdays:

May Birthdays		
Enio Pala	5/01	
Peter Goode	5/05	
Richard D. St. Peter	5/05	
Mark Zemanski	5/05	
Mark Stasa	5/07	
Rick F. St. Peter PGK	5/10	
Ben Zimnicki	5/10	
David Frye	5/12	
Bill Vincent Honorary Life	5/12	
Dennis Lauer	5/17	
Jamie Bernacik PGK	5/18	
Thomas Albus Honorary Life	5/21	
Duke Hynek	5/25	
Finnian Opara	5/25	
Daniel Mack	5/26	
Mike Blazejewski	5/27	
Roger Barrette	5/28	
June Birthdays		
Ron Gering	6/04	
David Voglewede	6/04	
John Hicks	6/05	
Steve Snider	6/05	
Rob Bovitz	6/06	
Chico Rodrigues	6/06	
Robert Wood	6/09	
Tony Vella	6/10	
Dariusz Dzikowski	6/21	
Mike Roby	6/25	

In Memoriam

We honor our council brothers who have preceded us in death by remembering the date that they went back home to the Lord. We also recognize them on our council memorial tower in the parish Chapel.

Here is the list for May and June.

James Minton 5/05/2008 Alfredo Fernandes 5/07/2016 Nicholas Coluccelli 5/21/1988 Floyd Ertman 5/21/2017 Steve Titus 5/26/2017 Francis Glentzer 6/17/2013 Rev Ernest Porcari 6/21/2009 John Haas 6/23/2008 Robert McGovern 6/25/2020 Alfred Dembeck 6/30/2016

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May all our deceased brothers rest in peace. Amen.

Let us pray!

Please remember all council brothers and family members sick or in need of our prayers. Let us form a spiritual adoption for the unborn by praying that they remain safe and one day experience a long healthy life.

If there is someone you would like the council to pray for, please send me an email and I will add them to our prayer list for brothers to include.

Current prayer list includes.

Duane Pietryga	
Kathy McCann	
Jerome Lengel	
Frank Austin	
Kathleen Bonkowski	
Holly Gardner	
Jim Allen	
M. Goodhart Brother-in-Law	
Paul Slavin	
Angela Ventura-Fox	
Matthew Kurt	



Betty Socia Ana Berta Villanueva
Ana Barta Villanuova
Alla Della Villallueva
Roosevelt Nuar
Lee Hynek Gunn
Frank Falcioni
Terry Pietryga
Isla Marie MacGregor
Grace Boschma
Abby Bennett
The Hynek Family
Kathleen Inman
Lisa Jacobs
Shirley Keller
PJ O'Connor
Anna Lengel
John Szekeres
Trent Des Ormeau
John Des Ormeau
Carl Zahn
Jan Peters
Joyce Hansen

Council clothing

Need some new council "threads"? Contact Mike Goodhart (mgoodhart1@gmail.com) to place your orders or for any questions.

Council website update - Are you checking our council website regularly? If not, you are missing out on the latest news and information from the Knights of Columbus and your council. Find us at <u>www.kofc8284.org</u>. Also check out our **Facebook** page from time to time for updates. Be sure to "<u>Like</u>" our Facebook page and get updates automatically on your timeline!

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Note: If you have information, articles, or pictures to contribute to this newsletter, please contact Ed Patrick, our Newsletter Editor at <u>gk8284@mikofc.org</u>

Other Key websites:

Knights of Columbus Supreme Website: www.kofc.org

Michigan State Knights of Columbus website: <u>www.mikofc.org</u>

E-Member sign up link: https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-theknights.html

Pope John XXIII Assembly #1536: www.kofc1536assembly.org

Upcoming Events / Activities:

May 2023

- 5/5 First Friday 9 AM Mass
- 5/11 Officer/Director Mtg 7 PM STAB
- 5/14 Pancake Breakfast, Mother's Day!
- 5/17 Rosary 7 PM (prior to meeting)
- 5/17 General Meeting 7:30 PM STAB Officer Elections

June 2023

- 6/2 First Friday 9 AM Mass
- 6/8 Officer/Director Mtg 7 PM STAB
- 6/21 Rosary 7 PM (prior to meeting)
- 6/21 General Meeting 7:30 PM STAB Officer Elections



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