

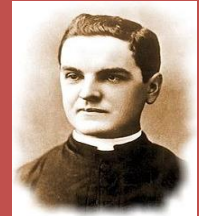
# KERN KRONICLES



Fr. Clement H. Kern



Msgr. Clement H. Kern Council #8284



Fr. Michael J. McGivney

**April 2022**

## Brother Knights,

It is the Lenten season, our time for renewal and examination as we look forward the great feast of Easter and the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ who brings us everlasting life.

For the Council, this is a busy Lenten Season. We had a successful Pancake Breakfast event on March 13<sup>th</sup>. On Friday March 18<sup>th</sup>, this Council led the Stations of the Cross for the parish. As I write this, we are doing Charity Poker fund raising at Vision Lanes. We follow that with our MI Drive/Tootsie Roll fundraiser for people with intellectual disabilities on Palm Sunday weekend. The volunteer response for each of these events has been outstanding. The Brothers of this Council continue to step forward with their time, talent, and energy. You should be immensely proud of yourselves.

This Lent, the tragedy of the war in Ukraine reminds us that the world still needs the saving grace of our Lord. The Knights immediately stepped forward to help. Knights of Columbus Charities setup Ukraine Solidarity Fund and started it off with a \$1.5 million donation and an additional matching donation of \$500K. Working through our Councils in Poland and the other relief agencies 100% of the funds raised are going to help and support humanitarian aid in Ukraine. Our parish, St. Thomas a Becket, dedicated the Ash Wednesday collection to help and support the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine. That one collection raised over \$12K. Seeing the good work the Knights are doing, Fr. Chris made the decision to send the funds the parish raises for Ukraine to the Knights Ukraine

Solidarity Fund. Fr. Chris spoke about the Knights from the pulpit and in his Pastor Sunday Column. He recognized us for stepping forward quickly to address the need and the work that was being done in Poland with the refugees. This is truly an example of Knights in Action.

As of this writing, the amount raised is now over \$9.5 million. At our General Meeting in March your own Council voted on and approved a \$1,000 donation to Ukraine Solidarity Fund and that amount was raised to \$1,200 when Steve Vargo and Rick St. Peter stepped forward and each donated an additional \$100.

## In other news

Jim Allen stepped forward and helped us purchase new basketballs for our Free Throw Tournament next January.

No Pancake Breakfast this month. The Officer and General Meeting have been pushed back a week.

Before our next General Meeting we will participate in a financial presentation sponsored by the Knights entitled Purpose Driven Retirement Strategies. You can participate on-line or in person. Watch your email for additional information.

We will also be doing a project on April 28<sup>th</sup> to support Gleaners. Watch your email for further details.

Vivat Jesus!

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## Awards and Recognitions

### ***Knight of the Month David Frye***

David helps manage the Pancake Breakfast team each month and has been very diligent about his role and always participates in planning and officer meetings. He picked up more responsibility when our previous chairman, Joe Nader, passed away in 2021. His leadership has been very beneficial in bringing back success to our Pancake Breakfast events. David works closely with his co-chair Ernie Cesarone.



Congratulations to David Frye as Knight of Month!

### ***Family Of the Month Darius Dzikowski***

Darius makes an effort to involve his two sons in as many of our activities as possible. They could be seen handing out food in September at Open Door Ministries, collecting donations in front of Holiday Market during the MI/Tootsie Roll Drive and at every Pancake Breakfast since we started back up in January. Darius has gone the extra step and outfitted his two sons with red shirts with the K of C logo on them so they can feel like they are part of the team. Congratulations to Darius and his wife Cathy!

### ***Good Will Donations***

Recently we have been blessed to receive two monetary donations to our Council. The first was from a parishioner that was thankful for us starting up the Pancake Breakfast again and our commitment to have them the rest of this year regardless of if we lost money. To cover any potential losses, Peter Thiede gave the Council \$1,000. Thank you, Peter!

Our second donation came from Canton Foot & Ankle Specialists at 43050 Ford Rd, Ste 150 in Canton, MI They have donated \$500 to the Council which will be directed to our spring MI/Tootsie Roll Drive.



This is the second year they have donated to our Council.



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**Upcoming Council Birthdays**

Please join me in wishing a “Happy Birthday” to our council brothers celebrating a birthday next month! The following are the **April and May** council birthdays:

<b>April Birthdays</b>	
Andrew Wegehaupt	4-01
Dan Vaseau	4-02
Sergio Canete IV	4-20
Gene Szatkowski	4-20
David Denhard	4-22
Gerald Grzesik	4-22
Tom McAdoo	4-26
Harry Doyle	4-27
Gerald Myles	4-27
Richard Caron	4-28
Donald Pranger	4-28
Dan Markovich	4-29

<b>May Birthdays</b>	
Enio Pala	5-01
Peter Goode	5-05
Richard D. St. Peter	5-05
Mark Stasa	5-07
Rick St. Peter PGK	5-10
Ben Ziminicki	5-10
David Frye	5-12
Dennis Lauer	5-17
Jamie Bernacik PGK	5-18
Tom Albus	5-21
Dominic Paulraj	5-23
Duke Hynek	5-25
Finnian Opara	5-25
Daniel Mack	5-26
Mike Blazejewski	5-27
Roger Barette	5-28

**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.

For the month of **April**, remember our brothers.

**Horst Schmid 4/12/2012**

**Earl Simpson 4/1/1992**

**Bernard Schwartz 4/25/2020**

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 distress in your 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
Mary Lou Guastella
Frank Austin
Kathleen Bonkowski
Holly Gardner
Jim Allen
M. Goodhart Brother-in-law
Peggy Lipski
The Soloano Family
Paul Slavin
Angela Ventura-Fox
Matthew Kurt
Ron Socia



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Prayer list cont.	
Betty Socia	Pope John XXIII Assembly #1536: <a href="http://www.kofc1536assembly.org">www.kofc1536assembly.org</a>  St. Thomas a'Becket: <a href="https://abecket.org">https://abecket.org</a>
Ana Berta Villanueva	
Roosevelt Nuar	
Thora Rogers (Ventura)	
Lee Hynek Gunn	
Frank Falcioni	
Bill Simmerer	
Terry Pietryga	

### Council clothing

Need some new council "threads"? Contact Mike Goodhart ([md8284@mikofc.org](mailto:md8284@mikofc.org)) 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 [www.kofc8284.org](http://www.kofc8284.org). Also check out our **Facebook** page from time to time for updates. Be sure to "Like" our Facebook page and get updates automatically on your timeline!

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### Other Key websites:

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Michigan State Knights of Columbus website:  
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E-Member sign up link:  
<https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html>

### Upcoming Events / Activities:

(All dates tentative, subject to state guidelines)

April 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4/1 First Friday Mass 9 AM STAB</li> <li>4/7 – 4/10 MI Drive</li> <li>4/21 Officer/Director Meeting 7 PM STAB</li> <li><b>4/27 Purpose Driven Retirement 7 PM STAB</b></li> <li>4/27 Rosary 7 PM (prior to meeting)</li> <li>4/27 General Meeting 7:30 PM STAB</li> <li>4/28 Gleaners Project (details to follow)</li> <li>No Pancake Breakfast in April</li> </ul>

May 2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5/6 First Friday Mass 9 AM STAB</li> <li>5/8 Pancake Breakfast 9-12 AM STAB</li> <li>5/12 Officer/Director Meeting 7 PM STAB</li> <li>5/18 Rosary 7 PM (prior to meeting)</li> <li>5/18 General Meeting 7:30 PM STAB</li> <li>5/22 Corporate Communion 10 AM Mass STAB</li> </ul>



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