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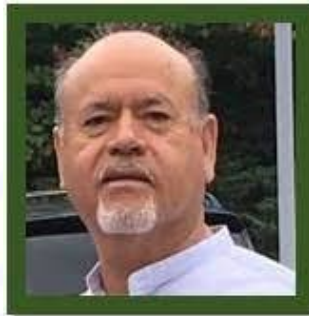
GK Steven M. Herpel, PFN



Worthy Grand Knight Message

We are heading down the home stretch of this Fraternal Year 2022/2023 as we enter quarter four. The plan is to make a dash to the finish and finish big. Our last Exemplification for this fraternal year is scheduled for May 22, 2023. We hope to reach our goal for new brothers but need your help to espouse the work we do in our parish and community. Those of you that have not attained your third degree, this is an excellent opportunity to revitalize yourselves as part of our Catholic family. Participate, meet some old and new friends as we give back. Please try to give an hour or so. Our programs are diversified, and I am sure you can find something that interests you. Remember, all of us are recruiters. The ladies and men of our organization will be attending mass as a group on April 30, 2023, at the 8:00 AM service. Please come join us that Sunday and stay for our quarterly Fr. Michael J. McGivney Prayer Hour/Rosary that starts at 9:30 AM. Have a Blessed Easter!

Deacon Victor Ortega



Worthy Associate Chaplain Message

From the Supreme Chaplain:

“While he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened, and they recognized him.” (Gospel for April 23, Lk 24:30-31)

On the road to Emmaus, Jesus had been walking and talking with the two disciples all along, but they did not recognize him until he broke bread with them. Do we recognize Jesus in our midst — in the Eucharist, in Scripture, among the poor and those in need, in the face of every person? Do we help others, particularly our friends and family, to do the same?

This month’s Challenge: This month, remind yourself and others — particularly your family and those closest to you — that Christ is present by speaking about your faith in everyday conversation (perhaps simply by thanking God for some blessing he has bestowed). Second, I challenge you to participate in the Faith in Action Family Fully Alive program.

DD Greg Ward, PGK



Worthy District Deputy Message

I bring you greetings from our Worthy State Deputy Christopher L. Powers whose motto calls us to “Cry the Gospel with Your Life!”. Our Worthy State Deputy is highly encouraging everyone to:

- Grow their Councils and the Order.
- Pray for the health of Pope Francis.
- Connecting with the Maryland Catholic Conference for legislative updates.
- Attend the [State Family Picnic](#) on Saturday, April 15th at Centennial Park in Ellicott City. Reservation must be made by April 8th.
- Support your council’s programs and events, your council needs your help!

Your visible actions will inspire men in your community to become new members. Cry the Gospel with Your Life!

Fraternal Year 22-23 Officers

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DISTRICT DEPUTY - Greg Ward, PGK

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Associate Chaplain - Deacon Victor Ortega

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What's Going-on in Our Council

As Jesus taught us, "Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you". (Luke 6:27)

Wow! It's unbelievable we are coming to the end of this fraternal year in just a few months. We started strong, let's finish strong. During our 3rd Quarter we conducted a very successful Pilgrim St. Joseph Icon program at the end of January bringing our community together in prayer were over 80 people participated during both English and Spanish prayer sessions. Right before Lent we hosted a Family Adoration and Game Night that provided a no-cost entertainment to families; 89 kids participated in the kids' bingo, and everyone departed a winner! Our Life Program's Director coordinated with other local parishes to have local representation at both the National March for Life in DC and the State rally in Annapolis; Thank you Jorge! Our Ladies Auxiliary led our parish to an incredible successful fundraiser during the months of February and March in support of Choose Hope Pregnancy Center. Finally, let's give an applause to the Helping Hand Gala committee, what a great event! The Charity Corporation surpassed its \$3,000 goal. The funds raised support for Harford Academy, SFDS Food Pantry, and the Council's Scholarship Program. You can mark your calendar for March 2, 2024; don't miss out on the fun and dancing.

Congratulations to the 3rd quarter's Families of the Month: The Smothers, the Sans, and the Tellez families!

Keep up with upcoming events and opportunity to serve your community by checking our Signup Genius page. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050849AFA829AAF49-202223>

Look at the three months planner on page five (5) of this newsletter to find opportunities to be active within our council. This information is also available in our web calendar at <http://www.kofc11372.org/calendar> . I also invite you to like and follow our Facebook page "Knights of Columbus #11372 Father Wolfe Council". Here you can see pictures from our events and stay up to date on upcoming activities.

Remember that you are our most valuable asset in spreading the word about the activities of our council and the Knights of Columbus. Be seen and PARTICIPATE! Please contact me if you have any questions at all!

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Membership Report

Hello Brothers of the Fr. Wolfe Council!

This year we welcomed 8 catholic gentlemen into our fraternal organization. Your brothers in this council stand ready to support you and welcome you to the Knights of Columbus.

Furthermore, our council is always ready to receive any Catholic gentlemen that would like to assist in spreading the good news of their Catholic faith. We will be conducting our last Exemplification (installation of new members and elevation to the 3rd Degree) of this fraternal year on May 22nd at our Council's Knights Hall, St. Francis de Sales. To new members and members wanting to attain the 3rd Degree, please be at the Knights Hall by 6:45pm.

If any of your friends or relatives have expressed an interest in learning about the Knights and our wonderful services, please pass on my name and contact info and I will be happy to speak to them.

This Lent and Easter seasons provide us with an excellent opportunity to help those in need in our parish and our community. Remember to pray for them and help them whenever possible.

Also, consider joining the ranks of the Patriotic 4th Degree and the Color Corps. There is a 4th Degree Exemplification planned for Saturday, 4 November 2023 at Columbus Gardens, Nottingham, MD. As other ceremonies in our District are planned and announced, we will distribute the information so you can decide which date and location is best for you.

God bless you and stay well!

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Edward O'Keefe
CLU, ChFC, CASL

Insurance Advisor Message

Easter greetings! As we roll through the first full month of spring, we celebrate Easter with thoughts of gratitude for the gift of new life. The Resurrection and thoughts of our Savior's sacrifice and triumph over death are fresh in our minds and hearts. The dreariness of winter and Lent fade away with April rains that seem to have their own scent. For many, it's their favorite season of the year. Along with everything else going on in April, it is also Autism Awareness month. Autism has been more widely discussed and better understood in recent years. Although the TV show "The Good Doctor" portrays a doctor who has autism, those with Autism Spectrum Disorder exhibit a broad range of characteristics. Many have much less functionality than the doctor portrayed on the show. I mention this because many of us know of someone who is on this autism spectrum. If diagnosed early in childhood and intervention begun, those with autism may still live a relatively normal life. However, many with autism struggle and have other complicating medical or psychological issues and need much support during their lives. That's where the Knights of Columbus Family Fraternal Benefits may be able to help. The Family Fraternal Benefits cover several situations. One benefit addresses the child who is older than 60 days and younger than 18 and is uninsurable according to our ordinary underwriting practices. Many children with autism as a primary or secondary diagnosis fall into this category...uninsurable. For those children, the Order has a special family fraternal benefit that allows the issuing of an ordinary permanent life insurance policy on this uninsurable child. Some members may be unaware of this benefit, but it's great news for any parent with a child who does not qualify for life insurance. There are some other qualifiers for the parents and any other children in the family, including that the father must be a member in good standing in his council. I won't go into the others here, but this is a very worthwhile benefit, not only for those children with autism, but for any child who may be uninsurable. If you know of a Catholic family that may have a child with autism or any family with a child who is uninsurable, please reach out to me. They may be unaware of this benefit. I will be happy to contact them explain this valuable protection that is available. If you prefer, give my name, and contact information to that parent so they can contact me at their convenience. As always, there is never any requirement to purchase any product, but a consultation about this benefit may bring them some small comfort. As always, thank you for the opportunity to serve you, my members. Enjoy your spring!

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Fratern Year 2023-2024 Officers' Nominations as of March 31, 2023

The following brothers have been nominated to serve as Officers of Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Council 11372 for the fraternal year 2023/2024:

Grand Knight: Phil Pfarr

Deputy Grand Knight: Angel R. Rosado-Padilla

Chancellor: Bill Orlosky

Warden: Jim Hetmanski

Advocate: Jay Tremblay

Treasurer: Brian O'Connor PGK, FDD, PFN

Secretary: Bob Dannenfelser PGK, FDD

(Outside) Guard 1: Jonathan Herpel

(Inside) Guard 2: Steve Wisniewski

(Outside) Guard 3: **Open**

(Inside) Guard 4: **Open**

Trustee 3 Year: Steve Herpel PGK, PFN

Trustee 1 YEAR Michael Georgulas PGK, FDD

State Convention 2024:

Grand Knight –Phillip Pfarr

Delegate to Convention- Steven M. Herpel PGK

Alternate 1- Larry Shannahan PGK

Alternate 2- J Michael Novak PGK, FDD

Nominations to be presented at Council's Meeting on April 3, 2023.

Nominations and election on May 15, 2023, at the Council's meeting, 7:30 PM, Knights Hall.

Nominations are accepted up to the time of the election.

Nominating Committee:

Brian O'Connor PGK, FDD, J. Michael Walsh PGK, Larry Shannahan PGK, Keith Marchiano PGK

Council Activities Three Month Planner

DAY	DATE	APR 2023	TIME
MON	3	K of C General Meeting (Knights Hall)	7:30 PM
MON	10	K of C Officer Meeting (Knights Hall)	7:00 PM
FRI	14	Family Bingo Night @ Kilduff Hall	6:00 PM
SAT	15	State Family Picnic (Ellicott City)	11:00 AM
MON	17	K of C General Meeting, Social (Kilduff Hall)	7:30 PM
SAT	22	Pit Beef Sale @ SFDS	11:00 AM
SUN	30	Delta Membership Drive (SFDS)	ALL DAY
SUN	30	Fr. McGivney Prayer Hour Program @ SFdS Main Chapel	09:30 AM
SUN	30	Spanish Rosary Program @ SFdS Main Chapel	1:45 PM
ALL EVENTS SUBJECT TO CHANGE			

DAY	DATE	MAY 2023	TIME
MON	1	K of C General Meeting (Knights Hall)	7:30 PM
MON	8	K of C Officer Meeting (Knights Hall)	7:00 PM
FRI	12	Family Bingo Night @ Kilduff Hall	6:00 PM
SAT	13	Harford Academy May Day	10:00 AM
SAT	13	Mothers' Day Marigold Prep (Knights Hall)	9:00 AM
SUN	14	Mothers' Day Marigold SFDS	ALL DAY
MON	15	K of C General Meeting, Elections/Social (Kilduff Hall)	7:30 PM
FRI-SAT	19 - 20	Preakness Stakes Fundraiser	ALL DAY
MON	22	3 rd Degree Exemplification (Knights Hall)	7:00 PM
ALL EVENTS SUBJECT TO CHANGE			

DAY	DATE	JUN 2023	TIME
SAT	3	Ladies Picnic Fundraiser @ Friendship Liquors, Abingdon	12:00 PM
MON	5	K of C General Meeting (Knights Hall)	7:30 PM
FRI	9	Family Bingo Night @ Kilduff Hall	6:00 PM
MON	12	K of C Officer Meeting (Knights Hall)	7:00 PM
SAT	17	K of C Pasta Dinner Fundraiser & Social (Kilduff Hall)	6:30 PM
MON	19	K of C General Meeting (Knights Hall), Social (Kilduff Hall)	7:30 PM
ALL EVENTS SUBJECT TO CHANGE			



Special Intentions

Keep in your prayers the following Brothers, family members and friends:

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| Fam. of William E. Bankert Sr. – RIP | Fam. of William D. Wagoner – RIP |
| Fam. of Joseph P. Tobin Jr. – RIP | District Deputy Greg Ward |
| Edward Seglach | Mark Wieczynski |
| Cooper and Eric Young | John and Sally Myers |
| Joy DiMaggio | Steve Wisniewski |
| Wayne Long | Bill Murloch |
| Stephen Olah | Sean Moderacki |
| Carroll McKenna | Richard Pecone |
| George Hemelt | Stephanie Krech |
| Ken Bromwell | Val Waudby |

Pray for our country’s peacekeepers serving around the world and first responders, especially the police officers. We pray that they may always be safe while protecting us in service to our country, State, and county’s citizens. Pray for our local priests & deacons and that more personnel will enter the Catholic vocations. Prayers for women contemplating abortion and for all people contemplating suicide.

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Lee Eder, FN, PGK

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