

Knightworks

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GK Phil Pfarr



Worthy Grand Knight Message

Brother Knights,

Congratulations to all on another great year of serving our church, faith, communities, families, and our council. Thank you all for your help, we couldn't have done it without you. Thanks especially to all our FY 2024-2025 council officers and activity directors.

I also want to thank all those who have stepped up to serve as officers and activity directors for our next fraternal year FY 2025-2026, which started on July 1st. I look forward to working with you all and I know that we will have another great year.

I believe that we have a great thing going here. As Knights we are doing God's work. Don't be selfish, share your experiences with your friends and family. Tell them about the Knights and invite them to come to one of our meetings or events and possibly joining the Knights of Columbus. Vivat Jesus!

Fr. John Martinez



Worthy Chaplain Message

From the Supreme Chaplain:

"For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." (Gospel for Aug. 31, Lk 14:11)

One lesson of this parable in Luke's Gospel is that when you exalt yourself, there's nowhere to go but down. In the life of a disciple of Christ, we are called to develop the virtue of humility. We are called to self-giving service to others, not self-serving advancement of ourselves. Let us strive not to seek worldly honors in an egotistical spirit, but rather to live as servants to others so that God may exalt us to eternal life.

Supreme Chaplain's Challenge:

This month, in which we celebrate the feast of Blessed Michael McGivney on Aug. 13, I challenge you to pray each day the Litany of Blessed Michael McGivney or the prayer for his canonization — and take time to reflect on his humility in serving the people of God.

DD Chris Phillips, PGK



Worthy District Deputy Message

I bring you Greetings from the MD State Council and our State Deputy Anthony Salvemini whose motto is "Make A Difference in Someone's Life".

Brothers welcome to the Fraternal New Year, which began July 1st! I hope you enjoy some well-deserved time with family and friends this summer.

Congrats to Father Wolfe Council on your 2024 awards for Faith in Action—your work truly Makes a Difference. I know you'll continue serving with excellence in 2025-26, guided by Charity, Unity, and Fraternity.

Thank you to our new officers for stepping up—you have our full support.

Please invite one man to join the Knights this month. Many are seeking purpose—you can be that invitation.

May God bless you and your families!

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternal Year 25-26 Officers

SUPREME KNIGHT – Patrick E. Kelly

STATE DEPUTY – Anthony N. Salvemini

DISTRICT DEPUTY – Chris Phillips, PGK

COUNCIL OFFICERS:

Chaplain – Fr. John Martinez

Associate Chaplain – TDB

Grand Knight – Phil Pfarr

Deputy Grand Knight – Bob Dannenfelser Jr., PGK

Chancellor – David Cerny Jr.

Warden – Jonnathan Herpel

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Guards – Shane Hankins, Charlie Gill, Bill Orlosky, Jay Tremblay

3 Year Trustee – Mike Novak, FDD, PFN, PGK

2 Year Trustee – Steve Herpel, PFN, PGK

1 Year Trustee – Lee Eder, FDD, PFN, PGK

PROGRAM DIRECTORS AND CHAIRMEN:

Program Director – Greg Ward, PDD, PGK

Membership - Larry Shannahan, PGK

Faith Activities – Patrick Perkins / John Mazz

Family/Youth Activities – Michael and Christian Schmitt

Community Activities – Ron Riggs

Life Activities – Jorge Pinargotte

INSURANCE REPRESENTATIVE:

Robert Hickey

LADIES AUXILIARY:

President – Angie Rebbert

Vice President – Kathy Batdorf

Secretary – Susan Pfarr

Treasurer – Barb Arnold

PAST GRAND KNIGHTS:

Ed Colvin, Ray Traube, Bob Hoguet, Mike Georgulas, Frank Tumminelo, Rich Sosna, William Hengemihle, Mike Mall, Dan Samis, Bill Elliott, Lee Eder, Dan Trout, Keith Marchiano, Gregory Ward, Larry Shannahan, Mike Novak, Keith Arndt, J. Michael Walsh, Steve Herpel.

What's Going-on in Our Council

Reflection: "Charity refers to the voluntary giving of help, typically in the form of money, goods, or services, to those in need. It is often organized through institutions or foundations for the public benefit and aims to relieve poverty, advance education or health, promote social welfare, or support other altruistic causes."

A reminder of one of the core principles of our Order, Charity.

As I conclude my time as Program Director for our Council, I want to thank each of you for your support and dedication. It has been an honor to serve alongside such faithful brothers. I now pass this responsibility to Brother Greg Ward, confident that he will lead our programs with the same commitment and heart. I encourage you my brothers to take a moment to reflect how you exercise "Charity". Here are some references to guide you in your reflection:

- Voluntary Action – Charitable acts that are not coerced.
- Public Benefit – Activities must benefit the public or a significant section of it.
- Altruistic Intent – Motivated by goodwill, compassion, or a desired to help others.
- Nonprofit – Do not distribute profits to private individuals.
- Purpose-Driven – May include poverty relief, education, religion, health, community development, human rights, etc.

Your Council provides many opportunities for you to exercise "Charity", especially on areas of particular interest to you. Please, reach out to a council officer to get involved.

Congratulations to our 4th Quarter 24-25 Families of the Month: the Batdorf, the Snyder, and the Velazquez families — and to our Knight of the Quarter, Brother Bob Dannenfelser who also celebrated in June 2025 60 years of servitude to the Church!

Stay informed of upcoming opportunities to serve your community by checking out the 3-month planner on page 4 of this newsletter. This information is also available in our web calendar at <http://www.kofc11372.org/calendar> . Also, in our Facebook page "Knights of Columbus #11372 Father Wolfe Council".

Vivat Jesus!

Angel R. Rosado-Padilla

Past Programs Director

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Membership Report

Hello Brothers of the Fr. Wolfe Council!

We owe a big round of thanks to Brother Dave Cerny for his hard work leading our membership team throughout fraternal year 2025. Dave did not miss a beat after agreeing to lead membership. He welcomed 10 new members to our Council and several transfers.

Gret job Dave.

This year I hope to pick up where Dave left off with our membership activities. Once again, Fr. Wolfe Council has a hefty membership goal, 14 new members. I encourage every Knight to welcome a new gentleman that you may see at Mass. Welcome them to our parish and ask, "Are you a Knight of Columbus"? If they are not, ask if we can follow up with them about membership. Just get their name and phone number and pass it onto me to discuss membership with them.

Our council is always ready to welcome any Catholic gentleman who wishes to share the good news of his faith and contribute to the community.

We also encourage you to consider joining the ranks of the Patriotic 4th Degree and the Color Corps. As additional ceremonies in our district are scheduled, we will provide updates so you can choose the best time and location to participate.

God bless you and stay well!

Larry Shannahan
Membership Director
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Robert Hickey

Insurance Advisor Message

Brothers,

Are you on track to reach your financial goals? Are you unsure how to begin setting those goals? As your agent, I'm dedicated to helping you find the right insurance solutions, no matter your stage of life. Whether you are in your working years with young kids, living paycheck to paycheck, or knocking on the door of retirement, I'm excited to help you protect what matters most and build financial security with insurance-based solutions tailored to meet your priorities. The first thing to consider is whether your family would be financially taken care of if something happened to you. Would they struggle to meet the mortgage payments or to pay off other debts? Term life insurance can be an affordable option to give you protection in case of the unexpected. You'll also have the option to convert to a permanent plan in the future without additional underwriting. Terms and conditions may apply. Second, start preparing for retirement, no matter how far away it may seem. The Knights of Columbus offers annuity solutions to help provide you with retirement income you can't outlive, guaranteed. Finally, disability income insurance. For many men, regardless of their phase in life, protecting their income is their greatest financial need. What would you do if you were no longer able to work?

Don't overlook how disability income insurance may be able to help you. I understand that your financial needs are not just unique but change over time. I'm here to help you find the right solutions today and to walk with you as your insurance needs evolve. If you have any questions, please come chat with me and we can schedule a time to meet.

Thank you!

Best wishes always,
Bob

Vivat Jesus!
Robert Hickey
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Council Activities Three Months Planner

DAY	DATE	AUG 2025	TIME
SUN	3	Pit Beef Sale/Membership Drive @ FSdS	ALL DAY
MON	4	K of C General Meeting (Knights Hall)	7:30 PM
FRI	8	Family Bingo Night @ SFDS	6:00 PM
MON	11	K of C Officers Meeting (Knights Hall)	7:00 PM
MON	18	3 rd Degree Exemplification (Knights Hall)	6:45 PM
MON	18	K of C General Meeting (Knights Hall), Social (Kilduff Hall)	7:30 PM
FRI	22	Baseball Fellowship Night at Ripken Stadium	7:00 PM
SUN	24	Catholic Charities Ice Cream Social	2:00 PM
SUN	31	5t Sunday Rosary @ SFDS	9 AM & 1:30 PM
		ALL EVENTS SUBJECT TO CHANGE	

DAY	DATE	SEP 2025	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 @ SFDS (Kilduff Hall)	6:00 PM
SAT	13	Little Sisters of the Poor Nun Run (Baltimore)	8:00 AM
MON	15	K of C General Meeting (Knights Hall), Social (Kilduff Hall)	7:30 PM
SAT	20	Unborn Prayer Service @ SFDS Unborn Garden	5:00 PM
SAT	27	KofC Car Show @ SFDS Parking Lot	8 AM - 2 PM
		ALL EVENTS SUBJECT TO CHANGE	

DAY	DATE	OCT 2025	TIME
SAT	4	Bridge for Life (I95 Overpass near SFDS)	9 - 11 AM
MON	6	K of C General Meeting (Knights Hall)	7:30 PM
FRI	10	Family Bingo Night @ SFDS (Kilduff Hall)	6:00 PM
MON	13	K of C Officer Meeting (Knights Hall)	7:00 PM
SAT	18	KofC Pasta Dinner Fundraiser	5 – 9 PM
MON	20	K of C General Meeting, Social (Kilduff Hall)	7:30 PM
		ALL EVENTS SUBJECT TO CHANGE	

Our new board of officers are:

- Angie Rebbert, President
- Kathy Batdorf, Vice President
- Susan Pfarr, Secretary
- Barb Arnold, Treasurer

Our Spring events were incredibly successful. Our luncheon Bingo was held on March 22nd. Participants enjoyed a delicious lunch, and played regular, special, and jackpot games. The raffles were plentiful. We realized a profit of \$9,077.37

Our annual baby shower for CHOOSE HOPE was held on April 6th. Besides the many baby supplies, including clothing, diapers, formula and various other items, we presented a check in the amount of \$2,102.

Our 300 Raffle was sold out. There was \$1,500 given out in prizes and \$1,500 check for the St Francis de Sales Capital Campaign.

We tried something new this spring, thanks to the Shadow Players - our first "Mystery Dinner". The Venetian Palace catered the dinner and the Shadow Players presented the superbly entertaining show – "Murder at the Bingo." A wonderful time was had by all AND the biggest surprise was – there was NO murder at the bingo.

Our Ladies were fortunate to spend some time on Saturday, May 6th at the Little Sisters of the Poor. We started the day with Mass in the Chapel, followed by a wedding of two of the residents. We served lunch and afterward played Bingo with the residents. A donation of \$500 was given to them to help with their many expenses.

Our Ladies Auxiliary not only raises money for various charities, we also enjoy the time we spend with each other. We are beyond a doubt a fun-loving group of Ladies!

Angie Rebbert

President, Ladies Auxiliary

Father Maurice J. Wolfe Council #11372

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News from State Council

Columbus Day Ball

Columbus Day Ball, October 11, 2025

Cost: \$75 per person
Reservations Required

Location : Columbus Gardens
4301 Klosterman Ave
Nottingham, MD 21236

Cocktails 6:00 PM
Dinner 7:15 PM: Dinner and Dancing Music
Open Bar All Night

Flyer with more information at:

<https://kofc-md.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/Final-2025-Columbus-Day-Ball-Flyer.pdf>

NAVY FOOTBALL GAME

NAVY Vs. University of South Florida

Saturday November 15, 2025

Game Time TBA

Tailgate TBA

Location: Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium,
Annapolis, MD

The Pregame Tailgate:

Cost: \$10.00 per person

To attend please RSVP !!

Send RSVP and Questions to:

Thom Partenope, Chairman

Thom.pfn379@gmail.com

Flyer with more information at:

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2025

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

AT ST FRANCIS DE SALES CHURCH

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BASEBALL NIGHT OF FELLOWSHIP

— *August 22nd* —
7:05pm

Ticket price : **\$43/person**



LEIDOS FIELD AT RIPKEN STADIUM

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FIREWORK NIGHT & 2-HOUR ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT

Grilled burgers
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Potato salad
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Soft drinks

Email markwieczynskikofc@gmail.com for tickets
Ticket orders & money are due no later than August 1st by 5pm



Special Intentions

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

Steve Wisniewski – RIP	Betty Lou Walsh (RIP)	Grace Mary Eder (RIP)
Edie Nelson (RIP)	Rita Rebbert (RIP)	Charles Childs (RIP)
Edwar Sokoll (RIP)	Van Christ (RIP)	Nicholas Wingrove (RIP)
Betty Elizabeth Traube (RIP)	Margaret Wise (RIP)	Colleen Knott (RIP)
Dennis Feehley (RIP)	Fr. Lawrence Decker	Deacon Jim Sullivan
Deacon Carlos Morales	Mike and Janet Novak	Walter Novak
Phil and Susan Pfarr	Edward Seglach	Mike and Denise Walsh
Cooper and Eric Young	Carroll McKenna	Gabe Punti
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Jonathan Herpel	Sean Moderacki	Carroll McKenna
Richard Pecone	Keith Arndt	Stephanie Krech
Kent Bromwell	Val Waudby	Anne Mangones
Lenny Stielper III	Bruce Snyder	Ed Pavlitsa
Ann Dannenfelser	Ron Gutowski	Patty Childs
Sandy and Charlie Gill	Vicki Cohen	Venita Hatch
Caleb Hardy	Albert Thompson	Jack Flynn
Tom Hampton	Jon and Kelly Fricke	Martha Childs
Donna Ceroy	Michael McFadden	Valerie Sanders
Daniel Kerins		

Pray for our country's servicemembers serving around the world and first responders, especially the police officers and firefighters. 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/or suffered a miscarriage, and for all people contemplating suicide.



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Lee Eder, FN, PGK

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