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Please help support the Ladies at our next Burger Night on March 21st.

# Grand Knight's Column

Looking ahead to the next fraternal year starting on July 1, our council will elect new officers at our May meeting. What are the officer positions? An explanation of these positions is included with this newsletter for your review. Please consider a leadership position in Council 722.

A Membership Drive is scheduled for the South Side parishes the weekend of March 16th/17th. Please, if you are able, try to attend the masses that weekend at Immaculate Conception, St. Peter Claver, and SS. Cyril & Methodius, and volunteer to speak with people interested in joining.

Mark your calendars: 5th Friday Fish Fry on March 29th. Bring your friends and family for a great Lenten Fish Fry! We will have normal table service; no need to call ahead to place your order.

Please check your church bulletins for Lenten events. Our parishes work hard to prepare events in order to help everyone get into the spirit of the season. I encourage everyone to try to attend the holiest of days when we get to Holy Week.



# Knight's Calendar

KC Rosary for Vocations – St. Clement, Sheboygan every Tuesday 3p.m. during Eucharistic Adoration

#### March

- 7 Officer Meeting 5:45
- 14 KC Membership Meeting 7; Ladies Aux. 7
- 16 Church Drive South Side Parishes
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- 20 4th Degree Meeting; Social 6; Dinner 7; KC Center
- 21 3rd Thursday Burger Night 5-7
- 23 40 Days for Life, 12-2pm, outside Planned Parenthood, Taylor Drive
- 24 Seder Meal assistance, 6:45, SPC
- 29 Good Friday
- 29 Fifth Friday Fish Fry, 4:30-7, KC Center
- 31 Easter

#### April

- 4 Officer Meeting 5:45
- 11 KC Membership Meeting 7; Ladies Aux. 7
- 14 No Greater Love Movie St. Dominic
- 17 4th Degree Meeting; Social 6; Dinner 7
- 18 3rd Thursday Burger Night 5-7

This particular QR code directs users to <u>kofc.org/join</u> webpage. This is a simple way to invite new members into our council.



Join the Knights

Happy Lent! Gary Reinholtz, Grand Knight

### **Scholarship for Graduates**

Knights of Columbus Council #722 of Sheboygan has a scholarship available for high school graduates. Eligibility is for high school graduates who are children of a member of Knights of Columbus #722 of Sheboygan and are pursuing a post-secondary education for the school year of 2024-25. The amount is \$1,000.





### Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for March

Vatican City, 1 March 2024 (VIS) – The Holy Father's prayer intention for March – For the New Martyrs "For those around the world who risk their lives for the Gospel, to inspire the Church with their courage and missionary zeal."

### Chaplain's Column

Brother Knights and Families,

Although Easter is on March 31<sup>st</sup>, I will wait until April for an Easter reflection. I will use March for an on-going Lenten Message. As we give of our time, talents, and charity this Lent let us be mindful of the times that we want to receive praise for our good deeds. Are we seeking the attention of others, rather than acknowledging that the attention of God is sufficient? Let us remain anonymous in our good works this Lent and our lifetime. The more challenging thing may be to avoid being downtrodden about what are trying to give up during Lent. Whether we give up desserts, candy, smoking, alcohol, our favorite food, lack of charity, swearing, to just name a few. Have we already given up trying to do anything positive this Lent? Instead of focusing on this 40 days, just try to take one week at a time or better yet one day at a time to make a positive change this Lent.

Our personal sacrifices should not have a negative impact on those around us. Our fasting from negative thinking and actions should help us grow and change in a positive way, not alter our personality into that of a "grumpy" person. Our self- denial of negative thinking and actions should help make our prayer life a priority during Lent. Prayer is the way we grow in relationship with God and Jesus. Every daily routine action can be a prayer. As you may go about your daily work, why not pray to God asking Him to help you use this grace to overcome a bad habit from your life? When someone gets in front of you at the check out line in the store and has a full cart of items do you "swear" at them even if it is only in your mind? Ask God to bless them. I am sure you get the idea!!!

#### **Reflect on the Easter Prayer**

Lord Jesus this Easter, may we remember why this season is celebrated above all others. When we see eggs and rabbits, remind us of the joy brought by all the new life, both through springtime in nature and eternal life through your resurrection. When we see bright ribbons and colors, may we remember the joy of this season. Above all, help us remember the greatest gift of all, your conquest of death and sin which saved us from eternal death and opened Heaven's gates for all of us. Fr. Dick

# <u>Fourth Degree News</u> <u>From Your Faithful Navigator</u>

Worthy Sir Knights and Ladies,

We will again gather at the Knights of Columbus Center in Sheboygan on March 20th for a 6:00 social time with a meal and meeting to follow starting at 7:00.

I was told we can look forward again to one of my perennial favorites in honor of my namesake, corned beef and cabbage. For those whose taste has not yet developed a desire to savor that cuisine, there will be another dish that may appeal to your palate.

Some of you may remember that my wife and I went to a Marian Apparition site in 1994 called Medjugorje. It has been reported that Mary has been appearing there daily to some of the six original children, (now adults) since June 21st, 1981. On the 25th of each month she gives a message of counsel and encouragement that is sent out by various means to the whole world. She is also giving each of them ten secrets whereupon when all six of them have the ten secrets, those events will start to happen. So far, 3 of them have all ten, and 3 have nine of the ten secrets. The following is a reflection on the most recent message given on February 25th, 2024. When you read it, I hope you pray about weeding out any weeds, (Darnel) that may be present in your heart choking off the good fruits. We hope to see you all on the 20th.

#### FN Deacon Pat

A special message from Medjugorje is included in the pages of the email version.

### Current Council 722 Officers

Grand Knight, Gary Reinholtz 920-917-3676 Deputy Grand Knight, David Boyce 414-436-4070 Financial Secretary, Bob Jeske 920-207-7229 Chancellor, Jeffrev Davis 920-946-9101 Recorder, Dino Castillo Treasurer, Don Grimm 920-946-1281 Advocate, Deacon John Gavin 920-457-8226 Lecturer, Larry Lenhardt 920-980-5694 Warden, Mike Wirth 920-457-9095 Inside Guard, Francis Goettl Jr 920-458-1470 Outside Guard, Jeremiah Rauwerdink 920-918-7031 Three Year Trustee, Thomas Jetzer 262-955-0048 Two Year Trustee, Mike Johnson 920-980-9869 One Year Trustee, Alvin Ice 405-696-6916

# Prayers Requested

Please pray for our fellow Brothers or members of their families who have taken ill or are in distress in some way.

Chris Bramm, Christy Carpenter, Charlene and Francis D. Goettl, Sr., Ken Johnson, Randy & Julie Lorfeld, Rhonda Fouts, Bob Jeske, Frank and Linda Keglovits, Cindy Keglovits Trieu, Larry Lenhardt, Don and Jane Lydolph, William Peloquin, Don Pitzen, Lynn Schnell, Anchor of Hope Health Center, Children of the Knights and special intentions

If you know of a Brother Knight or his family member who needs our prayers or a visit, contact our Grand Knight Mike Gary Reinholtz so he can inform the members of our Council. Contact: 920-917-3676 or webmastersheboygankofc.com

February Knight of the Month

Cole Rauwerdink & Trey Castillo February Family of the Month

Laurie Hylen

In Memoriam

William D. Peloquin

### Years of Service

| John T Nielsen             | 62 | John M Vertacic     | 36 |
|----------------------------|----|---------------------|----|
| Adalbert C Miller          | 59 | William P Greinke   | 32 |
| Elmer J Schemenauer        | 58 | Joel B Sandersen    | 22 |
| Richard E Edman            | 55 | Eric K Lee          | 18 |
| <b>Richard A Opgenorth</b> | 55 | Bruce D Timm        | 17 |
| Joseph Vonder Vellen       | 55 | Matthew P Bayens    | 16 |
| Carlton J Hinz Sr          | 53 | Bob J Konrad        | 12 |
| Timothy J George           | 45 | Guy A Miller        | 12 |
| Richard A Bader            | 43 | Dr Robert Armstrong | 11 |
| Gary J Grossheim           | 40 | lain J Fouts        | 3  |
| Leonard E Melanz           | 40 | Dennis G Van Hoof   | 3  |
| Jerome A Grohskopf         | 36 | Ryan M Burch        | 2  |
|                            |    | Adam Hager          | 2  |
|                            |    | Vince A Karls       | 2  |
|                            |    | Brett R Goebel      | 1  |
|                            |    | James Berlin        | 1  |

### Happy Birthbay! Wishing you a day that is as special in every way as you are!

| Charles Frederickson  | 03-02-1941 |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Joseph L Kerlin       | 03-02-1966 |
| Adam Hager            | 03-07-1976 |
| Steven R Heun         | 03-07-1965 |
| Richard C Yurk        | 03-11-1945 |
| Nicholas Dickrell Jr  | 03-15-1931 |
| Daniel F Dohms        | 03-16-1937 |
| Christopher B Elsen   | 03-20-1970 |
| Roger A Eberhardy     | 03-21-1935 |
| Roland M Neumann Jr   | 03-24-1931 |
| James Raff            | 03-24-1961 |
| Jeremiah J Rauwerdink | 03-24-1980 |
| Roger F Lahm          | 03-27-1937 |
| Richard A Bader       | 03-29-1942 |

### Wisconsin State Council Knights of Columbus Charity Raffle

1st – 2024 Ford Ranger or \$50,000.00 2nd – 2024 Harley Davidson or \$25,000.00 3rd – 100th \$500.00

The Wisconsin State Council of the Knights of Columbus through its Charity Fund will help alleviate sorrow, ease financial burdens, and restore hope to families and victims of accidents and illness. Council 722

State Charity Raffle Chairman: Mike Kaffine 920-946-4893 Michael.Kaffine@kohler.com



Saint Michael the Archangel,

defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen

### Campus Corner - CCA

Welcome to Lent! Students at Christ Child Academy are praying the Stations of the Cross on Tuesdays and Fridays each week until Holy Week. This practice helps us to grow closer to Christ and to meditate on the extreme sacrifice of the Passion. We are also attending Reconciliation during this most important time of preparation.

Congratulations to 8th grader Owen Pence who was the regional spelling bee champion for our area which was held at Acuity on Tuesday, January 23rd. Owen will be competing at the state level on March 16th in Madison. We are so proud of him and wish him the best of luck representing us in our state's capital.

In October, the middle school students entered the Patriot's Pen essay contest, sponsored by local VFW Post 9156, on the topic "How are you inspired by America?" At the local Post Level, out of 72 entries, two CCA students finished in the top five to be submitted to the District Level. Congratulations to Christopher Parmley (gr. 7) and Daisy Barron (gr. 6). Christopher and Daisy, along with their families and Mrs. Scharenbroch, will be invited to an awards program to celebrate their outstanding essay awards being held on Thursday, April 18th. Congratulations to all of our student writers for their efforts!

We are pleased to announce the results of the Catholic Schools Week Penny War. The 4th grade class was the overall winner and will have possession of the infamous traveling trophy. Congratulations to all our students and families for donating a grand total of \$1,444.17! The total proceeds will be donated to the Joe Parra Memorial Fund.

Recently, CCA held the school Geography Bee for grades 4-8. Congratulations to Alejandro Stauber (gr. 8) who earned 1st place in the contest and Sam Polzin (gr. 7) who finished in 2nd place. Also, congratulations and great job to all the participants!

Registration for the 2024-2025 school year has begun! Christ Child Academy is a 3K preschool through 8th grade Catholic school serving the community of and around Sheboygan. We will once again be offering half-day (five mornings a week) and full-day options (five days per week) for 3K and 4K preschool. If you or someone you know is interested in touring the school and discovering what Christ Child Academy has to offer, please contact the school at (920) 459-2660.

Christ Child Academy is a part of the Wisconsin Private School Choice Program (WPCP). This program allows eligible students to attend our school tuition-free through a state aid payment, on behalf of the student's parent or guardian. It means eliminating barriers to Catholic schooling for eligible families. Family eligibility is subject to WPCP income and residency requirements. The WPCP application dates run from February 1, 2024 through April 18, 2024.

The CCA Fund-a-Cause for Winter Extravaganza this year is a new dishwasher for the kitchen and a floor scrubber for the hallways and Staskunas Activity Center/Gymnasium. Our goal is to raise \$15,500. If you would like to contribute towards these important causes, please place your donation in an envelope and mark it CCA Fund-a-Cause and drop it off at the school office, the church office, or in the collection basket.

Our 7th and 8th graders recently competed in the 54th Annual Roncalli Math Bowl. Christ Child entered seven teams in the Bowl and had the First Place team as well as the 1st and 2nd place overall high-scoring individuals! Congratulations to all our competitors who were willing to compete in this very challenging contest, and special kudos to Rocky Richter, Lilliana Contreras, and Norah Specht who made up the winning team. 23 teams competed in all from schools across the region.

Respectfully submitted, Melissa Raff Christ Child Academy Middle School Math/Science

# Knights In Action February



Members of Council 722 and the Ladies Auxiliary show their support for Bruce and Marcia Timm's mission to La Sagrada Familia.





Faithful Navigator Continued...

Dear Family of Mary! We received this message from Our Lady through Marija Pavlovic-Lunetti on February 25, 2024:

"Dear children! Pray and renew your heart so that the good which you have sown may bear the fruit of joy and oneness with God. Darnel has seized many hearts and they have become unfruitful; that is why, you little children, be light, love and my outstretched hands in this world which yearns for God Who is love. Thank you for having responded to my call." (February 25, 2024)

Many of you have written or called me asking what or who is Darnel? What is Our Lady telling us? Briefly, I want to explain it! Darnel is a plant! It is the plant that is referred to in the parable of the Weeds and the Wheat, (Mt 13:24-30).

"Another parable he put before them, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field; but while men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. And the servants of the householder came and said to him, 'Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then has it weeds?' He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' The servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he said, 'No; lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them. Let both grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'" (Matthew 13:24-30, RSV-CE)

Darnel is a plant that looks very much like wheat when it first begins to grow. If the weed, Darnel, is scattered among the wheat plants, it is very hard to detect. You can't tell the difference at the beginning, and so it must be allowed to grow to maturity and then gathered and burned. If it is not separated at the harvest time, it will contaminate the wheat crop, because it's seeds are poisonous. They cause hallucinations and many other mental illnesses. So you can see why Our Lady would warn us of Darnel in our hearts and in the hearts of all those around us. Darnel stands for the evil ideas, tendencies, habits, and desires that the enemy sows in hearts. When first planted in people's hearts, these ideas may seem good or harmless at best. But they are not from God and lead to evil. Many lives will become fruitless if these evil weeds are left to grow.

We need to keep our own hearts clean of Darnel, and to help others by our love and light, to reject the Darnel in their hearts as well. This is truly a warning against Modernism in all its forms, which has contaminated the whole world. But Our Lady is here to weed the garden!

Thanks for your patience. I just wanted to make sure everyone understood this amazing message! There are many applications of this image of Wheat and Darnel! Take it to prayer!! God wants to give us His light!!

In Jesus, Mary and Joseph! Cathy Nolan