



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MT PROSPECT COUNCIL № 6481 NEWSLETTER



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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 2 The Gathering VIII
- 5 Officers' Planning Session, 7:30 PM
- 9 Spelling Bee
- 11 Monthly Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
- 18 Presidents Day
- 23 District 4 Free Throw Championship
- 25 Deadline for next month's Newsletter articles

## GOOD OF THE ORDER

We request prayers for our Brother Knights, relatives, and friends: *Barb Chengary; Donald Gniech; David Gniech; Alli Gniech; Becky Gniech; Erica Faulhaber; Diana Valdivieso; † Joe Ksandr; † Edward Murtha; Tom Shelven, Jim Murphy; Beverly Glowacki; Denny Shook*

## 2018-2019 COUNCIL LEADERSHIP

Chaplain	<a href="#">Fr Jim Presta</a>
Grand Knight	<a href="#">Dan Burkhard</a>
Deputy Grand Knight	<a href="#">Rob Glowacki</a>
Chancellor	<a href="#">Sy Beck</a>
Advocate	<a href="#">Mike Hoban</a>
Financial Secretary	<a href="#">Stephen Abbott</a>
Treasurer	<a href="#">Russ Holmgren</a>
Recorder	<a href="#">Paul Birch</a>
Warden	<a href="#">Dan DeGregorio</a>
Inside Guard	<a href="#">Bob Gniech</a>
Outside Guard	<a href="#">Dennis Paoli</a>
Lecturer	<a href="#">Rudy Faulhaber</a>
Three Year Trustee	<a href="#">Dennis Gawlik</a>
Two Year Trustee	<a href="#">John Fannon</a>
One Year Trustee	<a href="#">John Hadfield</a>
Field Agent	<a href="#">John Kiener</a>
District Deputy	<a href="#">Ray Cordell</a>
Membership Director	
Program Director	<a href="#">Dennis Gawlik</a>
Community PD	<a href="#">Jack Bagot</a>
Faith PD	
Family PD	
Life PD	
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St Cecilia RTC	<a href="#">Ron Boucher</a>
St Emily de Rodat RTC	<a href="#">Jim Chengary</a>
St Raymond De Peñafort RTC	<a href="#">Rob Glowacki</a>
St Thomas Becket RTC	<a href="#">Mike Hoban</a>
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## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Dear Brother Knights,

On February 2, the Church celebrates the **Feast of the Presentation of the Lord**. Forty days after Jesus' birth, we remember that Mary and Joseph presented the Lord at the temple. On this occasion, Simeon and Anna encounter the Lord Jesus and they thank God, for they have seen the Messiah, a "light to the nations." This day is often called "**Candlemas**" because it is a day when we bless the candles that will be used for celebration of the Holy Mass.



This day is also observed as **World Day for Consecrated Life**. Its purpose is "to help the entire Church to esteem ever more greatly the witness of those persons who have chosen to follow Christ by means of the practice of evangelical counsels" as well as "to be a suitable occasion for consecrated persons to renew their offering of themselves to the Lord" (*St. John Paul II, 1997*).

Please pray in gratitude to the Lord for all the consecrated women and men religious who have dedicated their lives in generous service to the Church.

Please also pray for an increase in holy and zealous vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life.

In Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Fr. Jim Presta

## GRAND KNIGHT'S CORNER

Brothers,

A big thank you to Dennis for putting on another successful Free Throw Championship! I also like to thank all the Brothers and family members that braved the cold weather and came out to support it: Dan Burkhard, Jack Hadfield, Ed Janak, John Heidcamp, Joe Corrigan, Jim Chengary, Mike Hoban, Rudy Faulhaber, Andrea Burkhard, Nancy Hoban, Bridget Gawlik, Juan Huerta, Paul Folino, Tom Smith, Sy Beck, and our new transfer SK Steve Meineck PGK who volunteered to be our announcer! Next up we have our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Spelling Bee on Sat Feb 9. We hope to see some new faces come out with their family to support and participate in this Faith in Action Program.

Our Current Membership Goal Reporting Numbers are still in flux due to some Brothers transferring in and out, one new member, and others that are sadly now in memoriam.

Council Membership	Progress						
Total Membership	YTD Change	Quota		Month to Date			
1/25/19				Gain	Loss	Net	%
160	-6	Members	11	1	0	1	9
		Insurance	4	0	0	0	

In my monthly membership report, I see 145 total in our Council Membership. I also see 47 members whose dues are still pending. For those that are still pending, I ask that you take a moment to review the 2<sup>nd</sup> Dues Notification you received in the mail and submit your payment today!

To all members along with participation in our programs, it is time for you to help to strengthen and grow your Council by asking new men to "**Join Us**"! Vivat Jesus!

## IN MEMORIAM

Edward Grady "Neddie" Murtha: <https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/dailyherald/obituary.aspx?n=edward-grady-murtha-neddie&pid=191133412>

Joseph Ksandr: <https://www.riverwoodsfc.com/obituary/joseph-ksandr>

## KNOW YOUR FAITH

Growing secularism, attacks on the value and the gift of human life, attempts to redefine traditional marriage, and serious curtailments of our religious rights are threats that emphasize the need for a *New Evangelization* in today's world. It calls us to faith, instills hope, and fills us with love. This month we highlight the next booklet in the series.

### *The Beauty of Holiness: Sacred Art and the New Evangelization*

Masterpieces of sacred art reflect the new dimension of beauty that entered the world in Jesus Christ, the "image of the invisible God" (Colossians 1:15). As works of art lead us from seeing to contemplation to adoration, they allow us to encounter the divine beauty of Trinitarian love revealed in the human face of Christ.

To download, go to <https://kofc.org/en/resources/cis/cis418.pdf>. To view on-line, [click here](#).



## FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS

We applaud our fellow Brother Knights on the anniversary of their admission and continual membership in the Knights of Columbus: 1977-Stanley Fejdasz; 1992-Richard Otto; 1993-Bryan Blau; 2003-John Leone, Benjamin Palafox, and Kevin Prior; 2017-Paul Folino.

We pass along happy wishes for a delightful birthday to our Brother Knights: 2-Rev Gerald Meyer & John Connelly; 3-Gary St Onge; 7-Andrew Muller; 10-Thomas Kelly; 16-Edward Higginson; 23-Joseph Klop; 24-Thomas Kinasz & Francisco Falliano; 27-Sтивен J Heinz.

## JOE KSANDR

### A Reflection — by PGK Paul Birch

Our Council is like a body. There is the head which would be our Officers. There is a brain which would be our Grand Knight. Our limbs are our committees and our members are the blood that keeps it all working. And then we have Joe Ksandr.

Joe, for many years was always around to be a helpful hand. He was a constant presence in our Council. For many year Joe Chaired our golf outing and our Corporate Communion Breakfast, which included our raffle. He was also our Chef. He would and supply feed us at every meeting with refreshments. When it got to be too much for Joe, he reluctantly gave it up. He always had helpful input into our meetings.

For his efforts, Joe was awarded the Bill Mulderink Knight of the Year Award a few years back. Joe passed away a few days ago and he will be missed. Getting back to my story about the Council being the body and such. If the Council is our body, then Joe was our soul. I will miss you Joe! The Council will miss you as well. Rest in peace old friend



## COUNCIL REPORTS

### District Deputy — District 4 Free Throw Championship

Thanks go to Mt Prospect Council and RTC Rob Glowacki for hosting this year's District 4 Free Throw Championship on Feb 23 at St Raymond De Peñafort Gym. We will begin at 9 AM with set-up, 9:30 registration, and competition beginning at 10 AM. If you wish to volunteer for this event, please contact me at [gk4483@wideopenwest.com](mailto:gk4483@wideopenwest.com). — Ray Cordell

### Christmas Wreath Sale — 2018 Results

This was our best year for Wreath sales in recent memory. Total sales were \$7,644.00, less the cost of the wreaths and postage for a profit of \$2,887.00. We will be distributing \$400 to each of our five Parishes and using the remainder to partially pay for rosaries for our Confirmation candidates in our five parishes. The wreath program entails a lot of work from many people at a busy time of the year. It shows that we are a vibrant Council! Thanks to all who helped and/or bought wreaths. — Jack Baggot & Rob Glowacki

### Membership — New First, Second, and Third Degree Knights

On Sunday, Jan 27, our Seminarian Daniel Villalobas completed his Admission, Formation, and Knighthood degrees, while Brother Knight Walter Szymczak fulfilled the requirements for his Formation and Knighthood degrees.

Congratulations to both our Brother Knights on deepening your appreciation and energizing your commitment to Charity, Unity, and Fraternity by attaining full Knighthood in our Order.



## **Treasurer**

	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Opening: Dec 1, 2018			\$23,164.75
Buttons & Magnets (Seminarian Fund)	\$442.00		
Dues	\$1,330.00		
Wreath Sales	\$974.00		
ID Drive	\$336.00		
Split-the-Pot	\$105.00		
Christmas party	\$625.00		
Donations	\$74.00		
Miscellaneous	\$41.56		
Illinois State Charities (ID Proceeds)		\$15,651.62	
Knight of the Year Plaque		\$163.30	
Seminarian Support (Hinderer & Villalobos)		\$1,000.00	
Newsletter (Postage)		\$30.00	
Seminarian Raffle Proceeds		\$237.28	
Supplies		\$21.63	
Newsletter (Printing)		\$25.00	
Refreshments		\$122.79	
Christmas Party		\$987.63	
Donations (Fr Gilbert Mashurnao & Stacey Janak Family)		\$500.00	
Closing: Dec 31, 2019			\$8,413.06

## ***FAITH IN ACTION***

### **Community — *Free Throw Championship***

We had 23 sharp shooters participating and 19 Knights and three daughters conducting year's Free Throw Tournament on Jan 21. Of our 23 shooters, 20 came from St Emily School, two from Euclid School, and one from St Raymond De Peñafort School.

Our Girl Champions are: 9 yr-old: Madelyn Howell; 10 yr-old: Angelina Calvacca; 11 yr-old: Katie Stevens; 13 yr-old: Carmela Martinez. Our Boy Champions are: 9 yr-old Luke Streff; 10 yr-old Cameron Cotton; 11 yr-old Nathaniel Cha; 12 yr-old Jeffrey Beckert; 13 yr-old Séan Burns.

Our Council winners now advance to the District 4 Free Throw Championship on Feb 23 at St Raymond De Penafort Gym.

### **— *Spelling Bee***

Of the eight schools with grades 6-8 in Mt Prospect and Prospect Heights, seven responded to our call for participations in our spelling, with five saying yes. We will hold our spelling bee on Saturday, Feb 9, starting at 9 am with registration. Thank you to the eight Brother Knights who signed u to help at the Bee.

## ***PATRIOTIC DEGREE REPORT***

### **Marquette Province - Northern Illinois District**

Northern Illinois District will hold a Fourth Degree Exemplification on Saturday, April 13, in Mundelein IL. You must be a Third Degree member in good standing with the Council to be eligible for the Fourth Degree.

For information concerning the Northern Illinois District 1 of the Fourth Degree, visit <http://www.4thdegreeillinoisdistrict1.com>.

### **Bishop Raymond P Hillinger Assembly 1595**

Hillinger Assembly convenes on the third Monday of the month, at Our Lady of Ransom Church, 8300 N Greenwood Ave, Niles, at 7:30 PM. For other information regarding Hillinger Assembly's activities, go to <http://kofcknights.org/Assembly.asp?A=1595>.

### **St Elizabeth Ann Seton Assembly 2410**

Seton Assembly gathers on the third Tuesday of the month, at the KC Hall, 15 N Hickory Ave, Arlington Heights, 7:30 PM. For further information regarding Seton Assembly's activities, go to <http://kofcknights.org/Assembly.asp?A=2410>.







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*All faiths welcome!*

# The Gathering VIII

*Championship Moments of Faith & Life*

Saturday February 2, 2019

Starting at 8:30 AM for breakfast

Featured Speakers:

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 Be Challenged, Inspired  
 Hot Lunch Provided  
 Limited seating!

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 Chaplain Chicago Cubs, converted  
 to Catholicism, was called to the Priesthood!



**Thomas Brejcha**  
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 restoring respect in law for life, family & religious liberty.



**Pastor Corey Brooks**  
 Founder & Senior Pastor New Beginning Church of Chicago  
 Pastor Corey Brooks is also the founder and CEO of  
 Project H.O.O.D Communities Development Corporation.



**Fr Terry Keehan**  
 Pastor, Holy Family Catholic Community  
 Internationally acclaimed motivational speaker & former  
 star basketball player at University of Nebraska Omaha.



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