



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MT PROSPECT COUNCIL Nº 6481 NEWSLETTER

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 2 Officers' Planning Session, 7:30 PM
- 6 IL KofC Free Throw & Spelling Bee Finals
- 8 Monthly Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
- 12 Stations of the Cross, St Emily, 7 PM
- 21 Easter
- 25 Deadline for next month's Newsletter articles
- 28 Mercy Sunday

## GOOD OF THE ORDER

We request prayers for our Brother Knights, relatives, and friends: † Milton Bouvier, Donald Gniech, David Gniech, Alli Gniech, Erica Faulhaber, Becky Gowy, Barbara Chengary, Beverly Glowacki, Gloria Cook, Robert Cook, Lilli Pieroni, George Benign, Craig Baxter, Katrina Schultz, Diana Valdevieso, Tom Shelven, Jim Murphy, Fr John Roller; Patrick Woytych; James Cruz; Molly McLauire; Rev John Smyth; Ellen O Connor; Mickey & Bob Keenley

## 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>
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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>
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Community Director	<a href="#">Jack Bagot</a>
Faith Director	
Family Director	
Life Director	<a href="#">Don Hand</a>
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,

The Lenten Season is a sacred time for us to delve deeply into the Paschal Mystery. The Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Christ will unfold before us as we celebrate the beautiful liturgies of Holy Week. With great solemnity and devotion on Palm Sunday, we walk with Christ as the crowds triumphantly welcome him into Jerusalem. We commemorate the Institution of the Eucharist and the Priesthood as Jesus shares the Last Supper with his Apostles on Holy Thursday. We stand with the Blessed Mother at the foot of the Cross on Good Friday. In the darkness of the night at the Easter Vigil, we await with joyful hope the Resurrection of Jesus Christ on Holy Saturday.



On Easter Sunday, we celebrate the most important and precious truth of our Catholic faith: That Jesus Christ was raised from the dead, just as He promised. Jesus had to suffer and die so we might have life and life in abundance. We experience His Risen Presence among us. Jesus' Resurrection breathes new life and new hope in the world.

*This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it!*

*A Blessed Holy Week and Easter to all!*

In Jesus. Mary, and Joseph

Fr. James Presta

## GRAND KNIGHT'S CORNER

For those Brothers that were not able to attend the last Council meeting, we missed seeing you, praying with you, hearing your input on our programs and future events, and socializing with you after the meeting! Our meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:30 PM at St Emily unless otherwise noted on our Event Calendar. Please consider adding this date to your calendar. Your Brother Knights, Officers, and I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting!

Officer election time is just around the corner! If you are interested in becoming an Office or would like to nominate someone, please let us know at the April Council Business Meeting. The elections will be held in May and the elected officers will be inducted as part of the June Council Meeting.

We are still looking for members to coordinate next fraternal year's Intellectual Disability Fund drive. If you are interested, please contact me or let me know at our next Council meeting.

*May this Easter fill your home with peace and joy!*

Vivat Jesus!



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<http://www.kofc6481.org/>

## *KNOW YOUR FAITH – MONTHLY CHALLENGE*

An exciting initiative called *Monthly Challenge from the Supreme Chaplain* has begun. This is part of *Building the Domestic Church* — believing that how you live your faith in your Council, family, parish and community has a ripple effect that changes the world.

It is the family and Council who pray together, go to Mass weekly, frequents the Sacrament of Confession and, because they realize they are powerless without God, deliberately avoid that which pollutes their minds and hearts.

It is the imperfect, the humble and the joy-filled family and Council that rarely preach the faith because they are too busy living it.

Each Monthly Challenge is presented on the Knights of Columbus [website](#):

1. Archbishop Lori chooses a line or two from scripture (in the upcoming month) from one of the readings at Sunday Mass.
2. There is a brief reflection on the reading from the Archbishop.
3. The Archbishop gives you a challenge or two to live for the upcoming month.
4. The next month, the council reconvenes and shares what it was like living the challenge.



I invite you to go to <https://www.kofc.org/un/en/domestic-church/supreme-chaplain-monthly-challenge.html#/ThisMonth'sChallenge> to find this month's challenge, and join me in making this a sharing and building activity for you, your Council, your family, your parish and our community. — SK Robert W. Adams, Jr., FICF

### *APRIL CELEBRATIONS*

We applaud our fellow Brother Knights on the anniversary of their admission and continual membership in the Knights of Columbus: 1955-Thomas Kelly; 1973-Ronald Otero, John Rymarscuk; 1975-Rudy Faulhaber; 1991- Michael Fabbri; 1995-Natale Caputo; 2000-Kenneth Behrens; 2008-Loring Miceli; 2009-John Lussem; 2010-Erick Tafel; 2013-Frank Stompanato; 2016-Michael Caputo,



We pass along happy wishes for a delightful birthday to our Brother Knights: 2-Bernard Cassiere, Eric Haizel; 6-Robert Gniech; 7-Natale Caputo & Edward Janak; 8-Robert Fitzgerald; 11-Walter Szymczak; 12-Robert O'Shaughnessy; 13-Michael Caputo; 17-Leo Keiffer; 18-Rev John Barkemeyer; Kevin Prior; 19-Gary Grabarczyk; 20-John Fannon; 22-James Murphy & Thomas Thomas; 23-Mt Prospect Council 6481; 30-Natale Cale.

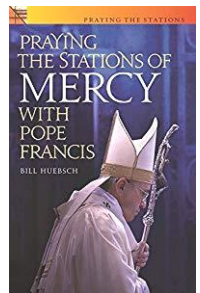
To send an email birthday greeting to a Brother Knight through our website: (1) Go to [www.kofc6481.org](http://www.kofc6481.org); (2) Click on EVENT CALENDAR; (3) Check  Show Birthdays; (4) Mouse over names to find a Brother Knight with an email address; (5) Click on that name to complete your birthday wish.

### *PARISH ROUND TABLE REPORTS*

#### St. Emily — *Praying the Stations of Mercy with Pope Francis, April 12*

The Way of the Cross leads us to contemplate the Passion of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to consider His great love for us, His humility, and the glory of the perfect offering He made in the work of our redemption.

Pastoral Minister Melissa Hajdu has requested that the Knights of Columbus again lead the Lenten Stations of Cross using *Praying the Stations of Mercy with Pope Francis*. SK Jim Chengary is organizing the event. The service will begin at 7 PM at St Emily. All Brother Knights are invited to attend and show our faith in action. For more information, contact Jim at 847-921-6738, [jimchengary@att.net](mailto:jimchengary@att.net).



### *COUNCIL REPORTS*

#### Treasurer

	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Opening: Feb 1, 2019			\$7,862.97
Dues/Entry fees	\$567.50		
Split-the-Pot	\$56.25		
Newsletter: Printing		\$25.00	
Misc. Supplies		\$255.82	
Christmas Wreath Distribution: \$400 per parish		\$2,000.00	
Refreshments		\$161.02	
Seminarian Exemplification		\$30.00	
Closing: Feb 28, 2019			\$6,014.88

## **Field Agent – Long-Term Care and the Cost to Families**

With the constant improvement of medical care, people are living longer and better. As a result, there is currently more than a 50 percent chance you will need some long-term care in your lifetime. Planning for a long retirement should include a plan for long-term care.

Typically, the younger and healthier you are when putting a long-term care insurance policy in place the less expensive it is. Another thing to consider when evaluating long-term care coverage is that over a third of those using long-term care services are under age 65, according to the US Department of Health and Social Services.

Knights of Columbus comprehensive long-term care insurance is designed to not only help with the cost of nursing home care but also can provide benefits for care in the comfort of your own home.

We can work together to structure a long-term care plan for you, which will be there to help both you and your loving family members. Please contact me, Robert W. Adams, Jr., FICF, 111 E. Busse Ave, #310, Mt. Prospect IL 60056; Phone: (847) 702-0573; Email: [Robert.Adamsjr@kofc.org](mailto:Robert.Adamsjr@kofc.org)

## **Council — Corporate Communion, St Cecilia, May 19. 9 AM**

We will have more details at our April 8 business meeting and next month's Council Newsletter.

## **Council — Council Officer Elections**

We will announce the preliminary slate of officers for the 2019-2020 fraternal year at our April 8 business meeting. Final slate will be in next month's Council Newsletter, with elections during May's meeting and installation of officers during June's meeting.



## ***FAITH IN ACTION REPORTS***

### **Community — Regional Spelling Bee**

On Saturday, March 2, our three Council spelling champs attended the regional spelling bee at St Catherine Labouré School in Glenview. There were 13 contestants from several local Councils. The Bee lasted nine rounds but only 42 words. Our Council representatives were well prepared and out-spelled all the other contestants.

Regional first place champion was Amanda Reyes. Coming in second was Stephanie Bennett, while Carmela Martinez finished in third place. All three are seventh grade students at St Emily and now advance to the Illinois KofC Spelling Bee in Chatham, IL on Saturday, April 6



### **— Regional Free Throw Championship**



All three District Free Throw Champions from Council 6481– and St Emily School – participated in the Regional Free Throw Championship at Transfiguration Parish in Wauconda on Saturday, March 9. Carmela Martinez finished second in the Girls-13 division, fifth grader Dominick Gebala reigned supreme in the Boys-9 division while Angelina Calvacca triumphed in the Girls-10 bracket. Congratulations best wishes to Dominick and Angelina on qualifying in the KofC Illinois State Free Throw Championship, also in Chatham, on Saturday, April 6.

As we have done in the past, the Council offers a \$50 gas card to each State Finalist (Free Throw and Spelling Bee) family, since Chatham is about 10 miles south of Springfield, IL.

### **Life — Extreme Abortion Legislation Introduced in Illinois Legislature**

During February, two bills were introduced in the Illinois legislature. The first seeks to strip unborn person of an protection – or even consideration – under the law and declare abortion to be a “fundamental right” and matter of health care. The second bill wants to repeal the Illinois Parental Notice of Abortion Act, which was upheld unanimously by the Illinois Supreme Court.

As people of faith, Cardinal Blaise Cupich urges us “...to defeat this radical departure from current law and practice in our state” and “to reach out to our State Representatives and Senators to defeat of these bills.” To find out more about these bills, refer to the Catholic Conference of Illinois website at <https://www.ilcatholic.org/>.



### **— Day of Prayer for the Unborn**

RTC Jim Chengary thanks the nine Brother Knights who participated in Mass on March 25 at St Emily to celebrate the International Knights of Columbus Day of the Unborn Child on the solemnity of the Annunciation. Mass was concelebrated by Brother Knights Father Gerald Meyer and Father Rafal Stecz. We had special petitions at Mass for the unborn and Fr Gerry led the congregation in the [Pray for Life](#), a prayer card that the Knights distributed to the over 120 worshipers in attendance.

## **Faith/Family — *Good Friday Living Way of the Cross***

The Way of the Cross, as devotion, has its origin in the Faithfull's retracing of Christ's steps in the City of Jerusalem. Throughout the centuries, believers have walked the streets and hills of Jerusalem, recalling the saving mysteries of Christ in the very place where they were accomplished. In time, the Church raised shrines and images representing the Holy Places of Jerusalem throughout the Christian world, so that those unable to make the long pilgrimage to Judea could nevertheless commemorate Christ's Passion by tracing the Way of the Cross.



St Emily's eighth grade class will present its annual Living Stations of the Cross at St Emily Paish on Good Friday, April 19, starting at 3 PM. All Knights and their families are invited to attend.

## ***PATRIOTIC DEGREE REPORT***

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

For information concerning the Northern Illinois District 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>.

### **Honor Guard Requests**

- Confirmation, St Emily Parish, Sunday, Apr 7, 2 PM
- Confirmation, St Alphonsus Liguori, Friday, Apr 12, 7 PM
- Mercy Sunday services, St Emily Parish, Sunday, April 28, 2 PM
- Mass of Thanksgiving, St Emily Parish, Sunday, June 2, 11:30 AM, celebrated by newly ordained Fr Ryan McMillin



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