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COUNCIL MEETING 2ND TUESDAY

FOURTH DEGREE 1ST THURSDAY

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Life is Short!

Greetings Brother Knights,

The year is passing by swiftly. It brings to mind our motto "**Tempus fugit memento mori**": Which means "**time flies: remember death**". It is a Latin phrase that serves as a reminder of the fleeting nature of time and the inevitability of death. It encourages individuals to live life to the fullest and make the most of the time they have, as death is an inescapable reality.

As summer is upon us we have some break in our activities and so we must enjoy our time with family, community and the environment around us.

Here are some of the upcoming Council happenings in July:

- July 1 K of C New Fiscal Year begins - New Officers
- July 4th US Independence day
- July 9th Council 695 Monthly Meeting 7:30 pm St John Vianney School
- July 10th Diocesan Meeting, Lansing, St. Francis Parish 2250 East Stadium Blvd, Ann Arbor,
- July 11th Saginaw Diocesan Meeting, Holy Spirit Parish 1035 N River Rd, Saginaw (alternative location)

As you read this the brunch and receptions for Fr Tom Firestone may be past. Thank you to all the Knights that assisted with parking as well as participated in the events. With the movement of Fr Tom to Senior Priest status and the revised mass schedules in place at St John Vianney and St Mary's Mission please think about how we should adapt our First Sunday Breakfast to reach the most participants of our Catholic community.

The Corporate Communion at

St. Matthew Church on Corpus Christi Sunday went well along with good Knight's participation. It was Fr. Anthony Strouse's first Corporate Communion with his Council 695. I want to thank all of our brothers that participated in the Corporate Communion as well as Assembly 510 Color Guard. We are planning more Corporate Communion's in the next year.

We are always looking for new members. If you know of any Catholic man that would be a good candidate, he can join for free! As we continue to celebrate Blessed Michael J. McGivney's Beatification, please enter the Promo Code **BLESSEDMCGIVNEY** to join online for free. Sign up online at **kofc.org** and the first-year dues are free. They should list 695 as the Council that they have interest in joining and we will work out the entry process.

Please keep all who agonize in your prayers; and pray for World Peace.

Vivat Jesu!

Joe Goergen
Grand Knight
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The second notice for dues and voluntary assessments was mailed last week. If you received the notice, please try to pay your annual dues as soon as you can. The assessments are optional.

If there is a reason you won't be sending payment, please let the Financial Secretary know by email at fs695@mikofc.org or call the council phone. This will save postage and printing of future reminders.



July 2024

Calendar of Events

- 3 Feast of St. Thomas, Apostle
- 4 Independence Day
- 9 Council 695 Meeting, St. John Vianney, 7:30 p.m.
- 11 Fourth Degree Meeting, Holy Redeemer Family Life Center, 7:30 p.m.
- 10 Diocesan K of C Summer Meeting - Ann Arbor
- 25 Feast of St James, Apostle
- 26 Summer Olympics Begins

New MASS Schedule

St. John Vianney	
Saturdays	4:00 pm
Sundays	11:00 am
	7:00 pm
St. Mary Mission	
Sundays	9:00 am

Effective July 1, 2024

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in your daily prayers*

Patriotic Month

Happy Birthday America! We thank our brave heroes who fought for our freedom that we enjoy today. Let's celebrate their memory by spreading love and goodwill to all. Don't forget to pray and give thanks to God, as stated in our Declaration of Independence:

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."



Our outstanding annual Golf Outing at Flushing Valley Golf Club is on Sunday, July 28th. The event will be a highly prized event and is a large fundraiser for our assembly. Please come to help, cheer on the players or even setup a foursome and play a round. Contact Lenny Accardo if you wish to join or help.

Our officer installation is tentatively scheduled for some time in August. Attend our next meeting for further details. In November we will host the Veterans Appreciation Dinner on Saturday, November 9th. Our Assembly thanks our Veterans who fought for our freedom. Finally, on December 14th, we will support the Wreaths Across America at Great Lakes Cemetery in Holly. Hope to see everyone at these events.

NOTE: Due to July 4th holiday, our next meeting will be on Thursday, July 11th at 7:30 p.m. in the Holy Redeemer Life Center. We meet the first Thursday of every month, hope to see you there.

Blessed Michael J McGivney and Monsignor Patrick R Dunigan, pray for us!

PGK Jack Tylus
Past Faithful Navigator
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4th July
★ **Happy** ★
Independence Day

Tigers

MICHIGAN STATE COUNCIL
FRATERNAL & FAMILY K OF C TIGER DAY 2024
DETROIT TIGERS VS. NEW YORK YANKEES
SATURDAY, AUGUST 17TH 2024 - 1:10 PM



The annual K of C Diocese of Lansing Vocations Night at Lansing Lugnuts baseball is scheduled for Friday, August 2. At time of publication, ticket information was not available. Watch the parish bulletins for details or contact the council by phone or email.

- Fr. Tom Firestone
- Dcn. Tony Verdun
- Rachel Pavone
- Beverly Sedlock
- Fr. Bill Giroux
- Duane Whitney
- PGK Tom Edelen
- John Sperla, Sr.
- John Sperla, Jr.
- George Plunkey
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- Jim Bonner
- Don O'Brien
- Doug McManus
- Don LaRochelle
- Sam Yanta
- John Koszegi
- Chuck Daley
- Jo Etue
- Edmund Evans
- Ken McDonald
- David Shaw
- Sue Zerweck
- Maureen Kelsey
- Marie Gillespie
- Sister Verona Wangler OP (deceased)
- PGK Dan Jordan (deceased)

Council News from June Meeting

Council met on Tuesday June 11 at 7:30 pm. There were 13 members in attendance. GK Goergen was out of town, so FS McCarthy and DGK PGK Harvey Yee ran the meeting. In the GK Report, members were thanked for supporting the Memorial Day Mass at Old Calvary. Two social events are coming up: Lansing Lugnuts game on August 2nd and Detroit Tiger game on August 17. FS McCarthy announced that Mark Ranville became an Honorary Life member in May. Council members continue to do lawn care at Heartbeat. If you can help, please contact Joe Goergen, Jack Tylus, or Heartbeat Director Jim Lusty. Building repairs and painting are in store later this summer.

PGK Mark Davidek reported for Assembly 510. The Sacred Heart Village dedication took place on Memorial Day. A flag retirement ceremony was planned for June 14 at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly. The annual golf scramble fundraiser is planned for Sunday July 28 at Flushing Valley Golf Course. Price is \$90 per person. Mark noted that Council

695 was the only council from the Assembly that has held Corporate Communion.

Council elections were held. Tom Brooks agreed to stay on as a Trustee (3-year), so council has the same Trustees for the coming year. All other officers continue their terms. The forms to report officers and directors for 2024-2025 have been submitted. MI Drive form and check has been submitted to the State Council. Form SP7 to report fraternal activities is to be submitted before the end of June.

Members unanimously approved \$100 donation to be a hole sponsor at the 4th degree golf outing. Also, up to \$200 was approved for tickets to the Lugnuts for youth altar servers, priests, and deacons. Council has not received ticket ordering information from the diocesan region.

Council member, Fr. Anthony Strouse, pastor of St. Matthew, has been appointed Dean of the Flint Deanery which includes parishes in and around Flint. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

2024 State Family of the Year Announced

This story is reprinted from mikofc.org website.

Article by Ken Warzybok - Fri, Jun 14, 2024

In 2018 (with 8 children and one on the way), the Ampe family were made aware of special needs children in Ukraine that needed homes, lots of love, and medical attention. They discussed the situation with their children who all agreed to adopt a Downs Syndrome child. They started the adoption process and flew to Ukraine to meet (and bring home) their 10th child (Cazimir). When they got there, they stumbled upon Henrik (another child with Downs Syndrome). They had a quick family meeting (via face-time) and the children asked their parents to please "Don't leave Henrik behind. Bring him home." Joe and Tiffany have stayed in touch with the families of Casimir and Henrik so they remain connected to their children and, just as important, Casimir and Henrik stay connected with their birth parents.

Then, in 2022, Russia invaded Ukraine and the war began. Joe and Tiffany (with their connection to Ukraine) could not sit by and do nothing. They began raising money and collecting food and medical supplies to take to Ukraine. They worked with their parish and the Knights of Columbus. They reached out beyond Joe's local council (689) to the entire district and raised over \$200,000 for Ukraine. Joe made 2 additional trips to Ukraine to deliver all food and medical supplies raised. The people he met were so grateful and were overwhelmed by the generosity of the Marquette Diocese and the Knights of Columbus (led and inspired by Joe and Tiffany and the entire Ampe family).

Joe and Tiffany have built a wonderful family firmly rooted in their Catholic faith. The Ampe family (along with the Knights in Marquette) have demonstrated their commitment to provide Ukraine with the love, food, medical supplies and money they need to survive.

Thank You Faithful Navigator Jack Tylus

PGK Jack Tylus, a Knight and member of Council 695 since March 2006 completes his term as Faithful Navigator of 4th Degree Assembly #510 on June 30th. The service and leadership shown by Jack these past two years has been exemplary. Throughout his time as FN, Jack also maintained a visible and active role in council 695. His monthly column in the Crusader was thought-provoking and inspiring. Thank you for your service and dedication to Assembly 510 and the Knights of Columbus.

Rest in Peace

PGK Daniel J. Jordan

Born: October 1, 1955

Died: June 7, 2024

July Birthdays

- 1 James G Neering
- 6 George E Plunkey
- 6 James R Skellett
- 10 Daniel M Campbell
- 12 Anthony W Gilbert
- 14 Joseph A Crimi
- 19 Matthew P Olson
- 20 Evan E Rowe
- 21 Richard J Folts
- 23 James P Neumann
- 24 Marvin H Nunn
- 29 Anthony J Vedock

Anniversaries

- 1 Matthew & Desiree Olson
- 6 Michael McCarthy & Paula Androsky
- 9 Scott & Raylene Kubacki
- 9 Frederick & Mary Johnson
- 11 Welton & Corrie Wright
- 12 Patrick & Kimberly Skellett
- 15 Louis & Megan Anderson
- 16 Mark & Sally Ranville
- 17 James & Kathy Neumann
- 20 Paul & Theresa Busque
- 23 James & Lynnmarie Lusty
- 24 Benjamin & Amanda Hutchins

New State Council Officers Elected

by Ken Warzybok, State PR Director

The delegates at the 124th Michigan Knights of Columbus State Convention have spoken. Congratulations to our State Board for the 2024/2025 Fraternal Year!

State Deputy-elect Barry Borsenik
 State Secretary-elect Charles E. McCuen
 State Treasurer-elect Vern Miron
 State Advocate-elect Daniel Fuller
 State Warden-elect Joel Kendzorski

Father, we lift our leaders up to You. Draw them close to Yourself and lead them in all that they will do. In Jesus' name we pray. AMEN



Left: Barry and Mandy Borsenik. Barry begins his term as State Deputy July 1. He is a member of Council #7233 in Birch Run.



Memorial Day Mass

Worshippers gathered for the annual Memorial Day Mass on May 27th at Old Calvary Cemetery. Despite the overcast skies, rains held off until after the services were complete. The event is a partnership among St. John Vianney Church, K of C Council 695, and the diocesan cemetery staff.

Mass at noon was celebrated by Pastor Fr. Tom Firestone with music provided by a team of SJV parish musicians. Tom Henthorn served as program chair for the council and he coordinated with the cemetery and parish office. Council 695 provided cookies and refreshments. Members assisted with parking on-site. Catholic Cemeteries provided hotdogs and chips for attendees.

Mass began and ended with a procession led by the Assembly 510 Color Corp under the direction of Commander Lenny Accardo. The color corp participation greatly added to the solemnity of this remembrance of those who died in service to the country. About 120-130 people attended.

May God Bless America!

Far right: Fr. Anthony Strouse, along with 3rd and 4th degree Knights, held a Corporate Communion at St. Matthew on June 2.

Right: Fr. Thomas Firestone processes through Assembly 510 Color Corp at Old Calvary Memorial Day Mass on May 27.



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