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COUNCIL MEETING 2ND TUESDAY

FOURTH DEGREE 1ST THURSDAY

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May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary!

Greetings Brother Knights,

We now have eighteen days remaining in the Easter season, (in May). Here are some things happening in May:

- May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- Our First Sunday Breakfast continues (May 5th) See below for more info!
- May 19th K of C 695 Corporate Communion at St Mary's Mission Church 9:30 am
- May 22nd to 24th Annual Knights of Columbus Convention
- May 27th - The Veterans Memorial Day Mass at Old Calvary Cemetery at Noon

The First Sunday Breakfast is continuing. The April 7th breakfast was well attended and we had the most food options. The next First Sunday Breakfast will be May 5th. We always need workers to assist for these events so we are not always relying on the same volunteers. Many hands make for light work.

The May 5th menu will serve: eggs, sausage, pancakes, French toast, biscuits and sausage gravy and fruit, along with juice, coffee and milk. We are drawing the 8 am mass attendees and getting a few before the 11 am mass. The serving will begin after mass (about 8:50) and ending by 10:30 am (so 11 am mass attendees may receive communion). The May breakfast will be our last for a while; we will likely resume it in the fall.

We will also be providing refreshments following the Memorial Day Veterans Mass at Old Calvary Cemetery on Ballenger Hwy at the Flint River. Volunteers are needed to setup and serve cookies and refreshments.

The first Corporate Communion at St. John Vianney Church was well received. It has been since before Covid that we last held one. We are having a couple more Corporate Communion at each of the Flint Churches for the next two months. May 19th (Pentecost Sunday) at St. Mary Church 9:30 am Mass and June 2nd (Corpus Christi Sunday) at St. Matthew Church at 11 am Mass.

I want to thank all of our brothers that participated in the two Financial Benefit presentations last month. They contained lots of useful information. For any of you that missed them you may contact Randy Laue at 810-714-0818 and he will meet with you.

St Mary's Mission is hosting a Healing Service on May 7th at 6 pm. The service is open to any affliction needing healing and prayers. It is a good opportunity and experience to be in attendance at the service.

Any former St Pius Knights Council (8245) member that wishes to transfer into council 695 please have them contact me and we will facilitate that happening. (see my number below)

We are always looking for new members. If you know of any Catholic man that would be a good candidate, they 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 at KoC.org. Indicate council 695.

Please keep all victims in your prayers; pray for World Peace.

Vivat Jesu!



Joe Goergen
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May 2024

Calendar of Events

- 2 Fourth Degree Meeting, Holy Redeemer Family Life Center, 7:30 p.m.
- 5 Parish Breakfast, St. John Vianney Social Hall, 8:30 am
- 12 The Ascension of the Lord
- 12 Mother's Day
- 14 Council 695 Meeting, St. John Vianney, 7:30 p.m.
- 14 Feast of St. Matthias, Apostle
- 19 Pentecost Sunday
- 27 Memorial Day
- 31 The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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in your daily prayers*

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Edmund Evans
Ken McDonald
David Shaw
Sue Zerweck
Maureen Kelsey
Marie Gillespie
Joe Dunn (deceased)

May God Lead You

Two major activities are coming to Memorial Day May 27th. First, is our annual Mass at Old Calvary Cemetery located at G-1186 N. Ballenger Hwy just north of McLaren Hospital taking place at noon. Immediately following Mass, we have the Catholic Charities project - Sacred Heart Veterans Village BBQ on the corner of Stewart Ave and N. Saginaw Street from 1:00 - 4:00 with food and fun, free will offering. Everyone is invited to both events. Proceeds from the BBQ will be used for the Veterans Village project.

It is very important that you attend this month's general meeting. We will have elections for the 2024-2025 fraternal year for officers of our assembly. The nominations are as follows: Friar, Father Georges, Navigator we have two candidates, Lenny Accardo and Neal Roche, Captain Mark Davidek, Scribe Mike Wilson, Pilot Dave Pillen, Admiral Chuck Loader, Purser Greg Frixen, Trustees 3-year Jack Tylus, 2-year Mike Hutchins and 1 year Jack Massimino, Inner Sentinel Stevie Weston, and Outer Sentinel Mike Sherman. These are our early nominees, but you and others can easily be added to the nominations. The voting will take place at this month's meeting for the term to begin in July. New ideas and personnel heading these positions are always welcome.

Leadership, what is it and how can you become a true leader? Leaders are people we look up to, try to follow, idealize, and sometimes place on a pedestal, such as: Mahatma Ghandi, Winston Churchill, Martin Luther King Jr., Nelson Mandela, Vladimir Lenin, Patrice Lumanda, John F Kennedy, Margaret Thatcher, Mother Teresa and St. John Paul II are a quick list you can find on-line. My choice is Joshua from the Bible. Why? Because he has all the attributes anyone needs that can make a great leader.

The seven principles are:

- Be strong and courageous.
- Follow God's word.
- Prepare the next generation of leaders.
- Give all the glory to God.
- Leaders keep their promises (even when others do not).
- Take the side of the Lord.
- Choose and then Act.

These qualities will carry you throughout life. Notice, being a servant of God is really all you need to do. Let me know your thoughts. Any doubters, please read from the book of Joshua for yourself and then let me know your interpretation.

Our next meeting is on Thursday, May 2nd 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!

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Anniversaries

3 Lance & Adeline DiCaire
11 Gregory & Julie Frixen
14 John & Kimberly Fisher
16 Gary & Diane Deitering
16 Thomas & Catheryn Skellett
18 George & Linda Plunkey
20 Oliver J & Shirley LaFontaine
23 Richard & Glenna Kelley
28 Mark & Wanda Davidek

May Birthdays

3 John B Fisher
4 Frank A Garofalo
4 Robert A Ragnone
8 Anthony J Zochowski
10 Peterson R Cullimore
10 Anthony R Etue
10 Ronan H Streby
10 Donald J Thibedeau
11 Mark L Danaho
11 Raymond R Rust
13 Dr Mathew G Faris
14 Michael R Dear
15 Dennis E Rodgers
18 Brian A Johnson
18 Mark A Ranville
20 William M Bowling
21 Matthew V Kerperien
26 Gregory H Alumit
26 Austin T Kellett
27 Lance D Dicaire
29 John V Ploucha
30 Hans G Gorke
31 Max E Dolehanty Jr
31 William J Krebs



Tootsie Roll Drive

The semi-annual drive to raise funds for the mentally impaired was led by council member Ronan Streby. A total of \$1423 was collected at Palm Sunday weekend Masses at St. John Vianney, St. Mary, and St. Matthew. Details about fund distribution will appear in the next Crusader.

Thanks to the following council members who volunteered: Jim Neumann, Mike McCarthy, Ronan Streby, Paul Streby, Joe Goergen, Thomas Henthorn, Robert Ddamulira, John Fisher, David McAuliffe, John McAuliffe, Harvey Yee, Ethan Sperla, Colin Stephen, Hans Gorke, Pat Skellett and family, Greg Frixen.

Council News from April

Council met on Tuesday April 9. K of C Insurance Agent Randy Laue discussed insurance and financial planning with members. 4th degree reported \$250 donation to Wounded Warriors and Tunnels to Towers. Wrap-a-vet coats are \$150. Council 695 is asked to donate to support this project. Flag retirement ceremony will be June 14 at Holly National Cemetery, 11:00 am. Any 4th degree will accept flags. Golf outing is July 28 at Flushing Valley.

Help is needed for lawn maintenance at Heartbeat of Flint. A prayer walk was 4/27 at St. Mary.

First Sunday of the Month BREAKFAST

May 5th

St. John Vianney Social Hall
8:50 am - 10:30 am
Sponsored by Council #695

Everyone Welcome. Free Will Donation.

Memorial Day Events

Mass at Old Calvary Cemetery - 12 Noon
(setup 10:00 am, help needed)
Refreshments following Mass - 1:00 pm

Memorial Day Cookout at Sacred Heart Veteran Village - 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
(proceeds to support housing for veterans, help needed)



The first Council 695 Corporate Communion since Covid was held April 21 at St. John Vianney 11:00 am

(Left: Assembly 510 Color Corps is pictured with Council Chaplain Fr. Tom Firestone and Corps Commander Lenny Accardo. Right: Council members and Color Corp pose with Fr. Firestone. A total of 18 members of 695 and 510 participated; 16 are pictured here.)



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