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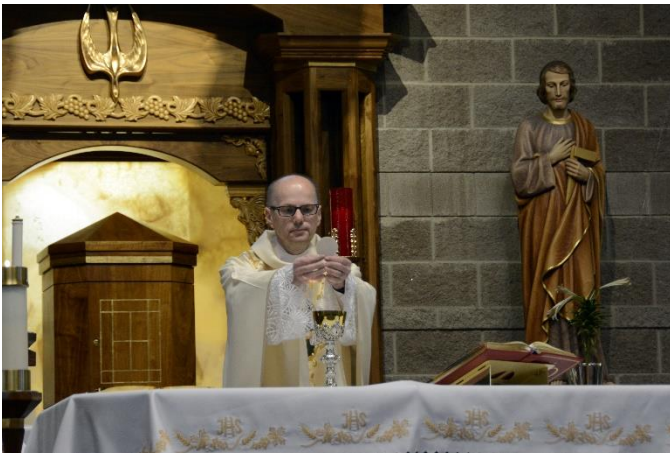
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# The Knightly News

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**Father Gzregorz Golyzniak**

Dear Fellow Knights

I want to share some sad news about my family in Poland. Last Friday night, I received a message from my sister regarding my brother Bogdan. Bogdan suffered a severe stroke and has bleeding in his brain and spinal cord. He is unresponsive and his brain is dying. The family obtained two medical opinions and both made clear that my brother has 0% chance to survive and he will not wake up again.

Because it is hard to determine when the Lord will call him home, I've decided to wait and travel to Poland for his funeral. People with brain injuries can live for a few days, weeks or even months. Right now, he is on life support. It is a difficult time for my family, especially Bogdan's wife and their two sons. My sister is helping as much as she can.

It is also difficult for me as I process the loss of many of my family members. My mother at the age of 64, my father at the age of 82, my oldest brother at the age of three months (I never met him), and my brother Stanley at the age of 60. When Bogdan passes, there will be just two of us left, my sister and I.

At this point, I will keep all of my appointments as they are. When the time comes, I will travel to Poland for a week and then come back to you. Right now, I'm working with the airlines to get a flex-date ticket. I will keep you posted on the date of my departure. Bishop Golka is informed about my situation.

Please be patient with me. If I happen to miss a meeting, please don't take it as I am neglecting your needs. After all you are my family here. In any circumstance, please reach out to me with your needs.

At this time, please pray for my family and my brother's peaceful transition from this world to the other. Your prayer is what I need now.

With prayer and dedication,

Fr. Gregory



### Saint Barnabas

The apostle and missionary was among Christ's earliest followers and was responsible for welcoming St. Paul into the Church. Though not one of the 12 apostles chosen by the Lord, Jesus, he is traditionally regarded as one of the 72 disciples of Christ and most respected man in the first century Church after the Apostles themselves.

St. Barnabas was born to wealthy Jewish parents on the Greek-speaking island of Cyprus, probably around the time of Christ's own birth. Traditional accounts hold that his parents sent him to study in Jerusalem, where he studied at the school of Gamaliel (who also taught St. Paul). Later on, when Christ's public ministry began, Barnabas may have been among those who heard him preach in person. At some point, either during Christ's ministry or after his death and resurrection, Barnabas decided to commit himself in the most radical way to the teachings he had received. He sold the large estate he had inherited, contributed the proceeds entirely to the Church, and joined Christ's other apostles in holding all of their possessions in common. Saul of Tarsus, the future St. Paul, approached Barnabas after the miraculous events surrounding his conversion, and was first introduced to St. Peter through him. About five years later, Barnabas and Paul spent a year in Antioch, building up the Church community whose members were the first to go by the name of "Christians." Both Paul and Barnabas received a calling from God to become the "Apostles of the Gentiles," although the title is more often associated with St. Paul. The reference to the "laying-on of hands" in Acts, chapter 13, suggests that Paul and Barnabas may have been consecrated as bishops on this occasion.

Barnabas and Paul left Antioch along with Barnabas' cousin John Mark, who would later compose the most concise account of Christ's life and be canonized as St. Mark. The group's first

forays into the pagan world met with some success, but Mark became discouraged and returned to Jerusalem. The question of Mark's dedication to the mission would arise again later, and cause a significant personal disagreement between Paul and Barnabas. For many years prior to this, however, the two apostles traveled and preached among the Gentiles, suffering persecution and hardships for the sake of establishing Christianity among those of a non-Jewish background. The remarkable success of Barnabas and Paul led to one of the earliest controversies in Church history, regarding the question of whether Christian converts would have to observe Jewish rites. During the landmark Council of Jerusalem, recorded in the book of Acts, the assembled apostles confirmed St. Peter's earlier proclamation that the laws of the Old Testament would not be mandatory for Christians.

Barnabas and Paul finally separated in their ministries, while remaining apostles of the one Catholic Church, over Paul's insistence that Mark not travel with them again. In death, however, the "Apostles to the Gentiles" were reunited. Mark is said to have buried Barnabas after he was killed by a mob in Cyprus around the year 62. St. Paul and St. Mark were, in turn, reconciled before St. Paul's martyrdom five years later. He is said to have been stoned to death in Salamis in the year 61. St. Luke described Barnabas as 'a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith' (Acts 6:24), and he was known for his exceptional kindness and personal sanctity, and his openness to pagans.

His feast day is June 11th



## Word of the Month

**Justice** One of the four cardinal virtues by which a person gives to others what is due to them as a matter of right

From the Catholic Word Book





**Knights in Action**



John Hartling and Ed Hettler with the 6<sup>th</sup> grade winners of the Patriotic Speech Contest: James Hutchinson, 1<sup>st</sup> place, Maxson Hakley 2<sup>nd</sup> place, and Matthew Storm, 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Winners received checks from the Assembly.



John Hartling and Ed Hettler with the 7<sup>th</sup> grade winners of the Patriotic Speech Contest: Samantha Goetz, 1<sup>st</sup> place, Addy Skrabo 2<sup>nd</sup> place, and Gabe

Clune, 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Winners received checks from the Assembly.



John Hartling and Ed Hettler with the 8<sup>th</sup> grade winners of the Patriotic Speech Contest. They participated in a debate, and Kammie Lombordozzi and Leo Bresnihan placed 1<sup>st</sup> and Kateri Helgoth and Aiden McGuire place 2<sup>nd</sup>. Winners received checks from the Assembly



GK Alan Feldkamp presents the Knight the Month to Jeff Sopsato for all of the outstanding woodwork projects he has completed for the Knights and the church.



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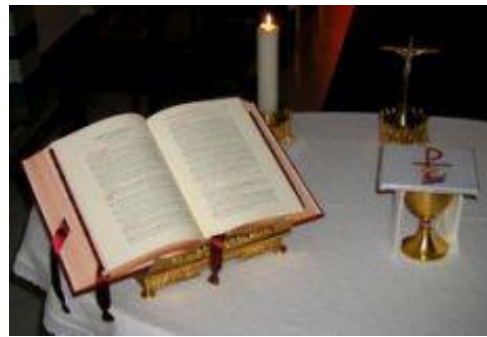
District Marshall Bob Knapp presents the state "To Be a Patriot" award to FN Michael Pietsch for the Assembly. We finished on top out of 68 assemblies in the state for the 2022-23 award. The second award was for doing 54 Color Guard events in the Green Division.

# Birthdays of the Month

- 06-02 Thomas R King
- 06-04 Charles P Hardy III
- 06-06 Alex Amirtharaj
- 06-07 Jeffery D Sposato
- 06-11 Edward M Fiocchi
- 06-12 John A Russ
- 06-13 Grant Reinicke
- 06-18 Robert P Salasko
- 06-19 Brian S Haines
- 06-20 Anthony M Schmitz
- 06-20 Jeffrey B Wolan -
- 06-27 John T Anderson
- 06-27 Randy C Barker
- 06-28 Roger A Mc Farland
- 06-28 Dr Matthew B Thompson



Rite of Ordination for the Deacons on May 25th. There were 19 Sir Knights in the Honor Guard, six from our Parish (5 from our Assembly) Dick Peters, Bob Leise, Charles Hardy, Guy German, Bob Knapp, (Bernie Kuta member of our Council but not our Assembly).



## Sermonette

*Look for God in the unexpected.*

God can be present in the most unexpected places for us. It could be a quiet moment. It could be in a new way of thinking that we had not opened ourselves up to before we realized it. God wants us to grow in our relationship with him, but we must be aware and alert to ways in which we can experience him.



# Your Insurance Corner

## One of our founding goals: to protect widows

As a member of this council, you know how important spouses can be to the charitable works of the Order. If you are married, your wife is probably involved in a few of the many events that happen each fraternal year. This support adds great value and impact to what a council can achieve.

When the Order was founded in 1882, Father Michael J. McGivney and the other brave men were setting out to protect Catholic families, but especially wives and children. We know today this is done through our insurance products which are designed with that goal in mind. One specific policy rider that you may not know about is called the Spousal Waiver of Premium. This rider is unique to the Knights of Columbus philosophy of helping our widows.

This rider is available on most permanent and other plans purchased at standard rates by a member and is wife on the same day. When both spouses apply, the rider provides for the waiver of premiums on the spouse's contact in the event of the insured's death. Best of all, for members and spouses age 18 to 60, the premium for this rider may be available for no additional charge. This rider can stay in effect until the spouse attains age 65 or certain other triggering events occur.

Our products are designed with you needs and budget in mind. With a solid portfolio of life insurance, long term care, disability income and retirement products, the Knights of Columbus can help you meet all of your financial goals. To learn more about these solutions, and our newest products, please contact our local agent.

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Please check to ensure the dates and times have not changed.

June 2 Corporate Mass 10:30 am, Corpus Christi Procession thru Monument after mass

June 12 Business Meeting, Rosary 6:30 pm, Meeting at 7 pm

June 13 CUF Exemplification after the 5:30 pm Mass.

June 19 Council Social meeting, 7 pm

June 20 Council officers meeting 6:15 pm, Assembly Business meeting at 7 pm.

June 30 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Rosary, after 8 am mass

To be determined, the installation of officers for the next year for both the council and the assembly.

July 3 No business meeting

July 4 Pancake Breakfast: 5:30 to 10:30 (Serving 7 am to 10:15 am? (sign up on Sign up Genus)

## History of the Knights of Columbus Part 1

Late-19th century Connecticut was marked by the growing fraternal benefit societies, anti-Catholic prejudice and dangerous factory working conditions that left many families fatherless. Recognizing a need in his community, Father Michael J. McGivney, the 29-year-old assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Conn., gathered a group of men at his parish on Oct. 2, 1881. He

proposed establishing a lay organization to prevent Catholic men from entering secret societies antithetical to Church teaching, uniting Catholic men and helping families of deceased members.

To demonstrate their loyalty to their country as well as their faith, these men took Christopher Columbus — recognized as a Catholic and celebrated as the discoverer of America – as their patron. The Knights of Columbus elected officers in February 1882 and assumed corporate status on March 29.

In addition to the Order's benefits, Catholic men were drawn to the Knights because of its emphasis on serving one's Church, community and family with virtue. Fraternity and patriotism were added to the Knights' founding principles of charity and unity in 1885 and 1900, respectively.

1882: The Knights of Columbus is born on Feb. 6, 1882, when the first members choose Columbus as their patron. Immediately after the Order's March 29 incorporation, Father McGivney sends a diocesan-wide appeal for new members to priests.

This is from Knights of Columbus Supreme Headquarters History webpage.



***Keep in our Prayers:*** Jim Desautel, Father Golyzniak and his family, Chris Otto, Mary Ann Trifiletti, Butch Christensen, Fred and Melanie Seiter, Laura Gomez, Charlie Bergeron, Dave Nelson, Nick Anderson

Pray for our priests, deacons, nuns and for vocations to the religious life.

Remember our soldiers, sailors, Marines and airmen, especially those in combat roles. Pray for our departed Knights and their families.

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