

# SANTA MARIA

FAIRBORN COUNCIL #3724

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

\*\*Star Council 2012-2013, 2014-2015 and 2015-2016\*\*

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## Grand Knight's Corner

Knights and families of 3724, I do not know if you have seen the viral CNN clip of the woman heading to church in Ohio. Basically, a reporter asks her "Aren't you worried about being exposed to COVID-19?" "No, she says confidently, I am bathed in Jesus's blood." "But aren't you worried about exposing other people?" No, she says, angrily. I go to Wal-Mart every day. I go to the grocery store. Those people could infect me." As near as I can determine, Jesus never promised to protect anyone from getting sick.

As an aspiring Stoic my rational mind can look at the numbers and realize most of us are likely to survive the coronavirus. If you're a healthy, relatively young person, chances are you're going to be fine. That's not why we've inflicted trillions of dollars of losses to the global economy to "flatten the curve." Personal feelings aside, we're doing these things to protect the most vulnerable amongst us, people for whom the mortality rate can be up to ten times higher. God's children who are battling cancer or, recovering from surgery or have preexisting conditions. Our elders from whom we should take every opportunity to learn from.

There have been real losses over the last few months with more to come. People we know may die. Businesses will and have closed, years of gains have evaporated from the market. The politicians tell us, "It's not fair but we've passed a bailout, checks are coming." Have they not heard the word "Fortune?" Fortune cares little for plans or notions of what is fair. There is no government or insurance company rich enough to counteract this. There is no bubble we can get inside, or body armor we can put on. Loss and pain are inevitable, all we can do is offer that pain to God and try to move forward.

Jesus said to "love thy neighbor as thyself". Marcus Aurelius said: "What's bad for the hive is bad for the bee." A society that is callous and indifferent to the weak and the vulnerable destroys itself. A society that betrays its elders, betrays itself." Don't let what's going on right now in the world make you angry, or bitter, or mean. It should not surprise any of us that people will protect the status quo if it's better for their own position. Instead of sitting around hoping for someone to make it right, let's find a way to come to terms with what has happened. Let's focus on the good we still have and the good we can still do. We must look out for each other as Jesus intended, "**Deo Volente**" it's the only way we'll ever be whole again.

My Knight of the Month was Bro. Matt Justice our worthy Chancellor what a phenomenal job he does. My family of the month was Frank and Janet Carchedi who are instrumental in the support of this council and our parish. When you see them and I know it will be a while, make sure to tell them congrats and thank you.

"Ut in omnibus glorificetur Deus"

Vivat Jesus, GK Erbacher



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### Special points of interest

- KOTM/FOTM
- Holy Father's Prayer Intention
- Insurance

## PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH DURING PANDEMIC

Protect, O Holy Guardian, this our nation. Enlighten those responsible for the common good, so that they might know, like you do how to care for those entrusted to their responsibility. Grant intelligence of knowledge to those seeking adequate means for the health and physical well being or their brothers and sisters. Sustain those who are spending themselves for those in need, even at the cost of their own safety: volunteers, nurses, doctors who are on the front lines in curing the sick. Bless, O St Joseph the Church: beginning with her ministers, make her the sign and instrument of your light and goodness. Accompany, O St Joseph, our families: with your prayerful silence, create harmony between parents and their children, in a special way with the youngest. Preserve the elderly from loneliness: grant that no one might be left in desperation from abandonment and discouragement. Comfort those who are the most frail, encourage those who falter, intercede for the poor, With the Virgin Mother, beg the Lord to liberate the world from every form of pandemic. Amen.

### LIST OF CURRENT NOMINEES FOR NEXT YEAR'S OFFICERS

Worthy Brothers of Council 3724. Nominations are open for the council officer positions for next year, the list below are members who have already agreed to run for another term, if you wish to nominate yourself or another for one of these offices now is the time. We still need nominees for Deputy Grand Knight, 1<sup>st</sup> Year Trustee and an Outside Guard. May will be the last chance to nominate and you can send the names to [grandknight@3724kofc.org](mailto:grandknight@3724kofc.org) or (937) 477-5669. Hopefully, we will be meeting in the hall again for the June business meeting at which time we will hold the elections of all nominated officers.

Grand Knight:	PGK Gene Erbacher
Deputy Grand Knight:	
Chancellor:	Matt Justice
Warden:	Ken Normand
Recorder:	Tim Barlow
Treasurer:	Larry DeWitt
Financial Sec:	PGK Russ Milliron
Advocate:	PGK Steve Wal
1st Year Trustee:	
2nd Year Trustee:	PGK Larry Bogemann
3rd Year Trustee:	PGK Herman Karhoff
Inside Guard:	Herb Edwards
Inside Guard:	Dan Cyphers
Outside Guard:	

## ACTIVITIES

### COUNCIL 3724 AND THE RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

3724 Family, considering the continuing Covid-19 situation, I have decided to close the hall for the month of May. The governor has extended the Ohio Stay at Home order until May 29, 2020 and the Archbishops have suspended public celebration of Mass until that same time. All gatherings of more than 10 people are still forbidden. All May council activities including the Ladies Night Appreciation Dinner, are hereby cancelled. The Trustee's and Home Corporation will continue with the minimum quorum necessary to pay bills and handle council business, this means **Trustees and Home Corp members only**. We pay bills and go home. The lounge will not be open. I encourage you to stay abreast of the Activity and Knight alert emails as that will be our path of communication. Continue to follow Fr Satish of Immaculate Conception and Fr Ethan of WSU, both are livestreaming mass via Facebook for the faithful to attend, Mary Help started live streaming the end of April so you can watch Father Tom and the 11am Sunday Mass as well. Take this time to reflect, step outside on your porch for a cup of coffee in the morning or a drink at night. Pray the Rosary, maybe add one or both of these two prayers I found during my readings. There is a "Prayer to St. Joseph During Pandemic", and "Knights Prayer" to Mary. Families of 3724, Stay Home, Stay Safe and God Bless.

### MEASURE UP 2020

Street Blitz new dates **are**, July 23-25 and July 30-31, Aug1, 2020. More details in future Santa Maria's.

### SUPER CASH BONANZA CHARITY CAMPAIGN

Brother Knights, due to the precautions that are taking place as a result of COVID19, our Ohio State Deputy, Robert Byers, has changed the Super Cash Bonanza drawing date from May 16, 2020 to June 27, 2020. The drawing will be conducted during the State District Deputy meeting that will also be held at the Columbus Airport Marriott Hotel.

Since the drawing date has been moved, the final ticket turn in for the Fairborn Council will now be Thursday, June 11. Hopefully the pandemic quarantines and social restrictions will be lifted sometime in May giving everyone some time to approach their friends, neighbors, relatives, and co-workers about purchasing a Super Cash Bonanza tickets.

Thus far our Council has sold 800 tickets, 700 short of our goal. If you haven't already done so, please try and buy or sell the tickets sent to you. Also, if you can, please try and sell even more tickets. If you need any additional tickets, or have any questions, please contact PGK Jim McCoy at (937) 879-3570 or cell (937) 694-3368; PGK Herman Karhoff at (937) 361-2758, or call and leave a message at the Hall number, (937) 878-2909.

If you have Ohio Charities Tickets to turn in please contact the GK at (937) 477-5669 and he will arrange to meet you at the hall to get them from you, and get them to Ohio Charities Chairman PGK Herman Karhoff.

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OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY OF FATIMA  
STATUE WITH THREE SHEPHERD CHILDREN  
DONATED TO FAIRBORN COUNCIL 3724 BY THE  
PGK LEWIS & MELITA MURPHY FAMILY  
MARCH 26, 2020



**Our Lady of Fátima**, formally known as Our Lady of the Holy Rosary of Fátima, is a Catholic title of the Blessed Virgin Mary based on the famed Marian apparitions reported in 1917 by three shepherd children at the Cova da Iria, in Fátima, Portugal. The three children were Lúcia dos Santos and her cousins Francisco and Jacinta Marto.

Bishop José Alves Correia da Silva declared the events *worthy of belief* on 13 October 1930. On 13 May 1946, Pope Pius XII granted a canonical coronation to the venerated image enshrined at the Chapel of the Apparitions of Fátima via his apostolic legate, Cardinal Benedetto Aloisi Masella. On 11 November 1954, he raised the Sanctuary of Fátima to the status of a minor basilica by his papal brief *Lucer superna*.

The published memoirs of Lúcia dos Santos in the 1930s revealed two secrets that she claimed came from the Virgin while the third secret was to be revealed by the Catholic Church in 1960. The controversial events at Fátima gained fame due partly to elements of the secrets, prophecy and eschatological revelations allegedly related to the Second World War and possibly more global wars in the future, particularly the Virgin's alleged request for the Consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

### CONGRATULATION:

Ohio State Council Past State Deputy Baci & Bernadette Carpico of Mingo Junction celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on April 30, 2020.



"...and just so you know, I had a very good day today, so I'd like more of the same tomorrow."

## Knights Prayer

Our Lady, Queen of the Knights, bless all the activities of our Order. Keep us true to our pledge, to extend the kingship of thy divine son on earth. Through thine intercession, win for us the grace, ever to exemplify in our public and private lives, the virtues that should characterize those especially dedicated to the service of the heavenly court. Make us always aware that as your Knights, we are constantly observed, our faith judged, and our Order appreciated. Accept O Mary: this renewed pledge of fealty and devotion, of thy Servants, the Knights of Columbus. Amen

## HOME CORPORATION

Your Home Corp continues to work hard to support the Council. The Directors met on 16 April to pay bills and discuss business. Due to the COVID-19 crisis there was no work party in March and our work parties will be suspended until further notice.

Our monthly raffle winners for April were:

1st Place: Robert Hernandez, \$40 Ticket #074

2nd Place: Kevin Young, \$25 Ticket #031

3rd Place: Rick Wetzel, \$10 Ticket #138

## COUNCIL EMAIL ALERTS

Knight alert requests and activity alerts should be send to the PGK Russ Milliron at [webmaster@3724kofc.org](mailto:webmaster@3724kofc.org) .

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS IS DEDICATED TO WORKS OF CHARITY, UNITY, FRATERNITY, AND PATRIOTISM. CARE TO JOIN US? ASK ANY CURRENT MEMBER. CALL 937-878-2909 OR EMAIL [GRANDKNIGHT@3724KOFCCOM](mailto:GRANDKNIGHT@3724KOFCCOM)



PRAY THE ROSARY AS OFTEN AS YOU CAN, ESPICALLY DURING THIS WORLD WIDE CRISIS. WHEN WE RESUME NORMAL OPERATIONS, PLEASE COME EARLY TO THE BUSINESS MEETING (7 pm) AND PRAY THE ROSARY WITH YOUR BROTHER KNIGHTS.

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## A Message From the Supreme Knight

Dear Brother Knight,

As the world reels from the coronavirus crisis, the Knights of Columbus continues to serve: providing the charitable, spiritual and financial resources relied on by so many.

Early action at the Supreme Council headquarters meant that we began working remotely in mid-March, ensuring the health and safety of our workforce, and the continuity of our business operations with minimal disruption. Our employees are putting the “home” in “home office,” as they continue their work with the utmost commitment and excellence.

The Order’s agent force has also embraced working virtually. Agents continue to meet and advise members about their insurance and financial needs, but now they do so online through secure Skype appointments. The financial services and products we offer are important in normal circumstances; they are vital during this pandemic.

The Knights of Columbus remains financially strong. On April 6, Standard and Poor’s ranked life insurers on their ability to weather the coronavirus storm. Of hundreds of life insurers in North America, the Knights of Columbus was one of only six to earn the top ranking.

Responding to the pandemic, in March we launched a new initiative — “Leave No Neighbor Behind” — and councils worldwide are already implementing it, providing critical support in neighborhoods and parishes, donating blood, and ensuring that no one is forgotten. The Supreme Council has also launched a multimillion-dollar campaign to support food banks in the United States and Canada, and we are providing a financial lifeline for dioceses as well.

These efforts complement the countless ways that brother Knights are helping the sick, the hungry and others in need. Our charitable work in North America is so significant that the White House has asked for regular updates on our relief efforts. During this pandemic we have also adapted from in-person meetings to having councils conduct essential business remotely. The Supreme Council has also provided a platform to allow every jurisdiction to hold a virtual state convention. The means of connecting has changed, but our proud tradition of faith in action has not.

Our actions have been a powerful witness, and a recent degree ceremony, held online, produced the largest number of new members from a single event in our Order’s history. The Supreme Council is hosting our new Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity online every Thursday. In addition, our eMembership option continues to provide a quick and easy way for men to join our brotherhood.

The Knights of Columbus has risen to meet every challenge we have faced since 1882. In fact, COVID-19 is the third pandemic in our Order’s history. As we have always done before, we will prevail and do immense good during this time. Not only will the Order come through this crisis; we will make a decisive difference in ensuring that our parishes, communities and countries do the same.

May Venerable Father Michael McGivney and Our Lady of Guadalupe guide and guard you in the days ahead. *Vivat Jesus!*  
Fraternally,  
Carl A. Anderson  
*Supreme Knight*



### HOLY FATHER’S PRAYER INTENTIONS



#### For Deacons

We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

## MEMBERSHIP

Stuck at home. The door to Evangelization is wide open. Do not hesitate to engage in the battle that is raging around us. Remember that man who expressed some interest in joining us is at home just like you. In a couple of weeks we will be able to get all these prospects to a 30 minute “Charity, Unity, Fraternity Degree” either from the comfort of their own home with their family by their side or at the hall also with their families present. “Catholic men in our state, even during these times, want to belong to an organization like the Knights of Columbus to help others,” said William Chasse, the state deputy of Michigan, on the Order’s opportunity to increase its charitable impact. “The more that join the more we can help.”

Share your story of how our council is helping strengthen people’s faith and offering support during this time. Email [kofc3724@kofc.org](mailto:kofc3724@kofc.org).

## GOOD OF THE ORDER

Health and Healing requests are entered into the council’s prayer request book prior to the business meeting. If you can’t make a meeting and have a name you wish to include in the Santa Maria prayer intentions, please call the council hall and leave a message or send an email to Santamaria@3724kofc.org.

#### Repose of the Soul:

Una Lee Engle, 82, mother of Fairborn Knight Tom Engle

#### Health and Healing:

PGK Steve Wal, PGK John Whytal, PGK Al Brewer, PGK Lew and Melita Murphy, Vic Berberich, Dave Bartok, Paul and Rose Yosick, Jon Edwards, Steve Paulsen, Jim McNamara, Tom O’Connor, Robert Herring, Bobby Hernandez, John Habel, Alice Smith, Rosalie Sloat, John Keampf, Velma Hobbs, Lisa Eamon, Whilma Rizzo, Cassie Barlow, Sophiaia Yarwick, Peggy Heity, Joe Kogele, Steve Glass, Tom Storer, Peggy Heitz.

## MAY EVENTS



**Council 3724  
Fairborn, OH**

**All May events are CANCELED**

## JUNE PREVIEW

Knight of the Year (tentative), Ride walk & run for life (tentative), Degrees (tentative)

## BUSINESS MEETING ATTENDANCE

The 2nd Thursday on each month, we pray the Rosary at 7:00 pm which is followed by our business meeting. Please attend, stay after the meeting and socialize with your brother knights. Every Thurs there's a Pot-of-Gold drawing. Entry fee is 50 cents and you are required to sign your name in "The Book". At 10:00 pm on the meeting night and at 9:30 pm on the other Thursdays there's a random drawing from our membership pool. The name of the winner drawn win's the Pot-of-Gold if they completed the entry requirements.



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