

SANTA MARIA

FAIRBORN COUNCIL #3724

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

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Grand Knight's Corner

We have some good events coming up for the month of October, the next parish dinner will be on October 9th following the 4pm mass that Saturday. The September dinner was not as well attended as those in the past, but it still brought people out which was good for all. I saw hugs, handshakes, slaps on the back all forms of joyous greeting as friends sat across from each other and broke bread together again at last. Hopefully with the word out that dinners are back we shall see the attendance continue to grow. We also have a reverse raffle coming up this month, our first one in nearly two years and worthy PGK Minnick is working hard supported by PGK Jim McCoy to get those tickets out to everyone. This is also a month with a fifth Sunday so there will be corporate communion and rosary at Our Lady Queen of Peace on the last Saturday of this month and at Mary Help on that last Sunday.

I had an interesting thought the other day while I was out walking the trails again. What if we applied the end of day reflection to this year and how we as Knights handled it in its entirety? At the last business meeting Brother Herb, shared a little bit of one of the pamphlets I placed in the lounge for brothers and guests to look at, "Seven Daily Habits for Faithful Catholics". One of the seven, is to reflect on the end of the day on how they did following Jesus's teachings and what can they do better the next day, or the examination of conscience. The ancient stoics would take a minute to reflect on their day before going to sleep, what did they do well, what did they not do so well etc., also the examination of conscience. I think we could expand that to reflect on how we handled the pandemic and the resulting chaos that has come very close to tearing us apart.

People all over the world have perished, businesses have failed, jobs lost, relationships subjected to strain as never before. In our own families' relationships failed, bonds broken over different beliefs in how the pandemic and its consequences were handled. This pandemic, the chaos of elected governments all over the world interested more in their own welfare than the people they are supposed to govern. It's hard to think of any more recent example of Satan trying to bring about so much chaos and pain that people turn away from Jesus and the church. I myself have struggled mightily with my faith these last two years, yet life does go on and as the world slowly begins to come out of the shadows, people are learning again how to socialize outside the family environment even how to work in an office or be in school after being home for 18 months. The question I want to ask you my 3724 family and I am still asking myself is individually and collectively what did we learn from this? (Con't next page)



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I keep hearing over and over the phrase “get back to normal”, I don’t think we can, nor do I think that is the thought process we need to follow. Nothing can bring back what’s been lost either, personally, or professionally. But we have been shown what truly matters in life, how short and fragile life is and how much we value our friends and family. We are all interconnected as family, friends, and humanity. We all have obligations to the vulnerable and unfortunate as God intended and Jesus taught us. Now we must apply those lessons. To go back to normal would in my opinion be wasteful of those lessons. Humanity is as tough as it is fragile, for those of us who have survived and get to continue it is our obligation to learn from this for our sake, for our kid’s sake and the sake of all those who come after us. We must reflect; we must pray and as Knights of Columbus we need to lead the way by setting the example. I think more than ever that great aid can be found in turning to St. Joseph, after all is he not the “Terror of Demons”. After the Virgin Mary demons fear St. Joseph more than any other saint which is a wonder, St. Joseph was not a pope, not a priest but a layman, a husband and father so why should the demons be so afraid? What other individual has the extraordinary gift of paternal intercession in heaven. Terror of demons indeed and who better to turn to as we try to bring our families, friends, and faith back into the world.

The prayer of St. Louis de Montfort – “Hail Joseph the just, wisdom is with you; blessed are you among all men and blessed is Jesus, the fruit of Mary, your faithful spouse. Holy Joseph, worthy foster father of Jesus Christ, pray for us sinners and obtain divine wisdom for us from God, now and at the hour of our death, Amen.”

My Knight of the Month was Brother Andrew Wal, who did a stellar job with the memorial golf tournament in planning and preparation. My Family of the Month was the family of our Deputy Grand Knight Grant and his wife Kathy. Grant has jumped right into the DGK role with a flair, and dedication that he could not have brought without Kathy’s support as they relocate back to Ohio. Make sure when you see Grant and Kathy or Andrew that you send them a hearty well done. Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam,

GK Erbacher

THE FINANCIAL ADVISORY BOARD

For nominations of charitable support this year I have received the following to present to the board.

–The Tunnels to Towers Foundation which helps to build accessible homes for our most seriously injured veterans: <https://t2t.org/smart-home-program/about-shp/>

–America’s Vet Dogs which help to provide enhanced mobility and independence to US Veterans by pairing them with guide dogs: <https://www.vetdogs.org/AV/About/AV/About Us/>

–The Second Harvest Food Bank which collects, stores, and distributes food within Logan, Champaign, and Clark County’s: www.theshfb.org

–Fairborn Fish Food Pantry Fairborn FISH’s mission is to relieve hunger in our community. www.fishfairborn.com

–The Capuchin Mission and Orphanage in Papua New Guinea, Brother Ray Ronan is a member of 3724.

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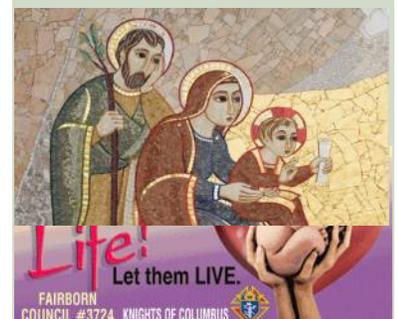
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ITEMS OF INTEREST

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FATHER ALEX, AND SEMINARIAN NAM MAC

At the September 9th business meeting, brother Knights signed birthday cards for our past seminarian, Father Alex, and our current seminarian, Nam Mac. Father Alex's birthday is September 30th, and Nam's birthday is October 8th. Brother Knights inserted \$327 of their own cash to help these two fine young men. Thank you Brothers for your kind generosity

PROUD GRANDPA



Congratulations to Brother Dan Cyphers who became a grandfather for the first time! Please congratulate Grandpa Dan when you see him!

HISTORY OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (Part 1: 1882-1899)

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.

1886: By the end of his four-year term as supreme knight, James T. Mullen presides at the institution of 22 of the first 38 councils. John J. Phelan is elected and is the first supreme knight to see the Order's future as a national society.

1890: Father McGivney dies Aug. 14, 1890.

1892: The Order passes laws allowing noninsurance (associate members) to join.

1892: 6,000 Knights march in the New Haven Columbus Day parade to celebrate the 400th anniversary of Columbus' discovery of the New World.

1895: The Vatican's first acknowledgment of the Knights comes when Archbishop Francesco Satolli, apostolic delegate to the United States, writes a letter extolling the "merits of this splendid Catholic organization" and giving the Order his apostolic blessing.

1897: On Nov. 25, 1897, Canada's first council — Montreal Council 284 — is chartered.

ACTIVITIES

FOOTBALL CRAZR 2021-2022

Returns are a little better to report this month as Council 3724 has today sold a total of 40 tickets. That puts us a little over halfway to the goal of 75 tickets. The tickets again cover the last 10 games of the season and none of the money supports the NFL in any way. Tickets are available in the lounge, or you can reach out to me at grandknight@3724kofc.org and I will get some to you. I am even willing to mail a ticket to you with a return envelope if you'll commit to buying 1 ticket at \$20.00. Checks should be made out to KofC Council 3724. Final turn in for the council sales will be Oct 28, 2021, which is the last Thursday of October. I will mail the sold tickets and the check to the State Chairman that weekend. You can turn in tickets in person any Thursday at the Hall, you can mail your tickets to the hall or to the grand knight at,

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BIBLE STUDY

Eight sessions usually lasting about 1-1/2 hours. We've expanded into looking more into church history. Last time we met we looked at the first two centuries of the church history; now we'll move on to course titled "Christianity and the Competition". Over these 8 weeks we'll look at other religions such as Hinduism, Buddhism and Islam. Format is to view a well-done video followed by a discussion period. Unlike our previous Bible study no outside reading is required. I hope this will prove interesting to our K of C brothers. Again, we will begin on Tuesday Sept. 14 and go for 8 weeks. We meet at 2 PM in the community room at St. Francis Hall. POC is PGK John Maiorano, 937-750-7213(c) or 937-340-6084(h), jcmajorana8@gmail.com.

PARISH DINNER

Octoberfest time is here, and as the fall turns the leaves to brilliant colors, we turn our attention to some of our Eastern European Ancestry for our next dinner menu. Our next monthly dinner will be on October 9th just after the 4:00 mass. This month we will feature cabbage rolls, typical Oktoberfest accompaniment. We'll have cabbage rolls, sour kraut, mashed potatoes, apple sauce and as always, a special dessert. As usual, you get all this for just \$10 for adults, \$5 for children. We'll be serving in the Parish Center right after the 4:00 Mass. Come and join your fellow Knights and Parishioners for some good food and even better company

FALL REVERSE RAFFLE

Fall Reverse Raffle 2021 Your Knights of Columbus Council's annual Fall Reverse Raffle will return on October 23rd. Doors open following the 4:00 mass. Tickets are \$35 which covers 2 adults admission, heavy hor d'oeuvres, soft drinks and a chance to win prizes. A cash bar will be available. The first ticket drawn wins \$100, last ticket drawn wins \$2000. Additional prizes will be awarded throughout the drawing. You need not be present to win. For tickets call PGK Jim McCoy @ 937-879-3570 or PGK Frank Minnick @ 937-522-0866 or email FMINN@aol.com or any of our members.

FAIRBORN COUNCIL 3724 COMMUNITY IMPACTS

As the Past Chair of the Family & Youth Initiatives (FYI) Board of Directors, I would like to personally thank Fairborn Council 3724 for your support. We just completed a very successful Harvesting Hope fundraiser event in which the Fairborn Knights sponsored a table and many of you attended. For those of you who were unable to attend, I wanted to take this opportunity to share this link: www.fyiohio.org/harvesting-hope (click on the "Watch This Next" button).

This short video provides insights into the impacts FYI is having on families within our community. At the end you will see PKG Larry Bogemann giving his testimonial (saved the best for last). FYI provides services to 6 counties (Clark, Champaign, Greene, Logan, Madison, & Shelby). It's your donations & continued support that make these positive outcomes possible. I'm sure God is smiling down upon us for our charitable acts. Please feel free to share this message with others, especially perspective members, who seek to learn more about the charitable acts of our Council.

PKG Herman Karhoff

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR'S CORNER

Our Lady Queen of Peace Prairies Chapel will be the site of our next Membership Drive the weekend of October 9 and 10! Despite the Health Protocol in place that limits the number of people in the sanctuary to 10 people, Father Moss has enthusiastically supported the Council campaigning for new members. Weather permitting, we will have a table set up under the pavilion located north side of the chapel, and we will be circulating among congregants in the parking lot who are live streaming the Mass over Facebook. Thanks to the following brothers who have volunteered to help out with the membership drive at OLQP Prairies Chapel: Adam Kempf, Grant Kempf, Rob Hernandez, Tim Barlow, Herb Edwards, Percy Gros, and Mark Dues. If you would like to join us for either the 4 pm Saturday or 9 pm Sunday Mass, call Brother Mark at 937-271-4791.

Father Tom has asked us to focus on January 2022 for the next drive since it's such a busy time at Mary Help.

Please pray for us on or before October 9 and 10 as we engage with the OLQP congregation. We are confident since this is not our work but the Lord's!

MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVES

–Don't forget to add [Join Us | Knights of Columbus \(kofc.org\)](https://www.kofc.org) as an app to your cell phone. It's a lot easier to sign someone up and get Information to him immediately.

–The First Year Free Membership Promotion has been extended through June 2022 and you can have a prospect join online for FREE (no \$30 initiation fee) when you use the Promotional Code: **MCGIVNEY 2020** in honor of the beatification last October of our founder Blessed Michael McGivney. Visit [kofc.org/join](https://www.kofc.org/join).

NAME TAGS

If you need a Council 3724 and/or Fourth Degree name tag, see Brother Mark Dues at the next business meeting. Cost per tag is \$5.00.

THIS MONTH'S PERSONAL GOAL:

If you know a young man, 18 or older, who is entering college or a career center this year, invite him to become a Knight! How about your son or grandson or great-grandson? He may be unable to attend our council's meetings right now, but he can sign up on [Join Us | Knights of Columbus \(kofc.org\)](https://www.kofc.org) for free, list 3724 as his council, but he doesn't have to be at the meetings! There also are councils on many college campuses!

COUNCIL EMAIL ALERTS

Knight alert requests and activity alerts should be send to the PGK Russ Milliron at webmaster@3724kofc.org.

Editor's note: Deadline for articles in the Santa Maria is the 4th Thursday of the month



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

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 GRAND-KNIGHT@3724KOFCCOM



INSURANCE CORNER

Protecting Your Family... Business?

You already know that the Knight of Columbus is here for all your personal and family financial protection needs, but did you know that the Order can help secure your business too? As your Knights of Columbus field agent, I can help you protect the continuity of your business for years to come.

Business insurance is the term used in the insurance industry to describe the use of life insurance and disability income insurance to solve certain financial needs of businesses and their owners. The products offered through the Order can cover many needs, such as:

- Economic loss to the business when a key employee dies
- Disposition of a business owner's interest upon death or other separation from the business

If you've worked hard to establish a business, you owe it to yourself and your family to learn about the opportunities that the Knights of Columbus can offer.

With protection for the family, the business, the farm, retirement, long term care and disability coverage, the Knight of Columbus truly is your shield for all the elements of your life.

Thanks!

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HOME CORPORATION

Your Home Corp continues to work hard to support the Council. The Directors met Sep 21 to pay bills and discuss business.

Key Inventory – Per the HC's lease agreement with Mary Help of Christians (MHC), we are required to be accountable for all keys that grant access to MHC facilities. If you have a key and have not been contacted by a HC rep, please contact Corky Block (HC Pres) at (937) 371-6968 and provide the number of your key for inventory reconciliation. If you have more than 1 key, please turn-in your other keys. We are approaching a key shortage for new members who have a need for a key. Thank you.

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.

Health and Healing:

PGK John Whytal, PGK Lew and Melita Murphy, Dave Bartok, Paul and Rose Yosick, Jon Edwards, Steve Paulsen, Jim McNamara, Tom O'Connor, Robert Herring, Robert Hernandez Sgt, Rosalie Sloat, Velma Hobbs, Janet McGrath, Wallace Johnson, Cathy Kempf, , Alice Smith, Hope Smith, Pat Banaszak, Ruth Fisher, Catherine Lump, Charles Lump, Jim Wolfe, John P. Wolfe, PGK John Wolfe, Bill Murphy, Bill Murphy Jr., Susie Gros, Holly Gros, Abbe Belote, Sandra Jensen, Judy Kiliany, PGK Russ Milliron, PSD Al Hickey



HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS



Missionary Disciples

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.



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SEP EVENTS

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| Oct 3 | Blessing of Amimals | Oct 3 | Life Chain |
| Oct 7 | Trustee Meeting | Oct 9 | Parish Dinner |
| Oct 10 | Family Rosary Rally | Oct 11 | Columbus Day |
| Oct 11 | 4td Degree Meeting | Oct 14 | Business Meeting |
| Oct 21 | Home Corp Meeting | Oct 23 | Life Tech Conference |
| Oct 23 | Reverse Raffle | Oct 28 | Lecturer Meeting |
| Oct 30 | Corp Comm-Queen of Pease | Oct 31 | Corp Comm-MHC |

OCT PREVIEW

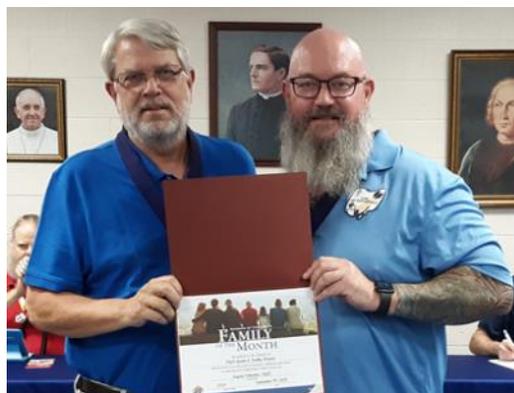
Christmas Bazaar, Parish Dinner, Blood Drive, Memorial Mass, Thanksgiving

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.



PGK Steve Wal receiving the KOTM on behalf of his son Andrew from GK Gene Erbacher



DGK Grant Kempf receiving the FOTM from GK Gene Erbacher

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