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UPCOMING EVENTS:



**Family of the Month Form
Due on June 15.**



**Pittsburgh Chapter Meeting –
June 6
St Kilian Church
7:30 PM**

**ELECTION OF NEW
OFFICERS FOR THE
UPCOMING FRATERNAL
YEAR WILL TAKE PLACE
AT THE JUNE MEETING.**



June 18, 2023



A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAPTER PRESIDENT...

Dear Brother Knights,

I returned from our Annual State Convention, held this year in Harrisburg, PA. It was great to see my Pittsburgh Brothers who attended the event, and I want to recognize the Pittsburgh Diocese Councils who sent delegates to represent their membership on issues concerning the Knights of Columbus.



Many councils across the State and brother knights were recognized for their great works over this past year and received State Awards for their service projects. It was wonderful to see our Brothers recognized for all their hard work!

I also want to pause to encourage the Pittsburgh Councils who were unable to attend, to consider attendance at future Knights of Columbus State Conventions, to ensure you have representation and a voice in decisions that will directly affect you and your Brother Knights in Pittsburgh and Western Pennsylvania. You are all part of the Pennsylvania State Council Knights of Columbus, so it's important you are represented. Too often we forget the lesson of the cable and the strength we have when we work together to reach our goals and instead go at it alone. But we are all "tied" together and benefit from working together.

Councils may not realize organizationally how the Knights of Columbus are structured, so I want to try to illustrate in a simplified way how we are arranged as an Order. So, here goes...

When looking at an organization and how it functions, it is important to define the "span of control" because this will define how much interaction and direct communication you receive from Supreme. The span of control is the amount of direct activity or people for which an organization is responsible to manage.

In the Knights of Columbus, the Supreme Council is the top-level, led by the Supreme Knight and other Supreme Officers. Because our Order is so large, Supreme cannot manage the whole Order directly, it requires oversight on a more localized level by using jurisdictions. Jurisdictions are made up of States (Pennsylvania), Territories (Quebec), or sometimes Countries (Ukraine).

Because Supreme's span of control is limited, it relies upon the jurisdictions to keep their membership on track with KofC principals and goals. The Pennsylvania jurisdiction is led by the Pennsylvania State Council, which is headed

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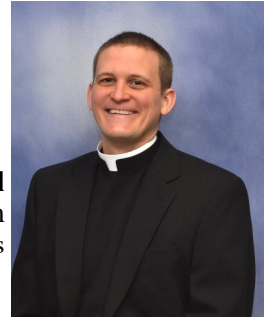
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7:30 PM**

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

WATCH YOUR EMAILS FOR A COLUMN FROM FATHER WILL !!!

Father Will Wuenschel
Saint Aidan Parish
St Alphonsus & St. Alexis Churches



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by the State Deputy, along with the other State Officers, who in turn manage District Deputies and oversee decisions on jurisdictional management. The State Deputy appoints District Deputies to work in the 122+ districts in Pennsylvania to which councils are assigned. By spreading out the communication and management through District Deputies, councils can have more direct personalized attention.

Going back to the Council's input in the process - and you do have a voice. Each Pennsylvania council has a voting delegation to send to the State Convention - the Grand Knight and a delegate. If the Grand Knight cannot attend, the council should elect an alternate so that each council will have **two delegates**. These delegates will have the opportunity to vote on Resolutions and other matters at the State Convention.

The State Convention is also an opportunity to meet with, share ideas, and quite simply, socialize with your Brother Knights across the State. The Pennsylvania State Council sponsors a hospitality suite, open to all attending the State Convention, with food and drink for attendees, and while we take care of business during the day, we have a wonderful opportunity to visit and enjoy ourselves at night. After all the third principal is Fraternity and the State Convention is the best way to share fraternity with your brother knights from across our State Jurisdiction - so next year plan to attend the Pennsylvania State Convention in King of Prussia at the Crown Plaza Hotel, April 26 – April 28, 2024!

Congratulations to our re-elected State Deputy, Michael Kish, and all our re-elected State Officers. We wish you nothing but success as you lead our State in the next fraternal year. Also, congratulations to our newly appointed and re-appointed District Deputies. We wish you success as you help your Grand Knights to achieve their goals.

Finally, congratulations to our newly elected and re-elected Grand Knights. We wish you success as you lead your Councils in the upcoming year. Never forget the principles of our Order – Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. Please attend your Chapter meetings!

I will complete my term as the Pittsburgh Chapter President at the end of June. I have been truly fortunate to have had a very qualified team of officers and to have received their support these past two years. I especially would like to thank Chapter Chaplain, Fr. Will Wuenschel, who was a great spiritual guide to me and our Chapter. I would also like to thank Past State Deputy, Eric Johnson, for his guidance during my tenure. Great ideas have come forth and I know that the incoming President and Officers are headed in a positive direction for our Chapter. It has truly been an honor and privilege to have served as your Chapter President. I wish you all success as we move Pittsburgh forward.

Thank you and Vivat Jesus!

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Father McGivney Guild

The Father McGivney Guild was established to promote the cause for the canonization of our founder, Father Michael J. McGivney. Membership in the Guild is open to anyone (*you do not necessarily need to be a member of the Knights of Columbus*) who wishes to share in this mission of making known the life and work of Father McGivney and of encouraging devotion to his memory.



The goal is to spread the story about his holiness of life and seek his intercession before the throne of God. **THERE IS NO COST TO BE A GUILD MEMBER.** The guild serves as a clearing house for information about Father McGivney, his virtuous life and works, plus the guild is an outward sign of support showing our interest in having this priest canonized. As a member of the **Guild**, you will receive a newsletter and periodic updates on the progress of this cause for canonization. Membership in the Knights of Columbus **DOES NOT** automatically enroll you in the Guild.

Not only because Father McGivney is the founder of the Knights of Columbus, but also because in solidarity with our Bishops and Priests, we want to honor them by bringing about sainthood to the first native born Catholic Parish Priest in the United States. Please visit the Guild website at [http:// www.fathermcgivney.org](http://www.fathermcgivney.org) to become a Guild member.



The following have been nominated as Chapter Officers
for the 2023-2024 fraternal year:

President - Michael O'Connell
Vice President - Nathan Sudie
Secretary - Michael Egnacheski
Treasurer - Eric Johnson
Controller - Tim Richards
Advocate - Christopher Kelley
Warden - Larry Emark
Guard - B.J. Abbott
Three Year Trustee - Michael Lynch

Nominations will remain open until the next chapter meeting to be held
on June 6, 2023.

If you are considering nominating someone please remember all chapter
officers must be duly elected delegates to the chapter per Article IV, Sec-
tion 1 of the Pittsburgh Chapter By-Laws.

It is also hoped that all officers attend the majority of monthly chapter
meetings, preferably in person.

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Pope Francis meeting Prince Charles of Wales on 13 October 2019 (Vatican Media)

Christopher Trott, His Majesty's King Charles III, the ambassador to the Holy See, said he looks forward to developing further the excellent relationship that exists between the British monarch and the Vatican. And "as something of a history geek," Ambassador Chris Trott dwelt on some significant details that firmly place the ancient ceremony in the new millennium.

First of all, he said, **it will be the first time a papal representative will have been present for the Coronation inside Westminster Abbey since 1553.**

The ambassador explained it was prior to the Second Vatican Council when Queen Elizabeth II was crowned in Westminster Abbey on 2 June 1953. That meant, he added, that Pope Pius XII's representative in Britain had to follow the ceremony from an especially-built stand outside Westminster Cathedral – the Catholic mother church - that is situated some 400 meters from the Abbey. **When Queen Elizabeth was crowned, the Vatican's approach was not to allow members of the Church to participate in a ceremony run by a different Christian denomination.**

On this occasion, he said, **two senior members of the Catholic Church (Cardinal Parolin and most probably the newly appointed Apostolic Nuncio to Great Britain) will be present in the Abbey and will be part of the Coronation service for the first time in almost 500 years.**

"They will be assisting the public part of the ceremony," the ambassador said, "They'll be watching the crown being put on the King and the Queen. But probably they won't be seeing the anointing ceremony, which I understand is a very private rite."

Ambassador Trott expressed absolute confidence in being able to continue to develop the warm and fruitful diplomatic relations that thrived between the Holy See and the United Kingdom during the reign of Queen Elizabeth II.

King Charles, he noted, has already met three Popes in his life: **John Paul II, Benedict XVI** when he visited the UK, and **Pope Francis.**

"I expect there will be a continued, mutually respectful relationship between the British sovereign and the Holy Father," he said, and he recalled the **"really striking gesture made by Pope Francis in the run-up to the Coronation with this gift of a piece of the True Cross."** That gift has been incorporated in this beautiful Welsh cross that was used to lead the Coronation Procession into the abbey.

By Linda Bordoni, Vatican News, 2023



On April 20, Pope Francis received Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori of Baltimore in a private audience during which they discussed the Order's activities in service to the Church, including efforts to strengthen the faith of men and their families and charitable initiatives in Ukraine and throughout the world.

Later that evening, the Pontifical North American College in Rome honored Supreme Knight Kelly as well as Bishop William Murphy, bishop emeritus of Rockville Centre, N.Y., with the Rector's Award, given each year to persons who have been instrumental in the life of the college and the Catholic Church.

In his remarks, the supreme knight reflected on the Order's longtime relationship and shared mission with the college, and noted, "The Church in the United States needs our faithful collaboration — priests and laity. The culture of Father McGivney's time was hostile to the truths of our Catholic faith, and the culture today is perhaps even more hostile. Yet, by calling upon one another, and by collaborating to build up the Church — clergy and laity together — we can make a difference."

<from kofc.org>



Bishop Zubik – Three Rivers Mass

Thank you for participating in COAL this year. Early returns indicate another successful Program. Your efforts allowed us to fund \$40,000 in Scholarships.

**STATE COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIPS
2023 COAL DRAWING**

AWARD	TICKET #	WINNER'S INFORMATION	COUNCIL
1 st PRIZE \$15,000	0058341	James Brown York, PA	1530
2 nd PRIZE \$10,000	0070067	Thomas Scott Collegeville, PA	3633
3 rd PRIZE \$7,500	0068879	Robert DiGregorio East Stroudsburg, PA	11935
4 th PRIZE \$5,000	0017600	Regis Convery Butler, PA	11388
5 th PRIZE \$5,000	0118866	Marsha Weleski Butler, PA	11388
6 th PRIZE \$5,000	0119214	Larry Mazaleski Bangor, Pa	3862
7 th PRIZE \$2,500	0046320	Caty Thomas Pittsburgh, PA	14474
8 th PRIZE \$2,500	0056598	Jerry Pavlosky Johnstown, PA	11308
9 th PRIZE \$2,500	0000472	St. Peter the Fisherman Church Lake Harmony, PA	10772
10 th PRIZE \$2,000	0013211	Peter Dalauro Lords Valley, PA	12571
11 th PRIZE \$2,000	0055270	Gus Hedecker Bethlehem, PA	15188
12 th PRIZE \$2,000	0026972	G. Kravetz Irwin, PA	6299
13 th PRIZE \$1,000	0078886	Kevin Shervinskic Shamokin, PA	14161
14 th PRIZE \$1,000	0097802	F. Hall Monessen, PA	954
15 th PRIZE \$1,000	0006394	Janice Carson	15982
16 th PRIZE \$1,000	0044495	Neil Leightner Natrona, PA	2602



SPECIAL OLYMPICS AT PNC PARK, PITTSBURGH PA




**Councils should hold elections between
May 1 and June 15.**



**Additionally, as soon as a council holds elections they can
report their elected officers via Member Management,
accessed through the Officers Online application..**


JUNE 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
**Family of Month Form Due	SUMMER BEGINS ON JUNE 21 !!!			1	2	3	
4 Trinity Sunday	5	6 Pgh Chap. Mtg	7	8	9	10	
11	12	13	14	15 **	16	17	
Happy Father's Day	18	19	20 	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30		

JULY 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
**Family of Month Form Due	July 11th – tentative officer's meeting !!					1
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