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**GRAND KNIGHT'S COMMENTS – Paul Wagner**

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Several years ago, Council #14111 partnered with our parish to promote, acknowledge, and celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday on April 7th, the Sunday after Easter Sunday. This program is the essence of what we are all about as a Council, sharing and supporting with our parish strong, valuable, Faith beliefs. The response of our parishioners has been quite surprisingly positive especially for a new parish program we made available sort of out the clear blue. A few dedicated Knights, strong in their beliefs of Divine Mercy, got together said, "Let's do this" and they did. And they continue to promote and support Divine Mercy Sunday.

I share this in hopes that all Knights will look into the information we have provided for Divine Mercy and come and support the program, parish and Church. Easter Sunday is the greatest story ever told and Divine Mercy Sunday follows, not just in time, but importance. Mercy is given to all through His life, death, and resurrection, for which we prepare, through prayer, fasting and alms-giving during Lent, then Easter, and then to Mercy. Personally, I love the Lenten season because it leads me to the Easter season, which brings me to the Mercy season, which I hope to enjoy forever. Have a holy and happy Easter and gather all the mercy you can, that has been made available to all.

**Vivat Jesus!**

*Paul Wagner, GK*

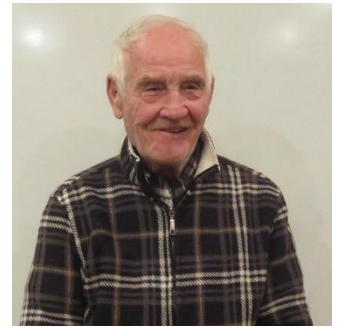
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**CURRENT & COMING COUNCIL ACTIVITIES    We Are an *Active* Council: Join Us!**

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

An exemplification was held on February 19<sup>th</sup> for 4 new members. Joining our council are, left to right: **Richard Cook** (Yes, we now have TWO Richard Cooks in the council!), **Richard Hansen**, **Kevin Wood**, and **Jim Sebe**. When you see these men, take time to introduce yourself.



On this night, the council attained an important milestone in its history: we hosted the Ladies of these men at the exemplification. See pictures below in Ladies Auxiliary column. New Supreme guidelines now allow for family and friends to attend the exemplification, a viewing of the new film which has taken the place of the multiple Degree presentations of the past. In the new, streamlined version of the degree program, candidates need only view a 29-minute video and are then awarded the 3<sup>rd</sup> degree in the Order. The video is an abbreviated version of the lessons on Charity, Unity and Fraternity.

Three of the 4 new members attended this month's meeting. (the 4<sup>th</sup> was in Florida!) We were happy to see you!

## WELCOME BRAD

Allowing honored guests with council permission is another change in meeting protocol and was seen at the last meeting as we welcomed Brad Holland as a guest of Ray Leach. Welcome, Brad. We hope you gained some favorable knowledge about our council. And, we hope you were impressed enough to fill out a F100!!

The furniture salesman assured me the couch would seat 5 people without any problem. Then it occurred to me that I don't know 5 people without any problems!

# EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

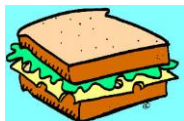
**Eucharistic Adoration** is a beautiful and reverent practice in the Catholic tradition. During this time, believers spend quiet moments in prayer before Jesus who is present in the Eucharist. Adoration is at 5:00 PM on Wednesdays through March 20<sup>th</sup>. Consider attending the Adoration. **FAITH**



## **BROTHERHOOD NIGHT**

On March 25<sup>th</sup> we will have a **“Brotherhood Night”** in the hall. This program is an excellent planning program for all Knights and ladies and others. We will have five speakers who will discuss the following topics: Wills & Trusts, Nursing Home healthcare, Catholic cemeteries, funerals, and Knights of Columbus insurance. These presentations are short and to the point. This seminar has been very well attended in the past because the information is valuable to us all. There is absolutely no obligation; this seminar is voluntary and informational only. You will have the opportunity at the end of the presentations to speak one-on-one to a speaker if you choose.

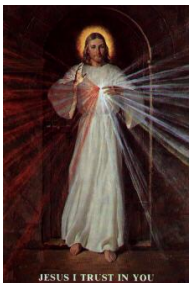
**This seminar is open to EVERYONE. You are encouraged to invite anyone you think could benefit from this information. FAMILY**



## Council “Sandwich Project”

March 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 in the kitchen. **CHARITY**

# DIVINE MERCY



Join us for a **Divine Mercy Novena** on Zoom. The novena will start at 7:00 PM on Good Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup> and every day through April 6<sup>th</sup> (except April 3<sup>rd</sup> when it will begin at 8:00 PM.) To join, go to [www.zoom.com](http://www.zoom.com) and click on **“Join meeting.”** Enter meeting ID# **2304329015** and use passcode **bCCS7. FAITH**

On Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> the Knights will lead a **Divine Mercy chaplet** at 3:00 PM (the time when Jesus died on the cross) at the church. Please arrive at 2:45 as the chaplet will start promptly at 3:00. **FAITH**

# EASTER EGG HUNT

We will again “hide” the eggs for the **Easter Egg Hunt** on Holy Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>. This is a “rain-or-shine” event; outside if nice, inside if rainy. Please arrive around noon to hide eggs. The event starts at 1:00. Wear your green shirt if you have one (blue is OK too). Pink shirts for the ladies. **FAMILY**



## "CELEBRATE LIFE" DINNER

**Right to Life Northeast Ohio** is sponsoring a "Celebrate Life" dinner on April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The council voted to sponsor a table and a half page ad for this event. The dinner will be held at the SYB Party Center in Stow, Ohio. Social hour starts at 4:00 PM. The tickets are free but seating is limited. Contact John Brooks for info or reservations! See contact info above. **LIFE**



## "MEASURE UP"

Our annual "Measure Up" campaign will be April 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>. We need YOU to help collect at Ace Hardware in the Norton Shopping Center! We still need the following spots filled:

**Friday**, April 26th: 3-5 PM: 1 person, 5-7 PM: 2 persons, and 7-9 PM: 2 persons.

**Saturday**, April 27th: 1-3 PM: 1 person, 3-5 PM: 2 persons and 5-7 PM: 2 persons.



This is the Knights of Columbus flagship charity for raising money, not only locally but state-wide, for citizens with developmental and physical disabilities. Call now or sign up at the April meeting.

Contact **Bruce Howell**, 330-957-2234 (call or text) or [BEH\\_OHIO@yahoo.com](mailto:BEH_OHIO@yahoo.com) **CHARITY**

## RUBBER DUCKS



The council is sponsoring a night at the Rubber Ducks on June 21<sup>st</sup>. It's "Barberton Chicken and Hot Rice Night." Tickets are \$12 for admission. We need 25 people to get this price. You can book now, pay later. Open to your whole family and friends. These are always fun. **Mike Breiding** is chairman. His contact info is above. **FAMILY**

## PAST COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

Did YOU take part??

## CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP CONFERENCE

The Catholic Men's Fellowship of Northeast Ohio conference was March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024, at the Independence Holiday Inn. It was entitled "Experiencing Jesus in the Eucharist." Continental breakfast and lunch were provided. Highlights were excellent speakers which included **Fr. Thomas Blau**, **Joe Herschmeyer**, and **Bishop Michael Woost** as the keynote speaker.

Confessions were heard, for anyone wishing to go, by 13 priests. Registration was \$40 which, **for members, was paid by the council**. Eleven men were signed up to attend the conference (due to health situations two were not able to attend.). Over 400 men attended this conference. **FAITH**





## DEEPENING OUR FAITH

Deacon Jim

Phil Scozzaro - This Month



### Are you saved?

Anyone who grew up in the 70's recalls being asked this question often! I recall being asked this by a neighbor of mine. So, I decided to then ask my Franciscan priest at my high school. He told me that if I loved God, and my brothers, I would be saved.

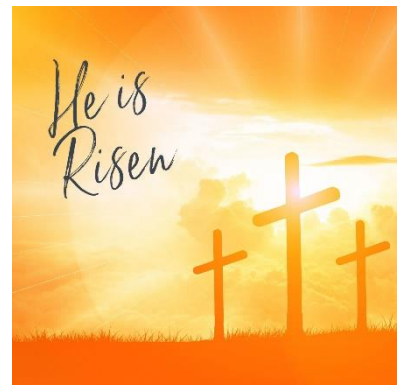
At this Lenten season Jesus begins his walk toward Jerusalem knowing that he will be lifted up for all of us. I have always been fascinated at the people who he met on the way. Some of them ignored him; that is, the people who witnessed Jesus expelling a demon from a boy thought Jesus was somehow "in concert" with the evil one! What was his reply? "A house divided against itself cannot stand." Another unlikely person who met Jesus was Nicodemus. Yes, a Pharisee. He meets Jesus and asks about being born again and (thus saved). It is likely he came to know Jesus. In fact, he had helped them bury the body of Jesus. Such a public action surely was taken at a risk to his standing as a member of the established order of the people at that time.

What is the take away from meeting Jesus then? Do I spend time getting to know Him? Do I intentionally love my brother and God? Can I put aside bitterness and judgement in my interactions with others? Can I be grateful for having a group of brothers (yes, that is us) who come together to eat, pray, and give food, clothing and shelter to God's people? Can we recall and live the words of St. Francis who told his group, "Brothers, while we have time, let us do good?"

If the answer to these questions is "yes," then I believe we are saved!

## IMPORTANT DATES – MARK THESE DATES DOWN NOW!

March	20	Eucharistic Adoration – 5:00
	<b>24</b>	<b>Palm Sunday</b>
	27	Sandwich Project – 5:00 - Kitchen
	<b>28</b>	<b>Maundy Thursday</b>
	<b>29</b>	<b>Good Friday</b>
	<b>30</b>	<b>Holy Saturday</b>
	30	Easter Egg Hunt – Volunteers: show up at noon
	<b>31</b>	<b>Easter</b>
April	2	Officer's meeting – 7:00 – St Francis room
	9	Business meeting – 7:00 – St Francis room



**Make every effort to attend all the Masses during Holy Week.**

Next OFFICER'S Meeting: April 2<sup>nd</sup>

Next REGULAR Meeting: April 9<sup>th</sup>  
Refreshments: Jeff Taylor



**PRAYER LIST:** OUR BROTHERS: Br. Bruce Howell; Br. Steve Common; Br. John Vincent; Br. Jim Stotler; Br. Jason Hilliard; Br. IPSD Mark Siracusa; Br. John Kelly; Br. Steve Charlson; Br. Bill Justice; Br. Bill Forshey; Br. Larry Lauter; Br. Kevin Hogan; Br. Paul Mong; Br. Mike Dannemiller; Br. Bill McKinnon; OUR FAMILY: Rene Leopold, cousin of Br. Craig Miller; Jose Hernandez, father of Br. Carlos; Allison Pool, daughter of Br Mike Breiding; Mary Goodhart, wife of Br. DD Tom; Karen Smith, sister of Br. Norm Kendall; Allison Otradovec, wife of Br Kellen; Kay Miller, aunt of Br. Craig Miller; Bridget Mullins, daughter of Br Paul Wagner; Sylvia Breiding, mother of Br. Mike; Kathy Heffernan, wife of Br. Chuck; Chris Stotler, son of Br. Deacon James; Bonnie Taylor, wife of Br. Jeff; Marie Krause, wife of +Br. Chuck; Geraldine Jackson, Mother of Fr. Bob; Pat Mong, wife of Br. Paul; Traci Peltz, wife of Br. Ed; Marianne Maser, wife of +Br. Jim; John Urbanski, son of Br. Joe; OUR FRIENDS: Heather Coleman; Joyce Coburn; Pam Hennemann, Jess Accosta, friend of Br Bill Justice; and for all members of the armed forces of the United States, emergency responders, and those affected by Covid-19. Please pray for those who may have been overlooked and those in need who choose not to be listed here.



COUNCIL MASS SERVERS for March: Otradovec Family



## MEMBER BIRTHDAYS



April	13	Jeff Taylor
	19	Don Wilcox
	21	John Beltich
	21	Rick Linn
	22	Joe Klaus
	23	Ed Grasso
	30	Fr. Jackson

FOURTH DEGREE – SK Dennis Jacobs

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## JOSEPH BENDER ASSEMBLY #1766

148 North Lyman Street, Wadsworth, OH  
Meetings are the second Thursday of the month.

Faithful Navigator: SK Robert Bilbrey      Bilbrey10@hotmail



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**FOURTH  
DEGREE**  
*Highest degree of Knighthood.*

The 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Reverse Raffle was a success



## LADIES ATTEND THE EXEMPLIFICATION

In a first for the council, the wives/significant others were invited to attend the exemplification for new members. All in attendance seemed to have a new appreciation for men joining the Knights of Columbus. We welcomed the ladies. Refreshments followed the exemplification.



## EASTER EGG HUNT

The ladies have been asked to serve the food at the **Easter Egg Hunt** on Holy Saturday. The event starts at 1:00. If you want to help, please arrive around noon to help set up the food line. We will be having the same menu as last year (hot dogs, macaroni and cheese, baked beans, dessert). Wear your pink shirt if you have one.



If you know of someone who could use a Prayer Shawl, please notify **Francene Conrad** at [rfconrad@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rfconrad@sbcglobal.net) or 330-825-8631.

## Ladies Birthdays



April 4 Sarah Darnell  
22 Charmaine Reese

## OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION, LOCAL EVENTS & FINAL THOUGHTS

➔ To contact any Officer or Director, see headers at the top of this newsletter



Rick Linn was not in attendance



## Cash Club

The **Sally Lippert, #073**. Sally has donated her winnings back to the council to be used for charitable purposes. Thank you, Sally. Thank you for your support.

## KNIGHTS SOCIAL

Don't forget the Knights' Night Out Social. Jeff Fry will send out a notice with location and time. The Social is an opportunity to spend some time with fellow Knights in a casual atmosphere. Jeff would like to invite everyone to the last Tuesday of the month night out. Knight's night out will be on **Tuesday, March 26th at 6:30 at Finney's in Norton.** FRATERNITY

## PRAYER BREAKFAST

A morning prayer group for Brother Knights will be offered on the first Saturday of each month. This will be a simple gathering for prayer and some reflection and fellowship. It is our opportunity to pray together as brothers and support commitment to our Father, through Jesus Christ and continued obedience to our Catholic Faith in our participation in the Knights of Columbus!



We will meet next on **April 13<sup>th</sup> at 9r's Breakfast, Diner and Pub**, 130 South Lyman Street (heading west on Greenwich to Wadsworth turn left at the first light approaching the square. There is a Marathon on the left. Then past the Marathon turn right immediately for parking. Across from the Post Office. Website: [9ersdiner.com](http://9ersdiner.com)

Contact **Bruce Howell**. 330-957-2234 (call or text) or [BEH\\_OHIO@yahoo.com](mailto:BEH_OHIO@yahoo.com)

## REFRESHMENTS for 2023-24



**Here's the Refreshment volunteer list you signed up for.**

You can provide whatever you like. The council will reimburse up to \$75 with receipts given to the Financial Secretary. You will be responsible for cleaning up the kitchen afterward. (don't worry, you'll have help!) An officer will be responsible for turning off everything and locking up the hall.

**April**  
**May**  
**June**

**Jeff Taylor**  
**Charles LeGuillon**  
**Ray Leach**

Thank you for volunteering! The refreshment social after the meeting is enjoyed by all.

## WEBINAR

Do not miss the next Fraternal Benefit Event "Retirement Saving and Distribution Planning" online seminar with Ed Slott on Tuesday, April 2 at 8:00 pm. Use the following link to register at <https://bit.ly/49N1PHO>



# SUPER CASH BONANZA

We have received our Super Cash Bonanza tickets and the campaign starts NOW! Members receive 10 tickets in the mail. We ask you to buy them or sell them. Return cash or checks and the stubs to Jeff Taylor. **All** profits from these \$5.00 tickets go to our 501c3 charity account. Our 1<sup>st</sup> precept is **CHARITY**. Please help the council build its charity account so we can continue to donate to local worthy causes. See winner details below. Who wouldn't like to receive over \$400 a month for 10 years for a \$5 investment?!

## Prizes

**1st Prize: \$49,680**

Payable \$414/Month for 10-Years!

**2nd Prize: \$18,780**

Payable \$313/Month for 5-Years!

**3rd Prize: \$12,720**

Payable \$212/Month for 5-Years!

And even more prizes!!

4th Prize: \$4,000

5th Prize: \$3,000

6th- 9th Prizes: \$1,500

10th-13th Prizes: \$1,250

14th-17th Prizes: \$1,000

18th- 21st Prizes: \$ 750

22nd-25th Prizes: \$ 500

Tickets are \$5.00 each. They will be coming your way soon!

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TO OUR 501c3 CHARITY ACCOUNT**



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**NOTICE:** Pierre Ferrer has resigned. Our new agent will be Josh Riegler. There is no contact information for him yet. If you need help, please call **John Spencer Agency (740) 434-5158**.

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**STAR Council Award winner**

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**Vivat Jesus**



**BE PART OF IT!**

**GET YOUR WIFE INVOLVED!**