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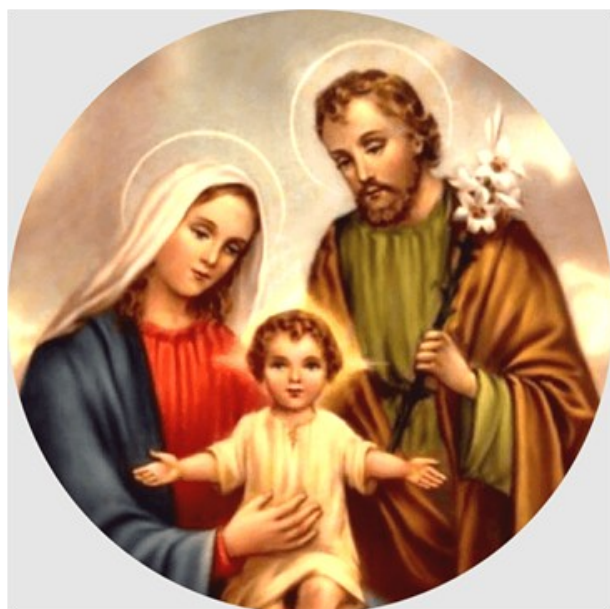
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Feast of the Holy Family
December 30, 2023

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- December 1 - Adoration in the Chapel
- December 3 - First Sunday of Advent
- December 3 - First Sunday Rosary after the 9:00 am Mass
- December 8 - Feast of Immaculate Conception
- December 9 - Council Christmas Party 6:30 pm Simmons Center
- December 10 - Knight's Parish Breakfast after the 9:00 AM Mass
- December 11 - Officers Planning Meeting 6:00 pm Simmons Center
- December 12 - Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
- December 13 - Council Members Meeting 7:00 pm Simmons Center
- December 25 - Christmas Day



Grand Knight's Message

Worthy Brothers,

Hard to believe but we are just a few short weeks away from Christmas. Where does the time go?

It's been a very busy but productive first half of the Fraternal year. As we wind down 2023 here are a couple of things to keep in mind. First, there is always something going on with the Council. We have a blood drive on the 29th of November which will be our last drive for 2023. We have our next Rosary scheduled for December 3rd after the 9am Mass. As we go through the Advent season it is a perfect time to join your fellow Brothers in prayer. Our last pancake breakfast for 2023 will be held on December 10th after the 9am Mass.

Finally we have our annual Christmas party scheduled on Saturday December 9th from 6:30-9:30pm. All Brothers and their families are encouraged to attend. Please RSVP ahead of time. It should be a great time for all to spend in brotherhood and friendship.

I need to remind everyone that we are still challenged to bring new members into the Council. They are the lifeline we need to remain viable as a Council.

This time of year we are always faced with challenges. Please be sure to take the time to care for your families and to check on those around you who may be hurting or in need. We can successfully meet any challenge when we look out for each other.

It has been a privilege to lead you through this first half of the Fraternal year and I look forward to what comes next.

On behalf of myself and my family I wish each and every one of you a safe , prosperous and Joyful Christmas season!

Vivat Jesus,

Charles Cheney GK



District Deputy Report

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOUNDED

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.

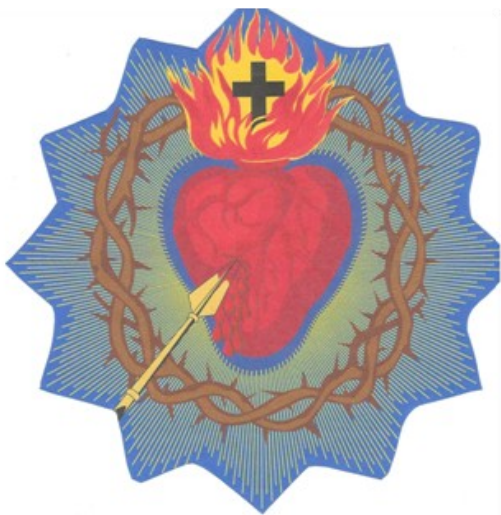
1892: The Order passes laws allowing noninsurance (associate members) to join.

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.

COR



Dear Brother Knights,

Until recently, I had a need that had not been met. Then, my wife Betsy and I got better acquainted with Sir Knight, Brother Mike Wachter and his wife Pat after Mass.

We discovered that we had a lot in common; our ages, our grown kids and grandkids, our need for Mass, the Eucharist and prayer, our need to pray with more order as in the Liturgy of the Hours and the Rosary, our participation in PICKUPANDROPOFF, a charity that feeds Room at the Inn, Sanctuary House and Backpack Beginnings.

But we knew that we needed to talk about things of our faith that matter. So we started meeting once a week at Mike's house.

We got ready for the weekly meetings by reading the four Mass readings for the next Sunday in "Word Among Us". We each had our favorite

WAU Meditations or commentaries and picked out the ones that changed what we knew about the readings or made them more understandable.

Pat loved to make coffee cake and coffee, so we had that and talked about things important to us, opened with a prayer, read the readings and discussed the WAU meditations that made that scripture more meaningful. We didn't leave until we were satisfied with what we had produced. We were amazed at what really happened. We got really close to each other.

Then I noticed that K of C has a new program with many possibilities that can happen. They call it Cor.

They said in Columbia Magazine that "Cor exists to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into deeper relationships with Jesus Christ through prayer, formation and fraternity".

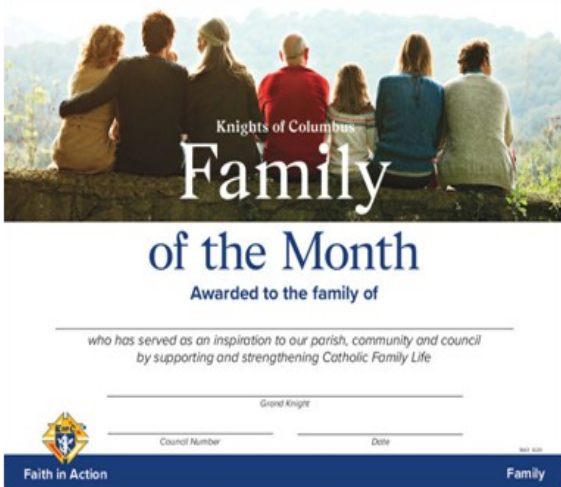
What Cor is not is: a business meeting, a prayer meeting, a charitable event, a sales event, a social where you have to entertain, a deep Bible study where you have to cross reference everything, etc. It is peer support that is the essence of the Knights of Columbus. It is a time to discover what God has ready for those who love Him.

If this is what you are looking for, please let me know by replying to this email or by calling me at 336-202-9717. I have three other couples I know who will join us. I would like to see Cor take off in small groups of Knights, or Knights and their wives.

Vivat Jesus,

Jim Furman





Dan & Joy Heningin

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Christmas Party

Please join us for the
Saint Pius X
Knights of Columbus

Christmas party

December *Month* 2023

Saturday from 6:30-9:30pm

Simmons Center - 2210 N Elm St, Greensboro, NC

Rsvp

RSVP to **KOC.STPX@gmail.com**

Please bring a baked good
for dessert to share

Jacket and Tie Required

**Food, Fun, DJ & Visit from St. Nick
If you have not RSVP yet, Please do so immediately!**

First Sunday Rosary



December 3, 2023 After the 9:00 am Mass St. Pius X Chapel

Parish-wide rosary to Mary led by the Knights of Columbus is said every first Sunday of the month in the chapel.

Parishioner lead decade of the rosary.

Consider spending an extra fifteen minutes praying to Mary for her intercession to God for our partitions.

Knight's Pancake Breakfast



December 10, 2023 After the 9:00 am Mass Simmons Parish Center

Parish Pancake Breakfast Sponsored
By the Knights of Columbus

Membership



Knights of Columbus Membership

Open to all practical catholic men 18 years old and older.

Join the largest catholic charitable organization in the world.

Scan the QR Code to join!

Use the code: **Blessed McGivney** for one year free membership.



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Knights of Columbus is a service organization that provides an outlet for its members to better serve their church, brotherhood, country, and community. Our principles are Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. We participate in charitable works, Promoting the Domestic Church, raising money, and providing effort for groups in need throughout our communities. We provide social fellowship, reinforcing our beliefs and strengthening the ties between families and friends. It is our great privilege to serve and augment the activities of our parish and the church as a whole. And we provide support for those members who may find themselves in need, especially through our long-standing and excellent insurance program.

The order also owns the Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors, a money management firm that invests in accordance with Catholic social teachings.



Meetings

**Business Meeting-
Second Wednesday of the Month**

**Officers & Directors Meeting—Monday before the business meeting
All meetings in the Simmons Parish Center at 7:00 PM**

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A KNIGHT

It means a life of faith in action, of boldness in brotherhood, and a life worth living. We are men who lead, serve, protect and defend, whether giving Coats for Kids, lending a hand in disaster relief efforts, supporting local pregnancy centers by donating ultrasound machines, or providing top-quality financial products.