



knights of st. irene

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Council 6710
Warrenville, IL

Happy Easter!



Glorious Easter!

Only God could have created all the loveliness of spring. Made the bough to bud and blossom. Taught

the robin how to sing.

Only God could have remembered, Through the winter, cold and gray, How to renew the earth with beauty And give us this Easter Day.

Motivational and Inspirational Message
Quotes Collections

Now is the time to renew the earth ...to feed the birds...to till the soil...to wash away winter and open up to spring.

Now is the time to renew ourselves...to become more prayerful...to be more mindful of others...to be more kind...to resurrect our souls.

Wishing you a Blessed Easter Season!

Membership Recruitment Begins! Ask!

Next First Degree is March 10

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KC Academy Mar. 5

PRIDE PASSION PERFORMANCE

The Topics of recruitment and retention will be presented, conducted by **Frank Stock State KC Academy Director**. Training will also include getting your members more involved, limit suspensions and aid in retention. Open also to all Knights who aspire to become officers of the Council.

The session will be held at the St. Irene Activities Center starting at 9:00 AM and will conclude by Noon. For more information contact GK Ken Dilulio at 630-747-3673, or DD James Bartz DD at 630-229-8311.



Council Hosts Soup Supper Mar. 11

Soup Suppers are held Every Friday During Lent at St. Irene's After Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM.

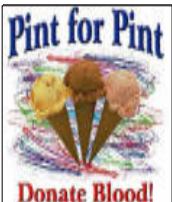
The Council is responsible for bringing and serving the soup on **March 11**. Six meatless soups are needed! Call

PGK Ray Scott (630-294-5115) to volunteer.



KC Council Family Mass 11:00 AM Mar. 13

Plan to attend this quarterly event, as Knights and their Families gather together in prayer and Communion.



KC/VFW Blood Drive Mar. 19

The next blood drive will be held from 7:00 AM—Noon at St. Irene Activities Center. The Knights and VFW will be making breakfast for all the blood donors.

Joe Gattone, Blood Drive Director



Apr. 9— Ladies Bunco Party

Mark your Calendar! The Bunco Party will be held in the ACL from 7:00-10:00 PM. Proceeds from this LOC fundraiser will go towards Bridge Communities. Look for registration information soon.



Adopt-a-Highway April 23

Mark your Calendar to clean up the mess in the stretch of Butterfield Rd between Batavia Rd., Hwy 59, and west to the City boundary.

Ralph Dieter, Adopt-A-Highway Chairman, has scheduled cleanup to start at 9:00 AM. Meet in the parking lot north of the old MB Bank Building. Bring a sturdy pair of shoes and work gloves. For more information, call **Ralph** at 630-420-8160.



Council Business Meeting March 10, 7:30 PM

A First Degree will be held just prior to the meeting in the St. Irene Activities Center starting at 7:00 PM. If you have a prospective member pick him up and take him to St. Irene's.

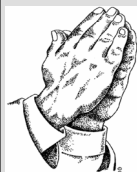
1 New Knight +1 Experienced Knight = A Great Knight



Fourth Degree News

March Meeting—The Blanchette Assembly will meet on March. 9 at the Naperville Hall on Ogden Ave. There will be a Rosary at 6:30 PM, dinner at 7:00 PM, and meeting at 8:00 PM sharp.

Honor Guards—requested for Holy Thursday and Easter Vigil. On Holy Thursday, we will again be standing in honor during the exhibition of Holy Eucharist in the St. Irene Activities Center after the Mass until midnight.



Pray for Our Loved Ones

Pray for the health & recovery of **Debbie Alleruzzo, Theresa Pavel, Irene Bollweg, Carolann Chiodo, Sr. Roseann Eck, Charlie Fahrenwald, Rocky Phelps, Joe Elliott** (Brother of Dolly Pointner), **Michele Jacobson** (Debbie Alleruzzo relative), and **Joe Wehner**.



Ladies of Columbus (LOC)

First, I would like to thank all those who donated gently used purses and placed items, soaps, shampoos, socks, etc. in the purses. We have received about 100 purses, but those of you who would still like to donate, there is a bin at the back of the church.



- **Monthly Board Meeting**—Tuesday, March 8 at 7:00 PM in the ACL. Please join us whenever you can. The Board enjoys having members taking part in our meetings. Your ideas are always welcome.
- **Ladies Night Out and Easter Project.**—Tuesday, March 15 at 7:00 PM in the ACL. The Board will provide a dinner for you. Afterwards, we will make a special project for the children of the parish. The items we make will be handed out after all Masses on Easter. **Father Jim** will invite all of the children to come to the altar after Mass where women of the Auxiliary will hand them out.
- **BUNCO (save the date)** - Saturday, April 9 at 7:00 PM in the St. Irene Activities Center. For this semi-annual event and fundraiser, all of the money will be donated to the Bridge Community.

Letters have been sent out to all for renewal of membership. If you would like to renew and haven't had a chance to, please return your forms to **Beverly Scott**. If you are not a member but would like to join us, you can find membership forms on the parish welcome center, or call me 630-653-1647.

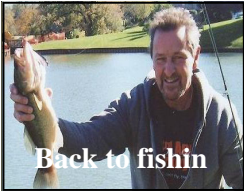
Pat Kemp
LOC President

St. Irene Knights of Columbus Council 6710, Warrenville, IL

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Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to all Catholic gentleman over 18 years of age. To join or obtain further information, contact our Membership Chairman Ray Scott at 630-393-0868.

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Grand Knight's Corner

Congratulations to all the winners of the Super Bowl raffle. Congrats to the new Sir Knights who attended the exemplification on February 20 at the Sheraton Hotel in

Lisle.

This past month the Knights and their Families have been busy with attending the Feed My Starving Children. Thanks to Joe Kubal for once again setting up this event. Looking forward to many more!

This past month the Knights and their Families have been busy with attending the Youth spelling Bee, Super Bowl party(thankfully no snow this year), Youth Free Throw Contest and of course Valentine's Day! Thank you to all the volunteers in helping at the many events. Too many to name individually.

Coming on March 5, our Council will be hosting a KC Academy. This is a great chance for old and new members to learn more about the inner-workings of the Knights of Columbus, There is no cost just show up, learn, and with Knights that attend from other Councils. A light lunch will be served afterwards. Who knows, you could be the next Grand Knight!!

At the March 10 meeting, we will have a 1st degree for new members wishing to join. If you know of anyone interested, please call PGK **Ray Scott** at 630-294-5115 to let him know.

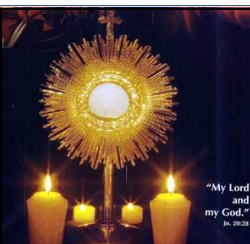
Each Friday during this time of Lent, soup suppers are offered after the Stations of the Cross at St. Irene's. We will be hosting the supper on March 11. We will need help in setting up, cleaning up, and serving the many homemade soups by Knights for all to enjoy. Please mark your calendar for this. It is a good way to help prepare for Easter and meet up with fellow Knights and parishioners.

The next blood drive will be on March 19 at St Irene AC from 7:00 AM to Noon. Please bring a friend and remember you get a free breakfast and this too can be a part of your Lenten intentions.

**God Bless
GK Ken DiIulio**



**Matthew Kling
Council Insurance Agent
St. Charles, IL 60175-6081
630-485-8705**



Eucharistic Adoration Every Thursday

Join us every Thursday from 7:30 AM to 8:00 PM at St. Irene Church. For more information, or if you would like to scheduled a time, call **Cathy Kott** at 630-393-9543.

Pro-Life

ICL President's Column February 2016 Young, Old and In-Between

I am personally edified by young people's zest for the pro-life movement. There are so many instances where it can be seen - most recently in the March for Life. Students marched in cities across the country, including Chicago, Washington D.C., San Francisco, Los Angeles, and Tulsa, just to name a few. Some colleges canceled their trip to D.C. due to the blizzard, but marched elsewhere. For example, University of Notre Dame students marched on campus. In a way, this was a real gift because many people who could not have made a trip that weekend were able to participate or witness the public expression of joy. In Washington D.C., Students for Life of America had to cancel a conference, losing tens of thousands of dollars, but arranged to donate the food from the conference to the homeless. So many ways to demonstrate out love for our neighbor.

With faith in God, and hope for the future we all go forward in the struggle to protect the vulnerable. Out next battle in Illinois may well be assisted suicide. We need pro-life representatives in Springfield, and we need to get the word out to everyone that each person's life is valuable, regardless of his or her ability, and those near the end of life need compassion, not death. If each of us shows that belief in our daily lives, people's hearts will change. There is a tradition dating back to the 7th century articulated by St. Benedict - Ora et Labora - which translates "Pray to Work". We must never give up on both of them, praying and working. Some who are older or less able may only be able to pray. All are encouraged to take their role in protecting life from conception to natural death. What is yours?

Sue Stroka

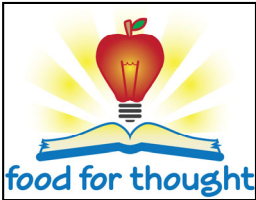
**PGK Jack Gorski
ProLife Chair**



Council Facebook

Has Its Own Address Page!

Go to <https://www.facebook.com/KofC6710> Or on Facebook, search for Knights of Columbus pages; select our page and then choose to **Like** the page. You may post comments and photos on the wall. To schedule events send a message to **Tom Perez** on Facebook.



The bread which you use is the bread of the hungry; the garment hanging in your wardrobe is the garment of him who is naked; the shoes you do not wear are the shoes of the one who is barefoot; the acts of charity that you do not perform are so many injustices that you commit.

-- St. Basil

Get Involved in Your Parish!

Opportunities to become involved in the ministries of YOUR Church

Education Ministry:

- ◆ Catechist/assistant: Pre-School
- ◆ Catechist/assistant: Elementary
- ◆ Catechist/assistant: Jr. High
- ◆ Catechist/assistant: High School
- ◆ Bible Study Facilitator

Formation Ministry:

- ◆ RCIA
- ◆ Baptism prep
- ◆ Baptism prep child care
- ◆ Marriage prep
- ◆ Small Christian Communities

Liturgical Ministry:

- ◆ Lector
- ◆ Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist
- ◆ Altar Server – Elementary/ Jr. High Level
- ◆ Altar Server – High School
- ◆ Choir – Adults
- ◆ Choir – Children
- ◆ Children's Liturgy of the Word Leaders/ Assistants/ Musicians
- ◆ Usher/ Greeter

Hospitality:

- ◆ New Parishioner Welcome Team
- ◆ Monthly Hospitality

Pastoral Ministry:

- ◆ Minister to the Homebound

YES! After prayerful consideration, I will help!
(Please drop in collection.)

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Ministry: _____

Can't find what you're looking for?
Phone Annette at 630.393.2400 x 22.



Program Awards for January 2016

Knight of the Month: Council 6710 honors **PGK Bob Rauko** as our Knight of the month for January. Bob currently serves as the Council's Recorder, where he does an excellent job chronicling our business meetings. Bob is always at the ready to step up and help with a variety of Council events, including the Free Throw Contest, blood drives, Tootsie Roll Drive and food concessions. Bob also serves as the Grand Knight on the Council's First Degree team, helping to welcome the newest members of the Order. Bob coordinates the beautiful outdoor Christmas decorating of the Church grounds each year, and ensures the decorations are kept in top working order. Bob's dedication to our council and his willingness to serve are unparalleled.

Family of the Month: Council 6710 honors **PGK Marc Alleruzzo and his wife Debbie** as Family of the Month for January. Marc has been active in our Council for over 25 years. As chair of the Retention Committee, Marc works to ensure the Council's membership stays strong. Marc also volunteers his time at a variety of events, including the 4th of July food concessions, the Tootsie Roll Drive, and Christmas Decoration setup. This past month he helped at both the Free Throw Contest and as a member of the Super Bowl subcommittee. Debbie is a member of the Ladies Auxiliary and volunteers in a variety of activities.

Council Program: Christmas lights were taken down from the church grounds on January 16. Thank you to the many Knights who came to help.

Family Program: The Knights entered the St. Irene Chili Cookoff to support the St. Irene Athletic Board, which was held January 30. Congratulations to **PGK Tom LaRocco** and **PGK Jim Halama** for bringing home a couple of awards.

Youth Program: Twelve participants competed in this year's Free Throw Challenge, which was held on January 14. The winners will move on to the District Free Throw contest.

We thank you Wayne!

Let us all thank **PGK Wayne Decker** as this was his final year as State Free Throw Chairman. Let's try to get one state winner this year.



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Come join the CCW for their **Annual Tea and Fashion Show** on Saturday, April 2 from 11AM-2PM. Lunch will be catered by Baby Carrots. If you would consider being a hostess, want to attend, or need additional information, contact Paula Peterson at 630.393.3989 or paula.lp.peterson@gmail.com.

The fashions modeled will be from Chico's in Wheaton. If you would like to be a model for the fashion show, contact Anna Saake at 630.456.0644 or Anna@Saake.net.

Feb. 7 A SUPER WINNER!

Many party-goers attended the annual Council Super Bowl Party and Raffle, held Feb. 7 in the ACL. They ate, drank and cheered. We sold 270 raffle tickets. The Council netted \$4740 from the fundraiser.

We thank our **Super Bowl Committee members PGK Marc Alleruzzo, Phil Kemp, PGK Glen Kussman, PGK Erich Pavel, DGK Tom Perez, Peter Pulice, David Schar** for planning and working the event. We greatly appreciated those who helped at the party **Sue Gosewehr** (cooking too), **John Ernst, PGK Wayne Decker, PGK Bob Rauko, and Mike Bates**. The food was, again, truly outstanding!

Raffle winner were as follows:

Early Bird Winners	Amount	\$24 Pool Raffle Winners	\$2,425
Pat McGowan	\$50	Tom Wingelnik	\$250
Don Mathieu	\$25	Karen Menconi	\$250
Bob Rauko	\$50	Karen Ernst	\$250
Total	\$125	Vicki Smith	\$250
		Barb Olson	\$125
\$50 Pool Winners	\$2,000	Eric & Kathy (Geary Fam)	\$125
Mark Rurka	\$500	Eric Fladeland	\$125
Randy Pezza	\$500	Bill Hughes	\$125
Adam Potter	\$250	Karen Johaneck	\$50
McGaw	\$100	Mike Duquette	\$50
Terri Lindeman	\$100	Bruce Olson	\$50
Al & Kathy Reczek	\$100	Joesph Gattone	\$50
Thomas Carver	\$100	Mike Hrycyk	\$50
Dan Cyrus	\$100	Pat Jackowiak	\$50
Bill Tomazin	\$50	S Alleruzzo	\$50
Sue Gosewehr	\$50	Erich Fladeland	\$50
KC Council 6710	\$50	Nancy Bruss	\$50
Dave Abhalter	\$50	Dan Conley	\$50
Steve Berning	\$50	John Riggs	\$50
Return Donations	\$500	Kevin Gruneisen	\$50
McGaw	\$100	Bob Burlage	\$25
Terri Lindeman	\$100	Alta Halama	\$25
Eric Fladeland	\$125	Dan McNelis	\$25
Erich Fladeland	\$50	David McNelis	\$25
Mary Jemieson	\$25	Janice Cadera	\$25
Mark Rurka	\$100	The Group of Knights	\$25
		Tim Cosgrove	\$25
		Mary Jemieson	\$25
		Cathy Kott	\$25
		Mike Piszczek	\$25
		Pat McGowan	\$25
		Rich Planek	\$25
		Vince Morello	\$25



Youth Spelling Bee Held Feb. 6

I would like to thank all those that came out to help with this year's contest including **PGK Wayne Decker & Sandy Decker, PGK Bob Rauko, GK Ken DiJulio, Phil Kemp, and Jackie Reed**. The first place winner was **Nicholas Moritz**, 2nd Place **Samantha Schiff**, and 3rd place **Carter Riggs**. It took 16 rounds to reach the final. Great job!

Bob Geary



Many Pack Food in Aurora Feb. 13

Forty-two fellow Knights, parishioners, Scouts, Teen Clubbers and others participated in the Feed My Starving Children packing event held Sat. Feb. 13. Thanks to your



dedication and hard work. Over 214 boxes of food were packed for a total of 46,224 meals. This is equivalent of feeding 127 children for a year. The food is being shipped to the Philippines this week. Again, thank you.

Joe Kubal

Intellectual Disabilities (ID) Tootsie Roll Fund Distributions for 2015

Thanks to all Brother Knights, their Families and Friends to make the 2015 Tootsie Roll Drive a success! Your efforts raised \$6205.

After expenses (cost of candy only), \$5230 was submitted to the State Council and designated for distribution as follows:

State Council ID Home Program	\$ 620
Cupertino Home	\$ 2285
Special Camps	\$ 920
Western DuPage Special Recreation Area	\$ 460
GiGi's Playhouse	\$ 460
Touch my Heart, NFP	\$ 460
Diocese of Joliet - Life Office	\$ 25
Total	\$5230

Knights' Calendar

- Mar. 5 9:00 AM KC Academy—St. Irene ACL
- Mar. 8 7:00 PM Ladies Auxiliary Board Meeting—St. Irene Activities Center
- Mar. 9 6:00 PM Bishop Blanchette Assembly meeting with Rosary—Naperville Hall
- 8:00 PM Thomas Dooley Assembly Meeting—Council 14649, Downer Grove
- Mar. 10 7:00 PM KC Council Business Meeting, First Degree prior to meeting—St. Irene ACL
- Mar. 11 7:00 PM Knights sponsor Soup Supper following Stations of Cross—St. Irene ACL
- Mar. 13 11:00 AM KC Family Mass—St. Irene Church
- Daylight Saving Time begins!** Set your clock one hour ahead.
- Mar. 15 7:00 PM Ladies Night Out & Easter Project—St. Irene Activities Center
- Mar. 19 7:00 AM KC/VFW Blood Drive—St. Irene ACL
- Mar. 20 **First Day of Spring!**
- Mar. 24 7:00 PM Holy Thursday Mass& following Adoration—KC 4th Degree Honor Guard
- Mar. 26 10:00 PM Easter Vigil Mass—KC 4th Degree Honor Guard
- Mar. 27 **Happy Easter**
- Mar. 29 **Knights of Columbus Founders Day**
- Apr. 9 7:00 PM Ladies Auxiliary Bunco Party—St. Irene Activities Center
- April 14 7:30 PM KC Council Business Meeting—St. Irene ACL
- Apr. 23 9:00 AM Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup along Butterfield Road

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Mar. Birthdays	Joseph Eganhouse	Mar. 2	Patti Eganhouse	Mar. 17
	Dugan Gallina	Mar. 3	Deborah Smithy	Mar. 18
	Karen Menconi Cappa	Mar. 5	David Cappa	Mar. 22
	Jackie La Rocco	Mar. 5	Maryann True	Mar. 25
	Matthew Kulzick	Mar. 7	William Looby	Mar. 26
	John O'Malley	Mar. 8	Robert Ladeur	Mar. 27
	Barbara Schrage	Mar. 10	Robert Rauko	Mar. 29
	Diane Lichtenberg	Mar. 11	Denise Schmidt	Mar. 31
	Anna Saake	Mar. 13		
	Pamela Kuhn	Mar. 14		
	David Vincent	Mar. 14		
	Maryann Bartz	Mar. 15		

The Father McGivney Guild

The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild serves as a source for information about the life, works and spirituality of Father McGivney.

www.fathermcgivney.org/mcg/guild/join/register.doc

March Wedding Anniversaries			
Andrew & Sandi Gorski	Mar. 10	Mark & Diane Spiotta	Mar. 24
Jeffrey & Pam Bollweg	Mar. 12	Michael & Gloria Fello	Mar. 28
Dwight & Janet Sherman	Mar. 16		

*** If your birthday or anniversary date is missing or incorrect, contact **PGK James Halama** (630-433-6240) or jrhalama@comcast.net to make the corrections.

More PICs

Super Bowl Party Feb. 7



FMSC Feb. 13

