



# knights of st. irene

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Council 6710  
Warrenville, IL



## May 5 & 19—Pulling Weeds at City Signs May 26-WIB Volunteer Planting Day

**City Signs**—Please consider participating in this community programs during the summer. For City sign maintenance come on May 5 (re-scheduled date from April 28) and again on May 19. Meet at 9:00 AM at Batavia and Butterfield Rd. The remaining scheduled dates are as follows (all Saturdays at 9:00 AM): **June 16, July 21, Aug. 18, and Sept. 15.**

**WIB Volunteer Planting Day**—The St. Irene Council participates in the Warrenville in Bloom (WIB) program that encourages city residents, community groups, and businesses in the planting of perennials and native plants throughout Warrenville. Bring a spade, hoe, shears or other piece of gardening equipment you find useful. Meet at the Gazebo across from the Warrenville City Hall at 8:30 AM on May 26.

## May 6—May Crowning Pat Kemp St. Irene Woman of the Year



Our celebration with Pat here at St. Irene will be on Sunday, May 6 at the 10:00 AM Mass, followed by our annual May Crowning, where Pat will place a crown of flowers on Mary. A 4th Degree Honor Guard will also offer a Honor

Guard. A luncheon in the St. Irene ACL will conclude the festivities.

## May 26—Council to Host KC Academy



The Illinois State Council K.C. Academy is proud to present a training session on “Duties and Responsibilities of Council Officers and Directors”.

This session is intended to assist new and current council officers in understanding their duties. This training is also applicable to program and membership directors. Training will also include how to properly plan for the fraternal year so that your council can be successful in getting your members more involved, limit suspensions and aid in retention.

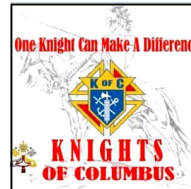
All Council Officers and Directors especially your Membership Directors are encouraged to attend including anyone who wants to become a Council Officer. The Academy will be held at St. Irene Activities on May 26 at 9:00 AM. Snacks and refreshments provided.

## May 31—High School Scholarship Awarded



Council each year awards a \$1000 scholarship to a St. Irene Grade School graduate to attend Catholic High School. This year the scholarship is in honor of **Brother Knight Bob Geary**. As a special remembrance, a new plaque with Bob’s photograph will be started in the same way that the Council had initiated the scholarship when **Ed Miller** was named as the first recipient. Bob spent many hours with the children at St. Irene’s School.

This a competitive award where students submit essays based on service to the Church, School and Community. Applications have already been sent to all St. Irene 8th graders.



## June 3—Council to Host 1st, 2nd & 3rd Degree Sunday, 1:00 PM 1st Degree, 2nd & 3rd Degrees Follow

**First Degree Members**—If you have not yet taken your 2nd or 3rd degree, please consider doing so. **Third Degree**

**mem- bers**— You are encouraged to ask a prospective member to take the 1st degree at this ceremony.

**Membership Recruitment is Priority One!**  
[Ask the man next to you at Church to join. Bring him to the degrees on June 3.](#)

The degree ceremonies will be held in the St. Irene Activities Center and take about 2-3 hrs., with dinner to follow. There is no charge for those participating in the degrees. There will be a \$10 charge for observers wishing to stay for dinner.

Volunteers are needed for set-up, dinner and clean-up. Contact **PGK Ray Scott** (630-294-5115).



## June 16—KC/VFW Blood Drive

The next blood drive will be held from 7:00 AM—Noon at VFW Hall.

**Joe Gattone**  
Blood Drive Director

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**Council Business Meeting May 10  
7:30 PM at St. Irene  
Activities Center**



**Fourth Degree News  
Next Meeting May 9 at St. Irene's**

The Blanchette Assembly will be meeting in May at St. Irene's on May 9. Rosary will be at 6:30 PM, Dinner at 7:00 PM (home-made Lazagna by **Bonnie DiIulio**), and the meeting starts at 8:00 PM sharp.

**Calling all Council Sir Knights.** Each year in May the meeting is at St. Irene's. Take advantage of the convenience. Plan to attend!

**Honor Guard Requests:**

- May 5, 10:00 AM—First Holy Communion Mass
- May 6, 10:00 AM Mass—May Crowning after CCW Woman of the Year
- May 31, 7:00 PM—8th Grade Graduation Mass



**Terry Pavel Passes to Eternal  
Life Mar. 31**

With sadness in our hearts, **Terry Pavel**, Mother of **PGK Erich Pavel**, passed away Sat. March 31. Terry, 86, was a very strong woman and lived in Erich's home until her death. She was preceded in death by her husband Erich in 2004. The wake and funeral Mass was held at St. Irene Church on April. 4 and 5.



**Ladies of Columbus (LOC)**

Come meet your new Board at the meeting on Tuesday, May 8, at 7:00 PM in the St. Irene ACL. The new officers will be:

- President—**Cathy Kott**
- Vice President—**Terri Kussman**
- Secretary—**Bonnie DiIulio**
- Treasurer—**Anita Masters**
- Trustees—**Rebecca Hatfield, Missy Kemp and Pat Kemp**

I have enjoyed serving as President the last four years and I would like to thank all the members who helped make the Auxiliary a successful organization, which has helped raise funds for various projects at St Irene's and many Warrenville area charitable organizations. Special thanks to the following members; you have gone above and beyond the call of duty during my four years as president: **Terri Kussman, Anita Masters and Maggie Nagode**, I know that the new Board will continue to serve both our parish and the Warrenville community and I want to recognize our new **newest members Julia and Denisse Perez** for all their help since joining the LOC.

The LOC's Bunco was enjoyed by all. All funds raised will be presented to the St Irene's Bridge Community, who will be helping out a fifth family. Again I thank you for letting me serve as president these past four years, God Bless you all.

**Pat Kemp  
LOC President**



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



**Pray for Our Loved Ones**

Pray for the health & recovery of **Patti Menconi, Mary Hughes, Deacon Bob True, Beverly Scott, Joe Gattone, and Charlie Fahrenwald.**

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

<p>Chaplain Grand Knight Dep. Grand Knight Financial Sec. Treasurer Chancellor Recorder Advocate Warden Inside Guard</p>	<p><b>Council Officers 2017-2018</b> Fr. Jim Antiporek (630-393-2400 x 13) Tom Perez (630-301-1481) Michael Bates (630-836-0223) James Halama (630-433-6240) John Ernst (630-606-2671) Scott Hurley (773-677-9057) Bob Rauko (630-337-1568)</p>	<p><b>Business Meetings:</b> 2nd Thursday of every month at 7:30 PM <b>Meeting Location:</b> Activities Center - Lower Level 28W451 Warrenville Rd, Warrenville, IL</p>
<p>Outside Guard Lecturer 3rd Yr. Trustee 2nd Yr. Trustee 1st Yr. Trustee <b>Insurance Agent</b></p>	<p>Wayne Decker (630-393-1891) Dan Cyrus (312-415-8369) Patrick O'Connor Dave Abhalter (630-857-0972) William Lintner (630-841-6155) Ken DiIulio (630-747-3673) Glen Kussman (630-393-6545) Kevin Looby (630-329-1316) <b>Matthew Kling (630-485-8705)</b></p>	<p><b>Committee Directors</b> Program Director Michael Bates (630-836-0223) Membership Director Ray Scott (630-393-0868) Community Director Council Director Bob Rauko (630-337-1568) Church Director Joe Gattone (630-876-1136) Family Director Michael Bates (630-836-0223) Youth Director Scott Hurley (773-677-9057) Public Relations Director Richard Kostner (630-310-9642) Blood Drive Director Joe Gattone (630-876-1136) Pro-Life Jack Gorski (630-393-4742) Vocations Brad Hentz (630-836-0332) Support our Troops Kevin Looby (630-329-1316)</p>

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.

The Knights' News is published monthly by Council 6710. For contributions and corrections contact James Halama at 630-433-6240. Please make submissions by email at jrhalama@comcast.net prior to the 21th day of each month.



### Grand Knight's Corner

Warm weather has finally arrived in Illinois. With tax season now just a bad memory, I've finally had a chance to reconnect with family and friends beyond the walls of my office. Activities post Tax Day have included trips to the Brookfield Zoo and

a short trip out to my hometown of Rocklin, CA for my godson's First Communion. In addition to celebrating his First Communion, I also had a chance to take in some local breweries and a winery with my parents and oldest brother. It was great visiting my hometown and seeing all of the many changes.



I also look forward to reconnecting with my Brother Knights as we begin a busy summer of Council activities. This newsletter includes great information on the many activities that are coming up. We don't need everyone's participation at every event, but we do need the participation of several Knights for each event. This is especially true for the upcoming 4th-of-July food concessions at Cerny Park. Stay on the lookout for a link to sign-up for a time slot to assist with this very important fundraiser.

Until next month, enjoy the warm weather and time with your family and friends.



**Vivat Jesus!**  
**GK Tom Perez**

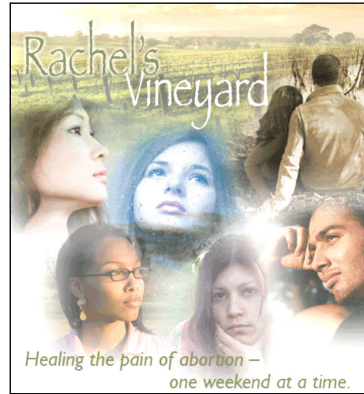


### Knights of Columbus Eyeglass Drive

In part, Mark 8:25 reads, "Then his eyes were opened, his sight was restored, and he saw everything clearly." This neatly sums up for what the Knights of Columbus are striving in the St. Irene Eyeglass Drive.

Please bring and donate your old or unwanted eyeglasses and drop them off in the collection box in the back of the church. Eyeglasses will be forwarded to the Lions Club International local chapter for renovation and reuse by those in need. The collection box will be in the back of the church. Questions may be directed to Joseph Kubal by telephone at 630-983-6159 or by e-mail at [jdrk4715@aol.com](mailto:jdrk4715@aol.com).

**Thank you for your support**  
**Joe Kubal**



### Pro-Life Rachel's Vineyard Retreat May 4-6

Post-abortive women and men are encouraged to attend the Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat. Rachel's Vineyard (<http://rachelvineyard.org/>) is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer you a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing.

The next scheduled retreat will be held May 4 - 6, beginning Friday evening at 6:00 PM and continuing through Sunday early afternoon at Our Lady of the Angels House of Prayer, 13280 Main Street, Lemont, IL.

The cost is \$150 and includes meals and lodging for 2 nights. Contact **Kay Corcoran** at 1-866-99-4-GIVE (4483) for additional information, or [click here](#) for registration flyer.

Thank you,  
**PGK Jack Gorski**  
630-673-4742  
[jggorski@comcast.net](mailto:jggorski@comcast.net)

### Mark Your Calendars!

- June 30—KC Family Picnic and Officer Installation.
- July 3-4—Fourth-of-July Festivities in Warrenville, Parade evening July 3, Food Concession in Cerny Park July 3-4
- Sept. 21-23—ID Tootsie Roll Drive; the largest charity event of the year

### Brother Knights—Have your Family read the newsletter as well!



### Ushers Needed

Ushers are needed for all Masses at St. Irene's. Looking to contribute, contact any of the ushers at any of the St. Irene Masses.



### 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 schedule a time, call **Cathy Kott** at 630-393-9543. Contact **Bill Lintner** (630-841-6155) to let him know you will participate as a K of C representative.

## Healing Field of Honor

# 2018



At Warrenville VFW  
Post 8081

## May 19 - 28, 2018

All gave some, some gave all.

### Replica Vietnam Wall



Made possible by:  
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The Warrenville American Legion  
The City of Warrenville

**To Purchase a Flag go to the VFW [Online Store](#).**

Individual Flag with Pole for pickup—\$25  
Individual Flag with shipping—\$35  
Small Business Donation with Flag & Name tag—\$100  
Corporate Donation with Flag & Name Tag—\$500



## Program Awards for March 2018

**Joe Gattone Knight of the Month:** Council 6710 honors **Sir Knight Joe Gattone** as our Knight of the Month for March. At 94 years young, Joe continues to be an active member of our Council and Parish. Joe serves as both our Church Director and Blood Drive Director. As Church Director he coordinates our quarterly Council Family Mass and annual Protective Personnel Mass. As Blood Drive Director, Joe manages planning of drives with the VFW and Heartland Blood Center. He also contacts regular donors in advance by phone. Always a gentleman and faithful knight, Joe is an inspiration to our council.

**Ken & Bonnie DiIulio Family of the Month:** Council 6710 honors **PGK Ken DiIulio** and his wife **Bonnie** as our Family of the Month for March. A devoted Knight since 2008, Ken is always willing to lend a hand for many Council and Parish activities including Blood Drives, Honor Guards, our annual Hayride, and Feed My Starving Children packing events. He also ushers weekly at 5:00 PM Saturday Mass. Bonnie has been teaching Religious Education classes at St. Irene for the past 9 years. She is an active Ladies Auxiliary member, church volunteer and also cooks dinner each year for our 4th Degree meeting. Recently, Bonnie was inducted as a Eucharistic Minister.

**Community Program:** A KC/VFW Blood Drive was held Saturday, March 10 in the ACL at St. Irene. 33 pints were collected.

**Council Program:** - The Intellectual Disabilities Easter Party was held Saturday, March 15 at the DuPage County Fairgrounds. Thanks to our Council Grill Team and all who helped make this event a success.

**Church Program:** Our council Family Mass was held Sunday, March 11 at the 10:00 AM Mass.

**Family Program:** Council 6710 hosted a Soup Supper following Stations of the Cross Friday, March 23.



### American Legion Post #589

Warrenville American Legion Post 589 is newly chartered and will be meeting at our post home, VFW, Warrenville.

**Brother Knight Vince Morello** is the Commander. Members are dedicated to four pillars of service: veterans, national security, youth, and Americanism. All military veterans to include Active Duty, National Guard & Reserve may be eligible to join. If you are interested contact Vince at [morel5@aol.com](mailto:morel5@aol.com) or 630-341-6886.



### Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup Held Apr. 21

We collected 18 bags of trash on Saturday at Adopt-A-Highway on Butterfield Rd. Those who helped were: **DGK Mike Bates, Paul Burgermeister, Ralph Dieter, Debbie Donahue, John Ernst, PGK Bob Rauko, and PGK Ray Scott.** Debbie is a friend of John Ernst and is a former Lucent employee.



Bob Rauko

### 4th Degree Honor Guard for Confirmation at St. Irene's April 29



Confirmation for 50 youth at St. Irene's was held on Sunday afternoon. **Fr. Jim** was the president. the Sir Knights who were in Regalia were: **Bill Lintner, Commander Wayne Decker, Ken DiIulio, Ralph Dieter and Glen Kussman.**

  
 Come be a part of the  
 St. Irene Garden  
 Club.  
 We will meet  
 Monday, May 7 at 7  
 pm in the Activity  
 Center  

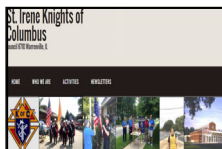

### May 20—Bridge Communities 4th Annual Hustle Up The Hill For The Homeless

“Challenge yourself in a 30-minute walk/run up and down 150 foot Mt. Hoy at Blackwell Forest Preserve. How many trips can you do? 3? 4? More? 100% of proceeds go to house a homeless family for 2 years as they are transitioned to self-sufficiency. Tech shirt, water and snacks are provided to all participants. Registration is open on [Active.com](http://Active.com). Search Hustle up the Hill. This event is on Sunday, May 20th with heats at 9AM and 10AM.”



[Bridge Communities](http://Bridge Communities) serves homeless families in DuPage County with mentoring, housing, and supportive services. St. Irene is a Transitional Housing Program Partner providing transitional housing to homeless families that live and work in DuPage County. St. Irene provides housing for two Families and is looking to expand to three Families.

### Council 6710 Web Site!



Check out our site [www.st-irenekofc.org](http://www.st-irenekofc.org) (note the graphic has been updated). The main page has a blog of current postings, menu selections for Council Activities, directory, newsletter archive, links to Facebook pages, Bible verse of the Day, and much more.

**Calling for Web savvy individuals who would like to take on the task of further developing the site.**

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THE  
DOMESTIC  
CHURCH**



### Supreme Council Program Check it Out

"Today, the Knights of Columbus is providentially positioned to play a key role in the new alliance between the Church and the family called for by Pope Francis ... What is necessary now is our greater involvement in the renewal of parish and family life."

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### Wanted—Someone to help maintain gardens

I am looking for someone to help me maintain gardens (vegetable and perennial) at my home 3-6 hours per week. Call/text **Jim Halama** at 630-433-6240.

## Knights' Calendar

May 5	9:00 AM	City Sign Maintenance—meet at Batavia and Butterfield Rd.
May 6	10:00 AM	May Crowning by Woman of the Year Pat Kemp—4th Degree Honor Guard
May 8	7:00 PM	Ladies Auxiliary Board meeting & Officer elections—St. Irene ACL
May 9	8:00 PM	<b>Bishop Blanchette Assembly meeting at St. Irene's</b> —Lasagna by Bonnie
	8:00 PM	Dr. Thomas Dooley Assembly meeting—St. Joseph Church, Downers Grove
May 10	7:30 PM	KC Council Business Meeting—St. Irene Activities Center
May 19	9:00 AM	City Sign Maintenance—meet at Batavia and Butterfield Rd.
May 20		<b>Pentecost Sunday</b>
	9:00 AM	Bridge Communities Hustle up the Hill—Blackwell Forest Preserve
May 26	9:00 AM	KC Academy hosted by St. Irene Council—St. Irene Activities Center
	8:30 AM	Warrenville in Bloom Volunteer Planting Day—Gazebo in Warrenville
May 28		<b>Memorial Day</b>
May 31	7:00 PM	St. Irene Grade School Graduation—Scholarship awarded at St. Irene Church
June 3	1:00 PM	St. Irene Council hosts 1st, 2nd, 3rd Degrees at St. Irene Activities Center
June 14	7:30 PM	KC Council Business Meeting—St. Irene Activities Center
June 30	5:00 PM	KC Officer Installation and Family Picnic-picnic at home of Phil Kemp

## May Birthdays

Colleen Brummel	May 2	Stephen Brummel	May 17
Charles Ingram	May 2	Peggy Burgermeister	May 17
Mary Geary	May 3	Steven Pyszka	May 19
Robert True	May 4	Julie Duquette	May 20
Amber Mitchell	May 6	Karen Ernst	May 20
Yvonne Stevens	May 7	Daniel Leonard	May 21
Jeanne Kleinwachter	May 9	Joseph Gattone	May 22
Joe Fredrickson	May 10	Margaret Doucette	May 23
James McGuire	May 10	Linda Dailey-Houlis	May 24
Diana Banigan	May 12	Alta Halama	May 25
Barbara Olson	May 12	Jennifer Kempiak	May 26
Denise Allen	May 15	Lois Hitchcock	May 27
Marcello Alleruzzo	May 15	Colin Wilkie	May 28
Wayne Decker	May 16	Matthew Kilroy	May 29
Kelley Higgins	May 16	Maggie Nagode	May 29
Allison Looby	May 16	Donna Janiec	May 31



**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/](http://www.fathermcgivney.org/)

## May Wedding Anniversaries

Martin & Sue Kometz	May 1	Thomas & Dianne Taylor	May 17
Barbara & Bruce Olson	May 3	Joseph & Barbara Schrage	May 20
Michael & Teresa Hoffman	May 6	Andrew & Donna Seiberlich	May 21
John & Nancy Markendorf	May 8	Joseph & Susan Kubal	May 26
Anthony & Joan Parrino	May 11	Christopher & Terry Neigel	May 28
John & Katie Augustynowicz	May 12	Richard & Sylvia Thompson	May 31
David & Sue Cirock	May 17		

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