

knights of st. irene

Brother Knights—We are

in need of someone willing

to chair the Free Throw

contest and also someone to

chair the Spelling Bee.

Please call/text **GK** Tom

Perez at 630-301-1481 to

volunteer. Your call will be

greatly appreciated.

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Jan. 17—Knights of Columbus Youth Free Throw Challenge

All boys and girls ages 9-14 are invited to participate in the 2019 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest to be held at St. Irene's Activity Center Gym on Thursday Jan. 17 just after school at 3:00 PM. Winners will progress through district and state competitions. The region-

al competition will take place in March at Benedictine University, Lisle.

Participants are required to furnish proof of age. Registration begins at 3:00 PM at the gym. Winners will advance to District competition also held at St. Irene's on Feb. 23.



Feb. 1—Youth Spelling Bee

All boys and girls ages 5-16 are invited to participate in the 2019 KC Council 6710 Spelling

Bee Contest to be held at St. Irene's Activity Center on February 1. Registration begins after school.

Winners will advance to the Regional Competition that will be announced. Rules of the contest are available at Knights of Columbus State of Illinois website. We follow the rules of Scripps Howard Spelling Bee which are also available on line.



Feb. 3, 2019—Annual KC Super Bowl Raffle & Party

The annual fundraiser will be held once again on Super Bowl Sunday. The Raffle and Party will be held at the St. Irene's Activities Center.

The party cost is \$5.00/person at the door. There will be plenty of food for you to enjoy. You may bring your favorite party snack and beverage.

For the raffle, \$25 tickets are being sold for two separate pools (**Faith** and **Hope**) of 100 tickets each. A \$50 ticket may be purchased for the **Charity Pool**. Prizes for the \$25 pools are 2-\$250, 2-\$125, 6-\$50, and 7-\$25 cash*. Cash prize amounts for the \$50 ticket are doubled. (See ticket order form on Page 7). Buy your tickets early. **Early bird drawings will be held Jan. 20 & 27.**

Tickets will be on sale after the Masses at St. Irene's on Jan. 13, 20, 27, & Feb. 3

2019. The winner of early bird drawings remains eligible for cash prizes on Super Bowl Sunday.

This is a major fundraiser for the Council. We need your help in selling tickets. Tickets may be obtained from PGK James Halama by calling 630-433-6240, or by email at jrhalama@comcast.net.



Jan. 19—Council to Take Down Outside Christmas Decorations

We need a team of volunteers to help take down the outdoor Christmas decorations around St. Irene Church on Saturday, Jan. 19 starting at 8:00 AM. I will get an early start and have the coffee hot by 8:00AM.

The weather will determine how much can be done that day. I will bring poles and ladders. Please call PGK Bob Rauko for information (630-337-1568) or email to: rauko@comcast.net.



Feb. 9— Annual FMSC Food-Packing Event

Jesus challenged believers to perform works of charity. One of those acts is to feed the poor. Come join Brother Knights at the Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) facility at 555 Exchange Ct. in Aurora on Saturday, February 9 from 11:30 AM until 1:30 PM. We will be packing food for needy children overseas. No experience is necessary. Individuals over the age of 5 are welcome to participate. Get the entire family involved in this worthy cause. Students can earn service hours.

To participate, just register at "volunteer" on the FMSC website at

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Council Business Meeting January 10 7:30 PM

The meeting will be located in the St. Irene Activities Center



Fourth Degree News

The next Bishop Romeo Blanchette Assembly meeting will be Jan. 9, hosted by Thomas Merton Council at Resurrection Parish Army

Trail Rd, Wayne, IL. Rosary is at 6:30 PM, dinner at 7:00 PM, and meeting is at 8:00 PM sharp.

Third Degree Knights! The next Exemplification of the Fourth Degree will be held on: Saturday, February 16, at the Sheraton, Lisle. Please contact **PFN Ray Scott** (630-393-0868) if you are interested.

Sir Knights that attended the Honor Guard for Midnight Christmas Eve Mass were: Mark Alleruzzo, Bill Lintner, Mike Bates, Jim Halama, Erich Pavel, Bob Rauko and Comander Ray Scott.



Pray for Our Loved Ones

Pray for the health & recovery of Dan Cyrus, Baby Reyna Urso-Zizzo, Scott Hurley, Doug Dillman, Barbara Olson, Paula Peterson, Pat Kemp, Mary Hughes,

Deacon Bob True, Beverly Scott, Joe Gattone, and Charlie Fahrenwald.

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



Ladies of Columbus (LOC)

I hope everyone had a blessed Christmas. May the New Year be a happy and healthy one.

Our next board meeting is on Tuesday, January 8, at 7:30 PM in the St. Irene ACL.

Mark your calendars for our next Bunco on Saturday, April 27, at 6:30 PM in the St. Irene ACL.

Cathy Kott LOC President



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 sched-

ule 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.



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Council Has Facebook 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. on Facebook.

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.

Business Meetings: 2nd Thursday of every month at 7:30 PM
Activities Center - Lower Level
28W451 Warrenville Rd. Warrenville, IL

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Grand Knight's Corner

Greetings Brother Knights,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! I pray you and your family had a blessed Christmas. My family spent the last two weeks celebrating Christmas with my parents, my brothers' families in my hometown in northern California. At times

it was a bit exhausting to have 10 children running around, but it was wonderful to have everyone together.

Planning for the Super Bowl raffle and party are well underway. Please help support the Council by buying and selling as many tickets as you can. Your help is greatly appreciated. Funds from the raffle are used to support projects for the School and parish. Please consider bringing your family to the party on February 3. In the past couple years we've had several families come to not only watch the game but to play board games and do crafts. It would be wonderful to see a great turnout.

We are in need of some assistance with the upcoming Youth activities taking place over the next couple months. Scott Hurley, who stepped into the role of Youth Director following Bob Geary's passing, has asked to step away from the role as he recovers from a recent illness. If you are interested in helping to coordinate and run these activities, even if only on an interim basis, please let me know. We have a Free Throw Contest scheduled for January 17, as well as the annual Spelling Bee, which typically takes place in early February. Both activities require attention very soon if they are to be held.

I pray the New Year brings many blessings to you and your family.

Vivat Jesus! GK Tom Perez



Annual Newman Fund Appeal Illinois State Council Charities

The Newman Fund helps keep Newman Centers and Programs on college campuses in Illinois open and vibrant.

Consider making a tax deductible Century Donor contribution of \$100, Half Century Donor of \$50, Quarter Century Donor of \$25, or become a Newman Friend for \$5-10.

You should have received a letter in the mail requesting a donation. Please be sure to write "Council 6710" on your check. Our Council also makes a general contribution of \$4.25 per member.



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.

Pro-Life

Celebration of Life Mass









Sunday, January 13, 2019 11:00 AM Mass Cathedral of St. Raymond 604 N. Raynor Ave., Joliet

Join us for a Rosary with pro-life intentions at 10:30 AM.

A reception to follow in the Commons.

PGK Jack Gorski Pro-Life Chair



Starting Jan. 13—Caring Network Baby Bottle Collection

Contributions will be collected by St. Irene's Council of Catholic Women (CCW) to support the efforts of Caring Network, a crisis pregnancy support organization in DuPage County. You

can donate by filling one or more of our BABY BOTTLES with your spare change or a check. Members of the CCW will be distributing BABY BOTTLES after all Masses beginning the end of January. CCW will also have a Collection/Information Table at "Hospitality". CCW will be collecting BABY BOTTLES after all Masses beginning in February. If you have any questions, please contact **Barbara Olson** at 630-393-1279.



American Legion Burger Family Theme Night

Every Fourth Wed. of the Month at the VFW Hall Warrenville



Check out www.fathersforgood



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."

Support Our St. Irene Parish

(Taken from the Parish Bulletin, Jan. 6, 2019)

Parish Mission - Save the Date!

You don't want to miss our Parish Mission coming this February 11⁻13. Nationally renowned speaker, radio host, and author, Michael O'Neill, The Miracle Hunter, will be our guest presenter.

St. Irene's 30th Annual Chili Cook-off

Saturday, February 9, 2019 6-10:30PM St. Irene Activity Center Sponsored by St. Irene School

Your \$10 ticket buys you samples of all of the delicious chili offerings. This is a 21-and-older event. Hot dogs, soft drinks, beer and wine will be available for sale. You will also have an opportunity to bid on fabulous silent auction items, enter raffles for great prizes and compete in the Liquor Loop. There will be a 50/50 raffle this year with tickets sold after Masses.

Coffee with the Pastor

Fr. Jim will host a monthly "Coffee with the Pastor" in order to provide time for open communication. Each meeting will last one hour. There is no agenda – just time to visit with Fr. Jim to talk about life and our Catholic faith. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the following:

- Saturday, January 12th at 9AM in the ACL
- Saturday, February 2, 2019 at 9AM in the ACL
- Saturday, March 9, 2019 at 9AM in the ACL
- Saturday, April 27, 2019 at 9AM in the ACL
- Saturday, May 18, 2019 at 9AM in the ACL



Program Awards for November 2018

Tom LaRocco Knight of the Month: – Council 6710 honors Sir Knight Tom LaRocco as our Knight of the Month. Tom has been active in our council since 1984 and has served many roles including Grand Knight. As he has for many years, Tom chaired our annual Turkey Shoot Raffle and Card Party. Tom volunteers his cooking talent to provide chili for the Turkey Shoot and even for the St. Irene School Chili Cook-off. He also helps out at our 4th-of-July food tent at Cerny Park.

Bill & Mary Hughes Family of the Month: Council 6710 honors Brother Knight Bill Hughes and his wife Mary as our Family of the Month. Bill and Mary devoted their time and talent once again in their roles as Mr. and Mrs. Clause at our parish Breakfast with Santa event. We appreciate Bill and Mary for their many years of bringing joy at Christmas to the families of St. Irene. Mary was a teacher at St. Irene School for many years and launched the school's popular Outdoor Education program. Bill and Mary both currently serve as Eucharistic Ministers. Congratulations Bill and Mary Hughes, our Family of the Month.

Community Programs: The Bob Geary 2018 Memorial "Share Your Soles" Shoe Drive was held weekends from Oct. 20 to Nov. 11. Almost 1100 pairs of shoes were collected! Thank you chairman **Joe Kubal** and all who helped collect organize and deliver five carloads of shoes to the "Share Your Soles" warehouse in Chicago

Faith Program: Several knights and parishioners attended a mass at Mercy Home in Chicago which will be televised during Advent. A check from our council for \$100 was presented as a gift to Mercy Home.

Church Program: The church grounds were decorated for Christmas Saturday November 17 and 24. Garlands, wreaths and lights were hung and a restored Nativity scene was installed on the front island. Thanks to our director **Bob Rauko** and all who volunteered.



Council 6710 Web Site!

www.st-irenekofc.org



Ladies Auxiliary Active in the Community



Ladies of Columbus present \$1,500. Check to the Cub Scouts Pack no. 68 at our December meeting towards



purchase of a car derby ramp

The CCW and the Ladies of Columbus presenting Christmas gifts for 8 kids of the WYFS Link program. The proceeds came from the November White Elephant fundraiser.



41 Pints Blood Collected at Dec. 8 KC/VFW Blood Drive

Thanks to all who helped at the blood drive held at the VFW Hall. Forty-one pints of blood and 7 bags of platelets were collected.

Tis the Season: Council hands out Christmas Cash

As we do each year we offer Cash Gifts to our priests, Deacons, and Religious:

\$100
\$50
\$50
\$50
\$50



ID Christmas Party Held at St. Johns Dec. 15St. Irene Council Donates \$250 for Gifts

Thank you so much for your dedication in sharing all of your love with our most loving of guests Saturday at St. John's. We had more guests arrive than anticipated, a new record, 140 special needs guests plus

their families and caregivers. My what a full house with just under 300 of us in attendance. We had participants arriving from Little Friends, Wheaton Claire Woods School, Oak Leyden, Marklund of Geneva, Cupertino home of Warrenville, Philip Rock, Ray Graham, Special Camps and families who'd read about the party in the church bulletins.

Our families, special needs guests and their Staff, were thrilled and very thankful for this opportunity. One mother in tears, remarking how grateful she was to have a place where her whole family felt included in the holiday cheer.

Thanks to the West Chicago Knights for providing all of the yummy food (no one went without, thank you), Winfield and Warrenville for each contributing \$250 for gifts, the Religious Ed groups who provided "like new" stuffed animals and teen volunteers, Kevin Sender for providing great Christmas music for singing and dancing, my family for providing the crafts and face painting activities, our favorite Mr. Clause who grew out his beard in preparation for our event and Mrs. Clause who had hand sewn their costumes (such a loving Santa crew taking the time to speak to each guest alongside their little grandson Huxley this year), the Knights for not only providing essential help loading and unloading buses, vans and cars, but also helping to maintain a not too long Santa line, help set up and cleaning up afterward, the great Teens from St Mary's, Wheaton Warrenville South's Key Club, Holy Cross and Marmion, and for the 90 or so volunteers who made everyone feel welcomed, important and brought great joy to our guests and their families.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS! The Easter party will be hosted at the DuPage County Fairgrounds in Wheaton on Saturday, April 13.

Colleen McDonald

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http://www.fmsc.org/, go to "Volunteer" and enter code "9DV8BB" at bottom of page entitled "Looking for Specific Group." If you have questions, please feel free to call **Joe Kubal** at 630-983-6159. If you cannot attend, please consider a monetary donation to this worthwhile organization.

Membership Recruitment 24x7 by You

Knights' Calendar				
Jan. 1		Happy New Year		
Jan. 8	7:30 PM	Ladies Auxiliary Board meeting—St. Irene Activities Center		
Jan. 9	7:30 PM	Bishop Blanchette Assembly-dinner & meeting—Resurrection, Wayne		
	8:00 PM	Thomas Dooley Assembly meeting—St. Mathews, Glen Ellyn		
J an. 10	7:30 PM	KC Council Business meeting—St. Irene Activities Center		
Jan. 13	All Masses	Baby Bottle collection to support Caring Network		
Jan. 17	4:00 PM	KC Youth Free Throw Contest—St. Irene Activities Center		
Jan. 19	8:00 AM	Take down Christmas decorations—St. Irene's		
Jan. 20	11:00 AM	First Super Bowl Raffle early draw		
Jan. 27	11:00 AM	Second Super Bowl Raffle early draw		
Feb. 1	4:00 PM	KC Youth Spelling Bee—St. Irene Activities Center		
Feb. 3	4:00 PM	Annual Super Bowl Party & Raffle—St. Irene Activities Center		
Feb. 7	7:30 PM	KC Council Business meeting—St. Irene Activities Center		
Feb. 9	11:30 AM	Annual FMSC Food-Packing Event—Aurora		
Feb. 9	6:00 PM	St. Irene Chili Cookoff—St. Irene Activities Center		
Feb. 11-13		St. Irene Parish Mission		
Feb. 16	Noon	4th Degree Exemplification—Sheraton, Lisle		

January	Birthd	lays

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Katie Augustynowicz	Jan. 3	Yolanda Schwarts	Jan. 11
Cathy Kott	Jan. 3	William Higgins	Jan. 12
Marian Dunn	Jan. 4	Mary Hughes	Jan. 13
Teri Lindeman	Jan. 4	Mike O'Hare	Jan. 13
Shirley Cosgrove	Jan. 5	Liz Pittman	Jan. 13
Kevin Dunn	Jan. 6	Filomena Jarosz	Jan. 15
Sam Vitale	Jan. 6	Mark Jarosz	Jan. 16
Terri Kussman	Jan. 7	Paula Polkow	Jan. 17
David Knell	Jan. 8	Denise Hoshell	Jan. 19
Glen Kussman	Jan. 8	Richard Thompson	Jan. 19
Cindy Naberhaus	Jan. 8	Susan Constable	Jan. 20
Truman Stevens	Jan. 8	Cathy Fladeland	Jan. 20
Jeffrey Bollweg	Jan. 9	Tom La Rocco	Jan. 22
Gary Dyas	Jan. 9	Clare Barry	Jan. 23
Karen Leonard	Jan. 9	Connie Dyas	Jan. 26
Pauline Pieczynski	Jan. 9	Dianne Urso	Jan. 26
Sylvia Thompson	Jan. 9	Kathleen Planek	Jan. 27
Kenneth Ulanowski	Jan. 9	Nick Battaglia	Jan. 30

January Wedding Anniversaries

Patrick & Laura McGowan	Jan. 11	Tom & Jackie La Rocco	Jan. 18
Richard & Margaret Doucette	Jan. 12	Andy & Angelita (Lita) Yusi	Jan. 28
Charles & Caren Burchett	Jan. 16	Gary & Paula Polkow	Jan. 30



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.fathermcgivne
y.org/

*** 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.

Super Bowl Raffle—Order Your Tickets Now!

Use the ticket forms below to order your tickets. Ticket sales began in December, and will also be available for sale at St. Irene Church beginning Jan. 12, 2019. Early bird drawings will be held Jan. 20 & 27. Please make check out to St. Irene Knights of Columbus and send to:

James Halama 27W100 Galusha Ave. Warrenville, IL 60555

St. Irene Knights of Columbus Football Raffle

\$25 Raffle Ticket

Super Bowl Sunday Feb. 3, 2019 4:00 PM

St. Irene Parish Activities Center 28W441 Warrenville Rd., Warrenville, IL 2-\$250, 2-\$125, 6-\$50, 7-\$25 Cash Prizes

Cash prizes based on 100 tickets sold See reverse side for details

Early Bird Drawings Jan. 20 & 27

Winners Need Not be Present to Win Proceeds Benefit Knights of Columbus Programs

Faith

St. Irene Knights of Columbus Football Raffle

\$25 Raffle Ticket

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Early Bird Drawings Jan. 20 & 27

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Hope

St. Irene Knights of Columbus Football Raffle

\$50 Raffle Ticket

2-\$500, 2-\$250, 6-\$100, 7-\$50 Cash Prizes

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St. Irene Parish Activities Center 28W441 Warrenville Rd., Warrenville, IL

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Charity

Early-Bird Drawings: Drawings will be held Jan. 20 & 27 at St. Irene's Activities Center following the 10:00 AM Mass on these days. Each entry can only win once during the early-bird drawings, but remains eligible for the drawings on Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 3, 2019.

Raffle on Super Bowl Sunday: Prior to the start of the football game, for each respective pool 100 number pairs will be randomly assigned to each raffle ticket holder, from (0,0) through (9,9). During the football game, one cash prize will be awarded to the person holding the winning number pair each time a team scores; a touchdown plus points after constitutes one score. The winning number pair is comprised as follows: the least significant digit (right most digit) in the NFC team score constitutes the first number, and the least significant digit of the AFC team constitutes the second number in the pair. The cash prize amount is determined by a random drawing from the available cash prize pool. The remainder, if any, at the game's end will be awarded by random drawing of those raffle tickets not having a winning combination during the football game.

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The pool of 17 cash prizes are based on 100 tickets sold for each pool. The number of cash prizes and the total cash amount awarded may be reduced to maintain the same winning odds (0.17) and 50% payout of ticket receipts. In the event of multiple raffles being conducted, cash prizes may be pooled. Fifty percent of the raffle ticket receipts will be used to support St. Irene Knights of Columbus programs.

St. Irene Knights of Columbus Super Bowl Raffle Feb.3, 2019

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