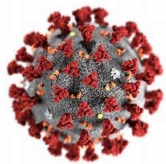




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COVID-19 Coronavirus Outbreak Continues to force Closure and Cancellation of all Church and Council functions for the foreseeable future

Re-opening is the main topic of discussion, including our Church. Expect that once Fr. Clive Otieno arrives, opening plans will be firmed up in short order.

- Warrenville July 4th Festivities Cancelled.
- Intellectual Disabilities Street Tootsie Roll Street Candy Drive cancelled.
- Cougar Baseball Family Outing cancelled. There is no Minor League this year.

**All Masses are
Suspended!**

**All Knights of Columbus
functions are
Suspended!**



Fr. Clive Otieno Our New Pastor

The St. Irene Council
of the Knights of Colum-
bus Welcomes Fr. Clive!

He has arrived to begin his term as Pastor of St. Irene Parish as of July 1, 2020. He has a lot on his plate, especially getting our Parish open once again to Masses and other church functions. We will ask him to become our Council Chaplain once things are settled down.

In the mean time, volunteers of the Parish have reached out to help get the St. Irene rectory ready for Fr. Clive to move in in July. Volunteers have spent many hours tearing up carpet, donating old furniture, cleaning out the basement and helping us source contractors for the many necessary renovations for the nearly 90-year-old rectory.

The Parish has set up a [Gift Registry at Target](#) for household items. Just select the item you'd like to give and have it delivered to the address online. Please be sure to include a note which we will keep with your gift and have in place for Fr. Clive's arrival. Gift cards welcome too, as he will want to stock his pantry and add his personal touch to things.



Council Celebrates Independence Day in Warrenville We can only Reminiscence! Wait until 2021!

March in 4th-of-July Parade



Council Food Stand at Cerny Park



Council Business Meeting July 9 to be a Virtual Meeting

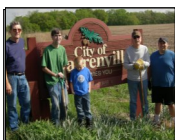
We are scheduling a **Virtual Council Meeting** to occur at the regular time of 7:30 PM on July 9. The virtual meeting will be by Zoom (See Page 5). A computer is NOT necessary. You may join by phone.

An email will be sent to all KC members on July 6 with connection details.

**Membership Recruitment
24x7 by You**

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Maintenance at City Signs Adopt-A-Sign Continues!

All the signs were visited again in June. Thank you to who ventured on their own to weed! The tall grass has become a problem! The next dates are July 11, August 8, Sept. 12. You do not necessarily need to follow the schedule precisely.



Council Business Meeting June 11 Virtual Meeting

We are scheduling a **Virtual Council Meeting** to occur at the regular time of 7:30 PM on July 9. The virtual meeting will be by Zoom. See Page 1.

Congratulations to:

- Chaplain—
- Grand Knight—**Mike Bates**
- Deputy Grand Knight—**Doug Dillmann**
- Financial Secretary—**James Halama**
- Treasurer—**John Ernst**
- Chancellor—**James Bartz**
- Recorder—**Bob Rauko**
- Advocate—**Joshua Bates**
- Warden—**Wayne Decker**
- Lecturer—**Bill Lintner**
- Inside Guard—**Patrick O'Connor**
- Outside Guard—**Dave Abhalter**
- Trustees - **Glen Kussman, Ken DiIulio, Tom Perez**

There will not be an Officer Installation. Officers automatically assumed their positions July 1, 2020.



Ladies of Columbus (LOC)

Hello from the Ladies of Columbus,



This year we were unable to have installation of the new officers. But we would like to say thank you to **Cathy Kott** for her last 2 years in office. **Terri Kussman**, representing the Ladies, presented Cathy with a beautiful array of succulent plants.

Our next virtual meeting will be Monday, July 13, at 4:30 PM on Zoom. If you would like to join us, please send an email to patkemp2004@yahoo.com.

Stay healthy!

Pat Kemp
LA President



Fourth Degree News

No July meeting for the Bishop Blanchette Assembly.



Pray for Our Loved Ones

Pray for the health & recovery **Marc Alleruzzo, Erich Pavel, Sam Vitale, Pat Wehner, Beverly Scott, Rachel Jaraus, and Charlie Fahrenwald.**



Mary T. "May" Looby, age 89, Passes to Eternal Life June 26

Mary T. "May" Looby, age 89, a resident of Minooka, IL and a past resident of Morrison, IL and Lombard, IL, went home to the Lord on Friday, June 26th, 2020. She was born on August 9th, 1930 in Castleisland, County Kerry, Ireland to Patrick and Mary (nee - Murphy) Reidy. May is survived by her five children, **Catherine Looby; Mary (Bruce) Calvert; John (Meri Jo) Looby; William K. (Allison) Looby** and **Philomena Elias**. She also is survived by her nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Wake: Sun. July 5 2-PM, Brust Funeral Home, Lombard.

Funeral Mass: Mon. July 6 at 10:30 AM, Sacred Heart Church, Lombard.

Burial: Assumption Cemetery, Winfield

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

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Chaplain	Fr. Jim Antiporek (630-393-2400 x 13)
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Business Meetings: 2nd Thursday of every month at 7:30 PM
Meeting Location: Activities Center - Lower Level
 28W451 Warrenville Rd, Warrenville, IL

Committee Directors	
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Family Director	Michael Bates (630-836-0223)
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Life Director	Jack Gorski (630-393-4742)
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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 What a summer we've been having!

We had our first virtual Council meeting June 11. Thanks to **PGK Jim Halama** for all his effort in organizing and helping make this meeting a success. **District Deputy Ed Szefc** presided over our election of officers for the fraternal year. All will remain in their current positions except chaplain which is currently open. **Joe Gattone** was selected as honoree for the St. Irene School 2020 K of C scholarship. We will wait to hear from the school for announcement of a recipient and award presentation.

Unfortunately, like so many events this past year, the July 4th celebration at Cerny Park and the September ID Tootsie Roll Drive have been cancelled due to, well, you know why at this point. Hopefully they will be back next year. In the meantime, we'll need to look into finding alternative ways to raise funds for our charity programs.

This month, we welcome our new pastor, **Fr. Clive Otieno!** Let him know we will be there to help support him in his ministry and continue to serve the many needs of our parish community!

Vivat Jesus!
GK Mike Bates

KC/VFW/ Blood Drive Held June 27 at St. Irene's

The Blood Drive collected 28 blood donations, Those helped were **Bill Lintner, PGK Bob Rauko, PGK Ken Di Iulio, GK Mike Bates, Dennis Knell, and PGK Ray Scott.**

The next blood drive is at St. Irene's on Sept. 26.



ProLife

Sign the [ProLife Declaration](#)

1. I believe every life has dignity and limitless potential.

Despite age, physical ability, or vulnerability, everyone should be given the opportunity to live and make their mark in the world.

2. I believe the "right to life" is the most fundamental right protected by America's founding documents.

America's forefathers recognized the importance of the "right to life," citing it as the first of all rights given in the Declaration of Independence.

3. I believe life should be protected and defended from the moment of conception until natural death.

Abortion must be prevented at every stage of development. Every human has the right to a full life.

4. I believe grace, compassion and understanding are essential to protecting life.

We must be committed to working across racial, ethnic, religious and economic divides to restore the sanctity of human life in communities across the world.

Jack Gorksi
ProLife Director

News About \$1000 St Irene School Scholarship Award

The Council has named the next scholarship in honor of **Sir Knight Joe Gattone.** A winner has been selected. The announcement will be forthcoming awaiting hopefully for a public graduation ceremony. The winner's parents will be notified early enough for them to plan for the next school year.

Justin Wagner



Do You Zoom?

Do you need to get together staying-at-home during the Coronavirus outbreak? Then try using [Zoom Video Conferencing](#). If there is a company whose stock is rising right now, it is Zoom.

This is the most widely used software for video conferencing with multiple participants from your home. It is simple and FREE to use. The best use is with a laptop computer with web camera and microphone. An app is also available for your smartphones. Lacking this, you can also join in a conference by telephone as well.



The Council Gives a Departing gift of \$2000 to Fr. Jim Antiporek

Fr. Jim, we thank you for your 21 years as Pastor of St. Irene Parish and as Chaplain of St. Irene Council 6710. The money raised in the retirement fund came from both individual contributions as well as the Council offering. Unfortunately, we were unable to deliver the gift publically. **Deacon Joe Urso** presented a check to him following his last Mass at St. Irene on June 14.

Knights' Calendar

July 3-4		Warrenville Fourth-of-July Events cancelled—Council food booth cancelled
July 9	7:30 PM	Council Business meeting. Virtual by Zoom. Details emailed July 6.
July 13	4:30 PM	LA Board Meeting. Virtual by Zoom. Contact Pat Kemp for details (page 2)
Aug. 13	7:30 PM	KC Council Business meeting. Location or Virtual yet to be announced.
Sept. 18-19		Tootsie Roll street solicitation cancelled !

*Calendar of Events for July or August is too uncertain. Will provide sched-
in the next Newsletter*



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July Birthdays

Mark Rurka	July 1	Carmi Cyrus	July 17
Robert Decker	July 5	Paul Lindsey	July 19
John Augustynowicz	July 6	Sandra Decker	July 20
Patrick Banigan	July 6	Gary Rufo	July 20
Bob Lichtenberg	July 6	Michael Hitchcock	July 24
Sandy Larue	July 9	John Ernst	July 25
Teresa Hoffman	July 11	David Fahrenwald	July 25
Michael Kenealy	July 12	Pat Wehner	July 25
Susan Kubal	July 12	David Janiec	July 27
Ralph Dieter	July 13	Dolly Pointner	July 27
Elinor Parson	July 15	Ellen Gorski	July 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/

July Wedding Anniversaries

Sam & Carolyn Vitale	July 7	Joseph & Dianne Urso	July 23
Steve & Cathy Berning	July 13		

*** 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.