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Council 6710
Warrenville, IL

Happy New Year 2021!



Annual Knights of Columbus Youth Free Throw Challenge—Cancelled

The annual event held each January will not occur due to the COVID-19 restrictions.



Youth Spelling Bee—Cancelled

The annual event held each February will not occur due to the COVID-19 restrictions.

Let's look forward to 2022 for these events to restart!



Feb. 7, 2021—Virtual KC Super Bowl Raffle & Party

You are invited to participate in the 25th Annual Knights of Columbus Super Bowl Raffle to be on Feb. 7, 2021 during the Super Bowl game. The Raffle is a major fundraiser for the St. Irene Knights of Columbus Council. It is a 50-50 cash raffle with half of the proceeds awarded to participants, and the other half retained by the local Council to be used for programs that benefit the St. Irene's Parish, Grade School, and community outreach programs.

The raffle and the ticket sales will be conducted virtually due to COVID-19 pandemic restrictions. Multi-media will be used to communicate event happenings including the church bulletin, email, St. Irene Knights of Columbus web site and Facebook page.

As in previous years, the raffle is based on purchasing squares in three separate football pools. For the Faith and Hope Pools the tickets are \$25 per square, and for the Charity pool the tickets are \$50 ticket per square. Download the ticket order form from this link: <http://st-irenekofc.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/2021SuperBowlRaffleTickets.pdf> and follow the directions on how to return your payment and tickets. You may also contact PGK James Halama at jrhalama@comcast.net or at 630-433-6240.

Buy your raffle tickets early to take advantage of two early drawings. Early Bird drawings that cover the cost of a ticket will be held on Jan. 24 and 31. Early bird raffle winners remain eligible for drawings on Super Bowl Sunday.

The squares and numbers for each ticket are assigned randomly. Cash prizes ranging from \$25 to \$500 will be awarded throughout the football game on Super Bowl Sunday.

See Page 5 for Raffle Tickets order form

This is a major fundraiser for the Council. We need your help in selling tickets.



Jan. 16—Council to Takedown Christmas Decorations at St. Irene's

We need a team of volunteers to help take down the outdoor Christmas decorations around St. Irene Church on Saturday, Jan. 16 starting at 8:00 AM. I will get an early start and have the coffee hot by 8:00 AM.

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.

Brother Knights—
Have your
Family read the news-
letter as well!



Jan. 14—Virtual Council Business Meeting

We have scheduled a **Virtual Council Business Meeting** to occur at the regular time of 7:30 PM on Thursday Jan. 14

The virtual meeting will be by Zoom (See Page 2). A computer is NOT necessary. You may join by phone.

An email will be sent as a reminder to all KC members on Monday Jan. 11.

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Council Business Meeting Jan. 14 at 7:30 PM

GK Mike Bates is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting. This is a virtual meeting. Join as follows:

Time: Jan 14, 2021 07:30 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://luc.zoom.us/j/84968093699>

Dial by your location
 +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)
 +1 646 558 8656 US (New York)
 +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington D.C.)
 +1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)
 +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)
 +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)
 Meeting ID: 849 6809 3699



Ladies of Columbus (LOC)

A very Happy New Year to all. Hope everyone had a joyous and merry Christmas.

The Ladies of Columbus will have their next meeting on Monday, February 8 at 4:30 PM. Please let me know if you wish to attend so I can send you an invitation to the zoom meeting.

Pat Kemp
 LA President



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.



Council 6710 Web Site!

Check out our site 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.



Fourth Degree News

Our Next Bishop Blanchette meeting is Jan. 13 by Zoom. Watch for future email for Zoom link.



Pray for Our Loved Ones

Pray for the health & recovery **Glen Kussman, Marcello Alleruzzo, Karen Ernst, Pat Wehner, Beverly Scott, Rachel Jaraisus, Tina Pittman, and Charlie Fahrenwald.**

Council and LA Directory Available

A new membership directory for Council and Ladies Auxiliary members is now available on the Council web site: st-irenekofc.org. Select Directory Tab. Password is "mcgivney5".

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

Council Officers 2020-2021	
Chaplain	Fr. Jim Antiporek (630-393-2400 x 13)
Grand Knight	Michael Bates (630-836-0223)
Dep. Grand Knight	Doug Dillmann (630-415-5258)
Financial Sec.	James Halama (630-433-6240)
Treasurer	John Ernst (630-606-2671)
Chancellor	James Bartz (630-229-8311)
Recorder	Bob Rauko (630-337-1568)
Advocate	Joshua Bates (630-836-0223)
Warden	Wayne Decker (630-393-1891)
Inside Guard	Patrick O'Connor
Outside Guard	Dave Abhalter (630-857-0972)
Lecturer	William Lintner (630-841-6155)
3rd Yr. Trustee	Tom Perez (630-301-1481)
2nd Yr. Trustee	Ken Dilulio (630-747-3673)
1st Yr. Trustee	Glen Kussman (630-393-6545)
Insurance Agent	Matthew Kling (630-485-8705)

Business Meetings: 2nd Thursday of every month at 7:30 PM
Meeting Location: Meetings are virtual by Zoom until further notice

Committee Directors	
Program Director	Doug Dillmann (630-415-5258)
Membership Director	Ray Scott (630-393-0868)
Community Director	Bob Rauko (630-337-1568)
Church Director	James Bartz (630-229-8311)
Family Director	Michael Bates (630-836-0223)
Youth Director	
Public Relations Director	Richard Kostner (630-310-9642)
Blood Drive Director	Ray Scott (630-393-0868)
Life Director	Jack Gorski (630-393-4742)
Vocations	Brad Hentz (630-836-0332)
Support our Troops	Kevin Looby (630-329-1316)

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

Happy New Year, everyone! Usually, I would ask you what kind of resolutions you made, but you and I both know that you'll break those within 24 hours of making them, so instead, I'm going to talk about past New Year memories that I have.

When I was younger, my family would go over to a friend's house. I'm not going to name the friend, but we are still friends with him to this day. Every year we would go over and have a giant friend group meet up. Now, I was the youngest there, which is no surprise, I'm used to being the youngest, but one of my closest friends was always there. He and I were like brothers. He and I would hang out for hours and stay up until midnight, which, when I was young, was a huge deal! When the clock struck midnight we would drink some carbonated unfermented grape juice (although you might know it better as Welch's Sparking Grape juice) and go outside and ring the bell when the clock struck midnight marking the start of the New Year, and all that jazz.

You're probably wondering what I'm getting at. Well, I'm glad you asked! You see, we don't know what the future holds. No one knows but God. The future for us is shrouded in mystery, but still we continue on. We hope against hope and all odds, and in this case especially against last year, that it will turn out wonderfully. That being said, grab a glass. Please, wherever you're reading this, grab a glass, fill it up with whatever drink you want, and raise it up, to 2021!

Speaking of the New Year and 2021, remember to buy your Super Bowl Raffle tickets. Not to needlessly get your hopes up, but maybe the Bears will make it into the Super Bowl this year. After all, 2020 was a year of firsts, who's to say 2021 won't follow the same trend. Also, remember, the Super Bowl Raffle is virtual this year, but it's still alive and well.

Now, I know what I said about New Year's resolutions being essentially nonexistent, but if you feel the need to make New Year's resolutions for tradition or any reason, maybe consider making resolutions about prayer. Maybe say a Rosary every now and then, or spend a few minutes every day to just talk with God. With how last year has been, we need prayer more than ever. Uh-oh. I think I just heard my Christmas tree fall down. It's probably my dog's fault. Uhh...gotta go! Signing off until next month!

Vivat Jesus!
Adv. Josh Bates,
aka, GK Mike Bates



FATHERS FOR GOOD
 AN INITIATIVE FOR MEN BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Check out www.fathersforgood

ProLife Faith in Action—Life



The Knights of Columbus vigorously defends the dignity of each human being at every stage of life. Please read about the Life Programs posted on the [Faith in Action Knights of Columbus](http://www.kofc.org) web site (www.kofc.org)

- **NOVENA FOR LIFE**—Lead your community in the spiritual fight to establish a culture of life.
- **MARCH FOR LIFE**—Show public support for the right to life.
- **SPECIAL OLYMPICS**—Celebrate the intrinsic worth and dignity of every single human being. The Knights of Columbus has a unique partnership with Special Olympics and has helped athletes with physical and/or intellectual disabilities train for and compete in games around the world.
- **ULTRASOUND**—Provide much-needed spiritual and material support for mothers, fathers, and their children before and after birth.
- **CHRISTIAN REFUGEE RELIEF**—Help save persecuted and at-risk Christians facing genocide all over the world, particularly in the Middle East.
- **MASS FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS**—Welcome individuals or families who might not normally feel comfortable participating in a regularly scheduled Mass.
- **PREGNANCY CENTER SUPPORT**—Build faithful families and communities through rosary prayer.
- **SILVER ROSE**—Share the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe and promote respect for life through this pilgrimage.

Provided by PGK Jack Gorski
Pro-Life Chair Council 6710



Annual Newman Centers Fund Appeal

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

You should be receiving a letter from Illinois State Council regarding the appeal. 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. Note St. Irene Council on your check.

Check these web sites for more Information:

Supreme Council Knights of Columbus: www.kofc.org

Illinois State Council Knights of Columbus:
www.illinoisknights.org



Schedule of St. Irene Masses & Events

Daily Masses

Daily Masses will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:00 AM. Also, Wednesdays at 12:00 PM. No registration is required at this time. Masses will be live streamed and recorded.

Holy Hour of Adoration

Join us for a holy hour and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday at 3:00 PM. No registration is required at this time. The holy hour will be live streamed.

Reconciliations

Fr. Clive will be doing reconciliations immediately after every daily Mass and on Saturdays from 3:30-4:30 PM. Appointments can be made by calling the parish office. Please wear your mask. There will be no direct contact.

Saturday Mass

Saturday Masses will be held at 5:00 PM. Registration is required. Mass will be live streamed and recorded. See below for links.

Sunday Mass

Sunday Masses will continue to be live streamed at 10:00 AM and a recording will be available afterwards on:

- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/StIreneChurch/>
- Youtube channel: [St. Irene Catholic Church Warrenville - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmMeIs6ydHjTJD98ZZb_VcA)

The link to register for Mass at St. Irene is https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmMeIs6ydHjTJD98ZZb_VcA. If you have any questions, please contact us at the Parish Office 630-393-2400.

St. Irene School Corner



Fundraisers for Technology to Support Our Students and Faculty

Market Day is back! 10% of all sales will go back to St. Irene School. Register for your account at <https://www.marketdaylocal.com/account/register>. Make sure that you link it with St. Irene School by clicking on "Select an organization" and type in "St. Irene." You will need to include the period in "St." in order for the system to recognize the school. All items will be shipped directly to you. If you have any questions, contact Lane Williams at williams.lane.c@gmail.com.

Naperville Meats fundraiser will be ending on December 31. If you have any questions please contact Maggie Callaghan: (630) 689-7494 or callaghanmj@yahoo.com.



Intellectual Disability Drive Fund Distribution Announced

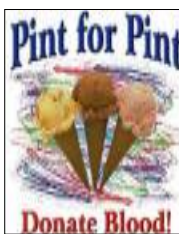
As was previously announced in the December Knight's News \$4950.13 was raised for distribution in the drive. The only cost of the drive was costs assessed by GoFundMe of \$154.87.

The distribution of these funds is as follows:

Cupertino Group Home, Warrenville	\$2455.12
Special Camps, Winfield	\$1000.00
Western DuPage Special Recreation	\$1000.00
Illinois State KC Council Charities, Inc.	\$495.01
Total Distribution	\$4950.13

Prayer for People Infected with COVID-19 or Facing Quarantine

Jesus, during Your ministry on Earth You showed Your power and caring by healing people of all ages and stations of life from physical, mental, and spiritual ailments. Be present now to people who need Your loving touch because of COVID-19. May they feel Your power of healing through the care of doctors and nurses. Take away the fear, anxiety, and feelings of isolation from people receiving treatment or under quarantine. Give them a sense of purpose in pursuing health and protecting others from exposure to the disease. Protect their families and friends and bring peace to all who love them. Amen.




31 Pints Collected at Dec. 5 KC/VFW Blood Drive


Turnout was very good at the VFW Hall for the quarterly blood drive. Those who helped from the Council were PGK Ken DiIulio, Bill Lintner, PGK Bob Rauko, and PGK Ray Scott.


Super Bowl Raffle—Order Your Tickets Now!

Use the ticket forms below to order your tickets. Early bird drawings will be held Jan. 24 & 31. Please make check out to St. Irene Knights of Columbus and send to:

James Halama
27W100 Galusha Ave.
Warrenville, IL 60555

 <h2>St. Irene Knights of Columbus Football Raffle</h2> <h3>\$25 Raffle Ticket</h3> <p>2-\$250, 2-\$125, 6-\$50, 7-\$25 Cash Prizes Cash prizes based on 100 tickets sold See reverse side for details</p> <p>Super Bowl Sunday Feb. 7, 2021</p> <p>St. Irene Parish 28W441 Warrenville Rd., Warrenville, IL</p> <p>Early Bird Drawings Jan. 24 & 31</p> <p>Proceeds Benefit Knights of Columbus Programs</p> <h2>Faith</h2>	<p>Name: _____</p> <p>Phone: _____</p> <p>Email: _____</p> <p>St. Irene Knights of Columbus Super Bowl Raffle Feb 7, 2021</p>
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Early-Bird Drawings: Drawings will be held virtually Jan. 24 & 31 at St. Irene's. Each entry can only win once during the early-bird drawings, but remains eligible for the drawings on Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 7, 2021.

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.

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.

Knights' Calendar

Jan. 1		Happy New Years!
Jan. 13	7:30 PM	Bishop Blanchette Assembly meeting—by Zoom (look for email invite)
Jan. 14	7:30 PM	KC Council Business meeting—by Zoom (see Page 2)
Jan. 16	8:00 AM	Take down Christmas decorations—St. Irene Parish grounds
Jan. 24 & 31		Super Bowl Raffle Early drawings
Feb. 7		Super Bowl Party and Raffle. Location to be determined.
Feb. 8	4:30 PM	Ladies Auxiliary General Meeting— by Zoom (request invite, see page 2)



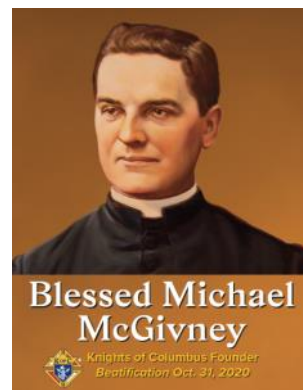
Checkout Our Products and Services Knights of Columbus Insurance

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- [Term Life Insurance](#) – *Affordable Protection for Temporary Needs*
- [Retirement Annuities](#) – *Give Yourself a Paycheck for the Rest of Your Life. Guaranteed.*
- [Long-Term Care Insurance](#) – *Protect Your Assets. Prepare for the Future.*
- [Disability Income Insurance](#) – *Shield Your Income from Illness and Injury*

The Knights of Columbus offers a complete portfolio of top-quality products to our members and their eligible family members.

January Birthdays

Katie Augustynowicz	Jan. 3	Mary Hughes	Jan. 13
Cathy Kott	Jan. 3	Mike O'Hare	Jan. 13
Marian Dunn	Jan. 4	Liz Pittman	Jan. 13
Teri Lindeman	Jan. 4	Filomena Jarosz	Jan. 15
Shirley Cosgrove	Jan. 5	Mark Jarosz	Jan. 16
Kevin Dunn	Jan. 6	Paula Polkow	Jan. 17
Sam Vitale	Jan. 6	Denise Hoshell	Jan. 19
Terri Kussman	Jan. 7	Susan Constable	Jan. 20
Glen Kussman	Jan. 8	Cathy Fladeland	Jan. 20
Cindy Naberhaus	Jan. 8	Tom La Rocco	Jan. 22
Truman Stevens	Jan. 8	Clare Barry	Jan. 23
Jeffrey Bollweg	Jan. 9	Andrew Dina	Jan. 24
Karen Leonard	Jan. 9	Gary Dyas	Jan. 26
Kenneth Ulanowski	Jan. 9	Dianne Urso	Jan. 26
Yolanda Schwarts	Jan. 11	Kathleen Planek	Jan. 27
William Higgins	Jan. 12	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

*** 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.