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Warrenville, IL

Say a Special Prayer for Your Mom! Happy Mother's Day



Virtual Fundraiser in Support of Mercy Home

The St Irene Knights of Columbus is conducting a virtual fundraiser in support of Mercy Home's mission.

Over the next few months, we are soliciting donations for Mercy Home through the following link - <https://www.mercyhome.org/stirene>. To donate by phone or for any donation related questions, please call Mercy Home at 877-637-2955. Your donation is 100% tax deductible. Additional questions regarding the fundraising effort may be directed to **Joe Kubal** at 630-983-6159. Your support of Mercy Home's children and the televised Sunday Mass is incredibly appreciated. God Bless you!

You have heard of Mercy Home for Boys and Girls in Chicago Mass that is aired each Sunday on WGN-TV. Over the years, we have appeared several times at the taping of these masses. Mercy Home was founded in 1887 and has been a refuge for our most vulnerable children and young adults. They come to Mercy Home having faced tremendous hardships including poverty, housing instability, violence, loss, and more. The trauma that results from these experiences impacts the ways these young people grow, learn, and relate to the world around them. But with the full-time care, counseling, and education they receive at Mercy Home, young people can break the cycles of abuse, neglect, and poverty. They go on to become self-reliant, thriving adults who positively impact the lives of others.

Joe Kubal



High School Scholarship to be Awarded in Honor of PGK Raymond Scott

The St. Irene 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 Raymond Scott**. Ray could always be seen volunteering at the school and served as a crossing guard for many years.

This is 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.



May 1—Maintenance at City Signs Let's Continue the Success of Last Year!

The Council's task of maintaining perennial plantings surrounding the "Welcome to Warrenville" signs to remove weeds is still difficult. I suggest for this season we adopt-a-sign and maintain that sign individually. The signs to adopt are:

- Warrenville Rd & Herrick
- Diehl Rd (no need here, maintained by Cantera)
- River Rd & Raymond
- Route 59 & Willow-front of sign
- Route 59 & Willow-back of sign

Please let me know which sign you wish to adopt. Since the Hwy 59 sign is usually a large job, I split it in two.

I propose the following dates: May 1, June 5, July 10, August 14, Sept. 11. You do not necessarily need to follow the schedule precisely.

Whenever, you visit your sign, take a selfie and send it to me so I can document and include you in the KC newsletter (jrhalamqa@comcast.net).



May 13—Virtual Council Business Meeting

We have scheduled a **Virtual Council Business Meeting to occur at the NEW TIME of 7:00 PM** on Thursday May 13. An email reminder will be sent out on Monday May 10.

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Council Business Meeting May 13 at 7:00 PM

A slate of officers for the next fraternal year will be presented. If you are interested, please call PGK Marc Alleruzzo (630-269-2754)

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

<https://luc.zoom.us/j/81164195795>
Meeting ID: 811 6419 5795

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+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)
+1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)
+1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)
Meeting ID: 811 6419 5795



Ladies of Columbus (LOC)

Talk to you next month

Pat Kemp
LA President

High Schoolers Needed for Special Camps Dates Needed: June 6 - 11, June 13 - 18, or June 20 - 25



Do you know an amazing high school or college aged student that could serve

as a volunteer camp counselor for Special Camps? Someone who is responsible, compassionate, and likes to have fun?!!

It's a week full of high energy laughter and fun, making new friends and enjoying fun activities, while living and playing side by side with our amazing campers with intellectual disabilities and autism. They are high functioning campers who look forward all year long to making some great friends at camp.

We are short 15 boys + 5 girls to serve as Volunteer Camp Counselors! Our camp volunteers call this a "life changing opportunity". Everyone calls this the Best Week of the Year!

Please help spread the word! We have just 5 weeks until camp begins.

Colleen McDonald
President of Special Camps

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Fourth Degree News

The next Bishop Blanchette meeting is May 12 by Zoom. Watch for future email for Zoom link.



Pray for Our Loved Ones

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

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

Council Officers 2020-2021	
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: Meetings are virtual by Zoom until further notice

	Committee Directors
Program Director	Doug Dillmann (630-415-5258)
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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 May everybody, and welcome to this month's edition of Josh's rants!

As you all know, Mother's Day happens this month, and, while mother's on earth are great and all, we all need to think of, honor, and acknowledge our Heavenly mother, Mary. Mary is the example of what Catholics should be, and, more importantly, a model for all mothers to follow.

I can't exactly speak from experience, but being a mother is an honor. Every mother is chosen by God so they can watch over us and put us all on the right path so, once God calls us home, we can all be his children again. See, every person on the earth belongs to God, and our parents, mothers and fathers (more on Fathers next month) are here to prepare us for that.

If any of you have had siblings or have multiple children and have heard the "you're adopted" joke, they weren't exactly wrong. On Mother's Day, pray a Rosary, say a few Hail Marys, or a Memorare depending on how much time you have. All three if you have more time than you know what to do with.

As all of you have heard a few months back, St. Irene's School is closing at the end of this month. It is a sad occasion, as I know many families enjoyed being a part of such a tightly-knit community. Alas, after 69 years, it must come to an end. 69 years of good memories, and I know it will be missed by many.

Things are starting to open up more, but if you're wondering about the council specifically, you have a years-worth of my rants to look at to see what's going on. Also at the end of this month, is Pentecost Sunday, the Birthday of our church and the day the Holy Spirit came down like tongues of flames (you can take that as literal as you'd like). I've never written about Pentecost before, but I finally get to talk about this. A few weeks back, the 8th graders were confirmed, and Pentecost means far more once you're confirmed. That being said, congratulations to all the confirmed! And congratulations also to all the 8th grade graduates!

That's all for this month. Pray for me and know I'm praying for you, God bless!

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



Apr. 24 Adopt-A-Highway Clean-up Cancelled

There were only three Knights that gathered for the clean-up: **PGK Bob Rauko, GK Mike Bates** and **Ralph Dieter**. Butterfield Road from Batavia to 59 looked pretty clean. I don't know about west of 59 to the bridge but we decided 3 just was not enough help.

We will discuss the future of this activity at the next Knights meeting.

ProLife



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Mission

We advance the human right to life in culture, law, and policy.

Method

We equip advocates and lawmakers with the facts and strategies that change hearts and minds and protect human life.

Motivation

We believe all human rights flow from the human right to life. We are all equal members of the human family and equally worthy of respect, solidarity, and love.

Vision

We strive for the day when all are welcomed throughout life and protected in law.

I invite you to take a look at this informative web site.

Jack Gorski
Pro-Life Chair Council 6710



"2021 FMSC "Feed the Need" Fundraiser Collects \$1203

It is with the deepest appreciation that the St. Irene Knights of Columbus and the Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) organization thank financial contributors to this year's virtual FMSC fundraiser. A total of \$1,203 was collected to support the mission of FMSC in providing food to those who need it in underprivileged countries around the world.

Hopefully, when the pandemic subsides, we again will be able to go to in-person food packing sessions at the Aurora facility to further support this worthy cause. Many blessings to those that opened their hearts and their wallets and to all those that have contributed their labor, time and/or money to this charitable ministry in the past. Again, thank you!

Joe Kubal

Knights' Calendar

May 1	9:00 AM	Weeding at City of Warrenville Welcome signs—launch day , see Page 1
May 9		Mother's Day
May 12	7:00 PM	Bishop Blanchette Assembly Meeting. Location/virtual TBA
May 13	7:00 PM	KC Council Business meeting—Join by Zoom, see page 2
May 21-23		Illinois State Council KoC Convention, Lombard
May 31		Memorial Day
Sept. 17-19		Intellectual Disabilities Tootsie Roll Drive



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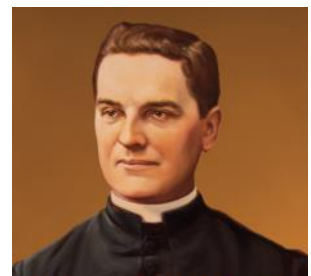
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May Birthdays

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	Margaret Doucette	May 23
Diana Banigan	May 12	Alta Halama	May 25
Barbara Olson	May 12	Jennifer Kempiak	May 26
Alan Jarasius	May 14	Lois Hitchcock	May 27
Denise Allen	May 15	Colin Wilkie	May 28
Marcello Alleruzzo	May 15	Matthew Kilroy	May 29
Wayne Decker	May 16	Maggie Nagode	May 29
Kelley Higgins	May 16	Donna Janiec	May 31
Allison Looby	May 16		



Blessed Michael McGivney
Knights of Columbus Founder
Beatification Oct. 31, 2020

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	Kenneth & Barbara Intihar	May 24
Anthony & Joan Parrino	May 11	Alan & Loreta Jarasius	May 24
Jeffrey & Mary Wombold	May 11	Joseph & Susan Kubal	May 26
John & Katie Augustynowicz	May 12	Christopher & Terry Neigel	May 28
David & Sue Cirock	May 17		

*** 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.