



# knights of st. irene

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Council 6710  
Warrenville, IL



## September—Council Knights to Conduct an In-Person and a Virtual Tootsie Roll Drive

**In-Person Drive September 17-19**—Obtaining the permit from the City of Warrenville for an in-person on the street ID is in process, albeit delayed because of COVID restrictions uncertainties. The anticipation is that the Knights will again be able to solicit donations on the street corners in Warrenville. Street collections will take place September 17-19.

**Virtual GoFundMe Drive September-October**—The Council will also set-up a GoFundMe page in order to add to our goal. The success of the virtual drive in 2020 has prompted us to do the same this year. The virtual drive is targeted to be conducted within the Warrenville Community during the months of September and October.

**Our goal is \$7800**—We are seeking your input for the 2021 drives. Please contact, **Nick Battaglia**, Tootsie Roll Chair at 773-820-1752 or **PGK James Halama** at 630-433-6240 if you have ideas as to how we can get the word out, especially about the GoFundMe virtual drive. More details will be published in the September newsletter.

**History**—Through our drive, we support the Special Olympics which was the original recipient of the funds when first established in 1970 by the Knights of Columbus in Tinley Park, Illinois. Since that time, the drive has grown substantially. The drive is now conducted across 44 states. Our Council also helps to financially assist Cupertino Home (a Clarewoods Academy group home on Warren Ave., Warrenville), Special Camps for Special Citizens, Western DuPage Special Recreation District, and Illinois Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc.



## Aug. 28-29 & Sept. 4-5—Bread Tag Collection Drive

The St. Irene Knights of Columbus is partnering with SCARCE, a local environmental education group, to collect bread tags for the “Danielle Cares for Chairs” charity. Started by a 17-year-old high schooler, this non-profit collects and recycles bread tags to acquire wheelchairs and mobility assistance devices for those in need. Tags can be dropped off at the St. Irene ACL on the weekends of August 28-29 and September 4-5 only. The collection box will be located by the ACL door closest to the church or just inside that door. If you need further information, contact Joe at 630.983.6159 or [jdrk4715@aol.com](mailto:jdrk4715@aol.com).

Thank you for your support!  
Joe Kubal



## Sept. 10—St. Irene Annual Golf Classic

Proceeds benefit St. Irene Parish Friday, September 10 – Shotgun start 1:00 PM Scramble at Bliss Creek Golf Club – Sugar Grove, IL. Register before September 1! An entry fee of \$100/individual gets you Golf, Cart, Camaraderie and a great Steak Buffet Dinner! A foursome is required. Print and fill out [online registration form](#) and

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## Aug. 13—Funeral Mass for Deacon Bill Murphy



A funeral Mass for **Deacon William Murphy** will be held on Friday, August 13, at St. Scholastica Parish in Woodridge. There will be a visitation at the church from 9:30 AM until the beginning of Mass at 10:00 AM. Deacon Bill passed away on March 19, 2020, but due to COVID restrictions his funeral was delayed until the present time.

Please join us as we remember Deacon Bill, former deacon of Saint Elizabeth Seton and Saint Irene’s Parishes, and his surviving family — his wife, Beverly and two adult children, Kevin and Lorna." Deacon Bill was a Knight since 1977, and a Sir Knight for 25 years. Beverly served as principal for St. Irene Grade School for many years.

**4th Degree Honor Guard Requested**—The Honor Guard is requested for the visitation and funeral Mass. *Beverly has made a special request to Sir Knights of St. Irene’s to participate.* It is organized by the Sir Knights of St. Scholastica and Commander from the Bishop Blanchette Assembly. Expect that accommodations for both types of uniforms to be made.

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**Council Business Meeting Aug. 12  
at 7:00 PM**

**We're Back in Person! We are meeting at the St. Irene Activities Center. See you there!**

Thank you **Pat O'Connor** for taking on the officer position of Warden and to **Pat McGowan** for taking on Inside Guard for this fraternal year



**Ladies of Columbus (LOC)**

It's hard to believe that summer is half over! There is talk of school opening, activities to still attend and of course old man winter.

Once again, the LOC are selling the vocational raffle books. the proceeds will be going to buy the winter coats for the girls in the Warrenville area and any repairs we can do for St Irene church. **Bonnie Di Iulio** has mailed out the raffle books to our members. Any one looking to buy tickets please contact her at 630-808-5565. Last year we did have a winner from our Council.

Thank you in advance for helping us provide.

**Bonnie DiIulio**  
Treasurer



**Fourth Degree News**

Aug. 11 Council Captain's meeting. Location TBD. Captains and Officers only.

**Daily Masses at St. Irene's:**

- Tuesdays and Fridays at **7:00am**
- Wednesdays at **12:00pm**
- Thursdays at **7:00am** with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament to follow Mass until 12:00pm
- Saturdays at 8:00am with reconciliations available after Mass; this Mass will **not** be live streamed

**Saturday Mass** will be held at **5:00pm**

**Sunday Masses:**

- **8:00am**; this Mass will **not** be live streamed
- **10:00am**

All Masses will be live streamed except where noted. Links to the live stream and recordings are available on:

- **Facebook** at - <https://www.facebook.com/StIreneChurch/>
- **YouTube** channel at - [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmMels6ydhJTJD98ZZb\\_VcA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmMels6ydhJTJD98ZZb_VcA)

**MASKS ARE STILL REQUIRED FOR INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE NOT VACCINATED. We have a section for people who prefer to continue to social distance.**



**Pray for Repose of Soul of James Mowbray**

**Brother Knight James Mowbray** (91) passed to eternal life on July 4, 2021. He had been living at St. Patrick's Home in Naperville for the last 3 years. His previous residence was on Galusha Ave., Warrenville. For years I recall him serving as ushers at the early Sunday Masses at St. Irene's. He always had something to say about the world today. Jim's wife, Leora, survives him and is residing at a home in Downers Grove. The Family is arranging for a memorial service at St. Irene in the near future.

**Pray for Our Loved Ones**

Pray for the health & recovery of **Jean DeLuco, 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**

<p><b>Council Officers 2021-2022</b></p> <p>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 Patrick O'Connor                  Inside Guard Pat McGowan (630-863-8708)                  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 DiIulio (630-747-3673)                  1st Yr. Trustee Glen Kussman (630-393-6545)                  Insurance Agent <b>Matthew Kling (630-485-8705)</b></p>	<p><b>Business Meetings:</b> 2nd Thursday of every month at 7:00 PM  <b>Meeting Location:</b> St. Irene Activities Center</p>
<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 GK Michael Bates at 630-836-0223).</p>	<p><b>Committee Directors</b></p> <p>Program Director Doug Dillmann (630-415-5258)                  Membership Director                  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)</p> <p>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 <a href="mailto:jrhalama@comcast.net">jrhalama@comcast.net</a> prior to the 21th day of each month.</p>



### Grand Knight's Corner

Hello, and welcome to August! August is a very eventful month. For one, it's the month that has the majority of the birthday's in my family, including my dad's and mine. It is also the birthday month of our founder, **Fr. Michael McGivney**. With birthdays come change, we get older and...some of us get more mature. I can think of a few people who didn't. But...getting older also leads to loss eventually. Before I go into my spiel, I'm gonna be real for a second. I was gonna talk about what it means to be a knight this month, but something else happened, so, assuming I'm still doing these in a year, I'll do that next year.

This year, I'm going to deal with loss. And I'll probably cry while writing this. Anyways, here we go. As many of you know, I was in Boy Scouts for 5 years, from when I was 12 until I aged out at 18. That camp was, for 4 of those years, Camp Freeland Leslie in Oxford, Wisconsin. I learned earlier this year that it is closing, going out of business due to reasons that I'm not allowed to state, but everyone knows about it anyways.

Well, this past weekend at the time of writing this, that would be July 23-25, I went back to CFL once again for a last celebration with all the staffers. There were overall 300 people plus all the current staffers (around 50-60). It was a great weekend, it felt like a week, and I'm still tired from it. My voice is still shot from the campfire, but it was a great weekend all the same. I made some friends, which is a change for me. I'm now socially exhausted, and I cried, which I don't feel the least bit bad about. Everyone cried.

A place like that closing is a change for everyone. It clearly has had quite an impact on everyone who's been there. I've heard all good things about that place. And from what I hear, it's getting turned into an RV camp and actual campground. They have to clear out 200 acres of trees for it, which really sucks. I'm betting that they're probably going to cut down the remaining few aspens. I worked there one year, and it still hit me hard. I can't even imagine how hard it hit those who worked there for years. Someone worked there for 8 years, I can't imagine how he felt. Sure, there was a lot of laughter and we all still have the memories, but just knowing that it'll close...that hurt.

There is a song about the place, but the whole song would take up too much space, so I'm just going to write the chorus. "But when I left there a part of me stayed for me to return once more, scattered in the leaves of the aspen trees and sown in the sandy soil." I broke down during this song, and I'm not scared to admit it. It's a change, it's a loss, but if last year and this year have taught me anything, it's how to handle loss. I've lost people who were very near and dear to me, and now I'm losing a place that holds a special part of my heart and always will. It's a loss, but we must move on.

Pray for me and know I'm praying for you, God Bless.

**Vivat Jesus!**

**Adv. Josh Bates/aka, GK Mike Bates**

### ProLife



### House introduces most extreme pro-abortion appropriations bill Letter to EMAIL CONGRESS

Congress is continuing to move forward on paying for abortion with your tax dollars! Your U.S. senators and representative need to hear from you now.

The House Committee on Appropriations is advancing bills this week that would:

- force taxpayers to pay for elective abortions;
- force health care providers and professionals to perform and refer for abortion against their deeply-held beliefs;
- force employers and insurers to cover and pay for abortion in health plans.

Don't let Congress vote for an appropriations bill that includes this coercion! Send a pre-written email by clicking the button above.

**Jack Gorski**  
**Pro-Life Chair Council 6710**



### Sept. 25—KC/VFW Blood Drive

The next blood drive will be held from 7:00 AM—Noon at the St. Irene Activities Center.

*(Golf Outing, Continued from page 1)*

return it with your payment before Sept. 1.

Sponsorship Opportunities include:

- Soft Drink/Water \$400, 1 round of golf with tee box sign
- "Keg of Beer" \$250, Company/Family Tee box sign
- Hole Sponsor \$100 Tee Box Sign

For further information contact **Bob LaDeur** at 630-918-5121 or [rladeur@hotmail.com](mailto:rladeur@hotmail.com).

### Maintenance of City Welcome Signs

Despite utility work digging in, under, and around the welcome signs we remain committed in maintaining the planting there.

The remaining dates are: August 14 & Sept. 11. You do not necessarily need to follow the schedule precisely. Send photos to [jrhala-ma@comcast.net](mailto:jrhala-ma@comcast.net)

### 35 Attend Family Picnic at Halama Home on July 10

It was great to once again gather as a group! The weather was cloudy with intermittent light rain, but all had a good time. Thanks to PGK Jim & Alta Halama for hosting the picnic. We look forward to another one in 2022



## Knights' Calendar

Aug. 11	7:00 PM	Bishop Blanchette Captain's meeting—Location TBD
Aug. 12	7:00 PM	St. Irene Council business meeting— <b>St. Irene Activities Center</b>
Aug. 13	9:00 AM	Deacon Bill Murphy Funeral Mass at St. Scholastica-Honor guard requested
Aug. 14	9:00 AM	Maintenance and weeding at Warrenville City Welcome Signs
Aug. 28-29		KC Bread Tag Collection Drive—St. Irene Activities Center
Sept. 9	7:00 PM	St. Irene Council business meeting— <b>St. Irene Activities Center</b>
Sept. 10	1:00 PM	St. Irene Annual Golf Classic—Bliss Creek Golf Club; <a href="#">register</a> by Sept. 1
Sept. 17-19		Intellectual Disabilities Tootsie Roll Drive
Sept. 25	7:00 AM	KC/VFW Blood Drive—St. Irene Activities Center

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## August Birthdays

Edward Leahy	Aug. 2	Debbie Alleruzzo	Aug. 14
Pam Bollweg	Aug. 3	Larry Chaon	Aug. 15
Vincent Morello	Aug. 3	Jeannie Dina	Aug. 15
Rosemary Maher	Aug. 4	Judy Minor	Aug. 15
Jeffrey Wombold	Aug. 4	Martin Kometz	Aug. 16
James Halama	Aug. 7	Bobbi Aschauer	Aug. 19
Colette Lindsey	Aug. 7	Charles Stanislaw	Aug. 25
Thomas Bucki	Aug. 9	Dianne Taylor	Aug. 25
Kim Ladeur	Aug. 9	Joseph Urso	Aug. 25
Colette Giacovelli	Aug. 10	Joshua Bates	Aug. 29
Terry Neigel	Aug. 11	Julia Chaon	Aug. 30
Michael Bates	Aug. 13	William Hughes	Aug. 31
Anita Masters	Aug. 13		

### Aug. 25 — American Legion Burger Night



Join us at the VFW Hall, Warrenville at the VFW Hall, Warrenville for burgers, French fries and coleslaw starting at 6:00 PM

## August Wedding Anniversaries

Winston & Carol Rasmussen	Aug. 1	James & Rita Aderhold	Aug. 21
Daniel & Carol Walsh	Aug. 4	Susan & Steve Cizek	Aug. 22
William & Karen Graney	Aug. 5	Mario & Yolanda Schwarts	Aug. 22
Scott & Dolly Pointner	Aug. 6	William & Kelley Higgins	Aug. 23
David & Donna Janiec	Aug. 7	Noelle & Paul Shallcross	Aug. 23
Andrew & Patricia White	Aug. 8	Richard & Kathleen Planek	Aug. 25
David & Karen Menconi Cappa	Aug. 13	Ronald & Cathi Zoran	Aug. 25
Christopher & Annette Hanson	Aug. 14	Glen & Terri Kussman	Aug. 28
Kevin & Marian Dunn	Aug. 16	Michael & Lois Hitchcock	Aug. 29
William & Mary Hughes	Aug. 19	David & Terry Fahrenwald	Aug. 30

**Blessed Michael McGivney**  
See Knights of Columbus 3rd Adept's Beatification Oct. 31, 2020.

\*\*\* If your birthday or anniversary date is missing or incorrect, contact **PGK James Halama** (630-433-6240) or [jrhalama@comcast.net](mailto:jrhalama@comcast.net) to make the corrections.