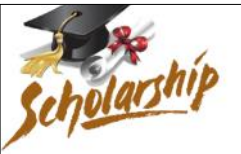




# knights of st. irene

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Warrenville, IL



## Annual High School Scholarship

We are pleased to announce two \$1000 scholarships are available to benefit two graduating eighth graders who will be continuing his or her education at a Catholic high school or academy. The \$1000 is to

be used to help defray first year tuition costs. The scholarship is competitive and is awarded based on the student's service to the Church, School and Community.

The requirement is that your eighth grader will be attending a Catholic high school or academy in the Fall. The application is available online following this [link](#) (this is Microsoft Word document - download it; fill it in, and save). Please encourage your child to apply for this award. Applications must be completed and received by **Friday, May 13, 2022**. Send by email to [jwagner7@gmail.com](mailto:jwagner7@gmail.com) to be considered.

Winners and families will be invited to attend the June 12 10:00 AM Mass at St. Irene's where winners will be announced. If you have any questions, you can contact me at 847-558-9166 or [jwagner7@gmail.com](mailto:jwagner7@gmail.com).

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic men's organization dedicated to Family, Church and Community. Our Council is proud to provide manpower and grants to assist St. Irene's students and faculty in any way we can. We recognize the importance of a Catholic education.

Scholarships will be awarded in honor of deceased **Brother Knights Wayne Decker and Glen Kussman.**

**Justin Wagner**  
KC Scholarship Committee



## April Knights of Columbus Eyeglass Collection

In part, Mark 8:25 reads, "Then his eyes were opened, his sight was restored, and he saw everything clearly." This neatly sums up for what the Knights of Columbus are striving for in the April, 2022 St. Irene Eyeglass Drive.

Please bring and donate your old or unwanted eyeglasses and drop them off in the collection box in the back of the church. Eyeglasses will be forwarded to the Lions Club International local chapter for renovation and reuse by those in need. The collection box will be available from April 2-3 until April 9-10.

Call Joe at 630-983-6159 or email at [jdrk4715@aol.com](mailto:jdrk4715@aol.com) if you have questions. Thank you for your support.

**Joe Kubal**



## April 30—Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup

It's time to clean up the trash in the stretch of Butterfield Rd. between Batavia Rd. to Hwy 59, and west to the City boundary. Plan to meet in the parking lot of the old MB Bank at 9:00 AM. Bring a sturdy pair of shoes and work gloves.

For information and signup please contact **PGK Bob Rauko** 630-337-1568 or [rauко@comcast.net](mailto:rauко@comcast.net).



## Invitation to Join Council Community Outreach Club

Each year Brother Knights at St. Irene's volunteer in the community to clean-up the roadside and maintain flower beds at Warrenville Welcome Signs. We help to build planter boxes, plant perennials and flowers for Warrenville in Bloom. We are out soliciting funds for the Tootsie Roll Drive. We sponsor blood drives.

Please consider joining a Community Outreach Club and say that I am willing to volunteer at community events. The requirement is that you are willing to be personally contacted each time an

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## Easter is Upon us

- Holy Thursday April 14—Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 PM; **Fourth Degree Honor Guard requested.**
- Good Friday April 15—Lord's Passion 3:00 PM
- Holy Saturday April 16—Easter Vigil 8:00 PM; **Fourth Degree Honor Guard requested.**
- Easter Sunday April 17—8:00 AM Mass

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### Council Business Meeting April 7 at 7:00 PM

We plan to meet in person at the St. Irene Activities Center. **Note date change to first Thursday of April due to April 14 being Holy Thursday.**



### Ladies of Columbus (LOC)

Hope everyone is having a wonderful spring and getting ready for a joyous Easter. The LOC is finally starting up our monthly meetings.

The first meeting will be Monday, April 11, at 4:30 at my home. We finally got the go ahead to have a Bunco in the ACL. As soon as we have a definite date we will let you know. Happy Easter to everyone.

**Pat Kemp**  
Ladies of Columbus Auxiliary



### Fourth Degree News

Honor Guard request at St. Irene's:

- April 14 Holy Thursday—7:00 PM Mass
- April 16 Easter Vigil—8:00 PM
- April 23 Confirmation—10:00 AM
- May 7 First Communion—10:00 AM

Please arrive 1/2 hour prior to the Masses. Contact **GK Mike Bates** at 630-836-0223 for more information.

Bishop Blanchette Assembly meeting is Wed. April 13 with fellowship beginning at 7:00 PM at St. Thomas the Apostle Club House near the Church 4S794 Pinehurst, Naperville.

**Starting Apr. 17, Reconciliation will be offered during Thursday adoration from 6:30—7:30 PM.**



### Pray for Our Loved Ones

Pray for the health & recovery of **Sandy Decker, Mary Ann True, Shirley Cosgrove, Beverly Scott, Erich Pavel, Pat Wehner, Tina Pittman, Rich Planek, Charlie Fahrenwald, Erich Pavel, and Rachel Jarasius.**

### Daily Masses:

- 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 and until 8:00pm on the third Thursday of each month with reconciliation from 6:30-7:30pm

### Saturday Vigil Mass: 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)

### NOTICES:

- **Masks are RECOMMENDED but not required.** We have a section for people who prefer to continue to social distance.

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

Council Officers 2021-2022	
Chaplain	Fr. Jim Antiporek (630-393-2400 x 13)
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**Business Meetings:** 2nd Thursday of every month at 7:00 PM  
**Meeting Location:** St. Irene Activities Center

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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 GK Michael Bates at 630-836-0223.

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 [jrhalama@comcast.net](mailto:jrhalama@comcast.net) prior to the 21th day of each month.



## Grand Knight's Corner

Hello everyone, and welcome to April, our month of Holy Week and of Easter after a week of normal Lent.

If this follows the trend that we've been seeing since the middle of last month, then it will finally be actual spring, and that's just in time too. I'm sure that by now we all know the story of Easter of Jesus dying and rising, but rising from the dead is similar in a way to the start of spring. Everything comes back alive after being dead for the last 4-6 months. And the people do too if you're like me and have a special place in your heart to hate winter.

Seeing as we're almost at the end of Lent, it might not be a bad idea to do some reflection. Think about the Lenten promise you made and the sacrifice if you did that. Think to yourself how it's going. Write it down if it helps. If you're having trouble reflecting, then ask yourself this; is it bringing me closer to God? Is this just for me or is it for the glory of God? If I'm giving up something I like, is it making me a better person, or is it making everyone else worse? Should I still be giving up candy? Ask yourself those kinds of questions. I find that they usually work well.

As for upcoming Knight's activities, I don't know if there is anything in the immediate future, but there is a possibility that this year we will have some semblance of a burger tent at Cerny park once again! Have your money ready, especially if you've missed it as much as I have. Of course, keep your eyes on the calendar on the back of the newsletter. Hopefully we'll see something involving the July celebration with a tent for the first time in 3 years. Yeah, it's been a while, it just doesn't really feel like it.

I won't be writing these by the time July rolls around, but our next Grand Knight should tell you about it. If I'm still allowed to write articles, I will say my own thing about it, but we'll cross that bridge when we get to it. As I'm writing this, I'm in a high school observing an English class and it's 7:30 in the morning, so I apologize if it's shorter than usual. But that's all I have for this month.

Pray for me and know I'm praying for you, God bless!

**Vivat Jesus!**

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

**WALK TO MARY**  
United in Step from Shrine to Shrine

## Save the Date—May 7

On Saturday, May 7, there will be a pilgrimage hike - "Walk to Mary" - located near

Green Bay, Wisconsin. The hike starts at several locations to accommodate walkers of various ability and ends at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help, America's only church-approved Marian apparition site. Additional information can be found at [walktomary.com](http://walktomary.com).

I personally am planning on attending. If interested, please call me at 630-983-6159 or email at [jdrk4715@aol.com](mailto:jdrk4715@aol.com).

**Joe Kubal**

## ProLife



## Another Life Saved at the 40 Days for Life Vigil in Aurora!!!

A young woman was on her way into Planned Parenthood for her scheduled abortion. The sidewalk counselor reached out to her as she was crossing the parking lot and asked if she would like to talk. The young woman walked over and told the sidewalk counselor that she wanted to have her baby, but she did not want the baby to be associated with the father.

The sidewalk counselor explained that she did not have to put the father's name on the birth certificate. The young woman was relieved when she heard this information and became more receptive to receiving help to keep her baby. The sidewalk counselor reminded the young woman that there was free help across the street at Waterleaf Women's clinic. One of Waterleaf's RNs was the 40 Days for Life Day Captain at the time and took the young woman to get the help she needed. Praise God!

The 40 Days for Life Spring Vigil continues through Palm Sunday, April 10. Mon. thru Sat., from 7:00 AM-7:00 PM, across the street from Planned Parenthood, (3055 E. New York St, Aurora, IL). Sign up on the calendar at <http://www.40daysforlife.com> (scroll down to "Find a vigil location"). Come with a partner, or join Life Ministry coordinators, Linda LeBreux, and Adele Dunn from 1:00-2:00 PM each Wednesday.

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



## May 7—Maintenance at City Signs

The Council will again take on the task of maintaining perennial plantings surrounding the "Welcome to Warrenville" signs. This year we can resume visiting the signs collectively. The number of signs is dwindling, but nevertheless those that remain need maintenance.

Please consider participating in this community program during the summer. Subsequent scheduled dates are as follows (all Saturdays at 9:00 AM): **June 4, July 9, Aug. 13, and Sept. 24.** Bring a spade, hoe, shears or other piece of gardening equipment you find useful. Contact **Bob Rauko** at 330-337-1568 for more information.



### Eucharistic Adoration—Each Thursday at St. Irene Church

Eucharistic Adoration is available every Thursday after the 7:00 AM Mass until Noon. On the 3rd Thursday of each month, Adoration will continue until 8:00 PM.

Scheduled adorers are needed. Please call the Parish office to sign-up (630-393-2400).

### Crisis Prayer Chain

If you or a family member is in need of immediate prayers, please contact Deacon Joe Urso at [joe.urso@outlook.com](mailto:joe.urso@outlook.com) or 630-853-2070. The prayer request will immediately be forwarded to parishioners who have volunteered to be included in this ministry. The parish office still needs to be notified for the request to appear in the Sunday bulletin.



Knights of Columbus Council 6710

### Council 6710 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.

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*(Community Outreach Club Continued from page 1)* event occurs urging your participation. The expectation is that you participate. As an organized club, member leaders and event champions are able to recruit enough volunteers to make the event successful. Sometimes it may be Tootsie Roll Drive or Blood Drive chairmen.

The club has incentives to grow its membership and to become aware of new community projects. Membership should not be limited to Brother Knights only. An opportunity to recruit new Knights of Columbus members becomes likely.

It is hoped that participation in club events becomes rewarding to each individual on many levels, especially recognition for a job well done. Leading club events provides opportunities to develop your leadership skills. Brother Knights with a common cause are able to celebrate together at fun picnics and dinners.

It is hoped that with enough participation that the club will be successful now and in the future.

**PGK James Halama**



### Council 6710 Web Site

Needed is the capability of providing financial transactions to our web site in order to offer online membership dues payments, purchase of tickets and merchandise for council events, and for fundraising such as the ID Tootsie Roll Drive. Please contact **James Halama** at [jrhalama@st-irenekofc.org](mailto:jrhalama@st-irenekofc.org).



### April 20 —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.



### Book Discussion, Lenten Soup Supper, and Stations of the Cross



Join us in the ACL every Friday (except Good Friday) during Lent at 6:00pm for a Lenten Soup Supper with a book discussion of the "Life Is Messy" book from Matthew Kelly that you received at Christmas. We are all broken and wounded. This book is about putting our lives back together, and allowing ourselves to be put back together, when life doesn't turn out as we expected it to. *The discussion continues on April 1 covering pages 97-127.*

After soup and discussion, we will have Stations of the Cross beginning at 7:00pm in the Church. We will be exploring new ways to pray this Lenten tradition:

- ◆ April 8 - Traditional Stations



**All are Welcome!**



### Council Hosted Stations-of-the-Cross and Soup Supper at St. Irene's March 25

Six meatless soups were brought by Brother Knight chefs. Yum!! Thanks to those

that brought the soups, served the soups, and those who came to eat the soup. A very good turnout was had. Thank you Fr. Clive for your presentation. Thanks to **Bonnie DiIulio** and **Joshua Bates** for reading the gospel selections during the station-of-the-cross.



### 28 Pints Blood Collected Mar. 25 at KC/VFW Blood Drive

Thanks to all who helped with the blood drive at the VFW Hall. The drive was conducted by Versiti of Illinois.



### Cupertino Home receives \$3658 check from 2021 Council ID Drive

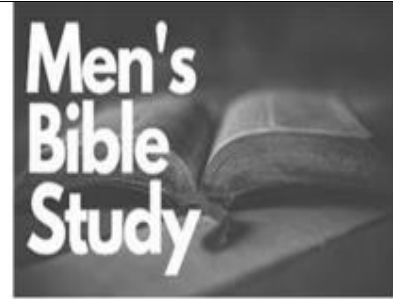
GK Mike Bates hands check to Brother Knight Pat O'Connor and home resident manager.

Checks of \$1000 each were recently mailed to Western DuPage Special Recreation Area and Special Camp for Special Citizens.



Check out [www.fathersforgood](http://www.fathersforgood)

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



### Men's Bible Study Group

St. Irene Parish is starting a new Men's Bible Study group. Our goal is to form a faith sharing group meeting every couple of weeks.

If you are interested please contact Craig Mazur at [craig@st-irene.org](mailto:craig@st-irene.org) or Giuseppe Cerati at [giuseppe.cerati@gmail.com](mailto:giuseppe.cerati@gmail.com).



**Knights of Columbus**

**Supreme Council [Web Site](#)**

To date, our members and friends have donated \$9,613,120.

As the situation in Ukraine continues to change, the need to support refugees continues to grow. The Knights of Columbus will be working with our councils in Poland as well as the Latin and Greek Catholic Churches in Ukraine to provide temporary shelter, food, medical supplies, clothing, and communications. 100% of your donation goes directly to support humanitarian aid in Ukraine.

**[Donate Now](#)**

## Knights' Calendar

Apr. 7	7:00 PM	St. Irene Council business meeting—St. Irene Activities Center
Apr. 11	4:30 PM	Ladies Auxiliary board meeting—home of Pat Kemp
April 14	7:00 PM	Holy Thursday Mass at St. Irene's—4th degree honor guard requested
April 15	3:00 PM	Passion of the Lord at St. Irene's
April 16	8:00 PM	Easter Vigil at St. Irene's—4th degree honor guard requested
April 17	8:00AM	<b>Easter Sunday at St. Irene's</b>
April 20	6:00 PM	American Legion Burger Night—VFW Hall Warrenville
April 23	10:00 AM	Confirmation—4th degree honor guard requested
April 30	9:00 AM	Adopt-a-Highway cleanup—meet at Batavia & Butterfield
May 7	9:00 AM	Welcome to Warrenville sign weeding—meet at Batavia & Butterfield
	10:00 AM	First Communion at At. St. Irene's—4th degree honor guard requested
		Walk to Mary Pilgrimage—contact Joe Kubal at 630-983-6159
May 12	7:00 PM	St. Irene Council business meeting—St. Irene Activities Center
May 13		Application for High School Scholarship deadline



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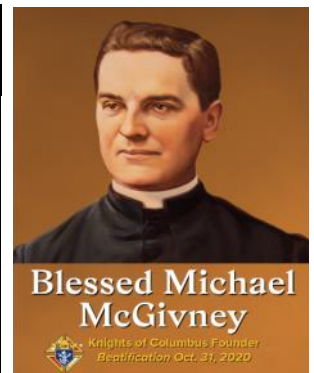
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## April Birthdays

Patrick McGowan	Apr. 4	Scott Hurley	Apr. 13
Bill Constable	Apr. 5	Thomas Taylor	Apr. 13
Douglas Dillmann	Apr. 5	Gloria Fello	Apr. 16
Anthony Standifer	Apr. 8	Bruce Olson	Apr. 16
Winston Rasmussen	Apr. 9	Ronald Zoran	Apr. 16
Lois Booth	Apr. 11	Raymond Hoshell	Apr. 18
Annette Kubalanza	Apr. 11	Debbie Ingram	Apr. 22
Ellen Voegtle	Apr. 14	Bradley Hentz	Apr. 30
Christine Ceja-Rager	Apr. 13		



## April Wedding Anniversaries

Vincent & Roxanne Morello	Apr. 16	Burton & Judy Minor	Apr. 27
William & Allison Looby	Apr. 20	Michelle & Michael Horan	Apr. 28
Michael & Sandy Larue	Apr. 21	Jerry & Carole Kleinwachter	Apr. 29
Bradley & Julie Hentz	Apr. 22		

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