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The Council Compass

Steve Hesprich, Grand Knight

In the month of November we remember our deceased family, friends and brother Knights. November will also be a time to remember those who are still with us whose relationships we value.

It is therefore fitting that on November 10th, our Knights council is sponsoring "How to Protect Your Family and Your Financial Future" which will be a both a physical and virtual event from 6:30-8pm in Reardon Hall. A Knights of Columbus field agent will be joined by attorney Eric Johnson of our parish Finance Council. You will learn how to build a legacy, retire confidently, see how to calculate retirement funds, nursing home costs and how to provide financial protection for your family. We have a Knights web page added to the parish website where more information and details will be posted.

I need to say a word about membership in the Knights. Many of you reading this know men who were once Knights and still in our parish. Ask them to rejoin if they are practicing Catholics. I've been a knight long enough to know that in the last 3-4 years more changes have been taking place in the knights than at any other such timeframe in the past 100 years of the Order. In celebration of the Beatification of Fr. McGivney, online membership is free through the end of this year (effectively meaning 2021 dues will be free. Normally online membership is \$30/year. You will see how someone can become an online member inside this issue.

Take some time to look at the new web page we have on the parish website. A convenient link can be found at the bottom of page 2 and also on the last page.

There is much we can do as Knights even though we are still experiencing the restrictions of COVID-19. We need more men to join our ranks and strengthen our charitable outreach and to strengthen family faith life.

Vivat Jesu!

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**The next Knights meeting is
Tuesday November 17th;
Officers & directors meet at
6:30pm, Business
meeting 7pm Reardon Hall**

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Christ's Compass—Remembering Our Deceased

Dear Brothers and sisters in Christ,

In our Church, our parish, and our Knights council we have 4 successive days of remembrance for those who have passed away. We should always remember to pray for those who have departed this life. As we come into November however, it is a particular time to remember our deceased brothers and sisters.

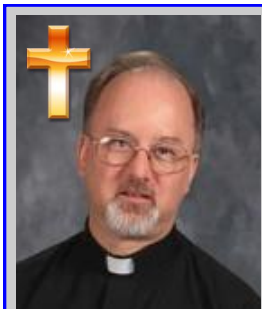
The four days begin with the beatification on October 31st of Fr. Michael McGivney, our founder for the Knights. His Beatification will be televised (see elsewhere in this issue the details of his Mass of Beatification. We tend to think of October 31st as Halloween—did you know that it began in our church as 'All Hallows Eve', to prepare for All Saints' Day? It was instituted by Pope Gregory III when he designated November 1st as All Saints Day (the 2nd day in our four successive days of remembrance).

On the third successive day, November 2nd, we remember All Souls' Day, in which we pray for all who may be in Purgatory that they will soon go to heaven.

On the fourth successive day, November 3rd, we will have a Mass to remember all our brother Knights who passed away who were members of the Solomon Juneau Council. We will name those who passed away since 2010 during the Mass, noting they are each no longer with us.

Fr. John

Pastor & Council Chaplain



**Fr John Potaczek,
Council Chaplain**

As we have now entered the Christmas season buying, the parish reminds you that if you are using Amazon for your Christmas shopping (and beyond), that you **consider setting up the parish as a recipient of .5% of all your purchases.**



You will pay the same price for Amazon purchases whether you choose to have Amazon donate or not. Just Amazon keeps the extra .5% if you don't choose to specify a charity to benefit.

Here's the link to start donations:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-0863069>

Or,

go to smile.amazon.com and search "Saint Patricks Church".

You can still use your Amazon SCRIP to pay!!

Council Memorial Mass

On Tuesday November 3rd at 5:30pm, our council will be commemorating the passing of our council members over the past number of years. While we will remember all former members of our council who passed away as members, we will honor by name those members who have died since 2010. Here are the names we will honor:

Robert Boehm	Walter Kerman	Jeff Schwab
Michael Brown	Michael La Porte	Gerald Seitz
Paul Burns	John Laridaen	William Smith
Donald Cocot	Jerome Ledermann	Gerald Steiner
Peter Conway	John Mc Gowan	Donald Strack
Thomas Curran	Frank Modjeski	James Theusch
Steve Dean	Walter Nielsen	Donald Van Pee
Charles Druba	Charles Petrowitz	Louis Varga
Herbert Finger	Thomas Reardon	Francis Walsh
Leroy Fox	Arnold Reuter	Carl Wilke
John Grzenia		

Harold Smith*

We lost a brother Knight, Harold Smith, on Saturday October 3rd, 2020. Harold was 83 years old.

He was a devoted fan of the Green Bay Packers, Milwaukee Brewers, Wisconsin Badgers, and NASCAR. He was an active member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church and a member of the Knights of Columbus. He spent many hours with his fellow Knights washing dishes and helping around the Church and School.

*info and photo taken from Crandall Funeral Home obituary



Beatification Weekend



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Prayer Vigil:

Friday, October 30

at 7:00p.m. - 9:00p.m. ET

Beatification Mass:

Saturday, October 31

at 11:00 a.m. ET

Mass of Thanksgiving:

Sunday, November 1

at 12 p.m. ET



Go to ewtn.com/tv/watch-live or KofC.org/Beatification to Watch Live!
Join in the events on social using #FrMcGivney

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<https://stpatricksmauston.com/parish/knights-of-columbus/>

By-Law Changes to be Reviewed

By Steve Hesprich, Grand Knight

We did not have the needed quorum at our October meeting to vote on the bylaws. As well there was some concern expressed as to the need to more carefully review the changes. We have formed a small committee to examine the changes consisting of the GK (Steve Hesprich), Treasurer (Jim Kolba), FS (Randy Boehm), and former FS (Harry Buttner). If anyone else is interested in participating, let me know quickly as we need to schedule a meeting and cover the issues in advance of the November 17th council meeting.

Financial Secretary Compensation

One of the provisions of the original bylaws was to pay an annual compensation of \$100 to the financial secretary. While it is not mandatory this be paid if the Financial Secretary doesn't request it, we are going to pay it because the FS needs a new computer. A new computer was purchased for roughly \$100. The one the FS has now is an old Microsoft VISTA computer which is basically useless and without any value. That computer is owned by the council (as opposed to the new one which is the personal property of the FS).

In the revised bylaws Supreme requires this be a percent of dues collected (probably as an incentive for the FS to collect the dues—though not sure this a big factor). The council can chose an amount of 8 to 10 percent. We are proposing 8%. The FS can choose to receive the monies or not.

Please ask any questions you wish. See you all on November 17th.

Family Compass—Jodarski Family

By Jon Field, Family Director

The Solomon Juneau Knights of Columbus Council's October 2020 family of the month is the Tom and Mary Jodarski family. The Jodarski family has been active at St Patricks ever since they moved to the Mauston area back in 1981. Their two daughters, Katie and Kari, attended St Patricks from Kindergarten through 8th grade. During that time, Mary served as chair of the education committee. She has also served as chair of the PCCW. Back then and still today, Mary bakes for many funerals throughout the year and annually at the Fall Festival. Tom has served on the parish council three different times through the years. You can see Tom on a weekly basis serving as an usher. Tom also spent 16 years serving as 7th/8th grade boys basketball coach for St Pats, instilling a great work ethic into the young boys. When Tom retired from his service as a game warden for the Wisconsin DNR in 2004, he became a member of the Knights of Columbus and currently serves as the council's secretary. Tom is probably most well known in the community as the leading advocate of natural resource conservation in Juneau County as an extremely active member of the Outdoors Forever conservation club, where he volunteers tirelessly at countless activities. Whether it's a mass, a parish or Knight's event or bumping into them on the street, you will always find Tom and Mary Jodarski contributing to the betterment of their community and the Knights are proud to call them the October Family of the Month.

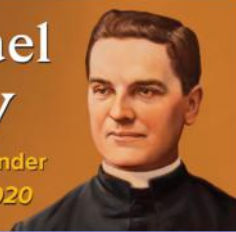


Tom & Mary Jodarski Family

Father Michael McGivney



Knights of Columbus Founder
Beatification Oct. 31, 2020



Presentation at Mass: the of September Family of the Month—the Pouillie's

Planning Your Family's Financial Future

By Steve Hesprich, Insured Member

A final reminder about the November 10th seminar to which all Catholic families are invited to attend either live, or virtually.

We begin at 6:30pm with a roughly one hour presentation that will be given by two people. Eric Johnson is a member of the St. Patrick parish Finance Council and an attorney at Curran, Hollenbeck & Orton, S.C.; Greg Helgersen is a 15-year Field Agent who will be talking on behalf of the Knights of Columbus.

Eric will address Powers of Attorney, Wills and Trusts, beneficiary designations. Greg will cover long term care, disability income protection, some common uses of life insurance which Eric will also touch upon, and then Greg will talk about some other benefits.

We will hold the event in Reardon Hall which is in the basement of St. Patrick Church (401 Mansion St, Mauston).

For those who wish to watch and interact virtually, go to:

<https://stpatricksmauston.com/>

. In the drop down menu, there is an entry for "Knights of Columbus". Once it is chosen you will see the event and can click on the link there to join. We suggest joining 10 minutes early to insure everything is functioning properly.

Direct questions to me, Steve Hesprich—Steve@Hesprich.com / cell/text: 608-400-2638.

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Eric Johnson



Greg Helgersen, FIC

A Moral Compass Leads Us Into the Breach*

By Steve Hesprich, Grand Knight

We have introduced the Apostolic Exhortation to Catholic men in a previous issue of . It has been a desire to show each of the 12 videos (11-13 minutes each) as a Lector series at our meetings. We still have to get started on these 12 quite exceptional videos produced by the Supreme Council. You may ask — what is this exhortation about?

It was created in 2015 by the Bishop of Phoenix, Thomas J. Olmsted. The opening of the exhortation tells us it is:

“An *encouragement*, a *challenge*, and a *calling forth to mission* of every willing man: priests and deacons, husbands, fathers and sons, grandfathers and widowers, young men in preparation for your vocation—that is, each and every man.”

Bishop Olmsted answers three important questions of men:

- 1) What does it mean to be a *Catholic man*?
- 2) How does a Catholic man *love*?
- 3) Why is fatherhood, fully understood, so crucial for *every* man?

Based on this wonderful work on Christian manhood, 12 videos of 11-13 minutes each, were created by Supreme. Here are the topics of each video:

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| 1 Masculinity | 7 Prayer |
| 2 Brotherhood | 8 Suffering |
| 3 Leadership | 9 Sacramental Life |
| 4 Fatherhood | 10 Spiritual Warfare |
| 5 Family | 11 Evangelization |
| 6 Life | 12 The Cornerstone |

I have printed copies of the exhortation which has been strongly embraced by Supreme and also has a study guide available. I also have an electronic version of the exhortation. I hope we can begin viewing the videos one per meeting at our December meeting.

*"Into the Breach" by Bishop Thomas J. Olmsted & Supreme Website

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Your Vote Counts



kofc.org/vote



Compass Minute

Hope to have this column be a monthly recording of Minutes of council meeting decisions/votes. The December issue will begin this reporting so members are aware in particular of council decisions made at meetings.

PRAYER IS OUR COMPASS TO CHRIST

There are two opportunities weekly for members to participate in Adoration, one sponsored by the parish, the other by our council. Each Friday from 3-4pm We have adoration and Benediction in the Church. On First Fridays beginning in November there is Adoration at church from noon to 6pm. Our council will have a designated hour from 4-5pm.

The other Adoration is one at St. Theresa Chapel in Union Center. Our council has taken two hours from 10pm to midnight on Fridays. If you would like to be on a rotation schedule contact Steve Hesprich



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Calendar (can also be found in different format on council web page)

DATE	TIME	EVENT	HOST	NOTES
Saturday, October 31	10-noon	Beatification of Fr. Michael J. McGivney	Supreme	will be carried live on EWTN TV/Radio
Sunday, November 1	1:50-2:45pm	Exemplification of 1st/2nd/3rd - Virtual	Supreme	Exemplification to honor Beatification of Fr. McGivney
Monday, November 2	9am	Mass - All Souls Day	CHURCH	
Tuesday, November 3	5:30pm	Memorial Mass for Deceased Knights St Patrick's Church	KC2770	
1st Friday - November 6	4-5pm	Knights hour of Adoration at St. Patrick's	Parish	First Fridays Adoration from noon to 6pm; Benediction 5:55pm
Saturday, November 7	6pm	Hunters' Night Out	Parish	Reardon Hall - Raffle
Tuesday, November 10	6:30pm	Fraternal Benefits Event - "Planning & Protecting Your Family's Financial Future"; financial planning & risk management	KC2770/ parish/ district	Reardon Hall & Virtual (on parish web-site, click on Knights of Columbus menu item and click on event to join virtually)
Sunday, November 15	after Masses	Pancake Breakfast - benefit 8th grade	KC2770	Will be a "virtual breakfast"
Tuesday, November 17	6:30pm	Officers Meeting Reardon Hall	KC2770	
	7pm	Council Meeting Reardon Hall	KC2770	
Tuesday, November 24	6:30pm	Holy Happy Hour-social 6:30-7; 7pm talk at State Street Tap, 112 E State St, Mauston	Parish	Last Tuesday of the month
Sunday, November 29	8am	Mass Intention for the Knights	Parish	
1st Friday, December 4	4-5pm	Knights hour of Adoration at St. Patrick's	Parish	First Fridays Adoration from noon to 6pm; Benediction 5:55pm
Tuesday, December 8		Immaculate Conception	CHURCH	
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	7pm	Council Meeting Reardon Hall	KC2770	

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Bill Powers	Deputy Grand Knight
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Randy Boehm	Financial Secretary
Jim Kolba	Treasurer
Brett Kudick	Advocate
Tom Jodarski	Recorder
open	Warden
Matt Schwab	Inside Guard
Dick Schwab	Outside Guard
Stephen Powers	Trustee for One Year
Harry Buttner	Trustee for Two Years
Jon Field	Trustee for Three Years

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