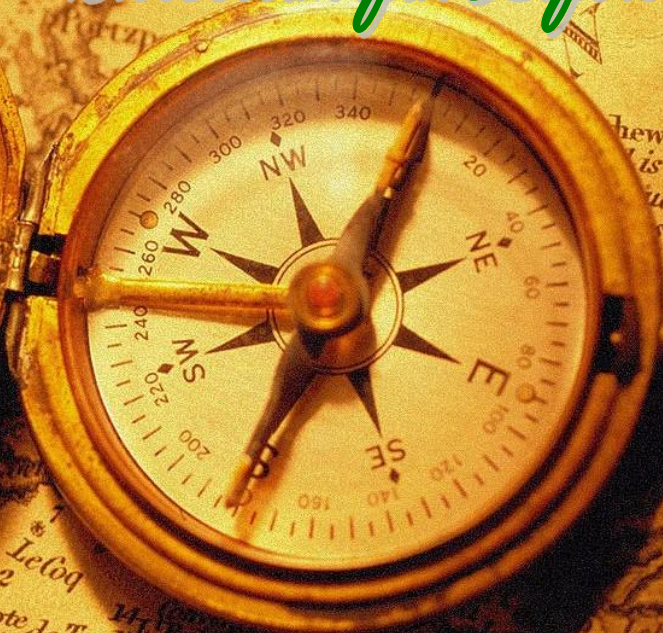


KNIGHT'S COMPASS

Direction for Life in Faith



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Council Compass— Faith with Family in Fraternity

Steve Hesprich, Grand Knight
Brother Knights and friends,

For this issue of **Knights' Compass** we turn our attention in a particular way to the relationship of faith to family in knightly fraternity. These 3 elements are at the core of the Knights of Columbus.

It is time to get more devoted to prayer and living a stronger Christian Catholic life for our families and ourselves. Before that can happen we can ask an obvious question.... Do I set time aside every day for prayer? You may ask "who has time?". That's not the question we should be asking. We make time every day for what is important, really important. So the reality of importance is "priority". We make time for what is important, for the priorities of our life. So it shouldn't be hard to see prayer must be a high priority. Not because it's an "enjoyable" thing to do, or we "want to do more prayer". Neither of these characterize most people's thinking. And that can be true about some of our current priorities. So one must first say, prayer is essential, and not just a few prayer lines a day such as those we do before a meal. A daily priority of prayer will require discipline and determination that it will bring more to our life than the time it might seem, it takes away. I believe that when a daily regimen of prayer seems difficult, it can be made easier in association with people who do have a regimen of daily prayer.

This brings me to three events you will read about in this month's newsletter. There are two men's conferences coming, one in late October (diocese of LaCrosse) and one in early November (diocese of Madison—just a short ways from Mauston in Wisconsin Dells). When you get around men who are faith filled Catholics it has a tendency to wear off on you. The third event is a weekly relational/faith based program called "That Man is You!".

Finally there's an article that talks about two holy men, St. Joseph and the founder of the Knights of Columbus, Blessed Michael McGivney. See how their example can inspire us in the faith leadership of your family. Use their prayers of intercession as part of your daily prayer.

Steve

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**The next council meeting is
Tuesday September 21st
at 7pm in Reardon Hall
(officers meet at 6:30pm)**

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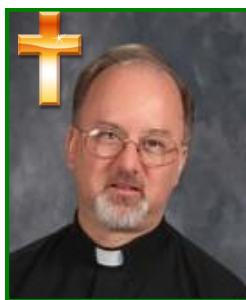
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Christ's Compass—For Men

This past Friday, September 17th, I attended the resumed faith program for men called "That Man Is You" (TMIY). It is a 13 week meeting of men focused on Christian manhood, fatherhood, and being a good husband. It meets before the workday for most, from 6:30 am to approximately 7:30 am on Fridays. It will meet every Friday through December 17th, except for the Friday of Thanksgiving. It takes place in the second floor community room of Mile Bluff Hospital.

In a secular culture that continues to erode faith in God, and especially has elements seeking to destroy the family, we need to strengthen men in their faith and to become stronger leaders in their family by seeing the example of other good Christian men. TMIY is most definitely a Catholic program in its teaching, though it fosters faith for men of any Christian faith and is open to all men.

Another great opportunity for the strengthening of men's faith and role in the family is the upcoming "Men of the Cross" Catholic men's conference



"Men of the Cross" Conference for men will be held Saturday October 23rd at Holy Cross Diocesan Center, 3710 East Ave., S., La Crosse

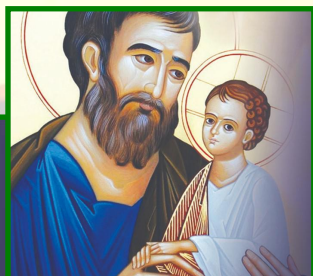
with this year's theme of "Walking with St. Joseph". It is a day conference on Saturday October 23, 2021 at Holy Cross Diocesan Center, 3710 East Avenue South, La Crosse, WI 54601

For more information on both TMIY and the men's conference see the articles later in the newsletter.

Christ's blessing upon you,

Fr. John

Pastor & Council Chaplain



MEN OF THE CROSS

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

Walking with St. Joseph
October 23, 2021

Family Compass—August Family of the Month

By Jon Field, Family Director

The August 2021 KC Family of the Month award is awarded to Adam and Jaime Pouillie. They are one of the more famous families in our parish, being featured in the March 2020 issue of the LaCrosse Diocese's monthly magazine Catholic Life with the biopic article, "Faith, Family and Fun – The Pouille Family's Story". When you talk with them or see them at church or around the community, you know why their family was highlighted. A life long St Pat's parishioner, Jaime grew up in Mauston, attending St Pat's from 1st – 8th grade. She was involved in volleyball and was a cheerleader. She recalls participating in the school spelling bee and has fond memories of writing articles for the school paper, The Warrior Word. Adam grew up in Mukwonago but his grandparent's house was located in Necedah, 25 miles away. Adam would spend many weekends hunting up in Juneau County but they didn't meet each other until they both were attending UW-Stout, where Jaimie was majoring in interior design and Adam studying manufacturing engineering. They were set up



From left to right: Ellie, Adam, Jaime and Makenna
Photo by Danelle Lubinski Photography

on a blind date and two years later, July 7, 2001, they were married. After college, both Jaimie and Adam got job offers in Mauston and they moved back home. Currently, Adam is plant manager at Parker-Hannifan in Mauston and Jaimie manages their downtown store, The Designer's Touch.

They are raising two great daughters, Makenna, 15 and a sophomore at Mauston High School, and Ellie, 13 and starting her last year at St. Patrick's School. They both participated in sports at St Pats and have been altar servers. Adam has served on the committee for Hunter's Night Out and currently co-chairs it with his brother, Clinton. He has sat on the parish council and has coached youth soccer longer than he can remember. Jaimie has worked on numerous activities for the church and school. She reads, has served a long time on the fall festival dinner committee, on the home and school committee, on the education committee and as a marriage prep coordinator. They've served on the Salvation Army Bell and sponsored the sharing supper as a family. They are a wonderful family and their lives are centered around the Lord. The Knights are proud to have them as family of the month.

For suggestions for family of the month, please contact me. cell: 608-847-6421 / jonfield21@gmail.com

Parish Festival

By Howard Boppart, Community Director

We thank all the knights with their families who helped and/or participated in our annual parish festival September 12th.

We had a wonderful turnout of families. The weather cooperated until near the end of the event. With the overcast conditions the temperatures were perfect.

The Knights hosted the Chocolate Shake machine which was very popular. We ran out of shakes before 12:30pm. Our supplier put a demand on us to order in increments of 3 packs of shake mixtures which made it difficult to order a lot more than we could safely anticipate demand. In the past we could order the exact number we needed.



A Compass for Men—That Man is You!

Howard Boppart, Chair of Local TMIY

That Man is You! honestly addresses the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to their roles as husbands and fathers. The program harmonizes current social and medical science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the



saints to develop the vision of man fully alive!

We held our first of 13 sessions on Friday September 17th. We meet for each Friday, 6:30 am to roughly 7:30 am through December 17th. Each session stands on its own so if you didn't make the first one or two you can join us when it works for you. Clearly you will receive the greatest boost to your faith and family life if you attend most of the sessions.

If you would like to register online, or to get more information on TMIY go to:

<https://paradisusdei.org/that-man-is-you/>

Once you register online you will be able to download the video content of each session, or those that you can't make on a given Friday.

The format of each Friday is simple. We have a little social time (especially arrive maybe 6:15am) with coffee and donuts provided. We want to start promptly since many attendees have work commitments to get to.

If you don't have online access or just wish to manually register, simply come to the next session and meet up with myself, Howard Boppart (608-548-6513 / HNGBOPPART@yahoo.com). You can also contact me in advance for questions about the program and/or to let me know you are coming. While the program is community based, many of the attendees are parishioners from St. Patrick.

Men who attend That Man is You! consider the content to be the program's greatest strength, rating it 9.4 on a 10-point scale. The program is organized around a central theme for each program year and presented through the lens of 7 Steps that make it simple for men to follow.

Be the man! See you bright and early Fridays!

ST. JOSEPH STRONG



MEN'S CONFERENCE NOVEMBER 13, 2021



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St. Cecilia Parish
603 Oak Street
Wisconsin Dells, WI
8:00am - 4:00pm



Bishop Donald Hying



Fr. Donald Calloway



Steve Karlen

Challenge Coin

Every man who attends will receive a St. Joseph Strong Challenge Coin touched to over 150 relics of saints.



Financial Success Under Any Circumstance

By Gregory Helgerson, FIC, Field Agent

We have had a change of plans for the first Fraternal Benefits event of the program year. We had hoped to conduct an end-of-life seminar on October 5th. That event will be moved to late winter/early Spring. Instead this Fall, on November 9th, 7pm in Reardon Hall we will participate in a state-wide virtual seminar entitled "Financial Success Under Any Circumstance". It will be presented as a "watch party" in Reardon Hall. The speaker is a financial industry leader, Van Mueller.

You're invited to join our webinar where Van will ask some wonderful compelling questions that will help you clarify how to have financial and retirement success. Here are a few examples.



Put Tuesday November 9, 2021 at 7pm in Reardon Hall, on your calendar.

- 1) How can you maximize your social security?
- 2) Do you prefer to build a legacy for your family and business or the Internal Revenue Service?
- 3) If there was a way to reduce or eliminate the income tax liability on your IRA or 401K, when would you want to know about it: Before or after they charge the tax?
- 4) Can you build a wonderful retirement income if interest rates remain at zero and the stock market offers zero return for a decade?

We know two things are certain, as the saying goes: Death and taxes. We'll take a look at considerations for the time we or our loved ones will no longer be with us, and as well, the issues that arise with our health as we near the time we will leave our mortal life.



FREE ONLINE MEMBERSHIP:

Blessed Michael McGivney's Feast Day is Aug. 13! Let us invite new men to join the Order and spread his mission as a great way to celebrate our Founder. Online Membership is free using my promo code GHELGERSON through Dec. 31.

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Calling all Ushers—or would be Ushers

If you can help as an usher for Masses, contact Bill Powers c:608-547-9118 / BILLYBOY82@HOTMAIL.COM

Compass for Men—Walking with St. Joseph

By Exerpts from www.menofthecross.org

The diocese of La Crosse has an inspiring day of reflection and prayer for men on Saturday, October 23rd

This year's conference is themed on the example of St. Joseph. Cost is \$35 if registered by October 8th. There are two speakers, along with Bishop Patrick Callahan who will be the celebrant for the Mass which will wrap up the day.

Jon Leonetti is a nationally known Catholic speaker, best-selling author and radio host who conveys a message of lasting fulfillment in Jesus Christ. Through Jon's keynote presentations and parish missions, thousands of Catholics each year discover the freedom Christ offers by way of his life and love.

Jon believes that our deepest longing for happiness and wholeness is fulfilled in the encounter with Jesus Christ. Through prayer, the Sacraments, family life, and the help of Mary and the saints, Jon wants to cultivate an intimate relationship with Jesus, and help others do the same.

This all day conference for men will be held at the Holy Cross Diocesan Center 3710 East Avenue South, La Crosse
<https://menofthecross.org/>

Monsignor Joseph Hirsch is a priest of the Diocese of La Crosse. Monsignor Hirsch has had a passion for working as a missionary, specifically in Latin America, since high school. In 2013 he was called to be Executive Director of Casa Hogar the orphanage started by Father Joe Walijewski. Msgr. Hirsch is also the promoter of justice in the cause of Father Walijewski's sainthood.

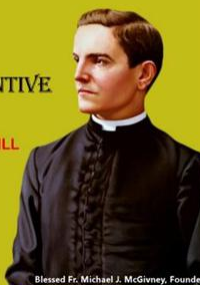
- 8:30 am – Registration
- 9:00 am – Welcome/Opening Prayer
- 9:20 am – Jon Leonetti
- 10:10 am – Small Group Share with the People Around You
- 10:30 am – Break
- 10:45 am – Jon Leonetti
- 11:35 am – Pray The Angelus
- 11:45 am – Lunch
- 12:35 pm – Deanery/Parish Discussion: Connecting the Men in Your Deanery on a Regular Basis
- 1:00 pm – Fellowship/Pickup Games/Conversation
- 2:10 pm – Monsignor Joe Hirsch
- 3:00 pm – Eucharistic Procession/Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 4:00 pm – Mass with Bishop William Patrick Callahan
- 5:15 pm – Dismiss



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'NOW THE JOURNEY BEGINS'



Blessed Fr. Michael J. McGivney, Founder

Compass Minutes— August Meeting

By acting Recorder

The meeting began at 7 pm. After opening prayer and pledge the minutes of the July 20, 2021 meeting were approved as published in the August **Knight's Compass** newsletter. There was not enough members in attendance for a quorum. One guest was present, Fr. Chinnappan.

Grand Knight Report: Steve reported on his experience as a delegate to the Supreme Convention and passed around a number of items, videos, medallion, Mass booklets, Carl Anderson book – that he received as a delegate. The convention was held virtually with the Wisconsin delegation assembling in Green Bay for the 2-day convention. Calendar was reviewed.

Chaplain's report: Chaplain excused.

Treasurer's Report: no report.

Membership Report: Steve indicated our quota for membership for the fraternal year is 4 members net. We know of two members who have explicitly asked to leave the Knights which means we will need at least 6 new members. We have a Fraternal Benefits event planned for October 5th. Fr. John will be one of the speakers. Steve has been trying to reach one of our physician members to see if they would also speak. Community Report: we netted \$490.35 on the ID Tootsie Roll campaign. We discussed and agree to making boxes of the remaining tootsie rolls available for purchase at \$5/box (50 Tootsie Rolls). We will remind members at the September meeting.

The Sundae on Sunday was conducted at the front sidewalk of the church. Roughly 50 people from the 10 am Mass enjoyed ice cream with many toppings.

Council shirts are still in the exploration stage. It will be a polo shirt, but specific manufacturer/color and pricing still needs to be determined.

Family Report: we are looking to get dates for a Punt-Pass-Throw contest (Jon Field) and Free Throw (Randy Boehm). Randy reminded the members he will be exploring adding physical disability categories for the Free Throw contest.

New business: Financial Secretary report. Nothing to report.

We discussed two possible projects: Automatic doors on three doors that do not currently have automatic opening (entrance to Reardon Hall, entrance to the gathering area from the elevator, and the door into church). Steve Powers had received an unofficial estimate of \$8,600 cost to do the doors.

Second topic was possible repair of the sign advertising our Mass times located next to the new Speedway gas/food station. There are possible complications with city ordinances to do that work.

Good of the Order: Prayer intention for Cardinal Burke who is in ICU with COVID; Jerry Boehm's health.

Meeting was adjourned 7:43 pm, followed by "Sundae on Tuesday" ice cream social.

St. Joseph & Fr. McGivney—Dynamic Duo

By Grand Knight, Steve Hesprich

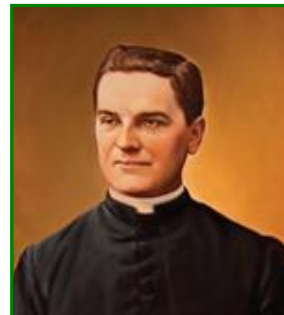
We've written in past newsletters about St. Joseph devotion. We've had several articles about Blessed Michael McGivney as well. In this reflection we'll look at the dual influence of these two men. We especially see connections from sentiments expressed by the new Supreme Knight, Patrick Kelly in which he called St. Joseph the "Guardian of the Family" and "Guardian of the Truth." He said Knights, too, must be guardians of the family against a hostile culture, and must defend the truth during a time in which "key truths — about life, marriage, the nature of the family, and the meaning of freedom — are increasingly denied and even vilified." We also know these same sentiments could be told of Fr. McGivney's motivations for starting the Knights of Columbus. He lived in a time when Irish Catholics were despised and only the worst and most dangerous jobs were given to them. Families were devastated if the bread winner died. Children

were often separated from their mother and siblings because she didn't have financial resources after the death of her husband. Fr. McGivney's courage led him to form the Knights to fight the oppression and separation of family members.

Patrick Kelly went on to say: "In the mold of St. Joseph, he [Blessed McGivney] stepped into the breach, with creative courage. Father McGivney listened to the Lord, fought for the family and the faith, and devoted himself to our Blessed Mother."

When we look to the times today we see the attacks on family. The example of St. Joseph and Blessed McGivney mean we should ask for both of their intercessions to strengthen all families.

The charge here is simple: Pray to both of these sterling examples of men, asking them to protect our families. Here are prayers to each....



Prayer to St. Joseph

My Father and my Guardian, I give myself entirely to



you, and to show my devotion to you, I consecrate to you this day my whole being without reservation. Help me to see Your good and gracious purpose in all my trials. Obtain for me a greater purity of heart and fervent love of the interior life. After your example, may I do all my actions for the greater glory of God, in union with Jesus and Mary. Should I take my last breath

today, be by my side, and take me to heaven to be with Jesus, Mary and you. Amen.

Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please report all favors received: The Father McGivney Guild 1 Columbus Plaza New Haven, CT 06510-3326 • USA www.fathermcgivney.org Painting about is by Chas Fagan © Knights of Columbus

Calendar (can also be found in different format on our council web page (link is in the footer of this page))

DATE	TIME	EVENT	HOST	NOTES
Wednesdays	9:00 PM	Prayer Service (8 pm starting 9/29)	Parish	St. Patrick Church
Tuesday Sep 21, 2021	6:30 PM	Officers Meeting Reardon Hall	KC2770	Reardon Hall
Tuesday Sep 21, 2021	7:00 PM	Council Meeting Reardon Hall	KC2770	Reardon Hall
Thursday Sep 23, 2021	6:30 PM	PAT—Parish Action Team	Parish	Reardon Hall
Friday Sep 24, Oct 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Nov 5, 12, 19, Dec 3, 10, 17	6:30 - 7:30 AM	That Man Is You! (TMIY); Every Friday thru December 17th, except Nov 26th	City-wide	Mile Bluff Hospital, Community Room 2nd Floor
Saturday, October 23, 2021	8:30-5:15pm	Men of the Cross Catholic Men's Conf - Walking with St. Joseph	La Crosse Diocese	Holy Cross Diocesan Center 3710 East Avenue South, La Crosse, WI 54601
Tuesday October 19, 2021	6:30 PM	Officers Meeting Reardon Hall	KC2770	Reardon Hall
Tuesday October 19, 2021	7:00 PM	Council Meeting Reardon Hall	KC2770	Reardon Hall
Tuesday, November 2, 2021	5:30 PM	Memorial Mass for Deceased Knights St Patrick's Church	KC2770	Church
Saturday, November 6, 2021	after 5 PM Mass	Hunters' Knight Out	Parish	Reardon Hall
Tuesday, November 9, 2021	7pm	Financial Success Under Any Circumstances	KC2770	Reardon Hall
Saturday November 13, 2021	8 AM -4 PM	St. Joseph Strong Men's Conference	Madison Diocese	St. Cecilia Parish, 603 Oak St., Wisconsin Dells
Tuesday November 16, 2021	6:30 PM	Officers Meeting Reardon Hall	KC2770	Reardon Hall
Tuesday November 16, 2021	7:00 PM	Council Meeting Reardon Hall	KC2770	Reardon Hall
Sunday November 21, 2021 Sunday December 19, 2021 Sunday January 16, 2022 Sunday February 20, 2022	8 AM -noon	Pancake Breakfast - Nov -benefit 8th grade class; Dec - benefit 7th grade class Jan - benefit 6th grade class Feb - benefit 5th grade class	KC2770	Reardon Hall
Sunday December 5, 2021	TBD	Diocesan Winter Meeting, Chula Vista Resort, Wisconsin Dells	State Council	for GKs, FSs, Membership & Program Directors

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