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Deputy Grand Knight Report

Happy February Brothers!

We're in the heart of winter and hopefully everyone is staying warm! Or perhaps you have ventured out to a warm place, like Florida for a few weeks. Either way, it's great to experience the winter season that God has blessed us with!

During our January general meeting I asked Paul Burmeister and Don Heydens to share the results of our Fraternal Survey for 2024. Through your hard work and dedication of over 2,000 hours, our council was able to donate over \$90,000 to charitable causes in 2024. We should feel blessed that we are able to generate that amount of money for charity and should also feel proud of our council's accomplishment. That work should not go unnoticed! Together we are making an impact for those in need.

Area	Charitable Donations	Hours of Service
Faith	\$26,175	770
Family	\$8,950	360
Community	\$55,169	762
Life	\$7,500	230
Total	\$97,794	2,122 Hrs.

As we move into 2025, please consider volunteering or participating at one, or more, of our Council's events this year! We have plenty to be thankful for as we continue our mission of charity.

As you know, our Grand Knight, Dennis Murray is stepping down due to health issues. So, we will be voting for a new Grand Knight and Deputy Grand Knight at our February General meeting. Please consider getting involved as a leader of our wonderful Council.

Fraternally,

Mike Dixon

Deputy Grand Knight

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Pro-Life	Open

Council Meetings

Location: St. Lawrence School Cafeteria

Note: Location subject to change, members will be notified by email

General Meeting

2nd Thursday of the Month

Rosary Starting at 6:30pm

Meeting Starting at 7:00pm

Officer's Meeting

Last Thursday of the Month

Meeting Starting at 7:00pm.

(all members are invited)

Knights Corporation Meetings

Mar 3 St. Matthias 7:00 - 10:00PM

Apr 7 St. Matthias 7:00 - 10:00PM

May 5 St. Matthias 7:00 - 10:00PM

Knight Life

All articles that are requested to be in the March Knight Life need to be turned in to the editor no later than February 24, 2025. There is available space for any businesses that want to advertise in the Knight Life please contact the editor.

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February Feast Days & Prayers



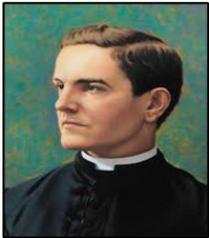
Feb. 2 - The Presentation of The Lord

On this day, the Church celebrates the feast of light, recalling that forty days after the birth of the Lord, Mary and Joseph took the Child to the temple in Jerusalem.

Give us a heart as beautiful, pure and spotless as yours.
A heart like yours, so full of love and humility. May we be able to receive Jesus as the Bread of Life, to love Him as you loved Him, to serve Him under the mistreated face of the poor.

Feb. 22 - The Chair of Saint Peter

The **Chair of Saint Peter** (Latin: Cathedra Petri), also known as the **Throne of Saint Peter**, is a relic conserved in St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican City, the sovereign enclave of the Pope inside Rome, Italy. The relic is a wooden throne that tradition claims belonged to the Apostle Saint Peter, the leader of the Early Christians in Rome and first Pope, and which he used as Bishop of Rome.



Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

God, Our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called on 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, his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church.

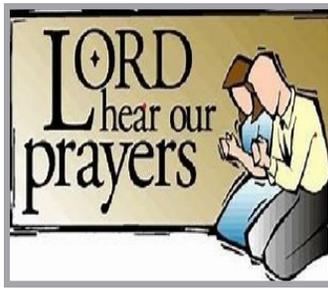
Prayer to St. Vincent de Paul

Vincent de Paul. Tender God, refuge of the poor, You filled Vincent de Paul with the strength of the apostles to work for the salvation of the poor and the instruction of the clergy. May we who follow the example of his life be driven by unceasing charity to continue the mission of Your Son in the world.



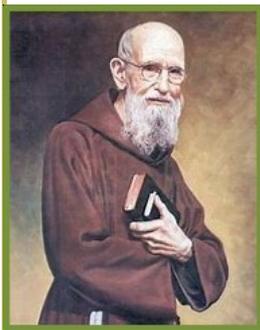
Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen."



Our prayers are required for the Brother Knights and family members who are sick and recovering.

Peter Backus	Fran Genovich	Stephanie Langeveld	Carol Sienkowski
Shari Bargloh	Kelly Gill	Susie Langeveld	Frank Singer
Chris Borgess	Barb Heydens	Rick Lumetta	Iris Singer
Debra Campbell	Don Heydens Jr.	Ann Monroe	Stan Singer
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Raymond Campbell	Mark Holz	Dennis Murray	Brian Schwartz
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Nikki Davies	Jacklyn Karpinski	Chuck Pllum	Harlan Wagner
Marg DeMaestri	Ray Keller	Noelle Pruse	Beverly Welch
Mike Dixon	Diane Kopicki	Mary Quain	Debbie Wiegand
Rick Fisher	Larry Kierzek	Carol Rogers	Cindy Zapinski
Carole Fontana	Ken Kraniak	Paul Rybicki	
Julie Gasowski	Jim Langeveld	Paulette Sawdon	



The Father Solanus Casey prayer for healing is a powerful way to heal yourself and others by using his words as a guide. The best part? It's free! Here's how it works:

Ask Father Solanus Casey to help you forgive someone who has hurt you, or ask him to help you heal from an illness or injury. Then repeat the prayer below three times: "You alone can make me well; You alone can make me whole. My body and soul will be healed through Your divine grace."



Knight of the Month

The Knight of the Month for February is John Ternes. John and Shirley reside on 30 Mile Road in Ray, MI for the last 34 Years.

John and Shirley have been married for 52 years and belong to St. Clement of Romeo Parish where they are active with Forgotten Harvest and the SOS - Service of Soup programs at the Parish.

John retired from the city of Sterling Heights after 33 years of employment.

John joined St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus Council 2950 in 1973 and held the position of Warden for 10 years. He is also active helping with the annual St. Patrick's Day Party, the M/I "Tootsie Roll Drive" and volunteers his time when asked.

In his spare time he enjoys woodworking, gardening, traveling and camping with the grandchildren.

Congratulations on being chosen the Knight of the Month for February by your Brother Knights.



Family of the Month

The Family of the Month for September is Dennis and Donna Murray. Dennis and Donna reside on Ashford Court in Shelby Township for the past 24 Years.

Dennis and Donna have been married for 57 years and have three children Susan, David, Kathleen and five grandchildren Matthew, Marissa, Brendan, Ashley and Noah.

Dennis and Donna belong to St. Lawrence Parish where they both work the Funeral Lunch Program and Applefest. Dennis is a Eucharistic Minister and the prayer ministry leader for the Knights.

Dennis retired from General Motors after 34 years where he worked as a clerk, wood model maker and a process engineer. Donna retired from General Dynamics after 15 years in the contract department.

Dennis joined St. Lawrence 2950 in 2016 where he has held the positions of Manager of the Knights room, President of the Knights Building Corp. and Outside Guard. He is currently our Grand Knight, Program Director and Secretary of the Knights Corp. Chairmanships held: K Of C Free Throw Competition and the Knights Prayer Group (Divine Chaplet). Dennis also enjoys doing volunteer work with the Knights.

In their spare time Dennis and Donna enjoy spending time with their family playing games, going to the movies with their children and grandchildren. They also enjoy watching the grandkids compete in sports and celebrating birthdays with the family.

Congratulations on being chosen Family of the Month for February by your brother Knights.



Next Poker Event

February 26 - March 1, 2025

6:30PM until 2:00AM Wednesday through Saturday

Please Note New Location!!

G's Kitchen & Cocktails

56129 Van Dyke Ave.

Shelby Township, MI 48316

(Between 25 & 26 Mile Roads)

Contact Don Heydens at dheydens@gmail.com.

or call 586-419-3420 to help work these events.



St. Kieran Knights of Columbus Council 13983 Spring 40 Days for Life Prayer Campaign for the Unborn

Join the St. Kieran Knights of Columbus Council 13983, the Right to Life North Macomb and the St. Kieran Respect Life Members to pray the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet for the unborn every Thursday from 11 am to Noon.

Dates are: **March 6, 13, 20, 27 and April 3, 10, 17**, in front of the Northland Planned Parenthood Abortion building in Sterling Heights. We will pray on the public sidewalk. Please park on SE corner of 17 Mile & Ryan. Do not park in the lot next to the clinic. Signs will be provided. Everyone is welcome.

Questions call:

John Dziwanowski at 586-864-4111



The 2025 Council membership dues have been sent out by email and U.S. Mail. If you have not paid your dues, please send them in as soon as possible. If you did not receive a bill, or have any questions regarding your dues please contact the Financial Secretary.

Financial Secretary: Paul Burmeister



Teams Up to 8 People

Friday February 7, 2025 - 7 p.m. start

St. Lawrence Social Hall

44633 Utica Rd. Utica, MI 48317

Tickets \$30.00 per Person

(includes admission, food, beverages)

For questions and reservations, please contact:

Joe Lograsso at lograsso@comcast.net

Rick Similuk at rlsimiluk@comcast.net

Kris Weingartz at weingartz@comcast.net



Come and Enjoy an All You Can Eat Breakfast!!

Sponsored By: St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus

Menu includes: scrambled eggs, sausage, potatoes, pancakes,
biscuits & gravy, coffee and orange juice.

Adults: \$10:00 / Children 12 and under \$5.00

Sunday March 2, 2025

8:30am – 12:00pm



**St. Lawrence Council 2950
Thank You for Your Support!**



SATURDAY MARCH 15, 2025

Doors at 6:30 p.m. until Midnight

St. Lawrence Gymnasium

Dinner, Open Bar, Desserts, Big Raffle

Music by Mainstream Drive

Tickets are \$45 per person

Contact Joe Lograsso for tickets or questions

586-567-9573 or lograsso@comcast.net

The council will be doing setup on Friday March 14, 2025 in the cafeteria and gymnasium.



Knights Park & Pavilion

If you're planning an event and would like a beautiful outdoor facility, check out our 25 acre park located in Shelby Twp., MI

The park offers a 40' x 120' pavilion with clean his and her indoor bathrooms, kitchen facilities, which includes ample refrigeration and a freezer, a commercial 6 burner stove and large oven. 40 picnic tables offer seating of 240 people under the pavilion, which leaves plenty of room for even more people and to serve your food.

The park also features a large safe environment for the children to play in, with swings, slide, monkey bars and all the beach sand they can handle. With all the shade trees around the pavilion, it's not hard to feel the cool breeze even on the hottest days of summer.

No event is too big or too small from graduations, weddings, family reunions or corporate picnics. We have ample parking for 2,000 plus cars.

For pricing info, please feel free to contact Dale or Karen [586-254-3495](tel:586-254-3495)



Please Help Stock the Food Pantry!!

Knights of Columbus are committed to helping end hunger through the Food for Families Program which has donated millions of dollars and millions of pounds of food toward this cause. Council and parish families will raise funds to support their local food pantries, food banks and soup kitchens. For every \$500 or 1,000 pounds of food donated, the Supreme Council will refund \$100 back to the Council – up to a maximum of \$500 per council per fraternal year. Though in-kind donation of food is valuable, leaders of hunger-relief organizations often comment that financial contributions can be stretched even further and allow nonprofits to procure the exact items needed by the organization and its clients.

St. Lawrence 2950 will be collecting nonperishable food items at all of our Council meetings to help support the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry located in the St. Lawrence Parish. If possible, please include the receipt for your donation so we can apply it to the refund from the Supreme Council.



Fraternally,
St. Lawrence Council 2950



February 1, 2025 Council Membership Summary

Associate Members :	237
Insurance Members:	122
Inactive Members:	17
Honorary Members:	16
Honorary Life Members:	85
Total Members:	376

Council Status: In Good Standing



St. Lawrence Adoration Chapel

The St. Lawrence Adoration Chapel is now open Monday through Friday 6am-7pm. Our Brother Knights donated much of their time, talent, and treasure in renovating this room as an adoration space to honor Christ's true presence in the Eucharist as the summit of our faith. Father Roman commissioned the beautiful sculpture and monstrance containing the Blessed Sacrament.

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