



St. Lawrence Council

Knight Life



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Grand Knights Report

Brothers,

Summer has come to an end and we are ready to get back to business! August was full of activity within the Council. Special thanks to Jason Meyers for leading the St. Lawrence church picnic. As a result of his efforts there were over 500 people in attendance! Thanks to all who came out to help at that event. We also held our MI Drive picnic to distribute checks to the organizations we identified to receive help. Thanks to Paul Burmeister for leading the picnic and all those who help make it happen. September is shaping up to be a business month for the Council. We have several events lined up, hopefully you can attend one or all of them:

- Sep 5-7 St. Lawrence Applefest**
Several Knights have signed up to tend bar in the pub, Joe Lograsso is chairing the Tent Clean Up, please consider helping in that area.
- Sep 20 Penrickton Center for Blind Children Cleanup and Fence Painting**
One of our MI Drive charities asked for help to clean up their yard and paint a fence on their property Jim DeMaestri is setting up a time with them, look for a sign up genius link to come out soon.
- Sep 2 K of C Breakfast**
Our first breakfast of the season will be on September 21. Please consider bringing your family out for a nice breakfast after the 8AM or 10AM Mass at St. Lawrence.
- Sep 26-27 Electronic Recycling Days**
The council is putting together an electronics recycling drive as a fundraiser. For \$10 drop off of old electronics and the Council will dispose of them for you. We are hoping to capitalize on the School drop off on Sep 26 to generate a lot of business. Please see Scott Morgan if you are interested in helping.
- Sep 28 Living Rosary at St. Lawrence at 3PM**
In past years we have done a March for life in September. This year we are going to mix it up, look for more information to come regarding this event
- Oct 2 Men's Mass and Social Evening at the K of C Picnic Grounds at 6:30PM**
The Council will host its annual Men's Mass and Social Evening. Mass will be at 6:30pm with pizza, beverages and social time after Mass. Please invite other men from the Parish to attend this event.
- Sep / Oct Michigan vs. MSU Football Squares**
Joe Lograsso is heading up sales of Football Squares for the U of M vs MSU football game which will take place on Oct 25. Be sure to reach out or see Joe about getting your squares today.

In addition to our regular meetings in September these activities should keep us all busy for the upcoming month.

Fraternally,

Mike Dixon, Grand Knight #2950

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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)

Meeting Notice!!

Knights Corporation Meeting

The Knights Corporation will be held on September 2, 2025 at the picnic grounds starting at 7:00pm.

Knight Life

All articles that are requested to be in the October Knight Life need to be turned in to the editor no later than September 25, 2025. There is available space for any businesses that want to advertise in the Knight Life, please contact the editor.

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September Feast Days



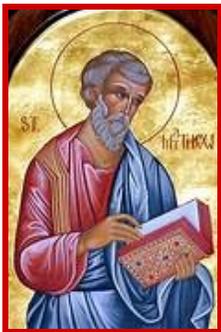
September 8 - The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

“O Blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Spirit made you sinless and pure so that you can bring forth Jesus, the Son of God, to the world. I humbly pray today that the feast of your birth may cause great joy in my soul and that I may forever remain faithful to your Son, Jesus. Amen.

Dearest Mother, please pray for me and for these intentions...”

September 14 - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Jesus, your love for your Father brought you to the cross. We are gathered before this magnificent symbol of our faith to recall the events of Calvary and to thank you for your great sacrifice. Your cross is our life. Your death brought us salvation. As we ponder on the meaning of your death, we ask you to send us the Holy Spirit that we may be able to accept the truth that without sacrifice, we can never be your disciples.



September 21 - St. Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist

O Glorious St. Matthew through the grace of God Our Father you gave us the Holy Gospel, which brings us joy and life. Inspired by your example, I ask for your assistance in all my needs. Help me to follow Christ and remain faithful to His service.

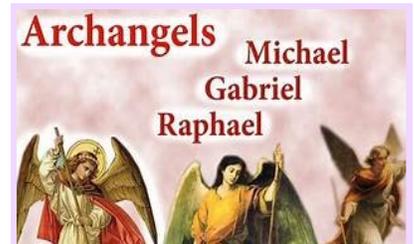
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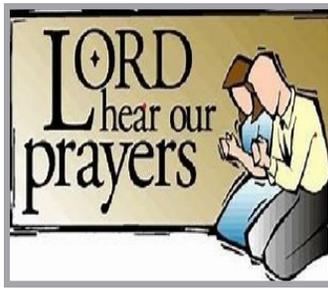
September 29 - Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

Heavenly King, You have given us archangels to assist us during our pilgrimage on earth. **Saint Michael** is our protector; I ask him to come to my aid, fight for all my loved ones, and protect us from danger.

Saint Gabriel is a messenger of the Good News; I ask him to help me clearly hear Your voice and to teach me the truth. **Saint Raphael** is the healing angel; I ask him to take my need for healing and that of everyone I

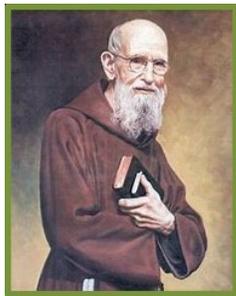
know, lift it up to Your throne of grace and deliver us back to the gift of recovery. Help us, O Lord, to realize more fully the reality of archangels and their desire to serve us. Holy angels, pray for us.





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

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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 September is Jason Meyers, A resident of Shelby Township, Jason has served St. Lawrence Council 2950 since 2008 in roles including Deputy Grand Knight, Grand Knight, and District Deputy. He is a 4th Degree Sir Knight and a member of St. John Neumann Assembly 478. One of the highlights of his involvement has been chairing the St. Lawrence Outdoor Mass & Family Picnic, an event that brings parishioners together in faith and fellowship—creating lasting memories and strengthening bonds within the parish.

Jason's dedication extends beyond the parish, as he actively supports the Knights of Columbus at the state level through participation on several State Officer's committees. He is also known for donating power tools to raffles, which are well received at K of C, parish, and other fundraiser events. In addition to his work with the Knights, Jason is involved in civic affairs as a precinct delegate for Shelby Township precinct 10.

In recent years, Jason has spent his winters in Fort Myers, Florida, sharing precious time with his dad. Together, they support his dad's local council and assembly, continuing a family tradition of service and deepening their connection through shared commitment to the Knights of Columbus.

Professionally, Jason is a Team Leader for Design Engineering at STANLEY Engineered Fastening, where he has built a long and successful career over the past 30 years. Outside of work, he finds joy in brewing cider and sake, barbecuing, and baking desserts—hobbies that reflect his creativity and a passion for learning, and that often bring warmth and delight to those around him.

Quiet leadership, generosity, and a genuine desire to serve are qualities Jason strives to embody.

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



The Family of the Month for September is Ray and Gerri Monroe, Ray and Gerri reside in Bruce Township for the past 5 years.

Ray and Gerri have been married for 48 years and belong to St. Lawrence Parish where they volunteer at the church picnic and the Apple Fest.

They have three children Branden, Kellie and Tayler and seven grandchildren Madi (9), Julia (9), Finley (7), Ryan (6) Emma (3) and Simon (15 months).

Ray retired as a printer after 30 years and is currently working parts delivery in the automotive field for the past 10 years. Gerri retired as a social worker after 40 years and is now a substitute teacher for 5 years.

Ray joined the Knights of Columbus in October 2010 and volunteers his time at all of our Council events. Ray is currently a Council Trustee and is on the board of directors for the building corporation.

In their spare time Ray and Gerri vacationing at Disney, camping and going to baseball and football games and spending time together .

Congratulations on being chosen Family of the Month for September by your Brother Knights.



Come and Enjoy an All You Can Eat Breakfast!!

Sunday September 21, 2025

8:30am - 12:00pm

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

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

Sponsored By: St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus

2025 St. Lawrence Men's Mass

Thursday October 2nd

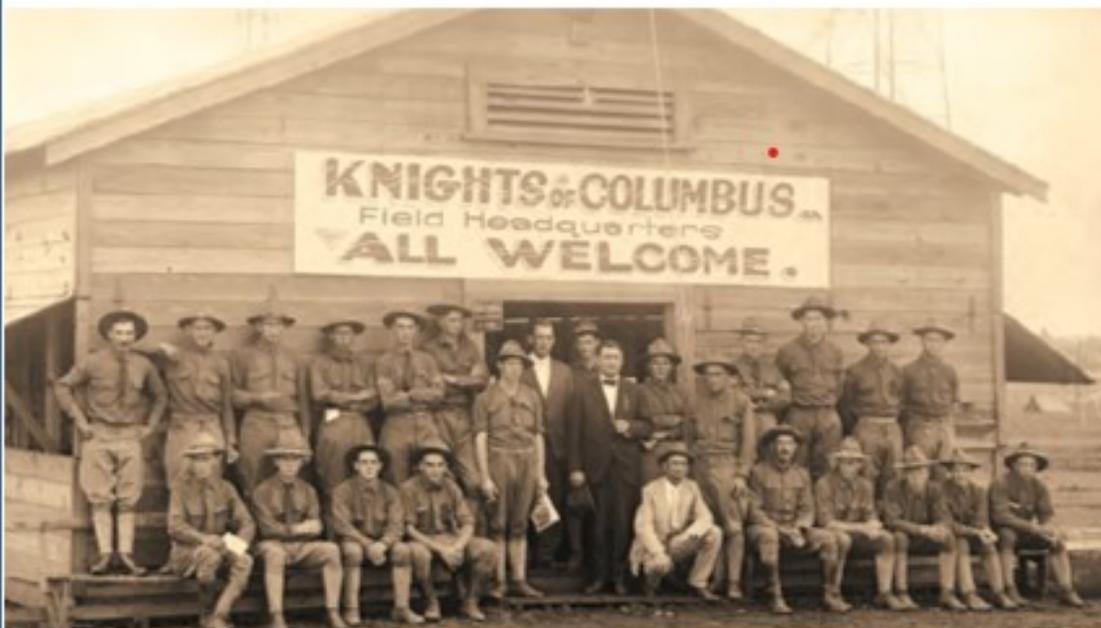
6:30pm Mass

St. Lawrence Picnic Grounds

Followed by Pizza and refreshments

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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



August 1, 2025 Council Membership Summary

Associate Members: 236 - Insurance Members: 120 - Inactive Members:16 - **Total Members 372**

Included In Total: 14 Honorary Members: 89 Honorary Life Members

Council Status: In Good Standing

Thank You!!

We would like to thank everyone that participated and helped prepare the food for the following events.

August 10th - “St. Lawrence Annual Church Picnic”

August 14th - “Family Picnic and M/I Drive Check Presentation”

August 20th - “Annual Knights 4th Degree Picnic”

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 Township, 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.

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