

Fr. Saylor 70th Anniversary Dinner Party

On Saturday, February 17, 2024 Father Saylor Council will be celebrating our 70th Anniversary as a Council with our Annual Anniversary Party at Crystal Park.

During this evening we will honor all our new Brother Knights that have joined within the last year. We will recognize a Class Honoree who has contributed to the continued growth of Father Saylor and the work we do for God, Family, and Community. We at Father Saylor would be thrilled to have all our Brother Knights join us for this special occasion, celebrating 70 years as a Council of the Knights of Columbus.

The evening will begin at 6:30 p.m. with hors d'oeuvres and cocktails followed by dinner and a short program. Then the lights will be lowered and the dance floor will opened.

Tickets are \$25 and can be obtained from one of our bartenders or by calling P.G.K. Bob Cooper at 313-433-9653. Please purchase your tickets by February 10th so we can have a head count for the caterer and to confirm your attendance.

We look forward to having you join us on Saturday, February 17th.



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January, 2024

Grand Knight Comments

Happy New Year one and all!

I want to thank everyone who has helped this past year whether helping, buying a ticket, spending money in our lounge, or any of the other ways you help make Fr. Saylor so great. I am glad the busy December is over.

Now the 70th Anniversary party and Fish Fry to plan for.

I am asked how can I help by new and old members. It is a hard question to have a good answer for, but just coming to an event and being available to help is a good start. Then you can see what is happening and step in when you see a void.

I remember my first Mostaccioli dinner waiting in the kitchen to wash dishes. Then a member who shall remain anonymous said that has always been my job BUT if you really want to go ahead and I will find something else to do. He did keep a close eye on me all night as I remember it.

So please if you are available, please come out to help at any event.

As always feel free to contact me at 734-308-2386 or e-mail at GK3774@MIKOFC.ORG

Donald Siegel



Chaplin's Comments

As we end this year 2023, I pray that all have experienced a blessed Christmas and were able to spend time with family and close friends. At present, I am writing this article in December 2023 for the January edition of the Knight Notes. I pause for reflection on the past year and the year ahead.

Fr. Ray Arwady

I am sure that you, like me, are gravely concerned for the future of our country and our world, not to mention the future of Holy Mother Church. Given the sin and the corruption and the injustice that we plainly observe all around us, our hearts continue to desire solutions to these problems.

In my opinion, the solution lies in a daily Rosary. I believe that we as a world have traveled too far down this road away from the path that leads us to God and to Heaven. I don't believe that our preferred political candidate, president or head of nation, nor any military power for that matter, or any human power is going to turn this world around (or is going to turn our country around).

The people of the world must repent. The more people who turn away from sin and evil, and turn their hearts toward God, the better our chances of being spared the divine intervention that awaits us. I base such thoughts upon the prophecies from Our Blessed Mother at Fatima, Garabandal (Spain), Akita (Japan), and the like.

I know the Knights of Columbus pray the Rosary already, but perhaps this short article could serve as a reminder about the urgency of this need for peace in the world. The Immaculate Heart of Mary will triumph over the whole world but we have to do our part in praying the Rosary daily. The simple message is that if we want to change the world for the better, we need to pray the Rosary every day.

Anyone who is Catholic ought to know *how* to pray the Rosary and do it daily. There are many Catholics who either do not know how to pray the Rosary, or they simply do not include it in their daily prayer regimen.

If you are not familiar with "The Warning" contained within the prophecies of Our Lady, now is probably a good time to become familiar with it. It is not exactly "standard fare" for preaching on Sunday, and you might have to do a little research.

In the Season of Advent, we often speak of preparing a way for the Lord in our hearts. We can do that by praying the Rosary, as well as fasting (penances), Mass attendance, and going to confession, as Our Blessed Mother has asked of us. At Christmas, we celebrate the birth of the Savior, Our Lord Jesus Christ, who by His death on the Cross and His Resurrection freed us from the power of sin and death that rules our world. On January 1, we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God. My point is, there is never an inappropriate time to pray the Rosary except perhaps while at Mass. The Rosary is a set of prayers for all time. Let us take up the weapon—yes—the weapon of the Rosary, a weapon against evil, take it up anew in the new year, 20024.

Let's help the world get better. Let's pray the Rosary every single day. God Bless You!

Rev. Fr. Raymond E. Arwady Chaplain



Knight of the Month for December, 2023

Pat Grieves

Our Knight of the month is Pat Grieves. Pat has been a longtime supporter of our council fundraisers and events. Just recently Pat brought five veterans to our council Veterans Dinner held in our lounge. His continuous support to Fr Saylor Council makes Pat deserving of Knight of the Month.



Family of the Month for December, 2023 Robert and Mary LaHousse

Our Family of the month honor goes to Robert and Mary LaHousse. Robert and Mary give so much of their time and talents to the Knights of Columbus. Our Living Rosaries and Memorial Masses are special events because of their efforts. They have prepared our council audits, served our fish fries, cleaned our lounge and planted and weeded our gardens to name just a few of the ways they give of themselves year after year. Their unwavering devotion and support of Fr Saylor Council makes Robert and Mary deserving of being our Family of the Month.

Behind the Scenes Award 2023

Nick Leja

This brother Knight has only been a member a few years. He started to help where and when he could and this year, he started to help across the street cleaning up our Fr. Saylor Park giving use an extra 40 feet all the way around the park we forgot we had. He saw something that needed to be done, asked how and then got it done.

I want to thank Nick for all his hard work and dedication to our council.

Let us Pray

Please Pray for our sick Brother Knights and their families as they encounter health challenges in their lives. Please Pray for our sick.

Roger Ayotte Tony Bertalino Norm Chavka Robert Cora Brian Dunleavy Ron Fix Norbert Giczewski * Linda Hamrick * Mary Ksiazek Donald Johns Ken Lebot Tom Markovich Larry McPartlin * Theresa Moya Art Orlowski Ray Powers Paul Sanders * Angelina Savona Harry Sisko Jim Stauderr Richard West Jim (Jimbo) Zagunis Rob Zavicar Tom Zremski David Zyczynski

* Denotes Family Member

If you would like a name added to our Prayer list please send an email to gk3774@mikofc.org

Rosary Chain Contact. Chancellor Robert Lahoussse @ 313-995-0902 or rlahousse@att.net

<u>Sick Brother Kniights Contact.</u> Gary Skarlat at garyszk321@yahoo.com or call 313-381-0891.



DID YOU KNOW? Monthly Drawings:

Door Prize Winner

Door Prize Drawing. #401 was Drawn. Daniel Lai was not present so the \$35 will carry over to the December's General Business Meeting.

<u>Attendance Drawing:</u>

Attendance Drawing. # 554 was drawn. Cyril Pokorny was not in attendance so the \$98 will be in pot for the General Business Meeting.



2024 Giving Calendar

Looking for a meaningful gift? Consider purchasing our exquisite raffle-calendar for that special someone in your life. Not only will you give them a beautiful gift, but you'll also be supporting Michigan youths in need!

Our 2024 raffle calendar showcases captivating artwork contributed by both our dedicated staff and the participants under our care. Each piece of artwork embodies our mission, vision, and values.

When you buy a calendar, you automatically gain entry into our progressive monthly raffle! Every week, there's a chance to win \$100. Additionally, there's a monthly draw of \$500, and a grand year-end draw of \$5,000.

See GK Don Siegel, or Lounge staff to purchase - calendars are \$30

Thru My Eyes:

So much going on in December, so much tradition, so much caring and loving celebration ...

Congratulations to Heather Lalli and Lauren Hurd for their work on putting together the Kid's Christmas Party. We never cease to be amazed by the look of joy on all the kids faces. And, of course, equally amazing to see all the Knight family members come together to wrap the presents for the kids in preparation. Just beautiful ...

Our Annual Christmas Party looked so lovely thanks to Karen Powers and her beautiful center pieces. So many were behind putting the night together. Music by Joe Martinez, our wonderful bar staff that kept us from being thirsty, DGK Joe Powers for all that he did....

Thank you Jennifer and Don Siegel for your work on the Christmas Eve Buffet ... it's fun to pull the year together and a really nice custom to bring us all together in the name of charity and in the name of Christ.

The Father Saylor New Year's Eve Party was another dazzling launch to the New Year ... 2024 promises to be yet another year of charity and caring for Our Brother Knights, Ladies and families. Nice job Joe Martinez in putting it together.

I heard that Fr. Johnson of St. Frances Cabrini was asked and accepted the invitation to Join our Council as a new member. We'll keep you informed regarding the possibility of Fr. Johnson becoming our new and involved Chaplain continuing the legacy of the legendary Fr. Puzio.



MEMBERSHIP DRIVE:

Our Lady of Angels :

Saturday, January 13, 2024 Sunday, January 14, 2024

Cabrini:

Saturday, January 20, 2024 Sunday, January 21, 2024

Call Len Vokal @ 313-949-0652 to help.

Knight of the Year 2023 Tim Bessette

The Knight of the year for 2023 is a brother who has been part of the Knights his entire life; attending events with his father. He has been selected as Knight of the Year for his recent dedication to do more for the Council. He has stepped up to be an officer when asked, he comes to most of our fund-raisers and other events. He is always asking what can I do to help and staying around to help especially to clean up.



I want to thank him from the bottom of my heart for all his help and congratulate Tim Bessette as our Knight of the Year.



Family of the Year 2023 Ed and Cheri Sparks

Our brother knight and his wife come together to help when they can. You will see them taking orders and serving meals during our Lenten fish fry. Helping to serve beer in August at the Allen Park Street Fair and attending many other events.

Ed's work kept him away from the Christmas party, but a recording of them receiving the award was sent to Ed and Cheri; needless to say they were very humbled with receiving this award.

Thank you both for your dedication to our Council.

Angel Award Recipient 2023

Gloria Tamoshunas

Gloria received this award due to her hard work and dedication to Father Saylor. From working OLOA's festival, making baskets, volunteering at St Vincent De Paul, making desserts or a dish to pass and effortlessly running EUCHRE every Tuesday night at the Lounge.

Congratulations Gloria - you truly are an Angel!



Wednesday, January 31, 2024 First Family Dinner of 2024

Italian Dinner Chicken Cacciatore

The first Family Dinner of 2024, will feature a classic Italian dish – Chicken Cacciatore - like you have never had before. It combines three of the favorite ingredients of our top chef, Tony Lalli - chicken, red sauce and pasta. Every once in a while you may have tasted Tony's chicken thighs, so good because they are fast roasted in our convection oven. And once a year, at the MI Dinner you got to enjoy Tony's famous red sauce (or as the Italians say "Ragu"). But

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you have never had the chicken and the Ragu together. And there will be a pasta to put the chicken and Ragu on.

Now Tony is not telling what kind of pasta it will be but you can be sure it will be perfectly cooked. Of course this will be served with a gigantic bowl of Italian-themed salad and Liberati's garlic bread. Best thing is there will be some of Dr Strickland's lemonade cheesecake, if you are good. Come out on the last Wednesday in January, 5-8PM at the Fr Saylor Council

Good news. Although the price of the Steak Cookouts, which will start in March, is increasing to \$20, the Chicken Cacciatore Dinner remains at the 2024 price of \$15.00. It will be a dinner you won't soon forget at a price you can afford.. Tony would say "multo bene"

January 2024									
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7	8 Knight Note Meeting 7pm	9 Euchre	10 Building Assoc. Meeting 7pm	11	12	13 OLOA Memmbership Drive			
14 OLOA Memmbership Drive	15	16 Euchre	17	18	19	20 Cabrini Membership Drive Music Bingo			
21 Cabrini Membership Drive	22	23 Euchre	24	25	26	27			
28	29 Officer's Meeting 7 pm	30 Euchre	31 Italian Night Dinner						

To make a quick and easy donation to the Father Saylor Knights of Columbus, simply scan the QR code:



Once you're in the app, you'll have the option to designate where your donation is directed. Your ability to choose how your contribution is utilized allows you to support specific causes or initiatives that matter most to you.

Thank you for your generosity!



- Help out at the Membership drive in early January

- Buy your Anniversary Tickets

- Pay your Dues

- Join us for the 1st Music Bingo January 20th

- Italian Night Dinner January 31st

- General Trivia Night February 10th

- Ash Wednesday - February 14^{th}

- Fish Fry Starts February 16th

- 70th Anniversary Party February 17th



FUN was had by ALL at the Children's Christmas Party. Even GK Don did some coloring.





Don't Feel Like Cooking?

Come see what Chef Brenda has cooked up for her Monday Meals.

Mondays from 4 pm- 7pm or until gone

Breaking News!!!

Music Bingo is coming to the Knights of Solumbus...

Join us in our council lounge on Saturday, January 20th for a fun night of Music Bingo.

Registration will begin starting at 6pm with play beginning promptly at 7pm.

The cost to play is \$10 per person and you will all play as individuals throughout this night.

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Cash prizes will be awarded for the winners of each game played and there will be pizzas delivered from Bella's at the halfway point of the contest.

The game is simple, a song will be played and as long as that song is on your Music Bingo card, you will stamp it like regular bingo.

You can use your phones to look up the songs if need be and once you have completed a row of songs either straight across, straight down or diagonal, you win as long as no one completes their card before you.

If there is a tie, you will split with the other winner or winners!

One 50/50 raffle will be ran on this night to add to all the fun as well.

A sign up sheet will be posted in the lounge right after Christmas so don't wait until the last minute to sign up for Music Bingo.

Sincerely, Jennifer Siegel and Joe Martinez (Music Bingo Chairman)

TRIVIA NIGHT Saturday February 10, 2024 @ 7:00pm

Do you have all the answers?

Get a team together and find out. The Trivia Crew is ready to pick your brain. The format is a four-person team for \$ 40.00, which includes cash prizes, one large pizza per team, and bragging rights as the Trivia Masters.

Registration is open at 6:30pm and play begins promptly at 7:00pm lasting till 9:30pm. Due to seating this event is limited to 20 teams.

Stop by our Members Lounge and sign up now while spots are available. If you don't have a full team, sign up individually for \$ 10.00.

Your Hosts PGK Scott Kolpasky & Todd Kolpasky

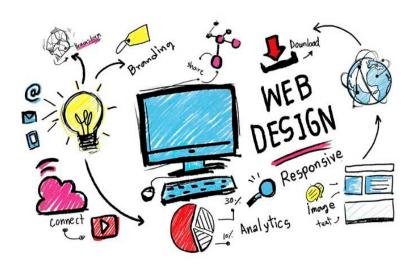


Friendly reminder: The first set of statements for dues has been dispatched. Kindly ensure to submit your payments promptly.

If dues are not received by February 1st, a second notice will be sent via mail.

Let's strive to avoid unnecessary expenses and additional mailings by settling our dues on time. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

PGK Tim Hayden - Financial Secretary



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

If you can assist on keeping our new Website up to date.

The more help we have the easier it will be.

Please contact Paul Carnarvon @ pcarnarvon@comcast.net

Or GK Don Siegel @ 734-308-2386

A Prayer to Prepare for the Year Ahead

Dear God. Thank You for new beginnings. What an incredible day this is with a fresh year's potential stretched out before me. I want to be found faithful this year in each and every opportunity You bring to me. Thank You, Lord, for new beginnings. I pray this in Jesus' name. Amen." PASTOR DAVID MCGEE



Coming soon to a Lounge near you! Lenten Fish fry starts February 16, 2024

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Calendar of Events

Wednesday, January 3, 2024 Monday, January 8, 2024 Wednesday, January 10, 2024 Saturday, January 13, 2024 Sunday, January 14, 2024 Saturday, January 20, 2024 Sunday, January 21, 2024 Monday, January 29, 2024 Wednesday, January 31, 2024 Wednesday, February 31, 2024 Saturday, February 10, 2024 Friday, February 16, 2024 Saturday, February 17, 2024 Business Meeting - 7pm Knight Note Meeting - 7pm Building Officers meeting -7pm Membership Drive @ OLOA Membership Drive @ OLOA Membership Drive @ Cabrini Membership Drive @ Cabrini Officers Meeting -7pm Italian Dinner Night Business Meeting - 7pm General Trivia - 6:30pm Lenten Fish Fry - 4:30pm 70th Anniversary Party -6:30pm