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Message from the Grand Knight

Brothers,

This past quarter has been a strong reflection of what makes our council special. From parish events to community outreach to fundraising and donations, our members consistently stepped forward to serve.

During Lent, we had the opportunity to lead the Stations of the Cross, pray, volunteer, and support our parish in meaningful ways. This edition of the Knightly News includes a list of the donations we've made to various organizations through the first 3 quarters of the fraternal year. Please take the time to look through and recognize what your hard work is supporting. Whether organizing events or simply showing up to help, your presence truly matters.

Thank you for your continued commitment to our mission and to one another.

Vivat Jesus!

Ken Smith, Grand Knight

Upcoming Events

Mar 29-April 5 – Holy Week

April 9th – Meeting

April 11th – Take Chicken Booth out of Social Garage

April 18 – Ordination and Dinner for our new Deacons

April 19 – First Communion

Half Pot

Thank you to all our half pot sellers and those who helped spread the word. This year we were able to pay out \$4,390 to the lucky winner, who was wearing the most appropriate shirt at the St. Patrick's Dance!





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2025-2026 Fraternal Year Donations

GS Archery Tournament	\$1,000.00
Birthrite	\$500.00
Coats For Kids	\$1,700.28
Columbiettes	\$1,000.00
Encounter Hope	\$546.49
Father Benny	\$500.00
Gibault Xmas Party	\$250.00
GS SS Booth Sponsorship	\$1,000.00
MC Training Camp	\$371.00
Pilgrimage to St Mary of the Woods	\$500.00
Ozanam	\$500.00
Race for Vocations	\$282.60
Right to Life	\$750.00
Seminarians	\$2,360.70
Shari Hirsch	\$782.18
Source and Summit	\$750.00
St. Vincent Depaul	\$1,500.00
Wisdom Day	\$500.00
Total Donated through Q3	\$14,793.25
<i>Donations Pending 2nd Vote in May</i>	
Sam Tenbarge Living Faith Out Loud Scholarship	\$1,000.00
Gibault Parade of Checks Donation	\$1,000.00
Marion Educational Outreach	\$5,000.00
St. Rose of Lima in Haiti	\$2,500.00
Total Pending Donations	\$9,500.00



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Community Events

On March 14 we celebrated St. Patrick's with some great food, fellowship and fun with the Parish. Thank you to Kevin Hamilton for organizing the event and all the volunteers who helped make this fun event happen once again!





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New Faces

In the third quarter of this Fraternal year, we welcomed new members Mitchell Brothers, Stephen Schweitzberger, Matt Becker and Kyle Laine to the council. We are happy to have these fine men join and encourage everyone to continue recruiting new members!

Speaking of recruiting, our council earned the Star Council Award for the 2024-2025 Fraternal year. District Deputy Steve Jung presented to the council, recognizing excellence across our programs. To earn the

Star Council Award, a council must meet requirements for new membership, insurance benefit events, run and report activities for faith, community, family and life, and turn in several required forms. The award reflects a healthy, active council that is thriving in all areas of our mission. Thank you Financial Secretary, John Smith, who makes sure to keep us up to date with all of our reporting, past Grand Knight Dan Hirsch for his leadership, and all the knights who's work lead to us receiving this great honor!



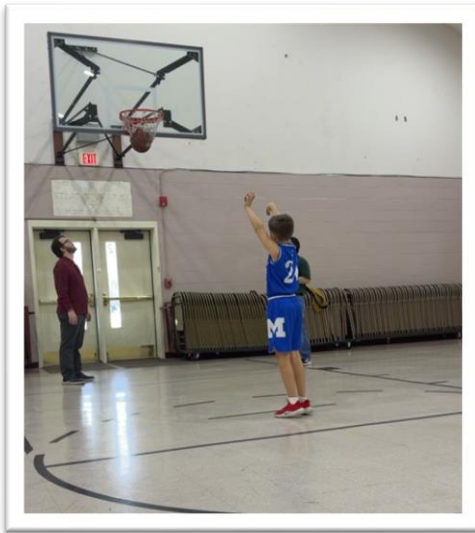
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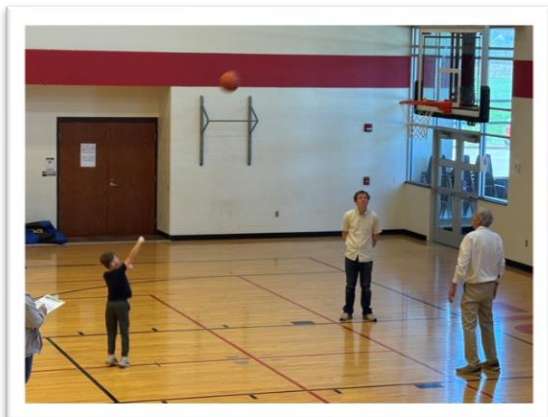
We had 13 Participants compete in our Council Free Throw contest. 3 of the winners competed in the District Contest at St. Johns Daylight



Jace Joergens swishes a free throw at the District Competition.



Braxton Henderson won the Princeton Regional for the 11yr old age group. He hit 19 of 25 free throws at the state competition, finishing in 2nd Place. Congratulations Braxton!



Teddy Braun won the 9 yr old District competition. Here he is at the Regional in Princeton.





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The major league baseball season opened this week. As fans are celebrating a new beginning to their season, Kansas City Royals shortstop Bobby Witt Jr. is celebrating a new beginning in the Catholic Church, receiving the sacrament of Confirmation before the season begins.





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Bingo

Our monthly bingo together with the Columbiettes is one of the fundraisers which allows our council to support so many charitable causes. If you're not on a crew or on the sub list, please consider adding your name to help with this important fundraiser!

Here is a link to the google sheet for crew members and subs:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1GvfdBVSSKwF2GkmZ2t-hGyODUnlO457fjbJ3gl3sGs/edit?gid=1337851663#gid=1337851663>



Help Wanted

The council is looking for some people to help in some key positions. At the upcoming elections for the 2026-2027 Fraternal year, we are seeking a new chancellor to join the leadership of the council. Traditionally the chancellor will progress to Deputy Grand Knight, where they will serve for two years, then to Grand Knight for two years.

We are also seeking guest editors to contribute to and or publish these quarterly Knightly News editions.

Please discern if you are being called to help lead the council in either of these capacities. Text or Email Ken Smith for more information on what each role entails!