



# THE KNIGHTLY NEWS October, 2020

#### Roanoke Council #562 Newsletter

### **Upcoming Events**

10/3 (Saturday) Renovation Alliance work day - Floyd

10/5 (Monday) October Council Business Meeting in person and virtual by Zoom

10/12 (Monday) Columbus Day

10/13 (Monday) Virtual exemplification of the principles of charity, unity, and fraternity.

10/19 (Monday) October Council Social Meeting TBA

10/26 (Monday) October 4th Degree Business Meeting virtual by Zoom

10/31 (Saturday) Exemplification of the 4th Degree (virtually) Details TBA

10/31 (Saturday) Beatification of Fr. Michael McGivney Details TBA

11/1 (Sunday) All Saints' Day

11/2 (Monday) All Souls' Day

11/2 (Monday) November Council Business Meeting in person and virtual by Zoom

40 Days for Life - Continues thru 11/1 (Sunday)

Please refer to our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/ RoanokeKnights/ for latest announcements.

# Grand Knight's Report

#### **Brother Knights:**

The Bicentennial Octave of Service for the Archdiocese is September 27 -



October 4. We are looking for volunteers on Saturday October 3 to install a handicapped ramp in Floyd. We will meet at the K of C Hall on Saturday morning at 8 AM and carpool or drive to Floyd. Materials and tools are furnished. If you prefer personal impact tools or skill saws you may bring your own. Work should be complete by early afternoon. If you are available, please join us at the council hall to organize for this worthy activity.

#### Vivat Jesus.

James Valenzuela. **Grand Knight** 



### September Business Meeting Highlights

The September business meeting was held on Tuesday, September 8. Minutes of the August meeting were approved.

- The Grand Knight announced Fraternal Benefits Night on Wednesday, 9/16.
   Please promote this important event.
- The Treasurer reported the checkbook is in balance; the Financial Secretary's records agree with the Treasurer's.
- A thank you was received from Allison Ripple for the Canfield Scholarship; a thank you was also received from Seminarian William Buckley for the seminarian grant.
- The State Deputy reported that the ultrasound for Blue Ridge Women's Center will be presented on Saturday, 9/26. Bishop Knestout will attend, and media coverage is expected.
- On Saturday, 10/3 Brother Knights are encouraged to help with the Renovation Alliance project in Floyd.
- We are planning to order lightweight "Coats for Kids" from Supreme. Coats come 24/box for 397.78. The council approved the purchase of 4 boxes.
- An online auction is being planned.
  Brother Knights are urged to donate quality items for the auction.
- A fall food drive is being planned for 10/14
  -17. Please promote this worthwhile project and plan to donate.
- A virtual degree is being offered by Supreme; this can be taken any time.
   Please continue to recruit new members for our order. A virtual Exemplification of

the 4th Degree will be presented on Saturday, 10/31.

- The Field Agent announced that a seminar series on Fraternal Benefits will be upcoming.
- The District Deputy encouraged members to participate in the state Football Frenzy. A 20% rebate to the council is made.
- The State Deputy announced the Beatification of Fr. McGivney on 10/31. The time of the 4th Degree Exemplification will be adjusted so that members can participate in both events. He suggested a council viewing of the Beatification Mass.

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### Keep Christ in Christmas

Since 1989, we have upheld the motto of "Keep Christ in Christmas" by the sales of religious Christmas cards. Profits have been used to provide scholarships and fund grants to seminarians. This year, we face an unusual challenge: due the COVID pandemic, we will not be able to physically sell Christmas cards in the churches. Some ideas are taking orders on-line or doing drive-thru sales at the council home. Please promote our beautiful cards to your friends and neighbors. Any suggestions or to volunteer, contact Chuck Hatcher (540-314-3360) or Rich Whitney (443-465-7742).



# **Prayer Requests**

Please keep Brother Knights and their family members in your prayers:

- Mike Lazzuri, Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL) - improving.
- Kathie Feick melanoma and additional health issues.
- Lynn Bertolacci continuing health issues.
- Glen Waldis cancer.
- Brianna Beinhoff
- Roger Vest surgery
- Bob Canfield Leukemia improving
- Joe Davis eyesight issues
- Bob Lewis knee replacement surgery
- All those affected by COVID19



# **October Birthdays**

Birthday wishes to the following Brother Knights with birthdays in October:

Deter Mertin	1-Oct
Peter Martin	
John Meise	2-Oct
Joseph Abbatello	3-Oct
Michael Pyle	4-Oct
Michael Williams	5-Oct
Daniel Keeley	5-Oct
Leon Vinci	6-Oct
Patrick Patterson	6-Oct
James McNamara	9-Oct
Mark Johnson	11-Oct
Joseph Rosenberg	11-Oct
George Pufko	12-Oct
Stephen Ratliff	13-Oct
Daniel Austin	15-Oct
Edward Myers	16-Oct
Wayne Parker	16-Oct
Robert Way	17-Oct
Anthony Hopper	17-Oct
David Harris	19-Oct
Louis Mehrmann	20-Oct
Les Schmidt	21-Oct
John Mercer	23-Oct
Norbert Steahly	26-Oct
Glenn Hall	26-Oct
Lawerence Forbish	26-Oct
David Peters	26-Oct
Andrew Fornecker	27-Oct
Michael Grant	28-Oct
Louis Soldano	31-Oct
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### Saint of the Month John Paul II, Pope

Karol Józef Wojtyła was born in Poland in 1920; his mother died when he was 9 years old; his father and brother also died before he was 21. He entered the University in 1938 and studied philosophy and languages. In 1942, he began his studies for the priesthood, amid the German occupation of Poland. During the war, he was injured several times and helped to rescue several Jews from the Nazi occupation. He was ordained on All Saints' Day, 1946.

Karol Wojtyła was named Auxiliary Bishop of Krakow in 1958, and in 1964, Pope Paul VI appointed him Archbishop of Kraków. On October 18, 1978, he was elected as Pope John Paul II.

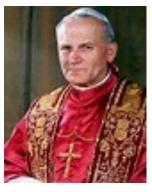
During his pontificate, Pope John Paul II made trips to 129 countries. In June 1979, Pope John Paul II travelled to Poland; this trip inspired the formation of

the Solidarity movement in 1980, which later brought freedom to his beloved Poland. As an extension of his successful work with youth as a young priest, John Paul II pioneered the International World Youth Days, and presided over nine of them. While he reflected conservative doctrinal church principles, he supported social justice issues, particularly in Eastern Europe.

Pope John Paul II was the elected the 264th pope (according to the chronological list of popes) as John Paul II, the first non-Italian in 455 years. At only 58 years of age, he was the youngest pope since Pope Pius IX in 1846. John Paul II was the second longestserving pope in modern history after Pope Pius IX.

John Paul II's cause for canonization commenced one month after his death with the traditional five-year waiting period waived. On 19 December 2009, John Paul II was pro-

claimed venerable by his successor, Benedict XVI, and was beatified on 1 May 2011; John Paul II was canonized on 27 April 2014. His feast day is celebrated on October 22, on the anniversary of his papal inauguration.



### 4th Degree to be Held in Virtual Format



The Virginia District Master has announced that the 31 October

2020 Exemplification will be held virtually, due to the COVID19 pandemic. The cost for the new candidates for the virtual exemplification is \$50.00 which will include a baldric, pin, certificate and the Supreme initiation fee. The candidate will be knighted by the Navigator or designated Knight at the first face to face assembly meeting that will be held after the exemplification. The Virginia Exemplification Team will hold this ceremony.

The ceremony will be held using the "Go to Meeting" platform, which has a 250 limit. A Knight will be able to come on individually or assemblies can form a small group in a single location to participate in the exemplification. With the 250 limit, candidates will have first preference and then observers.

The 31st of October is also scheduled for Fr. McGivney's Beatification Mass; this can be a day that can be remembered as candidates getting their 4th degree. Please consider this opportunity to avoid the normal time and expense to take the final step to Knighthood in our Order.

## New Degree in Virtual Format



The Virginia Knights of

Columbus will hold virtual Exemplifications of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity on the second Monday of each month. Roanoke Council 562 invites new members and current First and Second Degree members wishing to advance to the Third Degree to the exemplification. Candidates' wives, family members, and friends are permitted to watch the virtual exemplification with them. In addition, current Third Degree members are welcome to register for and observe the exemplification.

The Financial Secretary will send out a link for registration for the exemplification. After completing the registration form, attendees will receive a link to the virtual exemplification.

We are offering these virtual exemplifications as an alternative to in person exemplifications because many councils are unable to conduct their own exemplifications due to COVID-19 restrictions. I hope that you will take advantage of this opportunity.

Please contact Ceremonials Co-Chairmen Michael Lazzuri (<u>ceremonialsrichmond@vakofc.org</u> )or 540-797-1703 if you have any questions .

### **Virtual Auction Planned**

During the current public health crisis, our usual means of fundraising are difficult. Our council is currently planning a virtual rummage sale/auction as a fundraiser. Instead of asking businesses for donations, we are asking Knights to check out their closets and attics. We are taking donations at the clubhouse of items to sell in an online auction. Please consider donating items that you think would sell. Also please include things you may have made. One example would be if you have some extra wood lying around make a raised garden box and donate it.

We will be collecting auction items through the first week of November. After that we will be hosting an online auction for everything that we take in. More information on the auction as we get closer. Right now please donate. You can email me at <u>clyde.moak@gmail.com</u> for donations or bring them with you to our meetings.

## Charity During the Pandemic

We have been asked by some of our members how they can donate to help our charitable efforts. We are setting up a GoFundMe account. More on this at the October Meeting.





# 40 Days for Life

The fall season campaign started on Wednesday Sep. 23 and ends on Nov 1. Volunteers are welcome any day but Sundays - the hours run from 7am to 7 pm. A sign up calendar is available at the website 40daysforlife.com/ Roanoke. Many of the time slots are covered by a single volunteer so if you have some time available check the schedule and see if you might join someone else. Quite a few time slots are open and not covered at all. With the many 54 day Rosary campaigns underway prior to this critical election there is no better place to appeal for God's Mercy for Holy Innocents than at Planned Parenthood at 2207 Peters Creek Road NW Roanoke. As our country teeters on the very brink of this Life versus Death issue let heaven be besieged by the prayers, the fasting and the witness of devoted Catholics and like minded friends. This is a real opportunity to take action be a witness as a Warrior for Christ.

Saturday mornings are usually well attended and you can meet quite a few people there at that time including, quite often, young folks from Liberty University and Virginia Tech. If you need a helper to add your hours to the schedule please email Shawn Marshall at shawnmarshall@centurylink.net or call 540-204-2671 for help or info. We have some signs available also if needed. Peace Be With You and God Bless You.



# Fall Food Drive

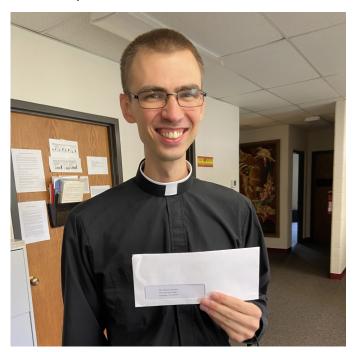
Our Fall Food Drive is rapidly approaching. Just like our Spring Leave No Neighbor Behind Food Drive, we will be taking dona-

tions Wed-Sat during the week of Columbus Day, Oct 14 - 16 5:30 - 8:00 & Oct 17 Noon - 6pm. Please support this event to help those in need in our area.



#### **Seminarian Grant Presented**

What an honor it was for us as Roanoke Knights to present Our Lady of Nazareth Catholic Church's Seminarian, William Buckley, with a check from our council to support his vocation with the Catholic Diocese of Richmond. We will always stand in solidarity with our priests and seminarians.



### Beatification of Fr. Michael McGivney

As you know, Father McGivney will be beatified on Oct. 31, 2020, at Hartford's Cathedral of St. Joseph. While attendance is limited, the Beatification Mass will be broadcast live on EWTN and other Catholic networks so anyone who wishes to view the Mass will be able to do so.

The task of continuing our efforts for our founder to be raised to sainthood is not over with this Beatification. Please consider joining the Fr. McGivney Guild. Joining the Guild shows your support for his journey to sainthood and there is no cost for membership. You may join the Guild at the following link: <u>https://www.fathermcgivney.org/</u> <u>en/join-the-guild.html</u>

There are two YouTube/Facebook screenings of the new Father McGivney video, on Sept. 26 and Oct. 25, both at 8 pm Eastern. Use the link above for more information.

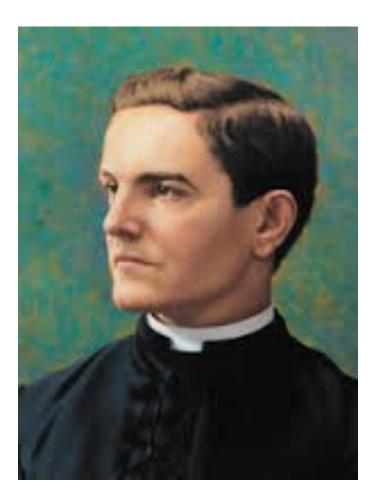
We are asking all councils and members to pray the Prayer for the Canonization of Father McGivney. It is especially important that all Knights pray this prayer and report any favors received to the Guild. We need one more miracle for our founder to reach canonization and sainthood, so you will play an even more important role in that process.

Knights of Columbus



### Prayer for Canonization of Fr. McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. 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 your venerable servant Father Michael J. 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



### Defense of Christopher Columbus

#### Worthy Brothers,

In recent months, statues of Christopher Columbus have been torn down by mobs in cities like Baltimore and Richmond. Robert Royal, Catholic author and the President of the Faith & Reason Institute, will give a Catholic defense of Christopher Columbus during a lecture at the Basilica of Saint Mary on Thursday, October 1, at 7:30 pm.

Royal is the author of Columbus and the Crisis of the West and 1492 and All That: Political Manipulations of History.

Members of the Knights of Columbus and all who are interested are invited to watch the lecture that the Basilica will livestream at the following link - <u>https://vimeo.com/461537633</u>

Fraternally,

Brian M. Ripple State Deputy Knights of Columbus Virginia State Council



### Presentation of Ultrasound

Over the last several years, the Roanoke Council has been working with the Salem Council and the John C. Webb Council (Fincastle) to fund an ultrasound imaging unit for the Blue Ridge Women's Center. On Saturday, September 26, Bishop Knestout assisted in the presentation of the unit to BRWC. Funds raised by the three councils were matched by Supreme. (Pictures courtesy of Ryan Hunt Photography.



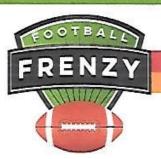


# Virginia KofC Football Frenzy



Once again this year, the

Virginia State Council is holding a football pool with multiple weekly winners. Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$20. The council receives \$2 for each ticket sold, so be certain to include the council number with your ticket purchase. See details on the following two pages.





1. MEMBERSHIP CARD COST - BUY 2 GET 1 FREE: Membership Card is \$10.00. Purchase of the Membership Card automatically enters you into the Football Frenzy Game. By purchasing two membership cards you get a FREE ticket online! Free ticket(s) will be emailed to you, and automatically linked into your account (while supplies last, valid until 10/28/20.)

2. GREEN BEE SAVINGS CLUB: Go online to www.greenbeesavingsclub.com to take advantage of the Restaurant.com certificate offers. Your membership is valid online until 12/31/2020.

3. TEAMS: Football Frenzy tickets have 4 teams each week, and the 4 teams change weekly. No two tickets have the same 4 teams each week. Team codes are listed on the other side of the ticket.

4. DATES: Football Frenzy tickets are valid for the last 10 weeks of the Pro football season. Week #1 is November 1st. Week #2 is November 8th. Week #3 is November 15th, etc.

5. PRIZES: TOTAL PRIZES will be \$10,000! Prizes are awarded weekly to the ticket holders with the 4 teams that score the most or the least number of points. These 4-team totals are called the "Highest 4-Team Totals" and the "Lowest 4-Team Totals." The prizes for these winners are listed on the tickets. A total of \$1,000 will be paid to the ticket holders with the "Highest" and the "Lowest" 4-Team totals each week. In case of ties, prizes are combined and split. All results are final. ALTERNATE METHOD: In the unlikely event that any circumstances beyond our control make it impossible to determine winners as stated, an alternate method, the Weather Program, will be used to distribute prizes. Teams on all tickets will be considered "cities" as determined by Green Bee Fundraising. The "High" temperatures ("F) for the "cities" will be used instead of scores. The total sum in degrees for the "cities" will determine the High and Low winners. Go to www.footballsweeps.com for details.

6. WINNERS: Winning ticket numbers are posted weekly and are notified by mail. It makes no difference whether teams win or lose. In case of ties, prizes are combined and split. Winners do not need to claim a prize.

BYE WEEKS: The scores from the previous week's game will be used for teams that are not scheduled to play on any given week.
 CHECK RESULTS: Winning ticket numbers will be posted weekly on Tuesdays, starting Tuesday, November 3rd. Go to the website listed below and click on the Football Frenzy Logo button to check results. Use your browser's address bar and not a search engine such as Yahoo or Google.

9. PURCHASE ONLINE: Purchases can be made online in 4 Easy Steps! To receive a free ticket, you need to purchase two cards in one transaction. Your FREE ticket will automatically be linked to your account. <u>Please</u> have family and friends enter your Member Name and Council Number or Assembly Number in the designated online fields. This allows the credit to be given accordingly.

1. Go to www.footballsweeps.com 2. Click Order Tickets Online 3. Enter code FB20VIRGINIA 4. Register or log in

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FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

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## TO PURCHASE ONLINE:

1 Click the ticket above 2 Create an account or log in

Enter the quantity you wish to purchase. Remember to enter the KC Member Name and Council Number or Assembly Number, too!

### **Buy Your Tickets Now**

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