

# The Knight News



## St. Michael the Archangel

### KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

Council No. 18284

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**REGULAR MEETING - SECOND AND FOURTH WEDNESDAY  
AT 7:00 P.M.**



#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- January 24 – Council Meeting, 7 P.M.
- January 26 – Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity Due by 6 P.M.
- February 4 – Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship, Blessed Sacrament School, 1:30-4:00 P.M.
- February 7 – Estate Planning Session hosted by St. Michael the Archangel's Field Agent Greg White, 6 P.M.
- February 14 – Ash Wednesday and Valentine's Day – No Council Meeting
- February 28 – Council Meeting, 7 P.M.

## OUR COUNCIL IS GROWING!

St. Michael the Archangel Council welcomed five new members on Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup> when Fr. Su Abraham, Steve Brunson, Joe McGinley, Jim Schoettle, and Neil Winter received their Third Degree during the Exemplification Ceremony at Blessed Sacrament. St. Michael the Archangel Council 18284 now has 46 members!



## ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY

Knights put their faith into action every day to make life better in their parishes and communities. We offer men the opportunity to grow in their faith, to become better Catholics, husbands and fathers while helping others and supporting the Church.

Twice a year, each Council is asked to report on services and hours donated by Brothers in the four Faith in Action categories: Faith, Family, Life and Community. These hours can be in the activities the Knights of Columbus run and in miscellaneous activities that our brothers participate in.

While St. Michael the Archangel Council is in our infancy, we have all served to make our Parish and Community better. There are many things that you have done already that can be reported: the Kids for Coat Drive, Eucharistic Adoration, work on the Free Throw Championship, March for Life, Church Cleaning, Habitat for Humanity, etc.

Please report your efforts using this link [CLICK HERE TO REPORT YOUR HOURS. \(https://forms.gle/SQxe2FE8TaCs2aCp8\)](https://forms.gle/SQxe2FE8TaCs2aCp8)

Please submit your hours in the on-line form by January 26th.

*Please Note - near the end of the form, everyone will be asked if you are a Fourth Degree. Sir Knights, please enter hours for the activities you have worked with your Assembly.*

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP ON FEBRUARY 4TH**

St. Michael the Archangel Council 18284 is hosting the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship on Sunday, February 4th from 1:30-4:00 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament Gym.

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually, with winners progressing through local, district, and state competitions. All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 are eligible to participate. All contestants on the Council level are recognized for their participation in the event.

The Council needs 16 volunteers to register, rebound, and keep track of shots made. Please reach out to Deputy Grand Knight Mike Stoeckle if you can help at 859-322-3419 or [Michael.stoeckle67@gmail.com](mailto:Michael.stoeckle67@gmail.com).

### How to Register:

1. Visit the Blessed Sacrament Booster website <https://bssboosters.demosphere-secure.com/demosphere-registration-site>
2. Click on the "online registration" hyperlink.
3. Follow the instructions to complete the registration process.

## **ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR ON FEBRUARY 7<sup>TH</sup>**

St. Michael the Archangel Council's Field Agent Greg White is hosting an Estate Planning Event on February 7th at Blessed Sacrament in the Undercroft. This session is open to Knights from Councils across Northern Kentucky as well as Blessed Sacrament parishioners. Speakers will include an estate planning attorney and long-term care and disability specialists. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. and the program will start at 6:30 p.m. Please RSVP to Greg White at [Gregory.White@kofc.org](mailto:Gregory.White@kofc.org) or 513-498-0863.

## **WhatsApp FOR ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL COMMUNICATION**

Some Brothers prefer email, others don't check it or only periodically. Some Brothers prefer text messages for communications because the length of the information is limited. Of course, the length and how many Brothers can be on a text thread is limited.

St. Michael the Archangel Council is going to use WhatsApp to communicate across our Council. We will create a Council-wide Community, and Officer Community, and Communities for each Activity St. Michael the Archangel sponsors.

WhatsApp is free to download messenger app for smartphones. The service is very similar to text messaging service and you can also use Whatsapp on your computer, simply go to the Whatsapp website and download it to Mac or Windows.

Our Worthy Recorder, Nick McGinnis, has set up our WhatsApp Community and will be glad to provide one-on-one help to anyone who needs assistance.

### Here is how to get started:

- Install the app from the Play Store (<https://andauth.co/rhSlvO>) (Android) or App Store (<https://andauth.co/whatsappios>) (iPhone).
- -Launch the app and approve the requested permissions.

- -Enter your phone number and tap Confirm.
- -Enter the verification code received via SMS (Text) (WhatsApp may do this automatically).
- -Import existing contacts into the app (optional).
- -Visit this link to join the community: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/HpyyUJap23B8m4vjR5yyt>

Here is a video that shows the signup process:

- <https://youtu.be/Ryiv5t6CgFM?>

## **2024 ANNUAL DUES**

Just a reminder that your bill for 2024 Knights of Columbus Annual has been sent by our Financial Secretary, Arick Stall. Annual dues are \$50 and checks can be brought to a meeting or mailed to Arick Stall, Financial Secretary, 61 Carran Drive, Lakeside Park, KY 41017. Please remit to Arick by the end of the month.

## **2024 EVENT CALENDAR**

Our Worthy Program Director, Thomas Neltner, has led a planning effort to layout events and programs that the Knights will lead, sponsor or participate in throughout 2024. The activities we are undertaking will support the Council's objectives of Establishing a Firm Base for the Council and positioning the Council to Win the Star Council Award.

Activities are aligned with the Knights of Columbus' Faith in Action programs of Faith, Family, Life and Community. Our Coat Drive in December was our first Activity. During the first quarter, look for events across all four Faith in Action categories.

## **ROSARY BEFORE MEETINGS DURING LENT**

The Rosary will be said before our Council Meetings during Lent. Rosary will start at 6:45 p.m. and the meeting will immediately follow. Please join your Brother Knights in prayer during Lent.

## **ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CHARTER MEMBER SHIRTS**

The Shirts are IN! If you ordered a St. Michael the Archangel Charter Member shirt you can pick it up at any Council Meeting.

## **2024 BASKETBALL SLAM FUNDRAISER**

The **2024 Basketball Slam Fundraiser** sponsored by the Kentucky Knights of Columbus is underway. Tickets are \$10 per ticket, or if you purchase two \$10 tickets you get one free \$10 ticket that's redeemable online. More information on the raffle fundraiser can be found at [www.kykofc.com](http://www.kykofc.com). See Brother Mike Murray at Council Meetings or by phone at 859-630-4228 if you would like tickets.

## **FOUNDERS CLUB**

Founding members of St. Michael the Archangel Council have made contributions to The Founders Club Fund to assist the Council with startup costs. Donations to date are near \$1,000. These generous donations will help the Council operate until annual dues are collected and fundraising initiatives are established. If you would like to contribute, please send your check, made out to St. Michael the Archangel Council, to 2409 Dixie Highway, Ft. Mitchell, KY 41017

## **INSURANCE REPORT**

Happy Valentine's Day! The celebration of love is always popular. After all, isn't love what every holiday celebration is about?

Insurance is all about love. Most people buy insurance because they love someone. A husband buys life insurance because he loves his wife and children. If he's not there to provide for them he wants to make sure they can stay in the same home, enjoy the same lifestyle, provide a college education for his children. With many two income families, wives buy life insurance for the same reasons.

Long Term Care Insurance and Disability Income Insurance help protect the family from the vagaries of life: Needing care in the home or in a long-term care facility or being hurt or sick and unable to work affects the family. These products help protect the family one loves.

Even our retirement annuity products help the ones we love. With forward thinking and fiscal discipline, a retirement annuity helps spouses spend their retirement years knowing they can have a guaranteed lifetime income. Less worries for the ones we love.

All the products we have available are centered around protection; protecting the ones we love. Is your protection where you want it to be for your loved ones? Let's meet and discuss what you want. I'll give you a call or feel free to contact me.

Vivat Jesus!

Gregory White, FICF, CLTC, MDRT

## **KNIGHT NEWS**

Very important: If you change your e-mail address, please give us your new e-mail address so you will continue to receive the Knight News and we do not receive undelivered emails to your old email address. Also, a current email address will keep you informed regarding Council activities. We also need you to keep the Council updated on any change of your mailing address or an illness or a death of a member.