



“Over 115 years of Service to the Massillon Area”

Massillon Council 554



Knights of Columbus

March - April, 2019

Grand Knight's Report

By Robert Pittinger, Grand Knight

Can you believe that March 6th is Ash Wednesday already! The season of Lent is a wonderful time to renew our faith life. Christ gave all for us because he so loved us. I believe we can take the 40 days of Lent leading up to the greatest event the world has ever known, the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and use them for renewal acts of charity towards our fellow men and women. Instead of giving something up for Lent maybe doing something for others would be a good way of honoring our Lords sacrifice.

Also starting on March 6th through April 14th is 40 Days for Life. We are working on a day(s) for members of our council to stand outside of Planned Parenthood during the Lenten season.

On March 12th at our regular Council Meeting we will be nominating and electing the delegates to the State Convention, and also have a Social with our wives and friends. We will have a Bunco tournament after the meeting. Hopefully we will be holding a 1st Degree on March 13th. You can help us in this effort by asking someone you know to join our council. We really could use your help.

On March 18th we will be holding a prayer service with the Marian Icon for Persecuted Christians at St. Mary's. The prayer service will start at 7:00 pm and everyone is welcome. The Icon will be at St. Mary's from March 16th to March 22nd.

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What's Happening in...

.....March, 2019

- 5 7:00 PM 4th Degree Meeting
- 6 7:00 PM **Ash Wednesday**
Squires Meeting
- 12 7:00 PM Reg. Council Meeting;
Nom/Elect delegates State
Convention
- 13 7:00 PM 1st Degree DVD
- 14 7:00 PM Stark County Chapter
- 16 6:00 PM "Nite at the Races"
- 17 **St. Patrick's Day**
- 19 5:00 PM MKF Clubroom Dinner
7:30 PM Columbian Ladies Meeting
- 20 7:00 PM Squires Meeting
- 26 6:00 PM Program Director's Meeting
6:30 PM Officers and Trustees Meeting
- 27 1:00 PM Bloodmobile

.....April, 2019

- 2 7:00 PM 4th Degree Meeting
- 3 7:00 PM Squires Meeting
- 9 7:00 PM Reg. Council Meeting
- 10 7:00 PM 1st Degree (Admission
Degree) DVD
- 11 7:30 PM Stark County Chapter
- 13 10:00 AM Easter Egg Hunt (Pavilion)
6:00 PM Nite at the Races
- 16 5:00 PM MKF Clubroom Dinner
7:30 PM Columbian Ladies Meeting
- 17 7:00 PM Squires Meeting
- 21 **Easter**
11:00 AM Easter Buffet
- 23 6:00 PM Officers and Trustees
7:00 PM Council 554 Youth Awards
- 30 7:00 PM PGKs Meeting -Dinner

Chaplain's Report

By Msgr James Kolp

Just a few days ago I returned after spending some three weeks in the South. It was great being with friends and relatives and enjoying some great weather. On the way back I had the privilege of celebrating Mass at EWTN in Alabama and saying a prayer at the tomb of Mother Angelica.

Now we are on the brink of a most exciting and valuable time of the year- the holy season of Lent. It begins on Ash Wednesday-March 6th. I urge you to make Lent 2019 a time of supreme sacrifice and prayer.

Please set aside Monday, March 18 for veneration of the Icon of Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians. At 7:00 that night we will have a special prayer service at St. Mary's praying to Our Lady for men, women and children who are Christian and living in places like Iraq where there is so much risk in being Christian.

May Lent 2019 be the very best Lent in your entire life.

Council Business Meetings

2nd Tues every Month: 7:00 PM

Club Room Hours

Mon-Tues-Wed: 4-11 PM

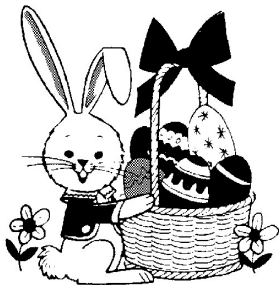
Thu-Fri-Sat: 4 -12 AM

KITCHEN HOURS

Wed, Thurs, Sat, 5 to 8 p.m.,

...Fridays - 4 to 8 p.m.

Check out our new menu!



Easter Sunday Buffet

Sunday, April 21, 2019

11AM to 2PM (taking the last reservation at 1:30)

Seniors - \$16.00

Adults - \$19.00

Children under 11 - \$10.00

Children under 2 - FREE

MENU: Browned sugar glazed ham, Italian marinated chicken, Roast Sirloin of Beef, Italian sausage with peppers/onions, mashed potatoes with gravy, buttered noodles, buttered corn, green beans with mushrooms, salad bar, rolls/butter, variety of desserts. Tax and Beverage included in price.

(Gratuity not included)

Call 330-837-9101 for Reservations!

Massillon Council 554

2018- 2019 Officers & Trustees

Chaplain	Msgr. James Kolp	871-8346
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Bingo Mgr	Ron Kurpieski	936-8058
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Parish Round Table Coordinators

St. Mary	Ken Girt, PGK	837-6670
St Joseph	Tom Ferrero	832-5757
St Barbara	Joe Vilhosky	833-0130

Web: <http://www.massillonkofc554.org>

Fraternal Report

By Ken Girt, PGK

On Our Sick List: Gerald Meyer, Bill Ringley, Ron Blogna, Bill Hamit, Jim Kracker, Richard Rootes, Gene Hammer, John Sheetz, Jim Kelly and Chuck Meyer.

In Nursing Homes:

If you want your name added to our sick list, or if you know of a brother knight who should be added, please send me an email at girtken@sssnet.com or call me at 330-837-6670.

Columbian Ladies Report

By Darlene Catazaro

We are looking at the Craft Show date for 2019, more details to follow. Stay warm as Spring is near and please plan to attend the March meeting.

Columbian Squires Pancake Breakfast

The Columbian Squires will host a pancake breakfast on Sunday, March 10, from 8:30 to noon at St. Mary's in the gym. Come enjoy pancakes, eggs, sausage and more! Freewill offerings are accepted.

St. Barbara Round Table Project

By Joe Vilhosky, Round Table Chairman

St. Barbara spring cemetery cleanup is scheduled for April 6th at 10:00 A.M., weather permitting. Volunteers are needed and all they need to bring is themselves, gloves and a leaf rake.

Also, St. Barbara's will be sponsoring a Lenten Mission from Sunday March 31 to Wednesday, April 3. The Mission theme will be on the Rosary conducted by Fr. Paschal Petcavage. More information in church bulletin.

In Memoriam: John Martin

John Herman Martin, age 83, passed away on February 14. He was born in Massillon, and graduated from Massillon High School. He retired from Reiter and Harter Dairy after 37 years as a truck driver. He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church where he was active with the St. Vincent DePaul Society food kitchen and bingo. In addition, he was a Fourth Degree with the Knights of Columbus. He also served as an officer for Council 554.

John is preceded in death by his wife, Marilyn of 54 years and is survived by his two daughters, Linda and Janet

Council 554 Recruitment Church Drive

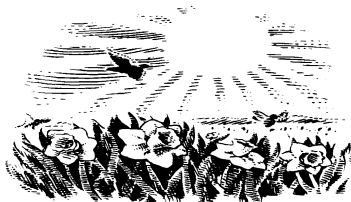
Your help is requested for our March Church Drive in our three parishes. We need volunteers to distribute information and discuss membership to the KofC after the weekend Masses:

St. Mary. - March 9 & 10. We will have a table at the Squires Breakfast on March 10. We can use volunteers after the Masses. See Paul Haig or Ken McLaughlin at the Sound Table at the back of church.

St. Joseph - March 9 & 10. Come back to the back of church for pamphlets to distribute. Tom Ferrero is Coordinator.

St. Barbara - March 16 & 17. Joe Vilhosky is Coordinator. Sunday is Donut Sunday.

Help us grow our council!



PLEASE NOTE!!!

The officers of Council 554 have decided to discontinue the mailing of the bulletin, due to the rising costs of postage and printing. The change will take place starting in April 2019. The newsletter and other valuable information about our council and hall is available each month online at

www://massillonkofc554.org

There are three options to keep in contact with our Council and Complex:

1. **Provide us with your email address**, we will also send you an email notice when the latest new newsletter is available each month. Send your email address to our Financial Secretary, Tim Paul at.: tpaul1951@icloud.com.
 2. We will still continue to **print copies of the newsletter and have them available in the club room** for you to pick up if you do not have an email address.
 3. If you have no computer and cannot pick up a copy in the clubroom, please notify FS Paul with your address.
- We will mail a copy as last resort.**

Thank you for your support of our council.

Robert Pittinger – Grand Knight

Grand Knight's Report continued...

If you have not paid your dues please pay them as soon as possible. The Super Cash Bonanza tickets should be in your possession by now, please make every effort to sell or buy these tickets. They will bring much needed money to our council for our charity programs. The earlier you return them the more money the council gets. Our first turn in date is April 15th.

Please read your council newsletter and support the council and the foundation in all the events scheduled this month.

There is still time to sign up for the Catholic Men's Fellowship Conference to be held at St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Louisville, Ohio on March 23rd. Coffee and Donuts along with Confession and Mass at 4:00 pm celebrated by Bishop Murry.

Please make an effort to make a council meeting. We would love to see you. As always please pray the rosary a wonderful devotion especially during Lent for the unborn. Kyrie Eleison on our families, our church, and our nation.

The Massillon Knights Foundation

Foundation Trustees 2018 – 2019 Three Year: James Brelish (Treasurer), Paul Lambert (President), Dave Cowley. Two-Year: Bill Shane (Vice President), Jeff Heitger (Secretary), Jim Sieber, One-Year: John Williams, Bob Catazaro, Ron Kurpieski.

Foundation Report

By Paul Lambert, President

I hope everyone has survived this winter weather and have kept an eye on your neighbors and loved ones. Please pray for world peace.

Our dinners for the next two months will be on Tuesday, March 19 which will be All You Can Eat Spaghetti or Corn Beef and Cabbage - \$10.00 Adults and \$8.00 for children and Tuesday, April 16 will be our Prime Rib Dinner- If you make reservations \$12.00 otherwise at door is \$15.00 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Deadline for reservations for the dinner is Saturday, April 13. Call 330-837-9109 for your reservations.

I want to thank everyone for supporting our dinners this year and also to all our volunteers. Without them we would not be able to have our dinners. These dinners help us keep the building in good shape

Complex Manager's Report

By Mary Ann Cowley

March is here, hopefully Spring is right around the corner.

Love Boat was a great success once again. Thanks to all who helped in any way, and a BIG THANKS to those who attended. Very much appreciated!

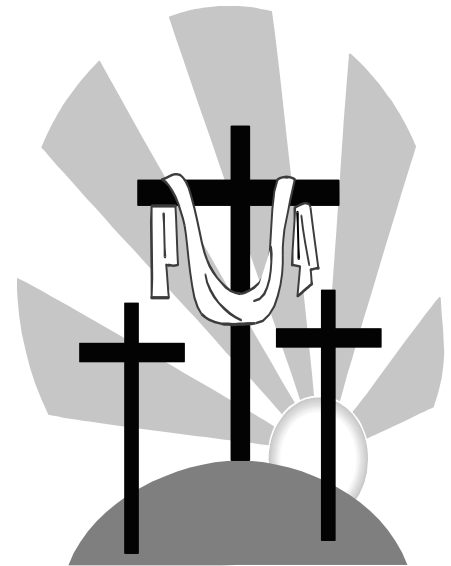
Mardi Gras Party - Tuesday, March 5th - Free Masks - doors open at 4:00 p.m. - drink specials, snacks, O'derve plates - sm. - \$10 lg. - \$20 -Cowboy Burger/Fries - \$7.50 ... free play on juke box. Tip boards/50/50 Raffle/lottery Mask! Come join in the FUN! Our first year having a Mardi Gras/Fat Tuesday Party. O'derve plates & Burgers served 5 to 9 p.m.

Ash Wednesday - March 6th. Open for fish fry, 4 to 8 p.m. Lenten Hours on Fridays, 4 to 9:00 p.m. Reservations for parties of 8 or more during Lent. All To Go Orders must be placed in the clubroom, No Call Ins! Please have patience with our Kitchen Staff, they are very busy during Lent and try and get everyone served in a timely fashion.

Happy St. Patrick's Day to all. We will have corn beef/cabbage/and or spaghetti dinner on Tuesday, March 19th from 5 to 7. This is our MKF Dinner to support our Building Fund.

Bingo continues every Monday! Doors open at 4:00 p.m. Come out and support our Bingo Program. Thanks!

Nite at the Races, Saturday, March 16th with co-sponsor Tuslaw Baseball/Softball. Tickets on sale now, \$15 each, includes a one meat buffet and open bar!



**MKF Clubroom Dinner
Served 5-7 PM**

**March 19, 2019
All-You-Can-Eat
Spaghetti or Corn
Beef & Cabbage**

Adults - \$10 Children - \$8

**April 16, 2019
Prime Rib Dinner
\$12 each with Reservation
\$15 at Door.
Reservations by April 13 at
330-837-9101**

Mardi Gras Party

Tuesday, March 5th

Doors Open at 4:00 p.m.

**O'derve plates & Burgers
served 5 to 9 p.m.**

**Free Masks, drink specials,
snacks, O'derve plates (small:
\$10, large: \$20) and Cowboy
Burger & Fries - \$7.50. Free play
on juke box, tip boards; 50/50
raffle; lottery mask.**

**Come join in the fun! Our first
year having a Mardi Gras/Fat
Tuesday Party.**

FISH FRY'S

Every Friday

in our Clubroom

4:00 to 8:00 PM

(4-9 During Lent)

MASSILLON K of C BINGO

Every Monday Night 7PM

Doors open at 4:30 PM

ALL PAPER GAMES

Bishop Massillon Assembly Fourth Degree

Faithful Friar Fr. Raymond Paul 833-2607
 Faithful Purser Edward Shuman 854-3691
 Faithful Captain Roger Piper 936-0974
 Faithful Admiral Paul Haig, PFN 837-1185
 Faithful Comptroller Dan Flanagan 966-4937
 Faithful Pilot Leonard Hughes 834-5586
 Faithful Scribe

Faithful Navigator
 Faithful Inner Sentinel
 Faithful Outer Sentinel
 Faithful 1-year Trustee
 Faithful 2-year Trustee
 Faithful 3-year Trustee
 Commander

Matthew Meyer, 284-9365
 Charles Meyer 833-0593
 Jim Coughlin, PFN
 Fred Russell, PFN 832-5420
 James Sieber, PFN 478-2363
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Faithful Navigator's Report

By Matt Meyer, Faithful Navigator

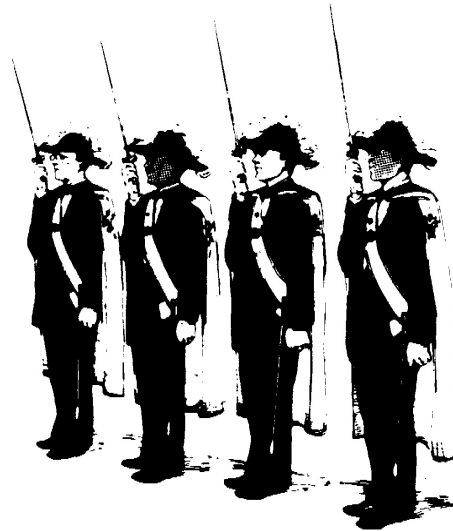
This is about the last call for anyone who wants to make their 4th degree at the spring exemplification at the Holiday Inn at Boardman. There will be a nice banquet after the exemplification and also multiple hospitality rooms free of charge with open bars and lots of food! Contact me or any 4th degree officer to get a form 4 and details about this degree.

Many of you might know already, but my Grand Uncle, John Martin passed away on Valentine's Day. He was very active at the Massillon council and also in the 4th degree. Thanks to those that fell out for guard duty at calling hours. There were six Sir Knights in regalia for the calling hours.

Our March meeting on the 5th falls on Mardi Gras. The club room is having a party and the kitchen will be open. "Mardi Gras Party - Tuesday, March 5th - Free Masks - doors open at 4:00 p.m. - drink specials, snacks, O'derve plates - sm. - \$10 lg. - \$20 -Cowboy Burger/Fries - \$7.50 ... free play on juke box. Tip boards/50/50 Raffle/lottery Mask! O'derve plates & Burgers served 5 to 9 p.m."

This is a great opportunity to support the club room. We will put orders in just before the meeting starts so please arrive a little before 7pm.

The next gun show is coming up on April 6th and 7th. Please make yourself available that weekend to volunteer at either of the concession stands. As always, dessert donations are appreciated especially pies!



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