



Massillon Council 554



Knights of Columbus

November, 2019

Grand Knight's Report, by Robert Pittinger, Grand Knight

Well November has arrived and fall is in full swing. This is the start of the holiday season. Please read your bulletin to see all the wonderful things going on at your council and club. Try to come out to our meetings as we have a good time and you get a chance to socialize with your brother knights. Make an effort to come and enjoy a meal here at the K of C.

November 1st is All Saints Day and a Holy Day of Obligation. November 11th is Veterans Day and thanks to all those that have served. Please continue to pray the rosary for our country and our Council.

Wednesday, November 20th will be our Program Directors' and Officers/Trustees Meeting. There will be no social program for November.

Thanks to all the knights that helped out with our October Blitz and thanks to the Squires for a great job on the pancake breakfast. Don't forget to attend your parish Divine Mercy Chaplet. You can find the day and times in our newsletter and your church bulletin.

Our council lottery calendars are available for sale again. They make a great Christmas gift which really helps our council.

Please continue to keep Bishop Murry in your prayers.

Chaplain's Report, by Msgr. James Kolp, Chaplain

We have come upon the month of November and we notice signs of death all around. The leaves are dying and falling off the trees. The plants in our gardens are wilting away. This is the month when the Church asks us to think of our own day of death and to prepare for it by a joy-filled and holy life.

The Church also, asks us to pray for those who have gone before us that they may fulfill their Purgatory and enter into the joy of God's presence. We can help them by our prayers and especially by having Masses offered for them.

We will have our Memorial Mass for our deceased members on Tuesday, November 26th at 7:00 P.M. By that time, you will have the chance of praying many rosaries for the departed. I have the fondest memories of so many knights and ladies who have paved the way for the rest of us. Let us make November very, very special.

2020 Lottery Calendars, by Matt Meyer, 1000 Club Chairman

2020 Calendars are now available to buy and sell. Quite a few are out now so get them sold as soon as you can before they run out! These make a great Christmas present for those hard to buy for people. They are still only \$30 with over 300 chances to win during the entire year of 2020. Sellers get a bonus \$25 if they sell a calendar that wins on a Saturday! Sellers also get a free calendar if they sell between 30-49 calendars and if they sell 50 or more calendars, they get \$1 for every calendar sold. Please support this as it allows our council to continue doing all its programs.

Annual Memorial Mass

On Tuesday, November 26th at 7:00 pm we will be holding our annual council Memorial Mass for our deceased members and Columbian Ladies who have passed away this past year. We have lost seven Knights and one Columbian Lady. Msgr. Kolp, our Chaplain, will be the celebrant for the mass, so please try to attend. We will have a light meal afterwards. There will be a sign-up sheet for this ceremony in the clubroom.

Our Deceased Members being remembered and their date of passing are: **John Sibila** - Dec. 13, 2018, **John Martin** - Feb. 14, 2019, **Ralph Forrer** - March 4, 2019, **Francis Aowad** - April 6, 2019, **James Kelley** - April 9, 2019, **Raymond Meanor** - Oct. 9, 2019 and **Gary Harper** - Oct. 22, 2019

<p><u>Club Room Hours:</u> Mon-Tues-Wed: 4-11 PM Thu-Fri-Sat: 4 -12 AM <u>Dining Room Hours:</u> Wed, Thur, Sat 5-8 PM, Friday; 4 – 8 PM <u>Council Meetings:</u> 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 PM Social Meeting 4th Tuesday</p>
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What's Happening in...

.....November, 2019

- 1 *All Saints Day*
- 2 2:00 PM Massillon-McKinley Game Party
- 5 7:00 PM 4th Degree Meeting
- 11 *Veterans Day*
- 12 7:00 PM Reg. Council Meeting
- 13 7:00 PM 1st Degree (Admission Degree) DVD
- 14 7:00 PM Stark County Chapter Meeting
- 19 5:00 PM MKF Clubroom Dinner
- 20 1:00 PM Bloodmobile
- 6:00 PM Program Director's Meeting (Special Night)
- 6:30 PM Officers and Trustees Meeting (Special Night)
- 26 7:00 PM Council Memorial Mass w/Col Ladies
- 28 *Thanksgiving*

.....December, 2019

- 3 7:00 PM 4th Degree Meeting; Tom & Jerry (Ladies Night)
- 7 6:00 PM 4th Degree Ball
- 8 *Feast of the Immaculate Conception*
- 10 7:00 PM Reg. Council Meeting
- 7:30 PM Council Christmas Party
- 11 7:00 PM 1st Degree (Admission Degree) DVD
- 17 6:00 PM Columbian Ladies Christmas Party
- 18 6:30 PM Special Officer & Trustee Meeting
- 21 10:00AM Breakfast with St. Nick
- 25 *Christmas*
- 31 *New Years Eve*

Bingo: Every Monday Night **Hot Lunch:** Every Wednesday **Admission 1st Degree:** Second Wednesday of the Month
Massillon Knights Foundation Meeting: 3rd Tuesday of month; 6 PM
Massillon Squires Circle Meeting: 1st and 3rd Wednesday, 7 PM, at St Joseph School

Massillon Council 554 2019 - 2020 Officers & Trustees

Officers

Chaplain	Msgr James Kolp	871-8346
Grand Knight	Bob Pittinger	571-5150
Dep Grd Knight	Ken McLaughlin	571 1203
Chancellor	Ed Hill	323-0476
Recorder	Matt Meyer, PGK	284-9365
Treasurer	Paul Haig, PGK	837-1185
Financial Sec	Tim Paul	837-1411
Advocate	John Ferrero, Jr.	833-3534
Warden	Joe Vilhosky	833-0130
Inside Guard	Bob Catazaro	478-2264
Outside Guard	Bill Shane, PGK	268-0545
1- Year Trust	Jim Sieber, PGK	478-2363
2- Year Trust	Gary Lamielle, PGK	327-7223
3- Year Trust	Ken Girt, PGK	837-6670
Field Agent	(Open)	
Bulletin Editor	Ken Girt, PGK	837-6670
Webmaster	Kyle Shane	

Prish Round Table Coordinators

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

Program Activity Chairmen:

FAITH	Michael Roberts	340-7321
FAMILY	Ed Hill	323-0476
COMMUNITY	Matt Meyer, PGK	284-9365
LIFE	Robert Kring	833-9851
Squires	Mike Szillat, PGK	830-4930
Membership	Ken Girt, PGK	837-6670
Complex Mgr	Mary Ann Cowley	837-9101
Bingo Mgr	Ron Kurpieski	936-8058
200 Club	Bill Shane, PGK	268-0545

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

From the Editor.....Ken Girt, PSD, PGK, Newsletter Editor

Our new "printed" newsletter format includes the first four pages of our multi-page electronic newsletter. This four-page document will be mailed to those who requested it. We will also have a supply of this four-page printed bulletin available each month for pick-up in our clubroom. If you wish to read the entire multi-page issue, please see the document on our website.... <http://www.massillonkofc554.org>.

Please feel free to share and forward this weblink with someone who might be interested in the KofC.

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 Scheetz, Walt Featheringham and Chuck Meyer. If you want your name added to our sick list, or if you know of a member who should be added, please send me an email at girtken@ssnet.com or call me at 330-837-6670.

In Memoriam: Raymond Meanor

Raymond B. Meanor, age 77, passed away on October 4, 2019. He was born in Massillon and was a graduate of Washington High School. Raymond retired from Aqua Ohio after 40 years of service as a backhoe operator. He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus. Raymond is survived by his wife of 56 years, Jean and 2 children, Donald and Kimberly. May he Rest in Peace.

In Memoriam: Gary Harper

Gary J. Harper, age 88 passed away October 22, 2019. He was born in Jackson Twp and was a 1949 graduate of Massillon Washington High School and a 1954 graduate of Miami University of Ohio. Gary retired after 42 years of service at the former Union Drawn Division of Republic Steel and was an accountant for several local businesses. He was a member of St. Mary Catholic Church where he was involved with the nave crew and sang in the choir for over 40 years. He was a lifetime honorary member of the K of C Council #554. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Carol, son Thomas and daughter Leanne. May he Rest in Peace.

Council 554 Membership Report

Congratulation and Welcome to **Alex Turner**. Alex took his 1st Degree on October 11 and is now a member of Council 554.

St. Joseph Parish will be hosting a Church Drive on Sunday, November 17. This coincides with the monthly Donut Social after the Sunday Masses. Contact Tom Ferrero at 330-832-5757 if you can help

Family of the Month and Knight of the Month for September.

Congratulations to Duayne and Cheryl Anderson for being selected as our Family of the Month for October. They are very active in numerous ministries at St. Barbara's parish. We also congratulate **James "Bink" Wachtel**, for being selected Knight of the Month for October. Bink works at the St. Mary's St. Vincent de Paul Food pantry.

Columbian Ladies Report, by *Darlene Catazaro, President*

The Memorial Mass celebration will be shared with the Knights of Columbus men. The date will be on November 26th at 7:00 pm. Hope to see you there.

Please stop and look at the outside renovation of our beautiful Blessed Virgin Mary. The cement pad and walkway are an added touch. Thanks, ladies for a wonderful project. Also, thank you for the donation of a box of kids coats for the Supreme Council which will be given to our community. You are all such a giving group of women.

Remember, mark your calendar for the Christmas Party on December 17. Doors open at 6:00 pm and dinner served at 6:30 pm. You must RSVP to Mickey Catazaro 330 478-2264 by December 7. The menu will be choice of chicken, scrod or swiss steak.

Have a great month, continue to pray and God bless!

The Massillon Knights Foundation

Foundation Trustees 2019-2020: **One-Year:** Bill Shane (Vice President), Jeff Heitger (Secretary), Jim Sieber **Two Year:** James Brelish (Treasurer), Paul Lambert (President), Dave Cowley. **Three-Year:** John Williams, Bob Catazaro, Terry Phillips.

Foundation Report, By *Paul Lambert, President*

The leaves are turning beautiful colors and I think that is God's way of reminding us that winter is just around the corner and the weather is getting colder. Please remember to check in on your family, friends and neighbors.

I want to thank everyone who helped on the walking path. Hopefully we will have a dedication in the next few months. If you haven't walked the walking path please try it but please wear appropriate walking shoes.

I have a few things that have to be done inside the club room, pavilion, and the building. Please if you have an hour you can donate please call me and we can set up a time to get these few things done so they don't turn into major repairs.

MKF Clubroom Dinners – Tuesday, Nov 19, 2019

“Swiss Steak Dinner”

With Potato, Vegetable, Salad, Bread, and Dessert.

Reservation Requested: Deadline for reservation is Saturday, November 16, 2019.

Prices are: \$12.00 with Reservations (call 330-837-9101) or \$15.00 at door.

Children from 2 – 12 are \$8.00. Children 2 and under free. Served 5-7 PM

PLEASE NOTE: The Clubroom Bar will be CLOSED between 7 and 8 PM on Tuesday, November 26, while the Memorial Mass is being held in the Nina Room. See Mary Ann's comments below about the Queen of Hearts drawing.

Complex Manager's Report, By Mary Ann Cowley, Complex Manager

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone! Hope you all have a blessed day with your families. The Club will be closed Thursday, November 28th for Thanksgiving.

Friday, November 8th - we will have **Jordan Long** performing in our clubroom. Jordan is a Vocalist/Guitarist. Come out and hear her perform, you won't be disappointed. Jordan is a social member of our club. Come out and support her!

Thanks to all of you who came out and supported our Halloween Party/Massillon McKinley Game Day! We appreciate all of you!

Due to the Council's Memorial Mass on Tuesday, November 26th the Queen of Hearts Drawing will be at 7:00 p.m., with last sales at 6:30 p.m. Thanks for your co-operation in advance.

Tailgate Parties - Continue for every Brown's Game, no matter the day or time. GO BROWN'S!! Come out and support the club at our tailgate parties. Thanks to all of you who we see every week, you are appreciated So much!!

Nite at the Races - Saturday, January 18th - with co-sponsor St. Joseph Holy Name Society. This is the only Nite at the Races scheduled as of right now for the upcoming year. Due to conflict in our calendar with events booked. If the other organizations cannot make another month or date work for them, then we won't have anymore. You can call the office or watch for notices posted in the clubroom. Thanks!

Holiday Clubroom Closings: Christmas Eve and Christmas Day – Closed. New Year's Eve - and New Year's Day - Closed

Bingo continues on Mondays, with doors opening at 4:00 p.m. Come out and support our bingo program. If you would like to volunteer please call the office! 330-837-9101



Fish Fry's

Every Friday in our Clubroom 4:00 to 8:00 PM

Bishop Massillon Assembly Fourth Degree

Faithful Friar	Fr. Raymond Paul 833-2607	Faithful Navigator	Matthew Meyer, 284-9365
Faithful Purser	Edward Shuman 854-3691	Faithful Inner Sentinel	Charles Meyer 833-0593
Faithful Captain	Roger Piper 936-0974	Faithful Outer Sentinel	Jim Coughlin, PFN
Faithful Admiral	Paul Haig, PFN 837-1185	Faithful 1-year Trustee	James Sieber, PFN 478-2363
Faithful Comptroller	Dan Flanagan 966-4937	Faithful 2-year Trustee	Frank Csipke, PFN 833-6176
Faithful Pilot	Leonard Hughes 834-5586	Faithful 3-year Trustee	Fred Russell, PFN 832-5420
Faithful Scribe	Mike Huryh	Commander	James Sieber, PFN 478-2363

Faithful Navigator Report, By Matt Meyer, Faithful Navigator

The provincial meeting in sterling heights went very well. We learned a few new things that I would like to share. Firstly, the new uniform has officially rolled out. No old regalia shall be worn at any event. There is a new local provider of uniforms based in Alabama. Pricing is expected to be around \$450 which is slightly cheaper than getting it from supreme. To order the new uniform, you can go to kocpride.com. Currently it is still under construction but should be ready in the next couple of months. The Assembly will still reimburse anyone who gets a new uniform from now until June 2nd 2020. At that time we will review and figure out if we want to extend that reimbursement. We also learned how to properly shape the beret so it drapes nicely to the ear. We met many people from Michigan and got some good information about programs that they do in their areas.

Walsh College would like to honor the Knights of Columbus during a basketball game. We would have a chance to present colors at this event too which would give us great visibility to the public. Another potential program is teaming up with Canton assembly to help raise funds for the "Wags for Warriors" program which provides service animals for veterans who have been injured in combat.

The Christmas ball is coming up fast. Tickets are available from myself or Paul Haig and should be at the bar soon. Tickets are still \$60 per couple for a nice meal and entertainment from the band Timeless. It is a great value and expect a big turnout. Also do not forget about Tom & Jerry night on December 3rd. This is a regular Ladies Night so make sure you bring your lady!



Pictured watching a recent Browns game is Social Member Gary Myers, who supplied his projector and 110-inch screen for all Browns fans to use during this year's Cleveland Brown games. The K-Club is open for Sunday game for all Browns-Backers. The bar opens one hour before the kickoff and all are encouraged to bring snacks to share during the game. Thanks, Gary and Go Browns!

New Membership Recruiting Tool – Council 554 Landing Page

Supreme Council has now created a "Landing Page" for recruiting members for Council 554. For those with I-Phones or I-Pads, you can save the link below as one of your web favorites. When you find a potential candidate, access the link, have your candidate enter the contact information and press [Submit]. The information goes to Supreme and copied to Council Membership Chairman Ken Girt. We will process the application and you will get credit for recruiting a new member. Just access the link below and save.

https://info.kofc.org/OH-Landing-Page-Council-554_Landingpage.html

Massillon Squires Report, Mike Zsillat, Chief Counselor

Columbian Squires were honored at the Knights & Squires Dinner in Navarre on Sunday, October 27. Honorees included Squires officers: Jonathan Szillat (Chief Squire), Benjamin Frank (Deputy Chief Squire), Jaxon Gohlike (Notary), Steven Bettilyon (Bursar), Aaron Shiplett (Youth Chaplain), and Sam Szillat (Marshall). In addition, Jaxon Gohlike was awarded Squire of the Year, and James Brown IV was awarded Fundraiser of the Year.

The Squires' recent big event was the annual Pilgrimage Day. This year's theme was "Our Catholic Heritage - Impacting the World." The day included Mass, communal rosary, and visiting local Catholic sites such as St. Raphael's Chapel, St. John's Cathedral in Cleveland, and the Museum of Divine Statues in Lakewood.

Council 554 Round Table Initiative: Divine Mercy Chaplet Recitation

Council 554 members is conducting the **Divine Mercy Chaplet** recitation once a month in our local parishes. Our Lord said through his apparitions to St. Faustina: "It pleases me to grant everything souls ask of me by saying the chaplet." The chaplet should be said during the 3:00 hour, for all of us who need His divine mercy.

The schedule is as follows:

St. Joseph the chaplet recitation at St. Joseph Parish is scheduled on the third Friday of the month at 12:30 PM, (REVISED TIME) in the church following the Blessed Sacrament Exposition which runs from 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM.

St. Mary The chaplet recitation at St. Mary Parish is scheduled on the first Tuesday of the month, at 3:30 PM, in the chapel in the parish center on 1st Street. The recitation of the chaplet will be said prior to the regular Tuesday Mass for St. Dymphna at 4:00 PM.

St. Barbara The chaplet recitation at St. Barbara Parish is scheduled on the fourth Tuesday of the month, 3:00 PM, in the church.

All are welcome at all of the scheduled recitations. To learn more about the Divine Mercy Chaplet, visit...

<https://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/praythechaplet.php>

PLEASE NOTE: The movie LOVE AND MERCY about the life of St Faustina will be shown on December 2 at the Tinseltown Theatres (Strip) at 7:00. Reservations are strongly suggested as the special showing of this movie on October 26 was SOLD OUT. Go to..... <http://www.loveandmercymovie.com/>

COUNCIL PROGRAM ACTIVITIES:

LIFE ACTIVITIES

Massillon K of C Council 554 Right to Life Plans for Fall of 2019

As a gift from God, every human life is sacred from conception to natural death. The life and dignity of every person must be respected and protected at every stage and in every condition. The right to life is the first and most fundamental principle of human rights that leads Catholics to actively work for a world of greater respect for human life.

The Last Week of the Fall 40 days for Life with the Stations of the Cross. Please join us and show your support in this final peaceful public prayer vigil for the Fall 40 DAYS FOR LIFE on Sunday the 3rd of November 3:00 P.M. outside of the Canton Planned Parenthood center. The Stations of the Cross will be recited; in the belief that human life is sacred because from its beginning it involves the creative action of God and it remains forever in a special relationship with the Creator. God alone is the Lord of life from its beginning until its end: no one can under any circumstance claim for himself the right directly to destroy an innocent human being.

We also ask for repentance to those who work there and those who patronize the abortion center. If you wish to show your support and join us the location of Planned Parenthood is; 2663 Cleveland Ave NW - Canton, OH across from the Post Office. We are not permitted to park, walk, or stand on the Planned Parenthood property. We must stay on the public sidewalk. If you need transportation please contact Joe Vilhosky at (330) 806-4036 or (330) 833-0130.

Veterans Day Mass Breakfast St. Barbara Catholic School will be holding a Veteran's Day Mass and Breakfast/Program on Monday, November 11th. Mass begins at 9am with breakfast/program following in the Parish Life Center. Reservations are requested by calling the school at 330-833-9510.

Canton Council 4733 is sponsoring a Veterans Day Mass on Sunday, November 10 at the 10:30 Mass at St. Benedict Church at 2207 3rd Street SE Canton. Social and brunch will follow the Mass.

End of Life Issues

With Patients Rights Council Executive Director Rita Marker.

- **Have you considered what happens if your loved one is facing death, at any age?**
- **Who makes decisions for you when you cannot?**
- **What happens if your 18+ year old is suddenly incapacitated and away from home?**
- **Do you have questions about end of life issues?**



Come see Rita Marker speak about ...

Advanced Directives & Doctor Prescribed Suicide

November 11th, 7pm

Varble Hall
Little Flower Parish
2040 Diamond St NE
Canton, OH 44721

November 12th, 1pm

St. Joan of Arc Parish
4940 Tuscarawas St W.
Canton, OH 44708

* Please park on the east side/
Central Catholic parking lot.

Rita Marker, JD

Author of the critically acclaimed book, *Deadly Compassion*

Practicing attorney

Executive Director of the Patients Rights Council

Former Adjunct Professor of Political Science & Ethics at the
University of Steubenville

Questions? Contact Christy Ballor: 330-206-6250 or catb@neo.rr.com