



Massillon Council 554



Knights of Columbus

WEBSITE ISSUE

December, 2015



**Wishing all our
Members a very
Blessed and Joyous
Christmas!**

Grand Knights Report, by William Shane, Grand Knight

Our Council Christmas Party will held on December 8 at 7:30 pm. Come and celebrate with us. Breakfast with St. Nick will be December 19 at 10 am. Please look for more information later on the Council Website.

Council 554 will be celebrating our 115th Anniversary with our Banquet and Awards program on Sunday, January 24. Please plan on attending this special occasion. More info in next month's newsletter.

On behalf of the Officers and Trustees of Council 554, I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas!

Chaplain's Report, by Msgr James Kolp

I believe we all realize the plight of Catholics in the Middle East. So many of them have been driven out of their homes by ISIS. Men, women and children are faced with a search for somewhere to lay their head and to find a piece of bread so that they can stay alive. So far we Knights of Columbus have provided four million dollars to help them but they still need more. Our Supreme Council has secured a large number of olive wood crosses. They are five inches in size and have been made by Christian craftsmen in the Holy Land and they are beautiful.

Our Council is willing to help to offer these crosses to individuals in our area. The cost is ten dollars for a cross and the entire amount will be sent to the Knights of Columbus Refugee Relief Fund. On page two of this newsletter there are names and phone numbers of our Council officers. I invite you to phone me or any one of these officers to secure one or many of these olive wood crosses. You and I can make a difference for our fellow Christians who are being left with almost nothing. Let's do our part to make their crosses a little easier to carry.

I want to wish all our members and their families, a very Blessed Christmas!

CATHOLIC MAN NIGHT



Men Meeting Jesus

CatholicManNight.com

Friday, December 11, 2015 6:00pm-8:30pm

St. Joseph Parish, Massillon, Ohio

The event will be held in the cafeteria of the former St. Joseph School
322 third Street NE, Massillon, Ohio 44646

Time To “Man Up”, featuring Deacon Randy Smith, with Spiritual Reflections by Deacons Don Molinari and Steve Wyles. Dinner and beverages provided by the St. Joseph Holy Name Society For information and to register, contact Tom Seesan 330-837-9702 or seesanfm@gmail.com By December 7, 2015

Pray, Eat and Socialize with other Catholic Men.

What’s Happening in...

.....December, 2015

- 1 7:00 PM 4th Degree Meeting; Tom & Jerry Party
- 5 9:00 AM Squires Meeting (St. Mary’s)
- 6:00 PM 4th Degree Ball
- 8 ***Feast of the Immaculate Conception***
- 7:00 PM Reg. Council Meeting
- 7:30 PM Council Christmas Party
- 10 11:30 AM Isabella Guild Meeting
- No Chapter Meeting
- 15 7:30 PM Columbian Ladies Christmas Party
- 16 6:30 PM Special Officer & Trustee Meeting
- 19 10:00 AM Breakfast with St. Nick
- 25 ***Christmas***
- 31 ***New Years Eve***

.....January, 2016

- 1 ***Solemnity of Mary; New Year’s Day***
- 5 7:30 PM 4th Degree Meeting
- 7 7:30 PM Stark County Chapter
- 12 Noon Council Free Throw Contest (To Be Announced)
- 12 7:00 PM Reg. Council Meeting
- 16 9:00 AM Squires Meeting (St. Mary’s)
- 6:00 PM Nite at the Races
- 19 5:00 PM MKF Clubroom Dinner
- 6:30 PM Program Director’s Meeting
- 7:00 PM Officer & Trustee Meeting
- 7:30 PM Columbian Ladies Meeting
- 24 6:00 PM Council Anniversary Dinner
- 26 7:00 PM **1st Degree**
- 30 6:00 PM Massillon KofC Annual Reverse Raffle

Club Room Hours: Mon-Tues-Wed: 4-11 PM Thu-Fri-Sat: 4 -12 AM

Dining Room Hours: Wed, Thur, Sat 5-8 PM, Friday; 4 – 8 PM

Council Meetings 2nd & 4th Tues at 7:00 PM

PLEASE NOTE: The Clubroom will be closed on Thursday, Dec 24 and Friday, December 25. The Clubroom will be open for a New Year's Eve Party on December 31, (see ad) and will be closed on New Year's Day, Jan 1.

Massillon Council 554 2014 - 2015 Officers & Trustees

Chaplain	Msgr. James Kolp 871 8346	Field Agent	(Vacant)
Grand Knight	William Shane 830-9224	Webmaster	Kyle Shane
Dep. Grd Knight	Gary Lamielle 327-7223		
Chancellor	Tim Wenzel 806-6891		
Recorder	Jim Fondriest 854-4850	<u>Program Activity Chairmen:</u>	
Treasurer	Paul Haig, PGK 837-1185	Church	Matt Meyer 284-9365
Financial Sec	Tim Paul 837-1411	Council	Jim Sieber PGK 478-2363
Advocate	John D. Ferrero, Jr. 833-3534	Community	Bob Pittenger 571-5150
Warden	Bob Pittinger 571-5150	Family	Jim Fondriest 854-4850
Inside Guard	Bob Catazaro 478-2264	Culture of Life	
Outside Guard	Doug Schmidt 832-0071	Youth & Squires	Mike Szillat PGK 830-4930
1- Year Trust	Matt Meyer, PGK 284-9365		
2- Year Trust	Mike Szillat, PGK 830-4930	Web:	http://www.massillonkofc554.org
3- Year Trust	Jim Sieber PGK 478-2363		

Fraternal Report, by Ken Girt PGK

On Our Sick List: Gerald Meyer, Bill Hamit, Bill Ringley, Ron Blogna, Paul Hassman.

In Nursing Homes: Bill Peters (Amherst Meadows)

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.

Isabella Guild Report, by Mary Jo Meyer, President

Our Thanksgiving meeting was held on the 12th of November. We opened the meeting with prayers for our military and for all deceased members.

Our meal consisted of turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, along with mixed vegetables, salad and rolls. The meal was topped off with pumpkin pie.

The door prizes were won by Donna Yant, Mary Kay Copeland, and Doreen Burdge. Prizes in the 500 card game went to Jeannine Morrison first, Mary Seifert second, Mary Kay Copeland third, with Lorraine Youngman coming in at fourth place. In euchre the first prize was won by Joan Decker, second prize Naomi Murphy, and third prize was won by Nona Mitchell.

Our next meeting will be held on December 10th, which will be the last meeting until March 10, 2016.

Columbian Squires Report, by Mike Szillat PGK, Chief Counselor

No Report.

From the Editor, by Ken Girt, PGK

Have you accessed our newsletter on our website??? It is being uploaded every month

.....www.massillonkofc554.org

Please make this website one of your “favorites” or “bookmark” the website for frequent reference. You might even add the website link to your desktop. Stay in touch!

And may the Peace and Love of our Lord fill all our hearts this Christmas Season!

Knight and Family of the Month, by Mike Szillat PGK

No Report.

1000 Club Calendars, by Matt Meyer PGK, Chairman

2016 Lottery Calendars are ready to be picked up and sold. They will be available at the office during the week and on Saturday between 10am and 2pm. We have some Christmas envelopes left from last year, but we are also printing more as well in case more are needed. Call Matt at 330-284-9365 for more information.

Columbian Ladies Report, by Darlene Catazar, President

Reminder: We also are planning our Christmas Party for December 15 for Columbian Lady members and one guest; dinner will be served at 6:30 pm. You must RSVP with your dinner choice by December 10th, to Darlene Catazaro @ 330 209-7009. The cost of the dinner will be \$10.00 with the Columbian Ladies covering the remainder of the bill. Your choice of menu will be Swiss steak, Scrod or Turkey Roll Up. Hope to see you there

“Breakfast with St. Nick”

**Please join us on Saturday, December 19,
2015, at 10 AM for Breakfast with St. Nick!
RSVP is required by Dec 1.**

**Please text or call Mike at (330) 268-9879
with number of boys & girls and their ages. Come for
food, fun & special treats for children 10 and under!**



The Massillon Knights Foundation

Foundation Trustees 2012 – 2013 James Brelish (Treasurer), Paul Lambert (President), Jeff Heitger (Secretary), Ron Kurpieski, Ray Tully (Vice-President), Dave Cowley, Jim Sieber, Bob Catazaro, Bill Shane

MKF President's Report, *by Paul Lambert, President*

The Trustees want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Blessed and Happy New Year. Remember to check in on your neighbors and family during these next few months to see if they need anything or just to say Hi.

In the coming months consider visiting the K-Club and just having a nice evening out. It is a beautiful club and we should all help to make it a success.

There will be no Tuesday night dinner this month but will resume in January. Details will be in next months bulletin.

Just in case you haven't seen the pavilion I have included a few pictures to show what we have been doing. We still have some things to finish but this is our progress so far. I want to thank all the volunteers for helping with this project no matter how big or small your help was greatly appreciated. See Above.



Complex Manager's Report, *by Mary Ann Cowley*

Benefit for Melissa Brelish Loomis - Saturday, January 9, 2016. Tickets are \$10 - pre sale, and \$15 at the door. This benefit is to help defray the cost of Melissa's prosthetic arm, which she lost due to a racoon bite back in July. If you would like to attend the benefit, make a cash donation or donate a basket, please call 330-837-9101. Tickets available now!

Council 554's 10th Annual Building Improvements Fund - Cash Awards Drawing will be held on Saturday, January 30, 2016. Giving away cash awards totalling - \$2,470. Ticket holder is entitled to Cocktails and Dinner. Donation is \$40 per person. **Only 200 tickets will be sold** and are available now. This would make a great Christmas gift for someone! Call the office 330-837-9101 and get your ticket now! Meal Choice: Steak, Scrod or Stuffed Chicken Breast

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY in the CLUBROOM

Thursday, December 30, 2015

Doors open at 6:00

\$10 per person includes noisemakers,
pork and sauerkraut buffet,
DJ Music and Champagne toast
at midnight!

Come on out and bring in the
New Year 2016 at the K CLUB!



**MASSILLON
K of C BINGO
Every Monday Night 7PM
Doors open at 4:30 PM
ALL PAPER GAMES**

Council 554's 10th Annual Building Improvements Fund Cash Awards Drawing Saturday, January 30, 2016

Giving away cash awards totalling - \$2,470

Ticket holder is entitled to Cocktails and Dinner
Donation is \$40 per person. Only 200 tickets sold!

Choice of meal, Steak, Scrod or Stuffed Chicken Breast

Call the office 330-837-9101 for Tickets

This would make a great Christmas gift for someone!

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 Purser..... Edward Shuman 854-3691
 Faithful Captain
 Faithful Admiral Paul Haig, PFN 837-1185
 Faithful Comptroller Dan Flanagan 330-966-4937
 Faithful Pilot Roger Piper 837-8164
 Faithful Scribe Frank W Mayle

Faithful Navigator Matthew Meyer 284-9365
 Faithful Inner Sentinel Charles Meyer 833-0593
 Faithful Outer Sentinel Richard Urbanek 854-2001
 Faithful 1-year Trustee Fred Russell, PFN 832-5420
 Faithful 2-year Trustee James Sieber, PFN 478-2363
 Faithful 3-year Trustee Frank Csipke, PFN 833-6176
 Commander James Sieber, PFN 478-2363

Faithful Navigator's Report, by Matt Meyer, Faithful Navigator

We will be having our Tom and Jerry night on December 1st after our meeting. Come and enjoy some holiday cheer that night with fellow sir knights and ladies.

If you would still like to attend our Christmas Ball on Saturday, December 5, please call me as soon as possible. We may be able to get you tickets. Doors open at 5, dinner at 6pm. Choice of steak, scrod, or pork chop. There will be an open bar, live music by the band Timeless and lots of dancing. This is a black tie event, but will allow a nice suit and tie if you do not own a tux. This is a really enjoyable night. Do not miss out! Tickets are only \$60 per couple!

Faithful Comptroller Report, by Dan Flanagan, Faithful Comptroller

Sir Knights, this Tuesday Dec 1 is Ladies Night and our annual "Tom & Jerry" night. This is a great night with Tom & Jerry cocktails and a wide assortment of appetizers. It is a wonderful way to start the Christmas season. If you are unable to attend meetings on a regular basis this is the one you want to attend. The meeting starts at 7 P M. The 2016 dues statements will be available for you to pick up and we will save on the postage. Hope to see you there.

The Bishop Massillon Assembly will be recognizing significant wedding anniversaries. Members will receive a certificate issued by Supreme and presented to the couple on ladies night. If you have not done so already please provide your wedding date and wife's first name. My telephone number is 330-966-4937 or email at "dfaf65@msn.com".

And Happy Birthday to those with birthdays in December: George Garton, Alexander Mathis, Fr Michael Seifert, Randolph Smith, Patrick Tohill, Nicholas Kasunic, John Adams, George Lowe, Douglas Connelly, Gregory Frank, Lauren Rohr, Dr Charles Paquelet, Howard Fierstos, Daniel Flanagan and Bill Hamit

Happy wedding anniversary to couples celebrating this month. Victor and Eleanor Wyss, Andrew and Michelle Kline, Fred and Dolores Russell. And a special congratulations to Fred and Dolores on their 65th wedding anniversary.

