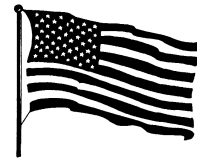




“Over 115 years of Service to the Massillon Area”

# Massillon Council 554



**Knights of Columbus**

**September - October, 2017**

## Grand Knight’s Report

*By Gary Lamielle, Grand Knight*

September has arrived bringing the start of school, football, meaningful baseball games, GO TRIBE and the anticipation of fall. There are so many things going on at your council please take a few moments to read this bulletin and find a few things you may want to do.

We had our council picnic which was a huge success. This year we invited our sister council from the south Navarre 5582 to join us. They truly were a blessing as we all had a wonderful time and I for one am looking forward this becoming an annual affair. I would like to thank everyone who helped in making this a huge success a special thanks to Karen Fondriest for all she did. She was unbelievable... thanks Karen!

The foundation has asked that I mention their need for helpers for their Monday night bingo. They only ask that you donate one Monday evening a month. This is a major source of income for the foundation which helps to keep our building open and in top notch shape so please consider helping and have some fun also.

Please consider asking a friend or family member to join our council. We need new members who bring fresh ideas on how to improve our council.

I have a quote from St Theresa of Calcutta. “The world is full of good people if you can’t find one; be one”. As always please pray the Rosary this devotion is such a powerful tool against sin and evil. The world needs it and we all have the ability to make this a better place to live and raise our families in by asking our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and his blessed mother to have mercy on all of us. Kyrie Eleison on our families our country and the world. Paix.



## What’s Happening in...

### .....September, 2017

- 4 **Labor Day**
- 5 7:00 PM 4th Degree Meeting
- 6 7:00 PM Squires Meeting
- 12 7:00 PM Reg. Council Meeting
- 13 1:00 PM Bloodmobile
- 14 7:00 PM Stark County Chapter at Council 554
- 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
- 20 7:00 PM Squires Meeting
- 26 7:00 PM **1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree**

### .....October, 2017

- 3 7:00 PM 4th Degree Meeting
- 4 7:00 PM Squires Meeting
- 10 7:00 PM Reg. Council Meeting
- 12 **Columbus Day**
- 7:00 PM Stark County Chapter
- 17 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
- 18 7:00 PM Squires Meeting
- 21 9:00 AM Columbian Ladies Craft Show
- 4:00 PM Scott Bushkill Steak Fry
- 24 7:00 PM **Admission/1st Degree**
- 28 10:00AM Children’s All Saints Party

### Council Meetings

**2nd & 4th Tues: 7:00 PM**

### Club Room Hours

**Mon-Tues-Wed: 4-11 PM**

**Thu-Fri-Sat: 4 -12 AM**

**Please Note: The Clubroom will be CLOSED on Monday, September 4 in observance of Labor Day. There will be NO Bingo as well.**

## Chaplain’s Report

*By Msgr James Kolp*

There is an old saying: "It pays to advertise". I have been thrilled with the publicity given to our Council for sponsoring the Circus. The Circus was a great success and an article in the newspapers must have helped a lot. I helped a little bit by calling in several days before the circus to the "Readers Tell us".

Then we made the front page with our outstanding Hot Lunch program. The article and the photos were much deserved and should be much appreciated.

Also, on EWTN a priest from Michigan spoke regarding his assignment to live in Iraq and help Christians to resettle the Plains of Niniveh. Twice in his talk he mentioned the Knights of Columbus as a gigantic help regarding the horrible scourge of Isis and the return of Christians to the Plains. If Christians do not return to their old homes Iraq could be lost to the Moslems forever.

We have so much to pray for but we also have much to be thankful for. May our Council and Knights throughout the world be a harbinger of good in the days ahead.

## Squires Report

*By Mike Szillat, Chief Counselor*

### Knights & Squires, Arm-in-Arm

The summer has provided several opportunities for Knights and Squires to work together.

We kicked off the summer with the Memorial Day parade with the Knights, Sir Knights and Squires marching together. Later in the summer, the Squires began a beautification project with the St. Mary’s statue on the Knights grounds. Progress is slow but steady! More recently, Squires and Knights served at the K of C picnic, as well as the St. Mary’s / St. Joseph’s picnic the very next weekend.

This Fall, the Knights will hold the Annual Scott Bushkill Memorial Steak Fry on October 21 as a fundraiser for the Squires.

**Massillon Council 554****2017- 2018 Officers & Trustees**

Chaplain	Msgr. James Kolp	871-8346
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Outside Guard	Leonard Hughes	834-7638
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2- Year Trust	William Shane, PGK	830-9224
3- Year Trust	Walt Featheringham	
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Website Coordinator	Kyle Shane	
Newsletter Editor	Ken Girt, PGK	837-6670
Complex Mgr	Mary Ann Cowley	837-9101
Bingo Mgr	Ron Kurpieski	936-8058
200 Club	Bill Shan, PGK	830-9224

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Church	Ken McLaughlin	571 1203
Council	Jim Sieber, PGK	478-2363
Community	Matt Meyer, PGK	284-9365
Family	Jim Fondriest	854-4850
Culture of Life	Phil Glatz	
Youth & Squires	Mike Szillat, PGK	830-4930
Membership	Ken Girt, PGK	837-6670

**Parish Round Table Coordinators**

St. Mary	Ken Girt, PGK	837-6670
St Joseph	Dea. Randy Smith, PGK	323-5904
St Barbara	Ray Tully	837-4877

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

**Fraternal Report**

By Ken Girt, PGK

**On Our Sick List:** Gerald Meyer, Bill Ringley, Ron Blogna, Bill Hamit, Ron Kurpieski, Jim Kracker 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](mailto:girtken@sssnet.com) or call me at 330-837-6670.

**Please Note:**

The council is proposing a \$5 a year increase in annual dues beginning in 2018. The dues have not been increased in over 20 years. In that time, the council expenses have increased, like postage, office supplies and other costs. We have been cutting cost to make up for it. For example, we now only mail the newsletter 6 times a year instead of 12, which saved the council nearly \$2400 yearly.

The Officer and Trustees will propose the increase at September 12 Council meeting. There will be a vote on the proposal at the October 10 meeting.

**Parish Round Table Report**

By Ken Girt, PGK, PSD

The **St. Mary Round Table (RT) Committee** has just completed 152 hours of work on the landscaping on east side of the church. Council 554 thanks all our volunteers for the great job!

All three parish round table committees can use additional volunteers:

**If you are a member of St. Mary** and wish to join our committee, please email me at [girtken@sssnet.com](mailto:girtken@sssnet.com).

**If you are a member of St. Joseph**, please email me at [girtken@sssnet.com](mailto:girtken@sssnet.com) and I will get a list to St. Joseph RT Coordinator Deacon Randy Smith.

**If you are a member of St. Barbara** Parish, email me at [girtken@sssnet.com](mailto:girtken@sssnet.com) and I will get a list to St. Barbara RT Coordinator Ray Tully.

Remember, we are... **“Catholic men putting our Faith into Action... for our church and families and for our community and nation!”**

**“Operation Orange”**

By Ken McLaughlin



We are gathering fellow Knights, prospective Knights, friends, and family for a volunteer shift at the Akron Canton Foodbank, during the fifth annual 24-hour volunteer event, Operation Orange! Every two hours during Operation Orange, approximately 200 volunteers will be working in the Foodbank's 83,000 sq. ft. warehouse on an assortment of projects to keep up with the growing demand for emergency food.

If you have ever wanted to make an impact and help meet the food insecurity needs of our community, this is a wonderful opportunity... mixed with a lot of fun. We are looking for volunteers for Saturday 9/9/17 9:30-Noon. Inquiries to Kenny McLaughlin (330)961-1881.

**Membership Report**

By Ken Girt, PGK, Membership Chairman

Council 554 members will be conducting **Church Recruitment Drives** after the weekend Masses at our three parishes on these dates:

**St Mary September 30/October 1**

**St Joseph October 14/15**

**St. Barbara September 30/October 1**

Your help is needed to pass out information to Catholic men leaving Mass. Please call Ken Girt – St. Mary at 330-837-6670, Deacon Randy Smith – St. Joseph at 330-323-5904, and Ray Tully St Barbara at 330-837-4877.

**Admission Degrees** are being planned each month. If necessary, we will use the new DVD of the Admission Degree Ceremony. Please contact FS Tim Paul or Membership Director Ken Girt for dates and times. Our October Admission Degree (1<sup>st</sup> Degree) will be on October 24.

Candidate Call 6:30pm with Degree at 7:00

**Incentives for Recruitment.** Council 554 has recreated incentives for new member recruitment. All new members recruited during July 1 thru December 31, 2017, will be in a drawing for a Knights of Columbus Council 554 polo shirt for himself and his proposer. All 554 members recruiting two to four members during the same period will also receive a Council 554 polo shirt. And all members recruiting FIVE members during this period will receive a Council 554 jacket. In addition, Supreme Council awards 500 Recruitment Points for every new member recruited. These can be used for items in the Supreme Catalog.

Council 554 has developed a new **recruitment pamphlet** which will soon be mailed to all our members as well as in the pamphlet racks at our three churches. Copies will also be available in the clubroom. Please use it to recruit a family member, a friend, a co-worker, a neighbor, or someone you see walking out of Mass on Sunday. Ask someone today to join the Knights of Columbus! Or ask a former member to be readmitted. Let's grow our Order and our Council!

**Columbian Ladies Guild,**

By Darlene Catazaro, President.

No Report.

**The Massillon Knights Foundation**

**Foundation Trustees 2017 – 2018** Paul Lambert (President), James Brelish (Treasurer), Bill Shane (Vice President), Jeff Heitger (Secretary), Ron Kurpieski, Dave Cowley, Jim Sieber, Bob Catazaro, John Williams

**Foundation Report**

*By Paul Lambert, President*

Can you believe school has started and football games. Watch for children coming and going from school. Please if you haven't checked in on your neighbor in a while please do so.

We will be starting our Tuesday Dinners on Tuesday, September 19, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with spaghetti. Adults \$8.00 and children-\$6.00 under 2 free. Our October 17 Dinner will be Spaghetti or a Meatloaf dinner. Prices will be the same for both dinners. Same as above.

There are several things that need to be fixed: I will be putting two (2) ceilings up. One (1) in the Hot Lunch storage room and one (1) at the pavilion. I hope I can get a morning crew together and one for the evening. If you are available and would like to help please call me or the office. 330-833-3329. I will also be replacing a couple of outside doors on the building, clean-up around the outside of the pavilion.

I was going to patch holes in the parking lot this summer but time has gotten away from me. I hope to start this project very soon. The holes will need to be filled before winter. If anyone has a roller or tamper that I could borrow it would be greatly appreciated and would save the foundation from renting one of them. These things need to be done to keep the building in shape. Your help is greatly appreciated even if is for an hour.

Please support the functions we have at the club. Our Tuesday dinners, dinners at the club (Wednesday thru Saturday) and of course our tailgate parties.

**KITCHEN HOURS –**

**Wed, Thurs, Sat, 5 to 8 p.m.,  
...Fridays - 4 to 8 p.m.**

**FISH FRY'S**  
**Every Friday**  
**in our Clubroom**

I would also like to thank Dave and Maryann Cowley for their donation for picnic. If it wasn't for them we would not have our fresh lemonade. Also would like to thank the many volunteers that help with the picnic and our hot lunch program.

**Complex Manager's Report**

*By Mary Ann Cowley*

September already?? Where did the summer go? Hope everyone is ready for the Fall and cooler temperatures.

**Brown's Tailgate Parties.** September brings Football also. We still have squares left on our Brown's Board. They are good for all the 1:00 p.m. games this season. \$20.00 to purchase, if you are here on Sundays and your square wins, you receive \$20.00, if you are not here, you get \$10.00. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. Stop in the clubroom and get yours this week, first game is Sunday September 10th, Brown's VS Steelers! Come out and support your Cleveland Browns!

**Bloodmobile** will be Wednesday, September 13th - 1:00 p.m. in the Pinta Room.

**Bingo** continues every Monday, with the exception for Labor Day, we will be CLOSED that day in the Clubroom also! Happy Labor Day to everyone.

**Nite at the Races** will start November 11th with our co-sponsor, WHS Cheerleaders. Tickets will be on sale the 1st week of October. Tickets will be \$15.00 beginning this year, we haven't raised the price of the race tickets for 20 years, I think it's time. So, when purchasing your tickets just think of it as a donation to your charity, not as a price increase. You receive a one trip buffet meal and an Open Bar with your \$15.00 ticket, still an affordable night out!

**MKF Clubroom Dinners** will begin Tuesday, September 19th! Look in this newsletter for more details. Serving 5 to 7 p.m.

**Wing It** will be performing in the Clubroom on Saturday, October 14th from 8 to 11 p.m. Come out and support your clubroom and have a sandwich and support our kitchen. Let's make 2018 coming up a great year for our clubroom activities and business for our kitchen.

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

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**September 19, 2017**  
**All You Can Eat**  
**Spaghetti Dinner**

**\$8 -Adults \$6-children**  
**age 2-12, Under 2-FREE**

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**October 17, 2017**  
**Meatloaf Dinner**  
**Or**  
**All You Can Eat**  
**Spaghetti Dinner or**  
**Meatloaf Dinner**  
**\$8 -Adults \$6-children**  
**age 2-12, Under 2-FREE**

**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 ..... Leonard Hughes 834-7638  
 Faithful Admiral ..... Paul Haig, PFN 837-1185  
 Faithful Comptroller...Dan Flanagan 966-4937  
 Faithful Pilot .....Roger Piper 936-0974  
 Faithful Scribe .....Phil Glatz 844-5330

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

## Faithful Navigator's Report

By Matt Meyer, Faithful Navigator

Many of you already know about the changes in the 4th degree regalia. If you do not, see picture on this page or visit <http://www.kofc.org/en/news/releases/new-fourth-degree-uniform-faq.html>.

They are calling this a "uniform" and not regalia. The new uniform consists of a blazer, tie, and a beret with 4th degree patches on the beret and blazer. Current regalia can still be worn, but they want to phase out that regalia at the end of the fraternal year, June 30th 2018. They are offering a 25% off discount on the entire package at [knightsgear.com](http://knightsgear.com). There is a rumor that we can get this package for 50% through a tuxedo shop, but I need to get more details on that.

Our annual provincial meeting is coming up on the Weekend of September 8th at Sawmill Creek Resorts in Huron. I am sure we will get more details on it at the meeting.

The Fall Gun Show is fast approaching and we will need volunteers again to help run the concession stands and to bring in baked goods. The Gun Show is October 7th-8th.

Let me know if you can help and what day/hours are good for you. This is more of a "Food Show" than it is a Gun Show, as many of the people that attend just come for the food we sell.

In December, we will have our annual 4th Degree Christmas Ball featuring Steve Dallas and the Timeless band. We will have more details on this and tickets available in the near future. This may be Steve's last year of performing at the Ball, so if anyone has suggestions for future years, let me know so we can plan for it well in advance.

Please attend meetings as we only have one every first Tuesday of the month. Ladies nights are always every other month unless noted. The next Ladies night will be at the October meeting.

There will be a joint exemplification on October 28th at St. Hillary's in Fairlawn. Please continue to recruit new 4th degree members. Hopefully the new uniform will attract new members to our assembly.



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