



Massillon Council 554



Knights of Columbus

January, 2021

Grand Knight's Report, by Ken McLaughlin, Grand Knight

I hope all of you had a blessed and safe Christmas with family and friends. I continue to hope through prayer for an improved quality of life in the New Year 2021.

It is with sadness that I report the death of Sir Knight Bob Catazzaro who passed away December 14th. Please pray for Bob, his wife Mickey, and his whole family. He was our council's Inside Guard and a trustee for the Massillon Knights Foundation. Bob's dedicated service to the council will be surely missed.

Unfortunately, COVID continues to alter our monthly plans. After much deliberation, we decided to cancel the 2021 200 Club Dinner and the Annual Free-Throw Program, we expect to resume both in the winter of 2022. We have also postponed the Council Christmas Party and the Anniversary Dinner to dates yet to be determined.

Despite the difficulties of 2020 the charitable works of your council continue forward into the new year. I am pleased to announce that the council was able to distribute a total of 87 new coats to the students of Massillon City Schools and the Massillon Family Living Center for homeless families. Thanks to all that work diligently to support the Coats for Kids annual program. (See photos page 7) Additionally, through your generous financial support of our RSVP Program, we delivered a \$500 check to seminarian Deacon Brian Smith (see photo page 7) to be used to help defray some of his expenses as he pursues his vocation.

And congratulation to member Jim Thieret! His Football Sweepstake ticket hit for the top prize for week 9 of the NFL season.

WAYS YOU CAN HELP THIS MONTH

Please contact Matt Meyer or any council officer if you have any unsold 2021 Council Calendars, or you need to make arrangements to turn in money from your sales. Thank you for all your efforts to promote and sell the Council Calendars, we rely on a successful campaign to advance the charitable works in our community.

Please come to our next Council meeting on January 12th when we will take nominations for the now vacant Inside Guard officer position.

May the peace and love of Christ guide you in your daily encounters and decisions.

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

Jesus has spoken very plainly through Scripture and through the Church. "Ask and you shall receive. Seek and you shall find. Knock and it shall be opened unto you."

In all of our lives there has never been a time when we need more prayer than right now. Let us take God seriously. Speak to Him. Beg Him. Love Him. He will answer our every prayer.

May each of you pray harder than you ever have before. May Jesus bless you and your family, our parishes, our community and our world. Happy 2021!

1000 Club Calendars for 2021, by Matt Meyer, Chairman

Calendar sales have really picked up over Christmas. If you have any that you can't sell, please return them ASAP. We have other sellers that can still sell but have no calendars. We are getting close to our goal and would like to get them all sold soon.

Call if you have questions. 330-284-9365



200 Club Banquet CANCELLED

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Council 554 Officers have to decided to cancel the February 5 200 Club Banquet. All those that had paid for their meal will now be paid up for the next banquet tentatively planned for Feb 4, 2022. We have listed the 200 Club members who have paid-up dues, on page 10. If you have any questions, please contact 200 Club Chairman, Bill Shane at 330-268-0545.

Massillon Council 554 2020 - 2021 Officers & Trustees

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What's Happening in...

.....January, 2021

- 1 Solemnity of Mary; New Year's Day
- 5 7:00 PM 4th Degree Meeting
- 12 7:00 PM Reg. Council Meeting
- 13 7:00 PM DVD Degree. Call Ken 330-608-7949.to register
- 14 7:00 PM Stark County Chapter Meeting
- 19 5:00 PM MKF Clubroom Dinner (Take-Out Only)
- 20 1:00 PM Bloodmobile
- 26 6:00 PM Program Director's Meeting
- 6:30 PM Officers and Trustees Meeting
- () 6:00 PM MKF Reverse Raffle (CANCELLED)
- () 5:00 PM Council Anniversary Dinner (POSTPONED)

.....February, 2021

- 2 7:00 PM 4th Degree Meeting (Ladies Night)
- 5 6:00 PM 200 Club Banquet (CANCELLED)
- 7 5:00 PM Super Bowl (Clubroom Open)
- 9 7:00 PM Reg. Council Meeting
- 10 7:00 PM DVD Degree. Call Ken 330-608-7949.to register
- 11 7:00 PM Stark County Chapter Meeting
- 13 6:00 PM "Love Boat" (CANCELLED)
- 14 Valentine Day
- 16 5:00 PM MKF Clubroom Dinner
- 17 Ash Wednesday
- 23 6:00 PM Program Director's Meeting
- 6:30 PM Officers and Trustees Meeting

Bingo: Every Monday Night **Hot Lunch:** Every Wednesday **Massillon Knights Foundation Mtg:** 3rd Tues of month 6pm
Massillon Squires Circle Meeting: 1st and 3rd Wednesday, 7pm at St Joseph School

Family of the Month and Knight of the Month for December

Congratulations to **Tom and Jayne Ferrero** for being selected as our Family of the Month for December. They are active members of St. Joseph Church where Tom serves as chairman of the Finance Committee and is a Reader at Mass. Both Tom and Jayne are Eucharistic Ministers and both serve on fundraising programs. Tom also volunteers for our weekly Hot Lunch program.

We also congratulate **Paul Beidenbach** for being selected Knight of the Month for November. Paul serves St Mary Church as one of our sound engineers for Mass and helps stream the 10:30 am on the St Mary Facebook page.

In Memoriam: Francis "Frank" Fischer

Francis "Frank" Fischer, 88, passed away on Dec. 14, 2020. He was a 1949 graduate of Massillon Washington High School. Frank attended John Carroll University before joining the United States Army where he served as Staff Sergeant in Korea during the war. After his three years in the Army, he went to Ohio University to continue his education and received his Professional Engineer and Surveyor Licenses.

Frank was most active with the Massillon Knights of Columbus 554 and the American Legion Post 44. Professionally, he was a respected leader among highway and bridge engineers, including serving as O.D.O.T. Regional Director and for his 16 years of elected service as the Stark County Engineer from 1987 to his retirement in 2003

Frank is survived by his wife, Eileen Fischer and their children, Victoria, Mark, Douglas, David and Valerie.
 May he Rest in Peace.

In Memoriam: Robert Catazaro

Robert Lee Catazaro, 78, passed away unexpectedly on December 14, 2020. He was born in Canton was a member of St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church where he served as an usher. He retired from the Timken Company after 35 years.

Bob was a third and fourth degree member of the Massillon Knights of Columbus, where he served as the Inside Guard for the Council 554 and as a trustee for the Massillon Knights Foundation.

Bob is survived by his wife of sixty years, Mickelina (Mickey) and their children, Robert D., Darlene and James. He was preceded in death by his son, Todd.

May he Rest in Peace.

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

Our "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. There will be copies of the four-page newsletter in the clubroom. We encourage you to read the complete electronic newsletter on our website.... <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, John Scheetz, Walt Featheringham, Paul Renier, Sam Meyer, Ron Kurpieski & 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@sssnet.com or call 330-837-6670.

Columbian Ladies Guild, by *Karen Franz*

The Guild will not be meeting until April.



Friday Fish Fry's

Every Friday 4:00 to 8:00 PM In our Clubroom
With weekly specials. Take-Out meals available.

The Massillon Knights Foundation

Foundation Trustees 2020-2021: **One Year:** James Brelish (Treasurer), Paul Lambert (President), Bob Pittinger **Two-Year:** Dan Skirtich, Terry Phillips, **Three-Year:** Bill Shane (Vice President), Jeff Heitger (Secretary), Jim Sieber .

Foundation and Clubroom Report, *By Paul Lambert, President*

We hope that everyone had a Blessed Christmas and a very Happy New Year. Hopefully this new year will bring us relief from Covid-19. We hope you have checked in with your families and neighbors and have done it safely.

The New Year will be challenging because of the restrictions still in effect set by the Governor, because of this people are not renting the hall. If you know of someone who needs a hall (we have the room to follow the restrictions set) please tell them to call us. The pavilion is starting to be rented for graduation parties, family gatherings and etc. but we still have a lot of open dates, if you are planning a party, please reserve your date. If you know of someone that is planning a party, please tell them to call 330-837-9101 to reserve their date. Your help is greatly appreciated.

The Brown's Tailgate parties are coming to an end and we want to thank everyone who has support these tailgate parties. If you haven't been to the K-Club during the Covid-19 time, we just want to remind you that we follow the restrictions, sanitize after someone leaves and the bartender wears her mask. We are open for Wing Nite on Wednesday. You can order take out but the special for wings is dine-in only. Our Fish Fry's are on Friday from 4 – 8. Take Out Orders, call 330-837-9101 or you can dine in. A new menu is forth coming, and we will post it on our web site.

Our Tuesday night Clubroom dinner will be on January 19, 2021 from 5:00 to 7:00. As of now we are going to try something different. We will be doing **TO GO DINNERS** because of Covid-19. Hopefully this will be for a short time, but we will let you know month to month. This month's dinner will be a Chicken with salad, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, butter and homemade bread. The cost is \$10.00. **RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST and the last day for Reservations is Friday, January 15.** We need to know how much to prepare. Please call 330-837-9101 between the hours of 9:00 to 12:00 or 4:00 – 8:00 – Monday thru Thursday, or you can leave a message on the answering machine.

BINGO WORKERS NEEDED

We have several people that will be off for at least 4 to 6 weeks in the near future and we definitely need help while they are off. Please call and let us know what you would like to do. It is not every week. Usually once or twice a month. We definitely need some younger workers to volunteer. If you can't come at 4, we can work with your schedule. Bingo is one of our lifelines and we can't afford to close it down.

We need at least 3 callers; they will train you and you will be needed from 4 pm to 10 pm.

We also need someone to take care of gambling money. (4 pm to 7 pm). They will train you how to do it. These are the weeks they need help: Week 1 and Week 2. We have people for Week 3, 4 and 5.

We need someone to call back Bingo from the floor when someone calls Bingo and pay the Bingo out. Easy to do and will train. Week 1, Week 2, Week 3, Week 4 and Week 5. Please pick a week and let us know.

We also need 2 people to sell gambling and 2 people to work selling cards (4 pm to 7 pm) They will train you for any job that you would like to do. **PLEASE HELP US OUT AND SIGN UP FOR A WEEK.**

MKF Clubroom Dinner – January 19, 2021

“Chicken Dinner”

With Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Salad, Green Beans, Homemade Bread with Butter.

Served 5-7 PM For Take-Out Only!

Cost: \$10.

Reservation are required to ensure ample number of meals are prepared.

The last day for Reservations is Friday, January 15. Call 330-837-9101.

Thanks for your support!

Bishop Massillon Assembly Fourth Degree

Faithful Friar	Fr. Raymond Paul 833-2607	Faithful Navigator	Roger Piper 936-0974
Faithful Purser	Edward Shuman 854-3691	Faithful Inner Sentinel	Charles Meyer 833-0593
Faithful Captain	Bob Pittinger 571-5150	Faithful Outer Sentinel	Jim Coughlin, PFN
Faithful Admiral	Matthew Meyer, PFN 284-9365	Faithful 1-year Trustee	Frank Csipke, PFN 833-6176
Faithful Comptroller	Dan Flanagan 966-4937	Faithful 2-year Trustee	Fred Russell, PFN 832-5420
Faithful Pilot	Leonard Hughes 834-558	Faithful 3-year Trustee	Paul Haig, PFN 837-1185
Faithful Scribe	Mike Huryh	Commander	James Sieber, PFN 478-2363

Faithful Navigator Report, By Roger Piper, Faithful Navigator

Sir Knights, I hope you and your family had a nice Christmas. Our next business meeting on Tuesday January 5th 7:00 pm will be virtual using Zoom. An email was sent with the Meeting ID and Passcode. Please call me with any questions.

I wanted to thank you for your support of our Assembly during this past challenging year of 2020. We had to make the difficult decision to postpone or cancel several of our planned events. Nevertheless, we were still able to help organizations, our community and home Parishes. We will continue to be cautious and determine each month whether we are having a business meeting at the hall or virtually. I am looking forward to having our gatherings again for monthly meetings, ladies' nights, functions and further patriotic activities.

Happy New Year and all the best for 2021!

Massillon Knights Foundation Complex - Temporary Business Hours

- K-Club Bar: Special Hours: open Monday thru Friday from 4:00 to 9:00 p.m.**
- K-Club Dining: The Kitchen is open on Wednesday from 4 to 8 and Friday from 4 – 8 p.m.
Kitchen closed on Thursday**

Insurance Report, by Stephen Hamrock, FIC

Brother Knights,

Happy New Year! As we begin the new year it's common to review the past year and look at what we'd like to accomplish in the new one. The past year was certainly a challenging one for all of us and we all hope and pray that 2021 brings an end to the pandemic and health and prosperity for all.

Of course, all this talk about the future brings us to the usual thinking about the new year...making resolutions. That is a good thing! All of us want to resolve to do those things that will lead to happier, healthier lives. Some of the most common resolutions are to lose weight, get in shape and exercise more. Others resolve to stop smoking.

If you think about the spiritual, many new year's resolutions concern having a more centered prayer life or receiving the sacraments more often.

Many of my friends think more about quality time...quality time spent with their family and friends; those that are most important in their lives.

As you think about family, one resolution I can help you keep is to update your Family Service Record and take stock of your financial goals. Are you where you want to be? Do you have a plan? With our professional approach using our enhanced Profiles+ Forecaster financial needs analysis you can see if there are any gaps in your coverage and how close you are to achieving your goals and aspirations.

Some members are not aware of all the products we have to offer: Life insurance, long term care insurance, disability income insurance and retirement annuities. These products can help protect your family in all the financial situations where you might find yourself. Life insurance protects your loved ones financially if you are not here to help provide. The need for life insurance changes at different stages of a person's life: Young and unmarried members and the man retiring next month each have life insurance needs, but the type and amount may vary widely. I can give you some advice on that. Disability income insurance provides a paycheck if you are sick or hurt and can't work. If your company offers some, do you know how much, for how long and is it taxable? I can help sort that out. Long term care insurance protects those assets you've worked so hard all your life to accumulate. Don't deplete all the family's savings for a care event when the Knights can take on that risk. With all the concern about market volatility and the health of Social Security, our fixed rate annuities guarantee a minimum interest rate for life, the safety of conservative investment strategy and an income stream you cannot outlive.

What's most important to you and your family? There is no cookie cutter answer. That's why I meet with members and their spouses and first determine what issues are of most concern to you. From there I can help analyze where you are in relation to your goals and construct a plan to get you where you want to go. All done in the comfort of your home and at your convenience.

As a brother Knight and your field agent I have so much more responsibility than a simple financial advisor or stock broker. We'll take a look at your dreams, goals and aspirations for 2021 and beyond.

And, God willing, a brighter future for all.

Vivat Jesus!





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Attention Council 554 First- and Second-Degree Members:

The Ohio State Council has instituted a “virtual” online Third-Degree Ceremony that is held every Wednesday at 7:00 pm and Saturday morning at 9 am. If you are interested in advancing to the third degree, and we do encourage it, please email me (Ken Girt) and I will provide a link for registering. My email is.... girtken@sssnet.com. You then will be sent a link for viewing the 30-minute ceremony at home. And yes, your family can view the ceremony as well. Call Ken Girt with any questions. 330-608-7949

We also scheduled our monthly Video Exemplification Degree every second Wednesday of the month, at 7 p.m. This is for new members and for those 1st and 2nd Degree members wishing to advance to full 3rd Degree in our Order. Please call Ken Girt to register 330-608-7949

Procedure for Online Exemplification for Advancing Members:

1. The GK, FS or other council designee forwards the Exemplification Registration to members that wish to advance to the third degree.
2. The Exemplification Degree Link is sent to member after he registers.
3. Advancing Member attends the online exemplification via recorded degree, on Tuesday or Friday, at 7 PM. Member must be on-line and attend the entire degree. Family members are welcome to view ceremony.
4. The FS or GK are notified that member attended the online Ceremony.
5. FS sends in Form 100 to Supreme indicating member or members advanced to Third Degree. FS issues new Degree card.

Attention All Members of Council 554:

If you know of a worthy candidate for membership in the Knights of Columbus, he can also attend the new online Exemplification. See procedure below. Call Ken Girt with any questions. 330-837-6670

Procedure for Online Exemplification for New Member

1. NEW MEMBER completes a Form 100 and submits to Council.
2. Council Admission Committee contacts and talks with the NEW MEMBER. This can be over the phone or an online meeting.
3. Upon approval of the Admission Committee, the Council votes on the NEW MEMBER.
4. Once the council approves the NEW MEMBER, the GK, FS or other council designee sends the candidate the link to the online Constitutional Roll
5. NEW MEMBER completes the Constitutional Roll including signing it with an electronic pen on a tablet or via mouse and click Submit.
6. The system will automatically forward the Exemplification Registration link to the NEW MEMBER. NEW MEMBER completes the Exemplification Registration and submits.
7. The system will automatically forward the Exemplification Ceremony link to the NEW MEMBER. NEW MEMBER attends the entire online exemplification via recorded degree. Family members welcome to view ceremony.
8. Upon completion of the degree, the State Warden or other appointed designee will complete the Form 450 and submits to Supreme, State and GK/FS per normal procedure.
9. GK, FS or other council designee completes the Form 100 with the dates, ensures all signatures and the proper check boxes are complete. GK, FS or other council designee scans or takes a picture of the Form 100 and sends to Supreme and State via the form100@kofcoho.org.
10. FS issues a Third-Degree card to NEW MEMBER.

Massillon KofC SNAPSHOTS



Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, St Nick passed out candy to children at a special “drive-thru” experience at our Massillon Knights Foundation complex on Saturday, Dec 12.



Twelve members of the Council 554 -St Mary Round Table Committee helped the St Vincent de Paul Food Give-A-Way on December 18. 144 needy families received six bags of groceries each.



Deacon Brian Smith (left), seminarian from St Mary Parish, accepts a RSVP check from Ken McLaughlin, Council 554 Grand Knight (center). Also shown is Council 554 Financial Secretary Paul Haig. The Supreme Council RSVP program annually supports seminarians throughout the country.



Council 554 presented 55 coats for the needy children in the Massillon School district. Pictured left to right, Bob Pittinger PGK, Ken McLaughlin - Grand Knight, and Massillon Superintendent Paul Salvino.



Council 554 donated 32 children’s coats to the Massillon Family Living Center, as part of the council’s Coats for Kids program. The facility serves area homeless families. Pictured left to right; Ken Girt – PGK, Ruth Radcliff – Facility Manager, Bob Pittinger – PGK, Amy Dornack - Family Services Director, and Ken McLaughlin – Council 554 Grand Knight.

“Massillon Knights in Action”

The “Massillon Knights in Action” lists some of the charitable projects accomplished by Council 554 members. If you want to help in our charity work, please contact any Officer / Round Table Coordinator.

Hot Lunch Every Wednesday, volunteers from our council and our social membership cook a hot meal for the needy of the Massillon area. Meals are served from 10:45 am to 12:00 pm. During the current COVID-19 pandemic, the meals are for take-out only. New volunteers are asked to call Hot Lunch Chairman Paul Lambert at the complex office at 330-837-9101.

Bingo Our major fundraiser for the Massillon Knights Foundation is our weekly Bingo which starts at 7:00 PM every Monday. Volunteers can call the complex office at 330-837-9101

Coats for Kids Our Coats for Kids project is a Supreme Council program in which councils can purchase boxes of new coats for need children in the Massillon Community. An average of 8 boxes of 12 coats are purchased each year to be distributed in late November and early December. Coats are purchased from donations from Council 554, the Columbian Ladies, St. Mary – St Vincent de Paul Society, Massillon American Legion Post 221, and private contributors. If you would like purchase a box of coats, please contact the FS office at 330-873-1411.

Adopt-A-Highway Volunteers from Council 554 pick-up trash along Route 21 north of Massillon in a two-mile corridor on both north and south lanes. Council 554 needs approximately 8 to 10 volunteers for cleanup in the spring and fall. Cleanup detail usually lasts between two to three hours on a Saturday morning. If interested, contact Matt Meyer at 330-284-9365

Round Table St. Barbara Parish (Contact Joel Fichter: 330-830-9301 email: Fichterlaw@sssnet.com)

1. **Divine Mercy Chaplet.** Council 554 Round Table members promote a monthly recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet every fourth Tuesday of the month following the 9:00 am Mass.
2. **Cemetery Cleanup** Council 554 Round Table members meet on a Saturday morning in March or April to clean the cemetery. Look for announcement in Sunday bulletin.
3. **Rosary and Novena for Life and Patriotic Rosary.** Council 554 round table members sponsors a Rosary and Novena for Life and a Patriotic Rosary throughout the year. Look for announcements in Sunday bulletin

Round Table St. Joseph Parish (Contact Tom Ferrero 330-844-0469 email: tferrero@sssnet.com)

- 1 **Divine Mercy Chaplet.** Council 554 Round Table members promote a monthly recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet every second Friday of the month at 12:30 pm preceding the closing of the Holy Eucharist Adoration.
- 2 **Church Sanitization during pandemic.** Members of the St. Joseph Round Table help sanitize the church following Sunday Mass. Please come to the back of the church after Mass to help.
- 3 **Landscaping parish grounds.** Council 554 members volunteer landscaping parish grounds. They especially take pride in maintaining the St. Joseph Memorial Garden located at the north side of the parish office building. If interested in helping, please call Tom Ferrero 330-844-0469 .
- 4 **Soup Kitchen** Council 554 members volunteer at our "Soup Kitchen" held every Monday. Lunch is provided to approximately 150 people every week.
- 5 **Holy Name Society** Council 554 members are active in the St. Joseph Holy Name Society which raises money for church projects. Members also volunteer for many Church activities

Round Table St. Mary Parish (Contact Ken Girt, PGK 330-608-749 email: girtken@sssnet.com)

- 1 **Divine Mercy Chaplet.** Council 554 Round Table members promote a monthly recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet every Wednesday at 3:00 pm during the Holy Eucharist Adoration in the parish center chapel.
- 2 **Support St Vincent de Paul Society** Various Council 554 Round Table members help each week at the St Mary – St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Pantry for distributing food for the less fortunate in the Massillon community. Also, members help to unload the weekly delivery of 4,000 pounds-plus of food from the Akron-Canton Food Bank each Thursday at 9:30 am. If you are interested in helping, please call St Vincent de Paul Society at 330-837-0084.
- 3 **Sanctuary Decorations for Christmas and Easter** Council 554 Round Table members help to erect and take down the Christmas and Easter decorations for the sanctuary and church each year. If you are interested in helping, please call Ken Girt at 330-837-6670.
- 4 **Landscaping parish grounds.** St Mary Round Table members are asked to gather to provide landscaping and miscellaneous repair for the church grounds. If interested in, please call Ken Girt at 330-837-6670.
- 5 **“Confessional Guard Duty”** One of the premier projects for the Parish Round Table is providing security for our priest(s) during our Saturday scheduled confession, from 11:00 am until end. Members use the time for prayer, Stations of the Cross, rosary, reading and making confession themselves. A yearly schedule is created for our volunteers. If you are interested in helping, please call Ken Girt at 330-837-6670.
- 6 **Church Sanitization during pandemic.** Members of the St. Mary Round Table help sanitize the church following Sunday Mass.

A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION IN TIME OF PANDEMIC



The ancient fresco of Madonna del Soccorso (Our Lady of Help) in St. Peter's Basilica was restored with the support of the Knights of Columbus to mark the Year of Faith (2012-2013). Photo courtesy of Fabbrica di San Pietro/M. Falcioni.

O Mary,
you always brighten our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain
while remaining steadfast in faith.

O loving Mother,
you know what we need,
and we are confident you will provide for us
as at Cana in Galilee.

Intercede for us with your Son Jesus,
the Divine Physician,
for those who have fallen ill,
for those who are vulnerable,
and for those who have died.

Intercede also for those charged with
protecting the health and safety of others
and for those who are tending to the sick
and seeking a cure.

Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who took upon himself our
sufferings and carried our sorrows,
so as to lead us, through the Cross,
to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

*Under thy protection we seek refuge,
O Holy Mother of God.
In our needs, despise not our petitions,
but deliver us always from all dangers,
O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.*

Adapted from the prayer of Pope Francis

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Council 554 Round Table Initiative: Divine Mercy Chaplet Recitation

Massillon Council 554 is resuming our promotion and participation in the **Divine Mercy Chaplet** recitation each 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 message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us — all of us. And, he wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

The schedule is as follows:

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

St. Mary REVISED. The chaplet recitation at St. Mary Parish is recited each Wednesday at 3:00 PM, in the chapel in the parish center on 1st Street.

St. Barbara REVISED The chaplet recitation at St. Barbara Parish is scheduled on the fourth Tuesday of the month, 9:45 AM, in the church, following the 9:00 am morning Mass. The Chaplet is said during the Eucharistic Adoration.

All are welcome at all of the scheduled recitations.

RIGHT TO LIFE OF STARK COUNTY

Right to Life of Stark County will be having a prayer service for the Anniversary of Roe v Wade on Friday, January 22nd at 3:00 pm in front of Planned Parenthood, 2663 Cleveland Avenue NW, Canton. The service will be led by Paul Crowley, Board Member of Right to Life and also a K of C Member. Please plan on attending, and invite your family and friends.

Right to Life of Stark County will be attending the Mass for Life, hosted by the Diocese of Youngstown, on Saturday, January 23rd at Saint Paul Parish in North Canton, 241 South Main Street at 10:00 am. Please plan on attending this Mass also and invite your family and friends.

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

200 Club – List of Members with Paid up Dues

The following lists the 200 Club members who paid for the 2021 Banquet. Due to COVID 19, we have cancelled the Feb 5 2021 banquet and these members are paid for the 2022 banquet tentatively scheduled for February 4, 2022. If you have any questions, please contact 200 Club Chairman, Bill Shane at 330-268-0545.

BRYANT BARTOLONE
DAN BAXTER
TOM BRAND
STEVE BURGER
DICK CATAZARO
MARION CATAZARO
ED ELUM
DALE ESTEP
JOHN FERRERO
TOM FERRERO
JOEL FICHTER
KEN GIRT
MIKE HARR
JOHN HAUSER

JERRY HECK
JOE HERRICK
FATHER KOLP
NEIL MAIER
KEN McLAUGHLIN
CHUCK MEYER
JOHN MEYER
MATT MEYER
JOHN MISIVICH
TIM PAUL
JOHN PAQUELET
THAD RUNSER
DOUG SCHMIDT
JOHN SCHNEIDER II

TONY SCHNEIDER
FATHER SEIFERT
JEFF SEIFERT
PAUL SEIFERT
RON SEIFERT
JIM SEIBER
BILL SHANE
KYLE SHANE
RON SINAY
CHALMER SMITH
TIMOTHY TRUEX
JOHN WOLAMIN
MIKE ZIEGELHOFFER