

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

SEPTEMBER 2018

In service to one.



COUNCIL 13977

In service to all.

Next Meeting: Wed. Sept 12, 2018

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

Help is needed to serve soup and sandwiches after the Anointing of the Sick Mass on Thursday,



September 20th. The Mass will begin at 4:30 p.m. with dinner soon to follow. If you are interested in helping out please contact GK Ernie Ramhoff at (330) 842-1544 or at ecr@zoominternet.net.

FUN RUN FOR LIFE

Men and Women United for Life will hold



its annual Fun Run for Life On Saturday, September 29th at 9:00 a.m. at the Canfield Fairgrounds. Come and join everyone in a 1 mile walk or a 5k run around the beautiful fairgrounds. There will be praise music,

food, medals, prizes, and t-shirts. Cost is \$20.00 to attend. For more information, please contact Diane Burke at (330) 727-9669 to register.

FIRST STEPS FOR CHANGE (BABY BOTTLES)

Once again this year, our Council will be taking part in the annual First Steps for Change Program with all proceeds benefiting Catholic Charities. Starting the weekend of September 29th and 30th, baby bottles will be distributed before and after both 4:30 p.m. and 9:30 a.m. Masses in the main entry ways of the church. We ask that all baby bottles **NEED** to be returned by the first weekend of November (Weekend of November 3rd and 4th). For more information, please see Brother Knights, Dominic Mattiussi, Richard Mattiussi, and Joe Dravecky concerning this project.



GRAND KNIGHT: Ernie Ramhoff III PHONE: (330) 842-1544 EMAIL: ecr@zoominternet.net

RIDES FOR MEETINGS

Do you know of a brother knight that is disabled or cannot drive and is unable to attend the monthly meetings? If you would like to volunteer to help pick up a fellow brother knight for future meetings please contact GK Ernie Ramhoff III in person, by phone (330-842-1544), or email (ecr@zoominternet.net) for more information.



KNIGHT of the MONTH

The Knight of the Month article is a great way for our Council to get to know different members a little better. If you are interested and would like to be featured as a Knight of the Month for a future newsletter, please feel free to contact Brother Knight Dominic Mattiussi at drmrocks@yahoo.com or Brother Knight Rich Mattiussi at mattiussi52001@yahoo.com (Bios are optional). This month's Knight of the Month is our District Deputy, Ed Sekula.



Ed was born on April 12, 1959 in Boardman, Ohio. He graduated from Boardman High School in 1977 and then went on to graduated from YSU in 1983 with a B.A. degree in Philosophy. Then in 1984, Ed enlisted in the Army and after basic training he graduated from The Chaplain's Center and School in Ft. Monmouth, New Jersey. He then would serve four years in Ft. Carson, Colorado. After his medical discharge, Ed returned to YSU and graduated with a B.S. and A.S. degrees in Criminal Justice in 1989.

Ed is a widower and lives with his cat, Bumper, but also has one brother and two sisters who live in the area as well as many nieces and nephews. For 12 years, Ed worked for the Mahoning County Juvenile Justice Center and then did some work as a Security Guard for a few years until he went on Military and Social Security disability. He has been a member of the Knights for 30

years and has been a 4th degree Knight for the last 20 years. He currently holds the position of District Deputy in our council.

Ed is a member of St. Charles Church in Boardman where he serves as an usher, a eucharistic minister, and Homebound minister. While serving in the Army, he attended Soldiers Chapel and Iron Horse Chapel. He also served as a Chaplain's assistant while stationed in Ft. Carson, Colorado.

A year after Ed returned home from the Army, a friend of his that was a Knight approached him and told him all about the K of C which made him feel so inviting and quite interesting that he wanted to join. His friend was also with the K of C insurance so he had to get a policy after he explained how important and affordable it was. Over the years, Ed would tell other men interested in the K of C about how the Knights are inviting and important. Eventually, many men that Ed talked to would join different councils.

Ed is a big Kansas City Chiefs fan and loves to play pool on Saturday nights with a fellow Brother Knight. He also likes to attend/listen to YSU football games. He likes to say that his involvement in church activities and the K of C keep him busy and he could not be happier.

THANK YOU

Thank you to those who attended the first annual golf outing honoring our late Brother Knight, Joe Zoldak on August 18th (Special thanks to Bonnie Zoldak and Sara Rudolphi for putting on a great golf tournament). And as always, continued thanks to our dedicated Bingo Volunteers. Your hard work and service are greatly appreciated!

LOOKING AHEAD

Anointing of the Sick Mass–September 20th

Fun Run for Life @ Canfield Fair–September 29th

First Steps for Change Baby Bottles–October 1st–31st



Kyrie eleison – Lord have mercy.

FAITH CORNER

Let us continue to pray for the canonization of our founder, Father Michael J. McGivney



IMPORTANT FEAST DAYS- SEPTEMBER 2018

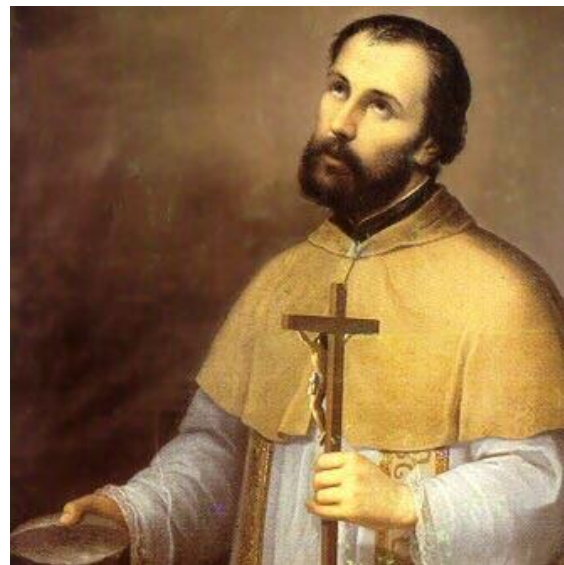
***ST. GREGORY THE GREAT-
SEPTEMBER 3RD***



***ST. MOTHER THERESA OF
CALCUTTA-SEPTEMBER 5TH***



ST. PETER CLAVER-SEPTEMBER 9TH



*ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM-
SEPTEMBER 13TH*



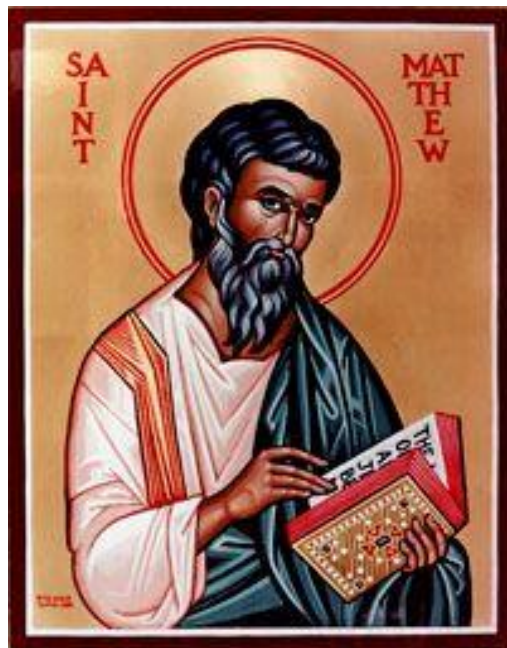
*OUR LADY OF SORROWS-
SEPTEMBER 15TH*



*SS. CORNELIUS AND CYPRIAN-
SEPTEMBER 16TH*



*ST. MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND
EVANGELEST-SEPTEMBER 21ST*



*SS. COSMAS AND DAMIAN-
SEPTEMBER 26TH*



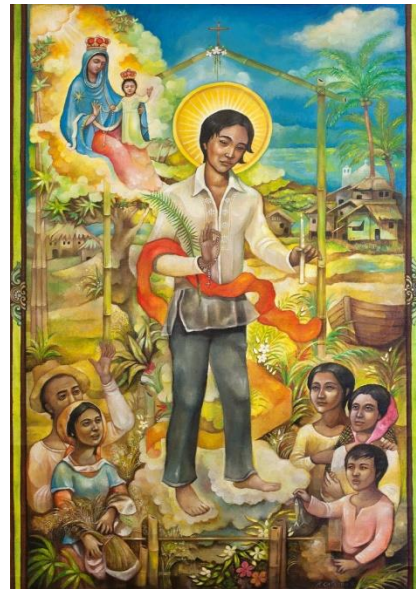
*ST. VINCENT DEPAUL-SEPTEMBER
27TH*



ST. WENCESLAUS-SEPTEMBER 28TH



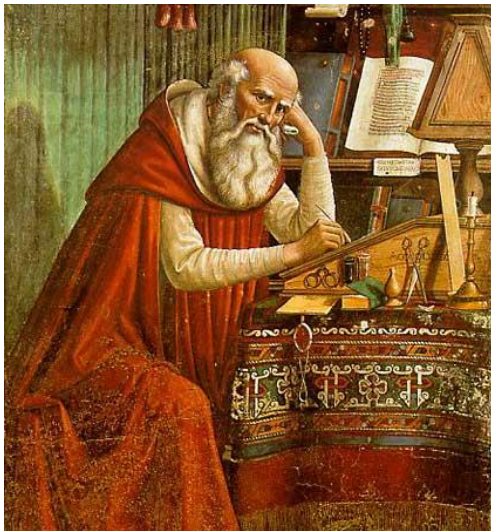
*ST. LAWRENCE RUIZ AND
COMPANIONS-SEPTEMBER 28TH*



*ST. MICHAEL, ST. GABRIEL, AND
ST. RAPHEAL, ARCHANGELS-
SEPTEMBER 29TH*



ST. JEROME-SEPTEMBER 30TH



*Let us honor ST. MOTHER TERESA
OF CALCUTTA-SEPTEMBER 5th*

DEAR JESUS, help



me to spread Thy fragrance everywhere I go. Flood my soul with Thy spirit and love. Penetrate and possess my whole being so utterly that all my life may only be a radiance of Thine. Shine through me and be so in me that every soul I come in contact with may feel Thy presence in my soul. Let them look up and see no longer me but only Jesus. Stay with me and then I shall begin to shine as you shine, so to shine as to be a light to others.

*PRAYER TO ST. VINCENT DEPAUL-
SEPTEMBER 27th*

Noble Saint
Vincent de Paul,
beloved servant of
the poor,
may we follow your
example and do
good works
among those whom
society has
abandoned,
enslaved, or
forgotten.



Inspire us to feed the hungry,
to love a child,
to provide comfort and medicine to the sick,
to clothe those whose garments are

threadbare,
and to offer hope and our Lord's words
to all who need respite.
Pray for us to our beloved God
that we may commit ourselves selflessly
to doing the same charitable acts
that you did all your life,
and intercede with him
that we may have the favor of his guidance
and strength and love upon this important
and meaningful work.

Amen.

PRAYER FOR HEALING VICTIMS OF ABUSE

God of endless love,
ever caring, ever strong,
always present, always just:
You gave your only Son
to save us by the blood of his cross.

Gentle Jesus, shepherd of peace,
join to your own suffering
the pain of all who have been hurt
in body, mind, and spirit
by those who betrayed the trust placed in
them.

Hear our cries as we agonize
over the harm done to our brothers and
sisters.
Breathe wisdom into our prayers,
soothe restless hearts with hope,
steady shaken spirits with faith:
Show us the way to justice and wholeness,
enlightened by truth and enfolded in your
mercy.

Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts,
heal your people's wounds
and transform our brokenness.
Grant us courage and wisdom, humility and
grace,
so that we may act with justice
and find peace in you.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

[Pope Francis' Letter to the Faithful on Abuse in the Catholic Church](#)

PRAYER CORNER

*LET US CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR
OUR LOVED ONES THAT ARE
SUFFERING FROM ILLNESS OR
CURRENTLY IN THE HOSPITAL.*

*LET US ALSO PRAY FOR BISHOP
GEORGE MURRY AS HE RETURNS
TO PART TIME DUTY AFTER
BATTLING LUKEMIA FOR THE
PAST FEW MONTHS. PLEASE PRAY
HIM THAT HE CONTINUES TO
UNDERGO TREATMENT AT THE
CLEVELAND CLINIC.*

POPE FRANCIS MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION-SEPTEMBER 2018



Young People of Africa-That young people
in Africa may have access to education and
work in their own countries.

From "Rejoice and Be Glad" by Pope Francis:

134. Like the prophet Jonah, we are constantly tempted to flee to a safe haven. It can have many names: individualism, spiritualism, living in a little world, addiction, intransigence, the rejection of new ideas and approaches, dogmatism, nostalgia, pessimism, hiding behind rules and regulations. We can resist leaving behind a familiar and easy way of doing things. Yet the challenges involved can be like the storm, the whale, the worm that dried the gourd plant, or the wind and sun that burned Jonah's head. For us, as for him, they can serve to bring us back to the God of tenderness, who invites us to set out ever anew on our journey.

MONTHLY CATECHISM PASSAGE- SEPTEMBER 2018

2199 The fourth commandment is addressed expressly to children in their relationship to their father and mother, because this relationship is the most universal. It likewise concerns the ties of kinship between members of the extended family. It requires honor, affection, and gratitude toward elders and ancestors. Finally, it extends to the duties of pupils to teachers, employees to employers, subordinates to leaders, citizens to their country, and to those who administer or govern it.

MONTHLY SCRIPTURE PASSAGE- SEPTEMBER 2018

Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

Christian Persecution



FAITH IN A TIME OF PERSECUTION

**PLEASE DONATE TO HELP OUR
PERSECUTED BROTHERS AND**

SISTERS IN CHRIST (LINK):

<http://www.kofc.org/en/charities/christian-relief/index.html>

**Follow up articles (links) about our
Christian brothers and sisters
suffering in the Middle East:**

**[How an American Catholic
Organization has helped Persecuted
Middle East Christians](#)**

**[Knights of Columbus pledge support
for Persecuted Christians](#)**

**[Coptic Christians find strength in
faith and community of asylum
seekers in Virginia](#)**

**[Christian Aid on U.S. withdrawal of
aid for Palestine refugees](#)**

[Protecting the Persecuted](#)

**Articles (Links) on current immigration
crisis in our country. Please continue to**

keep the poor children who are separated from their families in your prayers.

<http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/immigration/catholic-teaching-on-immigration-and-the-movement-of-peoples.cfm>

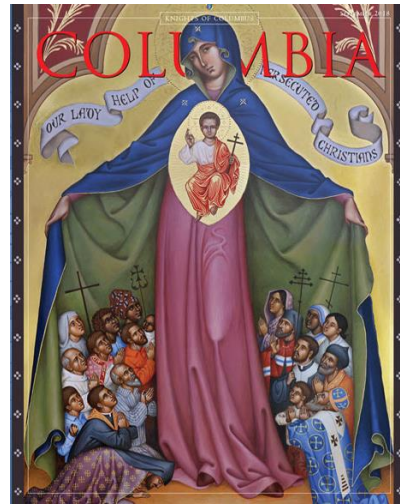
<http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/immigration/index.cfm>

<https://cruxnow.com/church-in-the-usa/2018/06/13/usccb-head-condemns-trump-administrations-recent-moves-on-immigration-policy/>

[Monsignor Pope's take on Death Penalty Blog](#)

PRAYER SUGGESTIONS If anyone has a specific prayer in honor of a Catholic Saint or prayer intention that you would like to be inserted in future newsletters, please feel free to email Brother Knight Dominic Mattiussi at drmrocks@yahoo.com. I would be happy to receive and post any special prayer requests.

Don't forget to Read:



[September Columbia Link](#)



[September Knightline Link](#)

You may also read Columbia Magazine and Knightline online or on your tablet or Ipad.

DISCLAIMER: Please note that in the interest of inquiry and dialogue, our newsletter sometimes presents articles with points of views with which we do not necessarily agree.

If you have ideas or suggestions for upcoming issues of this newsletter, please send the information to the editor at drmrocks@yahoo.com.

Also feel free to Read:



<http://www.cnewa.org/home.aspx?ID=26&pagetypeID=12&sitecode=HQ>

Pro-life Magazine



<http://www.clmagazine.org/>

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

CHURCH

1. Faith Fiesta-Pending
- 2.
- 3.
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- 5.
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COMMUNITY

1. Fourth of July Parade-Pending
- 2.
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FAMILY

1. Parish Picnic-Pending
- 2.
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LIFE

- 1.
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- 3.
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UPCOMING MEETINGS

October 10, 2018

November 14, 2018

December 12, 2018

January 9, 2019

OFFICERS

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Deputy Grand Knight	Bill Bakos
Chaplain	Rev. Mel Rusnak
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Inside Guard	Ken Balzic
Outside Guard	Bob Gugliotti
Trustee for One Year	Joe Iwasky
Trustee for Two Years	Dominic Mattiussi
Trustee for Three Years	Doug Styka
Lecturer	Rich Mattiussi
Financial Secretary	Bob Pesa

Check out our local Catholic Radio Channel:



Check out our official Diocesan Newspaper for the Diocese of Youngstown:

THE CATHOLIC Exponent



<https://www.facebook.com/kofccouncil13977-stjosephaustintown>

IMPORTANT WEBSITES

<http://www.kofc.org>

<https://www.kofcohoio.org>

<http://www.doy.org>

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