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From Our Navigator

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Sir Knights and Ladies,

Spring is finally here; warmer weather will soon follow. Also coming is Holy Week and Easter season. I hope each of you had a successful lent and are looking forward to the holiday. Also coming in April is the 86th Exemplification on April 29 at St. Gerard’s Catholic Church. Our Assembly along with the Lansing Assembly will do the following:



- Provide traffic coordinators to direct cars to appropriate parking spaces.
 - Set up the hall for the Exemplification.
 - Because the banquet will occur in the same hall as the Exemplification, we will have to rearrange the hall for the banquet.
 - Make box lunches.
 - Provide general assistance as needed.
- Please let me or David Zerbe know if you are willing to help, thank you.

Additionally, The Ladies Auxiliary is asking our Assembly to support their program by providing items to place in a ‘swag bag’. The bags will go to veterans’ facilities in the state. (See info box for details). The items requested are inexpensive and they are hoping for 10 items from each attendee. Please consider contributing to this effort and delivering the items to the Knights of Columbus Hall on N. Grand River.

At the last Assembly meeting the attending membership voted to implement the following policy.

Knights who are five years or more behind in required dues will be removed from our roles and thereby become ineligible to receive a chalice at their funeral.

I encourage you to voice your opinion on this change at the next meeting. Finally, I wish each of you an incredibly Happy Easter and hope you enjoy the Easter Season.

Sincerely
FN Ronald M. Pioch



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♣ Catechism of the Catholic Church

PART ONE: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

♣ SECTION TWO I. THE CREEDS

♣ CHAPTER TWO I BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST, THE ONLY SON OF GOD

Article 5

Paragraph 2. ON THE THIRD DAY HE ROSE FROM THE DEAD



III. THE MEANING AND SAVING SIGNIFICANCE OF THE RESURRECTION

653 The truth of Jesus' divinity is confirmed by his Resurrection. He had said: "When you have lifted up the Son of man, then you will know that I am he."⁵²³ The Resurrection of the crucified one shows that he was truly "I AM", the Son of God and God himself. So St. Paul could declare to the Jews: "What God promised to the fathers, this he has fulfilled to us their children by raising Jesus; as also it is written in the second psalm, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you.'"⁵²⁴ Christ's Resurrection is closely linked to the Incarnation of God's Son, and is its fulfilment in accordance with God's eternal plan.

654 The Paschal mystery has two aspects: by his death, Christ liberates us from sin; by his Resurrection, he opens for us the way to a new life. This new life is above all justification that reinstates us in God's grace, "so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life." Justification consists in both victory over the death caused by sin and a new participation in grace.⁵²⁶ It brings about filial adoption so that men become Christ's brethren, as Jesus himself called his disciples after his Resurrection: "Go and tell my brethren."⁵²⁷ We are brethren not by nature, but by the gift of grace, because that adoptive filiation gains us a real share in the life of the only Son, which was fully revealed in his Resurrection.

https://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/_P1S.HTM

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APRIL 26TH

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Early Birds 5:30pm
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(includes regular games and a dauber)

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2021/2023 Officers and Appointees

- Ron Pioch - Navigator - 517.231.0694
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- Tim Perrone - Comptroller - 517.886.0627
- Walter Ozanich - Purser - 517.321.2422
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- Edward Stoffer - Inside Sentinel
- Dan Bazela - Outside Sentinel
- 1 Year Trustee: Tony Cherniawski
- 2 Year Trustee: Dave Myers
- 3 Year Trustee: Pat Donlon



Appointed Positions

- Commander SK Ken Watterson
- Historian - vacant -
- Membership SK Dave Luedtke

Committee Chairs

- Wellness: - vacant -
- Admissions: SK Pat Donlon
517-333-8985

The Honor Guard

provides Honor and Distinction at funerals of Clergy and fallen comrades. They also provide distinctive accent at many Catholic Church functions. You will find them serving as "Guardians of the Colors" by displaying and escorting our National Flag on ceremonial occasions at official Church, Civic, and Knights of Columbus functions.



Sir Knight of the Month



SK Dave Luedtke

"Say the Rosary every day...

Pray, pray a lot and offer sacrifices for sinners..

**I Am Our Lady of the Rosary.
Only I will be able
to help you.**

...In the end My Immaculate Heart will triumph. "



Bishop Albers Assembly Remembers:

Fr Bill Lugger
SK Ben King & Lady Charlene King
SK John McCarthy
SK Richard Maurer
SK James Martellini



SK John DeRose
SK Herbert Wegener
SK Frank Laverdiere



See: <https://assembly0496.org/deceased/>

Prayer for the Sick

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Watch, O Lord, with those who wake, or watch, or weep tonight, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend your sick ones, O Lord Christ. Rest your weary ones. Bless your dying ones. Soothe your suffering ones. Pity your afflicted ones. Shield your joyous ones. **And for all your love's sake. Amen.**

Lady Kathy Stoffer
Lady Branda Garlitz
Lady Karen Freund
Lady Maxine Henderson
Lady Terry McCloy

Family of SK Dave Luedtke
Lisa Luedtke
Nancy King
Otto Klodt
Soul of Virginia Thompson
Soul of Donald Pung
Soul of SK John DeRose



All Seminarians
All Mothers and their unborn children
All service members and their families
All Government leaders of our Country.
All souls in the deceased family of Assm 0496
All War Victims..
All Victims of Violence..



The new Honor Guard Uniform can be ordered at www.kofcuniform.com .

Go to the link to order the Uniform, the price is still \$449.00 and we offer a \$200.00 incentive to assist you with your purchase, reducing your price to \$249.00.

Bring your receipt in to a Meeting after you have received your uniform. You will be reimbursed before you go home. If you order a Sword there is an additional \$125.00 incentive available to you as well..



0496 Honor Guard



When one of your brother Knights approaches you to join the Bishop Albers Assembly Honor Guard, please give the idea some prayerful thought. The rewards of being part of the Honor Guard are many and rich.



April Birthdays & Anniversaries

Anniversaries

First Name	First Name	Last Name	Ann Date
Jennifer	Robert	Nelson	04 09
Rosemary	Frank	De Rose	04 15
Berthilde	Michele	Kanakuze	04 16
Joan	Daniel	Alspaugh	04 18
Karen	Eric	Wegener	04 25

Spouse Birthdays

Spouse First Name	Last Name	Wife B-Day
Margaret	Costigan	04 02
Alison	Walczak	04 04
Carolyn	Graszler	04 06
Angie	Diaz	04 07
Kristin	Smith	04 09
Jalia	Rocheleau	04 09
Mary	Corey	04 09
Karen	Wegener	04 18
Colleen	Hermes	04 19
Michelle	Jurkovic	04 24

Members Birthdays

First Name	Last Name	Mem B-Day
Richard	Maurer	04 01
Ronald	Cook	04 01
Hilary	Goerge	04 02
Jay	Corey	04 03
William	Richardson	04 03
Msgr Michael	Murphy	04 04
Ronald	Knapp	04 05
Michael	Shepard	04 05
Raymond	Nemecek	04 07
Kenneth	Morrison	04 10
Fr. John	Klein	04 11
Eric	Hafner	04 13
Kenneth	Watterson	04 16
John	Maurer	04 17
Stephen	Crippen	04 18
Adam	Pavlik	04 19
Bernard	Pollack	04 25
Patrick	Garlitz	04 29



**A Downloadable copy of the
Assembly Member Roster
is available at:**

**<https://assembly0496.org/members/>
— the password is: bishopalbers
— click 'Enter'**



Richard Council 788

Would like to remind all that their Hall
is available to rent at competitive rates
for all of your Social events.
Contact them at **517-321-2209** for
availability and prices..



86th Exemplification

You are cordially invited to join us at St. Gerard Parish in Lansing, MI this spring to complete your journey into the Patriotic Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus.

This one day event will be hosted by FNs Ronald Pioch of Bishop Albers Assembly #0496 and Russell Pate of Lansing Assembly #3334. The Master's Banquet will follow the 4:30 p.m. Mass.

A day you will
remember forever.



Honoring Supreme Council
Regional Growth Director & Past
State Deputy William H. Chasse'



St Gerard Parish

4437 W. Willow Hwy Lansing, MI

Saturday

April 29th, 2023

Exemplification Held at:
4437 W. Willow Hwy
Lansing, MI 48917

See Backside for Registration and
Ladies Program details

For more Information Contact :
Your local Assembly Navigator -or-

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- SK David Zerbe Membership Director
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A HIDDEN LIFE

In the final paragraph of *Middlemarch*, the novelist George Eliot pays tribute to the people who keep the world moving forward in small yet indispensable ways: "The growing good of the world is partly dependent on unhistorical acts; and that things are not so ill with you and me as they might have been, is half owing to the number who lived faithfully a hidden life, and rest in unvisited tombs".

In other words, there are millions of people out there who, though they may not be remembered or known by you and me, made a difference for the people they encountered in their daily lives.

These lines fit with the hidden life of an Austrian farmer, Franz Jagerstatter, a Catholic gentleman whose sense of morality clashed with the times of his life. He was a principled devout man who objected to evil, and stuck by this objection, even in the face of certain death.

When Austria was annexed by Nazi Germany, Franz was mustered into the German army. By the middle of 1940, the European continent was secured, so farmers were allowed to go home. Franz became aware of the atrocities of the Nazi regime, and actively resisted rejoining the army as the war escalated with the entry of the United States. He would prefer to remain on the farm with his wife and three young daughters. After many delays, he was finally ordered to report for duty in the Wehrmacht. He dutifully entered the garrison, but when it came time to swear the oath, not to Germany, but to Hitler, Franz refused. He offered to become a medic, but that too required an oath of allegiance to *der Fuehrer*. He was arrested and held in prison awaiting trial on a charge of undermining military morale.

His parish priest questioned why he was doing this. His bishop flatly told him that no one would benefit from his conscientious objection, and that no one would ever know of his principled stand. His lawyer wondered why he couldn't just mouth some meaningless words. The military judge at his trial repeated the theme that no one would ever know what he was doing, and that he would be forgotten.

On August 9, 1943, six months after his arrest, Franz Jagerstatter was executed by guillotine in Brandenburg prison. He was 36 years old. Minutes before his execution, he was given the option to sign a document to save his life, but declined, rejecting any complicity with the Nazi regime. His last recorded words were, "**I am completely bound in inner union with the Lord.**"

Little by little over the ensuing years, Franz Jagerstatter's hidden life came to light, mainly by publication of his letters from prison to his wife. His moral example and martyrdom led to his beatification in 2007. It is unlikely that we Knights of Columbus will ever be put to the test like Blessed Franz Jagerstatter. But we can take inspiration from him, and pledge to faithfully lead our own hidden lives, maybe lost to history, but making a real difference in the lives of those we encounter.



For the Good of the Order written and presented by SK Tim Perrone at our meeting on March 21, 2023

Captain's Corner

NOTICE

During the Ladies program at the 86th Exemplification the Ladies will fill cloth red/white/blue bags with fun and useful items for our veterans. These items will help keep their minds active, encourage time with family and/or friends and start conversations. They will also know there are people who genuinely care about them. All items (except Lottery Tickets) can be purchased from any Dollar Store. The Ladies program will provide the bags. Here is a list of suggested items. Deck of Cards, Word Search puzzles, Crossword Puzzle books, Sudoku Books, Small Puzzles, Travel Games, Socks, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Small Kleenex packets, Matchbox cars from the fifties, sixties and seventies, Moisturizer, Pens, Chapstick, Body wash (no bar soap please), Shampoo, 200 – 300 piece puzzles, \$1 and \$2 Lottery Tickets. Most of these items are available at your local Dollar Store. Please deliver your donations to the Ladies Program on the 29th or bring them to the next Assembly meeting or ask someone attending the Exemplification to deliver them. Thank you for your support.

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**Our next Assembly Meeting will be
at Columbus Hall.**



>> Tuesday April 18th @ 7:00 pm <<

also available virtually

Contact Dave Zerbe for assistance: azmaint13@gmail.com

— If you know a Brother Knight who is NOT getting this Newsletter or does NOT have access to email —
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