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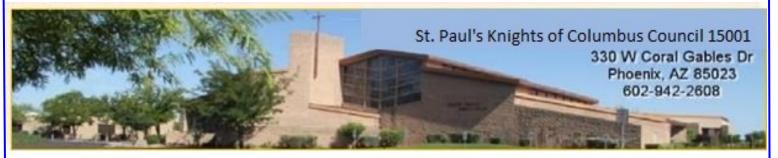


In the Easter story, in the Gospel of John, Mary Magdalene comes to the tomb first, on the Sunday morning.

She sees that the stone has been rolled away from where it was sealing Jesus's tomb, and that Jesus's body is not there. She runs back with the news, meeting Peter and John on her way.

John and Peter run to the tomb to see for themselves. John arrives first, and looks in, but doesn't go in. Peter then arrives and goes on into the tomb, looking around, seeing the graveclothes and the napkin. Then John enters, too, and sees it all and believes, too, that the Lord has been resurrected. Hallelujah For He Is Risen!

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#### Council 15001

#### Your Officers for 2023-2024

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Remember—One new member, per Council, per month.

This is the desire
of the Supreme Knight.
Can you help us make it happen?

What are we doing during the 40 Days of Lent! Are we happy to once again be doing some sort of penance during this time or are we grumbling about how it seems to take away our fun?

I don't believe that man was put upon the earth solely for fun, nor was he put here to wear sack cloths and whip himself daily for any sins he may think that he has committed.

Man was made in the image and likeness of God, so therefore, he should act accordingly. This means that we should enjoy ourselves in moderation and at the appropriate time. We also should do some works of charity as a form of penance and show God that we understand his love of all people.

In our acts of charity we begin to learn about love—love of one another and of ourselves. We can love the giving and see the rewards it reaps from those who are in need and thank us for our compassion.

As a part of charity, we should not just think about monetary means, but need to include the physical or servitude which is known as work. The work of our giving of our time to help others is truly following the intent of the Gospels. It also gives us a greater feeling of accomplishment when we visit the sick, help someone in need by doing things such as getting their groceries for them or taking them to a doctor's appointment or to church on Sundays and holy days.

So how do we stretch the 40 Days of Lent into our daily lives? Well, it begins with the first day and can continue beyond the 41st day and become 365 days a year if you let it. Lent may only be 40 days, but life is for as long as God lets us be a productive parts of his eternal plan.

Remember that a prayerful life will result in our being able to attain a position in Heaven upon our leaving our current life. So we need to try to work and let each day be one of meaningful value to not only us but to others around us. It is through our compassion of others, the charity we do in our daily lives and the love of God that we will enable ourselves to one day face God and hear Him say—Welcome true and faithful servant. Be a good Knight—serve others!

For Fraternal Year 2023-2024

The State Theme is:

**Faith Over Culture** 

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#### **Grand Knight's Column**



Grand Knight
Daniel McGinn

Dear Brother Knights,

As Lent descends upon us, a season of introspection and spiritual renewal, let us take a moment to acknowledge the incredible spirit of charity displayed by our fellow Knights and Parishioners this past weekend. We had over 30 volunteers at the Nun Run and over 40 donors at the Blood Drive, embodying a core principle of our order: **Charity in Action**. This outpouring of service not only helped worthy causes, but also displayed the strength and compassion that defines the St. Paul's Knights of Columbus. A special thanks to Al Gillis and Tom Van Buren, our captains for these events.

Lent is more than sacrifice. It is a call to draw closer to God through prayer, reflection, and a renewed focus on Almsgiving. The acts of service you performed at these events perfectly exemplify this principle. You gave the gift of your time and energy, directly affecting those in need.

As we embark on this Lenten journey, let us carry this spirit of Almsgiving throughout the season. Here are some ways we can expand our giving:

**Volunteer your skills**: Continue to look for opportunities to serve within our parish or community organizations. Stations of the Cross, homeless shelters, visiting the sick, and reaching out to others in need.

**Increase your charitable contributions**: Consider giving more to charities close to your heart, or causes you feel enthusiastic about. Remember, even small contributions can have a significant impact.

**Practice random acts of kindness**: Surprise a neighbor, offer to help a stranger, or simply pay for someone's coffee in line. These small gestures can brighten someone's day and embody the true meaning of Almsgiving.

Remember, our Lenten sacrifices hold greater meaning when coupled with a deepened commitment to helping others.

By actively engaging in Lent, we not only prepare ourselves for the joy of Easter but also cultivate a stronger connection to God and our community year-round.

May this Lenten season be a time of personal growth and increased service to others. Let us walk this path together, supporting each other in our spiritual journeys.

Vivat Jesus!

Dan McGinn Grand Knight admcginn@yahoo.com









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## **Nun Run 2024**







March 2nd 2024, 5:30 a.m. members/wives met up at Kiwanis Park in Tempe.

- Knights and family members volunteered to help with either the parking or the check in tent.
- This was the 13th year that the Knights have provided volunteers. We are the largest single group in the Diocese who are willing to volunteer for the event.
- Council 15001 is a Core Sponsor of the Run made possible by the annual raffle.
- Were done by 9:30 a.m.
- This is a "Marquee" event for the Council and a Lenten tradition.







Ador Sanctissimum
Sacramentum
emus In Aeternum

(Let us adore in the most Holy eternal sacrament)



# Nun Run 2024 Photos



















# Nun Run 2024 Photos















## **Monthly Rosary At Planned Parenthood**



This photo is from Council Archives.

Reminder: If your photo is not on this page, then you are missing out on a golden opportunity to serve others, to pray the Rosary to our Blessed Mother in Heaven and to feel the warmth inside that you have done a good Work of Mercy. Will we see your photo next month? It is up to you to be present on the 2nd Sunday of each month to pray the Rosary with our Knights and their families.

### **RCIA-OCIA**

#### RCIA, "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults" (No longer used)

#### OCIA, "Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

This year St. Paul's has 12 catechumens which means that it is a process of initiation for adults that culminates in baptism. The new structure (OCIA) is meant to invite candidates and catechumens into a continuous process of spiritual formation as opposed to fixed checkpoints on the path to baptism, first Communion and confirmation." Of note is that all 12 candidates will be sponsored either directly by a member of the Knights of Columbus from Council 15001 or by a member of the family of one of our Knights.



Brothers,

You may have noticed the popular "Wives' Birthdays" section in our award-winning newsletter. To keep all of this information accurate and up-to-date, we're refreshing our Knights of Columbus (KOC) database. If you wish, you can also provide us with your wedding anniversary date. Here is an extract of what we provide to Supreme:

Spouse Information							
First Name:	Last Name:						
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Please send your responses to both Tom Karl (Tom's emato ensure we capture all the updates.	ail address is: tkarl@charter.net ) and me (dklaplante@gmail.com )						
Thank you for your help!							
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## **Queen of Family Garden Brick Fundraising Program**

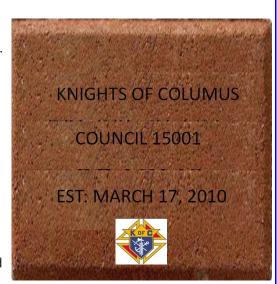
Brothers,

As recommended by the Officers at last month's Officers' Meeting the Council is excited to participate in the Queen of Family Garden Brick Fundraising program.

Here's how you can contribute:

- We are asking Brothers for voluntary donations of \$10-\$20 each to go towards a 12" x 12" commemorative brick. This brick will proudly display our Knights of Columbus logo and will be permanently displayed at the Queen of Family Garden. The total cost of the brick is \$550.
- Donations will be collected at the upcoming General Council Meeting on Tuesday, March 5th. Please note: This meeting has been moved from its usual first Wednesday of the month slot.

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, March 5th! We encourage everyone to attend the meeting and support this worthy cause. Even a small donation will go a long way in helping the Queen of Family Garden.



Vivat Jesus!!

Dan McGinn, GK Council 15001

## **March 2024 Family** of the Month The Salinas Family





Presentation after 9:30 a.m. Mass at St. Paul

Amaris Salinas is a life-long member of St. Paul parish. After meeting at the ASU All Saints Catholic Newman Center while obtaining their degrees, Ruperto and Amaris married in 2012 at St. Paul and are nurturing their children, 7-year-old Luciana and 8-year-old Seraphina; both children are receiving the Sacraments and participate in the Children's Mass at St. Paul. Amaris volunteers for Sr. Rose and the Family Faith Formation program. Ruperto serves as an usher and is active with the St. Paul Council of Knights of Columbus.

Their commitment to family prayer is noteworthy, including the Hallow app, which provides audio-guided Bible stories, prayers, meditations, and Christian music.

## **Blood Drive Sunday March 3rd at St. Paul**

With the leadership and help of Brothers Jerry Surdakowski and Tom Van Buren, the blood drive was a huge success. We had 4 Knights who donated blood that day.









## **Nadine Swartz Continues To Need Prayers and Visits**

Nadine Swartz recently had a fall and broke her ankle.

After surgery, she is currently at: Phoenix Mountain Post Acute Care Facility located at 13232 North Tatum Blvd.

We hope that many Knights, wives or family members will take the time to pray as well as visit with her.

On Sunday, March 3rd, an unofficial "birthday party" (Nadine's in July 26th) was held out doors at the inner court yard at Mountain Post Acute Care with Nadine, her daughter Dana, sons Shawn and Jay along with Jay's wife and daughter and Tom and Jo Karl, Charley Billingsley (who brought Nadine the Eucharist), Dief and Mac Diefendorf (who hosted the party) and Kirk and Janet LaPlante. Here are some pictures taken:



## 4th Degree News and Notes

Each month, we would like to include news and notes about the 4th Degree of our Order. Several of our 15001 Council members also belong to the 4th Degree and are members of the "Bishop William Z. Gomes Assembly #1805".

Each "Degree" of the Knights of Columbus is associated with a particular virtue with the three items being—Charity, Unity and Fraternity and the Fourth Degree being "Patriotism" or as it has commonly become known as "The Patriotic Degree".

The members meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month at St. Joseph's Catholic Church at 11020 N 40th Street at 7:00 p.m. The church is located on 40th St., between Shea Blvd. and Cactus Rd.

# 4th Degree Fundraiser Results Phoenix Suns Tickets & Cash Raffle

Our Assembly would like to thank everyone who supported the Suns Ticket and Cash Raffle and we note especially Tiffany Construction, who donated the 4 Suns Tickets free to our Assembly. The drawing was held after we completed our February General Business meeting on February 15, 2024. The Assembly netted \$1,600 for our Chalice Fund.

The Assembly is pleased to announce the following winner:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize - SK Jeff Carpentier - Four Sun/Rockets basketball tickets. He is a member of the Assembly #1805 and Council #12378 at St. Francis Catholic Parish

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize - Fr. Reggie - \$200. Father Reggie is our Assembly's Faithful Friar and he is the Parochial Administrator at St Joseph's Catholic Church. Fr. Reggie intends on donating the money to the Seminarian Fund.

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize - SK Andrew Armstrong - \$100 He is a member of the Assembly #1805 and Council #10832 at St. Luke's Catholic Church.

## **JOIN THE FOURTH DEGREE**

If you are over 18 years of age; a citizen of the country in which you reside; a practical Catholic in union with the Holy See; and you are a Third Degree member in good standing, it's time to consider joining the ranks of the Fourth Degree.

To learn more about the Patriotic Degree and how to join its ranks, contact your local Council, the Vice Supreme Master in your area or the Supreme council today.

For Council 15001, you may contact Sir Knight (SK) Gary Schulte or Ted Cherekos.



## **Promoting the Domestic Church— Families**









**FAITH** 

COMMUNITY

**FAMILY** 

The Knights of Columbus Order has always been interested in the development of strong and vibrant families. To support this philosophy and to create an awareness of many of our parish families, our Knights of Columbus Supreme Council, located in New Haven, Connecticut started the "Family of the Month" program in 1978. The "Family of the Month" program has become a successful part of our "Faith in Action" program.

## **Family of the Month**

(See families listed on previous 2 pages)

The Knights of Columbus "Family of the Month" Program promotes and recognizes families who outwardly exhibit strong ties of love and faith, demonstrating Catholic family values, and how the family makes meaningful contributions to our parish and the community.

Our Council has established a "Family of the Month" committee whose responsibility it will be to select a "Family of the Month". The committee is made up of our St. Paul's Knights of Columbus Council members and the St. Paul's parish staff. We are working together to get recommendations for selecting a "Family of the Month". Our "Family of the Month" committee is not looking for "Super Families", but we are looking for families who live traditional Catholic family values like:

- Is the family tight knit? Does the family spend quality time together?
- Does the family attend weekly Mass together? Does the family pray together outside of Mass?
- Has the family made significant contributions to the parish and church community?
- Does the family serve as a model of Catholic family values?

On the 15th day of each month — from August through July — the "Family of the Month" submissions will be drawn at random from entries received at our Supreme Council offices in New Haven, Connecticut. Each of the selected families will receive a special Holy Family gift, and a personal letter of congratulations from our Supreme Knight, Patrick Kelly. These items will be mailed directly to the family's home address.





Our "Family of the Month" Committee is also participating in selecting a "Family of the Year". The "Family of the Year" selection process is the same as the "Family of the Month".

An eligible Family of the Year" recipient **must be** a Knights of Columbus family that has been selected in the last 12 months. Our committee will consider whether the family has continued to show the traits of a strong Catholic family as well as them promoting the principles of our Church and the principles of the Order of the Knights of Columbus.

The Knights of Columbus Supreme Council will then make a "Family of the Year" selection from all the entries received from all of the Knights of Columbus State Councils. The "Family of the Year" will be invited to attend the annual Knights of Columbus Supreme Convention where a special presentation will be made.

If you know a Catholic family you would like us to recognize, please call our Family of the Month Chairman, Phil Tabbita, PGK, at 202-256-9642 or send an email to Ptabbita@apwu.org

## KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS—YOUR SHIELD FOR INSURANCE FOR LIFE

Excerpt from an article by Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly at the eulogy for Ann Dechant, wife of the Order's 12th and longest-serving Supreme Knight, Virgil C. Dechant: "Being the wife of an active, engaged Knight takes patience, teamwork, sacrifice and an understanding heart. It isn't easy, but it is worthwhile because our mission is worthy."

Brothers, our wives and children are some of our most treasured things in our life. It is up to us to help provide as much safety and security for them as is possible. So, how do we do it? Simply by providing some form of life insurance.

#### <u>PERMANENT LIFE INSURANCE - A Part of K of C's Suite of Insurance Products</u>

#### What is it?

Permanent life insurance is our signature product. It provides money to your family when you die, and builds cash value while you live. It's guaranteed. It's secure. It's dynamic.

#### Who needs it?

Permanent life insurance is a great way to provide security for your family. It may be an ideal solution for people who are interested in: Providing money for final expenses so your family doesn't have to.

Replacing income so that your family's financial life doesn't have to change in case you pass away suddenly.

Providing college funds for your children in case of an untimely death.

Protecting your spouse from the burden of a mortgage in the event of the unexpected.

Giving a donation to a charity or special interest.

Supplementing an estate or mitigating estate taxes.

#### How does it work?

<u>Permanent life insurance</u> – like all life insurance – is designed primarily to provide money (also known as a death benefit) to your designated beneficiary when you pass away – guaranteed.

All Knights of Columbus permanent life insurance policies have premiums that are guaranteed not to increase, so you won't have to worry about any surprises.

Our permanent life insurance policies also accrue cash value over time. Should the policy be eligible for any dividends (which are not guaranteed), you can also elect to put those proceeds back into your policy by purchasing additional paid-up insurance. Additional paid-up insurance increases your policy's death benefit and cash value. Your policy's cash value can be used as cash, either through a partial loan or a full surrender of the policy\*, or as collateral.

#### What options do I have?

The Knights Advantage Series of permanent life insurance products are flexible to fit your needs. Here are some Product Options: <u>Limited Pay Whole Life</u>—Our flagship policy for maximum flexibility. You can choose how many years to pay premiums, with a five-year minimum payment period. Selected when you apply, the payment period is fixed and guaranteed...precise and perfect for just about any life insurance planning need, even up to and through your retirement years.

Single Premium Whole Life — Secure protection and start your legacy with one, single payment.

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#### **Beneficiary Options**

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#### **Additional Features and Benefits**

There are a number of special features and benefits – <u>often called riders</u> – that are available on Knights of Columbus products that can enhance a policy in a variety of ways. Contact your Knights of Columbus field agent today to learn more about our permanent life insurance products, and about the safety and security that we can help provide.

\*Surrender charges may apply to withdrawals and early surrender of the Survivorship Universal Life policy.

## Birthdays—March 2024

March 21	Charley Billingsley	A A A	March 3	Mary Goss
March 26	Francis Abijaoude	4 6 6 4	March 10	Paulette Aguila
March 27	Allen Sindorf		March 30	Mary Picard
March 28	John Van Cuyk			
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NOTE: Wives' birthday list was taken from the Council Membership Survey which was turned in by members of the Council. We would really like every member to complete this survey

so that we can have the most complete and accurate birthday listing available

## **Our Knights In Action**

During the past Fraternal Year, PGK Richard Diefendorf sent a full year listing of the types of volunteer service hours, in a form format, to each member. We will try to continue that by providing a two-month list for you to fill out and give to the Financial Secretary. You may also include any ministries that your wife and family participate in. This means that you may include time for any and all parish ministries: EM, Adorer, Usher, Lector, Altar Server, Dusting Angels, RCIA, teaching or assisting at Catechesis, prayer shawls, decorating the Church at Christmas and Easter, attending Degree ceremonies, and of course the picnic and Campus cleanup. These are only a few of the things we and our Families do.

#### **Monthly Record of Volunteer Service Hours for Council 15001**

	<u>February</u>
	2nd Sunday P.P. Rosary
	Donut Sunday
	Servers
	EM
	Lector
	Adoration
	Other
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<u>March</u>
Nun Run
Raffle Ticket Sales
Stations of the Cross Dinner
2nd Sunday P.P. Rosary
Donut Sunday
Lenten Supper
Servers
EM
Lector
Adoration
Other:



# March 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		Note Date Change ↓			1 The Season of Lent	2 Nun Run
3 Donut Sunday/ Family of the Month Blood Drive	4	5 General Meeting Conference Room 7:00 p.m.	6	7	8 The Season of Lent	9
10 Rosary at Planned Parenthood	11	12	13	14	The Season of Lent	16
17 St. Patrick's Day 14th Year celebrating the Founding of Council 15001	18 Officers' Meeting 7:00 p.m. Conference Room	19	20	21 Assembly 1805 Meets at St. Joseph's 7:00 p.m.	22 The Season of Lent	23
24 Palm Sunday 31 Easter Sunday	25	26	27	28 Holy Thursday	29	30 Holy Saturday

# **Upcoming Events For March/April 2024**

#### March 2024

Mar. 02 Nun Run

Mar. 03 Donut Sunday/Family of the Month

Mar. 05 (Date change) General Meeting 7:00 p.m. Conference Room

Mar. 10 Rosary at Planned Parenthood

Mar. 15 Knights sponsor Lenten Supper

Mar. 18 Officers' meeting Conference Room

Mar. 21 Assembly 1805 Meets at St. Joseph's 7:00 p.m.

Mar. 24 Palm Sunday

Mar. 28 Holy Thursday

Mar. 29 Good Friday

Mar. 30 Holy Saturday—Easter Vigil

Mar. 31 Easter Sunday

#### **April 2024**

Apr. 03 General Meeting

Apr. 07 Donut Sunday/Family of the Month

Apr. 14 Rosary at Planned Parenthood

Apr. 15 Officers' Meeting

Apr. 20 Bingo

Apr. 21 Sunshine Soccer League Kite Day





Remember: Hot water and soap will shorten the life of a virus. Also, wearing a mask may also



This applies to the Flu, RSV Virus and Covid!

<u>Attention All Event Chairmen</u>: After your event, please ensure that photos are sent to your Newsletter Editor for inclusion in the next newsletter.

#### **Prayer to End Abortion**



We often discuss in the newsletters and during General Meetings the need to have Rosary Saturday which is the second Saturday of each month. While many of you are able to take some time out of your valuable day, it would be a great example to yourselves, your family and your parish to make an appearance as often as possible. Every prayer is valuable to you and to our Blessed Mother Mary. It is through Her that we ask for God's intercession to stop the needless killing of convenience that is occurring. So once again, we ask you to try to come to as many of the Rosary Saturdays as possible during each year.

Lord God, I thank you today for the gift of my life, And for the lives of all my Brothers and sisters. I know there is nothing that destroys more life than abortion, Yet I rejoice that you have conquered death

Yet I rejoice that you have conquered death by the Resurrection of Your Son. I am ready to do my part in ending abortion. Today I commit myself Never to be silent, Never to be passive,

Never to be forgetful of the unborn.

I commit myself to be active in the pro-life movement,

And never to stop defending life
Until all my Brothers and sisters are protected,
And our nation once again becomes
A nation with liberty and justice
Not just for some, but for all.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen!

#### For Those Who Are Sick & Distressed

Father, your Son accepted our sufferings to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness.

Hear the prayers we offer for our sick of distressed Brothers or their relatives:

Brothers Bill O'Connell, Don Kolb, Manuel Flores, David Earl, Luiz Torrez, James Wayne, Tom Russell, Bob Waugh, Bill Hintze, George Mendell, Shawn Swartz, Fr. Bruno, Terra Billingsley (wife of Charley), Jonathan Hauer (son of Artie Hauer), Greg Ruiz (brother of Michael Aguilar), Mary Weege (widow of Ernie), Dan Weege (son of Ernie) and Jack Brooks (grandson of Kirk), J.D. Sheppard, Steve Higby, John Ingraham, Joe Black (cousin of Artie Hauer), Dorei Kosse, Victoria Berg (granddaughter of SK Gary Schulte, PGK), Nadine Swartz and Sr. Georgina.

Repose of the soul of Brothers—Michael Robinson, Michael Murphy, Tom Goss, Chuck Kime, Ken Long, Jack Swartz and Lila VanCuyk (wife of John), Diane Russell (wife of Tom), mother of Cathy Blome, brother of Fr. Bruno as well as all the Widows of our Deceased Knights

May all who suffer pain, illness or disease realize that they are chosen to be saints and know that they are joined to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, Amen.

Always keep in mind the unborn who were never given a chance of life.

### Catholic Prayer for those who have passed

"Loving God our Father, Your power brings us to life.

Your care guides our lives,
and by Your command we return to the dust from which we came.

Father, those who pass on still live in Your presence, their lives are changed but do not end. I plead in hope for my family, relatives and friends, and for all the dead known only to You.

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