



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #4248

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From the Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

A new fraternal year has begun and I am very honored and proud to serve as the Grand Knight for the upcoming year. I would like to thank Keith McCarville for his excellent work as Grand Knight the last two years.

Our Councils' activities are starting to pick up with the planning of our annual Tootsie Roll Drive for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities. I would ask that all Knights help fellow Knight John Little in making sure all time slots are covered. Please remember that just a couple hours of our time can help so many people. Thanks in advance for all of your time and effort.

With the new fraternal year beginning, I would invite all Brother Knights to take a moment to reflect on the principles of being a member of the Knights of Columbus. Remember the many people that we help with our charity work and how thankful they are for our support. Focus on the work we do and how all Knights unite together to accomplish the dream that our founder, Father Michael J. McGivney envisioned. In closing, please keep our troops in your prayers as they serve our country so proudly.

Vivat Jesus!

Mike Wilkins
Grand Knight

Knights of Columbus Football Frenzy



The Knights of Columbus is kicking off a fund raiser called, "Football Frenzy". With a \$10 donation you will receive a ticket with 10 weeks of football games and a chance to win each week. Total prizes awarded each week will be \$750. Participants do not have to follow football to win.

To join in the "Football Frenzy" contact Mike Wilkins at 236-8159 or any member of the Knights of Columbus.

Youth of the Year



The two pictures to the left were taken at the Iowa Knights of Columbus State Convention where Brianna Gallo was awarded the Youth of the Year Award. The Youth of the Year Award has been awarded two years in a row to a St. Mary's High School student, with last year's winner being Jessica Crawford.



Knights of Columbus Awards New Honorary Life Member

Vernon Dostal received his Honorary Life Membership card at July's council meeting.

To receive a Honorary Life Membership card from the Knights of Columbus, a member must be 70 years of age or older and must have been a member of the Knights of Columbus for 25 consecutive years or been a member of the Knights of Columbus for 50 consecutive years, regardless of age.

Please take a moment and congratulate Vern on his outstanding accomplishment.



Knight of the Month

Mike Wilkins

Chaplain's Message

My dear brother knights:

How nice to have this new vehicle of communication for us and for our council. I am grateful to our new Grand Knight Mike Wilkins for creating this newsletter.

I am hopeful that this will enable the members of our council to communicate better and to be current with the events and activities of the council. This should help the members of the council in the business of the council, and this will assist the council in its contribution to the life of St. Mary's.

I hope that we could create a group email for the members of Council 4248, so that we could easily send an email to most of the members of the council to apprise them of news concerning the council and its events, health events and issues concerning the members and their families, to be a prayer chain alerting us of those in need of our prayers, etc. If you are willing to have your email address be added to such a list please send an email to our Grand Knight Mike Wilkins to request this at wilkins@grinnell.edu

School starts very soon. Let's be mindful in our driving of school children now who will be traveling to and from school.

Best wishes and blessing to you all.

Father Bill Reynolds
Chaplain, Council 4248
Pastor, St. Mary church



Persons with Intellectual Disabilities Drive

The Knights of Columbus annual Tootsie Roll Drive is set to run Wednesday September 5th – Friday September 7th. The Knights of Columbus has supported the Persons with Intellectual Disabilities for decades. They have given over \$382 million to programs that benefit the intellectually and physically disabled. The money the Grinnell Knights raise during their Tootsie Roll Drive goes to support the intellectually and physically disabled people in Poweshiek County.

Please come out and support the Knights of Columbus during their Tootsie Roll Drive and thank you for your help.



The Knights of Columbus was founded in 1882 by Father Michael J. McGivney in New Haven, Connecticut. The Knights was formed to provide financial aid to their members and their families. The Order helps families through their life insurance, annuity, and long-term care programs. Today the Knights of Columbus is the world's largest organization of Catholic men and their families. The Order today has over 13,000 councils and 1.7 million members throughout the United States, Canada, the Philippines, Mexico, Poland, the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Panama, the Bahamas, the Virgin Islands, Guatemala, Guam, and Saipan.

Calendar of Events

September

- 4 Council Dinner & Business Meeting
- 5-7 Tootsie Roll Drive
- 11 World Day of Prayer
- 22 Unified Sports Dinner (tentative)
- 22 4th Degree Mass (5:30 PM) in Williamsburg with Officers Installation to follow

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PRESENTATION



To the left, current Grand Knight Mike Wilkins presents Keith McCarville his Grand Knight Plaque in recognition of his work as Grand Knight from 2005-2007.



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