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OCTOBER 2021 NEWS AND INFORMATION

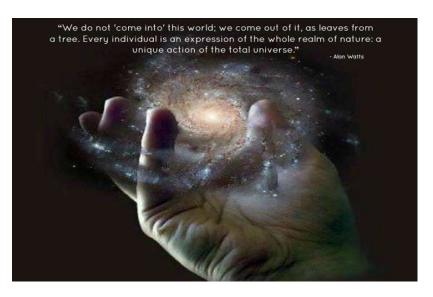
Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam - For the greater glory of God



We look forward to the next business meeting to be held:

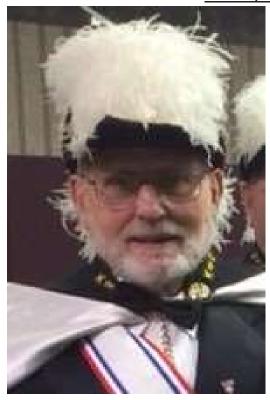
Wednesday, October 20, 2021 Social hour and meal: 6:00PM

Rosary: 7:00PM Meeting: 7:30PM



Sir Knight Robert L. Nolan – In Memoriam

June 14, 1937 – September 19, 2021



Brother Knights:

Sir Knight Robert Nolan was a beloved member of KC6326 for many years. Having held positions of Grand Knight, Faithful Navigator and District Deputy, among others, his example of charity and generosity continues to bear fruit and guide Knights of Columbus in our area. His life is rightly held up as a model for what it means to be a Knight of Columbus.

Always a smile on his face, always a kind word on his lips. His love for others stood out among his peers. When St. Peter greets him at the gates of Heaven, Robert will answer truthfully, "I have hurt no man that I knew". We will miss him.



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Below are a few highlights of our September post Hurricane Ida charity efforts:





Charity Meals:
Sept 4 & 5 @Immaculate Conception
Denham Springs, LA
Sept 14 @ St. Margaret's – Albany, LA

Approximately 4,000 plates served to victims, LA Natl Guard, LPSO & EBR Sheriff's Deputies and Line crews















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Collection of Hurricane Relief supplies for distribution by Catholic Charities







Grand Knight's Comments: Chris Desselles, GK

It is always my distinct honor to recognize brother Knights who both exercise leadership and the willingness to step up to the plate and set the example of why we all became Knights of Columbus:

Knight of the Month – Jeremy Patt

Family of the Month – Pat & Bobbie Paterson

Dear Brother Knights: When we joined the Knights, we did so with a promise to support our parish, our priests, and our Brother Knights. We are called to put our faith into practice in how we live our lives. The above Brothers display these traits admirably. Their actions are an example for the rest of us to follow.

Upcoming Calendar of Events:

October 2021:

Oct 06 KC Planning Meeting - 7:00PM Oct 10 KC Family Picnic – (Tentative)

Oct 20 KC Business Meeting – 6:30 Meal before, 7:00 Rosary, 7:30 Meeting

Oct 20 Gun Raffle Drawing (at Business Meeting)

Oct 29-31 ICC Fall Festival

November 2021:

Nov 02 All Soul's Day memorial service for all who passed away during the pandemic – At ICC

Nov 02 KC Planning Meeting – 7:00PM Nov 07 Daylight Savings Time ends

Nov 08 Silver Rose – At Council Home 7:00PM

Nov 17 KC Business Meeting – 6:30 Meal before, 7:00 Rosary, 7:30 Meeting

Date TBA:

Charity fundraiser to support Breast Cancer Awareness Month – Spaghetti dinners



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Fathers and Families

An article published by Catholic News Agency - By Ronald J. Rychlak

With Father's Day just around the corner, it's a good time to take a look at the importance of fathers in our society. In 1950, 6 percent of America's children lived in a home without a father. Today, almost one out of every four children does not have a "Dad" at home, and about 40 percent do not have their biological father at home. In fact, the United States is the world's leader in fatherless families.

According to David Blackenhorn, author of Fatherless America: Confronting Our Most Urgent Social Problem, being a father is "society's most important role for men." A good father "puts his family first. He is responsible for them. He sacrifices for them." He may pitch in with household duties, but that is not his most important contribution to the family.

Fathers help their children grow by encouraging them to explore their limits. Blackenhorn explains: "Fathers are likely to devote special attention to character traits necessary for the future, especially qualities such as independence, self-reliance, and the willingness to test limits and take risks." Fathers also provide economic security: Children living in single-parent homes are far more likely to experience poverty in their youth than are children in two-parent families.

Watching a father leave is particularly devastating to children. We have always known that divorce can have a significant psychological impact on a child, but there was always the argument that perhaps children would be better off living with one parent (almost always the mother) than with two parents who were unhappy together. The evidence is now in, and the hypothesis has failed.

In The Abolition of Marriage, author Maggie Gallagher summarizes the massive evidence showing that "short of pathological brutality, divorce is never good for children." Moreover, remarriage after divorce typically does not solve the children's problems and often makes them worse. (Interestingly, children of widows usually do not suffer as badly as do children of divorced or never-married mothers.) Unfortunately, today we have a whole industry built around divorce, and that industry survives by encouraging people -- including parents -- to take the step that is so damaging to children.

There is much debate over the precise impact of fatherlessness, and we all know single mothers who have done a great job rearing their children. Nevertheless, fatherlessness has been linked to a significant increase in criminal activity, suicide, behavioral problems, chemical substance abuse, dropping out of high school, and being a victim of abuse (especially when the child lives with a mother who has a new man in the house). Well over half of all adolescent murderers and long-term prison inmates grew up without fathers in their home.





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In addition to being important to the children, fatherhood also changes the father. The vast majority of crime in America is committed by young men. If these men were leading families, as good fathers do -- rather than engaging in drug abuse, gang activity, and other destructive behaviors -- they would have to go to work, earn money, and help take care of their children. They would be better people. As the nonprofit National Fatherhood Initiative puts it: "What reduces crime, child poverty, teen pregnancy, and requires no new taxes? -- Good Fathers."

Social programs designed to benefit children and poor families often do not work. When the government steps in to fill the role of economic provider, it strips young men of their self-worth. Men used to talk about "having to get married" when a woman got pregnant. It may not have been the happiest of situations, but for the father it was a time of assessing his role. He had to settle down and earn a living; he had to protect his family. He had to grow up.

What faces a young man in a similar situation today? If the woman decides to keep the baby, she does not need him for economic support; the government will take care of that. So the young man feels no obligation to settle down. He can stay carefree and avoid responsibility. In that situation, fatherhood is unable to have its civilizing effect. Unfortunately, men who father illegitimate children disproportionately turn to crime, use drugs, and suffer premature death.

If America is going to solve its social problems, young men must have positions of responsibility, and children need to have their fathers. We don't need more federal programs to replace fathers or to create jobs for young men. We need to teach boys how to become men. We need them to become responsible fathers. Mothers alone cannot take their place. Governmental agencies can't even come close.

Ronald J. Rychlak is the associate dean and MDLA Professor of Law at the University of Mississippi School of Law. He is the author of Hitler, the War, and the Pope (2000) and Righteous Gentiles (2005).

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Other News:

As usual, We have a full docket for our next business meeting on Oct 20. Please make every effort to attend as we have decisions to make and projects to coordinate.

Chris Desselles, GK



Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love.

Where there is injury, pardon.

Where there is doubt, faith.

Where there is darkness, light.

Where there is darkness, light.

Where there is safarkness, light.

Where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master,

grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled,
 as to console;

to be understood, as to understand;
 to be loved, as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive.

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
 and it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life.

Amen.





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From our Services Program Director – Jeremy Patt

(Look here for the latest news in future issues)

From our Membership Program Director – Brice Larson (Look here for the latest news in future



From a lady in Michigan speaking of her lineman husband working down here...

Saying thank you just doesn't seem like it's quite enough right now. My husband left for Louisiana on August 28th. He's been a lineman for 20+ years so this life is not new to us, however, this job felt different. I couldn't put my finger on exactly why, but I had a sense of overwhelming fear and anxiety about him going down there. I think it was due to a combination of several things-we dropped our oldest child off to college for his freshman year at Michigan Technological University (500 miles away) six days prior to my husband leaving and I was still very much trying to cope with that. Maybe it was because of the whole covid mess, or the social unrest lately, or the political nightmare that has been going on, or just the general ugliness of the world that we live in right now. Take your pick. Whatever the reason, this storm job hit different for me. I honestly did not want him to go. As a seasoned line wife. I know what to expect and so does he. However, I have been so humbled by all of the pictures, videos and heartwarming stories and it has brought me to tears on several occasions. I am in awe of the generosity and support for these guys. Southern Louisiana you just had your world turned upside down and yet here you are taking care of our men like they're family. Thank you for showing them kindness and love. Thank you for respecting them and what they do. Thank you for acknowledging the sacrifices that they and their families make to be there and recognizing the dangers of their job. You'd be surprised at how many people don't. And oh my goodness don't even get me started on that delicious food they're eating down there! Lawd have mercy y'all can cook! I swear I can smell it all the way up here in Michigan! You need to quit spoiling them with that yummy southern cooking otherwise they'll never come home! Do I miss my husband? Absolutely, every day, But you need him more than I do right now and I'm ok with that. I still worry about him of course, but my mind is at peace and my heart is happy knowing that you have his back and are taking care of him the way I would. You set the bar pretty high with this one Louisiana-the rest of the country needs to take notes because THIS is how it's done! People helping people. We are so much stronger together! Words cannot express my gratitude so I can only simply say "thank you". This is the America I want my kids to grow up in.

-Hugs from a grateful Michigan Linewife

Church News – Faith Program Chairman - Olin Hall

NOTE: You may have photos or stories of recent activities of interest, both of this council or from your specific Program activities. We would love to publish accounts of this nature and share them with all of our brother Knights. Also, any future Council events or activities can be announced or advertised. Photos are encouraged as they add interest and make for better content. Feel free to send your information to me via email to poppachris3057@gmail.com and I'll see that it gets included in the Knight's Circle. Photos in JPEG format can be almost any size file (I can resize them for the letter) but under 2MB is preferred. Articles should be in MS Word (.doc or .docx) or in PDF format. - Vivat Jesus! --- Chris



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Sick and Distressed Prayer list - September 29, 2021

Should you have any additions or deletions, or discover errors, please email them directly to me at poppachris3057@amail.com - Vivat Jesus!! - Chris Desselles, GK

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| Alden Rodriguez | Ryan Bordelon | Marynell Goudeaux | Michael Apter | |
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Pray for the souls of our deceased Brother Knights, family members, and friends.

| A.J. Labello | Warren Fontenot | Henry Pulizzano | Hubert Desselles | Randy Oddo |
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| Earl Melancon | Kim Guidry | Robert L. Nolan | Martha Desselles | Art Campo |
| Allison Kelly | | | | |

Pray for vocations and our Armed Forces.

Capt. Celia Andersen Ernest Theriot Brady Labello Seminarian Blair Stewart

Prayer for the Canonization of Father Michael J. McGivney, Founder of our Order:

God, Our Father, Protector of the poor and Defender of the widow and orphan, You called your priest Father Michael J. McGivney to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may he follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling His commandment of charity and building up His body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in Your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that You glorify Your servant, Father Michael J. McGivney, on Earth according to the design of Your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor that the youth of our parish will grow in strength and wisdom to keep our church and country strong the Christ our Lord. Amen.