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Grand Knight Report...

Hello Brother Knights,

I think frost is on the pumpkin, as the weather is really coming fast. Time to turn on the heat at home and look forward to fun inside with all of the events. I challenge all of my Brothers to come to the meetings and sign-up for helping us with the fun events that are coming!!!

A quick review of what you missed: the Night at the Races at Holy Trinity was a great night if horses are your thing. I came home with more money than I started with!! I think that was a fun time to mingle with parishioners younger than me. Talked to many and we learned more about events. The Isabella's Octoberfest also was fun in setup, cooking on

the grills with peppers and onions, and sausages. The food was some of the best - German potato salad, potato pancakes, and apple cake. Wow I forgot the free beer that came with the meal!! I don't have all the details but I hear they made around \$2,000. Great event with polka music to top off the event. Congratulations to the Isabella's!!!

Our Quarterly Communion at Holy Spirit had a great review and also the talk from Jeanna Jones from R.T.L. We also had a First Degree with two new members that have joined: Johnny Sikora, and his buddy Eric Lance. All from our events.

Well today is near Halloween and more events that come fast. Novem-

ber 1, Wed, at Holy Trinity Church, we have a Mass at 7:pm for all the Members who are deceased from our Council. The Fourth degree will be with us and all names will be read at the end of the Mass. Fr. Gerard M. Gonda our Chaplin, will be saying the mass. ALL ARE WELCOME.

PGK Kevin McHenry is looking for help at St. Joe's Parish with a Ministries Fair. We will have a table with the Turkey Raffle flyer, R.T.L. bus information flyer, and how to join the Knights of Columbus flyers. Need about a hour to hand out information from 8:30-11:00 am.

Business meeting on Thursday at 7:30pm. Committee meetings on the 4th at 9:00 for Turkey Raffle, 10:00 for Children's Christmas Party, and Something new, a First degree at 1:00, through a cd video for two more brothers who want to join our Council. Here is YOUR time to help, pick the event and come add your skills.

If you are looking for a PRE-ADVENT event, Father Gonda has us covered for that also. This will take place on Nov. 18th at 12pm with lunch. Then watch a movie focused on Fr. Solanus Casey, a Capuchin Friar being beatified that same day, and then head over to the Monastery of the Poor Clare's on Rocky River

Drive for a holy hour and Mass at 4:30pm. NO COST to attend, but reservations are required. Call me at 934-5778 or 865-9668, THIS IS A SATURDAY EVENT ON THE 18th, and NOT A SUNDAY as in the bulletins. Thanks

We are moving to choose the best of the student essay contest that John Pabin has been leading. Awards for those on Sunday 19th at our Hall at 1:30pm. Come and enjoy this event. I will be looking for help with the schools, with our next contest: the "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest. Judges, help to get out to schools, and help to collect posters, that will be needed this next month. And in December we will drop off to schools, the Free Throw Basketball contest in Jan. To help all our students is a great mission for us of the Knights of Columbus. AGAIN, COME HELP. More to come in December!!!

As always With God, All is Possible.

Vivat Jesus
GK Jim Brady

Isabella News

Thank You to everyone who attended the Octoberfest. We hope you enjoyed the evening!



Isabella's are now selling the 2018 "Our Town All Around" books. The coupon books are full of local dining, entertainment and service coupons. The cost of each book is \$28.00 and they are available now! Please call Simi DiLuciano at 440-934-5766, Betty Rieck 440-934-0346 or Jan Black 440-933-8550 to get yours today!



Octoberfest Pictures

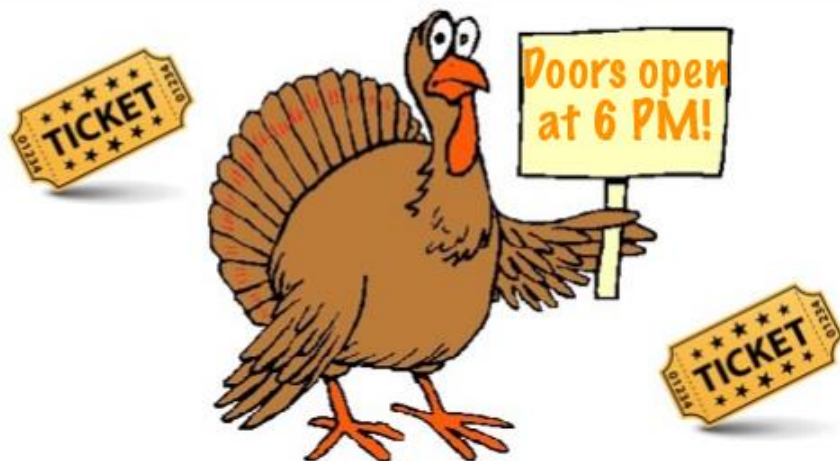
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Fr. Ragan Council #3269 Presents...

The Annual Turkey Raffle

Thursday November 16, 2017



Minimum of 75 Winners!

Location:

**1783 Moore Road
Avon, OH 44011**

**Off of Colorado Ave (Rt 611)
East of BJ's Wholesale Club**

**Admission \$5.00
Raffle Tickets \$.50 each**

***Beverages Including Beer
Available for Purchase**

***Table Snacks Provided**

**Contact: GK Jim Brady
440.865.9668**

Pence Pledges Aid to Christians



{from kofc.org / 11/1/2017} Vice President Mike Pence pledged that the U.S. government will provide direct aid to Christians in the Middle East, singling out the Knights of Columbus for “extraordinary work caring for the persecuted around the world.”

U.S. aid had previously been given to the United Nations for distribution in the troubled region. Speaking at the In Defense of Christians Fourth Annual Solidarity Dinner

in Washington, Pence said that the aid had been ineffective in helping Christians who have suffered at the hands of ISIS and other terrorist groups.

“While faith-based groups with proven track records and deep roots in these communities are more than willing to assist, the United Nations too often denies their funding requests,” Pence said. “My friends, those days are over. This is the moment. This is the time. And America will support these people in their hour of need.”

The news was a milestone for the Knights of Columbus, which has led the effort to protect Christians amid a genocide in the Middle East.

Supreme Knight Carl Anderson introduced Pence at the dinner, stating that now was the time to “rededicate ourselves to the defense of our brothers and sisters in faith — and to defending them in a Christian way with the ethics of love.”

“Despite the efforts of so many, the world witnesses again and again the crimes against humanity that we now describe as genocide,” Anderson told an audience that included elected officials, bishops, priests and prelates from the U.S. and throughout the Middle East. “Today that word is rightly applied to what is happening to Christians and other religious minorities in the Middle East.”

In August, the Knights announced plans to raise \$2 million to rebuild Karamles, a predominantly Christian town in Iraq that was destroyed by ISIS. The Knights’ drive will enable hundreds of families from Christian and other minority communities, who were evicted by ISIS in 2014, to move back to their homes.

The Knights are urging K of C councils, along with parishes and other Church groups, to donate \$2,000, the approximate cost of resettling one family.

THANK GOD IT'S FIRST FRIDAY - WEST

Through the Gifts from God, we provide food for the body, food for the mind, and food for the soul.

An inter-parish men's group will meet on First Friday for socializing, luncheon, talk by a priest, and concluding with the Celebration of the Eucharist. All men are invited.

Upcoming luncheons:

DATE: November 3, 2017
SPEAKER: Rev. Fr. Mark S. Ott
CURRENT LOCATION AND RESPONSIBILITIES: St. Mary Seminary
TOPIC: "tbd"

DATE: December 1, 2017
SPEAKER: Rev. Fr. James Cosgrove
CURRENT LOCATION AND RESPONSIBILITIES: St. Christopher's Parish, Rocky River
TOPIC: "Theology of the Face"

LOCATION: St. Clarence Church, 30106 Lorain Road, North Olmsted
COST: \$10.00
TIME: Registration/socializing begins at 11:15 AM; the Luncheon at 12:05 PM; talk at 12:35 PM; and will conclude with Mass.

TO MAKE RESERVATIONS: Call me by October 31st for the November luncheon at (440) 937-6606.

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TO MAKE RESERVATIONS: Call George at (440) 937-6606

REMINDER: PLEASE SAVE YOUR USED POSTAGE STAMPS FOR THE MISSIONS. I AM ALSO COLLECTING RELIGIOUS ARTICLES FOR FR. STALLA. YOU CAN DROP THESE ITEMS OFF AT THE LUNCHEON OR AT THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL, AVON.

George W. Perz

Tim Bruder Golf Outing Donation

Below is a photo of the \$10,000 check presentation to the Cleveland Clinic Helping Hands Fund that was raised by 2017 Tim Bruder Golf Outing and handed over by Committee Chairman Jeff Ladegaard and his wife Brenda to Dr. Hull who administers the Fund, medical personal from the Colorectal Department at the Clinic the Bruders, Jim, Bobbie and Anne Bruder. Hope you can tell who are the Bruders and who are the others!



CALENDAR



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| Wed, Nov 1 | All Souls Mass (7:00PM, Holy Trinity) |
| Thur, Nov 2 | Business Meeting (7:30PM, Knights Hall) |
| Sat, Nov 18 | Pre-Advent Council Retreat Day (12 Noon, Knights Hall) |
| Sun, Nov 19 | Essay Contest Awards (1:30PM, Knights Hall) |



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