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From Our State Deputy

When this issue of the Buckeye Bulletin arrives in your inbox we will have begun the Advent season. The dictionary definition of Advent is the “arrival of a notable person.” For Catholics and non-Catholic Christians alike, this of course signifies the coming birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Naturally at this time it is important that we direct our attention to his birth. One effective way is through our charitable work, the first pillar of our Order.

This time of year, can also be extremely stressful and often one just wants to shout, “I can’t do it all.” When this happens, we need to trust in Jesus and reach out to our brother Knights for help. Jesus and our fraternal unity provide us strength. Always remember every extra effort we make together, no matter how small, can make a positive difference in someone’s life.

So, this Advent season remember that God’s mercy often works through the charitable actions of ourselves and our councils. Continue doing those great things you do in charity and always consider inviting more Catholic men to join our Order, so that we can expand God’s merciful reach in helping the needy and less fortunate.

As we conclude the first six months of our fraternal year at the end of this month, we can look back on those things we as Knights accomplished, reassess our plans, and set new goals for the next six months by focusing on what our founder Blessed Michael McGivney envisioned us to be: Charitable, Unified, Fraternal, and Patriotic. In that context our go to response should always be: “What can we do?” to help.



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For Unto Us a Child is Born!



May you and your families be blessed with a joyous Advent and Christmas!

Michael J. Felerski -
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State Chaplain's Monthly Reflection

*Click [here](#) to view the 6th YouTube video, "[Vocation of the Laity, Part 1](#)", (December) that is part of a monthly series by Ohio's State Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus - **Father John Paul Walker O.P.**

Video Series Archive:

November - *The Four Marks of the Church*

October - *"What is the Church?"*

September - *"Sunday Mass in the Early Church"*

August - *"Eucharist: Source and Summit"*

July - *"Why These Videos - An Introduction"*

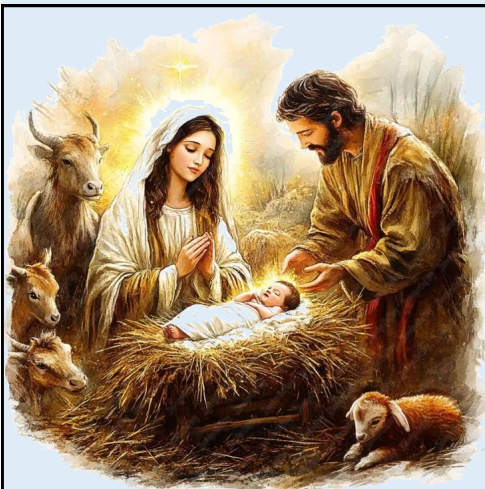


Fr. John Paul Walker, OP
State Chaplain



Family

Many of your councils contributed to food banks and the needy this past few weeks. Make sure your Family Director fills out the Food For Families report and describe what exactly your Council did for Food for Families. Be as detailed as possible, and if you have any photos, be sure to include those with your report. I want to see **ALL** councils in Ohio max out on their Family Program points.



December marks our Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest. By now, you should have already obtained your Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest kit. Distribute your poster kits to your grade schools, your religious education classes, and your parishes. Make sure that all completed posters are turned into your District Deputy no later than December 28, 2025. The posters will be judged at the Mid-Year District Deputy Meeting on January 10, 2026.

I appreciate those of you that made corrections to your Family Reports that needed additional information. I have awarded all of you your Family Program points for those. Should you have any questions, please contact me and I will gladly assist you.

I want to wish you and your families a Blessed Merry Christmas, hoping that you are Thankful for all of God's Blessings.



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Vivat Jesus !!

Michael Freil - State Family Director

Growth Team Ohio

From the Desk of

Grandpa Peddigrew



The Grand Knight of a council located in the Toledo Diocese was working on completing some Ohio State Council Program Reports, in this case for Membership, and submitted several for completed Membership Drives with a required new member name included.

When the programs were reviewed by the appropriate Director, several of the those submitted Program Reports were marked “Rejected”, as a council can only use this report type once.

When this came to the attention of the Grand Knight, he immediately sent an email requesting the reasons for the rejection of his candidates and pointing out that his council had worked long and hard to secure these new members. Additionally, how were he and his team to grow their council as they were encouraged to do if he couldn't even have his candidates accepted.

After a few back-and-forth emails with the Director, it came to light that this Grand Knight was operating under the impression that using the OSC General Program Reporting tool, found in the “For Members” menu of the Ohio State Website, was the appropriate way to enter new candidates into the eMembership system. However, the General Program Reporting tool does not function this way and is only useful for submitting information to earn points for the Ohio General Program rewards.

To get candidates into the eMembership system, the appropriate tool can be found at www.kofc.org/join which will present a page for submitting new member information and start a prospect on his journey to Knighthood.

After clearing this up, the Grand Knight was able to re-submit his candidates appropriately and they are now members of his council!

“Grandpa Peddigrew Says...”

By the rings of Saturn! I've said it before -it's *always* them little things that create the biggest snags, yes siree. This was a close one fer sure. Them candeedates sit out there wait'n to be part of your council and are only motivated fer so long, then they're gonna go a look'n for somethin' else to do with their time! Fish act the same way – yer bait is interesting only as long as it's appealing to 'em! When it becomes as old as Methuselah, noo one's a look'n.

And right here's a good lesson about know'n yer gear! That there feller up by Toledo (great place fer walleye fish'n) knew what he wanted to do, just was us'n the wrong tool in the shed fer it. Same is true with putting yer hook over the side – it'll only work well if you know what yer look'n fer and if yer gear can handle it –then ya gotta know what to turn when and how much to turn it so you and yer gear are a work'n together! If yer lure's a lagg'n and doesn't look interesting, them fish, like them candidates, is gonna go elsewhere!

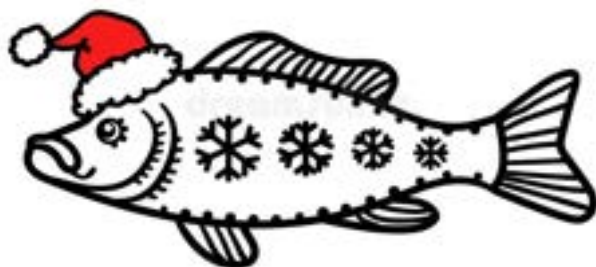
Know yer gear and be ready to reel in yer catch and have the net ready! It's the same with that inviting. Find the guy, then use the right tools to join him up, and be sure to follow through *with* him until he's firmly in yer net!

Just member what 'ole Grampa Peddigrew says. Know what yer look'n for and where ta find it. Use the right offer and put it where the fish are likely to be. Use them barriers to yer advantage. When ya got'm on the hook – remember, the job ain't done till he's in your net!

Y'u'll do okay. Keep yer line wet and yer reel dry!

See you feller's out on the lake!

G. J. Peddigrew





Leading Our Families in Faith



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to offer.

First is a book that was offered by Deacon Dave Krempec, *"Consecration To St. Joseph"* by Donald H. Calloway, MIC. It is a 33-day devotion to St. Joseph with the intention of becoming a better husband, father, and follower of Christ. It should not be lost on us that this is one of the basic underlying goals of Cor. It can be done individually or as a group. I can say that, for me, it has been quite transformational on my overall outlook of what it means to be a Catholic father and husband. I urge you to give it a look.



Second, with three impressionable children in my house, we are celebrating Advent with a Jesse Tree. A Jesse Tree is a decorative tree used during Advent to tell the story of salvation history from Adam and Eve to the birth of Jesus. It is decorated with ornaments, each symbolizing a person or event from the Bible, such as Noah's Ark, Jacob's Ladder, or King David's sling, to help tell the lineage of Christ. The tradition gets its name from the biblical prophecy in Isaiah 11:1, which speaks of a "shoot from the stump of Jesse" and the lineage of Jesus from Jesse, the father of King David.

So, as you can see, my theme this month is more in line with the Man as the father and head of the household instead of men sharpening men. By this, I mean it is time to put into practice what you have been discussing in your Cor faith groups. I would be happy to receive feedback from anyone who participates in either of these activities.

I would like to share that there are now sixty-seven councils in Ohio that have an assigned Council EFF Director. Congratulations to all of you. I would also like to welcome our newest participant, Fr. Maruskin Council # 10936. The following success story is from Cleveland Diocesan Cor Director, Ty Tyjewski:

A HUGE congratulations to E.F.F. Director Mike McNulty and our Brothers from the Fr. Maruskin Council# 10936 at Holy Family Parish in Stow. They had their first COR meeting on Nov. 20th, and 31 Men were in attendance! What an amazing Gathering! The meeting was held outside by their fire pit, with a big selection of food and snacks. The meeting went for just past an hour and opened with an icebreaker and everyone introducing themselves. The meeting then focused, and concluded, with group prayer. They will be meeting twice monthly on Thursday evenings, with other prayer content on specific Saturday Mornings. If you are interested in attending, please go to <https://www.holyfamilystow.org/kofcStow> for more information. A **BIG Thank you** to E.F.F. Director Mike, Father Mike McCanless, and the steering committee at Holy Family for all their hard work!

Worthy Brothers, it can be done. When it is, it is so fulfilling. Please take the opportunity to talk to your Grand Knight about starting Cor in your parish. If you need assistance, our wonderful State Team of Cor Diocesan Directors is excited to help. Just reach out!

Personally, and on behalf of my entire team, I want to wish you all the Most Blessed Advent and Holy & Joyous Christmas.

Vivat Jesus!

Arron Mier - State Director of Evangelization and Faith Formation



“We Are Called” to have Successful Programming

Worthy Brother Knights of the Great State of Ohio,

Now that December is here there are only 4 and a half months left in the program contest. That means in 4 and a half months the reporting period will close, and councils won't be allowed to report any more activities on the state website. Remember, April 15th is the deadline to report on your council activities, and it will be here before you know it!

During the July state diocesan tour, I announced my “First-Half Incentive” that ended on November 1st. For every council that completed their 185's, 365's, 1st Semi-Annual Audit, paid their State Per Capita, reported 4 programs in the Faith In Action portion of the general program contest, brought in at least 2 new members, and participated in their 1st Fraternal Benefits Event would be entered in a drawing for a custom roll up retractable banner! I am pleased to announce that 11 councils achieved the criteria. Congratulations to Councils: **341, 546, 554, 3324, 5582, 6144, 10003, 10749, 14344, 14551, and 15458**. Only 3 councils will be drawn, and the drawing will take place at the January District Deputy Meeting in the Columbus Diocese. Great job to these councils and good luck during the drawing!



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I want to talk a little bit about Fraternal Benefit Events. To receive credit for Supreme, the grand knight must submit the #11077 Form. This form can be found on Supreme's website under [Council Forms](#). Just look for the form number, click on the link, fill out the form on the webpage and click on the Submit Button when finished. Supreme will review it and, if approved, that will earn you 1 credit for your Fraternal Benefit Events. Remember, you will need 2 credits to earn the Founder's Award, which is an award given by the Supreme Council and is also a requirement for Star Council.

As for the “We Are Called” State General Program Contest, these activities must be reported under the Membership Activities Requirements. Any activity that falls under the Membership Activities Requirements needs to be reported on the state website except for the Council Growth Percentage. It will need to be reported twice to max out your Membership Activities and the State General Program Contest. You can find it under the Activity Type drop down menu (select Membership). Then under Membership Activity drop down menu, select Fraternal Benefit Event. Then report it just like any other activity that gets reported on the state website.

So, get those activities reported on the state website. Let's finish the first half strong! That way we are set up real nice and looking good for the second half of the fraternal year!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Fraternally,

Tim Mangan - State General Program Director



Month Six: Saints and Heroes Male Role Models in Holiness

Faith

Men learn by watching other men.

On the job, you watched the older guys run the tools, read the room, close the deal. On the field, you watched the captain. At home, you watched your dad: not by theory, but by imitation.

We don't just need ideas. We need examples. We need someone we can point to and say, "**That. That's what it looks like.**"

The Church knows this. She doesn't just hand you abstract virtues; she hands you **men**, flesh-and-blood saints who show what holiness looks like in real life.

When God makes a saint, He doesn't erase a man's story.

He **builds on it**. Start where you are. The Church is full of men who were:

- **Husbands, fathers.**

St. Joseph, carpenter and guardian of the Holy Family; and kings like **St. Louis IX**, who ruled and still prayed, fasted, and raised their children in the faith. They show you what fatherhood looks like when grace is in charge.

- **Workers, blue-collar.**

Your hands are calloused; your work may seem underappreciated. **St. Isidore the Farmer**, praying as he plowed; and **St. André Bessette**, humble doorkeeper who fixed things show you don't have to leave the worksite to be holy.

- **Second-chance men.**

You've made some big mistakes. **St. Peter**, who denied Christ and became the Rock; **St. Augustine**, who chased pleasure before surrendering everything; and **St. Bartolo Longo**, former satanic priest turned apostle of the Rosary. Their lives show your past is not a barrier; it's a starting point in God's hands.

- **Young men.**

You've got a phone in your hand and a future that feels open and confusing. The Church offers you **St. José Sánchez del Río**, teenage martyr crying "¡Viva Cristo Rey!"; and **St. Carlo Acutis**, hoodie-wearing gamer who called the Eucharist his "highway to heaven." Holiness is not "for later." It's for **right now**.

- **Leaders and professionals.**

You carry decisions, pressure, and people. **St. Thomas More**, lost his head rather than lose his conscience; and **St. Homobonus**, merchant whose clean ledgers and open hands became a path to heaven.

Different jobs. Different ages. Different personalities.

Same call: become a man fully alive in Christ. These men are not museum pieces. They're alive in Him, interceding for us, cheering us on as a "great cloud of witnesses" (Heb 12:1).

When we hear these stories, something in us stirs, yet many of us think our current life "works" just well enough that changing feels more dangerous than staying stuck. We admire the saints from a distance, like statues on pedestals, while quietly we worry: "If I get serious about my faith... I'll look weak. I'll look weird." And so, faith stays "respectable", not too visible, not too costly.

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Most of the people whose opinions we're afraid of? **We won't even know their names in ten years.** The saints stopped living for audiences that don't matter and started living for an eternal **Audience of One.**

SO ACT #1: Lock on to one saint's story and let it become your model. Treat it like a **coach the Holy Spirit picked for you.**

However, you do want more, but you're tired, stretched thin, and afraid that if you start changing things, you might not appear like you have it all together. So, you just agree, and then you slide back into the same patterns, not because you don't care, but because you don't yet see how to live differently.

A lot of men have this spiritual plan that sounds like: "I should really pray more." No specifics. No plan. Just a foggy good intention. If you ran your job, your finances, or your workout plan like that, you'd see it as a setup for failure. The saints learned that habits and environment quietly train the soul: a chair that always has a Bible on it; ten minutes that belong to God every day; a weekly Holy Hour that doesn't move even when your schedule does.

SO ACT #2: Trade vague good intentions for a simple, concrete daily spiritual plan. Holiness grows the way strength does: **under steady, repeated load**

Many men in the pews feel like visitors in their own parish, standing at the edges, spiritually hands in pockets, waiting to be "pulled in." These saints refused that posture. St. John Bosco didn't wait; he built a community. St. Damien of Molokai didn't wait for ideal conditions; he walked toward the people. They turned isolation into fraternity by taking the first step.

SO ACT #3: Refuse isolation; weave your life together with a few brothers who will check on you. Lone wolves look impressive for a while; but packs survive the winter.

Producing actual change

You don't become a saint by accident, but you also don't become a saint just by gritting your teeth and trying to "be more spiritual." We are men who know we're called higher, facing obstacles that are real but not final.

Become the kind of man the world needs.

Look around our parishes, neighborhoods, towns:

- Families are starving for spiritual leadership from fathers.
- Boys are growing up without strong, loving men to imitate.

The culture shouts a hundred confused messages about what a man should be.

In the middle of all that noise, the Church quietly points toward different examples:

Fishermen and kings.

Teenagers and grandfathers.

Scholars and farmhands.

Warriors and quiet doorkeepers

Holiness isn't the polished man on the stage; it's often the man in the back pew who let Christ love him where he was least impressive. It's Christ stepping into a man's unfinished story, after every fall, against every trend, when it's lonely, costly, and misunderstood.

We don't believe in an idea or a spiritual "energy." We believe in a **Person** Jesus Christ who wants a real, daily relationship with you, just as He had with all these saints. They weren't holy because they found a technique; they were holy because they kept turning back to Him, again, in the real mess of their lives.

Remember, He seeks that same relationship with you. You're walking the same road they walked, with the same Lord at your side.

Holiness is not for "other men." It's for **you.**

You were not baptized just to be "a decent guy."

You were baptized to be a **saint**, not an angel pretending not to have a body, but a real man with your story, your wounds, your talents, your responsibilities, transformed by grace.

You are not a problem God is stuck with.

You are raw material for **greatness.**

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Every scar, every failure, every dumb decision you wish you could erase, God looks at all of it and says:

“Good. I can build with that.”

He turned a violent bandit into a monk of peace.

He turned a gambling soldier into a healer of the dying.

He turned an addicted doctor into a persevering witness.

He turned a simple priest into a father of the forgotten

He turned a former satanic priest into a herald of the Rosary.

If He can do that in them, He can do something in you that you can't yet imagine.

By God's grace, we are learning to **join their ranks**.

Vivat Jesus!

Chris Crum - State Faith Director



Share the Joy of Christmas With Those in Need

We as Knights of Columbus members play a vital role in sharing the true meaning of Christmas within our local community. Rooted in faith, charity, and fellowship, our outreach initiatives are designed to highlight the spiritual significance of Christmas—the birth of Jesus Christ—and to foster a spirit of generosity, compassion, and unity among all people.

Community

One of the primary ways we can accomplish sharing the true meaning of Christmas is through organizing community events that encourage reflection, celebration, and service.

Host a Christmas Nativity displayed at your parish, inviting families to participate in prayers and witness the story of Christ's birth. These displays can be accompanied by readings from the Gospel, carol singing, and opportunities for children to learn about the Holy Family in an interactive setting.



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In the spirit of Christian charity, your council can orchestrate various service projects during the holiday season to support those in need. Sponsor a Toys for Tots collection or a food drive, collect non-perishable items for local food banks to ensure every family can enjoy a festive meal.

Additionally, organize visits to nursing homes and hospitals, bringing gifts, cards, and companionship to seniors and the sick who may feel isolated during the holidays. These acts of kindness reflect the teachings of Christ and remind the community that Christmas is a time for reaching out and lifting spirits.

To further share the true meaning of Christmas, your council can use bulletin announcements, social media, and local press to promote seasonal events and messages of goodwill. By engaging with the wider community, both in-person and online, you encourage everyone to embrace the joy and purpose of the holiday.

Through our efforts we can ensure that the true meaning of Christmas—a celebration of Christ's birth and God's love for humanity—is at the heart of our community's holiday experience.

I hope all of you have a safe and enjoyable holiday season.

Merry Christmas!!

Vivat Jesus!

Matt Smith - State Community Director



Make an Impact this Holiday Season

Brothers,

Life

As I'm writing this it is the end of Thanksgiving weekend. I have spent a lot of time with my future brother-in-law who has autism. For mass this weekend we were asked to bring the gifts up at the Offertory Procession. Bob was happy to do it, but really wanted to do it the right way. It reminded me of the supreme program "Mass for People with Special Needs". In this program we welcome individuals and families who might feel uncomfortable attending a regular liturgy. If you have connections with a certain organization for your "Measure Up" donations, this would be a good group to work with and invite their clients.



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This month, in my hometown of Stow, a new **Safe Haven Baby Box** (seen at left) was dedicated and is officially available to use. According to my quick count, that makes 19 in the state of Ohio. For those that don't know, these elaborate boxes are installed in fire stations that are manned 24/7. They allow parents to drop off an infant (< 30 days old) anonymously. Trained personnel are immediately notified to take immediate action to help the infant. This is designed to help those who decided to choose life over abortion, but later realized that there might be a better environment for the child elsewhere. If a council has an opportunity to get involved, especially with raising the funds, it is definitely a worthwhile project.

Finally, Dec. 12 is the feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe. It's a perfect time to ask for Our Lady of Guadalupe's intercession for the pro-life cause.



Vivat Jesus,

Mike Incorvati - State Life Director

2100 New Knights



For Now and for Our Future



60 Star Councils



Effective Officers Know Their Roles - Warden

Part 2: The Warden - Master of the Chamber & Ceremonies

Brothers,

The role of the Warden is often viewed as purely logistical, but it is truly the foundation upon which a dignified and successful meeting rests. A proactive Warden acts less like a mover of furniture and more like a stage manager or a "Master of the Chamber." By elevating the atmosphere—ensuring flags are pristine, jewels are polished, and the room layout is precise—he signals to every member that important work is about to be done. To achieve this, the Warden can form a "Warden's Crew" by actively engaging the Inside and Outside Guards, meeting with them briefly before events to review

duties and foster a sense of teamwork. Developing a standardized setup checklist further ensures consistency and professionalism, allowing the Warden to become the council's go-to expert on ceremonial logistics and reducing the stress on the Grand Knight.

Beyond the meeting room, the Warden's responsibility as the guardian of council property offers a unique opportunity for stewardship and history. Instead of simply storing items, he can modernize the role by creating a digital inventory of council assets, which serves as an invaluable resource for the Trustees and future officers. This stewardship can be expanded into a fraternal activity by organizing an annual "Property Care Day," where members gather to clean, repair, and organize equipment, turning a chore into a bonding experience. Because the Warden is already the keeper of the council's physical items, he is also well-positioned to act as an informal historian, preserving the council's legacy by curating scrapbooks or displaying historical memorabilia during social events to connect newer Knights with the council's past.

Finally, the Warden plays a critical role in fostering fellowship and managing the council's "first impression." He is responsible for the environment that candidates and guests enter; a chaotic room suggests a chaotic council, while a well-prepared chamber commands respect. He can also transform the end of the meeting from a tedious clean-up task into a "last act of fraternity", by encouraging a group of members to stay and help, using that time for informal conversation. By also acting as the logistics point person—ensuring that essential supplies

like name tags, guest pamphlets, and membership forms are always on hand—the Warden ensures that the council is not just open for business, but genuinely ready to welcome and engage with its community.

Vivat Jesus!

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ATTN: FOOTBALL SWEEPSTAKES CHAIRMEN:
2025 Football Fund Crazr Sweepstakes!

The Football Fund Crazr Sweepstakes has kicked off !

Weeks 1-4 official winners are listed below and on the following page:

Key Action Items:

- **Submit Tickets IMMEDIATELY:** If you have any late tickets still coming in to your council give me a call with the ticket numbers and they will be made active.
- **Remember:** tickets received now will be good for the remaining games to be played.
- **Council Submission:** Please submit ticket stubs and **\$20.00 for each ticket sold, immediately, for proper council credit.**
- **Rebates/Credit:** Your council's rebates and per capita credit will be based on **TOTAL** tickets for the entire program. It is never to late to get those late tickets in. Rebates and Per Capita credit will be awarded in late **January and July 2026, respectively.**

The Ohio State Council Officers sincerely appreciates your support of the 2025 Football Fund Crazr program, which is vital for funding our charitable programs and more importantly directly helps your local council activities.

Thank you for your timely action and support!

For more tickets or any questions, please contact: Gary Eckstein at **614-679-4238.**

Below are the winners' list for Weeks 1-4:



2025 Fund Crazr Football Sweepstakes

1st Week Winners HIGH SCORES

Rank	Name	Location	Council	Ticket #	Points	Prize
1	Andy Reiderman	Willard - Toledo	885	32873	162	\$ 325.00
1	Jim Pitt	St. Louisville - Columbus	3727	11505	162	\$ 325.00
3	Ron Beale	Holland - Toledo	11450	52318	161	\$ 225.00
4	Chad Bruggeman	Westerville - Columbus	5776	37967	158	\$ 175.00
4	Alex Sifuentes	Milton Center - Toledo	17113	88366	158	\$ 175.00
4	Jeanne Kohls	Mason - Cincinnati	13608	23849	158	\$ 175.00
7	Kirk Kern	Bowling Green - Toledo	14502	50307	157	\$ 93.00
7	Rick Bacni	Sandusky - Toledo	546	52821	157	\$ 93.00
7	George Hastings	Parma - Youngstown	1411	58228	157	\$ 93.00
7	Mary Manuszak	N. Canton - Youngstown	3777	70574	157	\$ 93.00
7	Stephen Woodburn	Huron - Toledo	5023	43777	157	\$ 93.00
12	Steve Prout	Westerville - Columbus	10941	38547	156	\$ 55.00
12	April Stidham	Wauseon - Toledo	8829	59276	156	\$ 55.00
14	Kathy Fisher	Hillard - Columbus	11208	12166	155	\$ 47.50
14	Greg Wilker	Perrysburg - Toledo	7978	52406	155	\$ 47.50
14	Karen Kammer	Hamilton - Cincinnati	968	63868	155	\$ 47.50
14	Phillip Young	Dayton - Cincinnati	3724	74608	155	\$ 47.50
18	Fred Weber	Ironton - Steubenville	1405	10348	154	\$ 20.00
18	Larry Salter	Westlake - Cleveland	16373	15820	154	\$ 20.00
18	Doug Cooper	Stoutsville - Columbus	5297	36856	154	\$ 20.00
18	James Degley	Port Clinton - Toledo	1750	49599	154	\$ 20.00
18	John Hando	Dayton - Cincinnati	3724	63519	154	\$ 20.00
18	Amy McCoy	Lancaster - Columbus	1016	71043	154	\$ 20.00
18	Bob Harp	Uniontown - Youngstown	14959	78372	154	\$ 20.00
18	Cindy Turvene	Vandalia - Cincinnati	17092	81977	154	\$ 20.00
18	Nancy Huber	Cincinnati - Cincinnati	3861	95653	154	\$ 20.00
18	Fr. Matt Robben	Cincinnati - Cincinnati	14665	25430	154	\$ 20.00

LOW SCORES

-1	Frank Odrobina	Alliance - Youngstown	5582	18276	43	\$ 87.50
-1	Thomas Ferrero	Massillon - Youngstown	554	20072	43	\$ 87.50
-3	Kendra Gura	Poland - Youngstown	15573	55095	44	\$ 50.00
-4	Andy Colvin	Cambridge - Columbus	5297	36828	45	\$ 40.00

2025 Fund Crazr Football Sweepstakes

2nd Week Winners HIGH SCORES

Rank	Name	Location	Council	Ticket #	Points	Prize
1	Warren Wright	Grove City - Columbus	4603	37446	166	\$ 325.00
1	Doug Mullenhour	Delphos - Toledo	1362	32715	166	\$ 325.00
3	Paula & Kevin Hellman	Delphos - Toledo	1362	62795	164	\$ 212.50
3	Ann M Adamson	Springboro - Cincinnati	17092	81910	164	\$ 212.50
5	David Croft	Uniontown - Youngstown	14959	41247	161	\$ 162.50
5	Tom Link	Coldwater - Cincinnati	1991	64990	161	\$ 162.50
7	Lou Ternes	Marietta - Steubenville	4617	11384	160	\$ 112.50
7	Robert Gallagher	Fleming - Steuben	15569	89315	160	\$ 112.50
9	Bryan Needham	Akron - Cleveland	3410	15609	159	\$ 80.00
9	Kim DeBusk	New Carlisle - Cincinnati	3724	63589	159	\$ 80.00
9	Bruno Lioi	Beaumont, TX - Youngstown	341	100627	159	\$ 80.00
12	Ray Novotny	Canfield - Youngstown	11369	27535	158	\$ 51.00
12	John D. Cengel	Loveland - Cincinnati	13429	53272	158	\$ 51.00
12	Jon Thomas	North Canton - Youngstown	14959	102474	158	\$ 51.00
12	Charles Caranna	Upper Arlington - Columbus	11275	103693	158	\$ 51.00
12	Lenora Hoplard	Sheffield Village - Cleveland	3269	58693	158	\$ 51.00
17	Jerry Holeman	Uniontown - Youngstown	3410	15727	157	\$ 23.00
17	Robert Warnimont	Perrysburg - Toledo	7978	52264	157	\$ 23.00
17	Thomas Montgomery	Zanesville - Columbus	15824	71913	157	\$ 23.00
17	Theodore A. Laponi	N. Ridgeville - Cleveland	7970	73640	157	\$ 23.00
17	Isaac Knapke	Fort Recovery - Cincinnati	3324	103876	157	\$ 23.00

LOW SCORES

-1	Dave Weiker	Perrysburg - Toledo	7978	59242	31	\$ 100.00
-2	Dcn. Phil Paulucci	Worthington - Columbus	11216	10707	34	\$ 20.00
-2	Deloude T. Shepard	Brookpark - Cleveland	13984	56356	34	\$ 20.00
-2	Loukas Laughman	Cambridge - Steubenville	1641	67543	34	\$ 20.00
-2	Paul Bruner	Sandusky - Toledo	626	86209	34	\$ 20.00
-2	Jan Flowers	Hamilton - Cincinnati	15330	94764	34	\$ 20.00
-2	Rhonda Rea	Salem - Youngstown	1818	100890	34	\$ 20.00
-2	John Ludwig	Xenia - Cincinnati	500	39425	34	\$ 20.00
-2	Neil Shaffer	Montgomery - Cincinnati	1195	65324	34	\$ 20.00
-2	Paul Schafnath	Wooster - Cleveland	789	106833	34	\$ 20.00

2025 Fund Craze Football Sweepstakes

3rd Week Winners

HIGH SCORES

Rank	Name	Location	Council	Ticket #	Points	Prize
1	Mariah Reitz Bair	Dayton - Cincinnati	3724	63525	154	\$ 400.00
2	Mark Ludwig	Willowick - Cleveland	4498	75493	150	\$ 237.50
2	Fadie Abdou	Boardman - Youngstown	11369	102135	150	\$ 237.50
4	Timothy Lyons	Columbus - Columbus	671	31164	149	\$ 200.00
5	John Limberg	Belle Center - Youngstown	4424	63182	148	\$ 150.00
5	Dave Keeble	New Springfield - Youngstown	11551	67829	148	\$ 150.00
5	Thomas Fisher	Wapakoneta - Cincinnati	1272	84339	148	\$ 150.00
8	Rick & Ann Ralston	Columbus - Columbus	14962	44247	147	\$ 90.00
8	Mike Ginnetti	Bowling Green - Toledo	6373	88099	147	\$ 90.00
8	Sydney Jamieson	Grove City - Columbus	11445	28319	147	\$ 90.00
11	Carol S. Ryder	Brook Park - Cleveland	13984	56376	146	\$ 60.00
11	Mike Godsey	Milford - Cincinnati	15533	60733	146	\$ 60.00
11	Tim Buckley	Westlake - Cleveland	16376	75622	146	\$ 60.00
14	Tony Donofrio	Lakewood - Cleveland	2643	307	145	\$ 43.34
14	Gary Pandora	Columbus - Columbus	11275	11784	145	\$ 43.34
14	Carrie Hay	Dover - Columbus	1973	44420	145	\$ 43.34
14	Mary Kay Pennington	Chillicothe - Columbus	1071	46250	145	\$ 43.34
14	KC Laubacher	Canton - Youngstown	15458	99213	145	\$ 43.34
14	James Flynn	Westerville - Columbus	10941	38381	145	\$ 43.34

LOW SCORES

-1	Brian Morgan	Wheeling, WV - Steubenville	1246	10120	42	\$ 100.00
-2	Linda Rainey	Pickerington - Columbus	11187	191	43	\$ 55.00
-2	John Beckstedt	Cincinnati - Cincinnati	14665	25364	43	\$ 55.00
-2	Denise Gentile	New Middleton - Youngstown	4571	70159	43	\$ 55.00



2025 Fund Craze Football Sweepstakes

4th Week Winners

HIGH SCORES

Rank	Name	Location	Council	Ticket #	Points	Prize
1	Kari Gianangeli	Powell - Columbus	11216	10669	129	\$ 325.00
1	David T. Hayes	Akron - Cleveland	4664	76080	129	\$ 325.00
3	Lisa Abraham	Warren - Youngstown	507	99843	125	\$ 225.00
4	Patrick Appleby	Louisville - Youngstown	4733	102719	123	\$ 131.43
4	Rod Wirsching	Columbus - Columbus	11311	41890	123	\$ 131.43
4	Samuel Curry	Columbus - Columbus	11216	10639	123	\$ 131.43
4	Ken Kacvinsky	Parma - Cleveland	13984	12798	123	\$ 131.43
4	Will Blodgett	Auburn, GA - Cincinnati	1162	22995	123	\$ 131.43
4	Joseph J. Klein	Perrysburg - Toledo	7978	47167	123	\$ 131.43
4	Scott Mallernee	Castalia - Toledo	12224	86898	123	\$ 131.43
4	Kathy Davis	Trenton - Cincinnati	968	67235	123	\$ 131.43
11	Charles Hoving	Kettering - Cincinnati	4022	39111	122	\$ 36.67
11	David Schibley	Monroeville - Toledo	1117	14606	122	\$ 36.67
11	Karen Stevenson	Cincinnati - Cincinnati	14665	21517	122	\$ 36.67
11	Bob Schroeder	Dayton - Cincinnati	14891	23672	122	\$ 36.67
11	John Jauch	Kettering - Cincinnati	4022	39109	122	\$ 36.67
11	Becky Dawson	Novelty - Cleveland	3304	39774	122	\$ 36.67
11	Steve Puckrin	Sandusky - Toledo	546	51040	122	\$ 36.67
11	Ed Steinberger	Bowling Green - Toledo	14502	62555	122	\$ 36.67
11	Lorraine Bruchac	Green Springs - Toledo	1175	86633	122	\$ 36.67
11	Christopher Bates	Toledo - Toledo	3904	87927	122	\$ 36.67
11	Lori Buttermore	Huron - Toledo	5023	99465	122	\$ 36.67
11	Ros Hardgrove	Lisbon - Youngstown	1818	100877	122	\$ 36.67

LOW SCORES

-1	Loren Day	Hilliard - Columbus	11208	12071	29	\$ 100.00
-2	Charles D. Canter	Bellaire - Steubenville	1246	27846	31	\$ 62.50
-2	Jeff Sanson	Westlake - Cleveland	16376	75523	31	\$ 62.50
-4	Margarita Neumeyer	North Royalton - Cleveland	10792	47090	32	\$ 20.00
-4	Samuel Beckett	Toronto - Steubenville	4361	67855	32	\$ 20.00
-4	Tony DeBlase	Bellevue - Toledo	752	52721	32	\$ 20.00
-4	James Leonard	Findlay - Toledo	957	103931	32	\$ 20.00
-4	D.L. Smith	Maumee - Toledo	11370	58778	32	\$ 20.00
-4	Kevin Good	Bellevue - Toledo	546	52966	32	\$ 20.00
-4	Jeff Schwartz	East Troy, WI - Columbus	2898	28243	32	\$ 20.00
-4	Jim Contini	Dover - Columbus	1923	38069	32	\$ 20.00



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Dear Brother Knight,

We look forward to you joining us for the 2026 Ohio State Bowling Tournament.

This year's 108th Invitational is held in Dayton Ohio, Beaver-Vu Bowl, 1238 N Fairfield Rd, Beavercreek, OH 45432. Starting times Saturday is 12:00 and Sunday will be at 9AM, with a 10 minute practice.

Please mark your 1st and 2nd choices.

March 14th and 15th

March 21st and 22nd

March 28th and 29th

The host hotel for 2026: Holiday Inn Express & Suites Dayton-Centerville by IHG

5655 Wilmington Pike, Dayton Ohio, 45459 Phone: 937-424-5757

Remember to ask for our block of rooms to get the K of C Tournament rate.

Please send me your team registration by January 1st either via email or snail mail. russo_aj@yahoo.com

New bowlers can enter averages per the tournament rules, or I will work with you to get a fair average determined. Please reach out to me if you have any questions.



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 Tournament Fee 3.50
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NOTE: DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

ENTRY NO.			
FIVE-MAN	TWO-MAN	ALL EVENTS	CASH
			TOTAL

ENTRIES CLOSE AT MIDNIGHT, January 1, 2026

COMBINATION ENTRY BLANK

This Entry Blank May Be Used for all Three or Five-Man Event Only.

The undersigned hereby makes entry in the contest specified below of the 108th Annual Tournament, Knights of Columbus Bowling Association of Ohio, March 14, 2026, to March 29, 2026 and agree to comply with the rules of the Association's Tournament.

The teams and individual members as listed below are bona-fide members of

Council # _____ City _____

FIVE-MAN TEAM CONTEST- PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT NAMES			USBC SANCTION CARD NO. IF BOWLER IS SANCTIONED:	TWO-MAN & INDIVIDUAL CONTEST The word "PARTNER" will not be accepted.	
FIVE-MAN LINE UP	Highest Avg. See Rule 2	If Entered in All Events ✓		DOUBLES LINEUP	Highest Avg. See Rule 2
1.				1.	
2.				2.	
3.				1.	
4.				2.	
5.				1.	
				2.	
Name of Team:					

Captain _____ Email _____ Address _____ City _____ ZIP _____

USBC MORAL CERTIFIED TOURNAMENT provides high score protection for those who have established membership in the Congress prior to participation. Allows for the participation of those not affiliated with the Congress without payment of any dues. Unaffiliated teams and individuals wishing to secure high score recognition may do so by paying \$20.00 per player with entry.

Phone # _____

Individual Averages – See Rule No. 2

RESERVATION DATE PREFERENCE: _____ SECOND CHOICE: _____

Council Contact, K of C Bowling Secretary or Bowling League Secretary

Total Entrance Fee Must Accompany Applications.

NOTE: All remittances MUST be made in form of P.O.M.O., Express Money Order or Draft and made payable to: K of C BOWLING ASSOCIATION OF OHIO and mailed on or prior to JANUARY 1st, 2026, to: Secretary TJ Russo, 3743 Pennsylvania Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45226 (513) 403-7236

	ALLEY	TIME
5-MAN SCHEDULE		
DOUBLES SCHEDULE		



READ CAREFULLY INFORMATION GIVEN BELOW

EACH BOWLER SHALL RECEIVE A HANDICAP OF 90% OF THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HIS AVERAGE AND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY (220) PINS IN EACH GAME OF EACH EVENT ENTERED WITH A MAXIMUM OF 75 PINS PER GAME.

Rule No. 2 - Averages to be used shall be their highest USBC average based on a minimum of 21 games for the 2025-2026 season. If no average last year use highest current USBC average, 21 games or more as of December 15th. The ten pin provision of USBC Rule 319a-2 will apply. All averages must be USBC League average per rule 319a.

League average and/or sanctioned tournament average over the last 3 years bowled, **whichever is greater**, will apply for Knights of Columbus Tournament. If average left blank, 160 average will be used unless you have bowled in the Knights of Columbus Tournament at which time your average over the last 3 years bowled will be used.

Secretary has the right to refuse entries and tournament rating. Tournament management reserves the right to rate an entrant before bowling. If bowler refuses to accept rate, his entry fee will be returned per rule 319c.

In listing your Five-Man Team Members be sure to use the position designations as notated on the Entry Blank for the position you want each member to bowl in, as these positions will be used in setting up the score sheets in the event you do not send in a DEFINITE LINEUP FOR YOUR TEAM AT LEAST TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED DATE OF BOWLING. THIS RULE MUST BE FOLLOWED.

No bowler may bowl more than once in any event, except as a substitute for an original entrant in the Team event and in Doubles.

No Singles Only or Doubles Only. Entrants must bowl in both minor events.

Captains are requested to give their residence addresses, town and zip code number.

All entries are received in accordance with the rules of the Association. NO ENTRY MONEY WILL BE RETURNED.

In the two-man contest one substitute will be allowed. One of the men entered and scheduled must bowl, but the names of both members of the team must be given, as entries with the word "partner" will not be accepted.

No substitute will be allowed for the individual entry after date of opening of the Tournament unless supported by proper affidavit. Anyone participating under assumed name will be expelled and scores forfeited. All bowlers MUST have their current Traveling Card with them at the Tournament.

Special Attention: ENTRIES WILL CLOSE AT MIDNIGHT, JANUARY 1, 2026. ENTRIES AND MONEY MUST BE IN THE HANDS OF THE TOURNAMENT SECRETARY AT THAT TIME OR IN THE MAIL. In accordance with USBC Rule 310a, entries postmarked the first post office business day following the entry closing date shall be accepted.

Special dates will be granted when possible. Use of second choice will prevail as much as possible when first choice dates are filled. Special Time cannot be guaranteed.

2026 Tournament will be Combined Handicap and Actual Pin Event with 90% of prize fees going to Handicap Division and 10% going to Actual Pins Division. At least one out of eight entries will be paid out. At least 20% of Entries will receive prizes except in All Events which will be 10% of Entries. At least one out of twenty entries will be paid out. All prize fees will be returned 100% in event collected.

Tournament prize winnings are in accordance with provision (USBC Rule 319D & 319E).

IT SHALL BE EACH BOWLER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO VERIFY THE ACCURACY OF HIS AVERAGE, WHETHER ORIGINALLY SUBMITTED BY THE BOWLER OR HIS TEAM CAPTAIN OR OTHERS. FAILURE TO USE THE PROPER AVERAGE OR MAKE A CORRECTION PRIOR TO COMPLETION OF FIRST GAME OF SERIES, SHALL DISQUALIFY SCORE IF SUBMITTED AVERAGE IS LOWER THAN ACTUAL AVERAGE OR BASE PRIZE WINNINGS ON SUBMITTED AVERAGE IF IT IS HIGHER.

ANY AND ALL PRIZE AWARDS ACCRUING TO ANYONE FALSIFYING THEIR OWN AND/OR ANY OTHER AVERAGES WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE DECLARED FORFEIT. IN ADDITION, ANY SUCH FALSIFICATION WILL BE REPORTED TO THE USBC

All-Event Prize Fund - Bowlers entered in the Five-Man, Two-Man, and Singles who have paid the optional \$2.00 for All Events, will share in the All-Events prizes, handicap and actual. With multiple participation permitted states that a contestant's first score in any event shall count toward his "All Events Totals," (USBC Rule 315).

For further information contact:
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USBC High Score Recognition, bowlers must have an USBC sanction card. Non-members of the USBC may establish eligibility in the Congress if they so desire by a moral support payment of \$20.00 per man to bowl.com. PAYMENT OF DUES IS STRICTLY OPTIONAL

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Guidelines for reporting averages on 2026 entry forms:

USBC Sanctioned Bowlers;

- A. The bowler is required to submit the previous season's highest average of the single USBC league average based on a minimum of 21 games.
- B. When the previous season's average is used, and at the time of bowling an entrant has a current average for 21 or more games that is 10 pins or more higher than the prior season's average, the current average must be used.
- C. If the USBC sanctioned bowler has a Knights of Columbus Tournament average he must use the higher average of those two, regardless if it is 10 pins or less. If after your name there is a zero, you do not have enough games to qualify for a Tournament average and your USBC average is used.

Non League Bowlers without a Knights of Columbus 3-year Tournament Average;

You must use a base average of 160.

Non League Bowlers with a Knights of Columbus 3-year Tournament Average;

You must use the K of C Tournament Average that is listed below. If after your name there is a zero, you do not have enough games to qualify for a Tournament Average and you will have to record a 160 as your average.

The Knights of Columbus Tournament average is based on the previous three tournaments you have bowled. This PDF previously available on the website is not available currently but will be available at the Tournament . If you do not have 3 years bowled, to qualify for a tournament average, you must use either 160 or your USBC sanctioned average.

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Dear Brother Knight:

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Use this form to figure the current amount due and enclose it with your entries. **IT WILL BE RETURNED TO YOU Via Email AS YOUR RECEIPT.** Remember that the full amount of the entry fee **MUST** accompany your entries.

DO NOT LIST A HALF DOUBLES TEAM. If you have an extra man, he must have a partner. No doubles or singles only entries allowed. You must enter both.

DO NOT SEND A PARTIALLY PAID ENTRY. If you have an entry that needs a sub, that spot must be paid before the Team/Doubles entry will be assigned a lane or a sub allowed to bowl.

_____ Five Man Team	@ \$95.00 _____
_____ Doubles Team	@ \$34.00 _____
_____ Singles	@ \$17.00 _____
_____ All Events	@ \$2.00 _____

Total Due _____

Total Received _____

Your Council is scheduled to bowl on the weekend of _____

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Around the Buckeye State



Free throw coordinator, Rich Wilcox, and Columbiana St. Juse Council 10183 Grand Knight, Charlie Troll, presented a check for \$960 to Beth Engle, Principal of Robert Bycroft School in Lisbon from monies raised through their Measure-Up campaign.



Archbishop Elder Council #1195 held a Charity/Unity/Fraternity exemplification at St. Gertrude church inducting 8 Dominican novice brothers and 10 laymen into the Order. State Deputy Mike Felerski and State Growth Director Mark Kosobud were in attendance and State Chaplain Fr. John Paul Walker, O.P. served as Chaplain. A class picture of newly inducted candidates, the Exemplification Team, and council members helps to visually illustrate the lesson of Unity and strength in numbers

Around the Buckeye State



Top photo: Along with **Monsignor Buckley Assembly 822, Fairborn Council 3724** acted as the honor guard for the Confirmation class at Our Lady Queen of Peace.

Middle photo: **Fairborn Council 3724** welcomed in 5 new brother knights into their council with an in-person exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity.

Bottom photo: A photo of charter members brought back memories as **Fairborn Council 3724** celebrated its 72nd anniversary in October.



Sir Knights from **Bishop Massillon Assembly 820** and **Monsignor Graham Assembly 828** pose with Fr. Travis Seagraves of Divine Mercy Parish in Massillon following the presentation to him of a memorial chalice at SS. Philip and James Church in Canal Fulton on Sunday, Nov. 30th.

Around the Buckeye State



Photos courtesy of *Chloe Valladares/The Catholic Parishes of Sandusky*



Sandusky Council 546 Celebrates 125th Anniversary

In the summer of 1900, a group of enterprising Catholic businessmen assembled in the Sandusky Business College building to discuss bringing the fledgling Knights of Columbus — a fraternal benefits society for Catholic men and their families — to the banks of Lake Erie.

By fall, 45 men from Sandusky, Bellevue and Huron had signed on to establish a local K of C council. with the formal chartering of **Sandusky Council 546** — indicating its place among the earliest of K of C councils, and just the 15th in Ohio — on Nov. 11, 1900.

The council's accomplishments have included a wide range of activities and programs over the decades. Sandusky Knights helped establish a chapel at what is now the Ohio Veterans Home in 1913, and soon after contributed to a \$1 million K of C "comfort fund" to help erect chapels, libraries and more for U.S. soldiers in World War I. They also sponsored events with high-profile speakers such as legendary Olympian Jesse Owens in 1957, and an exhibition game featuring the Harlem Globetrotters in 1974, among many other efforts.

Today's Knights continue the charitable mission of their predecessors with a renewed emphasis on faith formation for men and their families, said Larry Kaman, the council's grand knight. Other current initiatives include assisting with the Catholic Community Supper (now called Catholic Community Support) nearly every week at Holy Angels Parish, awarding scholarships to local students, providing free winter coats to people in need, and supporting local pregnancy resource centers.

Top photo: Members of **Sandusky Council 546**, including Father Monte Hoyles (center), stand with Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus from **Bishop Machebeuf Assembly 813** outside of St. Mary's Parish after a Mass marking the 125th anniversary of Council 546 on Oct. 11.

Middle left: A statue of Blessed Michael McGivney, founder of the Knights of Columbus, and a first-class relic of a piece of his bone stand in the foreground during a Mass marking the 125th anniversary of **Sandusky Council 546** at St. Mary's Parish on Oct. 11.

Bottom left: Father Monte Hoyles blesses a young St. Mary's parishioner with a first-class relic of Blessed Michael McGivney, founder of the Knights of Columbus, after 4 p.m. Mass on Oct. 11.

Around the Buckeye State



On Thursday, November 13, Sir Knights of the **Fourth Degree Ohio District 3 of the Father Hennepin Province** participated in an Honor Guard at John Glenn Columbus International Airport to welcome home sixty-eight veterans who participated in Mission 148 of Honor Flight Columbus. Pictured above are Sir Knights from **Father Huber Assembly 809, Bishop Reedy Assembly 830, Bishop Hermann Assembly 2727, and Pope John Paul II**

Assembly 2900 (left to right: Kevin Joyce, Steve Doyle, Jim Valentine, Sr., Joe Dickman, Jason McCarley, Wayne Patterson, Werner Christian, Dan Steele, Joe Douglas, Pat Fahy, Bert Scott, and Dan O'Connor). This was the last scheduled Honor Flight for 2025 with the schedule for 2026 set to be released on December 24 (<https://www.honorflightcmh.org>). There were 10 Honor Flight missions this year, and members of various councils and assemblies have enthusiastically welcomed the veterans (among them several brother Knights) as they returned to Columbus from their visit to service and war memorials in Washington DC. All are invited to join us in welcoming home Honor Flight Columbus in 2026 and showing our appreciation to our veterans. Please refer to the Pilot's Report (<https://www.4thohd3.com/pilot-report>) for upcoming Welcome Home events.

Around the Buckeye State



St. Joseph of the Three Rivers Council 11550 takes great pride in their annual Measure-Up Campaign efforts, and despite efforts to collect at public locations having become extremely limited, their commitment to Special Needs programs remains. This year they were able to make **\$4900** donations to special needs programs at Three Rivers Schools and Margaret B. Rost School for children with developmental disabilities on October 24th.

Pictured at **top left** are council members during following the check presentation at Three Rivers Schools.

Pictured **center left** are council members with Duerk Zinn from Margaret Rost School.

Pictured at **bottom left** is Measure-Up Chairman Steve Rodenbeck presenting a check to Matt Lakamp from Margaret Rost School.

Great job, brother Rodenbeck and the rest of the council on your efforts!

