

Fr. McCormick Council 3880



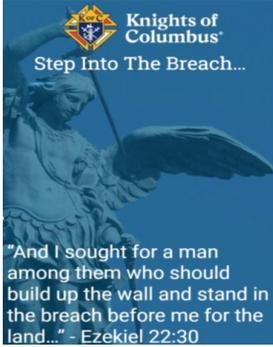
Welcome to Council 3880
Faith In Action 2023-2024

Knights of Columbus

Our Council-Faith In Action



Knight Life



Knights of Columbus

Step Into The Breach...

This year **all Knights** are called to Step Into The Breach.

- Attend one council meeting.
- Participate in one event or activity.
- If you don't already have one, get a council polo.

Put your faith into action. Respond to the call with "I'm In!"

"And I sought for a man among them who should build up the wall and stand in the breach before me for the land..." - Ezekiel 22:30

Our upcoming programs over the next month include;

- Food Pantry 7/27 & 8/24
- Silver Rose Prayer Service 8/19
- Monthly Breakfast 8/20
- Blood Drive 8/26
- And the Crystal Lake Brewery Food Truck 8/26

We are also planning to participate in the 9am 5th Sunday mass on 7/30 and enjoy the Kermes festival together on 7/30.

I highlight these for a couple reasons. First, I've asked EACH and EVERY Knight to step into the breach and participate in 1 program or activity. Knight's are starting to answer the call, but we need ALL Knights to answer "I'm in".

Second, it really does matter. With your help and participation we make a tangible impact. As an example, recently we donated \$500 to St Thomas Religious Education. I received a thank you note that I'll share at the next council meeting but I'll include an excerpt here;

"Thank you so much for considering our needs as you discerned your blessings. The hard work you are doing in our church is changing lives, in our case, the life and faith of a child can be impacted. We anticipate significant growth in our outreach efforts, and we have you and donors like you to thank."

Not only do we help our community and our parish, but we build fraternity and strengthen our council when we come together. The example above is only one example, but it shows how the Knight's step into the breach.

Brothers, as always, thank you for the good works you do.

Vivat Jesus,
Joe Scherb

special thanks to his kids who were with Ned throughout the breakfast morning. They kept themselves busy stocking the fridge with juice and delivered breakfast to parishioners.

For more details, feel free to come to the next Planning meeting on July 25th and / or the Membership meeting on August 1st.

Vivat Jesus
Cesar Jimenez
Deputy Grand Knight



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Special points of interest

- Please read the Grand Knight's Full Column Pg 1

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Grand Knight

Brothers,
Coming into a new fraternal year is a great time to look forward to our programs and reflect on why we do what we do. Summer is here, and we're enjoying good food on the barbeque, time relaxing on the beach, or traveling to a vacation get-a-way.



These great summer activities look different to someone who struggles with food scarcity, or needs shelter from the heat and cold. Our programs bring relief to those in need, both materially and spiritually. An hour of your time either helps support people directly, helps with faith, or helps by

raising funds for donation.

Deputy Grand Knight

Welcome to all. This is my first newsletter as DGK. I look forward to many, many more opportunities to share news with you. On July 16th we had another KoC breakfast. On Saturday there were several helpers that did initial set up for the breakfast. On Sunday, a combination of 20 Knights overall came to cook, deliver orders to our parishioners, and to clean up at the end of the day. We had a steady pulse of parishioners throughout the morning and in the end had a successful breakfast. Thank you to all who came out to assist with this monthly event including the handful Knights' family members and Scouts. Congratulations to our new Treasure Ned Holland who successfully handled the transition into this role. A

Officers 2023-2024

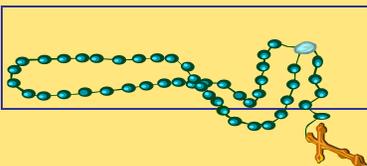
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Membership

We had our first-round table planning meeting at the Pierson Street church on July 19th at 7:30pm in the lower level. It was well attended. **Joe Scherb GK, Cesar Jimenez DGK, Jose Guimaray, Bob Wyman Membership team and Tom Schiffer from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Council 10678 were in attendance. Many new Knights from the Pierson Street church attended the planning meeting.** Joe Scherb GK outlined the meeting agenda for the monthly meeting and how the meetings should be run. Discussed upcoming events in the next 3 months, like 5th Sunday memorial Mass July 30, at Oak Street Church Gran Kerme's event at Pierson Street grounds, and the Silver Rose Program on August 19, 2023 at the Pierson Street Church. Also, Tom Schiffer from St. Elizabeth Council 10678 told us about the upcoming tootsie roll drive in September.



Monthly meeting schedule for council 3880 to assure coverage for both churches. Pierson Street church will meet every 3rd Wednesday in the lower level at 7:30 to have a planning meeting. Will bring those topics to the Oak Street church planning meeting which is the last Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm in the lower level. Finally, the monthly business meeting to communicate the topics to the council which is the 1st Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm in the lower level of the Oak Street church.

part is what to buy and how much. Since we are buying mostly commercial, it is not buying a can of this, but buy a case, as that is how it comes... so 6 cans! But we have the carry over effect, so that case may last for 2 or 3 months. Then to top it all off, we have a minimum quantity to order to have it shipped to us. So sometimes we must over buy... and that affects the numbers. But so far this year we are doing very well, we are above the number set in the recent Budget. And even though I had to raise the price of the Steak & Egg dish because of market price, we sold a few more than usual! Go figure! But another gentleman was walking out, and I said thanks for coming, and he replied, "Wow, it was great! I have not come in before, but I will be back!" Those are the words we love to hear... and no, Worthy Membership Director, I did not ask him to join, but next month you and I will have a heart to heart with him... Although the guys at the front table did give me a signed Form 100! See, things do look up and we are still having fun!

Knight's Monthly Breakfast



Like I have said before, up, and down, good, and bad... well, we were due for a good one and we got it! We had a nice steady crowd Sunday, and we did something different this time. As some of you may know, we do keep stats on all the



Breakfasts' so we can judge how we are doing on all fronts... are we serving the right food, are we offering the right choices, are we offering a GREAT meal but at a REASONABLE price? And are the people coming and if not why, and even when! So, this month we added a new metric, *when are they coming in?* Now if you were to ask a few of us, we would have a fairly good idea, but it's always fun to check it out. I thought we were a little light most of the day, especially after the 7:30 Mass. We were, we only had 33 people come in. 9 o'clock is typically good, and we did serve 83. But the 10:30 gets interesting, as there have been times it was exceptionally good... this time around, we served 66 people. Not bad, but a little light. So that is a total of 182 people. My focal point is between 180 and 200. We make money with those numbers. So, it was a good event. The other harder

We are finalizing an exemplification for August 19, 2023 after the Silver Rose Program. This is to install the rest of the prospects from the church drive that signed up at the Pierson Street church in June. And possibly more candidates from the Pierson and Oak Street churches.

If you have any prospects that you are working with, please alert them of the upcoming degree, details are upcoming.

Questions, please contact me.

Remember our 1st principle is CHARITY!!

Fellow Knights, if you have someone you know is thinking of joining the Knights, please contact him and give him the below information.

<https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-theknights.html>

Bob Wyman
Membership Chair
KC Council 3880

**Form #100
Belongs in
All of These Places**

- Briefcase
- In Your Pocket
- Near Your Phone
- Glove Compartment
- Everywhere You Go!

**SIGN UP A
NEW MEMBER
TODAY!**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Peace and good will to all, see you then
John

Pack 127 & Troop 127



young boys or girls ages 5 to 10 years old that would be interested in learning a terrific set of life skills in a fun environment, please let me know. Give them my name and contact information and we would be happy to follow up with them on getting in on the fun!

First and foremost was the Troop's Summer Camp adventure at Rainbow Scout Reservation (RSR) in Morris, Illinois. While most of the camps we have attended in the past have been anywhere from 2+ hours to 5+ hours away, this camp was only 90 minutes south down Route 47. We were there and set up and ready for camp to begin in no time. Located on Long Lake and the Mazon River, we had a natural waterfront so swimming was in the lake and not a pool. The BSA Swim Test was administered to all to allow for a weeklong enjoyment of the waterfront and qualify those scouts that had water sports merit badges for their upcoming classes that week. In addition to swimming, canoeing, kayaking and lifesaving, archery, rifle, shotgun, fishing, pottery, leatherworks, wilderness



survival and first aid were only about a third of the merit badges offered at RSR. They also had welding and horsemanship which are not that common. The scouts also had the opportunity to do a high ropes course and ziplining at the camp.

We had a great week there and the scouts came back with 50 merit badges completed, 12 partials and two rank advancements for our newer scouts. This camp had a terrific staff that took a genuine interest in each scout and wanted them to succeed with the goals they had set for camp. I must say that is camp had the best food of the 10+ different camps I have attended over the years, which made it very enjoyable.

Once back from Summer Camp, several of the scouts went right off to Wildman's Adventure Camp in Athelstane, Wisconsin along the Peshtigo River. They had a five day adventure, as did the adults, doing whitewater rafting and kayaking, ziplining through the treetops and climbing an 80 foot tower. Each day brought a new set of challenges they had to conquer in order to make it back to camp for dinner.



These adventures and accomplishments are what make Scouting worthwhile. In Pack 127 and Troop 127, we see these young boys and now girls grow into young men and women who live their lives by the Scout Oath and Law. They are the backbone of our citizenship of tomorrow that will carry America forward to allow it to continue to be the greatest country in the world. It is your support that allows this to happen. Thank you to all of you and God Bless you and your families.

Vivat Jesus, SK, Dan O'Connell

Chaplains Message

On the Feast Day of Corpus Christi, Sunday, June 11, 2023, our parish kicked off our year of Eucharistic Revival with a Bi-lingual Mass followed by an outdoor Eucharistic Procession. Our Hispanic Community is following this up with a Gran Kermas Festival on Sunday, July 30. The festivities will begin with an outdoor Mass, at 10:00 am, on our Lake Street grounds. Many more opportunities are coming for a larger community in the near future.



The parish theme of our year of revival is "Christ Among Us", for Christ is surely always among us, and nowhere is that more true than His Real Presence in the Eucharist. Starting in September, we will have monthly offerings that will center around various Spoken Presentations, Eucharistic Encounters, Holy Hours, and other offerings. Listed below is a tentative schedule, with more details to come in the months ahead.

- September 26 – An evening with Fr. James Linkenheld – a presentation on the Eucharist
- October 17 – A Eucharistic Encounter Evening with the Blessed Sacrament, Praise & Worship
- November 14 – An evening with Fr. Charles Fitzpatrick – a presentation on the Eucharist
- December 3 – An Advent Encounter – a presentation by Mike Pacer of Five Stones Ministries
- January 16 – A Eucharistic Encounter Evening with the Blessed Sacrament, Praise & Worship
- February 20 – An evening presentation to be determined.
- March 17, 18 & 19 – Parish Mission with Fr. Michael Sparough, from Bellarmine Retreat Center

- April 16 - A Eucharistic Encounter Evening with the Blessed Sacrament, Praise & Worship
- May 14 - An evening presentation to be determined.
- June 11 – A Eucharistic Encounter Evening followed by a Communal Dinner.
- July 17-21 – National Eucharistic Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana

Although all the details of this tentative agenda are not firmly in place, I wanted to share with you some of the ideas that we have been working on. I would also love to see some small group activity centered on our Central Sacrament. Many of you have told me how much you have benefitted from Brant Pitre's book, *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist*. This might be an excellent book for our St. Thomas Book Club and our other small groups to explore in the coming year.

My friends Christ is among us always, but most especially in the Eucharist. Let's intentionally all set aside some time in the year ahead to celebrate this most important gift of our faith that the Lord first gave us at the Last Supper, and continues to share with us in every celebration of the Mass. Please do give some serious thought to being part of some or all of the above offerings. More information will follow as each of the above evenings come closer.

Peace be with you,
Fr. Bob Jones



Crystal Lake Food Pantry

No one should go hungry.

Crystal Lake Food Pantry

Brothers,

Our council is working the Crystal Lake Food Pantry this 3rd Thursday. We are covering this time slot every 4th Thursday of the month and can use your help. We are in need of 8-10 volunteers to help serve our neighbors at the pantry.

(Masks are currently optional for all)

Time: 4:30pm -7:30pm

If you are interested or have any questions, please **Contact PGK,**



Mike Kebr
815/814-7395

See you there. Mike Kebr

3rd Thursday of the Month 5-7pm

4th Saturday of the Month 8am -12 noon

We need your help

Crystal Lake Food Pantry

42 East Street,
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Fourth Degree



For those Sir Knights without a uniform, the Assembly uniform allowance reset July 1st. We have five available on a first come, first served basis but you must submit a properly completed expense form with the proper documentation of purchase of the uniform to be considered. Please contact me if you need the form. You must purchase and provide the receipts for the uniform in order to be considered. This is the link to the uniform site: [4th Degree Uniform](#). The Council allowance has also reset based on our new budget so you could get \$200 towards your uniform if you act quickly. Please let me know if you have any questions about these great opportunities.

Our next 4th Degree Exemplification will be at Holy Family Church in Rockford on October 14th. It is a one day event. Full details are available [here](#). You may also contact one of our many Sir Knights in our Council if you are interested and want more information. Please see any one of them for a Form 4 or drop me a note regarding your interest in taking your final step in Knighthood and joining

the Patriotic Degree.

Our next Assembly meeting is on August 9th at 7:30 PM at Holy Apostles in McHenry. Please come and show your support for our new officers. If you are a Sir Knight and not getting meeting invites, please let me know and I can update your email address to rectify the situation.



Help Wanted



Still need some Help creating the Monthly Knight Life.

~~Also, need assistance updating our Website—KofC3880.org.~~

If interested, please contact PGK, Tim Hicklin—815/790-5191.

Vivat Jesus,
PGK, Tim Hicklin

Pro-Life Report

On Jan 9, 2023, Pope Francis made an all inclusive on the right to and the sanctity of life. It set straight forward where he stands regarding views on life. Aside from all the reasons resulting in abortions and terminations of life, here is the Pope's straight message, which we as knights are normally bound to:

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- "Peace requires before all else the defense of life," which is threatened by the "alleged 'right to abortion,'" Pope Francis told ambassadors accredited to the Holy See.

The defense of life is "jeopardized not only by conflicts, hunger and disease, but all too often even in the mother's womb," the pope told the ambassadors Jan. 9 during his annual meeting with them to mark the start of the new year.

No one, he said, "can claim rights over the life of another human being, especially one who is powerless and thus completely defenseless."

Pope Francis called on political leaders to "safeguard the rights of those are weakest and to combat the throwaway culture that also, tragically, affects the sick, the disabled and the elderly," and insisted governments have a "primary responsibility to ensure that citizens are assisted in every phase of human life until natural death."

The right to life, Pope Francis said, also is put at risk in places where the death penalty is still used. He cited as an example Iran where, as of Jan. 9, four people have been executed in connection to nationwide protests that the pope characterized as "demanding greater respect for the dignity of women."

The death penalty, the pope said, is "always inadmissible, since it attacks the inviolability and the dignity of the person."

"We cannot overlook the fact that, up until his or her very last moment, a person can repent and change," he added.

Pope Francis had entered the long Hall of Blessings above St. Peter's Basilica walking with a cane, a sign that the knee pain that had previously put him in a wheelchair may be improving.

The Vatican has diplomatic relations with 183 nations, plus the European Union and the Sovereign Order of Malta.

The pope told the ambassadors that "just once" it would be nice to meet them at the beginning of the year "simply to thank the Almighty Lord for his constant blessings, without having to list all the tragic events plaguing our world."

Instead, he said, it was time for a "call for peace in a world that is witnessing heightened divisions and wars."

Throughout his speech, he cited the encyclical "Pacem in Terris" written by St. John XXIII in 1963 after the Cuban missile crisis, which called for a ban on nuclear weapons.

"Sadly, today, too, the nuclear threat is raised, and the world once more feels fear and anguish," the pope said, referring to the state-

ments of Russian officials in connection with the country's war on Ukraine.

The mere possession of atomic weapons is "immoral," he said, repeating a statement he made during a visit to Hiroshima, Japan, in November 2019, shifting the church's line which previously had only defined as immoral the use of atomic weapons.

"There is a need to change the way of thinking and move toward an integral disarmament, since no peace is possible where instruments of death are proliferating," he told the ambassadors.

In recalling the various ongoing conflicts in the world, Pope Francis condemned the "third world war" fought in pieces around the world, which "involve only certain areas of the planet directly, but in fact involve them all."

The pope specifically discussed the war in Ukraine and called for an "immediate end" to the "senseless conflict."

Joseph Donnelly, the U.S. ambassador to the Holy See, told Catholic News Service he "appreciated the pope's words on the war in Ukraine, especially his comments pointing out that Russia's indiscriminate attacks on civilians and civilian infrastructure are crimes against God and humanity."

"The United States has unwavering solidarity with Ukraine and the Ukrainian people in the face of Russia's aggression," the ambassador said.

Pope Francis said the war in Ukraine demonstrates that the current system of multilateral diplomacy "needs a profound rethinking" to "avoid procedures that give greater weight to some (nations) to the detriment of others."

The pope also called for greater international cooperation in addressing three areas of public policy: migration, the economy and work, and care of the environment.

While summarizing the Vatican's diplomatic achievements in 2022, Pope Francis recalled that the Holy See and China agreed to extend their provisional agreement regarding the appointment of bishops in the country for another two years. The terms of the deal, which was first signed in 2018, are not public.

Respectfully,

Pete Harren,
Prolife Director.

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Supreme Chaplain's Challenge

The protection of life is a sustained prayer intention of the Church, and in particular of the Knights of Columbus.

A Higher Purpose

Lead your community in the spiritual fight to establish a culture of life. Knights and their families will come together in both public and private acts of prayer to promote the protection of life.

Overview

The protection of life is a sustained prayer intention of the Church, and in particular of the Knights of Columbus. Knights remain firmly committed to defending the right to life of every human being – from the moment of conception to natural death. To commemorate and bolster this important cause, councils will promote a novena, nine days of sustained prayer, to build up a culture of life in our parishes, homes and wider community.

SUPREME CHAPLAIN'S MONTHLY CHALLENGE

[Supreme Chaplains Challenge | Knights of Columbus \(kofc.org\)](#)

This Month's Challenge—July 2023

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves." (Gospel for July 9, Mt 11:28-29)



Rest often seems to be in short supply in our busy modern world, for our culture finds it hard to slow down and be still. We can and should spend time in leisure to refresh our bodies and spirits, but we need to go even deeper and take time to find true rest. Let's always keep in mind St. Augustine's words: "You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you."

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to turn to our Lord to find rest by spending at least one hour each week in eucharistic adoration. Second, I challenge you to support the Faith in Action Holy Hour program.

Questions for Reflection:

Do you turn to Christ to find rest amid your labor and burdens? Do you observe Sunday as a day of worship and rest? Do you regularly spend time in prayer, seeking that interior peace that Christ has promised us?

Photos of 3880



GK, Joe Scherb presents Randy Zaleski with the first Council Shirt for Fraternal Year 2024.

Last night Fr. McCormick Council 3880 presented the winner of the Marian Central High School Scholarship. Each 8th grade candidate who is entering Marian in the fall had to write an essay and have an interview. The committee is Tricia Carzoli, John Carzoli, Vicki Kosin, David Miloch, and John Orso. The 6 candidates are Michael Davis, Sean Kelly, Spencer Ross, Michael Schmid, Ian J. Varys. The 2023 winner is Mikala Dimitrenko.



Good of The Order

Knights Birthday August 2023

- Mark Allen
- Mark Benkert
- William Cotugno
- Kenneth J. Diana
- Larry S. Godfrey
- Robert M. Gray
- Timothy J. Hicklin
- William E. Keehan Jr.
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- Chris Krambeer
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- Brian Mulville
- Daniel J. O'Connell
- Daniel Polakowski
- Christopher Rodolfo
- Eric Schreifels
- John R. Stefani
- William Tillman
- Mathew S. Walker
- Richard C. Walter
- Dean Wisser
- Richard Wolk

Wives Birthday August 2023

- Diane De Pippo
- Linda Fisher
- Marilyn Georgy
- JoEllen Gregus
- Barb Harren
- Charlotte Heuer
- Wanda Loretan
- Jerrilynn Mazurk
- Betty Stevens

Anniversaries August 2023

- Kenneth F. and Pat Artner
- Michael L. and JoEllen Gregus
- Robert L. and Mary Kay Kampman
- Robert L. and Nancy J. Modrich
- John G. and Ria Reckamp
- Ed and Meghan Riley
- David and Lisa Tambellini
- Matthew J. and Sheri Turk
- David and Lisa Waggoner
- Mathew S. and Becky Walker

Notice:

If you would or your wife would like to be mentioned in the Good of the Order for Birthdays and Anniversaries, please let PGK, Tim Hicklin know by sending an email to thicklin@aol.com



Read the Bible and Pray the Rosary.



Remember and pray for our troops in this hopeful new year.

Update Your Membership Info
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Fifth Sunday Memorial Mass—July 30, 2023— 9:00 AM

5th SUNDAY

Sunday July 30th is a Fifth Sunday of the month for which the 9AM Mass is in memory for the Deceased Members of Council 3880 including our namesake Father Edwin A. McCormick. The health and safety standards during the Pandemic have changed our attendance and participation at Mass. If your health condition provides, please consider attending in your Blue Shirt and for those Past Grand Knights, the White Shirt as a worthy memento of your service to the Council. But attendance should not limit the moment of prayer on that day. As well as attending or streaming Mass that day, find a place to hear an inner voice or view of His creation and if the weather is conducive, stand outside on that Sunday, long enough to say a decade.



Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you;

Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death.

Amen.

And from the gentle repetition of each prayer be mindful of our deceased members, their faith in their clergy, love of Our Lady and how each lived a life in recognition of Tempus Fugit, Memento Mori.

Robert Kosin

Prayer During the Pandemic

Prayer composed by Pope Francis seek Our Lady's Intercession

It's never too late. Join us in this Novena - 3/15 to 3/23. Do it on your own!
Join us in saying this prayer, from your home, with your family. Simply download and print the prayer by selecting one of the links below:

- [I1036 - Full Page Version](#)
- [I1036A - Card Version](#)
- [I1036B - Multiple Card Version](#)

Vivat Jesus



Council Calendar—2023-2024



August 2023	September 2023	October 2023
8/1 Business Meeting 8/17 Food Pantry 8/19 Silver Rose 8/20 Breakfast 8/24 Food Pantry 8/29 Officer Meeting	9/4 Labor Day 9/5 Business Meeting 9/15-16 IDDF (Tootsie Roll) Drive 9/17 Breakfast 9/21 Food Pantry 9/26 Officers 9/26 Officer Meeting 9/28 Food Pantry 9/30 Johnny Appleseed Festival	10/3 Business Meeting 10/9 Columbus Day 10/15 Breakfast 10/31 Officers Meeting Halloween

Prayer for the Canonization of Fr. Michael J McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Fr. Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we 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 venerable servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, bless our parish, our Knights of Columbus Council and Lady's Auxiliary. Amen.

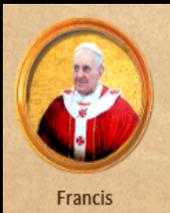


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 Life is not Your Choice. It's Your Responsibility!



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