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OUR COUNCIL 4362 PARISHES
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OUR LADY OF SORROWS
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#### GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brother Knights, Ladies, and Friends of the Order,

Time flies when you're having fun, right? However you wish to describe it, I can't believe I am writing to you for the final time as your Grand Knight. As with my predecessors, my time leading Council 4362 has had its highs, lows, and everything in between. As a council, we went from debating how much extra funds we could give away in my first year, to quickly reining things in and hoping we could keep the lights on in my second. As I look back on the 180 we have all lived through, I think it's a great reminder in life that things can change in an instant. Don't take for granted the good times, but also know that the tough ones will pass. The dedication, passion, and work of our members and families is what got us through 2020 and I thank you all for being there for our council when it needed you most.

I want to wrap up with a few words of "wisdom" and a parting shot to you all as I transition out of office...

- 1) Take an active role in the life of our council and building. If 4362 is to continue its mission, we need everyone to be involved, even for an hour or two per year. Do not take past results for granted- they didn't just happen by accident.
- 2) Step up and lead. We're always going to need committee leads, officers, and yes, Grand Knights. Want change? Have different ideas? Run for office. We need continued new ideas, experiences, and men stepping in to council and building corporation board roles.
- 3) Be a positive ambassador for the order and our faith. We live in a completely divided and volatile society, and this council is no exception. Do not lose sight that prospective members (and current ones as well) are watching how we treat each other, and those we disagree with. WE are the number one reason our peers either want to join or avoid us when we ask.

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OUR DEPARTED BROTHERS MAY GOD GRANT THEM ETERNAL REST



#### MAY

#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

#### JUNE

S.K. Darrell E Schildroth 05-04-1991 Dorothy John L Battaglio 05-05-1972 Denise Paul A Foguth 05-05-1951 Barbara David M Staeven 05-05-1956 Linda Andrew Cook 05-06-1961 Nancy Joseph P Provenzano 05-06-1972 Debra S.K. Dominic Deluca 05-07-1966 Sandy Steve D Chwalek 05-08-2004 Deanna Michael T Larabel 05-08-1976 Patricia James D Rohen 05-09-1965 Kathryn Dennis S Schichtel 05-11-1990 Donna Benjamin P Hernandez 05-14-1966 Viola Tom J Spliedt 05-15-1982 Corinne Rafael E Castanon 05-16-2009 Milinda S.K. David P Milanowski 05-18-2013 Aliceson S.K. Ted M Sander 05-19-1990 Sally S.K. Dennis A Stolcenberg 05-20-1977 Mary Davey L Morris 05-23-1959 Lois S.K. Nicholas J Andersen 05-24-2008 Latricia Derrold M Reynolds 05-26-1956 Mary Michael F Richer 05-26-1956 Marie S.K. Raul Ysasi 05-26-1979 Katherine James P Gill 05-27-1972 Betty James W Gallagher 05-29-1991 Mary

Wallace J Pitsch 05-31-1952 Joan



S.K. Joseph M Lowe 06-06-1970 Cynthia (50) S.K. Ralph E Kibiloski PGK 06-10-1972 Demaris Nickolas P Noto 06-11-1955 Marion Dean T Hestand 06-13-1975 Judith Wilfred G Viviano 06-13-1972 Sharon Jack J Wisneski 06-13-1959 Ruth S.K. James A Worth 06-15-1985 Monique S.K. Thomas L Buettner 06-17-1967 Phyllis Matthew J Underhill 06-18-1983 Mary Beth Gabriel Hudson 06-19-1965 Nan Gordon R Nickels 06-20-1987 Lois S.K. Ronald E Pelka 06-20-1969 Betty Gerald L Snyder 06-20-1964 Judy Robert R Gable Sr 06-21-1969 Sally William J Terrell 06-22-1957 Barbara S.K. Daniel P Weibel 06-25-2011 Alexis Earl E Johnson 06-27-1959 Anita Robert A Dodde 06-28-1969 Barbara Philip B Watkins 06-29-1990 Nikki Martin R Beatty 06-30-1967 Teri

Membership is the blood of our order, in order to survive we need new members with fresh ideas. I encourage ALL members young and old to look around and ask Catholic men to join our ranks. If you know of any gentlemen that might be interested, please let me know.

Ken Skonecki, Membership Director, PGK, FDD, GRDPD
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# BINGO IS BACK!



Yes that is correct you heard right. After the long break the Best Bingo in town in back. First and foremost a big Thanks to Dave Kozak and Dave Vanhouten for the many years they worked bingo. They have retired. We are forever indebted to them for their countless hours, 3 days a week running bingo. The amount of money they raised for the knights is unreal. What we have given away to charity over the years is because of their relentless work and time. So once again thanks for all you two have done for the knights

Now Dennis Stolcenberg and Dave Erdmans have started up bingo. Monday nights are the only night for bingo though. It started back up on April 12th and for the first 3 weeks with the new crew we have had a strong showing of returning bingo players. The players are very happy to be back because Dennis and Dave have continued the same great program that Dave and Dave started and perfected over the years.

We also have Saint Joseph the Worker church running the kitchen providing authentic tacos and other great eats to make the players happy. A great appreciation to them for all their work. We will continue with the great program they started and will have different prize giveaways during different months of the year. Facebook will have those announcements when they occur. So come on out enjoy a night of fun and maybe win some money. You never know if you will win the Progressive Jackpot. On Monday, May 3rd it may be over \$1200 for the jackpot. If no one wins it then even bigger the following week. So come on out for the best bingo in town. Looking for a part time job? These are paid positions. Work as many nights as you want. Call Dave Erdmans for more info at 616-350-0757

Remember to check our Facebook page www.facebook.com/bingo4362

### TREASURER'S REPORT

We are slowly but surely getting back to normal. Last month we had our M.I. Drive, although all of our former stores will no longer allow us to collect at their stores except for Big Top. Thanks to everyone that worked at Big Top for the M.I. Drive. We collected \$1,100 dollars at Big Top as well as \$500 at SJV a few months ago and sales of tootsie rolls to other councils. Because of this, we were able to donate \$500 to each of 4 Special Education programs in our area. By the way, a big thank you to Ed and Sue Tusing for captaining the Big Top store for all of these years. We will carry on the the tradition that you started. We will try to get more stores back in our line up for next year, but we need more knights to captain these stores. It is not difficult, just call to get workers and pick up money at the store periodically. Please consider this so we can collect more money for the disabled. Call me at 238-6564 for more information.

The drive through Fish Fry was also a huge success and now Bingo is back on Mondays. Please commit to working at Bingo so that we can continue this program. Also, please consider running a Bingo on Tuesday and Wednesday to help the Building Corp. and our Council.

Join us at our monthly meetings and see what coming back to normal feels like. Ron Pelka

## FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT

Brother Knights, Vivat Jesus

WOW, the months are going by so quickly. Thanks to those who paid their current and past Dues. We still haven't got back to normal yet with the Council events and Hall rentals but we are praying it is soon. The Council Officers are carefully watching spending and donations. Dues so far of \$6100 from (127 members out of 379 total membership) along with extra Donations of \$1989 and your support of the extra assessments of \$1636 totals \$9725 so far. If you haven't paid Please do so. Our first Drive Thru Fish Fry raised \$11400. Thanks to the 18 Knights, 2 friends of Knights and 8 Lady Knights that worked this event and the many faithful customers from our Council and other Councils and Assembles and the Public that purchased dinners. We received many compliments and Thank You's for doing this.

Tony Arbanas

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Our Council recently needed some legal help with our parking lot. Council members Richard J Stolcenberg & Steven E Milanowski donated their services and got us a substantial settlement. Thank You Dick & Steve you sure saved us a lot of money.

If you need help with a legal matter contact them at 616-532-1666
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#### GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

Through both good times, and others I'd love to forget, it has been an absolute honor to be your Grand Knight. In my wildest dreams, I never could have imagined I would have the task of leading our council through one of the most challenging years in modern history. I thank God for my wife Alexis, my parents, and close friends, for being able to lean on them and vent when times were at their hardest. Thank you to my officers, all of whom make up an excellent and experienced board, leading our council to better days ahead. As everything we do, the successes we achieve are only possible through teamwork.

No one can understand the pressures, stress, and joy that goes through the mind of a Grand Knight until you are one yourself. Support our next Grand Knight and know that, just like me, he'll make mistakes, face hard decisions, and even fail at times. All of this being said, I'd do it again in a heartbeat. I'd like to think our charter Grand Knight is looking down on me and proud of

my work.

Love to you all.... Vivat Jesus! Dan

Dan Weibel Grand Knight, Bishop Haas Council 4362





# OFFICERS ELECTION

At Our Council Meeting on MAY 5 we will be holding our Election of Officers for the next Fraternal Year. All positions except Financial Secretary are open. The qualification is that you must be at a 3rd Degree Knight in good standing. Any other questions just let one of the current officers know.

## SCRAP DRIVE MAY 1 St Mary Magdalen1253 52nd St SE, Kentwood, MI 49508



We've had some nice spring type weather recently and I'm sure many of you have started to clean up your yard or garage. You may have found some items for scrap metal. The Men's Group will have their Spring Scrap Metal Drive on Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, from 10:00am to 1:00pm. Load up your vehicle, bring it to the dumpsters in the church parking lot, and the Men's Group will unload it. You can just stay in your car and relax.

## **Knights of Columbus Insurance**

The order offers a full portfolio of Life insurance, Disability insurance, Long-Term Care Insurance and Retirement Annuities to protect you now and in all stages of life yet to come. Please contact DAN TELENOR 989-587-6790 with all of your insurance questions.



BINGO IS BACK ON MONDAY NIGHTS
We are looking to restart Tuesday and
Wednesday but need 2 Chair People from
our Council to fill requirements from the
state. Please Contact us if interested in
these Paid Positions

## KC BANQUET CENTER

BANQUET SPECIAL \$27.95 PER PERSON INCLUDES BAR & HALL RENTAL

We have 2 rooms available to fit your needs.

The Grand Knight Room with seating for 500 people and

The North Room for smaller occasions will hold 160. We offer the following for that special event. COMPLETE CATERING SERVICE - FULL BAR SERVICE - NEW BIG SCREEN TV'S WITH NEW AV EQUIPMENT, NEWLY ENLARGED STAGE TO ACCOMMODATE A BRIDAL PARTY, BAND OR DJ YOU CAN DECORATE TO YOUR OWN TASTE

Have a friend, relative or co worker looking for a facility? We have hosted a variety of events including the following:

WEDDINGS - FUNDRAISERS - TRADE SHOWS - RETIREMENT DINNERS - COMPANY PARTIES BRIDAL SHOWERS - ADULT BIRTHDAYS - FAMILY REUNIONS - CHRISTMAS PARTY

We can customize your event to the way you want it.

We also offer some SPECIAL Pricing Programs.

For more information contact Paul Arbanas 616-534-3089 or 616-885-2502

# FIFTH DEGREE LOUNGE

DAILY HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY 5:00 pm to 11:00 pm

Did you know we are open to the Public and can accommodate up to 50 people Why not have your next get together in a cozy atmosphere where prices for drinks are the lowest in town. You can even bring in your own food or have it delivered to the lounge. We have a Big Screen TV, Music, Pool Table and Nudgemaster Video Games



If you have special needs or any questions call Paul Arbanas.
616-534-3089 or 616-885-2502
SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Watch for Burger/Hot Dog Nights at The Fifth Degree Lounge



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PLEASE VISIT OUR SITE AT

WWW.KCBANQUETCENTER.COM

New pictures and all information regarding Facility Rental

