

NEWS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. LOUIS COUNCIL 3335



The photo on the left shows John Kroll and former Grand Knight Tyler Reynolds on the roof of the St. Louis Church Parish Hall as comfortable as monkeys in doing their work on high walls and roofs. In the right photo is former Deputy Grand Knight LarryAngel, Tyler Reynolds, and John Perron.

In July Grand Knight Matt Bokovitz saw a need. There was enough dirt in the gutters of our Parish Hall to literally support a garden of weeds. Maybe we should have cultivated the gutters and sold the produce for the church (tongue in cheek). Naturally, after a rain watered the weed garden, the excess water would flow uncontrolled onto the parking lot. Patrons of the Parish Hall, beware! To meet the need Matt mobilized the men to clean the gutters as we have done in the past by hand in the crude old fashioned time consuming way. As an incentive, Matt offered all volunteers the popular Remo's hot dogs and beer for lunch. Remo Rocchi (bless his soul), a founding member of our council and a member of our parish for many years, founded the hot dog stand on 2^{nd} Street near the Park.

However, along came the pros to the rescue a few days before the KofC Saturday work session. Tyler Reynolds and his crew of two employees with their truck equipped with ladders, pressure hoses, cleaning agents, etc. By the end of the day they not only cleaned the gutters, but also pressure washed the exterior walls of the whole building. Even Larry Angel's kids helped out in the afternoon. It was a \$2500 job at no charge to the parish. A building should be pressured washed every other year and we waited several years. They did a great job and put a lot of love into their church's building. Thank you, men; you saved us amateurs a lot of hard work.

Having worked with his father for 20 years, Larry Angel started his own business five years ago in the spirit of small business entrepreneurs who are the heart and soul of our national economy. "Revive Cleaning" (740-612-9788) has prospered with the help of Tyler Reynolds and the two friends have been working together ever since. Being quite enterprising, they've cleaned many homes and have done some big jobs around town, including the large Holzer Hospital and Clinic as well as most of the buildings of the University of Rio Grande. Their reputation is top notch and customers have praised their work. Thank you for helping to keep Gallia County beautiful.

Recruiting New Members is the responsibility of every knight. Tell your friends about the benefits of being a knight and the wonderful experiences you have had.....great fellowship at our dinner before the meeting; getting to know other men of the parish better; opportunities to serve the parish and the community; opportunities for spiritual growth; and the Knights of Columbus life insurance to protect your family. The surplus does not go to stockholders, but to Knights of Columbus charities.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR YOUR MARRIAGE TODAY? Marital love is made holy by the sacrament of Matrimony, worthy of special gifts of healing grace that accompanies the couple in good times and bad throughout their marriage. As noted in the Vatican II Council, "Jesus Christ abides with the couple so that just as He loves the Church and handed Himself over on her behalf, the spouses may love each other with perpetual fidelity through mutual bestowal.....For this reason Christian spouses have a special sacrament by which they are fortified and receive a kind of consecration in the duties and dignity of their state.....they are penetrated with the Spirit of Christ, who fills their whole lives with faith, hope, and charity. Thus they increasingly advance towards their own perfection, as well as towards their mutual sanctification, and hence contribute jointly to the glory of God" (#56). *Tap those graces in praying alone and together* every day especially when going over the bumps in the road.

24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration in Solidarity with the **Diocesan Rosary Congress and the National Eucharis**tic Revival as well as in Observance of Respect Life <u>Sunday</u> – October 2–3 after the 10 am Mass Sunday until Monday morning. There will a rosary said every; hour, some of which will be led by knights. The spiritual formation of its members is part of the mission of the Knights of Columbus. Please kneel/sit in the front row left as part of a Knights of Columbus Honor Guard. Please make your presence felt. You can do spiritual reading; converse with the Lord; and share your innermost thoughts and concerns with Him to obtain healing and strength to keep going. You will find peace. The recommended community intention for October is God's mercy to end abortion, euthanasia, and illicit research in violation of Church *teaching.* Please also pray the rosary every day for peace in Ukraine which is in grave danger of becoming nuclear.

Live the Fatima Message. The next Eucharistic Adoration is Sunday November 20, the feast of Christ the King.

<u>Gallipolis Life Chain</u> – Sunday October 2 from 2:30 – 3:30 pm in front of Carquest Auto Parts and K-Mart at 216 Upper River Road. All faiths are invited to join in silent prayer and meditation as witnesses for life. Knights are asked to serve as an Honor Guard in regalia or in your official Knights of Columbus shirts.

Heads Up. Be alert for our annual *Family Rosary Rally in the Gallipolis City Park* probably on *Saturday October* 22 at 1 pm.

Monthly Business Dinner Meeting - Monday October 24th at 6:30 pm with Rosary at 6 pm in the Parish Hall Chapel. We have great fellowship at dinner and the input of every knight is most valuable at the meeting as we make decisions regarding future activities. Our Council is as strong as each knight makes it. That begins with YOU! We cannot be an effective Council without the Lord's help and guidance together with your participation. The next 4th Monday of the month Dinner Meeting is scheduled for Monday November 28. Please talk it up. Knights of Columbus Fifth Sunday Mass – Sunday October 30 (next is January 29) at 10 am. The 4th Degree knights will process in the new more modern regalia and make the Mass more beautiful and impressive than it already is. The knights will do it all; Fr. Tom is also a knight. We will all *meet in the back of the church at 9:45 am*. Come for the pre-Mass rosary at 9:20 am. Brother knight, even though you habitually attend the 5:30 pm Vigil Mass or the 8 am Mass, please make a special effort to attend with your family. Your presence will make this Knights of Columbus Mass very special.

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