



THE FRANCISCAN

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On the WEB at: www.kofc3489.org

New State KofC Sweepstakes

Tickets are \$5.00 each

First Prize - \$7,000

Second Prize - \$2,000

Third Prize - \$1,000

More details inside

St. Francis De Sales Council #3489

Meetings 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:30 P.M. Basement St. Francis DeSales Church

Mailing address: Council #3489 P.O. Box 4483 Salisbury, MD 21803

With News from:

Msgr. Mickle Assembly #378

Meetings 2nd Thursday, 7:30 P.M., Basement St. Francis DeSales Church

CIL #3489 OFFICERS

Grand Knight	Jonathan Stafford	Financial Secretary	Stuart Hall
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Chaplain	Fr. Emanuel Riche	Outside Guard	James Levadnuk
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Advocate	John Losonczy	Trustee (1 year)	Howard Pusey
Recorder	Charles Doherty		

Calendar –Aug/Sept 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	31	Aug1 Business Meeting Council 3489 @7:30	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 Officer Installation @7:00	16	17
18	19	20 Serving meal at Halo 5:30pm	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Sept 1	2	3	4	5 Business Meeting Council 3489 @7:30	6	7



News

See “Additional Information” page for a link to SFdS webpage which has further information on the Knights of Columbus and our council.

SFdS Scripp Program

Remember to participate in the SFdS Scripp Program. The order form follows at the end of the NEWS.

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From John Eure - MD Knights of Columbus Legislative Liaison

Brothers

On the November 2024 ballot, there will be a **proposed amendment to the Maryland Constitution** to mandate that legalized abortion be a constitutional right. The name and wording of this ballot question will be finalized in August.

Of course, **we as Catholics and Knights strongly oppose this amendment**. I will provide more information on this in the upcoming months.

For now, I encourage you to go to the **Maryland Catholic Conference** website for more information. The **Maryland Catholic Conference** is our best source for news and information, as it was founded by the Archbishops and Bishops of Maryland, and speaks on behalf of the Archbishops and Bishops in full accord with Catholic teaching: <https://www.mdatholic.org/parish-resources/voteno/>

What I ask of you for now is to **develop and identify leadership** in your Council on this issue. We need Knights to stand up in our councils, our parishes, and our communities.

The following are some of the ways we, as Knights, should get involved:

- **Contact your pastor and priests.** The priests of Maryland will all be talking about this amendment in the upcoming months. **Let our priests know that we have their backs.**
- **Pray.** See what can be arranged in your parishes for prayers to be said to defeat this amendment before or after Masses. Offer to lead the prayers. (Use the prayer from the **Maryland Catholic Conference** website.)
- **Contact your parish pro-life committees.** Make yourselves available to help wherever needed.
- **Keep the Knights in your councils informed.** We need Knights to write about opposing the amendment in council newsletters, and to lead prayers before or after council meetings.
- **Provide bulletin flyers.** When these are developed by the **Maryland Catholic Conference**, offer to pay for printing these, and offer to get a group to insert the flyers into your parish bulletins. Also, offer to hand out these flyers after Masses.
- **Attend community forums.** Publicly speak the truth and stand up for both the preborn and their mothers. (You may obtain talking points from the **Maryland Catholic Conference** website.)
- **Make sure Knights and parishioners are registered to vote.** Provide voter registration cards and set up tables after Masses to pass out cards and encourage participation.

These are just a sample. If you have other ideas please reply to me and I will get the word out.

This is an opportunity to really make ourselves visible. Many fine pro-life men and their families will see the work that we do in opposing this, and they will want to join our order. **These are the exact kind of men that we want to be Knights.**

Vivat Jesus!

John Eure - MD Knights of Columbus Legislative Liaison

PRAYER REQUESTS

Brother Zane Rigler's sister-in-law with bone cancer.

Jerry Raimo's wife who has passed away.

Please send prayer requests to: newsletter@kofc3489.org



Recent Events

DGK's Birthday



Happy 78th Barney !!!



Upcoming Events

(refer also to the GK Report in the next section "Reports and/or Comments")

If you are interested in helping and or participating in these events, please email newsletter@kofc3489.org.

Exemplifications

John Lozoczy will be heading up the upcoming exemplifications and is looking for readers. Please see John or email the newsletter if interested.

Crab Feast August 24th

A Sign-up Genius is out looking for volunteers to run the crab feast. We will need 12 to 15 volunteers working either Set-up, Serving or Cleanup. Full details of the times will be in the Sign-up Genius. The Crab Feast details are on the following page.

Fall Sweepstakes Tickets Available for Columbus Day Drawing

We have received 250 Sweepstake tickets that we need to sell. The suggested donation is \$5 per ticket with the drawing being held at the Columbus Day Ball in October. There are 1st, 2nd , and 3rd prizes (\$7,000 - \$2,000 - \$1,000) Please contact Howard if you are interested in helping with this fundraiser. For every \$5 ticket that we sell, our council gets \$2 back. I believe Howard was looking for someone to chair this project so again, please reach out to him if you can help.

SFds Parish Ministries Weekend September 29th

We will be having a table at the church Ministries weekend. What this means is we'd need to have two guys available to answer questions about the Knights

and what we do after the 7:30, before and after the 10:30, and before the 12pm Mass. This is a great recruitment opportunity for us. Also, if we are able to set up outside we can put out our new Corn Hole Boards as a way of drawing attention.

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Pregnancy Center in Salisbury Golf Tournament October 15th

The Pregnancy Center in Salisbury is holding a Golf Tournament at the Hyatt in Cambridge.

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Athletic Boosters of SFdS School Golf Tournament November 15th

The Athletic Boosters of St. Francis DeSales School are holding a Golf Tournament at Nutters. They are going to need day of event assistance. As it draws closer we should get more information.

Get Ready for the Crab Feast August 24th



Knights of Columbus

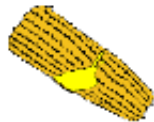
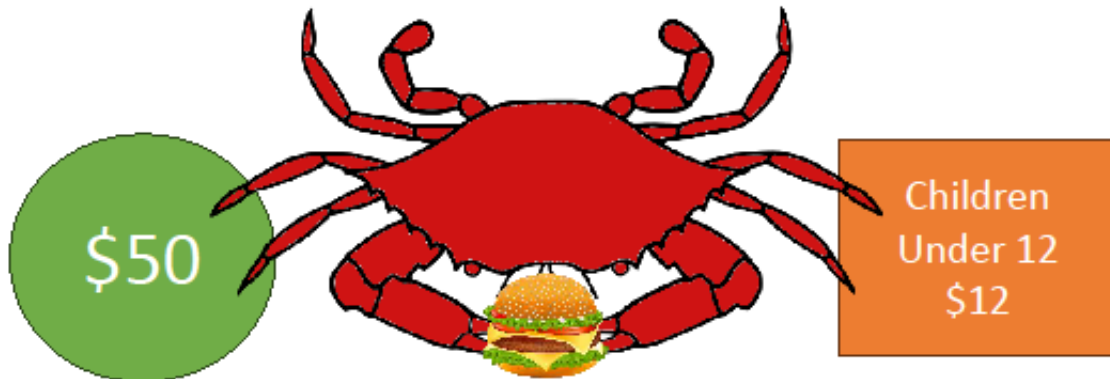
Crab Feast

August 24th

All You
Can Eat

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

St. Francis Parish Center



Corn on the Cob
Hot Dogs
Hush Puppies

Price Includes
Steamed Crabs



Fried Chicken
Hamburgers
Chips



(Water, Soda, **BEER**)

Call the Parish office at 410-742-6443 to reserve tickets.

For additional information call
Jon Stafford at 667-380-3116 or Howard Pusey at 410-603-8186

For SFdS events please refer to: <http://visitstfrancis.org/>



Reports and/or Comments

Grand Knight Report (Jon Stafford)

(As sent out in recent email from Jon)

Worthy Brothers,

We held our August business meeting last night in the church basement. Attendance was good, the following was discussed:

I did not have much to report in my GK Report, I brought the trophy that we retained from the Corn Hole tournament and let Charles Doherty (the only person to get 6 points on one toss) do the honors of putting the 2024 Championship plaque on the trophy. We had some discussion prior to the meeting as to whether we would be able to hold our Officer Installation on August 15th due to the Holy Day. While there will be a Mass at 7pm on that evening it is the Spanish Mass and Father Chris has let me know that he does not see any conflict with our holding our ceremony in the church basement. So we will continue on as planned for Officer Installation on August 15th at 7pm. If you are an officer and will be unable to attend, please let me know, if you are able to attend, please invite your spouse and remember to where a coat and tie.

We are hoping to have an Exemplification this month, once the date is hammered out I will send out a message and let everyone know the details. Barney spoke on Family of the Month, for the month of August we will recognize a Hispanic family at the 12pm Mass on August 25th. Howard gave a crab feast update, things are rolling along, so far we've been able to get chicken donated from Amick Farms and cases of soda from Pepsi (a big thank you to Joe Dernowski for securing both of those). Joe is also working on getting some corn donated too. Mike Houlahan presented us with a total of \$1,600 in donations from local business owners in the Delmar Community that will go towards the cost of the event. We just now need to sell some tickets! They are \$50, available at the church office, if you want to sell some on your own, you are welcome to go get tickets from the church office, sell them and then return the proceeds to the office. They will just take your name and the number of tickets you are taking so we can keep track of who has what. A Sign-up Genius is out so please take a look at it and see where you may help. We need as much help as we can get

for this event so please consider signing up. If anyone has any questions about the event please reach out to myself or Howard Pusey.

Howard spoke on behalf of the state, advising us of the State Council's position on the controversial amendment Maryland is considering on the ballot in November. I am attaching what I received from the state regarding this to this message so you can see it for your self. I'm also attaching a copy of the proposed amendment that was provided to me by Brother Joe Perry. Please use this information at your discretion. Howard also spoke about membership recruitment, a discussion ensued on how we could try to recruit from within the Spanish Community. We will continue to look into ways to incorporate as many men as possible from all walks of life into our organization.

Looking ahead beyond the Crab Feast we will need the following volunteers to get us through our Fall events. I will help with as much as I can but I cannot plan it all. The help we need is as follows:

Chair for Tootsie Rolls: Responsibilities would be to work with Boscovs to see what weekend in September works for us to stand at the mall entrance and hand out Tootsie Rolls. Also work with Parish Office to coordinate a weekend in October that we can hand out Tootsie Rolls after Masses.

Chair for Red Kettle Campaign: This is the Salvation Army bell ringing that we typically do at the mall near Christmas. Barney coordinated last year, if he is willing to do it again than that is one less thing. If not, he can provide whoever can help with the Salvation Army Contact to coordinate the dates for us to participate in ringing the bell outside of Boscovs in the Mall.

Chair for Boxes of Joy: We work with the school to stuff the boxes and get them sent overseas. This person will need to coordinate with the State K of C Boxes of Joy coordinator to order the boxes and also work with the school principal to set up the night to have the kids stuff the boxes. The school has been able for the past few years to coordinate getting the filled boxes to the state check point so they can be sent overseas.

Soccer Shoot Out: Coordinate with Katie Ayd at the school a day for us to come out and do the soccer shoot out during gym classes

I excluded the Santa Social because we pretty much know what we are doing there, we'll just need manpower and Barney is planning the Christmas party so he will have a sign up genius sent out closer to that event to get an idea of attendance and who can bring what sort of food.

If anyone is willing to take on one of these projects I would appreciate it, please let me know so we can begin to plan. If anyone has any questions about anything give me a call or send an email.

Vivat Jesus,

Jon

District Deputy/District Warden Report (Howard Pusey)

New State Motto – **“Make a difference in someone else’s life”**

Here are some Maryland State KC events that may be of interest to you.

On August 31, the Maryland State Council is sponsoring a Tailgate Party at the NAVY football game vs. Bucknell. The flyer on the State website <https://kofc-md.org/> has special promo codes for discounted tickets to the game. Any questions contact Thom.pfn379@gmail.com or 443-904-5499.

The Columbus Day Ball is expected to sell out soon, so get your tickets ASAP. The Ball is being held on October 12 this year, the traditional date to celebrate Christopher Columbus. But, the deadline for advertisement in the program book is September 15. All the pertinent information about the Ball is available on the State website <https://kofc-md.org/>. The link to the Columbus Day Ball ad letter and contract is: <https://kofc-md.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/Columbus-Day-Ball-letter-Contract.pdf>

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Additional Information

Council #3489 Web Site / The Franciscan: www.kofc3489.org

Council #3489 Email Address: newsletter@kofc3489.org

Contacts

St. Francis de Sales web page: <http://visitstfrancis.org/>



For information on the Knights of Columbus: www.kofc.org

Financial/Insurance Field Agent Robert Marlowe III: robert.marlowefa@kofc.org



How to pray the Rosary: www.usccb.org/how-to-pray-the-rosary

[Meeting prayers and odes on the following pages.](#)

Opening Ode

Sing ye his praises loud and long,
And let the unenlightened know,
In ev'ry echo of your song,
The great deeds done, tho' long ago,
By Columbus of the valiant soul,
Who first old Neptune has controlled,
Despite of envy, intrigue, gold,
In the dim past of long ago.

We have a mission great,
With vessels three o'er stormy sea,
He thrilled the world of long ago,
While wisdom linked with destiny,
In justice scales its weight did throw.
We are his heirs; we spread his name;
We boast his deeds; we spread his fame;
Our Order is the shining flame,
That lights the gloom of long ago.

Closing Ode

Now our evening' work is done,
Then let us ev'ry one,
Join in a song.
Long may our Order stand,
Foremost in this free land,
Ready with heart and hand,
To right each wrong

True to our Church and State,
Onward we move.
We dry the mourner's tear,
The tired heart we cheer,
Faith in our words appear,
Upheld by love.

Prayer for the Family

Mother of perpetual help, bless our families with your tender, motherly love. May the sacrament of marriage bring husbands and wives ever closer together that they may always be faithful, and love each other as Christ loves us. Help all mothers and fathers love and cherish the children God has entrusted to them. May they always be models of a truly Christian life. Help all children, that they may love and respect their parents. Inspire all people to value Christian marriage and family life. Give us a sense of responsibility that we may do our part in making our homes havens of love and peace. Mary, our model, help every family grow daily in genuine love for God and neighbor so that justice and peace may flourish everywhere in the human family. Amen.

Mary, Queen of the Knights

(Rev. Robert F. Hopkins)

Our Lady, Queen of the Knights, bless all the activities of our Order. Keep us true to the pledge, to extend the kingship of thy Devine Son on earth. Through Thine intercession, win for us the grace, ever to exemplify in our public and private lives, the virtues which should characterize, those specially dedicated, to the service of the heavenly court. Make us always aware, that as your Knights, we are constantly observed, our faith judges, and our Order appreciated. Accept, O Mary, this renewed pledge of fealty and devotion, of thy servants, the Knights of Columbus. Amen.

Prayer for Vocations

O God, who wishes all men to be saved, touch with grace the hearts of many young men and women, moving them to offer themselves as candidates for the priesthood and religious life.

Inspire fathers and mothers of all members of the Christian families to become aware of the great need for religious vocations.

Endow all people with reverence for these sacred callings that they may encourage many to serve God and mankind in the ranks of religion.

These blessings we ask through Christ our Lord, Amen

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 to 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 outcast. We humbly ask that You glorify Your servant, Fr. Michael J. McGivney, on earth according to design of Your holy will. Through his intercession, grant this favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Say: Our Father: Hail Mary; Glory be to the Father.