



# Knights' Notes – June '23 Issue

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## CLUBROOM HOURS

**Sunday:** Noon - 9pm

**Monday - Friday:** 2pm - 10pm

**Saturday:** 11am – 10pm

*May stay open later if there is sufficient business.*

## KEY DATE REMINDERS

- Saturdays, Burgers and Corndogs!
- June 1<sup>st</sup>, Council meeting, 6pm
- June 1<sup>st</sup>, Ladies Aux. meeting, 6pm
- June 1<sup>st</sup>, BCHA meeting, 7pm
- June 4<sup>th</sup>, Trinity Sunday
- June 8<sup>th</sup>, Feast of Corpus Christi
- June 8<sup>th</sup>, 4th Degree, Denny's in Normal
- June 10<sup>th</sup>, Special Olympics Summer Games
- June 15<sup>th</sup>, Council Mtg 6pm
- June 18<sup>th</sup>, Father's Day
- June 24<sup>th</sup>, St John the Baptist Day

**Special Olympics**



## HOLD THE DATES

- July 4<sup>th</sup>, Independence Day
- July 11<sup>th</sup>, Blood Drive, 1:15 - 5:45pm

## SICK OR IN DISTRESS

- Billy Smith (Jim Smith's son)
- Michelle Bishop (Mike Buttitta's daughter)

Let Jim, any officer, or Terry know of someone Sick or Deceased to have name put on a prayer list. They should be affiliated with the K of C, member, spouse, child, or other relation.

## IN GOD'S CARE

- All those faithfully departed in May and June Safely in the Arms of God.

## FOR THE MONTH

### HONORING ALL VOLUNTEERS

- Blood Drive volunteers
- Tinker & Burger crews
- Volunteer Bartenders and Terry K

Visit us at: <http://www.kofc574.com> for previous Knights Notes, Parishes, and more.

Club Ph: 309-828-9671

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Next to Nights  
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## Grand Knight Report

### Greetings, Brother Knights, and Knights Friends

This message marks the 24th time that I have addressed the membership of Council 574. We have a slate of officers for the upcoming year posted on the board in the club room, and in this communication. The election of next year's officers will be held at the next meeting on June 1st. I encourage all Knights of Columbus members to attend this meeting to voice your opinions regarding the future of our Council.

During the past 2 years as Grand Knight I have repeatedly asked for your comments and suggestions regarding the direction that this Council should be striving towards and haven't received feedback from the membership. If I am elected for a 3<sup>rd</sup>-term I am hopeful that more members attend meetings and participate in the management of the Council. WE NEED YOUR PARTICIPATION!!

Council 574 remains strong but could always be better with more involvement through service.

This is Our Council 574, founded in 1902, to provide CHARITY, UNITY, and FRATERNITY to the Bloomington Community and the Catholic faith.

Fraternally yours,

**Jim Smith, Grand Knight**  
[jsmith1002@aol.com](mailto:jsmith1002@aol.com)



Come Join Us...

Be part of something bigger than all of us!

Give Back for all you have received

## Ladies Auxiliary News

Summer is in full swing around the club. With that, we have the honor of recognizing all the Special Olympic athletes, coaches and their family members. Saturday, June 10, 2023, we will decorate the party room for them and be prepared to greet everyone in our traditional manner of playing "We are the Champions" as we clap, hoot and holler those arriving for the party. The window of time the athletes arrive is between 5:30-6:30. (subject to change) Please plan to join us as we celebrate their accomplishments of the day.

The Ladies Aux next meeting will be Thursday, June 1 @ 6:00 pm to discuss decorations for the party and discuss the nominees for this year's officer elections. See you soon – Tina

## DID YOU KNOW? Time is a Gift

The Church takes seriously the call to sanctify all things, even time. The Catholic significance of days and months is a profound reminder that our lives are finite, and that time should not be squandered. As the Psalmist said, “teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom” (Ps. 90:12). But more than anything, it reminds us that time is a gift from God, and with him and through him, all things are holy, and nothing is without meaning.

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**Special  
Olympics  
Illinois**



**Summer Games  
Family Tailgate  
Picnic**

On Saturday, June 10 from 8:30am – 2:30pm our Council will be grilling burgers & serving 900 – 1,100 family members & friends at the north side of ISU’s Horton Fieldhouse.

**We need volunteer Grillers (5 to 6 people) and Servers (3 to 4 people).**



Please contact Grand Knight Jim Smith at 309-530-5703 or [jsmith1002@aol.com](mailto:jsmith1002@aol.com) or sign-up at the bar for this worthy cause!

### Come Join Us! Special Events

- Video Gaming
- Tinkers Meals (dates in Calendar)
- Big Screen TVs
- Friday Night Fish Fry (Lent)
- Saturday Burgers & Corndogs
- Full Bar
- Outdoor Patio

**Our Banquet Room is available for Weddings, Receptions, Reunions, Anniversaries & More.**

### Key MEMBER Contact Information

Grand Knight: Jim Smith	Inside Guard: Bernie Wright
Deputy GK: Steve Scudder	Outside Guard: Dan Carmany
Fin Sec: Mike Tomlianovich	1 Yr. Trustee: Dennis Fries
Treasurer: Bob Wefer	2 Yr. Trustee: Mike O’Driscoll
Chancellor: Dave Kraft	3 Yr. Trustee: Mike Mulcahey
Recorder: Mike Buttitta	Terry Kieswetter: Club Manager
Advocate: Brian Ballard	Tina Weis: Ladies Aux President
Warden: Tyler Williams	



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**NEXT to NIGHTS...**  
**PICK ONE ARTICLE**  
**& SHARE IT...**



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**Burgers and Corndogs**  
**11:30 am – 1:30 pm**  
**Saturday’s**



## Support your Council - Attend a Meeting

*Happy Birthday*

June	June
2 Patrick Leary	17 Stephen Sproull
3 Thomas Husek	17 Caleb Wayne
7 William Kinsella	18 Charles Morton
8 Michael Wieting	18 Joseph Mulcahey
9 Craig Ames	18 James Walker
9 Deacon Brendan Carolan	20 Thomas Harris
	20 Daniel Kelley
9 Bart Williams	24 Dave Fontaine
10 Martin Walker IV	29 Peter Barry
12 David Deneen	29 Mike Hilgenbrinck
14 Darrel Petri	29 John Romanick

### Slate of Officers

Running for Election on June 1 the slate presented was for:

Grand Knight: Jim Smith	Warden: Tyler Williams
Deputy GK: Steve Scudder	Inside Guard: TBD
Treasurer: Bob Wefer	1 Yr. Trustee: Dennis Fries
Chancellor: Martin Walker III	2 Yr. Trustee: Mike O’Driscoll
Recorder: Mike Buttitta	3 Yr. Trustee: Brian Ballard
Advocate: Martin Walker IV	



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May 28 Beer and Baseball	29 memorial DAY	30 	31 Ask Someone to Join	June 1 Council mtg 6pm (50/50 drawing) BCHA Mtg After. Ladies mtg 6pm	2 Happy Hour	3 11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs Crew: Smith, Carmany, Buttitta
4 Trinity Sunday	7 VOCATION FUND THOUGHT FOR THE DAY "SUPPORT A SEMINARIAN"		8 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree mtg 6pm Feast of Corpus Christi - the Sacrament of Holy Communion	9 Happy Hour	10 11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs Crew: Buttitta 	
11	12	13 Don't FORGET! Pay Dues	14	15 Council mtg 6pm	16 Happy Hour	17 11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs Crew: J Smith
HAPPY FATHER'S DAY	19	20	21 Summer Solstice	22	23 Happy Hour	24 11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs Crew: T Miller St John the Baptist Day
25 Coming in Sept Please Help	26 HAND IN HAND	27 Be a Yellow Vest Tootsie Roll Drive	28	29 	30 Happy Hour 	7/1 11:30 - 1:30 Burgers & Dogs Crew: T Kernes

## June: The Sacred Heart of Jesus

The Sacred Heart of Jesus is the revelation of God's immense love for us. It is often depicted as a fiery furnace, pierced and broken, but beating with love.

The Sacred Heart is also a profound reminder of the humanity of our Lord, for his heart is not a mere symbol, but a true physical reality.

## The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

"All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you"



## Vocations Fundraiser

Brother Knights... you will soon be receiving a mailing containing **raffle tickets** for the annual vocations raffle.

### Please:

- **Buy/sell as many tickets as you can.**
- Return all purchased tickets and money to the bartender at the club.
- **Please do not remove the cover...**
- Return all un-purchased tickets to the bartender.

You may also return books and money to Mike Tomlianovich, Bob Wefer, or Dennis Fries.

*Support tomorrow's Priests*

## This is Your Newsletter

Please make suggestions for content by calling Mike at 309-830-6824. If you know of someone that is sick, injured, or has died, please let GK Jim Smith know at 309-530-5703 so we can add them to our prayer list and the Board at the Club.

## Historic St. Patrick Catholic Church and Holy Trinity Catholic Church



Eucharistic Revival  
Eucharistic Procession  
led by Bishop Tylka

**June 11th at 2pm, Gather at Central Catholic HS**

Please gather with us at Central

Catholic High School for a vicariate-wide Eucharistic Procession on the feast of Corpus Christi, led by Bishop Louis Tylka. The procession details are still being finalized.

For more information as it becomes available, please [visit stpatrickmerna.org/procession](http://stpatrickmerna.org/procession)

### Young at Heart Summer Picnic

**June 14th at Shepard Park (corner of Shepard & Hershey in Normal)**

The 13th Annual Young at Heart Picnic will be held at Shepard Park, Shepard Road & Hershey, Normal, June 14th, 11:30 am. Hot dogs, hamburgers, iced tea and lemonade will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass and your table service. Games after lunch. Young at Heart is for everyone 50 years young and older. Cost: \$4.00 per person.

RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENT DUE BY June 7th, 2023

Make checks payable to YOUNG AT HEART and mail to: Mary-Margaret McHugh, 406 Northridge CC Est, Normal, IL. 61761



Calling All Women!!

**Women's Cursillo Weekend June 8-11**

Would you like to re-energize your faith, or learn a little more? How

about a short course in Christianity? We call it Cursillo, and our next women's weekend begins Thursday night, June 8th and runs through Sunday afternoon, June 11th. We learn a lot, laugh a lot and eat a lot. Come join us! We are currently accepting applications for women ages 21 and above.

If interested, or for more information, email us at [cursillobnl@gmail.com](mailto:cursillobnl@gmail.com) or call us at 309-828-9732.

### Birthright Baby Bottle Fundraiser

The annual Birthright Baby Bottle Fundraiser supports our local office to help meet the needs of the women in our community who come to us for assistance through their pregnancy and beyond. Please consider taking a bottle home to fill with cash, coin or check or donate online at [birthright.org/bloomington](http://birthright.org/bloomington).

We ask that you return your bottle by June 4 to the container near the statue of Mary at Holy Trinity or near the entrance of the church at Historic St. Patrick's. Your support of this Birthright fundraiser is greatly appreciated!



### Changes are coming to the St. John Paul II Catholic Newman Center! a note from our director

Members of the St. John Paul II Newman Center Community, I wanted to share some very exciting news with you regarding the physical space of our Newman Center as well as some expansion within our ministries for outreach to our students. Over the summer months, the entire Newman Center will experience a renovation to complete the building project, which began in 2008, and also bring the original 1968 building (the back half of the center) into the modern day. Updated bathrooms, a new kitchen, new study spaces, a coffee bar, and lounge areas are among the additions we are looking forward to.

Our student outreach and ministries will be another area that will experience great change and growth. This summer we will welcome FIVE new missionaries from the organization called the Fellowship of Catholic University Students, or FOCUS for short. These missionaries are themselves recent college graduates who desire to serve the Lord and the mission of making disciples on a college campus. The sole purpose of these missionaries will be to bring students closer to Jesus and help them deepen their faith life.

If you would like more information or if you feel called to support these efforts financially, please visit our website and social media pages.

May God always bless you!

Fr. Kyle Lucas  
Director

We're excited to announce...



is coming to the Newman Center!

A team of 5 missionaries, from the Fellowship of Catholic University Students or FOCUS will be joining the Newman Center next Fall!

### Changes are coming to our building! this summer's renovation project



Updates in the front of the building



Above view of the back with new larger kitchen & enclosed study space



New study spaces in the back of the building



Remodeled kitchen space



Student Spaces in the back of the building

#### Highlights of the project:

- Completing the original 2008 plans for the newer, front portion of the building
  - 2 additional offices (will be utilized by the missionaries)
  - Staff workspaces
  - New paint & light fixtures
- Significant updates to the original, 1968 original portion of the building
  - New Kitchen
  - Bathroom updates
  - New flooring & lighting
  - dedicated student quiet study spaces

**St. Mary's Catholic School**

APPLICATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR FOR PRESCHOOL THROUGH 8TH GRADE

SCHOOL HOURS: 7:45AM - 3:00PM  
DOORS OPEN: 7:20AM  
AFTERCARE AVAILABLE: 3:00 - 5:00PM

APPLY ONLINE BY SCANNING THE QR CODE, OR VISIT:

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## 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly 213



"All council 3rd degree members are eligible to join the 4<sup>th</sup> degree Assembly"

Our next meeting on June 8th will be at the Denny's in Normal. 6:00 pm.

**Call Mike Tomlianovich at 309-825-5823 for details**



**The Blood Drive on May 8  
was a Success but down  
Thank you, all Donors &  
Volunteers**

### Blood Drive July 10

**K of C Hall**

Call 309-662-0500 or go to the Red Cross website and schedule a time between 12:30 and 5:45pm.

**Help Save A Life**

Appointments are PREFERRED by American Red Cross. Walk-ins are always welcome, but appointments help ensure that everyone that comes is served.

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