



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



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*Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year!*

~ There will be NO December Meeting ~

Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights, Families, and Friends,

As we journey through the beautiful season of Advent, let us prepare our hearts to welcome the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Advent is a time of anticipation, hope, and reflection, reminding us of the great gift of God's love.

Christmas is not only a time to celebrate but also a time to live out our calling as Knights of Columbus, especially through charity. Whether it's helping those in need, supporting our parish, or spreading joy in our communities, let us remember that our acts of kindness and service reflect the light of Christ. I am deeply grateful for all the ways you have contributed to our council's charitable efforts this past year.

On behalf of the entire council, I wish you and your loved ones a Merry Christmas filled with peace and blessings, and a Happy, healthy, and safe New Year.

Vivat Jesus!

Michael Kohler, Grand Knight

PRAY FOR OUR BROTHERS WHO ARE ILL

Joseph P. Kearney [1985]
Thomas R. Luley Sr. (1973)
Samuel L. Russo [1972]
William M. Brunnet, Sr. [1976]
Joseph D. DiCesare (1960)

SENIOR KNIGHTS

The Senior Knights Luncheon will be held Wednesday, Dec 18th at 12 noon at the American Legion Post located on 8616 Clinton St., New Hartford. New members are always welcome. Please call Jim Solan for reservations at 315-768-4443

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR!!! 2025 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Membership Dues notices will be mailed this month. You can help our Council defray the cost of additional mailing by paying your dues Promptly. Your name will be published in the 2025 YEAR IN ADVANCE CLUB that will be published in the 2025 January Newsletter. Dues for Regular Members are \$88.00 and for Honorary Members \$28.00. We are asking our Honorary Life Members, who are exempt from paying dues, for their support by asking for a suggested voluntary contribution of \$28.00 or any amount of their choice. This will help our Council with our Charitable Donations. Please make Checks Payable to "Knights of Columbus 189" and mail your checks to 155 Bolton Road, New Hartford, NY 13413-2513. If you prefer, there also is a secure mailbox by the door of the council to drop off your dues if you prefer. If any member is unable to continue their membership under any circumstance, please call 315-735-6171 or [email kofcutica.org](mailto:kofcutica.org)

4th DEGREE

There will be NO 4th Degree meeting in December. A Thank You letter from Veterans Outreach Center was received for the donations on Veterans Day, Food and Clothing donations. Pictured is Robert Gondek, PFN and a representative from VOC.



GYMNASIUM/FITNESS ROOM

This is a busy time of the year for our facility. To reserve time or with any questions regarding the use our facility and scheduling please call Len Montana (315-534-9584). Please refer to our website www.kofcutica.org for upcoming events already scheduled

COUNCIL WEBSITE: www.kofcutica.org

Check out our updated website. This site gives a wealth of information on the business of our local Council 189. www.kofcutica.org covers all Council information, upcoming events, our history of the past, and an updated calendar so you will never be left out of an event. Thanks to Mike Kohler for arranging and maintaining the Council website. This site is updated regularly so you will be informed of all council business and activities.

MEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUE

The Men's Basketball League begins on Thursday December 5, 2024: through March 6, 2025. The Gym & cafeteria have been blocked out for that time frame on Thursdays.

NEW MEMBERS/VIRTUAL DEGREES

Joining the Knights of Columbus has never been easier. The online application is simple. If you know of a prospective member, send an e-mail to Len Montana, FS at kofc189@roadrunner.com Len will give you, or the new member, the link.

Membership degrees are also offered in a virtual format online. Contact us for information. NOTE: If you are a 1st or 2nd degree member yourself and never took your 2nd or 3rd degree, contact Len and he will invite you to the next Supreme Council virtual degree.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE

If you need service on a policy, such as change of beneficiary, etc., contact:

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SUPPORT OF CHARITABLE PROGRAMS

Please continue to support our Council's charitable programs. Evelyn's House, The Veteran's Outreach Center. Please bring your donations of non-perishable food, disposable diapers, baby wipes, paper towels, sippy cups, binkies, toilet paper, wipes, cleaning products, deodorant, shampoo & conditioner, bath towels, sheets, kitchen towels, toothbrushes, toothpaste.

Can & Bottle Drive, (RINSED) Please Leave these items in plastic bags outside the door of the Council Office. I'm at the Council Office every day and will bring your items inside.

Thank you for your continued generous contributions.



Donation to the Veterans Outreach Center for Christmas 101 Turkeys. Thank you for all the members who purchased 50/50 raffle tickets and Robert Gondek for coordinating the fundraising purchasing and delivery.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 Senior Knights	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 MERRY CHRISTMAS	26	27	28
29	30	31	COMING EVENTS!	HAPPY NEW YEAR 2025! - Jan. 1, 2025 Polish Night - Jan. 21, 2025 German Night - Feb. 18, 2025 Irish Night - March 18, 2025		