



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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## Lt. Francis McManus Assembly # 811 – Lorain County, Ohio

December 2021

### Calendar of Scheduled Turnouts and Meetings

Date	Event
Dec. 12, 4:30 PM	Turnout – Closing Mass and Fiesta Celebration for the Novena to our Lady of Guadalupe at Sacred Heart Chapel in Lorain.
Dec. 21, 6:00 PM	Annual Dinner and Christmas Party at Tom’s Country Place in Avon.
Jan. 18, 7:00 PM	Assembly meeting (7:30) preceded by Rosary at Ragan Hall in Avon.

### Prayers

Please pray for vocations for the priesthood, diaconate and religious life, for those who need healing, for all serving in the military both stateside and abroad and for peace and unity of our country.

### Report and Guidance from Faithful Friar – Father Keller

The Conference of U.S Bishops met in Baltimore and the main topic is what to do about administering the Eucharist to prominent politicians who support abortion rights. Father Keller cited an article in Crisis Magazine, “Is Joe Biden a ‘Good Catholic’” by Monica Migliorino Miller. This article reports that after President Biden’s visit with Pope Francis on October 29 he met with the Italian Prime Minister Draghi. At this meeting he was asked by a reporter if the issue of abortion came up during his meeting with the Pope. At first, he stated that abortion did not come up and then he said it did. He said that the Pope said that he was a good Catholic and to keep receiving Communion. The Vatican has not substantiated this comment and many do not believe that the Pope actually said this to the President. If the Pope had actually said this it would be a disastrous result to the believers of the Catholic Doctrine and basically say that to be Catholic ultimately has no meaning. In conclusion Father Keller said that the K of C must always stand for life and the Conference of U.S. Catholic Bishops must also stand up for the life of the unborn.

### Fourth Degree Regalia

The Fourth Degree Regalia (uniforms) are available to be ordered online by visiting the Knights Gear website. Top Coats are now available for the uniforms.

<https://kofcuniform.com/CustomPage/OrderNow>

If you have any questions, please call the Knights Gear customer service line at 833-562-4327 or email [knightsgear@kofc.org](mailto:knightsgear@kofc.org) between the hours of 8:30 am to 4:30 pm EST

### Swords

If there are any Sir Knights who will not be purchasing the new uniform and who would like to donate or sell a sword, please contact Faithful Navigator Tim Smith or Faithful Captain/Commander, Joe Perez

### Chalices

We have been advised that Rev. Fr. Caroli Borromeo Shao, pastor of St. Colman Parish in Cleveland, is accepting any chalice from a deceased Sir Knight whose family does not know who to donate it to or someone who would like to donate a chalice. He is accepting the donations so the chalices can be sent to parishes in Africa who are in need of chalices. Please contact SK Bob Pastor by email or phone: [bpastor68@gmail.com](mailto:bpastor68@gmail.com) or telephone 440-213-8706

### **The annual Christmas Party is scheduled for December 21, 6:00 PM**

There will be appetizers, dinner, libations and entertainment “Malt Shoppe Memories.” Cost is \$30 per person. Please contact SK Jim Collins for reservations at [collinj@ccf.org](mailto:collinj@ccf.org) or 216-312-0739. The Knight of the Year will be recognized at this party.

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**Assembly Officers for 2021-2022**

- Faithful Friar: Fr. Gerald Keller
- Faithful Navigator: Tim Smith
- Faithful Admiral: Tony Freda
- Faithful Captain: Jose Mendez
- Faithful Pilot: Chris Hopiard
- Faithful Scribe: John Pabin
- Faithful Comptroller: James Collins
- Faithful Purser: Fred Metz
- Faithful Inner Sentinel: Mike Gall
- Faithful Outer Sentinel: Dan Hreha
- Faithful Trustee 1 Year: Joe Gonzales
- Faithful Trustee 2 Year: Tony Rangel
- Faithful Trustee 3 Year: Larry Barber
- Faithful Commander: Joe Perez
- Faithful Marshall: Vacant

**Council Hall Rentals**

The K of C Council Halls in Avon and Lorain are both available to rent for special occasions. Please consider supporting our local councils by renting their halls when possible.

**Turnout Requests**

If you know of a turnout request for Sir Knights to attend a special event, please have all the details available (who requested the turnout, type of event, location, time, etc.) and contact one of the officers below.

**\*Faithful Commander Joe Perez – 440-915-4886**

**\*Faithful Navigator Tim Smith– 440-396-8987**

**Information for the Newsletter**

If you have something you would like published in the newsletter, please send an email to Faithful Scribe, John Pabin or Faithful Navigator Tim Smith. Please be detailed to include who, what, when, where and why and they will try to accommodate the request. Email to [john.pabin@gmail.com](mailto:john.pabin@gmail.com) and [timsmith4874@gmail.com](mailto:timsmith4874@gmail.com)

**Valor Home, Lorain,**

The Valor Home is for Veterans that are falling on some tuff times. The Veterans are provided housing but are in need of several basic necessity items such as:

\*Postage stamps

\*Grocery and gas gift cards

\*Movie tickets

\*Bath Towels

Food storage bowls with lids

Underwear and T-Shirts

Slippers and flip-flops

Standard pillow cases and pillows

Twin size, standard and extra- long sheets & blankets

Cleaning products

Canvases

Acrylic paints and drawing paper

Picture frames 18x12

Shaving razors, body wash and deodorants

\*Immediate needs

Please consider supporting the Veterans. You can bring these items to the Christmas Party and/or January/February Assembly meetings and we will consolidate the donations and deliver to the Valor Home.

