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LINE DANCE CLASS

Monday, Oct. 7th 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. \$10 Donation

All proceeds to benefit Coats for Kids

Please help us keep kids warm!

MONROE COUNCIL RECEIVES STAR COUNCIL AWARD!

The Star Council award is the international K of C's top honor for local councils! It recognizes overall excellence in the areas of growing membership, promoting Knights of Columbus insurance benefits, sponsoring Catholic faith formation programs and volunteering time through service-oriented activities.

COMEDY NIGHT WITH ANDY BENINGO!

Join us November 16th for dinner and a show featuring the clean styling and "every man" stylings of one of the country's "40 Best Up and Coming Comedians."

Doors Open 5:30pm - Dinner 6pm - Show 7pm



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From Our Grand Knight

Worthy Brothers,

Let me start by saying it is a great honor and a tremendous privilege to represent you, the members of the Monroe Knights of Columbus, as the 66th Grand Knight of Council #1266. I feel blessed and humbled to take on this important position. Thank you for the confidence you have bestowed upon me to take on the responsibilities of this wonderful organization. I will do my very best to continue the tradition of excellence established by the Past Grand Knights who have helped show me the way.

The phrase “Servant Leader” is what comes to mind as I step into this role. As Grand Knight, I see it is my responsibility and duty to serve – not only the members of our proud K of C council, but also the members of our Catholic parishes and the community of Monroe as a whole.

In my short time as Grand Knight – a lot has happened. In just the month of June we lost 2 of our beloved knights. On July 3rd, we celebrated the life of Arthur Bomia III who was an officer on the board of Council #1266 and passed away unexpectedly on June 24th. On July 24th, we celebrated the life of Eugene Poupard, who was 102 when he passed away – he was the oldest Knight in the state of Michigan. Please keep them, and their families, in your prayers.

On July 10th, 8 Knights of Council #1266 provided lunch to the kids at Holiday Camp of Monroe. What a great experience it was serving pizza and snacks to these great kids and the staff! Thank you to those who helped out that day.

From August 9th through the 15th we had the Shroud of Turin exhibit at the K of C Hall. What an incredible display this was – both informative and inspiring. We had over 320 members of our community come to observe this exhibit and all of them left spiritually lifted and grateful that we were able to bring this to Monroe. Thank you to all who helped make this possible.

In our first month of the 2023-24 fraternal year, we brought 7 new members into Council #1266. What a great start! We are now at 504 members and well on our way to Star Council once again and maybe even Double Star!

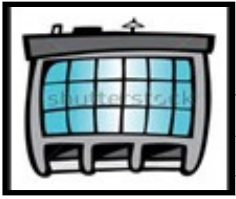
On September 28th, the Monroe K of C Hall will be hosting an exemplification of the 4th degree for much of Southeast Michigan and the Toledo areas. This is the first time ever the ceremony will be hosted by Council #1266 and Assembly #488. We are very excited about this and happy to show what we have here in Monroe.

Looking forward, our next Goodfellows Tootsie Roll sale is scheduled for the weekend of October 12-13, 2024. Please help support us in any way you can.

On November 16th we will be having a Christian Comedian, Andy Beningo, coming to our hall for an exciting Comedy Night with food and lots of laughs. Mark your calendars because you won't want to miss this great show!

I am very excited about this upcoming fraternal year! We have a fantastic Council and I am thrilled to be a part of it with all of you!

Vivat Jesus,
Grand Knight Jeff Couturier
66th Grand Knight of the
Monroe Council #1266



Monroe Building Association

Brother Knights, Your Summer nights have passed us by and the cool fall days are on the way leading us to the end of another year. In the coming weeks we have an important civic duty to get out and vote for our next government policy makers, so get out and vote. On that note you older Brother Knights remember the Beatle's tune Taxman " Let me tell you how it will be, there's one for you and nineteen for me – Cos I'm the taxman, Should 5% appear to small be thankful I don't take it all Cos I'm the TAXMAN, If you drive a truck I'll tax the street, If you try to sit I'll tax the seat, If you get to cold I'll tax the heat, If you take a walk I'll tax your feet." Now does that sound familiar? My point is the cost of keeping our building up is on the rise, taxes, utilities, and maintaining this old building. So if you have any spare change left after the TAXMAN please think of a donation to the Building Association.

Building Association President
Terry Durocher
MBA President



Goodfellows Club

Fellow Goodfellows, Just a couple Reminders:

The 2024 Election of Goodfellow Officers is complete. I was reelected as President, PGK Joe Lamour is Vice President. We thank and Pray for PGK Ken Eichler for his service as he resigned due to family health reasons. PGK Shawn Piedmonte was elected Secretary. Jeff Rupp was elected as our Treasurer.

The Fall Tootsie Roll Sale at our Parishes is set for October 12-13 after Masses. The moneys raised from this sale benefit the SMCC "Inclusion Program". This is a great cause! If you are not selling Tootsies PLEASE set a good example and BUY some!

It's a ways off, but PLEASE think about the 2024 Goodfellows Food Program as it'll be here before you know it! All Hawkers get ready for our Dec. 7th Paper Sale and Food Crews get ready for the box packing and delivery Dec. 23rd & 24th!

finally don't be shocked when you see our new "Hi-Vis" Yellow Goodfellows Sales Bags and Vests! All was done for your protection!

PGK Jay Jondro Sr
Goodfellows Club President



Fourth Degree

Greetings Brother and Sir Knights, Vivat Jesus!

As we begin this new year in the Order, I am pleased to announce that we will have an Exemplification at the end of September and accept 10 new members into the 4th degree. This recruitment comes at a vital time. With the collapse of council 8698 of Dundee and several members passing away, we are seeing more and more strain on the Order. This council was our western front of our vicariate. With a decrease in west, we are beginning to see life in the south. We are happy to see St. Joseph in Erie gain some membership. We look forward to the time when we will be able to have a proper corporate communion there.

In the past few months, we have a tremendous tick upwards in the number of corporate communions and honor guard assignments. With the New Year coming into full swing, we will have a plethora more.

The fall season is upon us, though most things go into hibernation this time of the year, we are looking for new ways to promote patriotism throughout our area. In the next few months, we will start discussions on what direction to move.

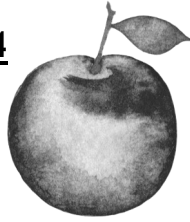
If you have any questions feel free to email me at Headofparker@gmail.com.

Quis ut Deus?
Your Faithful Navigator,
Rick Parker

Council #1266 Calendar

Please check the Council website and email for any date changes.

SEPTEMBER 2024



September Highlights:
Sept. 2: Labor Day

- 2 **Labor Day**
- 3 Council Bingo..... 5:45 p.m.
- 4 Goodfellows Meeting 5:00 p.m.
- 4 Council Officers Meeting 5:30 p.m.
- 5 Regular Joe Sharing Faith Meeting5:45 a.m.
- 10 Council Bingo..... 5:45 p.m.
- 11 Council Business Meeting..... 7:00 p.m.
- 11 Building Assoc. Meeting..... 8:00 p.m.
- 17 Council Bingo..... 5:45 p.m.
- 18 4th Degree Business Meeting..... 7:00 p.m.
- 19 Regular Joe Sharing Faith Meeting5:45 a.m.
- 24 Council Bingo..... 5:45 p.m.
- 25 Council Euchre Social.....5:00 p.m.
 Bring a dish to pass

OCTOBER 2024



October Highlights:

Oct. 12-13: Tootsie Roll Sale at Parishes
Oct. 14: Columbus Day

- 1 Council Bingo.....5:45 p.m.
- 2 Council Officer Meeting.....6:00 p.m.
- 2 Goodfellows Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 3 Regular Joe Faith Meeting..... 5:45 a.m.
- 8 Council Bingo.....5:45 p.m.
- 9 Council Business Meeting..... 7:00 p.m.
- 9 Building Assoc. Meeting 8:00 p.m.
- 12 **MI Drive - Tootsie Roll Sale** After Mass
- 13 **MI Drive - Tootsie Roll Sale** After Mass
- 15 Council Bingo..... 5:45 p.m.
- 16 4th Deg. Bus. Mtg..... 7:00 p.m.
- 17 Regular Joe Faith Meeting 5:45 a.m.
- 22 Council Bingo..... 5:45 p.m.
- 23 Council Euchre Social5:00 p.m.
 Bring a dish to pass
- 29 Council Bingo.....5:45 p.m.
- 31 Halloween



MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST
 REGULAR JOE

Mens Monthly Prayer Meeting
 1st & 3rd Thursday each month 5:45 AM - 7 AM

NOVEMBER 2024



November Highlights:

Nov. 5: Election Day - Go Vote!
Nov. 11: Veterans Day
Nov. 16: Comedy Night with Andy Beningo
Nov. 23: Coats for Kids
Nov. 28: Thanksgiving Day

- 5 **Election Day**
- 5 Council Bingo..... 5:45 p.m.
- 6 Goodfellows Meeting 5:00 p.m.
- 6 Council Officers Meeting 5:30 p.m.
- 7 Regular Joe Sharing Faith Meeting5:45 a.m.
- 11 **Veterans Day**
- 12 Council Bingo..... 5:45 p.m.
- 13 Council Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 13 Building Assoc. Meeting 8:00 p.m.
- 16 **Comedy Night with Andy Beningo.....5:30 p.m.**
- 19 Council Bingo..... 5:45 p.m.
- 20 4th Degree Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 21 Regular Joe Sharing Faith Meeting5:45 a.m.
- 23 **Coats for Kids**
- 26 Council Bingo..... 5:45 p.m.
- 27 Council Euchre Social 5:00 p.m.
 Bring a dish to pass
- 28 **Thanksgiving Day**

DECEMBER 2024



December Highlights:

Dec. 7: Good fellow Paper Sale
Dec. 14: PGK & Clergy Appreciation Dinner
Dec. 23-24: Goodfellow Box Packing & Delivery
Dec. 25: Christmas Day
Dec. 31: New Year's Eve Party

- 3 Council Bingo..... 5:45 p.m.
- 4 Goodfellows Meeting 5:00 p.m.
- 4 Council Officers Meeting 5:30 p.m.
- 5 Regular Joe Sharing Faith Meeting5:45 a.m.
- 7 **Goodfellows Paper Sale**.....9:00 a.m.
- 10 Council Bingo..... 5:45 p.m.
- 11 Council Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 11 Building Assoc. Meeting 8:00 p.m.
- 14 **PGK Appreciation Mass & Dinner** 5:00 p.m.
- 17 Council Bingo..... 5:45 p.m.
- 18 4th Degree Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 19 Regular Joe Sharing Faith Meeting5:45 a.m.
- 23 **Goodfellows Box Packing**..... 6:00 p.m.
- 24 **Goodfellows Box Delivery**9:00 a.m.
- 25 **Christmas Day**
- 31 **New Year's Eve Party**..... 8:00 p.m.
- 31 **New Year's Eve**