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**- Brother Knights -**  
**Please check out and Join in our**  
**Council Events & Meetings!**



The PGK/Clergy appreciation dinner will be on  
Sat., Dec. 10th with Mass at 5:30 and dinner at 7:00PM.  
Worthy Chaplin, Fr. David Burgard, presiding.

**HELP US HELP THOSE IN NEED IN MONROE COUNTY!**  
**SEE GOODFELLOWS LETTER INSIDE.**



The True Meaning for the Season!  
~\* Have a Blessed and Merry Christmas! \*~



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## From Our Grand Knight

Worthy Brothers and Ladies of Council 1266,

Here we are again writing another courier article. Time sure does move quickly. As always, a big THANK YOU goes out to all the council officers, and all the unseen help that occurs, and to the ones that never want recognition. Congratulations to all the Knights that were selected to be Knight of the Month for the year, along with all of the Families of the Month. We appreciate all that you do. I appreciate all the support that I get from all of you to encourage me to be your Grand Knight.

On Saturday, November 19th we distributed 262 coats during our annual Coats for Kids campaign in the hall. We donated the remainder of the coats over to Heartbeat of Monroe, Selah Center of Hope and New Beginnings Mercy House in Ida, Mi. In total, 325 coats were given away to the community. All coats are distributed to help keep the kids warm this winter. Thank you to everyone that helped set up and helped distribute the coats. What a great cause for the community.

The exemplification team has done a tremendous job at the ceremonies. We have received plenty of positive feedback. We have had 4 exemplifications this past year. Welcome to all the new brothers of the council. We hope to have many, many more!! Please encourage others to become Knights of Columbus.

Thank you to all that helped sell Tootsie Rolls at the parishes in October. All the proceeds this year have gone to SMCC St. Andre Bessette program.

The PGK/Clergy appreciation dinner will be on Saturday Dec. 10th with Mass at 5:30 then dinner at 7:00PM. Our Worthy Chaplin, Fr. David Burgard, will preside over the Mass.

### The Year Ahead

May God make your year a happy one! Not by shielding us from all sorrows and pain,  
But by strengthening us to bear it, as it comes;  
Not by making our path easy, But by making us sturdy to travel any path;  
Not by taking hardships from us, But by taking fear from our heart;  
Not by granting us unbroken sunshine, But by keeping our face bright,  
even in the shadows;  
Not by making our life always pleasant, But by showing us when people and their causes  
need us most, and by making us anxious to be there to help. God's love, peace,  
hope and joy to us for the year ahead.

- Author Unknown

From Lady Betsy and myself,  
We wish you a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.  
Feliz Navidad y Prospero Año Nuevo.

Blessed Michael J. McGivney, Pray for Us! Vivat Jesus,

*Julian Rios*  
65<sup>th</sup> Grand Knight



## From The "Goodfellows"

Fellow Goodfellows,

Well here we are in peak Goodfellows season of 2022. By the time you get this we will have completed the Paper Sale. We had an excellent sign up of Council Members to be Street Hawkers – Thank You! Without you this won't be as successful a fundraiser.

Thank You to all that have assisted in moving food from MCOP to our Council storage, especially PGK Jerry Cawood, that has helped out with transporting in his monster truck multiple times.

Next Up – Dec 23 packing an estimated 350 food boxes at 6PM. If interested in helping please contact PGK Joe Lamour. This is a huge undertaking! It's also a great opportunity for youngsters to get involved in the true meaning of this wonderful season (it's a great service opportunity for those that need hours too!).

The next morning, Dec 24th Christmas Eve, we will be delivering the boxes as usual. If you can assist by loading or delivering please let us know as soon as possible.

You can contact me at: [jj1266goodfellows@gmail.com](mailto:jj1266goodfellows@gmail.com).

*PGK Jay Jondro Sr.*  
Goodfellows President



## From the Desk of the Financial Secretary



Worthy Brothers,

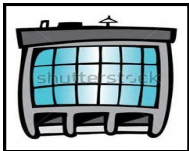
As the Financial Secretary, I would like to inform you that our council is in great financial shape and is, considered to be, one of the best in the state. Our commitment to all our charities is second to none. Thanks to all the hard work and donations from our members and community friends, we were able to give more than \$69,450.00 to our charities this past year. We should all be extremely proud of this accomplishment!

Thank you to everyone who has submitted their dues, either by mail or the online payment portal. If you have already received your membership card, you probably noticed it looks a little different than the previous cards. The new cards are signed by our Supreme Knight, and we no longer are required to have the GK, FS or members signature on the cards. If you have not yet submitted payment, please do so ASAP to help us avoid a second mailing.

Lori and I, wish you a Blessed Advent and Christmas season.

*Vivat Jesus*  
*PGK Shawn Piedmonte*  
Financial Secretary

## From The Building Association



Brother Knights,

The Building Association has been busy making some upgrades to our building. The most important upgrade at this time the new security system that has been installed by Guardian Alarm early in November. Part of the upgrade included a new door card system. If your card does not work, it needs to be reprogrammed for the new system. Please leave your card at the bar with your name and phone number and we will get it back to you. We apologize for the inconvenience!

Thank you for all who volunteer and all that you do! We can always use more help bartending and cleaning. Please see Steve Richardville if you are interested.

*Rusty Kruger*  
Building Association President



Meetings every First & Third Thursday  
5:45 AM - 7 AM



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# Council #1266 Calendar



## DECEMBER 2022

1 Regular Joe Sharing Our Faith Mtg.	5:45 AM
3 Goodfellow Paper Sale Meet in Lounge	8:00 AM
6 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
7 Goodfellow Meeting	6:00 PM
7 Council Officer Meeting	7:00 PM
10 PGK/Clergy/4th Deg. Dinner & Mass	5:00 PM
13 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
14 Council Meeting	7:00 PM
14 Building Association Business Meeting	8:00 PM
15 Regular Joe Sharing Our Faith Mtg.	5:45 AM
20 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
21 4th Degree Meeting	7:00 PM
23 Goodfellow Box Packing Halls #1 & #2	6:00 PM
24 Goodfellow Box Delivery	8:00 AM
<b>25 Christmas Day</b>	
27 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
28 No Council Social this month	
<b>31 New Year's Eve Day</b>	



## JANUARY 2022

<b>1 Happy New Year - God Bless Us!</b>	
3 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
4 Council Officers Mtg	7:00 PM
5 Regular Joe Sharing Our Faith Mtg.	5:45 AM
10 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
11 Council Meeting	7:00 PM
11 Building Assoc. Meeting	8:00 PM
17 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
18 4th Degree Meeting	7:00 PM
19 Regular Joe Sharing Our Faith Mtg.	5:45 AM
24 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
25 Council Social - Bring dish to pass	6:00 PM



## FEBRUARY 2022

1 Council Officers Mtg	7:00 PM
2 Regular Joe Sharing Our Faith Mtg.	5:45 AM
7 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
8 Council Meeting	7:00 PM
8 Building Association Business Meeting	8:00 PM
<b>12 Super Bowl Sunday</b>	6:30 PM
<b>14 Valentine's Day</b>	
14 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
15 4th Degree Mtg	7:00 PM
16 Regular Joe Sharing Our Faith Mtg.	5:45 AM
<b>20 Presidents' Day</b>	
<b>22 Ash Wednesday - Beginning of Lent</b>	
22 Council Social - Bring dish to pass	6:00 PM



## MARCH 2022

7 Council Officer Meeting	7:00 PM
2 Regular Joe Sharing Our Faith Mtg.	5:45 AM
7 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
8 Council Meeting	7:00 PM
18 Building Association Business Meeting	8:00 PM
<b>12 Daylight Saving Time Begins</b>	
14 Council Bingo	5:45 PM
15 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Business Meeting	7:00 PM
16 Regular Joe Sharing Our Faith Mtg.	5:45 AM
<b>17 St. Patrick's Day</b>	
20 First Day of Spring	
22 Council Social - Bring dish to pass	6:00 PM
28 Council Bingo	5:45 PM

