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# **CHANCELLOR'S UPDATE 2020**

To my Brother Knights and Families:

First my family and I want to wish all a very Merry Christmas and a Joyous New Year. Now a recap of activities.

We started our Fraternal year with the installation mass at St, Mark performed by Fr. Tim Wyciskalla and our District Deputy Thrasher Carmichael. All of our council meetings are being held virtual on zoom, we recite the rosary and conduct business. Have you been able to attend? Then we jumped into a school supply drive in August for Central Catholic where we collected over \$300 in donations and supplied them with hand sanitizers, wipes, and paper towels, etc. We then stepped out and had our very first Food Drive at Holy Name in October, thanks once again to Holy Name Parish and Fr. Bob Roberson, we collected \$100 and 600lbs of food that went to 2 food banks. We restarted our Breakfasts in October adhering to the new guidelines that are now in place and it was great seeing our members and their families that joined us. In November we had our annual council memorial mass for deceased members for the last year, Rev. Jeffery Moore led us in mass. Also we had our Annual Coats for kids event at Central Catholic. Your council handed out 84 coats to families that attended the schools family night. Your council also provided \$500 to the school to purchase hats, gloves, socks and other items that are needed. Did I mention that all this was done while we are in a pandemic. Your council officers and volunteers followed all health and safety guidelines in place.

Yet we did have to cancel some events like our spaghetti dinner, and our annual nun's Christmas party this year. We are suspending our breakfast for December and January as we as a community work to control this virus. So now you ask what is next? And that is a good question.

The council will revisit starting the breakfast up again for February 2021 at our January meeting. Some ideas for 2021 are drive thru fish fry, another food drive, and ?. So if you have any ideas, thoughts, or suggestion please forward them to us to review, or better yet please step up and say that you will lead that activity. Also, the dues statements will be mailed out shortly, please please please return your dues timely. This helps the council to fund charitable function that present themselves.

Once again Merry Christmas to all and your Officers are looking forward to 2021 and how we can be the Knights of Charity.

Fraternally, Scott Crossen

# **NEXT BREAKFAST**

Due to the continued increase in COVID-19 cases in Marion County, we are suspending our breakfasts until the situation is under control for the safety and health of those attending and working these breakfasts.

We apologize for this and we will send out an update once we know when the breakfasts will begin again.

# NUNS CHRISTMAS UPDATE

We will be working with the different woman's religious orders in the archdiocese to provide Christmas cheer and to show our support for these important women.

We will be reaching out to the different convents and orders to understand what the sisters wish for Christmas and will be providing what we are able.

We will have a full update in the next Cross & Compass

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We are in need of brothers to step up for many of the Director positions to share the load with our council officers.

If interested in a director position, contact Financial Secretary, Bob Lynch.

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# GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE



Brother Knights,

The season of Advent is upon us and we bring to mind the greatest gift of all that was ever given to mankind, the Christ Jesus who came to this earth to suffer and die for our sins so that we could have eternal life with him. The Officers of Msgr. Downey Council 3660 would like to wish all of you a safe and Blessed Christmas and New Year's Season.

Because of the recent outbreak of the COVID 19 Virus, we have decided to suspend having our Breakfasts at Central Catholic Grade School. We thought that the situation was just too risky to continue at the present time and felt that in the best interests of all of those involved it was best to put everything on hold until things get better and it is safe for all persons involved to be able to participate with us. We hope that you understand and we will let you know when we plan on restarting our Breakfasts again.

We are still pursuing an opportunity to purchase another piece of property in order to build another Council building to have our meetings and breakfasts at that location. Although it is a slow process, please know that we are doing our best to find another location and be able to resume our activities there.

To all of my many Brothers and their families who have prayed for my speedy recovery from a recent necessary surgery, I would like to offer my sincere thanks and let everyone know that I have been recovering very well and will soon be back to normal activities again, as time and the healing process allows. The Power Of Prayer is unending! My Sincere Thanks!

Have a Safe and Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year!

May God Bless You Always!

Respectfully submitted,

John Magee

**Grand Knight** 

## VIRTUAL MEMBER MEETING

Council 3660 will be holding a Virtual Member meeting online or by phone

using the Zoom Web conferencing system

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81468478548? pwd=VDBLVDJRVGVWUlpnSGlvbnlwbmtuZz09

Monday, December 14th, 2020 at 7pm and every second Monday of each subsequent month

Meeting ID: 814 6847 8548 Passcode: 808027

# SYMPATHY

The officers and members of Monsignor Downey Council offer their sympathy and prayers to:

## **P** Brother Cletus F. Brinker, 62, Indianapolis, passed away on September 3, 2020.

Husband to Deborah, father to Angela, Cletus Jr, Step-father to Kevin Arthur, Josh Ruiz, Andrew Bennet, brother to Bridget Jones, 6 grandchildren, 1 great-grandchild.

Brother Theodore Robert Mandabach, 75, of Indianapolis, passed away on September 9, 2020.
Husband of 55 years to Sue, father to Dawn Freeman, brother to Patty Northcutt, John, 4 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren.

Joseph C. "Joe" McDermott, 100, Beech Grove, passed away October 26, 2020.
Husband to Carol, who preceded him in death, father to Paul, Jeanne O'Brien, 4 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren, & will be missed by a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, & extended family.

### **Brother Michael "Butch" Lee Frazee Sr., 80, Indianapolis, passed away November 17, 2020**

Husband to Carol, father to Mike Jr., Mark, Steve and Teresa Grimes, brother to Ronald "Joe", Brother-in -law to Lucille Frazee, 7 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

### **P** Brother Robert J. McCarthy, 83, Indianapolis, passed away November 19, 2020.

Retired firefighter, Husband to Sally for 57 years, father to Timothy, Michael, Christopher, Kathleen Haberthy, All 3 sons are Brother Knights, brother to Joan Armbruster, Grandfather to Brother Knight Keegan, Shannon, Sean, Addison, Morgen, Kevin, and Meghan.

## May Their Souls and The Souls Of All The Faithful Departed,

Through The Mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen.

# WISHING WELL FUND DONATION DRIVE

For the past 20 plus years, supporters like you have shown how much you care. You play a critical role in allowing the Wishing Well Fund to feed 150+ families at Christmas as well as helping fellow Hoosiers in need throughout the year.

This year, due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, we are faced with a huge challenge. Our annual Reverse Raffle is how we raise the funds to make our mission happen. 2020 does not allow us to host this day of fun, friends, and fellowship. We will miss sharing this day with you more than you can imagine.

## In this time of COVID-19, your donations matters more than ever

Please donate today to help support your neighbors. No donation is too small or too large. It all adds up to keeping our neighbors fed.

\$100 sponsors a family of 6 with food for several days	Mail donations to:
\$ 75 will purchase 25 bags of potatoes	Wishing Well Fund
\$ 50 will purchase 25 gallons of milk	PO Box 47702
\$ 25 will purchase 13 jars of peanut butter	Indianapolis, IN 46247
\$ 10 will purchase 15 loaves of bread	Donate online via PayPal:
	http://www.wishingwellfund.com/

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# December 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
November 29 First Sunday of Advent	November 30	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9	10 Realty Board Meeting 7pm	11	12
13	14 Member's Meeting 7pm Zoom	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ	26
27	28	29	31	31	January 1, 2021 New Year's Day	January 2