



PO Box 17547, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46217-0547

December, 2020 – ISSUE No. 291

MERRY CHRISTMAS

From The Knights and Officers of

Msgr. James M. Downey Council 3660

Wishing you and your families A safe & blessed

Advent and Christmas Season

& Better New Year 2021!

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=VDBLVVDJRvGVWUlpnSGlvbnlwbnmtuZz09>

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

Meeting ID: 814 6847 8548 Passcode: 808027

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

The Cross and Compass

Published monthly by
Monsignor James M. Downey Council 3660
Knights of Columbus
PO Box 17547
Indianapolis, IN 46217-0547 (317) 784-3660
info@KofC3660.org

Council Officers 2020-2021

Chaplain	TBA
Grand Knight	John Magee
Deputy Grand Knight	Matthew Crossen
Chancellor	Scott Crossen
Financial Secretary	Robert Lynch, PGK, PSD
Recorder	John Hasty, PGK
Warden	Clifford Edgemon
Treasurer	James Milharcic, PGK
Advocate	Tom Nicholson
Inside Guard	Michael Risch
Outside Guard	Patrick Kailie
Trustee (1-Year)	John Finneran, PGK
Trustee (2-Year)	John Hasty, PGK
Trustee (3-Year)	Joseph Humbert, PGK

Realty Board 2020-2021

President	David Jackson
Vice President	Richard White
Treasurer	James Milharcic, PGK
Secretary	Scott Crossen, PGK
Elected Member	Tim McCarthy
Elected Member	John Szostak
Grand Knight	John Magee
Financial Secretary	Robert Lynch, PGK, PSD, FM
Trustee (1-Year)	John Finneran, PGK
Trustee (2-Year)	John Hasty, PGK
Trustee (3-Year)	Joseph Humbert, PGK

Program Director

Director of Church Activities

Director of Family Activities

Director of Youth Activities

Director of Council Activities

Director of Community Activities

Director of Web Site

Joe Humbert, info@KofC3660.org

Gibault Home Representative

Matt Crossen

Membership Director

Scott Crossen

Retention Director

Scott Crossen

Ceremonials Chairman

William Sherman, PGK

Editor/Advertising Manager, **Cross & Compass**

Joe Humbert, CandCEditor@KofC3660.org

Insurance Representatives

Robert Kelly bob.kelly@kofc.org 317-966-4533

Sick Committee

Holy Name
St. Jude
Good Shepherd
Sacred Heart
St. Roch
St. Mark
St. Barnabas
St. Patrick

Council 3660 website: <http://www.kofc3660.com>

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.

financialsecretary@kofc3660.com

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

SYMPATHY

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

✠ **Brother Edward Joseph O'Keefe, Jr., 95, Indianapolis, passed away April 8, 2020.**

No survivors listed

✠ **Brother Lloyd M. Williams, 88, Indianapolis, passed away on June 26, 2020.**

Husband to Mary Irene for 66 years, father to Mark, grandfather to Ashley Saylor, Jason Hammer, Michael Hammer, Kelly Hammer, 8 great-grandchildren.

✠ **Brother David M. Sander, 73, of Greenwood, passed away on June 30, 2020.**

Husband of 39 years to Marsha, father to Sarah Schilling, Elizabeth Piercy, Anna King, Zachary, brother to Mary Butler, Margie Cahill, Elizabeth "Betty" Ferguson, 6 grandchildren

✠ **Mayor J. Warner Wiley, 83, Beech Grove, passed away July 12, 2020.**

Husband to Janet, who preceded him in death, father to Jeanine Doyle, Michael, Craig, Ryan, 9 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren.

✠ **Brother Bernard "Bernie" C. Lenahan, 85, Greenwood, passed away August 15, 2020.**

Husband to Marjorie, father to Christopher, brother to Mary Theresa McCarty, Eileen White, brother-in-law to Teresa Lenahan, uncle to a large number of nieces and nephews.

✠ **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.

✠ **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 INC.

Mission: To provide assistance to individuals and families in the Indianapolis area who are in need.

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 donation 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 will sponsor a family of 6 with food for several days

\$ 75 will purchase 25 bags of potatoes

\$ 50 will purchase 25 gallons of milk

\$ 25 will purchase 13 jars of peanut butter

\$ 10 will purchase 15 loaves of bread

DID YOU KNOW:

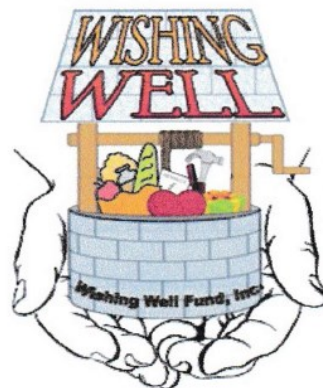
- ◇ We help over 150 families each year with food for Christmas.
- ◇ All families served are referred to us by social workers, teachers, ministers, hospitals, food pantries, police and fire, St Vincent DePaul, neighborhood centers and other professionals.
- ◇ We cannot accept phone, email or letter requests.
- ◇ Our families receive 2 large boxes of dry goods, ham, potatoes, fruit, bread, milk and laundry detergent.
- ◇ All Board Members are volunteers.
- ◇ All monies to make this program happen come from donations and our annual Reverse Raffle (cancelled for 2020)

MAIL DONATIONS TO:

Wishing Well Fund
PO Box 47702
Indianapolis, IN 46247

DONATE ONLINE VIA PAYPAL:

WishingWellFund.com



<http://www.wishingwellfund.com/>

December 2020

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



• KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS •
MSGR. JAMES M DOWNEY COUNCIL – 3660
PO Box 17547
Indianapolis, IN 46227-0547

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



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.

Faternally,

Scott Crossen