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2023 NUNS CHRISTMAS PARTY

We are welcoming and thanking our nuns again!

Sunday, December 3rd, 2023 from 2pm — 4pm

St Roch Parish Life Center — 3603 S Meridian St, Indianapolis, IN 46217

Donations and volunteers are needed. Contact Scott Crossen or Grand Knight Joe Humbert.

COUNCIL BREAKFAST

Our next breakfast will be **Sunday, December 10, 2023**

8am—11:45am Adults \$9 Children \$5

Central Catholic gymnasium — 1155 Cameron St, Indianapolis, IN 46203

Breakfasts will be the second Sunday of every month September through May

2024 FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

In January 2024 our council will be participating in the K of C free throw championship.

This free throw contest is for Boys and girls ages 9-14. it will be held on

Sunday, January 14, 2024

at

Central Catholic Gymnasium

From 2pm– 4pm or all contestants have participated

Contact Grand Knight Joe Humbert (grandknight@kof3660.com) or get a registration form off of our website.

Forms can be turned in the day of the event!

MESSAGE FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Just a quick update that the 2024 Dues will be sent out after December 15th.

We will have the ability to pay dues through Zelle again.

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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, Scott Crossen.

financialsecretary@kofc3660.com

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE



Brother Knights,

First, I, my family and the council would like to wish everyone a blessed advent, Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy 2024.

I will be honest that I was hesitant to serve as Grand Knight a second time as my wife Amanda and I had adopted two children, Marissa 9 and Cameron 10, in October 2022 and are a bit busier than we have been in the past. But I decided I had enough love to share to take it on and I have not regretted it. A bunch of great knights stepped up to fill many of our open positions and they have been a big help and support to me. It has been my blessing for 2023.

In December, we have our Nun's Christmas party on the 2nd. As of writing this (before RSVPs are due) I have 27 attendees so it is going to be a great crowd. I had hoped to set up a Pacer's game outing in this month, but the dates did not work so that will be February 6th instead. Many families are often in need over the holidays, please consider supporting a family so they can have a merry Christmas. My family is donating to a local organization that supports families with foster children.

In January, we will be participating in the Free Throw Championship right after our January breakfast. I look forward to seeing all the kids do their best. My son Cameron is really looking forward to the event. We will be continuing our breakfasts, having more food drives, social gatherings and sporting events in 2024 so look at the website and future Cross and Compass' for an updated list of our activities as we solidify dates.

If you happen to be behind in dues and want to get current please contact Scott Crossen at financialsecretary@kofc3660.com or reach out to me.

Respectfully submitted

Joe Humbert, PGK and current Grand Knight

COUNCIL 3660 PACERS GAME

We are going out to have fun and support our local NBA team

Tuesday, February 6, 2024 at 7pm

tickets are \$25 each.

Seats are in section 204 rows 3-5.

Contact Grand Knight Joe Humbert or Financial Secretary Scott Crossen with the number of tickets needed by **January 20, 2024.**

We can always order additional tickets if needed.

Let's fill this section with brother knights and their families and have a great fraternal evening.

SYMPATHY

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

- ✠ **Brother Darrell L. Arthur, 71, Beech Grove, passed away on May 2, 2023**
Darrell is survived by his wife Susan Arthur and numerous nieces and nephews.
- ✠ **Brother Lewis H. Galati, 97, Indianapolis, passed away on May 11, 2023**
Lewis is survived by his wife Mary Lou, father to Tina Hann, 2 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren.
- ✠ **Honorable Judge Richard Sallee, 90, Indianapolis, passed away on May 11, 2023**
Richard is survived by his wife Cheri Sallee and his daughters Tonya and Natalie Sallee and 1 Grandchild.
- ✠ **Brother Joseph C. Bova, 93, Indianapolis, passed away on May 23, 2023**
Joseph is survived by his wife JoAnn, father to Michael, Josephine Evans, Nancy Pinna, Christina Spears, 13 grandchildren, 7 great grandchildren.
- ✠ **PGK Robert M. Schaefer, 67, Indianapolis, passed away August 31, 2023**
Robert is survived by his wife Cindy and son Kyle.
- ✠ **Brother Richard L. Marien, 86, Nineveh, passed away on September 2, 2023**
Father to David Marien, Cynthia Cheek, Michael Marien, Deborah Layne and 8 grandchildren.
- ✠ **Brother Harold P. Acker, 86, Indianapolis, passed away on September 7, 2023**
Harold is survived by his wife Roseann, father to Patricia Crouch, Cynthia, John, 5 grandchildren, 1 great grandchild.
- ✠ **Brother Anthony T. Bohman, 91, Greenwood, passed away September 10, 2023**
Father to Natalie Bohman, Deborah Beeson, Denise Richardson, Margaret Percy, Anthony II Bohman, Rebecca Peterson, Monica DuBois, 14 grandchildren, and 21 great grandchildren.
- ✠ **Brother Joseph A Mervar, 81, Indianapolis, passed away on September 25, 2023**
Joseph is survived by his wife Jennie, father to David Mervar, Perry Mervar, and 7 grandchildren.
- ✠ **Brother Charles E. Keatts, 81, Indianapolis, passed away on September 26, 2023**
Charles is survived by his wife Geraldine, father to Tresa Henschen, and Ruth Price, 5 grandchildren, 9 great grandchildren.
- ✠ **Brother Thomas “Mickey” M. Speth, 84, Indianapolis, passed away on October 13, 2023**
Mickey is survived by his wife Edith, father to Theresa Smith, Michelle Strack, Darleen Kahl, Kevin Cauble, Tom Speth, Ginger Macy, Lisa Delaney, 24 grandchildren, 42 great grandchildren.
- ✠ **Brother Richard L. Battles, 82, New Palestine, passed away November 5, 2023**
Father to John, Mike, Beau, Debra Cunningham, Tina Montgomery, 10 grandchildren.

**May Their Souls and The Souls Of All The Faithful Departed,
Through The Mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen.**

GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH ADVENT GIVING TREE 2023

Please ask friends and family members to help us with the Giving Tree. Feel free to take extra tags to give to them and then if you would be responsible to return all gifts that would be WONDERFUL

It's that time of year again! We encourage everyone to take part during this season of giving. Please take as many tags as you feel comfortable taking. After you buy the present suggested on the tag, please cut the bottom half off the tag. Wrap the present and secure the top half of the tag to the present. Please bring the wrapped gift back to church and place in the music/St. Vincent de Paul space (the room by the choir). All presents must be back by 11 AM on Dec. 17th as we will be distributing them a little later that day. Thank you for all your support. If you have any questions, please call;

Beth Walton 317-457-7946 or
Magdalene Arszman 317-441-1416.

PICTURE FROM 2023 COATS FOR KIDS



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

December 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
November 26	November 27	November 28	November 29	November 30	1	2
Dec. 3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Nuns Xmas Party 2-4pm St. Roch Life Center 1st day of Advent					The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Council Breakfast Central Catholic Gym 8am-11:30am	Member Meeting 7pm Good Shepherd			Home Association meeting 7pm 4071 S Keystone		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 New Years Eve	Christmas Birth of our Lord Jesus Christ					