



# Knights of Columbus



LANSING COUNCIL #3540

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## Knight of the Month for September for 2021

PGK Michael Kabala



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## GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT:

Dear Brother Knights,

Welcome to 2022! My hope is this will be a great year! Our council participated in many events this December. Our Children's Christmas Party took place on December 4th. We have over 40 children. It was nice to see so many families. I'd like to thank my wife, Elayne Tyderek, Lena Martinez, Miranda Ayala, Jen & Chris Siata, and Bob Layne for their help. Everyone had a wonderful time at Elvis Night. Thank you Mike Kabala and all the many volunteers who helped that evening. Thank you to Chris Siata for handling our Coat Drive. The Swim Team also had a Santa Party on December 14th. There were many excited young adults. Thanks to all of the coaches and volunteers who participated.

If you haven't already, you should definitely try out our new caterers, Steve and Tasha - The Cookout. The food was wonderful for both events. We are very lucky to have them.

Last year our council was able to raise over \$10,000 for our charities. My hope is to raise even more money this year.

I would really like members to contact me personally if you have any questions or concerns. I can be reached at [barroger1@yahoo.com](mailto:barroger1@yahoo.com) or 708.474.7604.

Please continue to pray for our church community and for the end of COVID.

Roger Tyderek

Grand Knight.

## ARE YOU UP TO DATE WITH YOUR DUES?

*PGK Peter Marx, Financial Secretary*

COUNCIL DUES - your Council Dues have been mailed out. We included a Holiday Cheer Program inside your envelope. You can pay your dues at our Council Meetings (First Tuesday of each Month) or Mail in a check or you may even pay using our PayPal account (LANSINGK3540). Please pay your dues on time. This funding helps us run many events, such as our Children's Christmas Party, Spelling Bee, Free Throw Contest, Purchase Winter Jackets for Children, etc. If you have a change of address or email address. Please let our councils financial Secretary know. So we can send you the latest info on our Council events. We can mail or email our newsletter to you. So keep us posted on how you would like to receive our mail. F.S. Pete Marx.

## HOLIDAY CHEER PROGRAM

Once again we will be asking for a donation of one dollar a month from our members. All of the money we receive for this program will be given out to support communities and local food pantries. This is probably the 16th year we have run this program and last year we received just over \$1,600. A letter for this program will be mailed out with your council dues notification. Thank you, for your support. Chairperson - Pete Marx.

**Council Sick****Pray for those IN NEED!**

Please keep all our members and ladies in your prayers as we must intercede for them; SK Ron & Joan Fisher, Jose Chavez, Jr., Joan Cipich, Dave Erickson, Chuck Knight, Greg & Clarita Morris, Dorothy Fill, Martha Pope, Rita Sanchez, PGK Chris A. Siatta, GK Roger S. Tyderek, Jr., PGK Ken Cuprisin, John & Chris Muldoon.

If there is someone you want to add to our Council Sick List, contact PGK Joseph Matlon at 219-365-8353.

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**Council Birthdays**

Have a Great Year!

**JANUARY - Richard S Braze 3<sup>RD</sup>, Richard F Whitman 3<sup>RD</sup>, Richard J Podgorski 7<sup>TH</sup>, Kenneth R Swiatek 8<sup>TH</sup>, James P Montella 10<sup>TH</sup>, Ronald J Sienicki 10<sup>TH</sup>, Claude J Zajakowski 11<sup>TH</sup>, Leonard J Siurek 12<sup>TH</sup>, Thomas H Cipich 13<sup>TH</sup>, Michael J Cipich 16<sup>TH</sup>, Bernard J Healy 17<sup>TH</sup>, Peter Tyderek 21<sup>ST</sup>, Nicholas De Laurentis 23<sup>RD</sup>, Ronald P Fisher 23<sup>RD</sup>, Frank W Maslanka 23<sup>RD</sup>, Michael F Leonard 26<sup>TH</sup>, Michael J Kabala 27<sup>TH</sup>, Matthew P Martinez 28<sup>TH</sup>, Ralph C Corriere 29<sup>TH</sup>**

**FEBRUARY - Stanley S Pamedis 4<sup>TH</sup>, Paul Ferrantelli 5<sup>TH</sup>, James T Fill 6<sup>TH</sup>, Rev Michael A Gabriel 6<sup>TH</sup>, Carl T Nejman 6<sup>TH</sup>, Walter G Jonassen 8<sup>TH</sup>, Mark E Ayala 11<sup>TH</sup>, Albert A Musuta 12<sup>TH</sup>, Robert T Burnley 14<sup>TH</sup>, Peter J Kaminsky 16<sup>TH</sup>, Gregory W Howe 19<sup>TH</sup>, Lance T Dal Santo 21<sup>ST</sup>, 38 John J Dyrek 21<sup>ST</sup>, James P Leonard 23<sup>RD</sup>, Daniel T Murzyn 23<sup>RD</sup>, Olaf C Abrahamson 25<sup>TH</sup>, Michael P Sweeney 25<sup>TH</sup>, Steven R Robinette 28<sup>TH</sup>.**

**COLUMBIAN LADIES REPORT**

Happy New Year! Hope all of you had a wonderful holiday. Columbian Ladies will be changing the dates and times of our meetings. Please check the next newsletter for more information. Thank you to all our members who helped with all of the December Events.

## MEMORIAL MASS

On Sunday, December 12, at All Souls Catholic Parish, (St. Ann's worship site), Lansing Council #3540 hosted our annual Memorial



Mass which took place at the 8:30am Mass. Our Champlain, Rev. David Krowlczyk and Deacon Jim Detloff, celebrated this Mass of Remembrance for our fellow Brother Knights and Sir Knights who have passed away this past year. Thank you for those Brother Knights who attended this very special Mass. Let us never forget those who have gone before us marked with the Sign of Faith.

Eternal Rest Grant unto these Brother Knights of Lansing Council #3540 OH LORD.



ROBERT BLAKE  
 RICHARD CZARNECKI  
 JOSEPH DARRAGH  
 ROBERT TINTARI  
 RICHARD CASEY  
 FRED JORITZ  
 STANLEY SZYKOWNY  
 JOSHUA FONSECA

Acting Church Director  
 PGK Michael Kabala





## RICK SAUCEDO - THE PRINCE OF ROCK & ROLL

Friday evening, December 17, our newly renovated Banquet Hall, was host to our annual Christmas Show. After a year off because of the pandemic, approximately 225 people filled the Hall for a fun filled evening. This year, Chicago's very



own Elvis Tribute Artist, Rick Saucedo, entertained everyone with many hits of the King of Rock & Roll, Elvis Presley. Rick also included various Christmas songs in his repertoire. This was our 6th annual Christmas Show which began back in 2015 and Rick was the performer of that very FIRST Show! It was truly a wonderful night which was enjoyed by all.

As well as the superb entertainment, guests were treated to TWO 50/50 raffle drawings and THREE raffle baskets that were raffled off, as well. There was a cash bar



available all evening and everyone was treated to a VERY delicious buffet style dinner, with a choice of 3 different ice cream desserts, by our new caterer, THE COOKOUT, run and operated by Steve and Tasha Garcia. Both worked SO hard

**making everything PERFECT, which they did, for their first Knights of Columbus Christmas Show!**



**To make a show like this possible, there is a lot of hard work that goes on behind the scenes. I would like to make a special mention those who worked so hard, helping me put everything together. A word of thanks to Fr. Mark who gave me permission to use the stage from St. James the Greater, which saved us a lot of money. Also, thanks to Paul Garrity who is a parishioner of St.**

**James, for transporting and setting the stage up, too. My most sincere gratitude to Office Manager, Kathy Bailey, and Deb Tarbell for taking phone calls and selling tickets at the Office. Not to forget all our bartenders who sold tickets every day at every one of their shifts, as well. Thanks to Howard and Tracy Morrison, Bob Layne, Matthew Martinez, Mike Sanchez, and Steve (custodian), for their attention to detail, making everything so right.**



**In closing, a BIG thank you to Columbian Lady and wife of our Grand Knight, Elayne Tyderek, for making the centerpieces, which always look so festive. Special thanks to JoAnn and Pam who served as our bartenders, the ENTIRE evening! Thanks to the 4 servers who continuously ran all night, making sure everything was right with the food and dessert. I can't say enough about Dean & Cindy Hope who single handily worked almost 5 hours selling 50/50 raffle tickets for 2 raffle drawings that netted the council a total of \$767.00! Finally, a BIG shout out to Tom Cipich and Tommy Lessner who manned the basket table ALL night, collecting a whopping \$863.00 for all 3 baskets!**

**Event Chairman  
PGK Michael Kabala**



## COUNCIL SPELLING BEE

Knights of Columbus- Lansing Council # 3540 is sponsoring our annual spelling bee, which will take place on Saturday, January 29, 2022. Registration will begin at 10:00am and the contest will start at 10:30am. This event will be held at Kasey's Banquet Hall, Lakeside room located at 17800 Lorenz Ave, Lansing. This event is for Girls and Boys from 5<sup>th</sup> grade to 8<sup>th</sup> grade. This competition is open to the public at no cost. The First, Second and Third place winners will receive a trophy and compete in the Regional Spelling Bee, which will take place in March, 2022. The Chairperson is Pate Marx.

The Lansing knights of Columbus of Special Olympics swim team



and coaches would like to thank green river pools for donating a battery for our lift chair thanks



again

## Chaplain Report

### ACECNUATE THE POSITIVE

One of the qualities of presenting information in this age of instant access is that of being as negative as possible. Most shows on television contain some sort of violence whether it be physical or psychological. People in those shows tend to treat each other badly, even when the situation is defined as humorous. News and talk programs on both TV and radio highlight the most negative actions of people as they relate to each other. Sports programs like to emphasize rough physical contact. Even weather forecasts concentrate upon past, current or future weather events that make life less humane. And even though we do not realize it, we react by tuning our minds and spirits to these negative feelings.

The following are the words from a song *Accentuate the Positive* which was popular in 1945 during the Second World War

You've got to accentuate the positive

Eliminate the negative

Latch on to the affirmative

Don't mess with Mister In Between

You've got to spread joy up to the maximum

Bring gloom down to the minimum

Have faith or pandemonium

Liable to walk upon the scene

In all our lives there are many positives. They are there, present to us, but we usually do not recognize them because they are usually what is supposed to be. So, while being bombarded by the negative doings of society, we need to actively look for them, seek them out as if they were some treasure. Once we have found them, we need to rejoice in their presence. There is even a way in which we can be active in creating positive things in our lives, that is, by doing good things for others. Working within the Church is the most obvious way of doing good for others, even if our actions are only praying for others. As Knights, we have at our disposal the entire community of brothers in our organization. We can work within our brotherhood to do good for those within the K of C and we can join with our brothers in doing good for those who are in need outside.

What about "Mister In Between"? To be in between the negative and the positive is to do nothing!

Deacon Jim Detlo

**COLUMBIAN CLUB NEWS**

Happy New Year - 2022!

With a lot of help from our partner the Cookout on Wheels caterers, Kasey's Banquet Hall and Lounge is proud to announce that the restaurant will be re-opening in January 2022. It is the hope that many of you will bring your families to Kasey's Restaurant for dinner either on a Friday, Saturday or Sunday night. Watch either Facebook, the club website: [www.lansingkc.com](http://www.lansingkc.com) or an email near you for the exact opening date.



To bring more foot traffic into the facility, the Club is also proud to announce that we will be partnering with 97.1FM the Drive radio station for an event. The annual Traveling Thirsty Thursday will be making a stop on Thursday, January 13<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm. The Drive promises to have ticket give away, opportunities to win prizes and all the while enjoying free food for an hour and taking advantage of our happy hour drink special for the day.

Keeping our momentum moving forward, the Club is also working to finalize a menu to hold a Valentine's Day event on Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. Dinner, Dancing and music have been confirmed, but as the cost and menu are finalized, like mentioned above: Watch either Facebook, the club website: [www.lansingkc.com](http://www.lansingkc.com) or an email near you for the complete Valentine's Day details.

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Thank you.

Matthew

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## COUNCIL CALENDAR/UPCOMING EVENTS...

Jan 4<sup>th</sup> ... Lansing Council General Meeting, 8:00 pm-9:00pm

Jan 5<sup>th</sup>... Samuel Carinal Stritch Assembly# 205- Bishop Sheen Council #10858- 7:30pm

Jan 17<sup>th</sup> ... Columbian Club Meeting Kasey's Restaurant...Kacey's Restaurant...7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Jan 25<sup>th</sup>... Lansing Council Officer's Meeting, 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Jan 29<sup>th</sup> ... Lansing Council Annual Spelling Bee - 10:00 am... The contest will start at 10:30am

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Feb 1<sup>st</sup> ... Lansing Council General Meeting, 8:00pm.-9:00 pm

Feb 2<sup>th</sup>... Samuel Carinal Stritch Assembly# 205-Marian Council #3761- 7:30pm

Feb 21<sup>th</sup>... Columbian Club Meeting Kasey's Restaurant...Kacey's Restaurant... 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Feb 22<sup>th</sup> ...Lansing Council Officer's Meeting 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.