



FR. MARUSKIN COUNCIL #10936



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March

- 13: Fish Fry #4.
- 16: 7 p.m., Rosary before 7:30 General Meeting, HF LCH1.
- Snack: Don White.**
- 19: 7 pm, Cor, LCH2.
- 20: Fish Fry #5.
- 21: 9:30 a.m., Degree Ceremony (Team 2), HF LCH-2.
- 22: Raffle Ticket First Turn-In.
- 27: Final Fish Fry.

April

- 1: 7:30 pm, Officers Meeting, HF LCH1.
- 3: Good Friday**
- 4: 7:30 am, Cor, LCH.
- 11-12: Council Leads Rosary before all HF Masses.
- 5: Happy Easter!**
- 12: Divine Mercy Sunday.
- 16: 7 pm, Cor, LCH2.
- 20: 7 p.m., Rosary before 7:30 General Meeting, HF LCH1.
- 23: 7 pm, Degree Ceremony (Team 1)

May

- 2-3: Council Leads Rosary before all HF Masses.
- 6: 7:30 pm, Officers Meeting, HF LCH1.
- 18: 7 p.m., Rosary before 7:30 General Meeting, HF LCH1.
- 20 7 p.m., Degree Ceremony (Team 2).
- 21: 7 pm, Cor, LCH2.

Monthly Meetings:

Third Monday of the month, 7:30 p. m.
 Holy Family Parish
 LCH - Room 1
 (Rosary at 7 p. m.)
 Council Website:
holyfamilystow.org/kofcStow

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

by Jerry Chiurazzi



I worked the fryers for our third fish fry. One of our key guys was out. I didn't last very long. Fortunately, a Brother with a lot of fryer experience showed up and took over for me. We had a few Brothers that do key jobs at the fish fries out this week. Some were at March Mission Madness. Others had various maladies that benched them. But there were Next Guys Up to fill in. It showed me the heart of the council. Next Guy Up. We set a record for meals served after having set a record at fish fry two. Our council is very alive and well and continuing to do good works.

We have attracted twelve new members this fraternal year. State gave us a goal of ten and we beat it. However, one situation still exists; most of our new members are older men. One of our council's challenges is attracting younger men. There has to be a pool of Next Guys Up for us to draw on.

Spring is a time of renewal. Fathers, uncles, grandfathers, fathers-in-law, draw in the young men in your life. Their "young" will contribute greatly to our continuing renewal. Vivat Jesus! **Jerry Chiurazzi**, Grand Knight



Fresh from the Oven

Mike McNulty transfers baked cod from the pan to the serving tray to satisfy diner demand for the tasty, tender fish. Look on page 2 for report on a very busy first half of our Council Fish Fry season.

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Fish Fry Season on Record-Setting Pace in Terms of First Half Meals Served, Total Sales

Fr. Maruskin Council #10936 has served 1,752 dinners during the first three weeks of our 2026 Fish Fry season, 14.7 percent higher than last year's first-half tally of 1,527. The Council is on pace to break its 2025 record sales of 3,154 total dinners, a 5-percent increase over the 2024 mark of 3,005 total dinners.

In terms of dollars and cents, thus far in 2026, the Council has generated \$24,772.17 in net sales, 24.3 percent ahead of the \$19,925.08 recorded in the first three events of 2025. This year's first half net profits are \$11,132.17, which are \$5,334.96, or 92.1 percent, greater than 2025 first half profits of \$5,794.21.

Thus far in the 2026 season, we have exceeded the 500-meal mark weekly, including a record 640 served March 6. Here is a week-by-week breakdown of dinners served: Feb. 20, 517; Feb. 27, 595; and March 7, 640. Remaining fish fries are set for March 13, March 30 and March 27.

Thanks to all Council Knights, family members and students for volunteering this year.



All Hands on Deck

Mary Beth Rollick, left, Walt O'Connor and Ed Fetter help plate one of the more than 1,750 dinners sold during the Council's first three Lenten Fish Fries.

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Charity Raffle Ticket Sale in Full Swing; First Turn-In Set for March 22

Directly below is a sample email that I use every year to send to family and friends. Virtually all of my ticket sales are made this way. I encourage you to use it and see how effective it is in selling tickets with minimal effort. You can modify this sample anyway you wish. Note that there are a couple of fill-ins that you must add to this sample as indicated by the "X's".

I can also tell you with confidence that many of you receiving this who sell a lot of tickets also use this email. **IF YOU HAVE NOT USED THIS BEFORE, PLEASE GIVE IT A TRY.** Some of you are newer Knights who will be selling tickets for the first time — please be open to using this email. I know results will vary but any sales you receive from using this email will only boost your sales and total sales for the council. **Please note: First turn-in is set for March 22. Our Council receives maximum rebates for each ticket sale turned in by this date. Here it is:**

Greetings to Family & Friends

The 2026 Knights of Columbus Charity Raffle is now underway. It began back in the 1940's and has run continuously to the present day. I am reaching out to you to consider purchasing one or more tickets. If you are not interested, please feel free to stop reading. I do understand that we all get a lot of requests related to charitable activities. However, our charity raffle sales are quite attractive and important if you will take the time to read further.



Thanks to each of you who have responded so generously to my requests for support over the years. Your purchases last year helped us raise over \$17,400 for our Council. **Every penny of this money is used solely for charitable purposes.** In the past couple of years we made charitable donations to: 1) eight men and one woman preparing for the religious life; 2) an annual medical mission to Honduras; 3) the Peter Maurin Center in Akron that cares for the hungry and homeless in our community; 4) disaster relief in the U.S.; 5) partner with other local councils to purchase two ultrasound machines for two pregnancy centers; 6) the local YMCA to provide needy families with access to beneficial programs; 7) the Saint Vincent DePaul Society that assists those in need; 8) Embrace Clinic in Barberton and Akron Pregnancy Services that assist pregnant women and mothers with young children. This is only a partial list.

Last year our Council was #3 in the State of Ohio with a total of 4,019 tickets sold, which set a new Council record for ticket sales. In the past 9 years we have sold the winning tickets to five separate winners including the top prize of \$414 per month for ten years = \$49,680. It is a "win-win" situation for yourself and our Council if you purchase tickets to help raise money for charity, while giving yourself a chance to win one of the 25 prizes offered.

Here are the details about this year's raffle. The list of prizes, unchanged from recent years, is as follows: **1st Prize** -- \$49,680 (payable \$414 per month for 10 years); **2nd Prize** -- \$18,780 (payable \$313 per month for 5 years); **3rd Prize** -- \$12,720 (payable \$212 per month for 5 years); **4th Prize** -- \$4,000; **5th Prize** -- \$3,000; **6th – 9th Prizes** -- \$1,500; **10th – 13th Prizes** -- \$1,250; **14th – 17th Prizes** -- \$1,000; **18th – 21st Prizes** -- \$750' **22nd – 25th Prizes** -- \$500.

You need not be present to win. The drawing will take place on Saturday, May 23 at our annual convention in Columbus. Tickets cost \$5 each. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, just email me your request. Please be sure to include your mailing address and phone number unless you are sure I already have them. Or, you can call or text me at (XXX) XXX-XXXX to request tickets. I will mail your tickets along with instructions for filling out your tickets so you can return your payment along with the ticket stubs in the self-addressed envelope I will also provide you. I thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity and please know that our charity raffle profits will be put to good use.

Love to family and warm regards to friends, XXXX.

Good luck on your ticket sales and don't hesitate to reach out to me if I can assist you in any manner. Vivat Jesus! Bob, Cell: (440) 759-2378

Editor's Note: Published here is our Council's Annual Report to our constituent parishes, Holy Family, St. Mary and Mother of Sorrows. Thanks to all your efforts that contributed to another successful year. Vivat Jesus!



2025 Knights of Columbus Annual Report

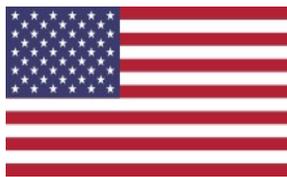
Knights of Columbus Fr. Maruskin Council #10936 includes membership from **Holy Family, St. Mary and Mother of Sorrows** parishes and exemplify principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. This report covers the period Jan 1–Dec 31, 2025, during which Council donations totaled **\$36,527**. The council was able to manage these charitable activities due to the generosity of parishioners and the community at-large. Thank you. The following summarizes our charitable donations for the year.

12-month contributions summary:

\$5,900	Support for local Seminarians/Religious vocations (St. Mary/Holy Family)
9,432	Development Disabilities support (Measure Up) / Special Olympics
5,640	Church Support
4,979	Local community support/Disaster relief (North Carolina)
2,000	Global relief – Honduras Medical Mission/Linc Worldwide
3,150	HF School & Youth
900	Giving Tree (HF, St. Mary, MOS)
1,912	Pro-Life support
1,140	Coats for Kids program

In addition to fund-raising activities, council members and their families come together for both social events and practice of our faith. For all men of these parishes, we are always looking for new members who want to deepen their faith and serve the church and community. For more information, please contact me at chiurazzi1@outlook.com or visit the Knights website at www.kofc.org.

Sincerely, Jerry Chiurazzi - Grand Knight.



Honoring Our Military

<u>Name</u>	<u>Branch</u>	<u>Assigned</u>	<u>Member Knight</u>	<u>Relation</u>
LTC David Behling	US Army	The Pentagon, VA	Art Barbeta	Brother-in-Law
PVT Dominic Belvedere	US Army	Ft. Leonard Wood, MO	Bob Belvedere	Nephew
MSGT Aaron Chatigny	US Air Force	Tucson, AZ	Peter Chatigny	Son
SN Patrick J. Hughey	US Navy	Gulfport, MS	Jim Hughey	Son
AWF2 (AW) Matt Schilling	US Navy	Jacksonville, FL	Regis Schilling	Son
MAJ David Villarreal	US Army	The Pentagon, VA		Himself



March Birthdays

9: Timothy O'Brien; 19: Kevin Rollick; 21: Gavin Antony; 24: Jeff Film; 25: Ryan Perkins; 26: Jerry Chiurazzi; 30: Steve Keyser.

Prayer Requests:

Pope Leo XIV; Fr. Andrew Gonzales; Fr. Jon Hawkins; Fr. Lawrence Jurcak; Fr. Joe Mamich; Fr. Michael McCandless; Fr. Felix Silagan; Fr. Scott Swinerton; Fr. Paul Rosing; Fr. John Terzano; Fr. Joshua Trefney; Jim Balint for full recovery from heart attack and subsequent stent placement surgeries; Gary Baluha (brother-in-law of Terry Bedell) for healing of long COVID-19, along with Multiple Sclerosis and other related conditions; Stephanie Barber (wife of nephew of Tom Stenger) for favorable pathology test results for brain tumor treatment; Art Barbetta, for successful and complete rehabilitation and recovery from total knee replacement surgery; Mike Bedell (brother of Terry Bedell), who is enduring a chronic medical condition; Ed Bose (brother-in-law of Chris Schrickel) for heart attack rehab and recovery; Phil Bradley for heart issues; Lee Branchik (friend of Jerry Chiurazzi) for full recovery from surgery; Malissa Burke (sister of Don White) for successful treatment of an aggressive tumor; Connor Carmedy (great nephew of Mike Incorvati) for healing of leg issues; Sister Carole, Sisters of Charity of Nazareth (sister of Mark Kaucic) for healing of heart, hip and kidney problems; Cathy Catrufo (friend of Terry Bedell) hospitalized for recovery from complications of lung surgery; Jim and Helen Chatigny (parents of Peter Chatigny); Donna Chiurazzi (wife of Grand Knight Jerry Chiurazzi) for ongoing recovery from car accident-related injuries; Susan Cianciola (aunt of Vaughn Kushner) for treatment of blood clots in her brain; Jon Clark (cousin of Mike Woods) for healing and recovery from stage 4 brain cancer; Nick Codispoti now in Mulberry Gardens Senior Living Center in Munroe Falls; Jessica Cortez age 42, (niece of Tom Zgonc), who is undergoing chemotherapy for cancer; Russ Cox (friend of Knight Allen Klingelhoets) for full recovery from colon cancer; for a Council Knight (who wishes to remain anonymous) for recovery from a back injury and for ongoing spiritual protection; Nicole Craig (daughter of Mike Woods) for full recovery from cancer surgery; Ron Crock for rehab and recovery from knee replacement surgery; Katie Dennis (daughter of family friend of Terry Bedell) for successful breast cancer treatment; John Derrer for successful ongoing treatment of ulcerative colitis; Emmy Detty (relative of Joshua Riegle) for healing of Stage 4 cancer; Jerry Driscoll (friend of Recorder Dr. Rob Kubick); Dr. Michael Durbin (brother of Neil Durbin) for ongoing treatment of multiple sclerosis; Cheryl Eckley (wife of Mark Eckley); Mark Eckley, recently diagnosed with liver failure, who was recently moved from the hospital to a rehab facility as he is still waiting for a liver to become available for a transplant; Sandra Farrell (wife of Len Farrell) for recovery from multiple myelomas now in remission; Brandon Fisher (nephew of Art Barbetta); Tom Fogle, for lifelong epilepsy and currently receiving outpatient psychotherapy following evaluation and inpatient treatment for suicide and also is dealing with severe, frequent seizures; Brian Fowkes (brother-in-law of Chris Schrickel) is having nerve issues in his lower body; Ron Good (friend of Art Barbetta) for cancer treatment; Ken Gray (brother-in-law of Pat Rynd) for recovery from intestinal cancer; Jessie Heffernan (niece of Chancellor Chris Schrickel) and her husband would appreciate prayers as they have had difficulty conceiving a child; James Hudak Sr.; James Hudak Jr. (son of James Hudak); Tressa Hudak (daughter of James Hudak); Karen Kamlowsky (widow of Knight Deacon Phil Kamlowsky) for healing of breathing issue; Kyle Kamlowsky (son of Deacon Phil Kamlowsky) for full recovery from shoulder surgery; Steve Kandra (father-in-law of E.J. Vale), for ongoing recovery from heart surgery due to repair damage from an infection; Jerry Kightlinger (Holy Family Facilities Manager) for full recovery from hernia surgery; Allen Klingelhoets (friend of Bob Eikenburg), whose diabetic complications and a serious bone infection required the amputation of his right foot and ankle; Leah Kopko (daughter-in-law of deceased Knight Larry Kopko) for recovery from tubular sclerosis/mass on her brain stem; Paul Ladas (friend of Vaughn Kushner) for treatment and full recovery from pancreas and other ailments; Carol Lackey (widow of Jack Lackey); Chris Lamal (husband of a co-worker of Don White) for treatment of a serious heart issue; Jim Lanzalotta for full recovery from arm injury suffered in a fall; Barbara Lesak (mother of Andrew Lesak) for full recovery and healing from surgery to repair a broken femur suffered in a fall and also recovery from an infection; Jennifer Lesak (niece of Andrew Lesak) for successful treatment and full recovery from breast cancer;

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Prayer Requests: *(Continued from Previous Page)* **Joseph Lesak** (father of **Andrew Lesak**) for prayers of support as he cares for his sick wife, **Barbara Lesak**; **Chuck Lessick**; **Lilith** (9-year-old granddaughter of **David Smith**), who is suffering from a bone disorder; **Christine Litwiler** (mother-in-law of **Andrew Lesak**) for recovery from injuries resulting from a fall at her rehabilitation facility; **Bill Loudon** (brother of **Kay Eikenburg**) for ongoing treatment of COPD and rehab and recovery from recent back surgery; **Tim Magdar** (friend of **Dr. Mark Iati**) for recovery from rare Stage IV cancer; **Joseph Maji** for ongoing recovery from stroke and respiratory infection and breathing issues; thy and for her daughter, **Ann Marie Mancine**, (daughter of deceased Knight **Lou Mancine**) who is grieving the death of her mother, **Barb**; **John McGuinness** for full recovery from shoulder surgery; **Christine McLean** (mother of Knight **Cody McLean**) for ongoing treatment for diabetes and other health issues; **Cody McLean** for ongoing treatment and recovery from back issues; **Jim McNicholas** (brother of **Brian McNicholas**) for healing of heart problems; **Erin McNulty** (daughter of **Mike McNulty**) for full recovery from hip surgery; **Judith McNulty** (mother of **Michael McNulty**) for treatment and recovery from blood clots; **Mike McNulty** for rapid and full recovery from surgery; **Don Miller** (long-time Holy Family parishioner and lay leader); **Mary Pat Myers** (sister of **Terry Bedell**) for successful treatment and full recovery from cancer; **Jean Nash**, (wife of Knight **Lewis Wells**), who is in a nursing home receiving rehabilitation for a broken arm and broken leg; **Alex Palmer** (neighbor of **Mark Iati**) for successful treatment and recovery from Ewing's Sarcoma, a rare and aggressive pediatric cancer; **Theresa Plappert** (friend of **Terry Bedell**) for successful brain tumor treatment; **Kathryn** (mother-in-law of **Joel Porquez**) is in need of healing prayer; **Don Rhoades** (brother-in-law of **Grand Knight Jerry Chiurazzi**), who is having cardiac issues; **Chick Riegler** for healing of prostate cancer and general health issues; **Elaine Rinehart** (mother-in-law of **John McGuinness**) for recovery from sepsis; **Gloria Scheidler** (friend of **Bob Eikenburg**) for heart surgery recovery; **Cheryl Schumacher** (sister-in-law of **Robert Schumacher**) for successful treatment and full recovery from breast cancer; **Ashley** and **Megan Schumacher** (nieces of **Robert Schumacher**); **Josh Schumacher** (nephew of **Robert Schumacher**); **Fred Seay** (brother-in-law of **Mark Kaucic**) for ongoing treatment of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; **David Sestokas**, age 98 (father of **Richard Sestokas**), who has just entered hospice care; **Norm Siroki**; **Donna Sorvillo** (mother-in-law of **Don White**) for successful treatment and full recovery from a recurring cancer; **Joann Vale** (mother of **E.J. Vale**) for recovery from aortic valve replacement surgery; **Amy Vallee** (sister-in-law of **Don White**) who is undergoing testing to diagnose an unknown condition; **Lydia Warrens** (daughter of **Don White's** friend) for successful cancer treatment; **Joe Wasielewski** for treatment and full recovery of back and neck issues; **Paul Weinert** (friend of **Kevin Rollick**) for treatment and recovery from stroke and complete renal failure; **Ray Weinert** (friend of **Kevin Rollick**) for recovery from a stroke and complete kidney failure; **Bonnie Winterich** (wife of **Deacon Carl Winterich**) for ongoing treatment and full recovery for shoulder injuries received in a fall; **Toby Wulff** for full recovery from a back injury and **Isaac Yoho** (son of **Deacon William Yoho** of Mother of Sorrows). Please pray for eternal heavenly rest for the soul of **Barb Mancine** (widow of late Council Knight **Lou Mancine**); Council Knight **Robert Schumacher**; **Fr. David Halaiko**; and **Susan Hershberger** (friend of **Kevin Rollick**).

Please continue praying for the seminarians and other young people from our constituent parishes discerning vocations to religious life, whom we support: **Ben Baratian**, **Jeff Crock**, **Jonathan Green**, **Audra Hoffmeister**, **Ben Jackson**, **Daniel Jordan** and **Christopher Yankay**, along with adult missionary **Amanda Incorvati**. We also pray for all military, safety personnel and first responders, and their families. If you know any other Knight or family members in need of prayers, please contact **Grand Knight Jerry Chiurazzi** at chiurazzi1@outlook.com or 330-472-5464.

