



The Sentinel

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Dear Brother Knights,

Prayer is a central part of living a Christian faith. When we pray, where we pray, what we pray for, and how we pray is different for each one of us. Some have a regimented prayer life, some are on the fly, on as needed, or all the above. How do you feel about your prayer life?

I want to share with you 6 seismic shifts to prayer Matthew Kelly taught me.

1: **Begin the conversation** - Focus on the mission you’re on, Find God in the present moment, and talk to him.

2: **Stop asking God what we want. Ask him what He wants** – Ask for what you need and what you should do.

3: **Give yourself to prayer** – Don’t judge your prayer by how you feel, pray is a sign of giving ourselves to God, it’s also a sign of giving ourselves to others, trust the God is working through you, what is your image of God, and what things prevent us from giving ourselves to God.

4: **Transform everything into prayer** – Offer up your works for others and try to live in constant prayer.

5: **Make yourself available to God** – God never sends us out on missions that we think we should be sent out on. How available are you to God? Don’t let your position in life hold you back from making yourself available to God.

6: **Keep Showing up** – Be consistent in daily prayer, make it apart of your daily schedule.

I hope these 6 seismic shifts help you in your prayer life and brings you a little closer to God each day! Make yourself available to God and spend some time with him at Adoration sometime.

If you are interested in becoming an officer, we are having our officers' elections at this month's meeting. We are looking for 1 trustee and a Deputy Grand Knight. All positions other than 2nd and 3rd year trustee are open for election. If you are interested in any of the following positions Inside Guard, Outside Guard, Warden, Chancellor, Advocate, or Treasurer let me know.

Vivat Jesus,

Mike Elmer
Grand Knight

Knight of the Month: Ryan Buckley

Ryan is driven and dedicated brother knight. Ryan helps with many facets of the Duck Derby. He helps man the boats, coordinates the set up and tear down of the duck race, and helps with set up of the event on Main Street. He also volunteers to help at various village events. Rayn has done an excellent job being the Corporation president work with the board members navigating the challenges of parking at the clubhouse and finding solutions to keep our Clubhouse viable in Menomonee Falls. Thank you, Ryan, for all your time and efforts! We really appreciate you!

Family of the Month: Rob and Amanda Prosser Family

Rob and Amanda are great stewards of the faith. Rob is a brother knight who helps out at the Pan Cake breakfast and ushers at St. Mary's. Amanda is the music teacher and heads the theater guild for St. Mary's parish school. Their children attend St. Mary Parish School and their two eldest children are altar servers at mass. The Prosser's volunteer a lot of their time to the needs of St. Mary's. Thank you to the Prosser family for being great examples of how to live your faith and support St. Mary's Parish!

Knight of the Year: John Schleicher

John is a strong pillar of our council. Besides filling the role of Financial Secretary, which is a challenge in itself, John is always push our council forward. John leads the charge with getting volunteers for the Tootsie Roll drive, handing out tootsie rolls on the parade route, and our Pancake breakfast at St. Mary's. John volunteer for a majority of the events we host or assist with in the Village. Outside of his work as a brother knight, John is a man of great faith and leads his family into a deeper understanding of the faith. John Ushers at St. Mary's and is engaged a men's bible study group. Thank you, John, for all your time, dedication, effort, patience, frustrations, and understandings. You are a blessing to our council!

Family of the Year: Matt and Heidi Henke

Matthew and Heidi are dedicated to serving St. Mary Parish and school. Matt is our council's liaison with the school, keeping us abreast of where we as a council can assist with their needs. Heidi helped organize the Spaghetti dinner at St. Mary's, the St. Mary's and St Anthony's Parish Gala, and help the school with their events. They do all this while raising 4 children with a busy schedule. Thank you for all that you do!

Prayer for the Return of Lapsed Catholics to Sacraments

Almighty Father, you desire not the death of the sinner,

But that he may be converted and live.

Pour out upon us Your mercy and hear the
prayers of Your servants.

Soften the heart of Your children who have
strayed from the true path which You
established for their salvation.

They are now forgetful of their duties as Catholics,
and pursue the pleasures of the world.

Grant that they may quickly return to the practice of
every Christian virtue, so that their lives may shine
with the integrity of faith, the fervor of piety,
and the ardor of charity.

Restore them all to Your sacraments and the life of
Your grace, through the merits of the most precious
Blood of Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ.

Amen

Vivat Jesus,

Mike Elmer
Grand Knight Council 4204

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS.....

Brother Jim Schneider, Brother Jim Scherdin, Brother Rick Plumley, Brother John Mackowski, Carol McInnes, Janet Dwyer, George Lucas, Debra Orth, Stacy Barrett, Karen Weber, Kay Mackowski, Father Rick Wendell, Brother Rob Keller, Brother Robert Howe, Brother Jim Endres, Brother Joe Roskopf, Brother James Carey, Joyce Deuppen, Lisa Bormann, Brother Mark Sauer, Missy Dederich, Laura Saavedra, Norm Gentry, and Amy P. If you know of a brother in need of our prayers, please let us know.

Clubhouse Information

Clubhouse hours

Clubhouse opens to the public at 3pm on every Tuesday and Friday. It's a great place for family, friends, and coworkers to socialize!

Membership Information

Contact **Mike Elmer at 262-893-5403** or **John Schleicher at 262-893-7306** for membership forms or information. Mike is also available to speak to any potential members about joining, if you'd like his partnership.

Change is good!

....but not if we lose touch! If you move or get a new phone number, or email address, please contact John Schleicher, our Financial Secretary, at **262-893-7306**, or by e-mail at jmsbas@wi.rr.com

Our KofC Co 4240 website

Be sure to visit our redesigned website! Let us know how you like it and if there is anything else you'd like to see on it. www.kofc4240.org

Mailing Address

Brother Knights: Please use **P.O. Box 151** when sending correspondence to the Council. Mail is **NOT** delivered to the Water Street address

Submitting Sentinel Articles

Interested in submitting an article for the Sentinel? It's easy! Just contact Tyler Schleicher through email address Schleichert12@gmail.com

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Charity Report April 2026

Below are the charity requests approved at the General Membership meeting on Wednesday, April 22nd, 2026:

Donation: Layton Study Center

Donation Amount: \$500

Donation Sponsor: Mark Sauer

Donation Details: The money will be used to help the priests who serve the Layton Study Center purchase a new vehicle. Layton Study Center is a not-for-profit supplemental character education center for men, serving the greater Milwaukee area for over fifty years. They offer programs to students and professional men to develop the personal qualities that enable them to integrate faith, study, work and friendship. <https://laytonstudycenter.org/>

Donation: Habitat For Humanity

Donation Amount: \$1000

Donation Sponsor: Kevin Sindelar

Donation Details: A yearly donation for our council. Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit organization that helps families build and improve places to call home. We believe affordable housing plays a critical role in strong and stable communities. <https://hfhwashco.org/>

Please continue to keep all seminarians in your prayers especially the three from St. Mary Parish: Dcn. Jacob Bruns, Charlie Pomroy, and Matthew Olson.

District Deputy Message - May 2026

We're entering the final stretch of the fraternal year. With two months remaining we still have time to cross that finish line to Star Council recognition, but we must persevere.

The Wisconsin State Council is offering an *Incentive* to complete all your requirements by June 5, and your Council will receive \$100.

A healthy Council is making progress in all four areas of Membership (McGivney), Programs (Columbian), Fraternal Benefits (Founders), and Compliance (Safe Environment). A healthy Council will joyfully march forward even without the incentive. But the incentive does encourage us to get the job done sooner rather than later. Waiting until the final weeks to finish our efforts can open the door to unexpected surprises. And just one missed report is enough to fall short.

Our District 63 is looking good overall, but one common thread among our five Councils is that we need to wrap up the Fraternal Benefits requirements. This month of May offers three virtual webinars on May 7th, 19th, and 28th with varying topics. Your Grand Knight will circulate the registration links, and also schedule at least one Watch Party, provided logistics permit. A Watch Party will yield credit for holding an "event", but folks dialing in from home for the webinar will also count toward attendance quota.

The Founders Award is within reach of every Council in this District. Let's get it done. And, let's enjoy the webinars! I learn something new every time I dial in.

Fraternally,

-WDD Vic Johnson

May Corporation report

Business at the bar continues to be steady. One exciting announcement we have is that we have started the buildout of our new parking lot which will be completed within a few months! Lastly, our bottle of the month will be a Redbreast Single Pot Still Irish Whiskey aged 12 years. The drawing for this bottle will occur at the end of May.

Knights social media accounts

Normal Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/share/14YM8RtLmvG/>

Clubhouse Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100090977559914&mibextid=LQ QJ4d>

Instagram:

https://www.instagram.com/knights_of_columbus_mf/profilecard/?igsh=MT M4Z3l6djVpcDdsaw==

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Birthday's and anniversary's

May

1 Andrew Forecki	5 Jeff & Geri Roskopf	13 John Meganck
1 Brian Gold	7 Rev. Lawrence Webber	14 Tim Montag
2 Joshua Dueppen	8 Michael & Marlene Povolo	14 Jim Schneider
2 James Lenahan	10 James Elmer	16 John & Katherine Meyer
3 Jim & Julie Gottemoller	11 Ronald Merkel	17 Jeanine Dederich
3 Bob Jung	11 Dave Pittman	22 Thomas Meyer
3 Robert Prosser	12 Carol McInnes	23 Deanne Payette
5 Lois Holzem	12 Mary Schneider	26 Randolph Braunreiter
	12 Sandy Wagner	29 Eric Phillips

**January Saint of the Month
St. Isidore the Farmer, May 15th**

Isidore was born in Madrid Spain in 1070. Isidore was a poor farmer peasant, who had to work the land with wife St. Maria. Every morning Isidore would go to early morning Mass, which angered his lord and fellow peasants as he would come late to work because of it. When confronted about it, Isidore replied "I know I am your servant, but I have another master as well whom I owe my service and obedience." One day when Isidore was late coming to work after mass he employer came over to scold him, but found two men doing the plowing for him. They disappeared as he approached and asked Isidore who they were. Isidore replied he didn't see anyone and that he only asked God for help. The lord instantly realized the two helpers were angels, sent by God. Isidore had many other miraculous thing done through him especially to help feed the poor. He died in 1130 and is the patron saint of farmers.

Books of the Month
Finding God's Will For You
By St.Francis De Sales

Can't get better then a book written by an actual Saint. In the book. Finding God's Will, St. Francis goes over simple but useful advice on choosing the best way for us to find holiness. He explains the need to be humble obedient and not to put too much pressure on ourselves. This book. Is also pretty short, so a win all around.

Important Dates

May 6th: Duck Derby Meeting at 6:00 pm

May 10th: Ushering at Holy Hill

May 16th & 17th: Tootsie roll Drive at St. Mary's and St. Anthony's

May 16th : Knights of Columbus State Convention

May 22nd : Loading the Truck for the Duck Derby at 5pm

May 23rd : Memorial fest/ Lucky Ducky Derby

May 24th : Duck Cleaning and Tent set up at the Clubhouse 12:00pm

May 24th : Concert at Village Park featuring the Brittian's 3 to 6 pm

May 25th : Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony

May 27th : Membership Meeting and Officers Elections

Knights of Columbus

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