



Rantoul Knights of Columbus Council #4450

Grand Knight – John Clifford

April/May/June 2021 Newsletter

APRIL 2021 Donations & Council Business:

A \$200.00 donation was made to the Dominican Sisters' Retirement Fund.

A \$150.00 donation was made to Knights of Columbus/Supreme to purchase a wheelchair in their national program.

Masses were requested by the Council for Lorraine Wirges at St. Malachy and Ray Buck at St. Lawrence.

MAY 2021 Donations & Council Business:

A \$500.00 donation was made to St. Malachy School for their help with the Council newsletter.

A \$500.00 donation was made to St. Malachy Administration Office for their help with the Council newsletter.

A \$200.00 donation was made to the Rantoul Garden Club in memory of Lorraine Wirges.

A \$200.00 donation was made to the Seminarian fund in memory of Fr. Phelps's father.

A \$50.00 donation was made to the Penfield/Gifford Legion Auxiliary to support their poppy program for Memorial Day.

Masses were requested by the Council at St. Malachy and at St. Elizabeth for Fr. Phelps's father.

Our Council recognized two members at our Club's May Steak night on Thursday, May 20th for 50 years of membership in the Knights of Columbus. Congratulations to Jack McMahon for 50 years of membership beginning November 1st, 1971. Accepting the 50 year membership award for his father John Massey was son Nathan Massey. John would have celebrated his 50 year milestone on September 1st of 2021.

2021 "Maurice Graham" K of C Scholarship winners: Congratulations to Amairany Bueno Benitez from R.T.H.S. and Wilson Hoerner from The High School of S.T.M. Each will receive \$750.00 from our Council's Scholarship Fund to go towards future tuition and expenses.

Thanks to all the members of our Council who helped with the Memorial Day ceremony at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery on May 31st. Kevin Hedrick headed the placing of over 250 flags at all Veteran's graves, with help from Mike Glazik, Doug Mayer, Dale Farlow, Frank Graham, Mark Spear, and Leonard Schmidt. Knights of Columbus Honor Guard members present at the ceremony included Larry Hawk, Mike Glazik, Kevin Hedrick, and Tynan Hedrick. Special thanks to Don Murray for leading the attendees (approximately 70) in the rosary.

JUNE 2021 Donations & Council Business:

A \$250.00 donation was made to the Rantoul Veteran's Memorial.

A \$200 donation was made to the Rantoul Chamber of Commerce for the 4th of July Celebration expenses.
The Council requested that a mass be said at St. Malachy for the return to good health of Tony Brown.

Congratulations to the following Council members celebrating fifty years of membership in the Knights of Columbus in April/May/June 2021:

Rev. Charles Bolser: 60 yrs./May 1st 1961, John Cleary: 57 yrs./April 1st 1964, Don Murray: 56 yrs./May 1st 1965, Joe Glazik: 53 yrs./June 1st, 1968, Gene Hoffman: 53 yrs./June 1st 1968, Dennis McGiles: 53 yrs./June 1st 1968, John Babb: 53 yrs./June 1st 1968, Tom Finger: 53 yrs./June 1st 1968, Tim Weitekamp: 53 yrs./June 1st 1968, Don Weitekamp: 52 yrs./June 1st 1969, Greg Whalen: 52 yrs./June 1st 1969

Our Council now has 267 entries in our monthly 50/50 Raffle. April winner was Tynan Hedrick (\$220.00); May winner was Paul & Laurie Fox (\$220.00); and June winner was Joe Murray (\$220.00).

2021 Rantoul Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive is to be held on September 17th-18th-19th here in Rantoul. Anyone interested in volunteering a couple of hours of their time should contact John Graham. (217-979-7729)

The family of Dick Hoffman has invited Council members to a memorial gathering for Dick to be held on Sunday June 20th from 2 – 5 p.m. at the Club Pavilion.

OFFICER'S Meeting: June 29th at 7:00 p.m.

3rd Degree Meeting: July 5th at 7:00 p.m.

RANTOUL CLUB NEWS: 892-4450

Chicken & Fish Dinners are held on the 2nd Friday of every month at the Club Hall with serving from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Menu consists of Baked & Fried Fish, Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Vegetable, Cole-slaw, Drinks and Dessert.

STEAK NIGHT at the club has resumed and will be held on the 3rd Thursday of each month with serving from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. (June 17th of this month). *Menu consisted of steak, grilled chicken breast, shrimp, hamburger, cheeseburger, salad bar, baked potato and fries.*

Steak Board Drawing will be held at 7:30 p.m. May Steak Board winner was Sandy Reynolds.

Both events are open to the public – no reservations required, “To-Go” takeouts available.
