

# Knights of Columbus



Council 947  
January 2024

Council Meeting- 2nd Wednesday 7PM St. Mary's school lower level

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Dan Plageman

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## Grand Knight report-

I hope everyone had a great Christmas season and a Happy New Year!



On December 16, 2023- The K of C Council held its second annual Wreath Across America at St. Mary's Cemetery. The ceremony started at noon. Father Steve led us in an opening prayer. Joe Kallay welcomed the participants and thanked them for joining us to celebrate the mission to Remember the fallen, Honor those who served, and Teach the next generation the value of freedom. Over 200 wreaths were placed at St. Mary's Cemetery. Additional wreaths were placed at Riverside Cemetery, thank you to all who volunteered.

In partnership with the Painesville Elks Lodge, Council 947 held a Basket Ball Free-throw contest on Sunday, January 7, 2024 at the local YMCA.

There was a good turnout, 10 participants and 9 volunteers.

Easter is early this year which means our Fish Fry will start early, Friday, February 16. Please plan to volunteer, invite your family, your friends your neighbor even your in-laws :). The more the merrier.

I believe we had two winning Football Crazr Tickets sold from Council 947. Congrats.

Upcoming events: February 11 Donut Social, February 14th Ash Wednesday / Council Meeting

Vivat Jesus- GK Dan Plageman

## Basektball Freethrow-



We held the Annual Elks Lodge 549 and Painesville Council 947 event Sunday, January 7. We had 10

participants, which was great to see. We had at least 9 volunteers. The Elks awarded a total of 10 Medals, to the 5 First Place Winners, 4 Second Place Finishers, and 1 Third Place Finish. The Knights also awarded Trophy Basketballs to the winners and provided basketballs to the other participants. We will advise the winners of the next level competition as soon as we learn the date and location (District Level is usually in Geauga County).

The girls' winner is Anna Rogers (11), and boys' winners are: Benny Balint (10), Carlos Cabatingan (11), Drew Rogers (12), and Charlie Schar (13). If the winner is unable to attend the District Competition, runners-up will be invited.

Thank you to Elisa Hennies and Chris Mackar for the help in promoting the event. Thank you to the YMCA for the use of the court and their efforts in supporting activities for families and the youth of Lake County.

-Craig Austin

## Special Recognition

Knight of the Month

**Craig Austin**

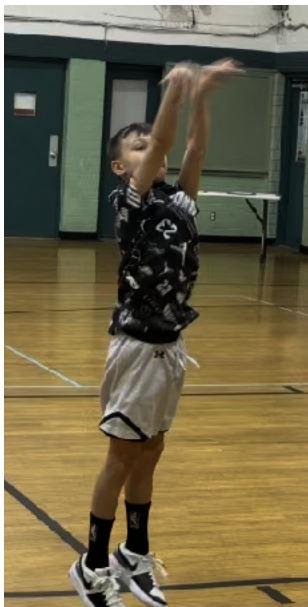
Knight of the Year

**Mike Kalal**

Everyone had a great time! The kid's smiles tell it all!







## FreeThrow Champions

The K of C FreeThrow Championship for District Level will be held at St. Helen's Church/School at 2 pm. St. Helen's address is 12060 Kinsman Rd (R 87) in Newbury OH  
Good Luck to the Champions!



## Free Throw Volunteers

Special thank you to these Knights- Craig Austin, Dan Plageman, Gil Pluhar, Tom Strailey & Tom Rowell from the Elks. It was impressive how well this event was organized by these Knights. The gifted rebounders were acrobatic with their moves- Mark Joslin, Joe Kallay and Jim Sievers.

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Please consider coming to a meeting the 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 7pm St. Mary's school lower level at the south door. We need you!

Also please keep on the look out for a potential new Members! Our council needs new young members!



May we remember the reason we are Knights of Columbus and may we remember what we can do as members of our Catholic faith.

Gracious and loving God, we thank your for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.

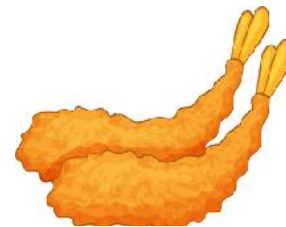


**Lenten Fish Fry- February 16th - March 29th**  
**FR. HANZO CENTER 4:30 PM TO 7:00 PM-**  
**PHONE ORDERS 440-227-3172**

**Volunteers Needed! Please call Craig Austin 440-525-1793, Tom Strailey 440-289-5656**



**All dinners include:** Choice of Potato, Cole Slaw, Bread, and Coffee, Milk, Pop or Water



**Dinner Pricing-**

Perch Dinner with Fries or Potato \$16  
Walleye Dinner with Fries or Potato \$16  
Perch/Walleye Dinner/FF or Potato \$17  
Shrimp Dinner/FF or Baked Potato \$13  
Perch/Shrimp Dinner/ FF or Potato \$15  
Crab Cake with Fries or Potato \$10



**Sides Pricing**

Perch two pieces \$6  
Shrimp 2 pieces \$4  
Crab Cake 2 pieces \$6  
French Fries \$2  
Baked Potato \$2  
Clam Chowder \$5  
Cole Slaw \$2  
Macaroni and Cheese \$4





# Donut Social

after 8 am and 10am Masses  
February 11th

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Keep these events in mind!

February 14 Corp/Council Meeting (Ash Wednesday)

February 16 First Fish Fry

February 23 Second Fish Fry

March 1 Third Fish Fry

March 8 Forth Fish Fry

March 15 Fifth Fish Fry

March 22 Sixth Fish Fry

March 29 Last Fish Fry

April 1 Easter Sunday

April 10 Corp/Council Meeting

May 8 Corp/Council Meeting

May 27 Memorial Day Mass (St. Mary Cemetery) June 12 Corp/Council Meeting  
(Election of Officers)



It's too late for 2023 taxes but get a head start on 2024. A new program that allows Ohioans to receive a 100% tax credit for up to \$750 in cash donations to certified scholarship granting organizations has opened a new door for supporting tuition assistance to Catholic school students in the Diocese of Cleveland. The Catholic Community Foundation has established the Angel

Scholarship Fund to accept donations that qualify for the new state of Ohio scholarship tax credit starting with the 2022 tax year. The new program allows donors to choose how they will "spend" up to \$750 of their 2024 Ohio income tax liability. The Angel Scholarship Fund will prioritize scholarships for low-income families (under 300% of the poverty threshold) that seek high-quality Catholic education opportunities for their children. Contributors to the Angel Scholarship Fund will have the option of making a contribution that supports schools and students across the Diocese of Cleveland based on financial need or making a designated contribution to benefit students at a specific Catholic school. Students in all Catholic elementary and high schools across the eight-county diocese are eligible for these scholarships.

"Catholic schools serve their communities, and the Angel Scholarship Fund is a new opportunity for the community, in turn, to support students to attend a Catholic school. This program holds tremendous potential for keeping irresistibly Catholic, academically excellent education as widely available as possible throughout our diocese," says Dr. Frank O'Linn, superintendent of Catholic schools. The Diocese of Cleveland Catholic schools comprise the largest school system in Ohio and the sixth-largest Catholic school system in the country. Currently, Catholic schools serve 38,312 students in Northeast Ohio.

Students from every Catholic school in the diocese can apply for scholarships by completing a scholarship application form. Applications will be processed by the Diocese of Cleveland Office of Catholic Education. For more information about the Angel Scholarship Fund, including an online donation portal, can be found at [www.catholiccommunity.org/angel](http://www.catholiccommunity.org/angel). Or, call 216-902-1312.