

St. Francis of Assisi Council 10698

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NOVEMBER 2016 NEWSLETTER

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- The Knights of Columbus was founded in 1882 by Father Michael J. McGivney, in New Haven, CT.
- It is a strong supporter of the Catholic Church, both in deeds and financially, from the parish level to the Vatican.
- Is a strong defender of the Culture of Life against abortion and assisted suicide.
- It has an international membership of over 1.8 million devoted Catholic men.
- It is a family oriented fraternal organization based on the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism open to all practicing Catholic men eighteen years older.
- Its benefits, services, insurance and programs are available to every member in good standing and their family.
- The members of Knights of Columbus St. Francis of Assisi Council 10698 devote themselves to their parish, their community, their families, their fellow members and their families.

K of C COUNCIL 10698's NOVEMBER 2016								
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
		1	2	3	4	5		
		All Saints Day				St. Francis Craft Fair.		
						State KofC Charity Ball		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
		VOTE! Council 10698 Meeting 7pm <u>No Dinner</u>	Thanksgiving Family Turkey Dinner 5pm – 7pm		Veterans Day			
13	14	15	16	17	18	19		
					Council Game Night	Pro Life Mass 4:00 pm St. Michael's Cathedral		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26		
		Council 10698 Meeting 7pm		Thanksgiving				
27	28	29	30					
Memorial Mass 10:30 am								

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI COUNCIL 10698 November 2016 Newsletter

"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace."

~ Grand Knight's Message ~

Brother Knights and Families,

Hope all is well. I want to thank all who attended the Installation of Officers held on Oct. 16th, especially those who personally contributed to the ceremony and reception. Without your individual support, this event would not have been possible. Also, on Oct. 21st was the Costume Party Family event that was well attended thanks to coordinator Treasurer Tim Haley.

Due to the inclement weather, the Fair Appreciation is postponed until the Thanksgiving Family Turkey Event that will be held on Wed., November 9th, between 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm in the Social Center Pine room. As in previous years, Deep Fried Turkey with all fixings will be served. Hope you and your family will join in our Thanksgiving feast.

On Saturday, November 19th, the Knights of Columbus is celebrating with our Springfield Diocese a Pro Life Mass at 4:00 pm in the St. Michaels Cathedral. We hope that you and your family will be able to attend this memorable mass with Bishop Mitch.

In addition, on Sunday, November 27th, our council with Fr. Jack at the 10:30 mass will hold our Memorial Mass for all of our fallen Brother Knights. Please come to this mass to pay respect for Fr. Vern and all our fallen Knights.

As you can see, we have another month of activities to bring us together. November is an important month for our country as well. In preparation for Election Day, the Knights of Columbus is calling its members and all the faithful to join together in a novena to the Holy Trinity through the maternal intercession of the Blessed Mother, under her title of the Immaculate Conception, patroness of the United States.

On the nine days leading up to Election Day, beginning Oct 30 and including Nov. 7, please join all Brother Knights and family members in invoking the intercession of Mary, the Immaculate Conception, for our country. The novena prayer can be found attached to this newsletter.

Fraternally Yours,

Will LeBrun, Grand Knight/DD

Vivat Jesus

~ Your Prayers are requested ~

+ For repose of the souls of the souls of unborn children lost from abortion and all those killed by violence or acts of terror.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and may Your perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen

- + For healing and comfort for; Fr. Jack Sheaffer, PGK Terry Carney, Wayne Griffin, Barb Hume, Thomas Krafchuk Sr., Vic Tetreault, Thomas Bowen, Teri Bowen, Noah Jubb.
- + For all those suffering in solitude in need of the healing power of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- + For all to learn and practice Christ's *Compassion*, *Understanding and Patience*.
- + For the comfort, safety and well-being of all that protect our safety and freedoms by serving in our military, police, fire fighters, and EMTs.

Please pray this daily **Sunday, Oct. 30 – Monday, Nov. 7** NATIONAL NOVENA

in prayerful preparation for the election Prayer to Mary, the Immaculate Conception, Patroness of the United States



Most Holy Trinity: Our Father in Heaven, who chose Mary as the fairest of your daughters;

Holy Spirit, who chose Mary as your Spouse; God the Son, who chose Mary as your Mother, in union with Mary we adore your majesty and acknowledge your supreme, eternal dominion

and authority.

Most Holy Trinity,

we put the United States of America into the hands of Mary Immaculate in order that she may present the country to you.

Through her we wish to thank you for the great resources of this land and for the freedom which has been its heritage.

Through the intercession of Mary, have mercy on the Catholic Church in America. Grant us peace. Have mercy on our president and on all the officers of our government. Grant us a fruitful economy,

born of justice and charity.

Have mercy on capital and industry and labor. Protect the family life of the nation. Guard the precious gift of many religious vocations.

Through the intercession of our Mother, have mercy on the sick, the tempted, sinners – on all who are in need.

Mary, Immaculate Virgin, our Mother, Patroness of our land, we praise you and honor you and give ourselves to you. Protect us from every harm. Pray for us, that acting always according to your will and the will of your divine Son, we may live and die pleasing to God. Amen.

~ Hats Off & Thank you ~

- 👌 Thanks to those who contributed to the Installation of Officers, Bill and Deb Bowen, Fr. Jack, Dave Adams (great pictures), Pat Nee, and master of ceremony D.D. Don Darcy and PGK Chuck Lydon, District Warden.
- ^(b) To Council Treasurer Tim Haley for coordinating the Kid's Halloween costume party.

~ A Call to Serve ~

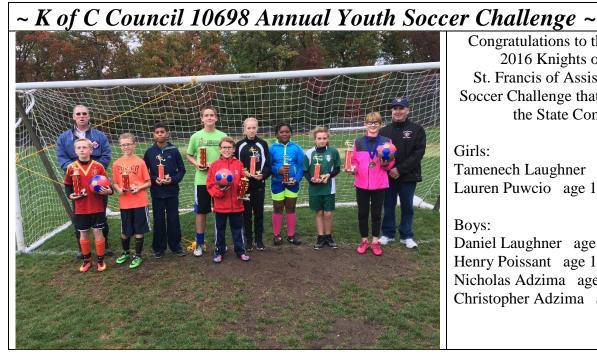
- **HELP IS NEEDED** with our Thanksgiving dinner Wednesday, November 9. Please contact GK LeBrun to volunteer.
- HELPERS NEEDED every Sunday at the Holyoke Soldiers Home to assist residents in wheelchairs attend church services. Helpers will assist residents between the elevator and the chapel before and after services. Volunteers must check in with the receptionist at 9:15am.

~ Veterans Luncheon November 9th~

The Culinary Arts at Westover Job Corps in Chicopee under the direction of Chef Franco Dell'Olio is pleased to serve all veterans a complimentary luncheon on November 9th at Noon-1:30pm in appreciation for their service to our country.

Address: Westover Job Corps, 103 Johnson Road, Chicopee.

Your RSVP is needed by November 2 to Buckner. Alice@jobcorps.org



Congratulations to the winners of the 2016 Knights of Columbus St. Francis of Assisi Council 10698 Soccer Challenge that have advanced to the State Competition~

Girls:

Tamenech Laughner age 10 Lauren Puwcio age 11

Boys: Daniel Laughner age 9 Henry Poissant age 10 Nicholas Adzima age 11 Christopher Adzima age 12

~ Martha's Vineyard Raffle Winner ~

Isabella Cebula is the winner of our organ system fund-raising raffle for a week on Martha's Vineyard, graciously donated by the Vacchi family. The winning ticket was drawn on October 2nd by Fr. Jack. Congratulations Isabella!

~ Council Family Thanksgiving Dinner, Tuesday, Nov. 9th ~

Members of Knights of Columbus St. Francis of Assisi Council 10698 and their families are invited to a wonderful Thanksgiving together on Wednesday, November 9th, 5pm-7pm, in the parish pine room. Chef LeBrun will be serving deep fried turkey with stuffing and all the fixings. Side dishes and desserts are welcome.

~ Pro Life Mass, Saturday, November 19th~

Knights of Columbus councils within the diocese of Springfield, MA will join with Bishop Rozanski in a Pro Life Mass to pray for the end of abortion and assisted suicide on Saturday, November 19th at 4pm at the Cathedral of Saint Michael the Archangel, 260 State St, Springfield, MA 01103

Directions: http://stmichaelscathedralspfld.org/index.php?page=directions

All knights and their families are urged to attend this meaningful service in unity against and for an end to these dreadful practices.

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host by the Divine Power of God cast into hell, Satan and all the evil spirits, who roam throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

~ Memorial Mass, Sunday, November 29th 10:30am ~

Knight of Council 10698 will join together to remember the deceased knights of our council on Sunday, November 29 at 10:30am. All knights and their families are asked to set this time to attend Mass in remembrance of those that have joined the eternal council.

~ Council Breakfast to honor Fr. Jack ~

Gentlemen,

PGK Chuck and I are putting on a breakfast with the Knights in honor of Father Jack on Saturday,

December 17th at 10am in the parish pine room. We think it will be a great event to do annually. We don't plan on charging for this event but we do plan a raffle to help defray the cost.

There is only room for 100 people to be served. Free tickets will be handed out on a "first come, first served" basis to knights in good standing of St. Francis of Assisi Council 10698 and for members of their immediate household family.

We will need your help serving the breakfast and need a head count for those helping so we can deduct that number of people. Your ideas are welcome.

Tickets for your reservations will be available soon.

Rob Krafchuk, PGK/District Deputy 2



Family Hockey Night!

Saturday, January 14th, 7pm.

Have fun with your family at Council 10698's family activity night at the Mass Mutual Center to watch the visiting Providence Bruins take on the Springfield Thunderbirds.

Tickets are \$12 per person for designated seating in lower section 2.

Free parking in the Mass Mutual parking garage is included.

For tickets or information contact

PGK Bill Bowen at 323-7080 or email: <u>btowncoordinator@charter.net</u>

~ K of C Council 10698's Activity 3 MONTH Agenda ~

Mark your calendars!

Council meetings (every month): 2nd Tuesday- Dinner 6p, meeting 7p. 4th Tuesday, meeting 7p

DATE/TIME:	EVENT/ACTIVITY:
Sat. Oct 29, 10a-2p	TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE at Stop & Shop, Belchertown
Tue. Nov 8	ELECTION DAY VOTE!!
ATTENTION	THERE WILL NOT BE A DINNER PRIOR TO OUR COUNCIL MEETING ON TUE., NOV 8
Wed. Nov 9, 5-7p	COUNCIL THANKSGIVING FAMILY DINNER, Council 10698 hall.
Fri. Nov 11	VETERANS DAY
10a	Salute to the fallen ceremony on Belchertown Common
11a	Belchertown's ceremony at BHS
Fri. Nov 18, 7-9p	COUNCIL GAME NIGHT
Sat. Nov 19, 4p	CULTURE FOR LIFE MASS. St. Michael's Cathedral, Springfield, MA
Thu. Nov 24	THANKSGIVING
Wed. Nov 26	DEADLINE to submit your contributions for the December newsletter.
Sun. Nov 29 10:30a	MEMORIAL MASS for our deceased members, St. Francis church.
Sat. Dec 3, 12 noon	CHILDREN'S DECK THE COUNCIL HALL PARTY
Sun. Dec 4	SINGING PRIESTS CONCERT. Bellamy M.S., Chicopee
Sat. Dec 10	POISSANT'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY. MORE INFO TO FOLLOW
Sun. Dec 25	CHRISTMAS
Sat. Jan 14, 7p	FAMILY HOCKEY NIGHT Providence Bruins Vs Springfield Thunderbirds

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> K of C Council 10698 Newsletter Editor~ PGK Bill Bowen, phone: 413.323.7080 Email your contributions to: <u>btowncoordinator@charter.net</u>.

Deadline to submit is no later than 6pm on the 4th Wednesday each month.

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- St. Francis of Assisi website: <u>www.stfrancisbtown.org</u>,
 - Click on "KofC Council #10698" link in the top section and clicking on the newsletter you would like to view

or

by going directly to http://stfrancisbtown.org/KofC.html.

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