



St. Peter Knights of Columbus Council 18058 Newsletter

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The Knights of Columbus (KOC) is a global Catholic fraternal **service** order founded by Blessed Michael J. McGivney. Membership is limited to practicing Catholic men over the age of 18 years old. It is led by Patrick E. Kelly, the order's 14th Supreme Knight.

The organization was founded on March 29, 1882, as a mutual benefit society for working-class and immigrant Catholics in the United States. In addition to providing an insurance system for its members, it has grown to support refugee relief, Catholic education, local parishes and dioceses, and global Catholic social causes. The Knights of Columbus have played an active role in politics ever since its formation and promote the *Catholic view on public policy issues around the world*.

The organization also provides certain financial services to the individual and institutional Catholic market. Its wholly owned insurance company, a Fortune 1000 company based on its annual revenue, underwrites more than two million insurance contracts, totaling more than \$123 billion of life insurance in force as of 2025. The order also owns the Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors, a money management firm which invests in accordance with Catholic social teachings.

As of 2025, the Knights reported having over 2.2 million members around the world. Women may participate in KOC female auxiliaries. The order comprises four different "degrees", each one of which exemplifies one of the core principles of the order. There are more than 17,000 local Knights of Columbus councils around the world, including over 400 on college campuses.

The core principles of being a Knight dedicated to the principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism. Membership is restricted to men, at least 18 years of age, who are practicing Catholics in union with the Holy See and are in good standing with the Church.

If you are over 18 years old and would like more information about becoming a Knight of Columbus, please just ask any Brother Knight. He will get you the information you need to start your journey. Be a part of a group of men who love the Catholic and are great examples of what it takes to be a Catholic man in this world.



Insurance Tips from our Field Agent, Edgar Correa

Edgar Correa is not only a Brother Knight in the St Peter Council 18058, but he is also our Field Agent for the Knights of Columbus insurance and investment products offered to our members.

We will be asking Edgar to give insight to these products as well as benefits to having insurance and investment products with the Knights of Columbus. This month Edgar offers this tidbit of information:

"Permanent life insurance is the only asset class that do the all the following at once:

1. Create Instant Cash and Tax-Free Legacy
2. Fund Long-Term Care/Living Benefits
3. Accumulate Tax-Deferred Cash Value
4. Guarantee Survivorship (Wealth Transfer)

Don't Let long term care costs or Uncle Sam's Taxes/RMD's take what you have worked hard all your life to build and to protect yourself against negative headwinds in retirement."

Knights of Columbus Field
Agent -Edgar Correa

On the weekend of May 23rd and 24th taps were performed after the Masses to commemorate Memorial Day and the fallen men and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice. Grand Knight Paul Pezel is shown performing after the 8:30 am mass.



Welcome to our Newest Members.

Over the last few months, Council 18058 has seen our numbers improve by three members.

Our latest members to the council are:

Frank Stressor-Transfer

Tim St. Onge- New member to the council.

Ben Crowley- New member to the council.

As part of the tradition of the Knights of Columbus an Exemplification Ceremony will take place soon to complete the new candidate's admission process.

Welcome to St. Peter's council 18058.

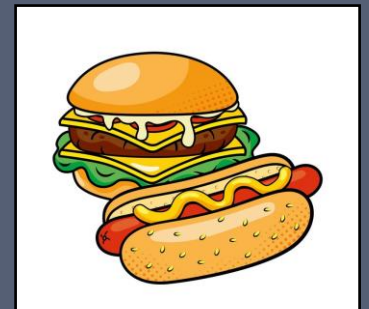
Knights of Columbus, cook up a feast!!!

On June 7th a Hot Dog and Hamburger luncheon was prepared for the Parish after the 11:00 am Mass.

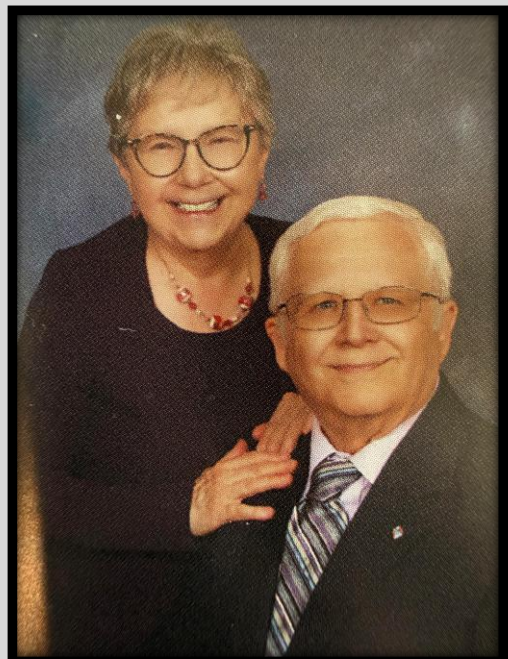
"We wanted to have a special lunch for the parish, especially those who attend the 11 am Mass.," said Paul Pezel.

Burgers and Dogs with all the fixings were on the menu as well as a variety of summertime sides.

See Page 5 for some pictures.



For the Good of the Order recipients for May and June 2026.



Lester and Terry Foster are being recognized as the May 2026 recipients of **"For the Good of the Order"** from K of C Council 18058. Terry and Les are always willing to pitch in wherever and whenever needed. Terry is active in the Ladies Auxiliary. They are Eucharistic Ministers as well as lectors. Their help during confirmation and Fr. Peter's 25th anniversary celebration was invaluable. Thank you for all the work you do for our Parish!



Scott and Sherry Kopser are being recognized as the June 2026 recipients of **"For the Good of the Order"** from K of C Council 18058. Scott and Sherrie are involved with many Ministries in the parish. From the Fish Fry to Building maintenance, they seem to be everywhere at St. Peter's. Scott serves as Deputy Grand Knight as well. Thank you for all the work you do for our Parish!

Paul Pezel Accepts New Position as "District Deputy"

Grand Knight Paul Pezel has accepted a new position within the Knights of Columbus. This time He has accepted a role as the District Deputy. Paul has served as Grand Knight for Council 18085 for the last two years.

The four Councils that Paul will be working with are:

St. Peter

Elizabeth Ann Seton

Neumann Center (@UK)

St. Luke's (Nicholasville)

Thank you so much for all you have done for our Council and much success in your new role.



Corpus Christi Procession-June 7th after 8:30 am Mass.



The Feast of Corpus Christi includes processions where the Blessed Sacrament is carried in a monstrance through the neighborhood, accompanied by hymns and prayers. This centuries-old tradition serves as a public witness of faith, allowing believers to bring Christ out of the church walls and into their local communities. At St. Peter's the congregation were led around our neighborhood by Fr. Peter and Deacon Ted after the 8:30 mass. During the procession the Holy Rosary is recited. The procession concludes with Adoration and prayers. Our Knights protected the blessed sacrament by carrying a canopy during the procession. Other Knights recited the Rosary. Thank you to all who participated.

Spring Cook Out after June 7th 11:00 am Mass

The Knights had a cookout after 11:00 am Mass to show appreciation for all the support so far this year. Here are some pictures of the event. A Special Thank you to the Hospitality Committee and Ladies Auxiliary for their help with the event.





Coming Next Month!!!

Parish Picnic Information.

SAVE THE DATE!

ST. PETER'S PARISH PICNIC

AUGUST 9TH, 2026
1:00 PM
JACOBSON PARK

MORE DETAILS COMING SOON!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

