



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

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We had our sales hat on these past few months, all for a good cause! This year, our tootsie roll drive extended to sales at the farmers market one sunny Autumn day, pictured to the left.

Our Epic Pie sales was a huge success too! We sold over 500 pies and donated over 174 to the senior center. The pie sales have in four short years become not only a large portion of the PIE of our fund raising efforts but a staple in the Church's calendar, as many look forward to a great treat.

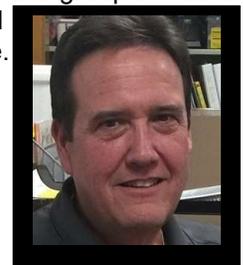
Thank you and nice work all!

Grand Knight Corner

The Knights have always been driven by an allegiance and loyalty to our Catholic Faith. When Father McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus, his principles of UNITY, CHARITY and FRATERNITY were supported and driven by his deep Catholic Christian values. We at the 1847 Council are driven by Father McGivney's same motivations, with deep roots in our community and giving to those that don't have or maybe just need a little help. This past 6 months the council has done some events to support our Parish and community and fellow knights. We were honored to share in the birthday celebration of our brother knight Bob Catalano a man who has given back to our parish and council for so many years. YOUR tremendous efforts that you put forth in our Epic Pie Events, in supporting our friends at St Vincent DePaul Society thru the card drives and Feed the Poor Walk, in Celebrating the memories of our Brothers that have gone before us or simply in moving a couch on an afternoon for someone that needs assistance. Your hard works of charity will provide "coats for Kids" this winter and provide "wreaths across America". The Tootsie Roll drive provided much needed funds for the Intellectually Disabled. Our recent events of support and community involvement tells me we are doing what Father McGivney was envisioning way back in 1882 when he started this group of Catholic men just trying to make a small difference for those forgotten about. Our goal for 2023 is to build on this great work, **grow the membership**, and continue to make a difference one day at a time.

I want to wish you and your family a wonderful Holiday Season! We have so much to be thankful for. This is the Knights of Columbus Sacred Heart Council 1847. Hope to see you all at our upcoming events and if not Merry Christmas to all.

Michael Swan, Grand Knight Sacred Heart Council #1847



A Child is born to us! Son is given to us! And He will be our ruler.
Isaiah 9:6



Profile of a Saint
**SAINT
THERESE OF
LISIEUX**

St Therese of Lisieux entered the convent at age 15, became a Carmelite nun and passed at the young age of 24, in 1897. Early in her life, St Therese became ill and noticed others were praying to Mary, near a statue, when St Therese saw the Blessed Mother smiling back; St Therese was immediately cured.

As someone who was small in stature, she desired to be a great saint but found herself marginalized. She decided in her own private way to do something small and great. St Therese humbled herself at every turn with her sisters. When accused of breaking a vase, that she didn't break, she instead, on her knees, asked the sisters for their forgiveness. When St Therese became ill towards the end of her short life, she would put on a smile everytime someone came near, causing some to doubt her actual illness.

In her writings, published as The Story of a Soul, St Therese illustrated her love of prayer, her humility and her abundant love. She decided that although small, she could do something simple, straight and great through her love.

"Remember that nothing is small in the eyes of God. Do all that you do with love."

St Therese of Lisieux – Pray for Us!



4th Degree Exemplification at St Mary's in Ware, MA



Happiest of Birthdays were had with Bobby Catalano, 100 years young!

Hope to see you soon!



Schedule of Events:

- 12/7 Business Meeting
- 12/10&11 Stop n Shop Gift Card Drive
- 12/11 Lessons in Carols
- 12/14 Christmas Party
- 1/4 Business Meeting
- 1/6 Blood Drive
- 1/16 Social – Rome
- 1/20 Free Throw Contest (Tentative)
- 1/22 100th 4th Degree Mass/ Event
- 2/1 Business Meeting
- 2/22 Social - Rome

