



Ministry Highlight: Knights of Columbus

My name is Clay Keefer, Grand Knight of Saint Joseph Council #12788. You may already know about the Knights from our council here or from some of our other nearly 15,000 councils worldwide. The nearly 2 million members of the Knights of Columbus form the largest Catholic fraternal group in existence. As Knights, we serve our local parish and community while working each day to create a better world through charity. If you are looking to live out your faith in the spirit of charity by helping others, the Knights of Columbus welcomes you to join us. Knights and their families have the opportunity to become involved in the council's charitable, faith-based and social programs, becoming part of our Knights of Columbus family.

Over the past decade, men like you have enabled the charitable donations of the Knights of Columbus to reach more than \$1.5 billion dollars and individual Knights have donated more than 674 million volunteer hours to charity. Since its founding in 1882 by the Venerable Servant of God, Father Michael McGivney, the first principle of the Order, has been charity: we actively assist the Church and our neighbors in need.



We were also founded to protect the livelihood of Catholic families and that commitment means that we continue to provide our members and their families with top quality life insurance and annuity products. No life insurer in North America has a higher rating than the Knights of Columbus.

Today, we would like to offer you the opportunity to join us in our work for God and neighbor. At Saint Joseph, our council has undertaken these activities over the last year: Saint Joseph outdoor Polka Mass and parish picnic, the Silver Rose, Our Lady of Guadalupe program, the parish yard sale, The Miracles of the Eucharist Icon Program, the October Sunday on Simpson Street food truck festival, the Second Night at the Races, Coats for Kids, Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest, gift cards for those in need, Knights of Columbus Free-Throw Contest and finally Sunday Afternoon Bingo that raised \$3000 for Morning Star Pregnancy Center to purchase three Ultrasound Machines.



As a member of the Knights of Columbus, a man does not only strengthen his faith in the here and now. Through his support of community & church, he forms friendships with his brother Knights that can last a lifetime, and he can do his part to make a difference in our parish, our community and our world for generations to come.

As much good work as the Knights of Columbus has done in the past, we could do even more with your help. Join us today and help be the difference in your community and Church. For more information, call Clay Keefer at 717-418-5726 or email: cdkeefer12788@aol.com.