



Knights of Columbus



Joseph Gerke Assembly 3080 Newsletter

October 2026

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Assembly Activities

Our Food for Veterans drive is officially underway the food collection bins are at the Church entrance.

The food drive continues through Veterans Day, 11th November, when we will bring the food items donated to the Veterans Community Project in KC.



Assembly Activities

On September 12th we provided an honor guard at the Memorial of the Innocent Unborn for the National Day of Remembrance for the Aborted Babies.

Please pray for the passing of Amendment 3; the end of abortion; and the conversion of those who are indifferent, supportive, and complicit in abortion.



Assembly Activities

We had a relaxing evening at our social meeting in September at The Wine Journal in Adrian, MO.

Good food mixed with great company and congratulations to Francis on winning the wine basket courtesy of SK Greg Taylor.



Assembly Activities

On Thursday, September 24, Sir Knights Jim Moss, Bruce Richards, and Colin Denvir attended the Beatification Mass for Bishop Fulton Sheen at The Dome at the America's Center in St. Louis.



This was a wonderful, holy, and grace filled Mass and event.

We also gifted Fr. Dan a Blessed Fulton Sheen rosary from the Beautification on behalf of the Council and Assembly.



Honor Guard Events

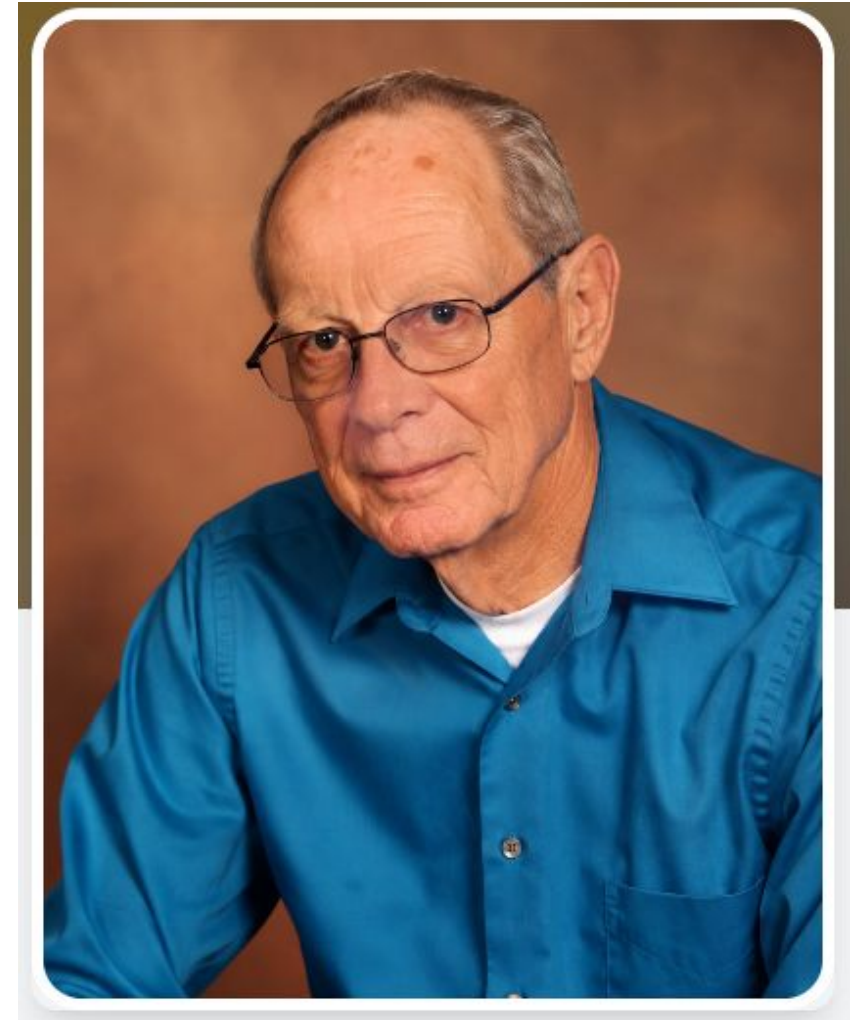
Arthur "Art" Gregory Schlumpberger

Jan 5, 1937 — Sep 23, 2026

Our Brother Sir Knight Art Schlumpberger passed away and we provided a dignified Honor Guard for Art's visitation and Mass.

Art's obituary can be found here:

<https://www.dickeyfh.com/obituaries/arthur-art-schlumpberger>



Honor Guard Events

- **November 22, 2026**
Honor Guard for Feast of Christ the King and Eucharistic Procession



Upcoming Exemplifications

Saturday, October 24

Location: St. Clair of Assisi, Ellisville

Time: Degree will begin between 9:30-10:00 AM

Saturday, November 14

Church of the Ascension Catholic Church

Overland Park, Kansas

Time: Degree will begin between 9:30-10:00 AM.



Upcoming Events

Important Dates for 2026

- **November 8, 2026**
 - End Food for Veterans Drive
- **November 19, 2026**
 - Flag Retirement Ceremony



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Important Dates for 2026

- **November 22, 2026**
 - Honor Guard for Feast of Christ the King and Eucharistic Procession
- **December 19, 2026**
 - Wreaths Across America

**** Note: Additional events / opportunities will be added to the calendar through-out 2026****



Closing Thoughts



ON NOVEMBER 3, MISSOURIANS WILL VOTE ON AMENDMENT 3, WHICH WOULD ROLL BACK THE MOST HARMFUL PROVISIONS OF THE PRO-ABORTION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT THAT WAS NARROWLY APPROVED IN 2024.

A YES VOTE ON 3: FIVE KEY POINTS TO KNOW

- 1** **Significantly limits the number of abortions by preventing abortion all nine months of pregnancy** and including tightly written exceptions for medical emergencies, fatal fetal anomalies, rape, and incest. Currently, abortion on demand is legal for all nine months for almost any reason.
- 2** **Ensures parental notification and consent** for a minor child to have an abortion.
- 3** **Bans transgender procedures for minors.** In 2023, Missouri banned gender-transition surgeries, puberty blockers, and cross-sex hormone therapy for children. However, some of these provisions are set to expire in 2027; Amendment 3 would not only keep the current ban, but also enshrine it in the state constitution.
- 4** **Reinstates health and safety standards and allows for inspections at abortion clinics.** In 2018, the Planned Parenthood clinic in Columbia closed for health and safety violations of state rules, including mold on and in medical equipment. However, due to the 2024 amendment, the state lost its ability to conduct inspections.
- 5** **Protects Missourians' ability to sue physicians or facilities for malpractice,** injury, or death for abortion procedures.

Closing Prayer

Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.