

**September 8, 2023**  
**Knights of Columbus**  
**Westport**  
**Church of the Assumption, Council 3688**  
**Community Newsletter**



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**Current “Knightly” News**

Thanks to All who attended the Knights meeting on Tuesday September

5th.

It was a 'Community Building' oriented meeting. We all shared ideas to help bring all brothers and sisters together for the betterment of each other.

Our prayer for this month was written by Saint Augustine of Hippo:



Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit,  
that my thoughts may be holy.

Act in me, O Holy Spirit,  
that my work, too, may be holy.

Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit  
that I Love but what is holy.

Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit,  
to defend all that is holy.

Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit,  
that I always may be holy.

Amen

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Nick Battaglino and Tom Harding reported on the Coats for Kids Program.  
The Knights will be purchasing 500 coats and distributing them to local  
communities.

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Father Joe will begin a Bible Study and Discussion Group on Saturdays after the 7:30 am Mass, starting September 16th. All are welcome.

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Bill Macnamara and Jim Meehan updated the Council on the

**The Red Cross Blood Drive.**

Tom O’Neil of The Red Cross has approved the gym as a site for donating blood. The goal for our first event is 50 blood donors.

More details about dates and procedures will be provided in our October newsletter.

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Our Assistant Grand Knight, Pete Johnson, is recovering from surgery, we wish him a speedy recovery.

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The **Lobster Clam Bake** was a great time, hats off to the “Assumption Team” that made it happen.

delicious



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**The Coats for Kids Program**

On behalf of the Westport Knights and the children receiving these coats, I would like to thank everyone that donated to the Coats for Kids Program. As you all have experienced as we go through life there are certain things that touch your heart. It could be your son or daughter getting married. It could be a newborn in your family. Or it could be as little as a pat on the back, a smile, a vote of encouragement or someone just taking time to listen to your problems.

Well, I want to tell you, I had one of those heartfelt moments on the evening of August 20 after collecting donations that day. I got home and counted the donations for the coats for kids' program, which truly exceeded my expectations. But it was not that, it was the way every person was giving, with joy and love and cheerfulness. God said in 2 Corinthians, Chapter 9:6-9 "For God loves a cheerful giver." Now I truly understand why.

Because of your generosity the Knights of Columbus will be able to deliver 500 coats to local communities to children in need.

Thank you all for your cheerful generosity.



**coats  
for kids**



**THANKS FOR GIVING**



*God Loves a Cheerful Giver*

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**Fund Raising Events**

Knights of Columbus

# Food Drive

Let's Spread  
Kindness to  
Others!



*DROP OFF FOOD DONATIONS  
AT PARKING LOT BEHIND RONCOLLI HOUSE  
SEPTEMBER 17, 2023 FROM 8AM TO 12PM*

**Sunday - September 17, at 8am to 12pm**

Food Drive, Assumption Church, Roncalli House

**Saturday - October 7, at 6pm to 9pm**

Oyster Festival - Copps Island

**This is a FUN EVENT - bring your friends.**

# Festival on the Sound

Saturday October 7, 2023

6pm to 9pm

7 Edgewater Place, East Norwalk, CT



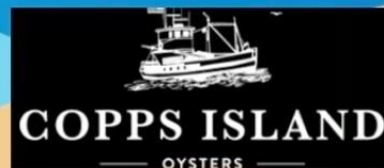
**\$50 Adults**  
**\$10 Kids**  
**Under 18**

**OYSTERS, CLAMS, HOT DOGS,  
HAMBURGERS,  
GRILLED CHICKEN,  
BEER & WINE**



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## Community Gathering Events

**Saturday - September 23, at 6pm**

Movie Night

“Kiki’s Delivery Service”

McGrath Hall

# FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Younger viewers will enjoy the excitement and comedy of Kiki's adventures, older viewers will appreciate the story's themes of overcoming self-doubt, finding purpose, and how maturity changes the way we view life



## KIKI'S DELIVERY SERVICE

Saturday, 6pm, Sept.23rd McGrath Hall

Church of the Assumption, Westport

after the 5pm Mass

FREE-Admission-Hot Dogs-Popcorn-Candy

Wine & Cheese for Adults



presented by the Assumption Church Knights of Columbus

[See Trailer](#)





## **Knight's Calendar**

**Tuesday - September 5, at 7pm**

(first Tuesday of every month)

Knights Meeting, Roncalli House

**Saturday - September 9, after 5pm Mass - Ministry Reception - Rectory**

**Sunday - September 10, after 9am, 11am -Ministry Reception - Rectory**



Come to the Ministry  
Reception  
September 9th or  
10th after Mass in the  
Rectory and learn  
about  
The Westport  
Knight's

Take 'Time' to Help others and  
'Your Time' Will be Blessed

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## Monthly Reflection

### Speak or Not to Speak

One common human tendency is to talk excessively and to explain ourselves to others, especially to justify our actions in their minds. Jesus experienced this to the greatest degree as He stood before Pilate, He remained silent. Remaining silent, at times, will produce more good fruit than an excess of words.  
*Saint Faustina (Diary#1164)*

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Start by doing what is necessary, then what is possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible.

*Saint Francis of Assisi*

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Thank You for joining our  
Community Newsletter  
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Please reach out to anyone in our council if you need help or would like to help others.

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## Goals for Our Westport Council

1. ***Build the number of Knight members;*** give Catholic Men an

opportunity to serve others and to achieve the amazing feeling of happiness and satisfaction when giving. When we allow time to help others our time is Blessed.

2. ***Increase community involvement in our church***; offer a space and environment to grow the Catholic faith within our community.
3. ***Help those in need***; provide food, clothing, financial support, and kindness.

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## HELP FOR HAWAII

It has been nearly one month since the devastating wildfires in Maui has occurred. In the midst of this tragedy the Knights of Columbus are helping those in need. Knights of Columbus Councils from around the country are sending financial support. Our lady of Peace, Council 5000 in Honolulu, filled a boat with clothing, sleeping bags, tents, and food and delivered it to Lahaina. Two Catholic priest have arrived to provide spiritual support to the victims. This process of relief and supplies will continue. Knights are on the ground in Maui, distributing aid, coordinating temporary housing, serving meals and assisting with clean up. If you wish to support these relief efforts, please donate to the Knights of Columbus Charities Disaster Relief Fund.

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