

ALL ABOUT OUR

LADIES AUXILIARY

Of the KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MARY'S MILLENNIUM COUNCIL #12801
St John the Evangelist Catholic Church, Streamwood, IL
Established 2005

Where did the Ladies Auxiliary come from?

Explanation: We are considered a "committee" of the Mary's Millennium Knights of Columbus Council #12801. As such, we stand in partnership with the Knights of Columbus whereby we are a responsibility of, and are responsible to the Knights of Columbus. We function independently and in compliment to the Knights. A Lady need not have a family member participating in the Knights of Columbus.

We invite all ladies of the parish to join with us.
Mission: For the Spiritual and "Living" benefit and enrichment first of the parishioners, their families and the students of St John's, second for the "World Community" of life, third for the organization of Knights of Columbus and fourth for our country, the United States of America.
Moto: "In Service for One, In Service for All"

Where did the Knights of Columbus come from? In the early 1900's Father Michael McGivney organized the Fraternal Order of the Knights of Columbus as an entity by which the poverty and oppression of his parishioners could be peacefully relieved and their futures be improved upon. The parishioners needed spiritual guidance and social services to be the best they could be. Faithful husbands, loving fathers, protectors and providers. They needed food, shelter, safety and security with access to

better jobs/pay, schooling, medical care, housing and relief from crime. Over time, this evolved into an organization which provided spiritually, bonding, resources and the means for improvement of all members of the Knights of Columbus. With the growth of the Knights, they have become a Fraternal Order supporting and enriching family life as well as the lives of the needy. And not just Catholics. They now embrace the "World Community". The Webster dictionary defines the meaning of catholic as "universal".

CHARITY

K of C along with Ladies Auxiliary gave over **\$151 million** directly to charity (over **\$1.367 billion** in charitable contributions in the last 10 years) and performed over **69 million man hours** of voluntary service. Over 413,000 pints of blood have been collected. The Knights and Ladies have a tradition of supporting those with physical and developmental disabilities. More than **\$382 million** has been given over the past three decades to groups and programs that support the intellectually and physically disabled. (Our SPRED ministry is a recipient) One of the largest recipients of funds in this area is the [Special Olympics](#).^[26] In addition, the Order's highest honor, the [Gaudium et Spes](#) Award, was given with its **\$100,000** honorarium to [Jean Vanier](#), the founder of [l'Arche](#), in 2005. L'Arche is a faith-based network that provides care, in a community setting, for people with severe developmental disabilities.

Days after the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, the Order established the **\$1 fund**)

Orderwide, more than **\$10 million** has been raised for [Hurricane Katrina](#) relief efforts. On May 6, 2006, **\$3 million** was disbursed to the [Archdiocese of New Orleans](#) and the dioceses of [Lafayette, LA](#), [Houma-Thibodaux, LA](#), [Lake Charles, LA](#), [Biloxi, MS](#) and [Beaumont, TX](#).^[33]

The Order also donated more than **\$500,000** to the [Indian Ocean Tsunami of 2004](#) relief efforts, and **\$50,000** to help victims of [Typhoon Durian](#) in the Philippines.^[34]

Ladies Auxiliary Activities in Participation with Knights of Columbus, Council 12801 includes but is not limited to:

Tootsie Roll Drive to benefit "Developmental Disabilities"
Membership in and support of Streamwood Chamber of Commerce, St John's Food pantry
Hanover Township Food Bank
Pancake Breakfast/Bake Sales
Mentoring participants in RCIA
"Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults"
New parishioner Welcome Committee
Giving Tree during the Christmas season nearly 500 gifts were distributed
Provision of breakfast following the Annual "Walk for the Poor"
Support of Religious Vocations
Streamwoodfest, Bingo Tent

**Ladies Auxiliary Activities in
Participation with Knights of Columbus
Continued;**

Transportation for the Cardinal
while he is in Rome
Holy Hour of Prayer for Religious
Vocations
Wheelchairs for the needy
Corporate Masses and Honor Guards
Respect Life Campaigns

**Activities the Ladies Auxiliary
have sponsored/ supported:**

- “Fund the Cure” for Breast Cancer
- Nursing Scholarships through ARDS/
“Acute Respiratory Syndrome”
- Women in the Armed Services
- “Adopt a Senior” thru
Hanover Park Township
- Women’s Shelters
- Youth Scholarship
- Respect Life
- Holy Hour of Prayer for Peace, x2/yr.
- St Joseph’s Table to benefit food pantries
- Sponsor teens for Teen
- Ministry humanitarian service trips
- Sponsor international Ministry Missions
- Women at the Well
- Mentoring of new Auxiliary Councils
- Annual Lighting of Streamwood
Luminaries
- Diaper Drive in support of the Women’s
Crisis Center of Elgin.
- Pajamarama in support of the Women’s
Crisis Center of Elgin.
- Coupon clipping to support our troops.
- Care packages to our troops in
cooperation with the Streamwood VFW.
- Supported the Nurses Ministry activities.
- Have sought ways to support local Boy
Scout groups since “public” facilities

have withdrawn support because the
Boy Scouts refused to remove GOD from
their pledges.

Council Social Activities:

Parish Oktoberfest Pot Luck
Parish Fat Tuesday Pot Luck
Family St Patrick’s Dinner
Family Steak Barbeque
Family Chili “Cook Off” & Bake Off
Contest
Past Grand Knights Awards Dinner
Boomer Baseball family night out
Baby Shower to support newborns

Fundraising with:

Kiwanis Peanut Day
Keep Christ in Christmas’ car magnets
Carson’s Community Day
Bake Sales
Rummage Sales
Culver’s Day
Candy Sales
Sale of Roses on Mother’s Day



Meetings every Third Tuesday

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