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Knights of Columbus Ladies' Auxiliary

We all know the Knights of Columbus—the guys who make those pies at Thanksgiving. The Ladies Auxiliary provides the opportunity for women to come together in fellowship with the primary goal of providing organized assistance to the St. Charles Knights of Columbus Council #12497.

This organized assistance takes many forms and may include help at K of C sponsored events throughout the year, including PaddyFest; the ever-famous “Pies by the Guys” (a wonderful Thanksgiving treat); support at the Special Olympics and annual Tootsie Roll collection; golf outings and special activities to provide financial assistance to struggling families in our parish community.

The group's mission, **Church, Country, Council, and Community** provides members the opportunity to form friendships and serve Christ by serving our church and our community. Active since 2008, the Auxiliary has 20 members, and is always open to new members who are at least 18 years of age. Auxiliary members are not required to be related to a K of C member. All that is required is a love of God and a desire to provide community service based on the mission.

You may recognize the Auxiliary's work from these projects throughout the year: First Saturday Rosary at St. Patrick and St. John Neumann parishes; Back to School Ice Cream Social; assisting the Knights with Breakfast with Santa; “Keep Christ in Christmas” Poster Contest; Mystic Monk Coffee sales; Sisters Luncheon (honoring the Religious Sisters of St. Patrick and St. John Neumann parishes).

The Auxiliary meets the first Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Crane Road Church. Officers are Alice Sury, President; Thea Stowell, Vice President; Ann DeMartino, Treasurer; and Julia Cooper, Secretary. Interested in joining or want more information? Contact Membership Chair Melissa Rothengass, 630-406-5729 or cminc500@sbcglobal.net.