



St. Margaret Mary Knights of Columbus Council #15979

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Mission Statement

We, the Knights of Columbus of St. Margaret Mary Council #15979, exist to promote and support spiritual enrichment, fellowship, parish activities, community service and material well being to the community.

Grand Knight's Message:

This is our first issue of what will be a quarterly newsletter to the St. Margaret Mary Knights. We have recently undergone several Strategic Planning Meetings with the intent to improve the impact that we as a Council have on our Parish and Community overall. We have developed the Mission Statement that you see above. Everything that we do must fit within the confines of this statement. We would also like to encourage each and every one of you to find a way to participate with us as we endeavor to increase our impact in the parish and community – even if you can only give us a couple of hours once or twice a year the resultant impact would be beneficial. If you have a pet project that you would like to see us take on, let us know, that's what we are here for. Vivat Jesus.

Calendar for the next three months:

February:

7th – First Degree, 6:30 PM, Library meeting room.

14th – Ash Wednesday

15th – Officer's meeting, 6:30 PM, Library Meeting Room

15th – StMM's day of vigil and prayer at the abortion clinic for 40 days of Life. Sign-ups Feb. 2nd & 3rd.

28th – Council Business Meeting. All K of C members are encouraged to attend, 6:30 in the Library Meeting Room

March:

7th – Social night at the Spirituality Center at 6:30

10th – KofC Recruiting following the Saturday 5 PM Mass, Volunteers needed.

11th – KofC Recruiting following the Sunday 8 AM, 10 AM, 12 Noon & 5 PM Masses, Volunteers needed.

15th – Officer's Meeting, 6:30, Library Meeting Room

28th – Council Business Meeting. All K of C members are encouraged to attend, 6:30 in the Library Meeting Room

30th – Good Friday

April:

1st – Easter

11th – Cookout & Social Night, 6:30 PM at the Spirituality Center

19th – Officer's Meeting, 6:30 PM in Library Meeting Room

25th – Council Business Meeting. All K of C members are encouraged to attend, 6:30 in the Library Meeting Room

28th – 5th Sunday Rosary, Corporate Communion with dinner afterward. Knights and Families meet in the reserved seat in front of church at 4:15 before the 5pm Saturday Mass.

29th – Cathedral Soup Kitchen – Knights help serve meals at the Cathedral Soup Kitchen from 10:15AM till 1:00PM

Joke:

Everybody knows the serenity prayer:
Lord, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change,
The courage to change the things I can,
And the wisdom to know the difference.

The senility prayer is different:
Lord, grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway,
The good fortune to run into the ones I do,
And the eyesight to tell the difference.

Member Birthdays:**February:**

2nd Bryan D. Cain
12th Sean Saylor
13th Donald B. Kupper
26th Mack McNeley
26th Kevin B. Meredith

March:

3rd “Mikey” Damon M. Small
5th Nick DiBartolomeo
7th Wesley A. Henderson
9th Christopher N. Ballantine
14th Deacon Stephen W. Marks
26th David V. Stasko
21st Norman J. Beat
21st Donald J. Merkley

SPECIAL NOTE: BROTHER OTTO KNOP HAS BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH A SERIOUS ILLNESS AND NEEDS YOUR PRAYERS. PLEASE BE SURE TO INCLUDE HIM IN YOUR PRAYERS.

Advocate Report for January – Mike Ryan

- Sunday January 21st the Pro-life ad ran in the Courier Journal. Thanks to everyone that helped.
- The yearend Abortion numbers for 2017 = 3,371 babies killed in Kentucky.
- Thursday, February 15th is SMM’s day (7 AM to 7 PM) to pray at the EMW as part of the Spring 40 days of prayer. Signups will be the weekend of Feb. 3rd and 4th.
- Eight bus-loads of people from Louisville attended the Annual National Walk for Life on January 22nd in Washington, DC.

News of Interest:

- Congratulations to our new Full Knights who took their 2nd and 3rd degree on Saturday, January 6th;
Phillip Johnson
Jack Klawitter
Mike Koenig
Anton Miranda
- Knight of the month for February is John Lawler
- Family of the month is Jerry and Debbie Gonsoski for all the work on our Christmas card, ornament and puzzle sale.

- If you haven't paid your dues for 2018 yet, please submit it as soon as possible. (as of January 22nd 40 Brother Knights have not submitted their 2018 dues payments).
- We will be supporting 2 Seminarians this year with a \$500 check to each – Brother Robert Barnell and Conor Wellman. Checks will be going out soon.

Note:

This first edition of our Council newsletter is being tried out as a service to our members. Please let us know what you think about its publication. Any member who has material or interesting information they want to contribute for the next quarter should have it to Don Buckler, Email: donbuckler@aol.com no later than March 15th. Subject line should read "K of C Newsletter", otherwise he will think it is spam). This is a vehicle to keep you informed on the things that we are doing as Knights. We hope you like it.