



Coffee Run Council Newsletter Nov- Dec 2019

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Grand Knight Report

The council is continuing to be busy as evidenced by the long list of activities conducted over the last 60 days. We have had a very successful round of fundraising and are blessed to have the Crab Fest, Annual golf outing, and Coats for Kids all bring in record breaking results, which allow us to fund our many Catholic charities. Special thanks to the chairmen and teams that worked so hard to support these great events as well as all those Knights that participated.

We had our first ever new Knight orientation. It went well and underscored that the council can do a better job of engaging with men that have recently made the commitment to join our ranks. There will be more of these and additional actions in the near future.

The parish picnic was a great success, due in no small part due to the support of the Knights preparing and helping to serve hamburgers and hot dogs cooked in the traditional charcoal way. Everything went well, despite Jeff's singed eyebrows.

St. Mary's Culture of Life 50-50 raffle cosponsored by the Knights of Columbus and Legion of Mary is off and running. The new ticket design made mailing much easier and more efficient for the team of volunteers that put it together and made it happen. Early trending is on par with last year's sales. If you haven't bought your tickets yet, please don't wait to the last minute.

40 Days of Life was observed, with weekly rosary's being said at Planned Parenthoods front door in Wilmington. Also, prolife banners have been placed and displayed around the church grounds. They were popular last year so this year increased from two at the main entrances to four overall and are changed weekly. Hopefully you have had a chance to see each of them and appreciate just how special each life is.

A big thank you to those that came out to pay their respects and remember our deceased Brother Knights at our annual All Souls Day Mass. They are all missed.

Upcoming is our parish wide Children's Breakfast with Santa on December 7, and our Council Christmas Party to be held the afternoon of December 15. Your continued support for these is appreciated. More to come on them soon.

In general, our level of activity will slow going into and through the holidays, and rightly so for this is the time to appreciate our families, and to take pause, to reflect on the graces we have received from Our Creator.

Vivat Jesus.

Mike

Thomas Green: Admissions

Welcome (Jason Anderson, Mike McDonnell & Ken Mersman) received First & Second Degree Exemplifications on September 24th, at Seton Council



Michael Brown: Deputy Grand Knight

Coffee Run Golf Outing - the 3rd Annual Coffee Run Golf Outing was held on October 7th at Deerfield Golf Club. A new fundraising record was again set by the council --> \$24,517. There were 105 golfers and 28 additional dinner guests. Mike Brown would like to thank everybody that participated - either by playing golf, attending dinner, sponsoring a hole, or making a donation. See you all next year!

"Keep Christ in Christmas" Card Sale - our annual council Christmas Card sale was held on 10/26-10/27 after all masses. We sold 72 boxes of religious cards - was good to see the increased parish participation.

Christopher Dougherty: Coats for Kids



I would like to thank all my Brother Knights for assisting in collecting for the "Coats for Kids". We collected from parish donations a total of \$6,041.10. With all the money collected including our donation of \$1000.00 we ordered 24 boxes (dozens) of six different sizes of coats. They will be distributed within the next couple of weeks through the St Mary's Parish outreach program. Thank you again for help for this worthy cause.

James Ambrose: Route 41 Clean up

Route 41 Fall Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup Recap – October 26

Another fine fall morning at the break of dawn, eight Knights and one family member gathered to battle the Rt. 41 trash dragon and keep it at bay for another 6 months. Many thanks to Frank Sonson, Steve and Payton Burse, John Schoff, Frank Robinson, Tom Green, Larry Maguire, and Ralph Paulus. Special thanks to Steve for driving some of the full bags to the drop point and Ralph Paulus for taking a truck load.



The tentative date for the spring cleanup is Saturday, April 4, 2020 at the usual time 7:00AM. Watch the council newsletter and email for reminders to sign up.

John Baldo, Dues and 50/50 Raffle

Electronic Billing



The option to receive dues bills via email rather than postal service has been offered to all members for whom an email address is known. As of 10/31/19, 48 members have opted for this method. You may opt-in any time up until Christmas.

If you don't have an email address on file with the Council and wish to register for email billing, please send the address to baldo61@gmail.com.

Super 50-50

Remember to mail in your raffle tickets as soon as possible. If you need more tickets, they are available from the parish receptionist during office hours.

The 50-50 raffle helps the Council charitable donation program and is also the main source of funds for the Parish Pro Life Committee.

Last year's Raffle yielded \$10,600 in donations and a like amount to the raffle winners.

The drawing will be held at the Annual Chili cook-off on January 18.

Edward Donnelly: Lector

A successful Orientation meeting was held on Sept 25 with 39 attendees. The feedback has been positive and the participants liked the social time before the meeting. A survey of the attendees was conducted and Bill McCabe reviewed the results at the October Business meeting. The initial Planning Team will continue as part of a Lecturer team to follow up on suggestions and look for future opportunities. As a result, one calendar item is a Save-the-Date for a General Council Meeting on September 23, 2020.

Gerry Safranski sponsored a video night on Oct 23rd to review "God in the Constitution" as part of the Educational component of the Council. It was open to all parishioners. At the November Business meeting, an Advent Booklet, called *The Little Blue Book*, will be distributed to Council members for daily readings during Advent. This will be a simple way to read a passage each day as we prepare for the Birth of our Lord.

Richard Deegan: Parish Picnic



Fourteen (14) Knights were instrumental in the success of St. Mary's Picnic, September 15th, attended by 325 people. This year's Picnic included inside and outside seating for 280. The Setup / Cleanup Crew consisted of Greg Weaver, Mike Skorup, Bill McCabe, Howard (+Sam) Wallace, Charlie Talkowski, Rich Deegan, and Mike Bailey. The Grilling / Serving Crew consisted of Tony Gennusa, Jeff Cooper, John Schoff, John L McCormick, John Connell, Charles DiGirolamo, and John Bordonaro. This type of event is made possible thanks to the expertise and manpower provided by our Knights.



Michael Poleck: Annual Crab Feast

We exceeded all previous crab events in profits in dollar amounts and % of profits on a comparison basis. Thanks, for all who helped.

Children's Christmas Breakfast: Dec 7th Council



Council Christmas Party Dec 15th

Afternoon

Salute to Our Veterans: November 11th



*Thanksgiving 11/28, Solemnity of
Immaculate Conception 12/8, Fest of Our Lady of Guadalupe
12/12, Christmas Day 12/25*

*Articles for Council Newsletter due
12/31/19*

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Calendar of Knights Events Nov thru Jan 2020

November					
Nov-01-19, Fri	All Saints Day				
Nov-02-19, Sat	All Souls Day				
Nov-04-19, Mon	Adoration 11- Noon, 2+ Knights Present	Faith	Chapel	J. White	11:00 AM -12:00 Noon
Nov-04-19, Mon	Cardinal Gibbon Assembly Meeting	Fourth Degree	Holly Family Church	J. McCormick	7:00 PM
Nov-09-19, Sat	Veteran's Bingo - Cardinal Gibbons	Fourth Degree	Veteran's Hospital - Elsmere	J. McCormick	Starting at 2:00 PM
Nov-10-19, Sun	Kinghthood (Third Degree) Exemplifications	State	Holy Child Council	T. Green	12:30 PM - 3:00 PM
Nov-11-19, Mon	Veterans Day				
Nov-13-19, Wed	Council Business Meeting / Rosary	Council	St. Mary Room	M. Bailey	Rosary 6:30, Meeting 7 PM
Nov-13-19, Wed	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	Ladies	St John Room	J. Sanfranski	7:00 PM
Nov-18-19, Mon	Admission & Formation Degree	Council / District	Brother Vincent - Smyrna	T. Green	6:30 PM - 9:00 PM
Nov-23-19, Sat	Fourth Degree Exemplification	Fourth Degree	Crown Plaza Wilmington North	J. McCormick	9:00 AM
Nov-28-19, Thu	Thanksgiving				
December					
Dec-01-19, Sun	1st Sunday of Advent				
Dec-07-19, Sat	State Christmas Party				
Dec-07-19, Sat	Childrens Christmas Party	Council	St. Mary Room	L. Maguire	
Dec-08-19, Sun	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception				
Dec-02-19, Mon	Cardinal Gibbon Assembly Meeting	Fourth Degree	Holly Family Church	J. McCormick	7:00 PM
Dec-11-19, Wed	Council Business Meeting / Rosary	Council	St. Mary Room	M. Bailey	Rosary 6:30, Meeting 7:00 PM
Dec-12-19, Thu	Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe				
Dec-24-19, Tue	Christmas Eve				
Dec-25-19, Wed	Christmas Day				
Dec-31-19, Tue	Newsletter Items Due Date Eve	Council		N. Mastrocinque	
January					
Jan-01-20, Wed	New Years Day				
Jan-04-20, Sat	Mid Year Meeting				
Jan-06-19, Sun	Ephiany				
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	Chili Cookoff and 50-50 drawing	Life	Social Hall	H. Wallace	