



# CHRISTMAS IS THE "SEASON OF GIVING"

You have heard that Christmas is the "Season of Giving". The very first principle of a Knight is charity, the act of giving, to present voluntarily and without expecting anything in return. Another way to give is to grant permission or an opportunity or to dispense advice. All should be done in the Lord's name for goodwill and to serve another.

This is also the "Season of Forgiving". This is a time to cease resentment, to give up a claim of debt, to grant a pardon. Whether you plan to "give" or "forgive" the will of God should be preeminent.

This month we will have a first degree ceremonial "Charity" on December 10<sup>th</sup>. You have the opportunity to show charity to a

son, grandson, father or a friend by gifting to them membership in the Knights of

Columbus. As a brother Knight they will have the opportunity to serve all, in unity with you. Always take time to be stewards of the Lord by giving and forgiving.

Mary and I offer you our sincerest wish for a Glorious Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

May God Bless You and your family.

Be forever faithful David Litzinger - Grand Knight

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## The Koch Family

Congratulations to Carol & George Koch and their daughter Samantha as our Family of the Month. They are members of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. George returned to our council and most recently obtained his 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degree ascending to Full Knighthood. The Koch's immersed themselves in our family activities, including the Summer Family picnic series, "Cars and Stars" and most recently "Italian Family Knight". You will find them helping with

set-up, cooking, and of course pouring a cold one. The family is involved with the OLMC youth group and OLMC School where Samantha is a student.

Knight of the Month

# **Brother Jeff James**

It goes without saying that BINGO would not be the same without Brother Jeff James. Jeff has been a Knight since 1986 and for the last 15 years he has been a stalwart volunteer at both the Monday and Thursday night BINGO. He along with his son has been the glue that holds the games together when novices assist. He provides a wealth of knowledge keeping the sale of Instant's moving and helping others boost sales. Jeff is a charitable person and dedicated to our BINGO program.

Chaplains Corner

# December, Month of the Immaculate Conception



The month of December is dedicated to the Immaculate Conception, which is celebrated on December 8 (the feast has been transferred to December 9 this year). The Immaculate Conception is a dogma of the Catholic Church maintaining that from the moment when she was conceived in the womb, the Blessed Virgin Mary was kept free of original sin, so that she was from the start filled with the sanctifying grace normally conferred in baptism.

The first 24 days of December fall during the liturgical season known as Advent and are represented by the liturgical color purple. The remaining days of December mark the beginning of the Christmas season. The liturgical color changes to white or gold a symbol of joy, purity and innocence.

The liturgy of Advent focuses on remembering Christ's first coming at Bethlehem which then directs our mind to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. The readings focus on the people of the Old Testament awaiting the Messiah, John the Baptist, heralding the way for Christ and the Blessed Virgin Mary and her maternal preparations.

The main Feasts of Advent are:

St. Francis Xavier (December 3), St. John Damascene (December 4), St. Nicholas (December 6), St. Ambrose (December 7),

**Immaculate Conception** (December 9), St. Damascus (December 11), Our Lady of Guadalupe (December 12), St. Lucy (December 13),

St. John of the Cross (December 14) St. Peter Canisius (December 21).

The month of December is filled with expectation and celebration. Preparation is the key word for the first 24 days of December. Christmas is a Christian feast — and we must reclaim it as such! In the same way that a family eagerly prepares for a baby, so in Advent should we prepare for the coming of the Christ Child. We should keep Advent as a season of waiting and longing, of conversion and of hope and keep our thoughts on the incredible love and humility of our God in taking on the flesh of the Virgin Mary. Let us not forget to prepare a peaceful place in our hearts wherein our Savior may come to dwell.

The best person we can turn to for help during Advent is Mary, Christ's and our Mother. She awaited the day of His birth with more eagerness than any other human being. Her preparation was complete in every respect.

Let's pray on this month of December for each one of us to celebrate with joy, hope and expectation the birth of Jesus Christ who comes to us as "Emmanuel" God with us to fill our hearts, minds and bodies with his divine love. As we prepare for Christmas celebration, let us ask Our Blessed Mother to borrow her purity, love and whole-hearted submission to God's will.

### **Bv** Father Carlos Lerma

From the Deputy Grand Knight

### A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!!!!!

been the most memorable month of the year. When I reminisce all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful those years growing up in the Philippines during Christmas, it world.' Let us all be thankful and happy during this wonderful gives me the goose bumps, since it was such a nostalgic time. It Christmas season and let us all pray for peace and harmony in was surreal in that everyone, from different walks of life, gather the world. We also need to remember those in the community

together at church for 9 consecutive days before Christmas, and we all have one thing in common – to worship and pray to God and to listen to what He has to say to us. After mass, we go to the different vendors outside the church to taste some of the delicious delicacies, while talking about the joys and festivities planned in preparation for the birth of

Jesus Christ. It was also a time to celebrate the most festive and blood drive, 18 December. Cristina and I would like to wish all yuletide season upon us, let's all be joyous and celebrate the time at our Christmas Party, 7 December. birth of Jesus Christ with great enthusiasm and optimism.

December, ever since my childhood days in the Philippines, has As what Max Ehrmann stated in his famous Desiderata, 'With

who are not as fortunate as many of us, especially the children. Let's open our hearts and pockets and contribute to the various drives during the Christmas season. Since charity is the core foundation of our organization, let's all practice what we preach. Lastly, we also need volunteers for the Youth Christmas Party, 1 December, and the December

religious holiday with family, friends and relatives. With the of you a very MERRY CHRISTMAS, and let's all have a grand

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### **NOCTURNAL ADORATION Blessed Sacrament Chapel (OLMC)**

Join us on the FIRST FRIDAY (10pm-6pm) for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The Holy Hour consists of Powerful Readings, Silent and Recited prayer. The next Nocturnal Adoration is the weekend of December 6/7. Take time this Advent to prepare the way of the Lord. Choose any hour, you will be surprised and gratified. Families are encouraged to attend.



### Theology on Tap

Another great evening of Theology on Tap with other Peninsula Young Adults on December 17th @ 7PM at El Tapatio Mexican Grill & Bar, 615 Thimble Shoals Blvd, Newport News. Guest speakers will be the Dominican Sisters of OLMC. Theology on Tap is open to all College Students & Young Adults, Single & Married, ages 18-35.

### **Men's Praver Breakfast**

The next Men's Praver Breakfast will be held at St. Michael Hall at OLMC on Saturday. December 7th at 8 am. doors open at 7:30am. We welcome from Blacksburg VA: Rev. Mr. Michael Ellerbrock, PhD. Deacon Mike is assigned to St. Mary's in Blacksburg and is also a professor at Virginia Tech. His topic is: Science & Religion: Friends or Foes, from a Catholic Perspective? We look forward to welcoming Mike and ask you to come support this special event. Register at: mpbreakfastolmc.org





As usual, at this time of year, blood supplies are critical. In the spirit of Christmas, please donate if you are able and ask a friend or family member to consider donating.

> "A Christmas gift of life to your community."



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From left: Commander SK Carroll Kelley, SK John Edwards PFN, SK Louis Federico PFN, SK Jon Sargent, SK Frank Humphry and SK Harold Hairston



Faithful Navigator SK Thai Nguyen sings the National Anthem





# Roaring Knights Bartender December Schedule

DATE	DAY	DESCRIPTION	BARTENDERS
3	TUESDAY	FR. BADER MEETING	HOWARD, STOKES, FRANCO
6	FRIDAY	OPEN KNIGHT	CLEMENTS, DAUGHTERY
8	SUNDAY	ТІ АМО	MERENDINO, STOKES
10	TUESDAY	COUNCIL MEETING	CLARKE, KELLEY, HUMPHREY
13	FRIDAY	GAME KNIGHT	PLUSINSKI, RICHARD
15	SUNDAY	OSIA	R POWELL
20	FRIDAY	OPEN KNIGHT	MUHICH, PAQUETTE
24	TUESDAY	CHRISTMAS EVE - DEN CLOSED	
25-1		HAPPY HOLIDAYS! DEN CLOSED ENJOY TIME WITH THE FAMILY!	

bartend OR/AND want to help with events in the lounge, <u>please call</u> 344-7630 or email Colleen759@verizon.net

RENTALS of all the KofC space and property for personal use, please call Bernie Gerlach (FDD) 877-0126

# CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Please join the Youth Group of the Knights or Columbus for an afternoon of family fun!

Sunday, December 01, 2013 from 12:00 Noon to 3:00 PM at Knights of Columbus Hall, 12742 Nettles Drive, Newport News, VA 23606.

The kids will enjoy games and entertainment. Refreshments will be served. And Santa will be coming to town. So do not miss meeting Santa and have you picture taken with him!

Kelwyn D'Souza, Youth Director. 757-867-6630. kelwyndsouza@gmail.com.

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RALPH & ANGELA FILICKO	1	EDWARD & HEIDI CURRAN	20	ERIK & PATTI JOY 28
LANCE & CARLOYN WARNER		FRED & MAGDA ROITZ		JEFFERY & ANN 28
BOBBIE & FLORENCE SALIRE	9	GARARD & PAT McGOUGH		JOHN & DONNA CRANE28
ANTHONY & KATIA BUSQUET	11	STEVEN & BETTY SPRINKLE	22	JOSEPH & CARLINA RAS28
GARY & ELIZABETH BROWN		ANGEL & JOHANNA PEREIRA		JOSEPH & MARGE PETERS29
DANIEL & DEBORAH McCUSKER		FRANK & JEAN GRIM		MICHAEL & CLARE MALINIAK 29
JOHN & REGINA PUGH		KERMIT & DENISE ASHBY		WILLIAM & MARIJO HEITMAN 29
YUN & HYEJIN WOOHYN		KEVIN & CONNIE TOPP		DAVID & JERRI DELAHOY 30
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ERROL & AGNES LEWIS		JOHN & PATTI CLEMENTS		LAWRENCE & BARBARA SIMCOX JR. 31
SAM &KAREN ABI-SAAB		JONATHAN & MARY RHOADS		ROBERT & KAREN FELDHOUSE 31
JOSEPH & MARY STARK III		TIMOTHY & FEVES ROSCOE		TIMOTHY & GERRI REAGAN 31
Mark A Harvey		Lance A Solaroli	09	Eric E Tillotson18
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Mark F D Souza	03	Patrick J Mendola	11	Joseph A Filippone21
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Kevin L Conlin		John J Bosco	12	David M Smith22
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	-Men's Prayer Breakfast.

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-Youth Christmas Party From 12 to 3 Pm	2	-Assembly Meeting and Pot Luck	4	5	6	-Men's Prayer Breakfast. -K of C Annual Christmas Part
Immaculate Conception 8	9	-Council Meeting, preceded by Rosary 1 <sup>st</sup> . Degree Exemplification	11	12	13	-Adopt-A-Spo -Christmas lock-
	9	-5480 Club Meeting	-Blood Drive at the Knights of Columbus Hall	12	C.1	
15	16	17	18	19	20	
22	23	24	25	26	27	
		-New Year's Eve Fellowship Dance Begin by 9 Pm	DE	CE	MB	ER
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### **SICK, RECOVERING & DECEASED**

Brothers we ask for your prayers and support for Brothers in need of healing. We also ask for prayers for the deceased. If you are aware of a Brother Knight or his family member in need of our prayers, contact Steve D'Urso or the Grand Knight.

SICK & RECOVERY: Emmet McNulty, James Buckman, Jr., Leonard Waltz, Edward Rieke, Dale Cruz, Stephen Jernigan (son of Dean), Cornelius Mitchell, Conner Steele (son of Sean), Stan Zduniak, Steve D'Urso.

DECEASED MEMBERS, RELATIVES AND FRIENDS: Deacon Peter Kwon, Angelo Luongo, Joe Tarallo, Johnny Keepes.

NAMES WILL REMAIN ON LIST FOR ONE MONTH. PLEASE RENEW YOUR PRAYER REQUEST IF CONTINUED PRAYERS ARE DESIRED. CALL STEVE D'URSO (877-2189) OR THE GRAND KNIGHT WITH REQUESTS OR QUESTIONS.

# DECEMBER KNIGHTLY EVENTS

Knights of Columbus #5480 Is hosting a:



Parents....do you need time to shop? Perhaps a quiet evening during the hustle and bustle of the holiday season? Well we have a gift for YOU! Your children are invited for pizza, games, Christmas movies and stories. We will have crafts and rumor is....a possible appearance by the "Big Guy" himself! You are welcome to stay or drop your child off with our Virtus trained volunteers. Saturday, December 14th 6pm-12pm 100 Columbus Way, \$5/child or \$15/family

You may RSVP to Robbie DeBartolo 757-286-4250r







The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Father/Daughter and Mother/Son Dance.

> Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014 from 6:00pm until 10:00pm.

At Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church in St. Michael's Hall. Tickets \$5/Person in advance and \$7.50/Person at the door. Dinner and entertainment included.

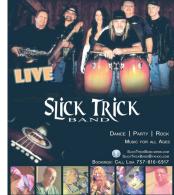
For Tickets contact Kelwyn D'Souza, KOC Youth Director: at 867-6630 (H); 604-5641 (M); email: kelwyndsouza@gmail.com. Or contact your Parish Youth Minister.

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Saturday, December 7, 2013 6 p.m. Social - 7 p.m. Dinner(Dance following dinner) Cost - \$30 per person



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# From the Faithful Navigator



Thank you Commander SK Carroll Kelley and members of Fr. Bader Assembly 2430 Color Corps for showing our flag at the football game of Newport News Shipbuilding Apprentice School V/S Ave Maria University of Florida, an impressive introduction of Fr. Bader Assembly 2430, representing the Knights of Columbus was read to the audience. A special thank you to SK Jim Healy for being an effective liaison and promoter of the Knights of Columbus to the community.

During this holiday season, especially at Christmas, when we gather for dinner with our loved ones, please pause and pray for those who cannot be with their families, our soldiers, Brother Knights who are far away from home and in harm's way. Let us pray there will be no more wars and let there be peace on earth.

### Important dates to remember:

December 3nd Potluck, Assembly meeting

December 7th, Joint Christmas party, Sir Knights in Tux, social regalia, non-Fourth Degree members, coat and tie, Ladies dress appropriately.

January 7th, Potluck, Assembly meeting, Renewal of Obligations, Officers in Tux, please.

January 25th, Color Corps training, all Sir Knights are encouraged to attend,

9 to noon : Color guards

Noon to 3 : Navigators, Commanders, future Commanders.

Bring your white gloves, service baldric and sword if you have these items.

SK THAI NGUYEN - Faithful Navigator

MARK THESE DEGREE DATES				
<u>1st Degree @ 7:30pm. Candidates report @ 7pm</u>	2nd Degree @ 7:30pm, candidates report @ 7pm			
December 10 <sup>th</sup> @ 5480- Walter Pollard, Newport News	March 25 <sup>th</sup> @ 5480- Walter Pollard, Newport News			
January 23 <sup>rd</sup> @ 6828- Fr. Rizer, Williamsburg	•			
February 25 <sup>th</sup> @ 5480- Walter Pollard, Newport	<u> 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree @ 10am, candidates report @ 9:15am</u>			
News	April 12 <sup>th</sup> @ 511- Mary, Star of the Sea, Hampton			
February 26 <sup>th</sup> @ 7469- St.Joan of Arc, Yorktown				
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