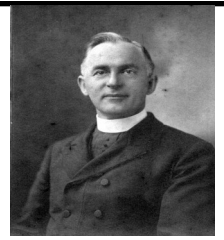




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## Chaplain's Report

### The Greatest Model

Pope Benedict XVI called St. Paul of Tarsus "the greatest model of perseverance" at a General Audience in 2006, which was the first of four Audiences dedicated to St. Paul. "He shines like a star of the brightest magnitude in the Church's history" continues "Vessel of election," "instrument chosen by God ...the thirteenth Apostle ... the first after the Only."

St. Paul had hard difficulties which he faced with courage because of the love of Christ. He himself recalls having endured "labors... imprisonment... beatings... numerous brushes with death.... Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was stoned, three times I was shipwrecked, I passed a night and a day on the deep; on frequent journeys, in dangers from rivers, dangers from robbers, dangers from my own race, dangers from Gentiles, dangers in the city, dangers in the wilderness, dangers at sea, dangers among false brothers; in toil and hardship, through many sleepless nights, through hunger and thirst, through frequent fasting, cold and exposure. And apart from these things there is the daily pressure upon me of my anxiety for all the Churches" (2 Cor 11:23-28).

Let us contemplate in this new year of fresh start the life and example of our saints. Let us consider everything valuable because of Christ, and Christ the greatest value we have within the Catholic Church. "In His light every other value is recovered and purified from possible dross." Whiting the zeal of the Saints let us face forward, present and future, to spread with every possible tool the love of Christ. As Knights, we are chosen, called and sent to embody the one who says "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?"

Jesus Christ shows us His method of abiding in His Mystical Body the Catholic Church by saying "I am Jesus the Nazorean whom you are persecuting." May the inspiring and realistic saint's life guide our journey always with friend as Timothy and Titus were with Paul.

*Your chaplain, Fr. Ettore Ferrario*

## Grand Knight's Station

I love Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's, but by now my biological clock is saying "Bring on the sun and warm weather." Once again it was a great holiday season and Fr. Rosensteel Council was very active. I have written about many of these events and programs but yet to speak of the Pro-Life Kickoff Dinner. PGK Mike Koon chaired this event as he has done for many years. He has this down to a science; this is not to say he does it effortlessly or alone. He has many volunteers (could always use more) and has a tried and tested game plan, and some pretty good meatballs. The event went off without a hitch once again, the speakers were great, the attendance and participation was excellent, and the food was delicious.

We have great friends in the folks at St. Joseph's House and I can honestly say we are good friends of theirs. As of this moment I cannot truthfully state the St. Joseph's House fundraiser was a great success once again, only because I wrote this article prior to the event being held. I can say with all confidence that the Maryknights, Council membership and the Clubhouse groups worked very hard to plan, organize and host a first-class event. Thank you, all!

Fr. Rosensteel Council was called upon once again to pick up, host and deliver meals for Catholic Charities' Cup of Joe Program. Eight hundred meals – a piece of cake for Rosensteel! We started at 8:30 a.m. and were home for brunch! This could become a monthly or at least quarterly event, so stay tuned.

February looks to be another action-packed month around the Council. On February 5, members should plan on spending the day at the Council and then dieting for the rest of the week. The First Sunday Breakfast will be followed by Super Bowl Sunday; I for one will be attending Saturday night Mass and taking a sick day on Monday.

February 11 we hope to hold the first "Have a Heart" Dinner Dance, with proceeds going to the Council Charity Fund. I have heard from a confident source that the food will be "terrific," the DJ is "Big League," the collection of attendees will be the "largest ever," and this will be our way of making the Valentine's Day function "great again." See Chancellor Jim Mannion, Warden Gus Gusman, PGK Dan Ward or Maryknights president Beth Ward if you would like to be a part of the "greatest" event chairs ever.

On February 10, Brothers Conway and Wigmore (the good Wigmore) will hold the annual Father-Daughter Dance. This is an amazing event where you will see daughters of all ages from 2 to 30 in attendance with their fathers and grandfathers. I have three sons so I don't attend, but I make it a habit to peek into the room and see the fathers and daughters having a blast. And on February 25 we will hold the Annual (revisited) Beach Party. Last year was very successful, but we can do better. So don't miss it and get your tickets early - we are looking for a sellout. Beach attire is required. Fun and games for all ages.

*Be Worthy, Terrence Moore*

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\$25/ family at the door includes

Dinner, dancing, prizes & surprises!

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**Remember in your prayers:**

**Deceased:**

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 Antonio Zarelli, father of Frank Zarelli  
 George Nash Jr.  
 Filomena Capobianco, mother of John Capobianco  
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**Disability Insurance Fact Check:  
 Do Your Clients Know the Truth?**

Discussing the need for disability insurance can be challenging for two reasons. According to several studies by Council for Disability Awareness (CDA) most consumers do not understand disability insurance. Likewise, there are several misconceptions about the causes and likelihood of suffering a disability that may interrupt the ability to earn a living. Every three years or so, the CDA reviews claims data from many of the industry's leading carriers.

**Here are some facts from the most recent report, that may help your clients see the need to protect their income with disability insurance.**

· **True or false? More than half a million people are receiving private disability benefit payments.**

**True.** The CDA member companies are paying disability benefits to roughly 653,000 people. Yet only 42 percent of heads of households have any form of disability insurance. In 2013, these companies paid more than \$9.8 billion in claims.

· **True or false? Most disability claims are for two years or longer.**

**False.** Most claims last less than two years. Only 40 percent of claims are longer than two years. This can help clients understand that most illnesses and injuries that interrupt the ability to work are not permanent. Most return to work in some capacity.

· **True or false? Most disability claims are due to a work injury.**

**False.** More than 95 percent of claims are due to a non-work related illness or injury. In 2013, almost 29 percent of claims were due to musculoskeletal and connective tissue illnesses, by far the largest category. Cancer was the second most common cause of disability claims. Many consumers incorrectly believe that disabilities are usually due to a single, catastrophic event.

· **True or false? Woman are more likely than men to become disabled.**

**True.** 56 percent of new approved claims are filed by women.

· **True or false? Most Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) applicants are awarded benefits.**

**False.** In 2014, only 32.2 percent of first time applicants were awarded benefits. The general trend for the ratio has declined since the high point of 52 percent in 1967. In 2016, average SSDI benefit was \$1,166. To qualify for SSDI benefits, the claimant must be unable to work for five months and expected to be disabled for 12 months.



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*Anytime at all,  
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Anytime at all,  
All you've gotta do is call  
And I'll be there.  
If you need somebody to love,  
Just look into my eyes,  
I'll be there to make you feel right.  
If you're feeling sorry and sad, I'd really sympathize.  
Don't you be sad, just call me tonight.  
Anytime at all,  
Anytime at all,  
Anytime at all,  
All you've gotta do is call and I'll be there.  
If the sun has faded away, I'll try to make it shine.  
There is nothin' I won't do.  
When you need a shoulder to cry on, I hope it will be mine.  
Call me tonight, and I'll come to you.  
Anytime at all,  
Anytime at all,  
Anytime at all,  
All you've gotta do is call and I'll be there*

Lennon-McCartney, 1964

I recently heard these lyrics while listening to 60's on Six, SiriusXM Radio while on my way to the Council one evening. The song expresses one's desire to be there anytime one calls. In just my short time as a Rosensteel Knight this is exactly what we are all about. We are there for each other. When it comes to supporting life, we are there. For a Brother in need, we are there. For Coats for Kids, we are there. For Cup-of-Joe, we are there. For Food for Families, for the Maryknights, we are there. For the intellectually handicapped, we are there. For a parish need, we are there. For our Troops, we are there. Any Time at All!

If we had an anthem this would work.

Jim Mannion

**Council Money Motions**

In accordance with Council bylaws, the following Money Motions are scheduled to be discussed and voted upon at the February 7 Business Meeting if a quorum exists.

- A motion to add \$8,080 to the Charity Fund in Council Activities for the 2016-17 Fraternal Year Budget.
- A motion to add \$3,000 to the St. Valentine's Day existing line item in Council Activities for the 2016-17 Fraternal Year Budget.

**Deputy Grand Knight's Corner**

Ah February, the simultaneous onset of true winter weather and yet harbinger of spring. The shortest month, yet chock-filled with happenings and events: World Day for Consecrated Life, Black History Month, Groundhog Day, Valentine's Day, Presidents' Day, National Drink Wine Day (18th), National Organ Donor Day (14th), to name a very few.

I'd like to highlight a week in the month that many are unaware: February 7-14 is [National Marriage Week](#) (and if you didn't know that, I won't tell!). The purpose is to promote the benefits of marriage, facts such as marriage makes people happier, helps people live longer, and that children with married parents are happier, healthier and do better in school, to name but a few. Looking deeper into the purpose of marriage, the U.S. [Council of Catholic Bishops](#) has a wonderful explanation of Marriage as a Sacrament of Enduring Love:

"Faithfulness to the marital commitment is one of those aspects of Christian marriage most difficult for the modern world to understand, and for this reason, it is an aspect that takes on greater importance in our times. A world that is losing confidence in the possibility of a faithful and enduring love need living signs of this reality. This is a mission that the Lord confides in a particular way to married couples. The happiness that is lived in the midst of a faithful and freely generous marital commitment calls us to remember our better aspirations, it invites those who are disheartened to have new hope. In this sense, the Sacrament of Marriage contains within itself an evangelizing mission."

We married Knights would be best-served to remember daily how blessed we are to have the love and support of our spouses. Let's not limit our appreciation to Valentine's Day, a birthday, an anniversary or to National Marriage Week.

Bruce Cotting

SATURDAY FEB. 11TH, 5:00 - 10:00PM

**GIVE THE GIFT OF CHARITY**



**"Have a Heart" Charity Fundraiser**

DINNER AND DANCING \$25 PER PERSON

Have we got an offer for you!  
Come support the charitable works of the Father Rosensteel Council and enjoy spaghetti w/meatballs & sausage, salad and appetizers, and special MaryKnight desserts. Dance off the dinner with music by DJ Wayne "Half-step" Miller!

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## The Best of Rosensteel

**Knight of the Month:** As a 42-year member, this Past Grand Knight has organized one of our Council's most important events for years. The Pro-life Kickoff dinner was held on January 22 this year and once again it was a huge success. Fantastic and prolific speakers, numerous clergy and several state officers came together in support of this great cause. February's KOTM has already begun plans for next year's kickoff. This is a huge endeavor and one that he does not take on by himself; he enlists the assistance of numerous Council members and his lovely wife.

The kickoff dinner is followed by a youth group coming in for the March on the following weekend. This KOTM entertains, feeds, supports and marches with them as well. Please join me in thanking and congratulating PGK Mike Koon as February's Knight of The Month.

**Family of the Month:** This month's Family of the Month includes a member for 24 years who probably holds the record for going through his 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> degrees in the fastest time: five days. He is the Council's most regular bartender, serving Mondays as consistent as clock work. He is always the first one to say "I can help" for any given event. He is an avid golfer and longtime St. Bernadette's parishioner.

His wife Carol, three daughters, three sisters, one brother, and a plethora of grandchildren can be seen filling up the room at Sunday breakfasts and Friday Night dinners. They have perfected the art of making their own sausage for over 60 years. Please join me in thanking this Italian family that bleeds tomato sauce (maybe better known as gravy) as our Family of the Month and candidate for Family of the Year. Thank you and congratulations to our Brother Matt D'Antuono and his wonderful family.

## Vocations

LORD of the harvest, BLESS young people with the gift of courage to respond to your call. Open their hearts to great ideals, to great things. INSPIRE all of your disciples with mutual love and giving - for vocations blossom in the good soil of faithful people. INSTILL in those religious life, parish ministries, and families with the confidence and grace to invite others to embrace the bold and noble path of a life consecrated to you. UNITE us to Jesus through prayer and sacrament, so that we may cooperate with you in building your reign of mercy and truth, of justice and peace.

--- Pope Francis, *Adapted from the Message on the 51<sup>st</sup> World Day of Prayer for Vocations*

## World Day for Consecrated Life

February 2, 2017 (Celebrated in Parishes February 4-5)

In 1997, Pope Saint John Paul II instituted a day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life. This celebration is attached to the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2. This Feast is also known as Candlemas Day; the day on which candles are blessed symbolizing Christ who is the light of the world. So too, those in consecrated life are called to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to all peoples. The celebration of World Day for Consecrated Life is transferred to the following Sunday in order to highlight the gift of consecrated persons for the whole Church.

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Last December 20, 60 members attended our Christmas luncheon. It was a very festive luncheon of prime rib with all the fixings. In addition to the 50/50 winnings, we gave away a total of 19 door prizes. Only about half the members attend regularly. We would invite the other half to consider attending monthly. The luncheons are opportunities for the members to meet with friends and enjoy a meal of appetizers, entree and dessert for only \$9. Come join us!

Our bowling league has completed the first half of the season. First place was won by Team 6, the Eagles, consisting of Danny Bengero, Cecile Fecteau, Theresa Fitzgerald and John Fox.

Our next luncheon will be on Tuesday, February 28. Hope to see you there and don't forget your sweetheart on Valentine's Day!

*Ray Koski*

### District Deputy's Report: Knights of Peter Claver

A few years ago, an African American lady approached me after Mass to say her father was a "Knight," but she didn't have any information of the Council in Alabama where he belonged. She asked if I could help. Well, using the personal information that she provided, I began a search: dead end with K of C records. Someone then suggested I look at the Knights of Peter Claver. Who are they was my first thought. Sure enough, he was a Knight of Peter Claver.

I began to investigate this sister organization and found what you can easily discover - it was founded by the Josephite Order and particularly Father Conrad Friedrich Rebesher, SSJ, in 1909 along with six other charter members: three Josephite priests and three laymen. It was founded in Mobile, Alabama, with the aim of providing a spiritual organization for black men. Later, in 1922 its counterpart Ladies Auxiliary was founded.

Now the real purpose of my article is not to recount the history of the Knights of St. Peter Claver, but to dispel the accusations it was founded because the Knights of Columbus barred blacks from membership. This is a lie, or to use a popular post-election term, "fake news." The Knights of Columbus has from the beginning been open to all practical Catholic men over 18. The Knights received its first African American applicant in the 1890's. Our K of C opened "Rest and Relaxation" facilities for all soldiers during WWI at a time when other social service organizations did not admit blacks. And in 1924, the Knights of Columbus published W.E.B. DuBois' book, *The Gift of Black Folk*.

We Knights should be proud of our history from the beginning – one of fraternity and unity with all peoples regardless of race. Not only have we "talked the talk," but the record is clear that we have "walked the walk" as advocates for the Lord.

*Charles Hayes*

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It's hard to believe the Christmas season has come and gone, we've rung in the New Year and are already thinking about filing tax returns! Before you know it, Lent will be here, followed by the wonderful Easter season. So I want to take a moment and recap a few important events of the last months.

At our December meeting, we participated in the Apostleship of the Sea Christmas Shoebox Program and had Jack Giacalone, executive secretary to the Maryland State Deputy, speak about this ministry. We thank Jack and his wife Phyllis for joining us and for their help in assembling and wrapping the shoeboxes. We assembled and wrapped over 40 and had boxes of items left over! So, when self and husband, Dan, delivered the shoeboxes we included these 'leftovers' so the Apostleship of the Sea could hand them out as needed.

Another highlight was the presentation of proceeds from our Charity Ball to Mr. Tom Liniak of SportsPlus: a whopping \$18,626.68! He was not only thrilled at the amount but humbled; he gave a very moving thank you speech. Again, thanks to everyone who helped to make the Charity Ball a success. Now it's time to start thinking about this year's Charity Ball recipient! I ask everyone to come to the February meeting and be prepared to nominate your favorite charity for consideration.

I am happy to report that in January, thanks to Sue Wiant and with the permission of our Grand Knight, we were able to place a collection box in the Knights' Room for Leveling the Playing Field. Leveling the Playing Field collects used/excess sporting equipment and donates it to low-income sports programs so it can serve more children. It accepts all types of equipment, including golf clubs, so feel free to bring in what you're not using and drop it in the bin.

On Saturday, February 11, the Knights are holding a "Have a Heart" dinner n' dance to raise money for their charity fund. It's from 5 'til 10 p.m. and the cost is \$25 per person. PGK Rob Seubert will be preparing his famous spaghetti dinner and we (the Maryknights) offered to supply dessert. Music and dancing will be by our favorite DJ, Wayne Miller. An e-mail will be sent asking for sign-ups: WATCH YOUR INBOX.

The speaker for our February 13 meeting will be a new member, Debbie Deems. Debbie works for the Montgomery County Infants and Toddlers Program that provides early intervention services to assist families with their efforts to address their children's developmental and special needs. We look forward to hearing more about this organization.

Our membership is growing thanks to all of you who are actively recruiting. Please, keep up the good work and continue to invite women to join our wonderful organization. See you on February 11.

*Beth Ward*

*"Do something beautiful for God." (St. Teresa of Calcutta)*



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**Friday, March 17** - St. Patrick's Day  
**Sunday, April 9** - Children's Easter Party  
**Saturday, April 15** - Needy food baskets,  
Sullivan  
**Thursday, April 27** - Nuns' Appreciation  
Night

## FEBRUARY 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1. <b>Bingo</b> Cavaliere	2. Mannion	3. Team #5 Girolami - Roast pork, salad, pota- toes Pistol Pete, Rick Hardman	4.
5. 1st. Sunday Breakfast  Super Bowl	6. D'Antuono Zappala	7. Business Meeting	8. <b>Bingo</b>	9. Cassagnol	10. Team # 6 Langley - Mary Margaret Hathaway 's Jambalaya Conway, Carey, Wig- more, DeVol, McKinney	11. Have a Heart Dinner n' Dance Conway, Carey, De- Vol
12. Ponce	13. D'Antuono McNamara	14. Slattery	15. <b>Bingo</b> Joe & Pat	16. Dassing	17. Team #7 Moore - Mexican Fajita Platter  Lyon & Lynch	18.
19. Horse Racing in the Knights' Room  Maddox	20. D'Antuono McNamara	21. Social Meeting  Kreitzberg	22. <b>Bingo</b> Maddox	23. Seubert	24. Team #1 Sullivan/ Calcutt - Spiced shrimp and seafood chowder  E-III, Sheets	25.
26.	27. D'Antuono McNamara	28. Retiree Luncheon  Culkin, DeVol	March 1. <b>Bingo</b>	2.	3.	4.