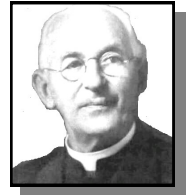




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## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Dear Young Friends,

Yours is a time of life which is full of amazing changes. Everything seems possible and impossible all at once. I repeat what I said to some of your friends: "Remain steadfast in the journey of faith, with firm hope in the Lord. This is the secret of our journey! He gives the courage to swim against the tide. Pay attention, my young friends: to go against the current; this is good for the heart, but we need courage to swim against the tide. Jesus gives us this courage!

With him we can do great things; he will give us the joy of being his disciples, his witnesses.

Commit yourselves to great ideals, to the most important things. We Christians were not chosen by the Lord for little things; push onward toward the highest principles. Stake your lives on noble ideals.

The Lord has a great dream which, with your help, he wants to come true! Your friends, young people your age living in less trying conditions than your own, have not forgotten you; they are working for peace and justice for everyone, everywhere. Don't be taken in by the messages of hatred or terror all around us. Instead, make new friends."

I am glad you have read this message that reminds us the reasons of the existence of the Knight of Columbus, thanks to the charism of a parish priest, Father McGivney. As I, chaplain of Rosensteel Council and a two-year member of the Knight of Columbus, I wish for myself and my worthy brothers to rediscover why God's providential project made the Knights so widespread in U.S.A and in all the world. "Calm, mild-mannered, and dutiful, Father McGivney was known in Catholic circles around New England as a reformer. There was, by all accounts, something both stoic and angelic about his nature. One of his goals was the promulgation of insurance for Catholics in the working classes." says the book "Parish Priest" written by Douglas Brinkley and Julie M. Fenster. May God inspire us to rekindle this origin during this upcoming Lent Season and follow the social teaching of the Catholic Church plainly in "committing ourselves to great ideals."

## PRO-LIFE NEWS

Forty-three years ago the Supreme Court infamously decided the Roe v. Wade Case allowing abortion throughout this country. Since then over 55 million innocent pre-born babies have been murdered as a result of this decision. We Catholics believe in the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception until natural death and as brother Knights we practice this belief in our daily lives.

Last month, Father Rosensteel Council Knights of Columbus had two pro-life events to support the sanctity of life.

On Sunday evening, January 17, the Knights held its annual Pro-Life Kick-Off Rally featuring His Excellency Bishop Knestout, four pro-life speakers, Worthy State Deputy Stephen M. Cohen and his lovely wife Vicky, priests, religious, Council officers, the Cardinal O'Boyle Assembly Color Corps and other distinguished guests. There were approximately 140 attendees who enjoyed a free spaghetti and meatball dinner and wonderful pro-life talks addressing issues such as crisis pregnancy, sanctity of traditional marriage, euthanasia and the youth rally at the upcoming March for Life.

Many thanks to all those who made this event a success, from the Bishop, speakers, state and council officers, musicians, set-up crew, cooks, Squires, Roses, servers, photographer, bartenders and others.

The second event was the hosting of a high school group from Atlanta that arrived in Silver Spring for the annual March for Life. Twenty-five high school students and five chaperones, including a Catholic priest, spent three days and two nights at the Council. PGK Dan Ward and I stayed at the Council with the group, cooked meals and enjoyed their youthful enthusiasm and pro-life dedication.

On Friday they attended the rally and returned to the Council as their flights had been cancelled and had no other place to go. They eventually found lodging elsewhere where they could have hot showers and a soft bed.

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## Deputy's Dialog

- Terrence Moore

By the time many of you read this article I will be (Council willing) voted in as Grand Knight to finish this Fraternal Year. If not, I will remain your Deputy Grand Knight. Either way, my goals and intentions remain the same -- open the lines of communication so that members want to be involved in Council activities and feel needed and appreciated. I hope you have already noticed some changes we have made to support this effort: our "Week at a Glance," improvements to the *Knights Life*, requests for assistance and volunteers, improved communication with the three parishes we support and improved communications with the charities with which we work.

We also want to strengthen the relationships between the Clubhouse, Building Associations and the Council, enabling us to work together for the good of the Order. We have a very engaged and active group of officers and directors on all three entities, currently working very well together for the common goal -- success for Fr. Rosensteel Council.

We also want to strengthen the bond between the Maryknights and membership. Rosensteel has the good fortune to have the greatest group of Maryknights around and we need to support them the way they support our Council. We need to support the youth of our Council as they will one day be the Knights and Maryknights of Fr. Rosensteel or other councils. We hear current longtime members stating that they remember being a Squire, working events and hanging out at functions. We need to continue this tradition not only for the benefit of our youth and Council, but consider this: one of our Squires graduates college and moves to another state, joins another Council and explains to its members how much he enjoyed growing up as a Squire at Rosensteel. This would be a proud moment for all of us.

This is where some would say "we are faced with many challenges," but I couldn't disagree more. This is what we as Knights do; it comes naturally. This is not to say it is

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without effort, but we perform when asked and many times without being asked. The analogy that comes to mind is the reason why many Catholic men are not Knights -- because they have never been asked. We are asking and Fr. Rosensteel Council continues to step up.

### **Pro-Life**

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Again, many thanks to those who made this group feel welcome, including PGK Ward, the cooks and servers.

PGK Mike Koon

## **ROSENSTEEL 2169 SUPER BOWL FEBRUARY 7**

Our annual Super Bowl extravaganza will be held in the Columbian Room starting at 5 pm. We will be having the usual fare of food and open bar. We will also have our large 50/50 raffle. If you purchased a box in the pool, you and a friend are invited to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

Your 2016 Super Bowl Chairman- Brother Dave Donnelly

### **District Deputy's Message:**

#### **A Great Start to the New Year**

Besides all the great fraternal activities in January, this Council came together with many wonderful charitable and spiritual activities. PGK Mike Koon put on a wonderful Culture of Life dinner which was attended by many, including the State Deputy and our Chaplain. The State Deputy was very impressed. As usual the Council home housed the young faithful who traveled from Georgia to attend the Right to Life Rally. Little did they know they would be stranded with a snowstorm! The youths had a great time both with our hospitality and playing in the snow.

An urgent call was received by PGK Frank Cavaliere from Catholic Charities to provide volunteers for the "Cup of Joe" program to assemble 4,000 breakfast bags. I believe the total was closer to 4,500. By the smile on our Chaplain's face you could tell he was extremely happy to see our Council family performing the work of Jesus.

Thanks to everyone who volunteered for January activities. If you were unable to volunteer in January, we look forward to seeing you do so in February.



Vivat Jesus,  
Tom Kelly



## Remember in your Prayers

### Deceased:

- Jack Morgan, father of PGK Dave Morgan
- Brother Alex Maksymczuk, H.L.M.
- Shakuntla Medina, friend of PGK Girolami

### Sick:

- Bob Koubek, friend of PGK Bob Brown
- Brother Tom Myres
- Brother Joe Caron
- Helen Borkoski, mother of Brother Mark Borkoski
- Brother Mike Audet

In case of illness or death of a member, please contact  
Financial Secretary Rob Seubert at 301-681-8181



## ***Knight of the Month***

It is rare that you see a PGK under this title except in July when his term is up. Is this due to the lack of effort and commitment once they leave office? I think not! Rosensteel is fortunate to have dozens of very active and committed PGKs. Many had terms that were filled with conflicts and huge challenges, yet they stay committed and involved. Many assist the current chairs and all are eager to jump in when needed.

February's Knight of the Month fits that description. He continues to build the ties between his parish and our Council. He leads the charitable efforts with Cup of Joe and Catholic Charities. He is a huge part of the production and distribution of the *Knight Life*. He assists the current chairs on a day to day basis. He is a Trustee and delegate to the Convention. His most important undertaking has been to improve the current tap beer selection; just kidding but he does take this seriously.

If you don't know who I am talking about yet, you might want to up your level of partition and involvement. Please join us in thanking and congratulating PGK Frank Cavaliere as February's Knight of the Month.

## ***Family of the Month***

We owe a great deal of thanks to this month's Family of the Month for implementing our new Bingo Program of September 9, 2015. They designed and formatted the program to fit our needs. She is a Maryknight and occasionally helps serve the Bingo dinners along with her granddaughter Hannah on Wednesday nights.

He worked very hard for weeks on this project and he had to balance increasing our prize money along with a modest increase in our prices. These program changes have worked well and have contributed to our increasing profits during the last three months. He also cashiers for us and manages the service line and paper products as needed. We salute Jim and Barbara Dailey for their service and continued support of our Bingo program throughout the past 10 years. Please pull them aside to thank and congratulate them.

## **Keglers Alley**



On Thursday mornings at 9:30 the *Rosensteel Retirees Mixed Bowling League* meets at the White Oak Bowling Lanes to set 'em up and knock 'em down. Forty hardy souls brave aches, pains, cold, snow, rain and traffic to meet, greet and beat each other through their amazing display of athletic dexterity — or not. Camaraderie and a healthy competitive spirit bring this motley group of keglers to the alleys; no quarter asked, none given, but cheers and encouragement bestowed upon all. From August to May these intrepid individuals battle for pride, recognition and prizes to the shout of the banchee's wail 'Ya gotta hit 'em.' If you're looking for fun and a reason to get up in the morning this is the activity for you.

Please talk with Bob Brown [bnabrown@comcast.net](mailto:bnabrown@comcast.net) about joining or subbing.

Remember: Ten Pins: Duck Pins as Softball: Baseball.

## ***Men's Retreat***

The St. Bernadette Men's Retreat is scheduled for February 26-28 at Loyola on the Potomac, a Jesuit retreat house in Faulkner, MD. **This year's retreat theme is: "The Way."** To make a reservation, please contact Bro. Jerome McNamara at [jerome.mcnamara@gmail.com](mailto:jerome.mcnamara@gmail.com). The retreat fee for the weekend is \$235 (\$185 for first time retreatants and/or young adults up to age 30). **Give a weekend to God - "Come away and rest a while,"** [www.loyolaonthepotomac.com](http://www.loyolaonthepotomac.com)



*Pro Life Kick-Off Rally Dinner*



*Fr. Ettore Ferrario at Cup of Joe Event*

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**Mary's Widows**

Bringing everyone up-to-date, the group's annual Christmas lunch was held at the Council where Fr. Perkins, Mike Koon and 24 widows enjoyed a turkey dinner, thanks to John Matosian. Brian Graham donated golf umbrellas for door prizes.

Please remember there will be no luncheon in February.

See you again in March.



**Cup of Joe Assembly Lines**

**Cup of Joe Report**

On January 14, volunteers picked up 24,000 food items and containers and brought them back to the council. A quick group text provided another eight volunteers to help unload. Then on Saturday, January 16, Rosensteel amassed almost 100 volunteers to bag over 4,250 meals for the homeless. This was run like a well-oiled machine, completing this huge task in less than 2 1/2 hours. Not only did we bag the meals we delivered these meals to four different locations. Thanks to all that contributed!

**Baker Bill's Buttermilk Biscuits**

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon Kosher salt
- 6 tablespoons unsalted butter, quartered and diced
- 1 cup buttermilk

Pre-heat oven to 450 °  
 Use pastry cutter to mix dry ingredients and butter, add milk  
 Form dough ball and place on flowered surface.  
**By hand (not a rolling pin)**, knead and spread dough folding 4x.  
 Using 2 1/2 " biscuit or cookie cutter, cut out biscuits and place on non-greased baking sheet. If done right you'll get 10 biscuits. Bake for 15 minutes. Serve hot!

## Maryknights Report

Our January meeting included a thought provoking presentation by **Donna Dettling of Simpler Life Solutions** who specializes in professional organizing services and time management assistance. Donna is offering some special opportunities to the Maryknights. Check your inbox for an e-mail from Luanne with the information. She is available for phone consultation should you wish to discuss these ideas further - **301-330-8750** or by e-mail at [donna@simplerlifesolutions.com](mailto:donna@simplerlifesolutions.com).

Just a reminder to all you wonderful hard working Maryknights - we raised **\$20,000.47!** for KIND at this past year's Charity Ball. To get a jump start on the coming year's event, our February meeting will be the time to present possible charities for consideration. Keep your presentation short and bring handouts about the organization for our members.

Upcoming activities include the **Spring Card Party on March 7** - contact **Barb Dailey 301-589-3084** for information or reservations. The event will be held at the Leisure World Club House. The **Anniversary Party will be held on April 10 at Norbeck Country Club** - Margie Cuff is the contact person ([margiecuff@gmail.com](mailto:margiecuff@gmail.com)). Other activities remain in the planning stages. The **annual fundraiser Gala for St. Joseph's House has been rescheduled for February 6** because of the snow. Contact Margie Cuff for info. The blizzard has knocked a few things around but nothing can hold us back from continuing to do good work and enjoy each other. Keep warm and safe and hug those you love warmly. See you soon at the February meeting. God bless.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue Wiant

## Nominations Committee Report

The council has four elected officer vacancies, Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Recorder and Outside Guard. Elections will be held at the February 2 Business Meeting. The nominations committee reviews credentials and eligibility from members in good standing to fill vacancies in office. The Nominations Committee recommends and presents the following candidates to the council for the vacant positions:

For the office of Grand Knight: Terrence Moore, DGK  
For the office of Deputy Grand Knight: Mike Koon, PGK  
For the office of Recorder: Gus Gusman  
For the office of Outside Guard: Phil Azert (nominated from floor at January business meeting)

In accordance with the bylaws, nominations may be made from the floor at the January Business Meeting, January Social Meeting, and the February Business Meeting prior to the election.


Geoff Conway  
Mike Donnelly  
Russell Sutton, PGK

## Kitchen Crew Schedule

We are in desperate need of Kitchen Crew Leaders and Team Members.


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Maryknight Lois Devlin with Knights at the basilica on Christmas Eve



## **Squires/Roses February Update**

Thank you to James Rippetoe, Ryann Cuddy, Alice Droege, Anna Campbell, Emma Bruckwick, Sara Seubert and Lilly Beck for their help at the Right to Life Kickoff dinner.

The Squires also recognize Will Carey for setting up the Nativity scene in front of the Council and for baking cookies for the event. The Squires recognize Ryann Cuddy, Alice Droege and Emma Bruckwick for their contribution to the Tootsie Roll fund- \$56 was collected by these young ladies. The Benefit for St. Joseph's House has been rescheduled for February 6; the Squires and Roses have been asked to help support this event. The Free Throw Shooting Competition will be rescheduled because of the weather. We will post an update as soon as we can secure a gym. The next meeting will be Thursday, February 18, at 7 p.m.

## Reflections

### *Misericordiae Vultus*

Our Holy Father Pope Francis chose to open the Holy Year, the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy, on December 8, the Feast of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. His intention was to remind us all that "*Mercy is the very foundation of the Church's Life. Mercy becomes a criterion for ascertaining who the Father's true children are. Wherever the Church is present, the mercy of the Father must be evident wherever there are Christians, everyone should find an oasis of mercy.*"

Read that last line again – wherever there are Christians, everyone should find an oasis of mercy. Given the upheaval across the world today, I believe our Holy Father is individually calling each one of us to unite and personally demonstrate the very mercy that our Savior Jesus Christ demonstrated when he died on the cross.

*I urge you to read the complete letter of The Bull of Indiction of The Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy*

*Chancellor Bruce Cotting*

## Request for "Reflections"

"Months ago we started our own reflections because of the beauty we saw when parents brought their children to the Rosary and these young kids actually knew how to pray it! How many adults know how to actually pray the rosary? We realized then that there are many other instances where everyday actions reflect the foundation of our faith in beautiful ways.

For us it makes sense to show the power of our actions and of prayer. We have believed for a long time now that we can show pro-life actions in a positive way. This includes reminding ourselves of the beautiful positive interactions we have with each other, our elderly members, our children and those who are physically and mentally challenged, with organizations like St. Joseph's House and St. John's House.

Driving an elderly member to the Council for Friday night or a social meeting, saying the Rosary and teaching our children to say it, building a ramp for a wheelchair bound member, showing the youth how important it is to volunteer, welcoming those with disabilities into the community. All these activities are pro-life because they show the importance of individual lives!

Please consider writing an article that reflects the positive. Show HOW we change the hearts and minds of the next generations to become a culture of life.

This is what will help them connect the dots to why assisted suicide, abortion and other actions against the human person are sins against God.

## Clubhouse Association

We're pleased to say the Rosensteel Hall catering and events management website – [www.Rosensteelhall.com](http://www.Rosensteelhall.com) – is up and running, and web visits to the site are increasing. We continue to increase our visibility within the local catering and events community and regularly add new information and photos to the site. With additional referrals to the site and a growing awareness of our new catering and events management name, we expect to see increased bookings this spring and summer. Our competitive edge is our close attention to client needs, truly competitive rates and outstanding customer service – all of which we hope will develop into lasting relationships with Rosensteel Hall.

Our partnership with the Building Association is strong and we greatly appreciate its support in renovating the rental facilities. If you haven't visited the Columbian Room recently, please see the beautiful new chandeliers that create an immediate positive impression on prospective clients. Additional dramatic changes are planned in the next several weeks that will make our Hall a true showcase to brides and other renters.

How can you help with our events management and catering outreach? Two easy ways are:

1. Book an event at Rosensteel Hall – a birthday party, retirement celebration, office or club meeting, wedding, post-funeral meal – whatever your needs, Rosensteel Hall and staff can accommodate your requests.
2. Refer others to Rosensteel Hall when talking with them about any receptions or meetings you know they may be having.

This is a business and we can't grow it effectively without you.

To rent any of our rooms or to inquire about pricing and availability, please visit the Rosensteel Hall Web site – [www.Rosensteelhall.com](http://www.Rosensteelhall.com).

The Clubhouse Association meets at the Council the fourth Tuesday of each month (unless holidays or weather cause changes) at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

Bill Zimmerman  
President, Clubhouse Association

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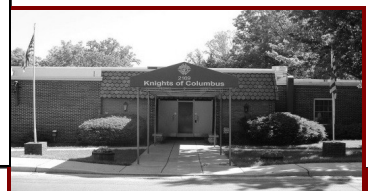
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3/5 Second Annual Cook Off  
3/7 MaryKnights Card Party  
3/17 St. Patrick's Day Party

## FEBRUARY 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1.	2. 1st day of Lent  7—Business Meeting	3. <b>Bingo</b> Dollynore, Mullaney, Bromley *Pizza Night	4.  Kreitzberg	5.  Team 8—Special Chef	6. St. Joseph House Fundraiser
7. 8-11 Sunday B'fast  Super Bowl Party	8. 7 Maryknights  D'Antuono McNamara	9.	10. <b>Bingo</b>  McKinney *Pizza Night	11.  Conway, Duvol Carey	12.  Team 9-Seafood Chowder Conway, Carey, Wigmore	13.
14. St. Valentine's Day  Slattery	15. Presidents Day  D'Antuono McNamara	16.  7—Social Meeting	17. <b>Bingo</b>  Cavaliere *Pizza Night	18.  Mannion *Tony Horner Memorial Rosary	19.  Team 1 -Spiced Shrimp	20. Moore & Langley
21.	22.  D'Antuono	23.	24. <b>Bingo</b>  *Pizza Night	25.	26.  Team 2, Shrimp Creole E III	27.
28.	29.  D'Antuono					

**Reminder: Throughout Lent the Council's Friday Night Family meals will be meatless**