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"There is Strength in Unity"

The Monthly Newsletter of

John Paul I Council - Knights of Columbus

Serving Visitation BVM & Saint Teresa of Avila Parishes

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From our Grand Knight



My dear Brother Knights:

Happy New Year - and may your resolutions be ones that will help you and your families draw even closer to God during this New Year. We are off to a good start with the addition of another new member, who will shortly be taking his first degree. Our council has

some good plans to further increase our visibility and support in our churches and do more activities to increase faith, fraternity and fun. But, you are the key ingredient in this coming to pass. Our chaplain, Father Kelly, said at our January meeting the big E, enthusiasm, is the important part in making our council grow and do more. Activities are on the drawing board and already some are becoming more active for this year. I don't want anyone to miss out on what is coming next - will you make a resolution, a promise to try to attend our meetings and activities as you are able? I know we all lead busy and hectic schedules, but being a more active Knight is something important to making your previous promises come to fulfillment. Many members have said to me, "I'll try to come out more." Were you serious? We are opening our meeting with the Rosary and praying especially for each of our members. We are having more and varied activities such as our first mini-retreat. We are making progress with getting new members - but, you our regular members, are a very important part of our council and we don't want to replace, but add. Adding your presence will help us do more for our church, our council, our families and ultimately even for yourself. Let this New Year be one of our best. Viva Jesu, *Denny*

2008 Dues are DUE !

2008 dues are \$25.00 which includes a \$5.00 coal ticket booklet. Please mail your dues to: Jack Kees, 208 Clearfield Ave., Norristown, PA 19403. Checks should be payable to: Knights of Columbus Council # 7565.

Come...Join us... K of C Retreat

Saturday, February 16th starting at 8 am in the Larkin Center for breakfast followed by a series on Lent by Father Kelly in the Lower Church ending with a special Mass at noon. Make this an event in your Lenten spiritual journey.



Adoration Chapel, a Knight's Commitment

We want to be a part of the wonderful 24/7 adoration at Visitation BVM. We, as a council, are making a commitment to take a time slot as adorers on Friday at 9 PM every week. By scheduling many knights, we can help fill the schedule in service to Our Lord and not making this a difficult task. If ten knights decided to fill in, each person would only have to take an hour every 10 weeks (2 1/2 months). Dennis Mann will keep the schedule and you could even arrange substitutions if necessary. **This is a great work—will you help us with it?**

Have You invited Someone to become a Knight?

Faith



On the Battle Field

We need the support of Our Lady—We are Her Knights
PRAY THE ROSARY

Perpetual Adoration Chapel at Visitation BVM is always open for you.

Men's Bible Study Fellowship Group meeting at Class A second and fourth Saturdays at 9:00AM.

We are in the Book of Acts. This is an interesting study and is open to everyone who would care to join us. For more information call Denny Mann (610-457-3760)

Do you know of a knight who is ill or in need, whose family is in need or who has passed away? Please let Jack Kees know so that we may help and pray together. Jack's number is 610-539-4935.

Calendar

Tuesday, February 5– 7:30 PM
Officers' Meeting at STA. All are welcome to attend.

Saturday, February 16 at Visitation BVM
With Father Edward Kelly.
Breakfast 8:00am
Recollection Retreat 9:00am
Mass Noon to 1:00pm

Tuesday, February 19– 7:30 PM
Regular Meeting at Msgr. Larkin Center -
Your presence can and will make a difference. Anyone needing transportation please call any officer.

**All things are difficult before
they are easy.**

Officers

COUNCIL OFFICERS 2007/2008

GRAND KNIGHT.....Dennis Mann (457-3760)
DEPUTY GR. KNIGHT...Bud Swedkowski, PGK (630-0861)
CHANCELLOR.....Open
LECTURER.....Open
WARDEN.....Ralph Garcia (666-0756)
RECORDER.....Roger Tartaglia, (584-5261)
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Please note: this issue will be mailed to everyone with a fraternal survey included (in addition to the e-mail copy) please return your dues notice (unless you are clergy or a life member) and your fraternal survey as soon as possible. We regret the delay in getting this out to you.

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