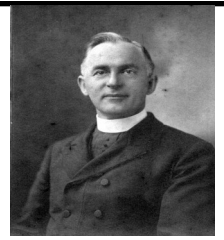




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## **Chaplain's Report**

*Editor's Note: In this space, we introduce our Council's new chaplain, Father Joseph Calis, pastor of St. John the Evangelist Parish in Silver Spring. He succeeds Fr. Ettore Ferrario who has been assigned to a new ministry in Minneapolis - St. Paul, MN.*

Dear Brother Knights,

I feel honored and blessed to be your chaplain. I look forward to being your spiritual guide. Thank you to our outgoing Grand Knight Mr. Terrence Moore and his officers who faithfully served our Council this past year.

The Knights of Columbus are an extension of God's love and generosity. The Knights extend their help and hospitality to their community in happy times and in times of need. This noble tradition of support and care for our community are reflective of God's love and never-ending care for us.

Being there for our brothers and sisters through acts of kindness win God's favor and result in great blessings.

The generous heart and compassion of the Knights is the example by which all Christians should follow.

Following Christ involves putting His way of life into practice and in a Christian community. Hospitality means showing a generosity of disposition and a willingness to interrupt our personal lives in order to perform some unrecorded act of kindness, because it is not what is given that counts, but the heart with which it is given. The least we can do for Christ, who has accepted us in our sinfulness, is to receive one another with open arms. We respond to His compelling call for discipleship and allow His word to take hold of us.

I look forward to working with Mr. Bruce Cotting and the new Officers. I pray that with God's blessings, we will continue the great work of our past leadership.

*Fr. Joseph Calis*

## **Grand Knight's Station**

I searched high and low for instructions on "how to write your first article as a Grand Knight," but apparently that article has not been written yet. And so I set off with my first column as your Grand Knight, blindly confident that you will help guide me through the coming year.



I begin by looking to the past, at the incredible, unforeseen journey that brought me to this moment in time. I must thank Joseph Sparacino for being my sponsor and encouraging me to visit and to join Rosensteel Council (yes, feel free to chastise him for his lapse in judgment). I would also point out that until Joe mentioned that he was a Knight of Columbus, I had no idea what the organization was about. Sure, I had heard of the Knights, but had never delved into the history or purpose of its existence. Joe made it easy for me to ask about the Knights and about Rosensteel, and he made me feel welcome to learn more.

I would next thank PGK Dave Morgan, for it was in his desperate moment that he asked me whether I would consider being a Warden. I initially deferred, saying that I still had three young kids at home and one in college. I further explained that as a Realtor, I frequently work nights and weekends. Dave persisted and explained that other than attending the monthly business and social meetings, my one major responsibility would be to be Tony Horner's right hand man in putting together the annual Council Picnic. I have since learned that Dave was highly selective in the truth he shared with me that night; he gave me enough information to say yes and "forgot" to mention that it was a seven-year commitment going through the chairs!

Next I would extend a deeply sincere "thank you" to (as I write this) GK Terrence Moore. Terrence redefines servant leadership. His tireless efforts at every level, in every manner, through a prolonged span of time have been Herculean. I am confident in saying that an overwhelming majority of our membership has experienced his commitment, whether in the amazing food he cooks, the consistent strength of his leadership or the quiet resolve with which he "handled our business." I have quite a role model to follow and because of his mentorship, I know that I am surrounded by a worthy team on this journey.

As we look to the future, I am blessed to be in the company of terrific men of faith: DGK James Mannion, Chancellor Gus Gusman, and Warden and PGK Paul Girolami. I did not know as I completed my year as Warden who would follow and yet God presented these gentlemen at the appropriate times. Each is capable and worthy to be an officer of this Council. Each has come forth with a personal desire to champion the continued success of Rosensteel. Please welcome them and offer to assist as needed. They have big hearts, open minds, and stand ready to continue exemplifying servant leadership.

We are your four Council officers, yet by no means are we the only ones responsible for keeping Rosensteel on the right path. We have incredible trustees in Terrence, PGK Mike Miller and PGK Frank Cavaliere. We have a slate of officers that welcome the challenge of growing our Council. And we could not be the Council that we are without the tireless efforts and amazing examples of the Maryknights. As Terrence has often said, our Maryknights

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## **In Recognition and Gratitude**



*The Maryknights of Rosensteel Council recently awarded outgoing Grand Knight Terrence Moore their Recognition Award in appreciation for his service to them and the Council during his tenure. Here, Margie Cuff hands Terrence his plaque.*



**Remember in your prayers:**

**Deceased:**

PGK Joseph A. Rostkowski, Anthony Marinari, Wiley Fowlie, Frank Ludowci, Richard F. Ruiz, Donald DeMoss, Ellie Horner, Mary Ann Veith

**Sick:**

Tom Myers, Susan Young, Karen Chirgwin, Pat Warner, Helen Borkoski, Christine Kelly, Dorothy Rice, Alicia Stover, Joe Brannan, Marie Dunkle, Dan Ward, Diane Rowland, Shannon Owen, Dorothy Connolly, Mary Quinn, Charles Hayes, Tom Walsh

In case of illness or death of a member, please contact Financial Secretary Michael Koon.

### Deputy Grand Knight's Corner

**Tempus Fugit.** Yes it does and if you have been around the Council the last six months you've seen the Columbian Room, the Maryknights Room, the Jouvenal Room and the front foyer transform themselves from the 1960's to the Twenty Teens.

Well it didn't just happen by itself. Thanks to a generous gift from the estate of a former Council member and the Capital Improvement Fund (CIF), the Forest Glen Building Association was able to modernize the banquet facilities of Rosensteel. One Brother Knight called the CIF a core need and considered it helping to maintain a contributing historical presence.

A number of Brother Knights who were instrumental in the CIF have suggested that the Council not stop the good work that the fund did for the Council and resurrect it as perhaps the Chancellor's Council Improvement Fund (CIF). For the newer Knights and those who may have forgotten, some years ago a group of Brother Knights and Maryknights led an informally organized effort to build a fund that would be available for improvements to the grounds and building.

In the weeks ahead the Council Chancellor and Deputy Grand Knight will be talking with the Council Trustees, members and Maryknights about the launch of the CCIF. Some of the activities that helped raise funds in the CIF, other than direct donations, were Florida fruit drives, 50/50's and a K of C watch raffle. We will repeat some of these perhaps, but after forming a group to help administer the CCIF we may ask you for an idea or two. One Knight already suggested having an area in front of the Council, where one could have a brick with a donor's name or in recognition or memory of someone.

As we approach the 100th anniversary of the Council, let's remember that we will want the place we call Rosensteel to be in the best shape it can be to shine in celebration of the accomplishments of the Brothers who have passed through its doors.

*Jim Mannion*

## Grand Knight's Station

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are larger and stronger than many Auxiliaries out there and we will support them to the highest degree possible.

As your 2017 - 2018 Council Officers, Chairs and Directors, our efforts over the coming year will continue to center on our core principles:

Charity - we will strive to increase the funds that we donate to our various charities.

Unity - we will focus on deepening the camaraderie and fellowship within Rosensteel.

Fraternity - our Council strength will be demonstrated within the parishes we support.

Patriotism - we will personally exemplify the privilege and honor of being the Greatest Nation under God.

In closing, there is one more main focus that I challenge every Rosensteel Knight to take to heart. It is rooted in my humble beginnings as a Knight in waiting - waiting to be asked. I stand humbly as an example of what can happen if we commit to constantly asking other Catholic men the question, "Have you thought about joining the Knights of Columbus?"

*Vivat Jesus,  
BC*

## Fraternal Insurance

Worthy Brother Knights,

I just received the Notice of Dividends for the first policy I purchased from the Knights of Columbus. The dividend was \$614.50 last year and has increased every year since I bought it. I have a savings account that currently pays .5%, that is a half percent. In order to generate \$615 in this savings account I would need to deposit \$125,000. Do you know what my annual premium is...it's \$897.60.

So for \$897.60, going in my dividend is \$614.50 and in order to generate \$614.50 from my savings I would need almost \$125,000. Which account would you choose?



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## Council Calendar: Important Dates for Remainder of 2017

### JULY

- 11 Business Meeting
- 15 Installation: 3 p.m. Mass at the historic church,  
4:15 p.m. ceremony to follow in the  
Columbian Room  
5:30 p.m. appetizers and cocktails  
6 p.m. dinner, followed by dancing

### AUGUST

- 1 Business Meeting
- 20 Council Picnic

### SEPTEMBER

- 5 Business Meeting
- 10 Breakfast
- 11 Maryknights Memorial Mass
- 18 Social Meeting and First Degree
- 24 PGK Testimonial Dinner
- TBD Crab Feast

### OCTOBER

- 1 St. Bernadette's Fall Festival
- 1 Breakfast
- 3 Business Meeting
- 8 State Columbus Day Ball
- 17 Social Meeting
- 29 Children's Halloween Party
- TBD Rosary for the Unborn
- TBD Oktoberfest
- TBD Catholic Terps Dinner
- TBD Soccer Challenge

### NOVEMBER

- 5 Breakfast
- 7 Business Meeting
- 11 Maryknights Charity Ball
- 18 Needy Food Baskets
- 21 Social Meeting
- TBD Memorial Mass

### DECEMBER

- 3 Breakfast
- 5 Business Meeting
- 17 Children's Christmas Party
- 19 Social Meeting and First Degree
- 23 Needy Food Baskets

## Building Association

First and foremost, many thanks to the Building team of volunteers for stepping up in those unpredictable moments when something needs a repair and for keeping the property looking neat and clean. These Knights cut grass, trim bushes, fix fences, patch the parking lot, shovel snow, fix the HVAC, fix plumbing, fix equipment, repair and replace hardware, and paint where needed. Without this team of handymen, the Building would not be open for business.

To the officers and Board of Directors, it was a pleasure and honor to work with a group able to adapt to changing priorities, work for the common goal, lend skills and time where needed, and focus on solutions. The renovation of the upper floor took many hands and hours, and was truly an affirmation of what this Council is all about: volunteerism and brotherhood. Many thanks to all who participated in this success. A special thanks to the Capital Improvement Fund donors and our late Brother Carberry without whom the renovation would not have been possible.

Finally, where would we be were it not for Father Rosensteel donating his family home to become home to our Council. In studying the history of our Council, there is an implied responsibility in following the footsteps of Father Rosensteel. We are benefactors, curators and trustees to his gift and legacy, responsible for continuing their intended path of Catholic charity. To that end, in whatever way we can by volunteering or financial support for the property, we honor and preserve Father Rosensteel's example and guidance he selflessly showed us.

*Frank Zarrelli, immediate past president*

### Mary's Widows

Thank you. Thank you. Thank you. On June 5, 26 widows and Mike Koon enjoyed a delightful lunch as guests of the Knights. Everyone thanks the Knights for their thoughtfulness. The meal was delicious and served in the newly remodeled Maryknights Room. It is beautiful.

You will be called for the July lunch which will be on July 11 because of the holiday. Hope many of you can make it.

If you are interested in joining our group, please call Lois Devlin at 301-681-7448. God Bless.

### Clubhouse Association

Brothers All,

The Clubhouse Board would like to take this opportunity to recognize and thank John McNamara for his dedication and support. As the accountant for the Clubhouse, John has been a constant source of ideas and recommendations on how to better the Clubhouse. John would always take the view as a Brother Knight with the understanding that as the Clubhouse improves, so do the charitable actions of Rosensteel. His unique ability to watch over the numerous details of the Clubhouse Association will truly be missed.

We wish John all the best in his future and remind him that he will always be welcome to attend a Clubhouse meeting to give his insight.



### Knights in Action

*St. John the Evangelist Pastor Fr. Joseph Calis is flanked by Council members who have helped with the renovation work of Old St. John's Chapel located across Rosensteel Avenue from the Council.*

*Grand Knight Terrence Moore (at direct right of Father) rallied an impressive array of Brother Knights (and many not pictured) to help with the much needed restoration.*

*And GK Moore also wanted it to be known that Brother Knights continue to answer the call in the Council building too, most notably Tom Griffin who came to the rescue of a faulty kitchen AC unit.*

### The Best of Rosensteel

**Knight of the Month** - Let's see...how does one earn this accolade? Oh yeah, I remember now: the recipe calls for dedication to the Council, a hand that consistently goes up when the call for volunteers goes out, a man that is the backbone of the Council, a pillar of faith and is on speed dial for everyone who knows him. Someone who considers the Council a second home, so much so that his family is always by his side, whether building a chair, decorating for events, or cooking practically every Bingo meal over the last (I can't count that high) months. Please congratulate PGK Terrence Moore as he gives up his prime parking spot and moves three spaces down. He's earned more than just this recognition and this is the very least I could do to show him our appreciation.

**Family of the Month** - I'm considering rewriting the lyrics of a song to help appreciate my very first selection for Family of the Month. This family is always visible, yet rarely in the spotlight. They too are frequent and consistent volunteers around the Council. I've seen this family toiling away at the breakfasts, during midday events and at evening functions. Whether they show up as a team or as individuals you'll always know a member of the Family of the Month: The Maryknights!

*We are Family, I got all my Maryknights with me!  
All, all of the people around us they say  
Can they be that close  
Just let me state for the record  
They're giving love in a family dose  
We are Family, I got all my Maryknights with me!*

### Council Appreciation Night



#### Rosensteel Family of the Year

*The Dassings (from left to right, Victoria, Bill, Barbara and Joe) were honored for their tireless devotion to the Council during June's annual Council Appreciation Night*



#### Rosenteel Knight of the Year

*PGK and outgoing Financial Secretary Rob Seubert was honored for his service to the Council. Here, Grand Knight Terrence Moore presents Rob with a token of our esteem.*

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Did you see the movie “The Bucket List?” Jack Nicholson and Morgan Freeman play two old men who make a list of all the things they haven't yet done in life. And once they complete the list they become adventurous and travel the world. If you are a “senior retiree” you are in the same situation. Have you considered places you would like to visit, things you would like to do or people you would like to see? Former President George H. W. Bush took up sky diving and his son, George W., has taken up painting. There are many tours available for seniors to safely and comfortably travel anywhere in the country or around the world. Why not consider your fondest wishes and make plans to visit old friends, travel wherever you wish or take up a new hobby or pastime?

How long has it been since you attended a Mass that was celebrated in Latin? If you are feeling nostalgic you may wish to attend the 10 a.m. Sunday Mass at St. Matthew's Cathedral, 1725 Rhode Island Ave. NW, just a half block east of Connecticut Ave. If you haven't visited the Cathedral since the renovations have been completed, you will be favorably impressed. This will certainly bring back many memories for all of us.

And if you are in the city, why not visit the National Shrine? You can easily spend an hour viewing everything. It seems something new has been added somewhere at each visit. Presently, work is being done to complete the last of the overhead domes. The gift and bookstore downstairs always have items of interest. And the cafeteria is open if you wish to enjoy a good hot meal before you leave.

The Rosensteel Council and Maryknights Officers Installation is on July 15. Lets all make a special effort to attend and show our support for these fine people. We know that Rosensteel Council is the best in Maryland. We all have to “pitch-in” and help our Officers in our endeavors over the next year to keep us the best Council in Maryland.

Do you have plans for the Fourth of July Independence Day, the All-American Holiday? It is always a fine holiday. There are many planned events in many communities. Check the scheduled programs in your neighborhood. It's a day for attending morning Mass to give thanks for our freedoms and a day for sports, outdoor activities and our all-American hamburgers cooked on charcoal grills along with all the tasty side dishes.

Our luncheon will be at the Council on July 25.

*Tom Leonard*

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What a fabulous end to our year! We were truly blessed to have Maris Moriarty from the Mother Teresa Vocation Society as our final speaker of the year and she was inspiring! She even brought prayer cards and miraculous medals that had been blessed by the Pope for everyone in attendance! And the food.....what can I say! The Maryknights love to cook and we had a smorgasboard of goodies to choose from. Thank you to everyone who cooked, baked or bought -- no one left hungry.

We were also very pleased to present Grand Knight Terrence Moore with a check from the proceeds of our special activity. GK Moore was very appreciative and he gave a very nice speech thanking us for all of our support this year.

As we wind up our year, please remember to sell your raffle tickets for the Charity Ball and set aside items for the silent auction. As a reminder, our recipient this year is the Gabriel Project Cluster of Montgomery County; the Charity Ball will be held on **November 11, 2017**. Stay tuned for more details.

This is my final column to you and I don't know where to begin with my thank you's. First, let me start with my officers. Thank you so very much for your support this year and for being flexible with your schedules and for filling in the gaps when called upon! You ladies are truly amazing and your support meant a lot to me. To all of my chairladies who stepped up and took the lead whenever it was necessary, thank you for your time, energy and commitment to The Maryknights. To Father Trancone for his spiritual guidance and support, we are truly blessed to have him as our chaplain. To Father Rosensteel Council and all the Council officers, thank you for your tremendous support this past year. We are honored to be a part of your family. To all of the Maryknights, I am humbled to have served as your president this past year. You are a terrific group of ladies and do incredible work for the Lord; please continue to share your gifts with the incoming officers.

And to my husband for allowing me to serve as president of the Maryknights this year and enduring the deadlines, meetings and other time commitments that are required; thank you for your support.....I love you!

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

*Peace,  
Beth Ward*

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					June 30. Team 4 - Marks Aggies Crab Imperial	1.
2. Ponce	3. D'Antuono Dollymore, Bromley, Mullaney	4. <b>Independence Day</b>	5. <b>Bingo</b>	6. Mannion	7. Team 5 - Girolami Manicotti, salad, garlic bread  Pistol Pete, Hardman	8.
9. Cassagnol	10. D'Antuno McKinney	11. <b>Business Meeting</b> Conway, Carey, DeVol	12. <b>Bingo</b> Joe	13. Cavaliere McNamara	14. Team 6 - Langley All American cookout Conway, Carey, DeVol, Wigmore Slattery	15. <b>Council, Maryknights instal- lation</b>
16. Dassing	17. D'Antuono McNamara	18. <b>Horner Family Rosary</b>	19. <b>Bingo</b> Thompson	20. Langley	21. Team 7 - Moore Baby back ribs  Lynch and Lyon	22. Maddox
23.	24. D'Antuono McNamara	25. Culkin, DeVol	26. <b>Bingo</b> Kreitzberg	27. Mannion	28. Team 1 - Sullivan/ Calcutt Spiced shrimp  Eddie McCaw	29.
30.	31. D'Antuono McNamara					