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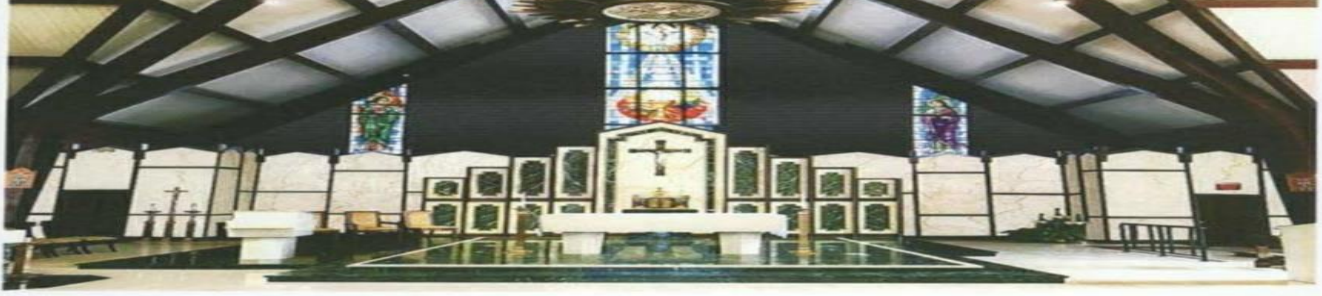
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Grand Knight's Message
Worthy Brothers,

We are in the middle of our busiest time of the fraternal year for service programs. It started in January, with the Chili Cook-Off / Super Fifty Raffle Drawing followed by meal preparation for the Corner Stone Men's Retreat, the Souper Bowl Food Drive, the Mardi Gras Dinner Dance and we held our first two of six Fish Fry's in February. I want to thank all brother knights and family members who made each event a great success.

Four more Fish Fry's will be held in March along with hosting our Annual Ronald McDonald House Dinners at their facilities for their families. Delaware State Council will also be hosting their Annual Chess Tournament and Free Throw Contest in March and their Annual State Meeting & Convention will be held in April. Lastly, our Council will be holding a Habitat for Humanity workday on April 20th. See the Event Calendar at the end of this newsletter for more information.

At the Delaware State Council's Mid-Year Meeting in January, Past Grand Knight, Terry Hills, was presented with our Council's Star Award plaque for Fraternal Year 2016 -17. It will be displayed on our award wall in the Coffee Run Room. Congratulations to Frank Sonson (middle) & Rich Deegan (right), who completed their journey to full Knighthood (Third-Degree) in February!



Our Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities was submitted to Supreme Council in January. I would like to share the reported results with you. Total charitable disbursements were \$37,103 for 2017, compared to \$23,023 for 2016. The increase was mainly due to the proceeds from a golf outing we

added in 2017. Total volunteer hours were about the same as the previous year at 9,300 hours. However, since we added several new programs in 2017, I suspect our total volunteer hours may have been under reported by some members. Vivat Jesus! Tom Green

Chaplain Message- Father Glenn Evers



As we complete our journey through Lent and enter into the Easter Season, so too does Winter pass away as Spring comes forward. More life and light enter into our physical world, and in Faith we spiritually celebrate the possibility and reality of a New Life in Christ as well. The greatest gift we have is our relationship with Jesus Christ. On Good Friday, he suffered and died for us, that we might be saved and reunited with Him forever. On Easter Sunday, we celebrate that Jesus Christ is risen, that He has conquered death. The invitation from our Lord is that we too, can conquer death and rise again with the help of His Mercy and Love. We need simply to believe in Him, follow Him, be faithful to Him, and remain a part of His Body in the Catholic Church.

And so grateful that our Lord gives us this amazing opportunity to live forever with Him, may we remain steadfast in Faith, shun away from the old life of sin, and remain joyful in heart - Christ has saved us! Spread the Good News and have a most Happy Easter! May the Life and Light of our Lord be with you and your families always!

Grace & Peace in Christ,

Fr. Glenn Evers

The Rose for Life program, recessed for Lent because there are no scheduled baptisms, will resume after Easter. Brothers Richard Gregorski and Mike Bailey are scheduled to present the rose and prayer card on 4/8 and 4/22 respectively.



Pro Life

Below is a note which will appear in many church bulletins in Delaware regarding HB-160, the Euthanasia Bill. Please do your part, spread the word, and take action. Even if you live in PA or elsewhere, it helps to know the facts, and be able to discuss it.

URGENT...

OPPOSE HB 160, a bill that will legalize Assisted Suicide in Delaware!

We in the community need to oppose HB 160, the “End of Life Options Act,” for the primary reason that it abandons persons in their moment of need and isolates them from family and trusted physicians. The bill seeks to kill, rather than to care for patients. The bill needs to be opposed on many levels:

- It violates God’s law, “Do not kill,” by allowing fallible humans to take life away. •It violates the physician’s Hippocratic oath to “first, do no harm” and turns doctors into killers.
- It fails to focus on pain management and the physical, psychological, and spiritual needs of the patient, aiming to eliminate suffering by eliminating the patient.
- It is opposed by the Delaware Medical Society and several hospice organizations, who call it “fundamentally inconsistent with our role as physicians and healers”.
- It lacks safeguards against abuse, coercion, and corruption of the health care system by allowing unsupervised lethal drugs in the home, providing immunity to all involved in the killing of the patient, and opening the door to unscrupulous intent.
- It fails to consider mental health, specifically depression, when evaluating a patient.
- It opens the possibility of abuse in targeting vulnerable populations for death instead of care: the elderly, the disabled, and the depressed.
- It leads to an overall rise in suicide rates.

The bill, both lethal and unnecessary, acts to impose assisted suicide on the citizens of Delaware and compromises the integrity of the state’s health care system.

This dangerous legislation is part of a larger, national agenda through Compassion and Choices (formerly aka The Hemlock Society) to normalize assisted suicide in as many states as possible. It is opposed by leading medical communities, including the Delaware Medical Society.

Delaware citizens facing a terminal diagnosis and who may still have years to live, deserve our support, love and care. We urge the legislature and the governor to reject assisted suicide, physician-assisted suicide, and euthanasia, as enshrined in HB 160.

Please contact your DE Representative, today, to vote “NO” on HB 160

Soup-er Bowl Food Collection



2018 Soup-er Bowl Food Collection

Excellent Food Drive Results!! 9,137 pounds of food was delivered to 13 different organizations as a result of generous food and monetary donations. Saint Herman of Alaska, Ed and Amy Gootzait, EEP, Boy Scouts, and Prep classes contributed to this needy cause as well. Thanks to all that contributed.

I want to THANK the Knights and their families that helped in the coordination of

the donations, organization and delivery. They are: James White, John Connell, Leo Boyles, Chris Dougherty, Paul Martin, Matt Dodge, Larry Maguire, Terry Hills, Craig Boggs, Jim and Jason Clarke, Mike Brown, John Schoff, Gerry Safranski, Gene Sinko (with grandson Matthew), Howard Wallace, Tom Green, Leo Hamilton (niece Jackie, sister Peggy Birney) and Frank Robinson (coordinated all of the publicity, collection by various organizations and communications with receiving organizations+ delivered food), John Baldo (rounded up boxes and delivered food) Jim Ambrose that helped all day Sunday. Michael Skorup and Greg Weaver that worked with the Boy Scouts. Extra thanks to my son William and wife Emily that worked with me from the beginning.

Pictures of the Souper Bowl Food Drive effort can be found in the photo gallery section of the web site.

Thank you to everyone for their assistance in making this a success. If I missed naming a Knight or family member, please let me know. I apologize in advance.

Fish Fry Kitchen Clean Up-Tony Gennusa March 24th 9 AM Saturday I

am looking for 15 to 20 people to clean the kitchen and store supplies for next year.

This Saturday, March 24 2018, starting at 9am until done.

I will be there along with my wife Kim.

Will need a couple of younger men to do some lifting of boxes into storage.

Any help is appreciated!!

Your help is needed!



Chili-Cook Off-- Howard Wallace

This year's Chili Cook-Off was held on Saturday, January 20th at 6pm in the Church Hall. Eleven Chili chefs participated and brought an interesting variety of chili for our attendees to taste. Prizes included cookbooks and a wide variety of chili spice packs. The top three winners also received gift certificates for Doc's Meat Market.



Entries included Maureen Manza, Marnie Deegan, Billy Rawstrom, Judy Thompson, Howard Wallace, Mike Kelly, Gerry Safranski, Larry Maguire, Jim Ambrose, Rosely Robinson and the Sweeney Family.

Special thanks go to Rusty and Joan Giles at the bar, Tom Green and Dick Tabinowski at the admission tables, and Jim Donato, our superior hot dog maker. Thanks to all of you!

Popular Vote results: 3rd – Maureen Manza; 2nd – Gerry Safranski, and 1st – Judy Thompson.

After singing Happy Birthday to Gerry and serving cake to all attendees, the winners were drawn and announced by Fr. Dillingham and John Baldo for the annual 50/50 Raffle, cosponsored by the Knights and the St. Mary's Right To Life Committee.

Road Cleanup – April 14th 2018

Rt 41 Cleanup - 7:00am to 10:00am. Meet in upper parking lot at St. Mary's. Trash bags and safety vests provided. Signup through council website event calendar or contact Jim Ambrose at [\(302\) 304-5389](tel:3023045389) or jamesrambrose@aol.com



Knight of the Quarter- Jeff Cooper



Family of the Quarter- Marion & Ralph Paulus



**Community (Habitat for Humanities Service)- John McCloskey coordinates
Our Council's Habitat for Humanities Service**

April 20TH 2018 (Church Parking Lot) John McCloskey mcclosjj@comcast.net

Dues reminder: John Baldo



Prayers for Our Knights and families-

Diane McGrellis, John McCormick, Fred Perella

Socks for Soldiers- Gerry Safranski

safranski@aol.com Cardinal Gibbons Assembly and your home council are partnering with a unique group that sends socks to our Army and Marine Units that are actively deployed in the field.

OK – WHY SOCKS? The infantry spends all of their time on their feet. Oftentimes they have no laundry facilities, so they have to wash their socks in the canals and other unclean water sources, which can render them unusable within a couple of days. Gone are the mega-bases in Afghanistan and Iraq, along with the logistics chains that supported them. The burden for basic supplies has fallen more and more on the individual service member and their families. With the cuts in defense spending we have also been shipping basic hygiene gear as well as non-perishable food items to cover their needs.

WHO WE'RE HELPING

We are currently supplying Marine and Army units supporting the fight against radical Islamic fundamentalism in Afghanistan and Iraq. Your help goes a long way in making their deployments easier by taking one more worry off of their minds, and letting them focus on the job at hand. Donations are used to purchase socks and other supplies and have them shipped to our brave American Heroes in harm's way.

A Little Information about the group we are partnering with. The San Clemente Marine Corps Support Group operates under the mantra of "Seeking Higher Ground." It also means that we are continually looking for ways to serve the needs of an underserved community who put the needs of their Nation ahead of their own. SCMCSG is a registered 501 (C)(3) non-profit (Tax ID Number 452846419), therefore any contributions are tax-deductible.

While we have a national presence, we are still a "Mom and Pop" organization headquartered in our home. We take no salaries or pay them. We have no facilities. Volunteers shoulder

much of the work done on our behalf. As a result, 98% of all donations go towards our programs that directly support the Marines and their families.

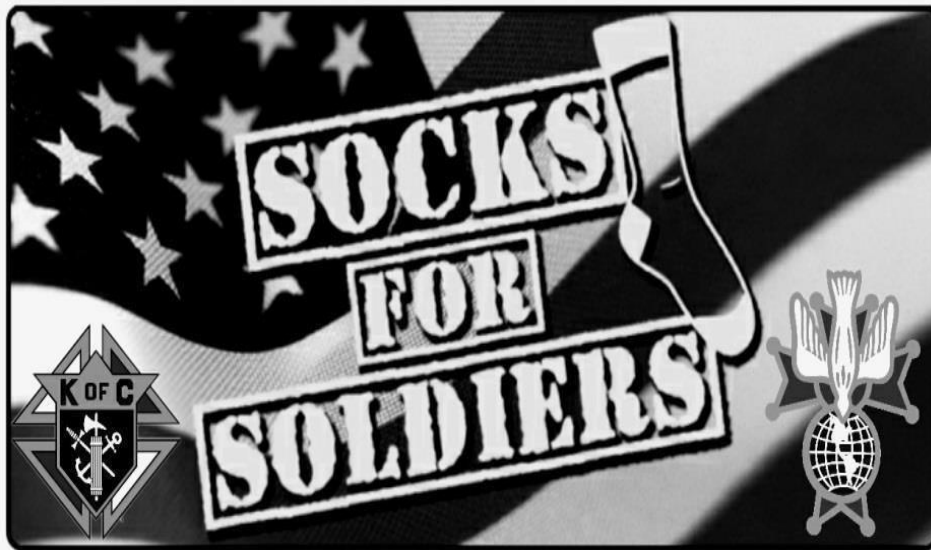
Furthermore, our mission at the San Clemente Marine Corps Support Group is to remind Americans of the level of sacrifice that the 1% makes for the rest of us. The military community is not composed of strangers, but the children of our Nation.

We can NOT accept socks. The above unit selects proper gear and sends directly to the troops.

Please make a check out to: Coffee Run Council 6768 and in the note line please put "Socks"
For more information, contact Gerry Safranski, Safranski@aol.com, or call 239 9362

Your Knights of Columbus Assembly is the Patriotic Arm of Our Order.

A Blessed Easter to All Our Knights and Families






KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
INSURANCE

Your Shield for Life

	Activity	Location	Time
March			
Mar-02-18, Fri	Fish Fry (Week 3)	Church Hall	5:00 - 7:00 PM
Mar-03-18, Sat	Annual Youth Chess Tournament	Padua Academy - Wilmington	Starting at 8:30 AM
Mar-05-18, Mon	Adoration 11-Noon - Knights Present	Chapel	11:00 – 12 Noon
Mar-05-18, Mon	Cardinal Gibbons Assembly Meeting	Holy Family Church - Newark	7:00 PM
Mar-08-18, Thu	State Informational Meeting	Dover Council - Camden, DE	6:30 PM Dinner, 7:30 PM Meeting
Mar-09-18, Fri	Fish Fry (Week 4)	Church Hall	5:00 - 7:00 PM

Mar-10-18, Fri	Annual Youth Free Throw Contest	St. Elizabeth's High School - Wilmington	Starting at 12 Noon
Mar-14-18, Wed	Council Business Meeting	Coffee Run Room	7:00 PM
Mar-14-18, Wed	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	St. John Room	7:00 PM
Mar-16-18, Fri	Fish Fry (Week 5)	Church Hall	5:00 - 7:00 PM
Mar-19-18, Mon	First-Degree Exemplification	Brother Vincent Council - Smyrna	6:30 - 8:00 PM
Mar-20-18, Tue	First-Degree Exemplification	Christopher Council - Claymont	7:30 - 9:00 PM
Mar-21-18, Wed	Third-Degree Exemplification	Monsignor Desmond Council - Lewis	6:30 - 8:30 PM
Mar-23-18, Fri	Fish Fry (Week 6)	Church Hall	5:00 - 7:00 PM
Mar-24-18, Sat	Ronald McDonald House Meals	At Ronald McDonald House	1:00 - 4:00 PM
Mar-25-18, Sun	Palm Sunday		
Mar-27-18, Tue	First & Second-Degree Exemplifications	Seton Council - Bear	6:30 - 9:00 PM
Mar-29-18, Thu	K of C Founder's Day		
Mar-30-18, Fri	Good Friday		
April			
Apr-01-18, Sun	Easter Sunday		
Apr-02-18, Mon	Adoration 11-Noon - Knights Present	Chapel	11:00 – 12 Noon
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Apr-11-18, Wed	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	St. John Room	12:00 Noon
Apr-16-18, Mon	First-Degree Exemplification	Brother Vincent Council - Smyrna	6:30 - 8:00 PM
Apr-17-18, Tue	Second-Degree Exemplification	Christopher Council - Claymont	7:30 - 9:00 PM
Apr-20-18, Fri	Habitat For Humanity Work Day	Meet At St. Mary's Parking Lot	7:00 AM
Apr-20-18, Fri	State Council Annual Meeting & Convention	Atlantic Sands Hotel - Rehoboth	Starting at 3:00 PM
Apr-21-18, Sat	State Council Annual Meeting & Convention	Atlantic Sands Hotel - Rehoboth	Starting at 8:00 PM
Apr-22-18, Sun	State Council Annual Meeting & Convention	Atlantic Sands Hotel - Rehoboth	Departure Day
Apr-29-18, Sun	Fifth Sunday Rosary	Church	9:00 AM
Apr-30-18, Mon	Newsletter Items Due Date		

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