



# KNIGHT LETTER

March 2015

COUNCIL 816 MARY QUEEN OF THE KNIGHTS

## Grand Knight's Report

My Dear Brothers,

Only by doing your best will you discover what your talents truly have. When I stand before GOD at the end of my life I would hope that I would have not a single talent left and I could say I used everything you gave me.

"Active councils are successful councils"- I have always stressed the more you participate in our council- the more you will experience true brotherhood. I want everyone to experience what I have over the years- I can honestly say that I love my council and my brothers. As we work together in unity, we will continue to grow and succeed.

Remember, yesterday is a cancelled check, tomorrow is a promissory note, today is all you have- spend it wisely.

God Bless You  
Sebastian P. Vaccaro  
Grand Knight

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**Why aren't all  
Catholic men  
Knights?**

**They weren't asked!  
Ask a fellow Parish-  
ioner,  
You'll be surprised!**



## **Council 816 Annual Communion Breakfast/Brunch**

at the Council Home  
March 22 after the 12  
PM Mass at  
Ascension Church.  
All are invited to receive  
Communion in body at  
Mass

and go to the hall for a  
delectable Brunch.  
Our guest speaker will be  
Deacon John Kopcak  
PGK

Speaking on the Impact  
of Christianity in the  
United States

## **Council 816's 6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**June 5, 2015**

FEATURING

\$10,000 Hole in One  
Closest to the Pin  
Longest Drive

**for information**

**call:**

Herb Hagmann  
Outing Chairman  
732-245-5388

# The Spiritual Corner

With guest columnist Deacon Brother Richard Coscarelli

## Emulating Our Lord

You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemies. But I say to you love your enemies, pray for them. Jesus just took away the easy way and challenged all his followers to rise up above the easy, to push the envelope and go above and beyond, extending love and kindness to those we might all have issues with. Choose the high road of mercy and compassion. Be perfect as your heavenly father is perfect. It is obvious we are not perfect but again, we are given guidance on how to live our lives. How can we strive to be perfect? We need to treat others as we wish to be treated. How many times do we write someone off because we do not like them or have differences? Jesus says don't. Love your neighbor as yourself. This is one of the two great commandments. It is easy to give this lip service. Jesus says don't. When we are pushed and offended, forgiveness is not at all in our sights. Jesus tells us we need to forgive and not just once but over and over. As we hear later in Matthew's Gospel, Jesus tells us we need to forgive not seven times but 70 times 7. How many times have we failed to forgive? Jesus says don't.

We are taught to bless those who curse us and do good to those who hate us. How often do we get in our car and someone cuts us off prompting some harsh words or actions? How often are we leaving the parking lot after church and we become displeased with another driver? This is not acting Godlike. Jesus says don't. How often does someone do something to us and all we want to do is get revenge? Jesus says don't. Jesus informs us that in being perfect as his father, we need to act as He acts and not emulate those around us. Let us not be conformed to this world but seek to do what is acceptable to God. Let our actions speak for us. Let our actions be our dialogue with God. Let our actions be the keys for our salvation.

He is our God and we are to walk in his ways. Let us all do this and we will be a people sacred to the Lord, our God, as He promised.

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## 2015 Council Dues

The notices for your 2015 dues have been mailed out. . If you have received the notice, please send in your dues as soon as possible. These funds keep our Council and home operating.

Did you know that you can apply for financial relief from your dues if you are physically handicapped or challenged? Please contact you Financial Secretary for information.

**March Birthdays  
Brothers,  
Happy Birthday!**

**Robert Carroll  
Gary Duverney PGK  
Israel Garriga  
Vincent Gifford  
Patrick Glynn  
Charles Keenan  
Mike Mangeri  
William Mullen  
Reynaldo Perez  
Joel Scranton  
Andrew Sturzone Sr.  
Sebastain Vaccaro GK**

**The Knights of Columbus  
Council 816  
Announces**

**A  
Meatball & Pasta Dinner  
on**

**March 21, 2015.**

**203 W. Sylvania Ave. Neptune City, NJ**

**Time: 5:30 PM to 9:00 PM**

**Tickets: Adults:\$13.00 Seniors:  
\$10.00 Children: \$8.00**

**For Information or Tickets Contact:**

**Joe Lynch 732-682-1331 or Herb Hagmann  
732-245-5388**

**Kids with Cancer**

We are looking to assist Jersey Shore Medical Center with their "Kids with Cancer" services. Donations of boys/girls pajamas (size 6 and below) or latex-free band-aids are being collected. Please contact Ray Barnes (732.998.0882) for information

**Birthright Dinner April 18**

**Tickets are \$25.00 per person.  
Contact:Grand Knight  
Sebastian Vaccaro(732-762-2609)  
for Tickets or Information**

**Good of the Order**

"As a reminder, it is the responsibility of all Brothers to inform either the Grand Knight Sebastian P. Vaccaro(732-762-2609), or the Financial Secretary Ray Barnes (732-998-0882) upon the learning of the death of any K of C Brother, so proper actions can be taken. Don't assume that the GK or FS automatically know about all Brother's deaths, sometimes they need your help!"

**March Events**

**March 15 & 21 ARC Drive at Stop & Shop  
March 21 Pasta Dinner**

**March 22 Communion Breakfast / Brunch  
after the 12 O'Clock Mass.**

**March 22 Breakfast Buffet 9 AM to  
11:30 AM**

**Upcoming Events**

**April 10 Pride in Priests Dinner**

**April 11 ARC Drive at Shop Rite**

**April 12 Ascension Church Child ID Kit  
distribution**

**April 18 Birthright Dinner Tickets at the Hall**

**April 19 Holy Innocents Child ID Kit  
distribution**

**May 15,16,17 State Convention at Wildwood**

**June 5 Annual Golf Tournament**

**July 11 Blue Claws Game**

**Troop Morale-Soldier Boxes**

Council #816 is dedicated to supply our troops with "care packages". These donations are collected year-round and are sent to our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan four times a year. Unscented toiletries and personal care items are needed, individual snacks and entertainment items or anything that shows them that we care. We will be shipping the next collection in February, which is also Girl Scout Cookie month. Donations of cookies and care items are on the list. God Bless our Troops.

## Editor's Note

Brothers, We signed the contract for the annual Golf Tournament on Monday at Woodlake C.C. in Lakewood. All of the funds raised will belong to the Council, no partners from now on. If you play golf, sign up for the outing. If you don't play consider volunteering to help at the outing. What ever you chose, we need everyone to help solicit sponsors. Ask your barber, auto mechanic, or anyone you do business with and if you're in business, well, 'nuff said. We would like to see at least two if not three sponsors on each hole. With eighteen holes at \$100. per sponsor that's a nice chunk of change and great exposure for the business. Brochures will be available shortly. Give our **DGK Herb Hagmann 732-245-5388** a call and pick up some at the hall when they become available. ***Together*** we can make this our most successful outing to date.

Thanks and God bless, Joe Lynch PGK