



KNIGHT LETTER

March April 2019

COUNCIL 816 MARY QUEEN OF THE KNIGHTS

Grand Knight's Report

Lent should be more than a time of fasting. It should also be a joyous season of feasting. Lent is a time to fast from certain things and feast on others. It is a season in which we should:

- Fast from judging others; feast on the Christ indwelling them.
- Fast from emphasis on differences; feast on the unity of all life.
- Fast from thoughts of illness; feast on the healing power of God.
- Fast from words that pollute; feast on phrases that purify.
- Fast from discontent; feast on gratitude.
- Fast from anger; feast on patience.
- Fast from pessimism; feast on optimism.
- Fast from worry; feast on divine order.

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**Why aren't all
Catholic men
Knights?
They weren't asked!
Ask a fellow
Parishioner,
You'll be surprised!**

- Fast from complaining; feast on appreciation.
- Fast from negatives; feast on affirmations.
- Fast from bitterness; feast on forgiveness.
- Fast from self concern; feast on compassion for others.
- Fast from discouragement; feast on hope.
- Fast from suspicion; feast on truth.
- Fast from thoughts that weaken; feast on promises that inspire.

Dear Lord Jesus, by your passion and resurrection you brought life to the world. Please feast on this holy season by attending daily mass and the stations of the cross during Lent. God bless you
Sebastain P. Vaccaro Grand Knight
Vivat Jesus

Dinner Alert!
Pasta with sauce
and Eggplant
rolentini
7 PM before the
meeting

The Spiritual Corner

by Deacon John Kopcak PGK

If we take the time to think about it we will realize that throughout Jesus' ministry He was always breaking down barriers of fear, hatred and prejudice. John's Gospel about Jesus and the Samaritan woman is no exception. While it is true that the shortest way from Judea to Galilee is to travel through Samaria it was a way that was avoided by most Jews. In 722 BC the Assyrians conquered the northern part of Israel. They exiled their leaders and colonized the area. In time the colonists intermarried with the remaining Israelis and adopted parts of the Jewish religion. The Jews considered the Samaritans to be an inferior half breed race to be avoided by respectable people. But what does Jesus do? He travels through Samaria and stops at Jacob's well. He then breaks religious and social convention put in place by the Pharisees. He engages in a conversation with a woman who was alone. Not only that but she was a Hated Samaritan. Having no jug or cup He asks the Samaritan woman to give Him water. To drink from a Samaritan cup was considered unclean. Even the Samaritan woman is shocked. He tells the woman about "living Water." At first she doesn't understand that the "living water" is the revelation of who Christ is and the dwelling of the Holy Spirit within us. When Jesus, without judging, reveals that he knows about her promiscuous life a conversion begins to take place. At first she addresses Jesus as sir, then prophet. She finally recognizes Him as the Messiah. She experienced the life giving flow of Jesus healing energy. The result is that this sinful outcast evangelizes and brings other Samaritans to believe in Jesus.

What does this gospel mean to us. It means that we are challenged. We are challenged because as Christians we are both the recipients and the givers of this living water. We are called to break down the barriers that isolate us from others. Those barriers can be our own hatred, prejudice, anger, jealousy, envy, cutting remarks or innuendo. It could also be those same barriers put up by others. We are called to break down the barriers of the marginalized by seeing the face of Christ in their suffering. And we are called to do it as Jesus did, **WITHOUT JUDGING.**

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

On Sunday March 24, 2019 9 AM to 11:30 AM

There will also be an

Easter Egg Hunt at

11:00 AM with

Prizes Awarded and a

Special Prize for finding the Golden Egg.

This is our scheduled monthly breakfast and gives everyone a chance to meet the

EASTER BUNNY Price is the same as our regular monthly breakfast:

Adults \$10.00 Seniors/Children \$8.00

Children Under 5 FREE!

January

Birthdays

Brothers,
Happy Birthday!

Louis Berardi
George Bruder Jr. PGK
Peter Dinardo
Michael Donovan
Raul Hernandez
David King
John Orlando
Jeffery Petz
Walter Rapka
Robert Rizzo
Edward Rocco
Richard Rogalski
Edward Sullivan

February

Birthdays

Brothers,
Happy Birthday!
Joseph Abbruscato
Edward Bertini
Richard Coscarelli
Gerald D'Imperio
James Emmons PGK
Phillip Escola
David Frick
Robert Goehring
Don Lee
Scott Lintzenich
Bob Lynch
Mark Murtagh PGK
Arthur Petz PGK
Joseph Phillips PGK
Mickey Pondaco PGK
Phillip Pondaco
Christopher Seidle
Charles Uliano

March Birthdays

Brothers,

Happy Birthday!

Robert Carroll
Ron Desposeto
Gary Duverney GK
Vincent Gifford
Patrick Glynn
Charles Keenan
Mike Mangeri
Sebastain Vaccaro

April

Birthdays

Brothers,

Happy

Birthday!

James Aldarelli
Giacomo Bertini
Daniel Brown PGK
Gerard Brown
Robert Brown PGK
Nicholas Burke
Michael Freeman
Gerald Freda
Pascal Gambardella
Anthony Gesualdo
John Kiernan
Frej Krook
Joseph Marmora
Jose Pastrana
Ken Roberts
Robert Shafer Jr.
Keith Sturzione
Walter Thompson
Richard Weber
Bruce Wescott
Michael Yezo

Upcoming Events

March 14 Regular Business Meeting
March 24 Breakfast Buffet and Easter
Bunny Egg Hunt
March 30 & 31 Membership Drive
Holy Innocents Church
March 31 Fifth Sunday Rosary
Holy Innocents after the 10 AM Mass
April 7 Communion Breakfast at the
Council Home after the 9AM Mass at
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
April 11 Regular Business Meeting
April 11 Pride in Priests Dinner
April 14 Palm Sunday
April 21 Easter
April 28 Monthly Breakfast

A fun night of laughs

Starring

Frank Delpizzo

Wednesday Night April 3, 2019

doors open at 7PM

Show time is 7:30

Knights of Columbus

203 W. Sylvania Ave

Neptune City, NJ 07753

BYOB

Advanced ticket sales \$12.

at the door cost is \$15.

light snacks will be available for
purchase

Proceeds will go to

St. Jude Children's Hospital

contact Rosanne

732-206-0075

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 John Kopcak (732-776-7643) 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!"

Editor's Note

Italian Night was a huge success! We were able to raise over \$500.00 for Habitat for Humanities. Thanks to all who helped to make it happen as well as those who attended.

Our next dinner will be on May 25th.

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proceeds will benefit

Special Olympics. Please mark your calendar for this important event.

Also, don't miss Frank Delpizzo's show on April 3rd to raise money for St Jude Children's Hospital. I understand Frank is a riot. Don't miss this show!

God bless, Joe Lynch PGK