

THE KNIGHT LIFE



Newsletter of Father James J. Kelly Council #3632 Verona, Cedar Grove, W. Orange November, 2018

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov	22	Happy Thanksgiving
Nov	24	Alzheimer's Drive @ Shop Rite—West Caldwell
Nov	24 & 25	Keep Christ In Christmas sale @ OLL
Dec	1	Fair In The Square in Verona
Dec	5	Essex County Federation Meting in Belleville
Dec	6	Regular Meeting @ OLL
Dec	8	Rosary For Life
Dec	9	Christmas Concert @ OLL 4 PM
Dec	15 & 16	Rose Sunday @ OLL
Dec	20	Council Christmas Party @ SCS
Dec	25	Blessed Christmas
Dec	29 & 30	Rose Sunday @ SCS



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GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE

Brothers,

We've recently had our annual Council Awareness Drive @ St. Catherine's. I would like to thank all those who have helped out.

Let us not forget our veterans who have fought & served our country & who have sacrificed their lives for us. Please also pray for the fire victims in California who were killed.

We're going to have our Alzheimer's Drive@ West Caldwell Shop Rite on Saturday 11/24/18. Your help is gratefully appreciated.

Please keep in mind our annual Council Christmas Party scheduled for Thursday 12/20/18 @ ST. Catherine's. Our council would like to thank Gary (PGK) for chairing the council Christmas Party. Please get back to him if you're attending. Details are to follow.

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I would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving to you & your families & have a Merry Christmas & a Happy & healthy New Year.

O God, who by the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin prepared a worthy dwelling for your Son. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives & reigns with you in the unity of the

Holy Spirit, one God, for ever & ever. Amen

Vivat Jesus, Mike Risoli Grand Knight

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Dear Friends,

As we approach THANKSGIVING I'm reminded of how important it is to be grateful. Many of the great saints have been quoted as saying that if "thank you" is the only prayer we know we're good shape. It's easy, I think, to be grateful for answered prayers and to the obvious people in our lives who have helped us in great ways because we've seen or noticed them. But the truly grateful person is thankful not only for the obvious but also the hidden and not as easy to find. It's easy to thank someone who's been nice to us or given us something. It's easy to be thankful to God when we stop and take a good account of our lives and see all

the wonders He's done for us. But what about the security guard we encounter every day in and of school or work, the server who remembers our drink order and has it ready even before we are seated at a restaurant, the spouse or room mate who get up early every morning to set the timer on the coffee pot to make sure there's hot coffee first thing in the morning, the many volunteers in church who do and contribute so much with no big splash of attention or notice. These folks are heroes and heroines and deserve our respect and appreciation. While saying "thank you" does go a long way, the acknowledgement and validation of person who shows us kindness goes an even longer way and flows from an interior disposition of gratitude.

So this thanksgiving I'm working on not just saying "thank you" to God and others who show kindness and to dig deeper and be aware of so many people God has placed in my life and right place and right time to help, serve and protect me. Can you join me in this interior spiritual exercise?

> Peace, blessings and fraternal regards. Rev. Joseph A. D'Amico

8TH ANNUAL WEST POINT FOOTBALL OUTING **ARMY vs. MIAMI (OHIO)**



What a place!...What a game! This year, 30 Knights, family, and friends tailgated by the Hudson River at the South Dock picnic area. Another great place for the occasion. The game itself had another awesome finish. The Army defense held Miami of Ohio on the last play of double overtime, a 2-point conversion attempt. That's two straight years that Army made 2-point conversion stops in overtime. Last year, Eastern Michigan was the victim.

So don't miss out on next years exciting West Point outing. You won't regret it.





On November 24 & 25 at Our Lady of the Lake Church, and on December 1 & 2 at St. Catherine of Siena, our council will be selling "Keep Christ In Christmas" lawn signs, car magnets, wrist bands and buttons, after all Masses. We need brother Knights at all the Masses to help with the sale of these items. For St. Catherine's, call Pat Mullen @ 973-371-0056. For OLL call John Sommer @ 973-857-1370.

VERONA FAIR IN THE SQUARE—DECEMBER 1

Once again, our council will have a table at the Fair In the Square at the Verona Civic Center, 600 Bloomfield Ave., on Saturday, December 1, from 12-4:30. We use this venue to sell our "Keep Christ In Christmas" items and promote our council.

Volunteers are needed to man the table for an hour or two. Call Pat Mullen (973-571-0056) to volunteer.

COUNCIL CHRISTMAS PARTY—DECEMBER 20

We are once again having a council Christmas party for our members and their families on Thursday, December 20, at St. Catherine of Siena's. The purpose is to put away our commercialized seasonal stresses and join our brother Knights and families in celebrating the true reason for the season. This year, we are asking for a \$10/person donation, to help defray the costs. A hot buffet will be catered by Esposito's of Cedar Grove, and beer, wine soda will be served, while festive seasonal music fills the air. We ask those attending to bring a dessert and Christmas cheer. Call Gary Wilczewski at 973-432-0923 or email the council at kofc3632@aol.com, and tell him how many of your family are coming so we know how much food to order. You can pay at the door.

ROSARY FOR LIFE – December 8



PAIN-PAIN....Did you know that babies in the womb can feel pain 20 weeks after conception? Should we in NJ allow abortions after 20 weeks? How about coming out to pray the rosary across from the Pilgrim Center abortuary on Bloomfield Ave. in Montclair on the December 8, 8:45-10:00 AM, for all babies in the womb and their mothers!

HOLY HOUR

Our Lady of the Lake: 1st Friday of every month. 7:00 PM, at the Pastoral Center (former convent). Use side door.

St. Catherine of Siena: 1st Saturday after 8:30 AM Mass.

St. Aloysius in Caldwell: Every Monday from 12:30 PM to 7 PM.

ALZHEIMER DRIVE

The dates have been confirmed for this years Alzheimer's Drive:

Foodtown—Cedar Grove (1 day) 673,42 Jack's Foodtown—Caldwell (2 days) 1142.42 Shop Rite—West Caldwell (1 day) November 24

Brothers, we are once again collecting for the <u>Alzheimer Respite Program</u>. Our goal is the same as last year, to raise \$5000. We have a challenge to meet this goal. We use to be able to collect for 2 days at the supermarkets. Now we are down to one day, except at Jack's Foodtown in Caldwell. We also do not collect at our two churches. So this leaves it to our own council members.

Last year we received a plaque from the state council for raising \$5000 for this program. To reach this goal, we need all our council brothers to make a donation. Please make all checks payable to Knights of Columbus #3632 and mail to John Sommer at 172 Forest Ave., Verona, NJ 07044. Mark the check for Alzheimers Drive.

NEW JERSEY RIGHT TO LIFE CAR RAFFLE - OCT. 27-28

On October 26 & 27 at Our Lady of the Lake Church, we sold 186 raffle tickets for the NJ Right To Life Car Raffle. NJRTL is the state's oldest and largest pro-life organization.

Thanks and good luck to all who purchased a raffle ticket. Thanks to those who helped sell tickets: Pat Hanley, Bob Criscuolo, Joe Cubero, George Hectus, Charles Dimeck, PJ Hanly, Torrey Mathisen, Chuck & Nansie Collins, Greg Mau, Moses family, Ray Scally, Bob Roma, and John & Judy Sommer.

MARCH FOR LIFE BUS TRIP TO WASHINGTON DC

Save the date, January 18, 2019. Arrange to take off that Friday and join the March For Life in Washington DC. NOW is the time to make arrangements so you can go & see for your self the excitement of the Pro-Life people who are praying & marching for Life. Join the young people who travel from far away - St. Louis, Kansas City, Boston, Philadelphia & all parts of New York & New Jersey, just to mention a few. You'll see for yourself the great crowds of people (over 300,000) that the liberal media ignores!

Our bus leaves from the Church of the Immaculate Conception , 30 Fullerton Ave. Montclair after a special Mass @ 7:00 AM. A light breakfast will be served downstairs in Madonna Hall. There will be food, soft drinks & water available with sandwiches for the trip down & back .

The cost is \$25.00 for adults & \$5.00 for students. There is no charge for clergy & religious.

GOLF OUTING PROCEEDS

Proceeds from our 9th Annual Golf outing, held last June were distributed to the Youth Groups of Our Lady of the Lake and St. Catherine of Siena.. On October 13, Our Lady of the Lake received their check at their Youth Sunday pancake breakfast, and on November 25, St. Catherine's will receive theirs at the 9:15 Youth Mass. Both ministries received a donation of \$4000 each.

GOOD OF THE ORDER



Your prayers are needed for our brother Knights and all those listed below:

Regina Soboti, Hayley Pope & family, Elaine Shaffer, Stella & Jerry Votta, Barbara Fergenson, a brother fighting addiction, Betty Ferrari, Pat Reynolds, Jake Hasslacher, Al Maccia, Jane Chiappara, Joseph Donohue, Kate W., Claire Smith, Catherine Maccia, Ruth Edison, Carole Weld, Joseph Wilson, Kevin Gail, Frank Defenbush, Tom Richards, Hank Brown (Kevin Brown's father), Marge and Dan Fitzpatrick Jr. (Dan Fitzpatrick's mother and father), Rev. Daniel Vitz, Scott Tangney, Cindy Koppenhaven, Bill Krantz, Patricia Taylor, Torre Mathisen, and Judy Hectus.

Please let us know if you are well enough to be removed from the sick list.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those members who have died and their families.

Pray for our seminarians, Jay Joo and Juan Rojas.

Pray for peace in our world especially for the Christians who are being massacred for their religious faith, and for the safety of all our military men and women. Special prayers for our Holy Father Emeritus , Pope Benedict XVI & Pope Francis.

Say the rosary daily with your family for your own personal intentions, for the Good of the Order, and for the end of abortions.

Pray for all our parish priests, deacons and religious, that the Holy Spirit will come and strengthen and enlighten them to carry out Christ's work. Also pray for vocations to the religious life.

If there are any Knights or their family members who are sick, in need of prayers, would like visitors, or would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact John Sommer at 973-857-1370 and he will make arrangements.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to our brother Knights born in the month of November!

Michael BaroneLarry DillonDan FitzpatrickThomas BasilChristopher GartnerStan OsinskiNormand R. RoyJohn BugleoneRev. Bogdan Palka

INSURANCE

"...Rendering Pecuniary Aid"

The month of November in the Knights of Columbus is traditionally the time during which we remember our deceased Brother Knights - those who have gone to their eternal reward.

Our thoughts also turn, naturally, to those who our Brother Knights have left behind, their widows and children. These are the same people, though of a different generation, who occupied Father McGivney's thoughts in 1882 when he founded the Order.

The first two reasons listed on our charter for the establishment of the Knights of Columbus are: "rendering pecuniary aid to its members, their families and beneficiaries of members' and "rendering mutual aid and assistance to its sick, disabled, and needy members and their families".

My position as a field agent for the Order has evolved from those principles. I am here to help you plan financial security - both for yourself and for those you may leave behind. I am not here to sell you insurance because you might die and be part of our remembrances next November. I am here to sell you insurance because someone else might live... and think you love that someone and would like her to continue to live with dignity.

It's not a pretty thought, but picture the first November your loved ones will spend without you. How does it look? Call me, Brian Baird at 201-707-6477 or brian.baird@kofc.org, today for an appointment. I want to hear from you

4TH DEGREE—ST. ISAAC JOGUES ASSEMBLY

The 4th Degree assembly for our council meets every 3rd Wednesday of the month at St. Thomas More, 127 Hollywood Ave., in Fairfield. All 4th Degree members are welcome and encouraged to attend

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

