



THE KNIGHT LIFE



Newsletter of Father James J. Kelly Council #3632 Verona, Cedar Grove, W. Orange January, 2019

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MEETINGS

1ST & 3RD

THURSDAYS

OF THE MONTH

7:30 PM



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan	17	Social Meeting @ SCS
Jan	18	March For Life Bus Trip to Washington DC
Jan	22	Pro Life Rally in Trenton
Jan	26-27	20/20 Post Card Campaign @ OLL
Feb	1	Holy Hour @ OLL
Feb	6	Federation Meeting @ St. Mary's Council, Nutley
Feb	7	Regular Meeting @ OLL
Feb	9	Rosary For Life
Feb	21	Social Meeting @ SCS
Mar	16	Catholic Men's Conference @ SHU

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GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE

Brothers,

I hope that everybody had a great Christmas & a Happy & healthy New Year. I'd like to thank Gary Wilczewski (PGK) & all the brother Knights who have helped out with our Council Christmas Party & the Keep Christ in Christmas Program. Please keep in mind Rosary for Life will be 1/12/19 & 2/9/19.

Our next Council Meeting will be 1/17/@ ST. Catherine's with Federation business to be discussed following the meeting. Our next Federation Meeting will be held @ ST. Mary's Council # 2346 in Nutley on 2/6/19.

Please also keep in mind that we'll be having our February Council Meeting @ Our Lady of the Lake on 2/7/19 & ST. Catherine's on 2/21/19 with Federation business to be discussed following the meeting since we're the HOST COUNCIL for the HOSPITALITY ROOM for the WILDWOOD STATE CONVENTION. Your HELP & COOPERATION is GREATLY APPRECIATED.

Inserted in this issue of the Knight Life is letter from our Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson regarding the crisis of religious liberties. Please take a moment to read and reflect on it. For those of you who receive the electronic version of the Knight Life, it is a separate attachment.

Vivat Jesus,
Mike Risoli
Grand Knight

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Dear Friends,

Peace, blessings and all good things to you and your families at this "official" close of the Christmas season.

Luke:19 tells us that Mary treasure up all these things and pondered them in her heart. I often reflect on that at the official liturgical end of the Christmas season. With the packing away of all ornaments and decorations and finishing up the last of our cookies I carry the outpouring of love shown me and our parish in so many ways to carry me for the year ahead.

Please pray for our confirmandi!!! Another large group with two ceremonies. Pray also for no snow on January 19th.

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

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS



We used the funds from the Keep Christ in Christmas account to donate \$1000 to each of our parishes, Our Lady of the Lake and St. Catherine of Siena, to be used solely to help families who are struggling and who were in need this Christmas season. Both pastors greatly appreciated this gift to the less fortunate.

COUNCIL CHRISTMAS PARTY

On December 20, our council held it's annual Christmas party at St. Catherine of Siena. 36 brother Knights, wives, and children attended to enjoy festive music, food catered by Esposito's, refreshments, and good cheer. Donations were presented to our two Seminarians, Jay Joo and Juan Rojas, as well as our Chaplain, Fr. Joe D'Amico. Don't miss our next council party for St. Patrick's Day.

ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

WE HAVE A WINNER! Attendance at council meetings has paid off for our Worthy Financial Secretary, PJ Hanly. PJ's name was drawn at the January 3 meeting and he started the New Year with an extra \$176. Each meeting we collect a dollar from each member present then draw a name out of a can containing all the council member's names. If we pick your name and you are there, you win the pot. If the picked name is not present the money rolls over until the next meeting. And so the pot grows.

ALZHEIMER DRIVE- FINAL PLEA

We are so close to our goal for this years Alzheimer's Drive:

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Foodtown—Cedar Grove (1 day)	\$673.42	\$900
Jack's Foodtown—Caldwell (2 days)	1142.42	1030.16
Shop Rite—West Caldwell (1 day)	<u>946.14</u>	<u>996.35</u>
	2761.99	2928.51
Mail Donation to Date	<u>2059</u>	<u>1734</u>
	\$4820.99	\$4662.18

As you can see, we are \$179.01 short of our goal of \$5000. If you have not made a donation yet, please consider doing so. Any amount adds up, \$5, \$10, \$20. Please make a check payable to Knights of Columbus #3632 and mail to Larry Dillon, 10 Nestro Rd., West Orange, NJ 07052. Mark the check for Alzheimer's Drive.

Here's a little inspirational story. On December 23, Brother Knight Ryan Kistner held a fund raiser at the Verona Inn (those of you with email were notified). He took on all challengers in the child's game of Connect Four for \$5 a shot. He never lost and raised \$183 and donated it all to the Alzheimer's Respite Program Drive. That's putting Faith Into Action. Way to go Ryan!

So this is last call. Deadline is March 31. Let's do this.

EMAIL ADDRESSES

We have made this plea dozens of times before, but once again we are asking the membership to supply us with your email address. It helps us and you in several ways.

One, it enables us to contact you with breaking news, updates, or reminders. For example, when a member dies, this is how we alert the membership as to when we will be having our wake service. The next Knight Life will not be published until March. We may have need to communicate with you sometime in the next two months. Sometimes we have photos of council activities we like to share with you.

Two, to those who have shared their email address with us, we send the Knight Life newsletter electronically, saving us money in printing and postage costs.

Currently, we only have about 40% of the email addresses in our database. I know we can do a lot better than that. Please note that your email address is not shared and all correspondence is sent as a blind copy so no one sees your address.

ROSARY FOR LIFE – February 9 & March 9, 2019



PAIN-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 February 10 & March 10, 8:45-10:00 AM, for all babies in the womb and their mothers!

PRO-LIFE RALLY IN TRENTON– JANUARY 22, 2019

NJ Right to Life invites you to join them as they Rally For Life, Tuesday January 22, 2019, on the 46th anniversary of Roe v. Wade U.S, Supreme Court decision. Rally will take place at the State House steps of the NJ State Capital, 142 West St., Trenton, NJ. The rally runs from 11AM to approximately 1 PM. For further information check the website: www.njrtl.org.

MARCH FOR LIFE—JANUARY 18, 2019

Come join our Knights of Columbus Bus Trip to the March for Life in Washington DC on Friday, Jan. 19, 2018. 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. For more information and reservations, contact John Marin @ 973-932-0717 (Montclair K of C) or John@Marrin.us.

20/20 PROJECT POSTCARD CAMPAIGN

Did you know that an abortion can be performed up to the 9th month of conception in New Jersey? Most New Jersey residents are not aware of this. Neither are most of our New Jersey Representatives. That is what the postcard campaign is about.

The purpose of this postcard campaign is to get as many people as possible to sign postcards asking our New Jersey State Senators and Assembly members to support legislation which would ban late term abortion past 20 weeks. This legislation is called the “Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act” (A-1686/S537). Babies in the womb can feel pain before 20 weeks.

At Our Lady of the Lake,, the post cards are to be signed on the weekend of January 26-27. We need help at the doors collecting cards and money for car magnets and stamps.

ROSE SUNDAYS

We collected at Our Lady of the Lake \$753, and St. Catherine of Siena \$1007, for a total of \$1760. We donated \$700 to the March For Life Committee in Washington DC. We also donated \$360 to Good Counsel Maternity Home. The remaining \$700 goes toward the food for the March For Life bus trip on Friday January 18.

Those who helped collect at OLL: Pat Hanley, Bob Criscuolo, Joe Cubero, Charles Dimeck, P.J. Hanly, Eric Watkins, Mike Barone, Greg Mau, Paul Soderman, Kathy Baldwin, Jessica Moses, Ray Scally, Bob Roma, John & Judy Sommer.

Those who helped at SCS: Dave & Lori Lyon, Pat Mullen, Tim Murphy, Andy Ruaya, Charles Dimeck, Tony Morano, Eric Nunes & daughters, Judy & John Sommer.

CATHOLIC MEN’S CONFERENCE—MARCH 16

On Saturday, March 16 at Seton Hall University, the Newark Archdiocese Men’s Commission will have their annual Catholic Men’s Conference. The day begins with registration at 8:00 AM and ends at 4:30 PM. The day includes continental breakfast and lunch, Holy hour, adoration chapel, confessions, and Mass, celebrated by our Archbishop, His Eminence **Joseph Cardinal Tobin**. It is an inspiring day for men of all ages.

The theme for this years conference is “**Go, do not be afraid, and serve**”. This year’s guest speakers feature **Joseph Cardinal Tobin**, Archbishop of Newark. **Fr. Larry Richards**, A gifted and captivating speaker, preacher, retreat master and author. You don’t want to miss this guy! **Gregory Floyd**, Executive Vice President for Mission at Eva’s Village, a faith-based non-profit in Paterson that feeds the hungry, shelters the homeless, treats the addicted and offers medical and dental care to poor. He has a BA From Brown University and Masters in Theology from Immaculate Conception Seminary at Seton Hall. **Fr. John Gordon**, Associate to the Vicar for Pastoral Life/Evangelization for the Archdiocese of Newark and chaplain for Holy Family Council #14712 in Nutley, will once again emcee the event.

Registration is \$25 for adults, \$15 for college students, \$20 for senior citizens. For registration please visit the website www.rcanmenscommission.org, or call 973-497-4545.

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.

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, Kevin Gail, Frank Defenbush, Tom Richards, Hank & Esther Brown (Kevin Brown's parents), Marge and Dan Fitzpatrick Jr. (Dan Fitzpatrick's mother and father), Rev. Daniel Vitz, Scott Tangney, Cindy Koppenhaven, Bill Krantz, Frank Testa, Torrey 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, especially Mary

Ciccotti.

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 January:

Tom DeFrancisci, PGK

Chuck Collins, DD

Joseph Shook

P.J. Hanly, PGK

Ron Blaha III

Tim Murphy

Pat Cupo

Donald Trader

Mike Risoli, GK

And for those in February

Donald Vincent

Kevin Brown, PGK

Mark Rodgers

Gregory Mau

Benjamin Maniscaleo

Ricardo Flattes

Brian Baird

INSURANCE

"I DON'T NEED LIFE INSURANCE"

Is that your answer when you are asked to buy life insurance? You say **you** don't need life insurance, but what about your family? Don't they count? There has to be food on the table every day. Your loved ones must have clothing to stay warm and healthy. The one thing they need the most is income. You supply all these things (and more!) for them now. If something were to happen to you would the money go with you? With life insurance your family's well-being is taken care of. You say **you** don't need life insurance, but your family does.

Call me, Brian Baird, your council field agent, at 201-707-6477 or brian.baird@kofc.org, today and let's talk about life insurance for your family.

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. Next meeting is Wednesday, January 16.

ESSEX COUNTY FEDERATION

The Essex County Federation is a group of the councils in Essex County that pool their resources for the order, do charitable works, promote brotherhood among the various councils, and is the fraternal body that organizes Essex county's participation at the NJ State convention in Wildwood every year. As a member of our council, you are automatically a member of the Federation. You are welcomed and encouraged to attend Federation meetings which are once every two months at rotating councils (1st Wednesday of even months). The next Federation meeting is Wednesday, February 6, at St. Mary's Council in Nutley, 150 Chestnut Ave.

This fraternal year and next, our own DGK Don Trader is serving as Federation president. This means that our council is serving as host of the convention hospitality room. The hospitality room is where the Federation families gather in the evening at the Port Royal Hotel in Wildwood Crest, for adult refreshments, food, and fun. We are going to need help running this event. If you have never been to the NJ State convention, please consider coming this year. It's a nice three day getaway in Wildwood. If you're a regular, we hope to see you there again this year. There is still time to sign up. Call or email Federation Treasurer Jim Kiernan (973=943-8611, jtksr@verizon.net) to reserve a room at the Port Royal Hotel. The Convention runs from Thursday, May 16—Sunday May, 19. A \$90 deposit is required for the three night stay.

Following the next several council meetings, there will be discussions on our councils participation in hosting this years convention hospitality room. Ideas, themes, menus, etc., will be discussed and we encourage everyone's input.