

Knights of Columbus

Meetings Held On First and Third Monday of Each Month

FATHER EDWIN F. KELLEY COUNCIL, No. 5750 P.O. Box 232 Woodbridge, Virginia 22194

Monthly Knight Note

December 2018 - January 2019

Dear Worthy Brother Knights,

Happy New Year! Just to keep you up to date on what your council is doing, I wanted to get out a note as we move into the new year. If you want to keep up to date with what the council is doing throughout the year you can access the calendar on our website http://www.kofcknights.org/CouncilSite/?CNO=5750. There is a lot of other good information there as well. We will keep it as up to date as possible.

In November we had our annual Memorial Mass which was pretty well attended. We also had our Keep Christ in Christmas card sales. With a final push on the Sunday after Thanksgiving we were able to sell all the cards we purchased this year as well as about 15 – 20 boxes of cards from last year. So, all the cards were sold.

In December we had our annual Breakfast with Santa and toy drive. The toy drive and coat drive were a huge success. We collected over 4 large tubs of toys and one and a half tubs of coats in addition to the 96 coats the council purchased through Supreme. All the coats and toys were taken to St. Vincent De Paul and distributed to those in need the following Saturday. Just a big thanks to PGK Quigley and all the other Knights who helped him pull this event off. It was well attended by the parish.

Brother Andu also coordinated the Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest at STARS this year. We had over 120 students participate in the poster contest. Prizes were awarded at the school assembly on the 21st of December for the poster winners in each of three age categories.

As we move into the new year just some things of note. On the 9th of January the Knights are sponsoring a Discipleship program that will be led by Father Thomas. The first installment will start at 7pm on Wednesday the 9th in the St Sophia room of the school. The Knights purchased Bibles and Catechisms for any men who don't have them. The program will run every other Wednesday night through June. Please plan on attending these talks. It will help take your Faith to a new level. There will be more information in the bulletin.

The annual March for Life will be held in DC on the 18th of January. The Knights are providing funds to pay for the buses that will go from OLA to DC for this event. Please plan on attending this march if you are able. There are sign-up sheets in the narthex of the Church for the buses. This is a family-friendly event as well.



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The first weekend in February will be Super Bowl Sunday. We will have our annual hoagie sale that weekend. We will need help on Friday the 1st and Saturday the 2nd for prep and then help after all the Masses to sell the hoagies. Please plan on helping with this event.

Father O'Keefe is still looking for ushers for the 9:30 and 11:00 am Sunday Masses. This entails greeting parishioners as they arrive for Mass, helping with the collection, and then distributing bulletins after Mass. If you regularly attend one of these Masses and would like to help please again contact myself or PGK Quigley or talk to Keri Shanks in the narthex about helping out as an usher.

As always we still need help with Bingo on Sundays. Our Bingo teams have become very thin. We are down to 3 callers and 3 cashiers. I know a lot of people don't enjoy helping with Bingo. But it still makes money that we can use for charity. And our customers are pretty loyal. Even assisting during a couple of hours on Sunday between 12:00 and 4:00pm would be a big help.

Our next business meeting will be on the 7th of January. And our next social meeting will be on the 21st of January. The meetings start at 7:30pm, with a rosary at 7:00pm. Stop by and see what is going on with your council and how you might be able to volunteer to help.

Yours in Christ,

Steve Moore

Grand Knight #5750