#### Potomac Council KofC #9259



# THE POTOMAC DISCOVERER

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#### **Meeting Times**

Second and fourth Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM

#### Where are we?

We meet in the basement of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School. 18825 Fuller Heights Rd., Triangle, VA. 22172

### Join us

We are always looking for Catholic gentlemen 18 years or older to help our mission of Faith, Community, Life and Charity. It is great for you and your family to participate and you can participate at a level you are comfortable with. Please contact Jorge Lizarralde

### October Events Francis Fest 7 October

The annual Francis Fest will take place on 7 October. The KofC will be grilling tasty sausages and hamburgers, and staffing the wine and beer sales. We have a good number of volunteers, but it you would like to join us, please let me know at <u>dan\_irene@verizon.net</u>. Francis fest runs 1-5. Grilling runs 11:30 to 4, as there is significant set up time. The Council will provide aprons, and grilling utensils.

#### Donut Sunday October 14th

Donuts served after 7:30 and 9:00 masses, Spanish mass subject to Parish scheduling.



#### Membership Recruiting Drive 29 - 30 September

We will be trying to recruit a few good men to grow our council and our ability to deliver on or mission established by Fr. Michael McGivney. We need to few brother Knights after each Mass to help out. Sign up at **this link** 

### Fourth Degree Exemplification 27 October, Dulles Hyatt.

If you are a third (Knightood) degree, consider taking the 4th (Patriotic) Degree of the order. This also enrolls you as a member of Holy Trinity Assembly. Contact Dan Sullivan for details at <u>dan\_irene@verizon.net</u>. Cost is \$70, which includes a banquet.

### **Brother Casey's Corner**

Potomac Council has sponsored Brother Casey Cole's vocation for the priesthood for several years. If you have not seen his Breaking in the Habit website <u>www.breakinginthehabit.org</u> you are truly missing something. Each month we will provide a link to one of his articles with will help deepen your faith, by providing some spiritual reflection. This month I'm linking to an older one, where he examines an internet piece claiming 6 reasons why religion is bad. <u>This week's Br. Casey video</u>.

In other news Brother Casey will be ordained on On June 22, 2019, as a priest at Immaculate Conception Church in Durham, NC by Bishop Luis Rafael Zarama.



### Novena for Our Nation

This is a 54 day Rosary Novena. The goal of this is to acknowledge rights of the unborn, respect for the elderly, marriage, and family values, and end the persecution of religious expression. Prayer is Power! Details are at https:// www.novenaforournation.com

# Novena for Life Coming Soon

This will be a parish event, and the KofC is supporting it with Mass cards and participation. Look for information in the Parish Bulletin.

### **Mickman Wreaths are Back!**

This popular fund raiser delivers wreaths to the door anywhere in the continental US. The wreaths are high quality. You can order via a form that to provide to PBK Jim Casey, or order online at www/<u>MickmanHolidayGifts.com</u>. USE FUNDRAISING CODE

KNIGHTVAO3. For each wreath purchase the Council will get a donation of \$8.00

### **Recent Council Accomplishments** Potomac Council helps out the Free Clinic after a flood



The Prince William Area Free Clinic serves residents of Prince William county who are below an income threshold, and have no other access to health care. They served over 1,900 unique individuals last year, with medical care, labs, radiology, referrals to other charity care providers for various procedures, dental care and prescriptions. The clinic operates in an old church facility in Woodbridge.

On September 13th a sparkler head broke and flooded the clinic waiting room. The Fire Marshall condemned the area from further use. The clinic worked with the landlord, but

was still short \$800 to cover deductables. Donations from Potomac Council for \$500, and members for \$300, gave them the funds needed to get this area back on line. The clinic has been able to remain open, but has had to creatively stage activities in other areas of the building.

For more about the PWAFC see their website at www.PWAFC.org

#### Parish Picnic was a big success

Thanks to all who turned out to help hand out sodas and water at the Parish Picnic. The event well and everyone had a great time. Best of all the bees from last year were not around.

### **Family of the Month news**

Family of the month for July was the extended family of PGK John Peitler. Tom Peitler did the ordering, and John Peitler (son of PGK) handled much of the work in setting up the stand. Many relatives participated in the event - which was a great success.

Family of the month for August was family of PGK Dan Sullivan. Dan and his son handled much of the logistics for the KofC support to the Picnic

### **Potomac Council Creating First Degree Team**

After a many year hiatus, the Council will be creating a new Admission Degree (formerly First Degree) Team. The Degree was substantially revised in 2005. Brother Paul Ross, a Past Grand Knight originally from Fr. Kelly Council will be leading the team. We have the materials to do it, just need a few good Knights. In changes from past KofC guidance reading the parts is now permitted, which will make it much easier to get started. Not all the parts are complex, there are several non speaking or limited speaking roles. We need your help to make this a success. <u>Click here to send a note to Paul with your support.</u>

### How to Join the KofC Online

#### 1)Go to www.kofc.org

- 2)Click on Join Us
- 3) Click on any of the JOIN links
- 4) Fill out a simple on line form and YOU ARE A KNIGHT.
- 5)Knights the join on line are eligible to attend meetings but to join a council they will need to take a first degree and pay dues as the council assesses. Any current dues paid as an online member will be credited against current year Council Dues.

### Please keep these Knights in Your Prayers

Brother Francis Hammond recovering from surgery



Brother Francis Hammond, had to have surgery to have part of his stomach and pancreas removed. He is recovering at home. The KofC helped out with mowing the yard until they could arrange commercial services for it. Brother Hammond is a long standing member of the Council, most noted for his many years of work on the Women's Shelter, including cutting the grass every week. Here he is with his grandson, collecting for KOVAR

#### Brother Knight Darryl Stiles is in Critical Care

Brother Knight Darryl Stiles continues to suffer from a progressive medical condition. At this time he is in Intensive Care and is on assistance for breathing. Please keep him and his family in your prayers

## Thank You!

Thank your for all the service you provide either to events, the parish, families, he community or the needy. The work of the Knights and YOU make such a difference in our world.