

Rnight Life

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Chaplain's Report

Brother Knights in Christ, in this month of November we pray for the Souls in Purgatory, whose feast is celebrated on November 2. In November, and throughout Ordinary Time, the Liturgy signifies the regenerating life from the coming of the Holy Spirit. Purgatory is where those who have died in grace, but who have not fully atoned for the temporal punishments resulting from their sins, go to finish their atonement and cleanse their souls before entering Heaven. A soul in Purgatory will ultimately enter Heaven when her or his punishment is complete. Purgatory is an expression of God's love that will allow us to ultimately experience the fullness of joy in Heaven.

Especially this Month of the Holy Souls, as well as throughout the year, we should pray for the dead and devote some time every day to pray for them. Pray for your deceased family members and also offer prayers for all souls, especially those that have no one to pray for them.

Peace, Fr. Ettore

District Deputy's Report

A Thanksgiving Prayer

"Let us come before Him with Thanksgiving and extol Him with music and song" Psalm 95:2



I've been thinking this is the one holiday, Thanksgiving, that is truly whole, meaning that it involves the whole country regardless of race, sexual preference, religion, social or economic status, and politics.

THANKSGIVING is universal. Everyone gives thanks - even atheists 'tip their hat' to someone or something for the gift of life. Thanksgiving is the great national "water hole" where adversaries and enemies take a break and tolerate one another at the "water hole" that is this day of gratitude.

As Knights, we have answered God's call to give to our fellow man - a sure reason to be thankful. Thankful because that man realizes someone cares and someone asks for nothing in return; that 'someone' is you, us, the Order.

Perhaps we could use the day to be humble in the realization that we have helped make life a little easier for someone during the past year. After all, it was God's grace that led us to be Knights and to give to others in their time of need. The "laurels" are not ours to wear.

Grand Knight's Station

Terrence Moore

It happens every year, we are heard complaining about how hot it is and praying for a break then all the sudden "where did all the leaves go?' Next it will be "I can't wait for all this snow to go away." We all need to step back, slow down and enjoy each and every day because there is an alternative.

Many years ago I was sitting in the Old Church across the street waiting for Father Mahedy and it must have been 120 degrees in the church. The parishioners were all grumbling, the Mass finally began and as Father

stepped up to speak, he looked out at all the nearly heat stroked parishioners and said "If you think its hot now, KEEP SINNING." The Alternative.

October was a busy month. Your Council Officers (seen here in their finest tuxedos) attended the State Columbus Day Ball. We did our best to make

our Council proud. It was a great event and we all made our way around the room of over 460 attendees from all over the state. Why is this of value to our Council? In a matter of a couple of hours we were able to: discuss merging of councils, additions of new councils, upcoming events



and programs, cooperative efforts on events and programs, introduce ourselves to many of the state clergy and get to know our state officers better in a casual atmosphere.

Rosensteel manned the beverage tent at the St Bernadette's Annual Festival. We had lots of fun while selling Car Raffle tickets; fundraising for the Tootsie Roll drive and speaking to numerous perspective new members. Joe Marks has learned over the years that there is good reason why our tent is so popular: beer and a live feed of the Redskins game, thanks Joe!

The Tootsie Roll Drive is going well and collections at the grocery stores are proving to once again be an excellent method of getting the word out while collecting. Several members have stepped up to assist and more are needed.

The Car State Raffle is over and you didn't win. Sorry, but your contributions earned Rosensteel \$1,200! Thanks!

Finally, our bingo team is looking for a few good volunteers. Please reach out to Al Wigmore III (<u>awigmore3@gmail.com</u>) or Paul Neff (<u>PNeff@hrsa.gov</u>) if you can assist part time or full time.

Be Worthy!

Charles Hayes

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Community Activities

The Christmas parties will be held at Springbrook Center, 12325 New Hampshire Ave., Silver Spring, MD on Friday, December 2, at 3 p.m. and at the Althea Woodward Nursing and Rehab Center, 1000 Daleview Drive, Silver Spring, MD, on Friday, December 9, also at 3 p.m.

We are in need of a Santa. If you would like to be Santa or are able to help at either of the parties, contact Joe Rogers at 301-593-2304.

Council Memorial Mass

Thursday, November 10, at Old St. John's Church at 7 p.m.

Please join us as we remember our brother Knights who have died this past Council year. Reception to follow at Rosensteel Hall.

3 <u>From the Warden's Desk</u>:

(Editor's Note: Space considerations prevented this article from appearing in the October Knight Life.)

I would like to thank ALL who participated in the Council Picnic. While I am grateful for all of the "thank you's," it was truly a team effort. I would give credit to my fellow officers for their direction and hand-holding – they did all of the heavy lifting! And I would be remiss if I did not acknowledge Brothers Geoff Conway and Rick Horner who picked up the slack for our late Brother Tony Horner. Finally, I am proud to say that two of our newest Knights, Andrew Moore and Michael Weithman, jumped right in, moving tables and chairs and pitching in wherever needed.

We want to especially thank the following people for the extra efforts and help in making this a great event: Geoff and Ann Conway Dee Calcutt Maeve O'Neill The Torp Ladies John Wigmore Michelle Cole Andrew and Chervl Moore Rick Horner Judy, Christine and Michael Weithman Lois Devlin Dolly Hammer Ruth Gusman John and Mary Lyons Tom Griffin Frank Zarrelli Stan and Jane McLeod Carol and Joe Walper Spike and Joy Holmes Susan Wiant Byron Cardon Mike Miller Joe Marks The Clubhouse Staff

Please forgive us if we missed anyone

A special thanks goes to Chancellor Jim Mannion for passing on his experience and then backing it up with a great deal of labor and support. And let's not forget the efforts of our DGK Bruce Cotting, who worked tirelessly for 13 hours and several wardrobe changes (between the sweat and rain).

Gus Gusman

Clubhouse Report

Brothers All, the Clubhouse Association continues to operate month by month. At this time there are no reserved funds for expenses. It is only with the support of those who rent our building that we will be able to grow and improve. Please continue to think of using – and actually booking -- the Council facilities for upcoming events throughout the Holidays and into 2017, and be sure to tell your friends and family about Rosensteel Hall as the prime site for their events.

Bartenders, mark your calendar for December 17 at 8:30 a.m. for TIPS class. This is a training class that allows us to retain our liquor license. Please notify Joe or John that you will be taking the class. Don't forget to visit our Web site, <u>www.Rosensteenhall.com</u>.



A Smashing Success:

Combine mallets, crabs, liquid refreshments and terrific company and you have a very successful annual Council Crabfest. Thanks to many for September's bash (and apologies for not including a mention in the October *Knight Life* because of space considerations), but none more so than PGK Rob Seubert and his minions who each deserve platinumlevel stars for raising needed funds for charity and Clubhouse.

Deputy Grand Knight's Corner

November already? Wow, that was fast! As the calendar and our thoughts turn to the familially-themed holiday of Thanksgiving, I would suggest the following: As we come together with family members and loved ones to give thanks for our many blessings, let us keep in mind those less fortunate.

In this Year of Mercy, we have the ability and the responsibility to be a blessing to our brethren. Please choose to include the gift of time and or resources for those in need and those who may not be as fortunate as we are. If you're uncertain how to help, contact one of our officers and we'll happily provide suggestions.

Your gift need only be from the heart and it is a gift that rewards the giver much more than the recipient. I close this brief message with a prayer that speaks to the heart of the matter, knowing that in giving, we live as Christ bade us.

Dear Lord, teach me to be generous, Teach me to serve you as you deserve, To give and not to count the cost, To fight and not to heed the wound, To toil and not to seek for rest, To labor and not to seek reward, Save that of knowing that I do your will. Amen.

- St. Ignatius Loyola

Bruce Cottina

*Coming soon: "Keep Christ in Christmas" card sale and poster contest.

Chancellor's Chatter

The **Incentive Car Raffle** Ended on October 8 with the delivery of 2,000 tickets by your Council Officers at the Columbus Day Ball held this year at the BWI Marriot Hotel and Conference Center. Thank you all so much for responding to our mail request to purchase tickets. This year's response was a big success and could not have happened without your response and the small army of Brother Knights and Lady Knights who stuffed envelopes with tickets for mailing one evening in early September. Our assembly line would have made Henry Ford proud.

What made us proud was the response from Brother Knights (one from as far away as Baltimore), friends, family, clergy, a local dentist office and our BINGO patrons. The \$1,200 that stays at the Council will be used in many of our charity endeavors. \$800 went to the Knights of Columbus State Scholarship programs.

The **Tootsie Roll Program** for the benefit of the Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities continues; a number of successful events that have raised over \$1,200. The Grocery store collections have been well supported by Brother Knights *(including a visit by Maryland Men's Basketball Coach Mark Turgeon at the Kensington Safety seen here)*. A total of 20 Brother Knights/Lady Knights, friends and family donated at least two hours of their Saturday mornings during September and October.

Additional funds have been raised at the Council Picnic, a Tony Horner Memorial Rosary, Council Breakfast, Council Crab Feast, the St. Bernadette's Fall Picnic and the Knights' Room yellow/red collection cans. We also piggybacked on the Incentive Car Raffle mail request effort mentioned above.

Much more remains as we will benefit from efforts at local Catholic high schools, Squires

and Roses activities and the November First Sunday Breakfast held in the Emerald Room. If you haven't donated yet please contact any of the Officers.

Jim Mannion

Save the Dates

Date	Event	Chair
November 12	Maryknight Charity Ball	Koon
November 10	Memorial Mass	Church Directors
November 19	Needy Food baskets	Sullivan
November 23	Smoker	Marks/Conway
December 17	Needy food baskets	Sullivan
December 18	Kids Christmas party	
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January TBA Culture of Life kickoff rally		PGK Koon
April 9	Kids Easter party	
April 15	Needy food baskets	Sullivan
April TBA	Confirmation Mass	Church Directors
April 27	Nuns appreciation night	Horner/Conway
May 5 - 7	State Convention - Ocean City, N	ID Cotting/Moore/Marks
June 25	Appreciation Night	GK Moore

Fraternal Insurance

70% of Americans have less than \$1,000 in savings. This is an astonishing number...even more astonishing is that 34% of people asked had nothing set aside. When I meet with members one area that I address is establishing an Emergency Fund that has 6-12 months' income set aside. If not, you should have a goal of having at least \$10,000 in savings before you invest. Call me...I'd be happy to help you get started on a plan for you and your family.



Mary's Widows

Our September lunch was held at the China Gourmet in Kensington. PGK Mike Koon and 19 widows enjoyed a family-style Chinese lunch. Thanks to our hostesses Aline Morin and Kathy Fenton.

The October lunch was at Bedford Court. 24 widows, PGK Mike Koon and Warden Gus Gusman attended. Gus briefly spoke to us and handed us our membership cards. Thanks to Gus and Financial Secretary Rob Seubert who got the membership cards and the program started. Betty Altmann was our October hostess and will also do our November lunch. Thanks Betty. You will be called. Hope to see you there. Let me know if you have questions.

Second Degree November 15

When you took your First Degree you learned the lesson of Charity. Following the ceremony, a candidate is considered a Knight of Columbus and can participate in all council activities. However, First Degree members are encouraged to attain their Second and Third Degrees, which teach the lessons of Unity and Fraternity. Upon taking the Third Degree, a member receives full honors of Knighthood and is "Knighted."

Privileges of the Third Degree membership include the ability to serve as a local council officer and admission to State and Supreme Council business meetings.

If you are a First Degree member your chance to take the Second Degree lesson on Unity is on Tuesday, November 15, at Fr. Rosensteel Council. Please arrive at the Council at 6:30 p.m. You must have your First Degree membership card with you. Please contact me at 301-681-8181 if you plan to attend. Following the degree a meal and beverages will be served.

I hope you take this opportunity and attend.

Rob Seubert

The Best of Rosensteel

Knight of the Month

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This gentleman has been a member for over eight years and for the last several he has been one of the most productive members when it comes to attracting new members. Most people who know him would immediately think of his affiliation with the AOH (Ancient Order of Hibernians). I, too, would be guilty of this, but the fact is that he has brought in numerous members because of this affiliation.

He has strengthened the bond between the two organizations not only by drawing membership to both organizations but by assisting to chair several functions and speaking of the good work each organization does and how they can join forces. Please help me thank Don Connolly for his contribution to our Order.

Family of the Month

As is often the case, the relationship between the Knight of the Month and the Family of the Month is intertwined. I don't need to repeat the definition of the "family," to see the reason we wish to recognize this "family." It has "gatherings" quite often at the Council and, just as with other strong families of our Order, most all members of this family join our Order as soon as they are asked.

They can be found assisting at the Council during events, bartending, or just singing an Irish song or two as they nestle up to the bar after a "gathering." Please join me in Lois Devlin thanking the Ancient Order of Hibernians for their continued contributions to our Order.

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St. Marianne Cope was a Sister of the Third Order of Saint Francis based in Syracuse, NY. She is also a beatified American Saint by Pope Benedict XVI. After her birth in Germany, the family immigrated to America in 1839 and settled in Utica, NY. When her father died she went to work in a textile factory with her other siblings to support the family. Achieving maturity she sought a novitiate with the Sisters of St. Francis. Large numbers of Germanspeaking immigrants were arriving so she became a teacher at a school for children. She also helped direct the opening of the first two Catholic hospitals in Central New York. The hospital charter stated that medical care be given to patients regardless of race or creed. She arranged for students from the former Geneva Medical College to work in these Catholic hospitals. She was instrumental in the medical school moving and it was renamed the College of Medicine at Syracuse University.

By 1883, she had become the Superior General of her Order. It was at this time she received a plea for help from King Kalakaua of Hawaii. He requested help with the leprosy sufferers on the islands. The King had already been declined by over 50 other religious institutes. Mother Marianne and six other Sisters of St. Francis accepted the challenge and left Syracuse in 1883 for the long journey to Hawaii.

Mother Marianne managed the hospital on Oahu. The next year she established the Malulani Hospital on the island of Maui. Soon she assumed an active role helping the lepers on the island of Molokai after the death of their pastor, Fr. Damien. Mother Marianne started schools for children of patients, provided new colorful clothing for them, and maintained an continued presence in the islands until she died at the age of 80 years in 1918. She was declared a saint by Pope Benedict in 2012.

November 10 is the 241st Birthday of both the U.S. Marine Corps and the Navy. The following day, November 11, is our National Holiday: Veterans' Day. It is also remembered as Armistice Day, the last day of World War I. An armistice ended four years of combat operations at 11 a.m. This is a day to reflect on the sacrifices made for the country by all our military forces since that long ago date of 1775.

There was a lot of excitement for our bowlers recently. Barbara Dailey, who has high average for women (117) had a terrific game with five strikes and one spare. She ended with a 184 game, that's **67 pins over her average!** Her name is now "up in lights" at the White Oak bowling alley. Congratulations, Barbara!

Tom Leonard

Maryknights

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Happy November! The Fall season is upon us and with Fall comes changing leaves and cooler temperatures. So it was entirely appropriate for our October program to be a presentation by DD Dan Ward on the Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids program. It was a very informative talk; especially interesting to us was the work that Dan has been doing with local police departments to put coats on the backs of children who are less fortunate. In fact it was so interesting that after Dan left the meeting, the Maryknights voted to give Dan a check to purchase one case of coats! Thank you, ladies!

We are now waiting in anticipation for our Charity Ball to take place. Many ladies have been working diligently selling raffle tickets, organizing silent auction items, taking reservations and all the other activities that take place before this awesome event. Please continue to sell your raffle tickets as we will take them right up to the night of the Ball. I look forward to seeing everyone there!

Our November program will feature Max Levitt, founder and executive director of Level the Playing Field. Max will speak to us about his organization, which collects used sports equipment and donates them to over 150 programs that benefit underprivileged children in the area. We would like to help Max in his effort by asking the Maryknights to bring any new or used sports equipment to the meeting in November. We will provide more details later.

I would like to wish all the Maryknights and their families, as well as all of the Knights and their families, a very blessed and Happy Thanksgiving. And remember, "Do something beautiful for God" - St. Theresa of Calcutta.

Beth Ward

Breakfast Buffet is Back (Benefitting the Tootsie Roll Campaign) Sunday , November 6, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Ham, Pancakes, Fruit Salad French Toast, Home Fries w/ or w/o peppers and onions, Toast, bagels, donuts, juices, milk, Finnin's delectables Bloody Mary's and Mimosas



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November 8	Election Day		
November 12	Maryknights Charity		
	Ball		
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- November 10 Memorial Mass
- November 19 Needy Food Baskets
- November 23 Annual Smoker

NOVEMBER 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1. Business Meeting	2. Biogo Cavaliere	3. Bromley, Mullaney, Dollymore	4. Team #6 Langley Pistol Pete, Rick, Hardman *Christmas Poster Con- test Begins	5.
6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.	12.
Ponce	D'Antuono, Zapalla	Election Day	Bingo	Memorial Mass	Team #7 Moore - Baby back ribs	Maryknights Charity Auction
		Kreitzberg	Cassagnol	McKinney	Conway, Carey, Wigmore Devol, Carey, Conway	
13.	14.	15.	16.	17.	18.	19.
McNamara	D'Antuono, Slattery	Social Meeting	Bingo	Mannion	Team #1 Sullivan - Spiced Shrimp	
		Dowd	Joe & Pat, Dassing		Lyon & Lynch	
20.	21.	22.	23.	24.	25.	26.
	D'Antuono,		Thanksgiving		Team #2 McLeod	
Langley	McNamara	Maddox, Culkin, DeVol	Smoker Seubert	Thanksgiving	Pistol Pet, Eddie McCaw	
27.	28.	29.	30.	December 1.	2.	
	D'Antuono, McNamara	Culkin, DeVol	Biogo Cavaliere		Team #3 Neff - Fried Shrimp	