

Knights Navigator

Knights of Columbus Council 12942

St. Brendan Catholic Community

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Would You Stand Up For Jesus?

Grand Knight Corner

By Christopher Bell, Grand Knight



Christopher Bell Grand Knight

Over the last few weeks, my son has expressed interest in The Hunger Games. He became interested at school through discussion with a teacher and brought that interest home. Many of you may know of the books that have been turned into movies. Some of you may feel they are too violent for kids and should be banned. Personally, my wife and I find them not only to be entertaining, but to have an incredible amount of discussion material about mankind for our children. We've never hid away difficult topics from our kids, although we do try to keep it at their level.

You may know the plot. Sometime in the future, the world experienced a cataclysmic ecological disaster resulting in rising sea levels, killing most of Earth's population. The former North America remained as the only habitable landmass on the planet, thus forming the nation of Panem. The Capitol (located somewhere in the Rockies) divided Panem into 12 districts under an authoritarian dictatorship. This causes the 12 districts to rebel, which ultimately failed.

Throughout the years, as punishment for the failed rebellion, the 12 districts are forced by the Capitol to select two tributes each, one boy and one girl between ages 12 and 18, to fight to the death in the annual Hunger Games until there is only one survivor. In District 12, after her younger sister Primrose is chosen, 16-year old Katniss Everdeen volunteers to take her place.

The story then focuses on Katniss Everdeen and her fight for survival in The Games. I won't wreck it in case you haven't read the books or watched the movies. However, my point is this. Katniss is 16 years old and knows the annual Hunger Games are wrong. What the Capital is doing and how they are "ruling" is wrong. She is a child and stands up against injustice. She fights for what she believes in. She fights to make her world better.

What would you fight for? Love? Family? Country? Injustice? Would you stand up for Jesus? Christianity has been under attack since the time of Jesus. Jesus knew this would happen when he told his followers to spread the word of Christianity to the nations. Even the apostle Peter denied knowing the Lord three times. After Jesus was betrayed by Judas in the Garden of Gethsemane, Peter waited in the courtyard of the high priest during Jesus' trial. He was waiting with people he didn't trust; Peter denied Jesus because he was afraid. He didn't stand up for what he believed in. He didn't stand up for Jesus.

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Are you afraid? If so, I don't blame you. It's easy to be in today's society where fighting social injustice is all the rage and family and friends attack each other for having differing points of view. It often feels like society wants to erase all knowledge and mention of Jesus or God. If you mention God, you open yourself to hate, criticism, name calling, losing friendships, etc. But ask yourself what Jesus would do. Jesus didn't shy away from difficult topics. He didn't avoid talking to people who didn't share his view. He spoke with love and kindness to everyone. Will you stand up for Jesus? Will you share the good news of salvation with your neighbor? Will you share your faith with your friend who's turned away from God due to troubles in their life? The next time someone tells you Jesus was just a prophet and there is no Heaven or Hell, will you sit back quietly, or will you stand up for Jesus?

One of my wife's favorite hymns growing up was The Song of Isaiah. Her favorite lyrics are "Surely, it is God who saves me. I will trust in him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior." The Lord is with you. You don't need to be afraid to stand up for Jesus.

Baby Bottle Program A Success

Under the leadership of Curtis Weeks, the final Baby Bottle campaign results are in and they are another huge success. Curtis reports that the campaign raised over \$18,000.

Congratulations and thanks to all who participated and supported this effort.

Win a Father McGivney Medallion

Every brother who welcomes at least five new men who join our Knights Council from now to the end of June 2021 will receive a special commemorative coin celebrating the beatification of the Order's founder, Father Michael McGivney.

Volunteers Needed for Major Council Initiatives

Deputy Grand Knight, Tom Meister, is looking for three brother knights to volunteer to be CAPTAIN over each of our Council's Faith, Community and Life initiatives.

Tony Terbrueggen is taking the leadership role for the council Family initiatives .

Terbrueggen Reports on Council Admissions and Process.

Worthy Chancellor Tony Terbrueggen informed 2 members were transferred to our council; however Tony had no new Candidates to read, however invited all Knights to attend the Admissions Committee Meeting:

- 1) Every Third Tuesday of the Month 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm
- 2) Please send an email to get the password KOFC12942@gmail.com to attend via the link to the Video Conference : https://zoom.us/j/6636946636?
 pwd=K2Q0RVlucnBJV2diQ09wUThOTVRIZz09

Remember we are looking for Prospects and Candidates. We are asking you to recruit new members into our Knights of Columbus Council Now we register Candidates for approval and schedule their attendance at a Ceremonial, Candidates must agree in advance, to the attestations contained in our Constitutional Roll. Their document acceptance is required. You can email them the Constitutional Roll text and get their email acceptance in reply. There are 3 simple ways to complete the process, please choose just one:

Reach out to an officer (Grand Knight Chris Bell or Financial Secretary Greg Santini) to input their information from the Prospect tab (filled in from https://info.korg/us.html) into the Candidate tab of the Membership Online

Fill out the Online Form 100 at http://
uknight.org/Councils/Form100-digital.pdf,
save as a file and email
to kofc12942@gmail.com or print and submit to a Proposer

Fill out the traditional paper Form 100 and deliver to a Brother officer.

Our Faith and Country at Crossroads

By SK Bruce Wierzbinski and Donna Wierzbinski

SK Bruce Wierzbinski and Donna Wierzbinski were inspired to write this article after listening and realizing that Fr. James Altman's sentiments mirrored their own and many other Catholics.

Thank you, Bruce and Donna for your literary courage and sharing Fr. James Altman with our Council.

Ron Romaniello Editor

You can listen to Fr. James Altman's powerful 10-minute sermon by clicking on the link to the right. It is a great 10 minute investment. I have never really been a person who loves politics and listens to the news every day. Quite the opposite. I totally avoid it so as not to feel so depressed because everything out there is always bad news and one faction or special interest group blaming another instead of working together to solve our problems.

But, despite of this avoidance of current events and news I totally by accident stumbled upon a You Tube video of a priest from Wisconsin named Father It is a popular belief that politics has no place in the Catholic Church-Father Altman and I say "baloney". According to Father Altman, Pope Benedict XVI said "...the Church is not a political power. It is not a party, but it is a moral power." Further, Father Altman says "therefore, since politics fundamentally should be a moral enterprise the Church in this sense has something to say about politics. Therefore, when politics and politicians act in immoral way we most certainly have a duty and an obligation to speak up about it."



Fr. James Altman: You cannot be Catholic & a Democrat. Period.

https://youtu.be/3-7eoTN2vNM

James Altman. I love this priest for his message and for his bravery to stand up and speak the truth about what is happening in our country and also for standing up to our Catholic Church leaders (namely many Bishops, Cardinals and yes, even our Pope) for their soft, politically correct views. Father Altman says what I feel that many in the Catholic faith believe but are afraid to express. We are afraid to express the truth because some parish priests in this country are seemingly afraid to do the same possibly because of potential retribution up the chain of command in our Church. The Church is no different than many companies we have worked for in that there is an organization and a policy handed down from the top that you better follow otherwise your job security might be in jeopardy. Apparently, Father Altman is not afraid of his job security because he is ruffling a lot of feathers within our Church structure and for good reason.

Unfortunately, as Catholics in the pews, we are not hearing this message because some priests think it is being "too political" or they are too afraid in speaking clearly to the dangers facing us in plain language and not in obscure parables. A few priests like Father Altman are doing so and their message needs to spread among true Catholics like wildfire and shake our current church hierarchy to their core. Here is a message to all Baptized Catholics from Father Altman

"you cannot be Catholic and a Democratperiod. Their party platform absolutely is against everything the Catholic Church teaches. So, just quit pretending that you are Catholic and vote Democrat. Repent of your support of that party and its platform or face the fires of Hell."

Those are not my words but the words of a very passionate priest. You can rationalize all you want, but God will have the final judgement.

Our Faith and Country at Crossroads (Continued from page 3)

We are quickly coming to a crossroads in our country facing a perfect storm of social issues and threats to our safety, our health, our Church, our God and to our country. Time is running short and we had better wake up real fast and quit being afraid to acknowledge the "elephant in the room" before it is too late to do anything. I submit to all of you, the following question:

Why is the Catholic Church Silent on the Following?

The desire of the Democratic party to remove God from our country. The DNC recited our Pledge of Allegiance leaving the word "God" out.

Their desire to leave God and the reference to God out of everything in our lives including possibly other founding father's documents and the threat to freedom of religion in general.

Their support of abortion in some states right up the moment of birth.

Allowance of abortion clinics and liquor stores to remain open for business but church attendance not allowed.

Supporting chaos, rioting, arson, killing and destruction of our cities in support of their agenda.

Burning of churches and destruction of religious statues

Our former Archbishop (now in Washington) mocking our president for standing up against rioters and their destruction

Anti-Catholic rhetoric against the new Supreme Court justice nomination.

The comments of Vice Presidential candidate, Kamala Harris, comments about our own Knights of Columbus organization as being "too extreme" and not allowing women members and opposing "a woman's right to choose" (abortion)

General anti-Catholic bigotry. Back in the 1960's JFK experienced the same while running for president and he said "today I may be the victim, but tomorrow it may be you". So it has come to pass that it is happening now and we may become the new victims.

Same sex marriages.

All true practicing Catholics need to start right now by praying to our Lord and His Blessed Mother to give us guidance to do the right thing in this upcoming election to vote for the values that Christ taught us and what our country was based upon before it is too late. We must not fail in our efforts.

In closing, I am very passionate about what I see happening to our great country and Catholic Faith. We need strong Church leadership to support rather than undermine our Catholic principals. This message may not be well received by all but the stakes are way too high to ignore these issues. May God bless us, our country and may He hear our prayers.

Sincerely,

SK Bruce Wierzbinski and Donna Wierzbinski

Completing the 2020 Fraternal Survey May Unlock Unknown Benefits



Richard Langton Field Agent

Soon you'll be receiving your 2020 Fraternal Survey. Separate and distinct from the council fraternal survey, this survey is designed to help members update the Supreme Council on their information and circumstances, so that the Supreme Council can - in turn - advise them of the member benefits available to them that they may not be taking advantage of.

And just what are those benefits?

Of course, you, your spouses and your dependent children have the exclusive opportunity to protect your financial future through the Knights of Columbus. The Knights of Columbus can insure your life, protect your family, safeguard your paycheck, help provide for your long-term care, and help you retire happily and comfortably. You know that part well.

But that's not all. The Knights of Columbus also provides a complimentary financial benefits to members, like our accidental death coverage.

One of the benefits of membership that I think is most important and most underrated is the simple benefit of having a relationship with a brother Knight field agent. Unlike my commercial counterparts, I share a common bond with you. We're brothers! And, as such, my primary focus is not to make a sale or close a deal, it's to help you determine what protection you and your family may need. My job is to help you identify solutions that work best for you, period.

So as a Knight, you can meet with me as often as you'd like. I can use some of our cutting edge software and tools as well as my own experience, to start exploring your financial situation, or your retirement, and present potential solutions for you and your family to consider. I can help you customize a plan for protection that is specific to your circumstances and your budget.

But I can't help you with what I don't know.

So as things get somewhat back to normal, and we all start to ramp up again in the Fall, I encourage you to keep an eye on your mailbox for the Fraternal Survey, fill it out, let me know what's new, and I'll be in touch to schedule a follow up conversation - virtual or otherwise - so we can talk about potential next steps.

I look forward to connecting soon. Vivat Jesus!



Richard Langton Field Agent 470-453-2981 richard.langton@kofc.org

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Exemplification Online Opportunities

To view full calendar, copy and paste the following link in your browser or ctrl-click on the following link: https://www.gakofc.org/calendar





St. Brendan's Council 12942 Apparel ONLINE Store

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New Knight Wear is available to you online. These are Products for which sales are managed by our Council

Look for

- Weekly Promotions each Monday
- ♦ Instant Coupons
- Discounts based on order size
- ♦ Upsell St Brendan Coffee Mugs to Parishioner's and donate the proceeds

Questions and comments? Please contact **the Blues Brothers**: Michael Rooney and Jeff Kroeger at: mrmichaelrooney@gmail.com and jeff@kroegerproperties.com respectively

Boy Scout Merit Badges

Volunteer Opportunity

Contact: Jeff Kroeger jeff@kroegerproperties.com

For the 2020 **Boy Scout Merit Badges** fourteen (14) Knights have agreed to step up and help our youths in scouts and at the same time raise money for St. Brendan, out of 137 Council Members; YOU can too, just need to contact **Jeff Kroeger** jeff@kroegerproperties.com

Note: Exact 3rd and 4th quarter dates remain unknown.

Please give your participation some thought.

Your talents and life's experience may be perfect to educate and inspire our Boy Scouts.

Jeff Kroeger jeff@kroegerproperties.com For the 2020 **Boy Scout Merit Badges** We Would like to thank the following Knights who have agreed to step up and not only help our youths in scouts but raise money for our Stain glass window:

Doug Hoffman - First Aid & Public Health
Mark Smeragliuolo - Electricity & Electronics
Ekpen Owie - Sustainability & Entrepreneurship
Matthew Brech - Home Repair & Coin Collecting
Roy McCord - Programming

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Much needed are ten more (10) Knights who can offer to attend a few classes, follow along with what the instructor is doing and sign off on the Scouts blue cards – you don't need to even speak besides says I'm blank and I'm your merit badge counselor. Pass forms around.

If you would like to teach a class we will be starting to add more classes Thursdays and Saturdays starting September to October please ask "How can I help"

Upcoming: Knights who have Signed up for a class but haven't given a date yet:

Luis Galarza - Fire Safety
Anthony Attanasio - Personal Fitness, Public Speaking, & Salesmanship
Stephen Herzog
Richard Langton- Public Speaking
Thomas Mastrangelo- Photography

Almighty and Everlasting God, the eternal salvation of those who believe in You, hear us on behalf of Your servants who are sick, for whom we humbly beg the help of your mercy, so that, being restored to health, they may render thanks to you in your Church. Through Christ our Lord. Amen



Obituary Josephine Kay Marie Znoj

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Josephine Znoj, daughter of Brother Stephen Znoj.

Josephine Znoj, had been diagnosed with Trisomy 18, a disease with no known cure and died on September 17, 2020.

Let us continue our prayers for Josephine and the Znoj family.

Visitation

Visitation to celebrate Josephine's sweet little life will be held on October 3rd from 1 P.M. to 3 P.M. as well as from 6 P.M. to 8 P.M. at Northside Chapel Funeral Directors, 12050 Crabapple Road, Roswell, GA 30075

Funeral Service

Josephine's funeral service will be held on Sunday October 4th at 2 P.M. at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, 535 Rucker Road, Alpharetta, GA 30004. A private family interment will follow the service.

Obituary

Ctrl-Click <u>here</u> to view Obituary and a collection of memorable photos

Remember and Pray for

For available details of prayer requests, click here

Rebecca Attanasio Bruce & Daina Bell (May) Greg Bell (May) Sue Betts (Jun) Bob & Elsie Borzak (Oct) James Borzak (Jul)

James Borzak (Jul)
Matthew Brech (Sep)
Winnie Breier (Apr)
Thomas Carriere (Apr)
Ann Cassidy (Apr)
Bill Cassidy (Apr)
Jim Clare (Apr)
Kathy Cosentino (Oct)
Ron Dardin (Apr)

SK Paul Duquette (Jul)
Janet Fralick
Marci Frasso
Alejandro Galarza (Sep)
Lauren Garner (Sep)
Deacon Bob Grimaldi
(Apr)
Al Ignatonis (Apr)
Gene Jozwiak (May)
Nadine Hoffman (Oct)
Jan Landrum (Aug)
Dennis Magowan (Jun)
Bobby Marable (Sep)
Virginia Mashburn (Aug)

Ryan McGinn (Apr)
Josephine Mons (Sep)
Bob Morris (Aug)
John Opsteen (Apr)
Chrisy Patrick (Jun)
Betty Savage (Sep)
Art Senecal II (Apr)
Patti Simone (Oct)
Emilia Tracchio (Aug)
Mitchell Tracchio (Apr)
Jean Underwood (Apr)
Cherri Weeks
Chris Wendell (Oct)
Janine White (Apr)

* Names in Magenta represent new or updated prayer requests since last Newsletter

Patti Simone

Please pray for Joe Simone's wife Patti who had a bad fall on August 16, 2020. When she fell she broke her ankle in 3 places. Since then she has had surgery to repair her ankle and still has pain. Stitches will be out soon and physical therapy awaits her.

Bob & Elsie Borzak

My Dad's younger brother has dementia. They were moved an assisted living. It hasn't gone well. Mom fell broke ankle yesterday morning, in hospital surgery today with hardware, dad upset confused belligerent trying to leave, transferred to memory care room & I think medicated. It was not a good day.

Matthew Brech

Requesting prayers for healing and pain relief.

Kathy Cosentino

Please pray for Kathy Cosentino, who has been diagnosed with Shingles on her forehead. She is in extreme pain. Please pray that this will not affect her vision and for a speedy recovery.

Let us Remember our Deceased Knights



Deceased Knights from St. Brendan's KofC Council 12942 as of November 19, 2018 in order of death:

Widow

Brother Knight

Warren Turner Myron Shultes Jonathan Lindsey Kenneth Williams Gary Colangelo

Al Kabo Linda Kabo
Ken Snellings Barbara Snellings
Larry Bergmann
Kim Martiny Lynn Martiny

Joe Pierre Bill Wood Gene Sock

Bill O'Shaugnessy Kathleen O'Shaugnessy

Frank Ciszek
Rick Beelen
Dale Gracyalny (10/2019)
Fran Ciszek
Maria Beelen
Jane Gracyalny

Ted Borzak (11/2019)

Vin O'Reilly (12/2019) JoLynne

Kenneth Douglass (6/2020)

Frank Janik (6/2020) Joan Janik

A Mass Card is an Excellent Remembrance

On occasion when one of our Brother Knights or his spouse has passed on, our Council would like to send a Mass card in remembrance. In order to do this, I need the following information.

Name of deceased Knight or deceased spouse Your Name, Address, Phone number, E-mail address

Please E-mail this information to Steve Herzog, <u>zog1@bellsouth.net</u> Card will be mailed out in 2 or 3 days.Thank you and God Bless.

Scott Garner, Savvy Sales Support and Technically Inclined Brother Knight Seeks Employment Opportunity

Brother Knight, **Scott Garner**, was one of millions of workers whose employment was negatively impacted by COVID-19 work furloughs and layoffs.

Scott is determined to return to work and welcomes the assistance of Brother Knights in his job search.

Our "Call to Action" is to think of friends, business associates and former associates, sons and daughters. Follow the link below to Scott's resume which you will be able to download and share with your contacts.

Ctrl-Click Here to Scott's Resume

You may contact Scott: scottcgarner2002@yahoo.com

In the end, your contacts will be most helpful in Scott's job search and for his continued motivation.

Margeson High Pressure Cleaning and Home Repair Services Inc.

Serving Forsyth County and North Fulton County
Owner: Tim Margeson
Cell: 770-616-2829
Email: tmarges1@outlook.com

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Happy Birthday Brother Knights

10/01	Tom	Adair	10/12	Octavio	Ventura-More
10/01	Kevin	Meehan	10/15	Matthew	Brech
10/01	Joseph	Ramos	10/15	David	Carlisi
10/03	Ricardo	V ictoria	10/17	Jose	Estrada
10/04	Jessel	Dhabliwala	10/18	Christopher	Fry
10/05	Paul	Lahood	10/19	Stephen	Yaeger
10/06	Kellen	Dougherty	10/20	Richard	Sullivan
10/08	Michael	Gagnon	10/22	Richard	Alme
10/08	Joseph	Kernan	10/22	David	Gonzales
10/09	Paul	La Chapelle	10/23	Thomas	Meister
10/10	Frederick	Hogan	10/25	Frank	Podesta
10/11	Eduardo	Rubio	10/29	Daniel	Jozwiak
10/12	Paul	Duquette	10/31	Christopher	Curtin
10/12	Aaron	Hale	10/31	Robert	Frederick



Knight of the Month - Fr. Matthew

Family of the Month - Bill and Joan Hickman

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A Men's Half-Day Retreat





When? Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020 9:15 AM - 1:00 PM

Where? St. Brendan's Catholic Church

1/2 Day Retreat includes opportunity for confession and Mass

COST: \$15 (covers breakfast & lunch) Contact dconklin@stbrendansatl.com to register



Led by: Christopher Carter-#1 bestselling Author, 4th degree Knight and the founder of Men Living for Greatness-And the host of the Men Living for Greatness Show (podcast). His Catholic work impacts thousands of men in over 90 countries every week.

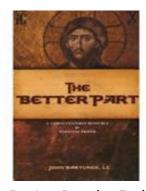


Special Guest Speaker and Homilist Fr. Terrance Allen LC

On The Retreat, You Will Discover...

The two most important habits that will deepen your prayer life and enrich your family life. Practical strategies for integrating these two vital habits into your already jam-packed day.

Faith Formation - Upcoming Events



The Better Part by Father John Bartunek

The Fireside Room

Sundays 10:00 AM - 10:50

For information Contact : Don Conklin - dconklin@stbrendansatl.com

October 10- Saturday Morning Women's Retreat

Women's Mini-Retreat Series

The mini retreat series is for all women in the parish and her friends. We will begin with a meditation at 7:30 am in the Church (also available on zoom), followed by Mass at 8:30- then coffee etc. and another meditation - ending around 11am. Confession is available. The dates are Saturday mornings-, Oct. 10, Nov. 14, Jan. 23, Feb 13, March 13, April 10, May 8, June 12.

If you have questions, please contact Joanne O'Neil joann.m.oneil@gmail.com

Sunday, Oct.11 New Parishioner welcome event outside after the 11:00 AM Mass

<u>Wednesday, October 21</u> 7PM VOTE CATHOLIC Town hall event on Conscience Formation for Faithful Catholic Citizenship with live panel of experts and Live streaming to YouTube- Fantastic flyer with the link and all the information to come very soon

Tuesday, October 27- DIG Octoberfest 630 PM Social Hall Our annual Beer and brats event.

Faith Formation



St. Michael's Charismatic Prayer Ministry

POSTPONED

ADORATION AND INTECESSION VIGIL

Every 3rd Friday of the Month 8:00pm – 9:30pm

8:00 pm: Holy Rosary; 8:30pm Praise and Worship, Talk by a priest; 9:30pm Benediction Organized by Anointing Fire Catholic Ministry

For more details contact Don Conklin at 214-563-0634 or email afcmatlanta@gmail.com



Men's Prayer Group - Fridays

(7:00-8:00 AM Faith Formation Center Sun Room)



This group provides a forum for men of the parish to gather together to share their faith and discuss their thoughts about daily life as Catholics. Learn to integrate faith and life while meeting with others for great fellowship and prayerful reflection.

Contact: Chuck Mayville - wcmayville@yahoo.com



Awaken the "Hero Inside Men"

DIG starts with a great meal followed by an engaging and entertaining video presentation. Join the discussion on important issues that influence your daily lives. Get control of the Culture (in your home and beyond). Try it...you will like it..... Satisfaction Guaranteed!

4th Tuesday, 6:30-9:00 pm in the Social Hall. Upcoming meetings: <u>Tuesday, October 27-DIG Octoberfest 630 PM Social Hall Our annual Beer and brats event.</u>

Contact: Don Conklin dconklin@stbrendansatl.com



That Man Is YOU!

"That Man is You" honestly addresses the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to their roles as husbands and fathers. The program harmonizes current social and medical science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of man fully alive. Who is ready for a transformation? Come to as many of the 26 sessions as you can!

Saturdays; Faith Formation Center

Contact: Don Conklin dconklin@stbrendansatlcom

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Faith Formation



St. Brendan's Respect Life Ministry

Meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month - beginning August 2020 in the Social Hall from 7:00pm to 8:30pm.

St. Brendan's Respect Life Ministry works to create, promote and sustain a culture of LIFE at our parish and in the community at large following the guidelines of the Archdiocese of Atlanta. Members sponsor, conduct and participate in pro-life activities, which can include educational programs, support to pregnancy counseling groups, and grassroots civic actions such as prayer vigils.

Contact Scott Mackie with any questions at 678-230-9390



RCIA- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

This program is designed for adults who wish to enter the Catholic Church for the first time or who need to complete the sacrament of confirmation. It is also a great way to refresh and boost your faith-- no matter how long you have been Catholic! You may also want to serve as a sponsor to one of our incoming Catholics.

RCIA- Sundays 8:00-10:30am

Starting September 13- Easter Vigil + 4 weeks Location: Faith Formation Center Great Room

Contact: Don Conklin - dconklin@stbrendansatl.com



Women's Evenings-(LIFT!) Living In Faith Together

POSTPONED Gather with the women of St. Brendan's and guests for a good meal (that you don't cook), an uplifting talk and some great discussion on relevant topics of faith for women today in a relaxing setting. This will be an opportunity to build friendships, engage with others while sharing your faith and leave with a nugget of truth that may challenge you and provide a real faith-LIFT! 6:00 Optional Mass

Contact: Bridget Margeson liftstbrendans@earthlink.net



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If you have questions, please contact Joanne O'Neil joann.m.oneil@gmail.com

Contact Don at DConklin@stbrendansatl.com or at 214-563-0634 for more information on all of our offerings



Your Officers and Committee Chairs 2020- 2021 Fraternal Year Officers

Each year your council elects and appoints new men to take on leadership roles within your council. Sometimes these roles are well-defined while other times the role may be expanded based on that individuals talents or interests. The following text offers an approach that may be helpful for new councils in appointing their first set of officers or for existing councils looking to expand the responsibilities of their existing officers. These suggestions may not work on every campus, however, we hope this approach will benefit at least a few officer roles.

Elected Positions



Grand Knight – The grand knight is the chief executive officer of the council. He is responsible for setting council goals and ensuring that all officers fulfill their duties in reaching these objectives. He presides over all meetings; appoints program and committee directors as needed and fills officer roles in the event of vacancies; countersigns checks and orders for payment; and is responsible for the council's First Degree Team. Ideally, the grand knight should be a junior so that as a senior he can serve as a mentor for the next grand knight. -

SK Christopher Bell, 678 447-5189 christopher.bell@hilti.com



Deputy Grand Knight – The deputy grand knight serves as the grand knight's right hand man and should fill in for the grand knight when he is not present. Additionally, the deputy grand knight will likely lead a committee, or multiple, if he chooses to do so. Some deputy grand knights serve as their council's program director. Ultimately, he assists the grand knight in leading the council and reaching council objectives. In some councils, the deputy grand knight role might be used to groom a possible grand knight candidate for the following year. Finally, the deputy grand knight may serve as a liaison between the council and other groups that share similar interest (i.e. Newman Club, pro-life club, etc.).-

SK Thomas J Meister, 770 366-5553 <u>tmeister@bellsouth.net</u>



Chancellor – The chancellor assists both the grand and deputy grand knights in the leading of the council by engaging and strengthening the council's members. His primary responsibilities include both recruiting and retaining members and to this end he should set up different events that display the different values and principles of the Knights of Columbus. The chancellor should participate in the council's degree team and should serve on both the Admission and Retention Committees.-

SK Joseph A Terbrueggen, 904 472-3199 Tonyt@pobox.com



Treasurer – The treasurer is responsible for managing the council funds, whether in bank or school accounts. He receives money from the financial secretary and deposits funds into council accounts. He is also responsible for paying all council expenses. Finally, he balances and verifies the ledger and keeps the updated budget once approved by the council. -

SK Stephen J Herzog, 678-525-5042 zog1@bellsouth.net



Advocate – The council advocate acts as council parliamentarian; he should be knowledgeable in Robert's Rules of Order and *Methods of Conducting a Council Meeting* (#1937). He may seek legal assistance from the state advocate, should issues arise. The advocate should be able to take on additional responsibilities as the council deems necessary.

SK Daniel J Jozwiak, 678-327-6621 danjoz@bellsouth.net



Recorder – The recorder has the responsibility of recording all meetings and events held by the council. He should record minutes, conversations and other information helpful to the council and prepare them to be distributed to the council membership in a timely manner. Additionally, he should help with council event notifications, council meeting reminders, and assist with council social media responsibilities. -

SK Luis A Galarza, 404 825-7268 <u>Luis Angel Galarza@hotmail.com</u>



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Warden – The warden is responsible for the property owned by the council. He is also in charge of setting up meetings and leads both the inside and outside guards. Many college councils utilize the warden and guards as custodians of the campus ministry property which may include raking leaves, shoveling snow and assisting with maintenance of the interior. -

SK Phillip G Capehart, 602 885-2754 pcapeh60@hotmail.com

Inside/Outside Guards – The inside and outside guards carry out tasks given to them by the grand knight and also follow orders of the warden. They are responsible for checking membership cards and allowing entrance to meetings. Councils should consider appointing additional inside and outside guards, especially among promising freshmen, as this provides early leadership opportunities from which they can be elected to higher positions as they enter their sophomore year. - **Steve Barnes, Inside Guard**;

Rocky Truskowski, Outside Guard



Steve Barnes Inside Guard



Rocky Truskowski Outside Guard

Trustees (3) – The trustees advise the grand knight, supervise the council's financial matters, and conduct the semiannual audits. Usually the immediate past grand knight will serve as a trustee. Some college councils utilize alumni members and/or university faculty members as the other two trustees to provide additional over-

sight and support.



Alan Fralick, Sr One-year Trustee



Dr James Borzak Two-year Trustee



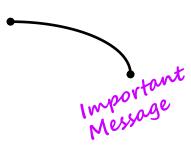
JP Kidwell Three-year Trustee

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Attention new Knights and those who may have an interest in leadership roles

The "mini-position descriptions" in this section serve those currently in these roles. Knights are in these positions because somewhere along their journey, they took the time to learn about the various elected and appointed positions available to all.

You may have a particular interest or special skill from your current or past work life. Whatever your motivation, find out more from an officer currently serving in that position or by expressing your interest directly to Grand Knight, **Christopher Bell**





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Appointed Positions



Chaplain – The chaplain is the spiritual leader of the council who works to bring out the true values of the Knights of Columbus. He nurtures the faith in council members particularly through the sacraments but also through spiritual direction, retreats and other events and support. The grand knight should meet regularly with the council chaplain to see how the council can best support the Catholic community on campus. -

Rev Matthew R Van Smoorenburg



Financial Secretary – The financial secretary is chosen by the trustees and the officers of the council for a three year term and approved by the supreme knight. He holds an important position of continuity within the council and has the responsibility of collecting dues as well as ensuring that the council's financial recordings are kept up to date. Additionally, he ensures that membership records are current, issues membership cards, files regular reports to the district, regional, state and supreme offices and submits the annual 990 to the IRS. Because of his important role, the financial secretary cannot be an undergraduate student, but ideally should be a member of the campus faculty or staff. If no one from the campus community can serve in this role, it should be an adult member of the neighboring community. - **Gregory P Santini**



Lecturer - The lecturer provides brief spiritual discourses and reflections during business meetings for the "Good of the Order". If the lecturer cannot be present, he should appoint a council member to give the reflection for him.. - **SK Joseph M Simone**

Program Director – The program director is appointed by the grand knight and oversees the six surge with service committees (church, community, council, family, youth and culture of life). In some councils this may be the duty of the deputy grand knight. The program director should ensure that all his subordinate committees meet regularly and plan appropriate events. He communicates individual committee reports to the grand knight.

Membership Director – The membership director serves as the head of the Admission Committee and works to grow the council's membership through new and transfer members. He should actively identify potential recruits, plan recruitment programs, host informational meetings and encourage council members to seek candidates. In addition, the membership director should ensure that a council has access to frequent degrees (whether its own or local councils) and should work that each member reaches at least the third degree in a timely manner.

Retention Chairman – The retention chairman works to keep the councils members active once they join. He should consider implementing programs and practices that provide mentors for new members and he should regularly communicate with the council to encourage their participation. When students graduate, the retention chairman should help them transfer to a council in their area. At times when a council wishes to suspend members, they must have the retention chairman make an effort to keep these members or have them transfer to another council.



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Other Council Positions

These are positions that are not required by or reported to the Supreme Council, however, many college councils have had found success by utilizing these roles. In many cases, these roles may be filled by council officers who have these unique responsibilities in addition to their other duties.

Campus Ministry Liaison – In order to best communicate and collaborate with other Catholic groups and ministries on campus, the council should have a liaison to campus ministry staff, student advisory board and specific groups (such as the Pro-Life Club). The deputy grand knight can be a good fit for this role.

Social Media Chairman – The social media chairman is responsible for overseeing the council's social media accounts and making sure new content is posted on a regular basis. At minimum, at least two council members should have access to these accounts, ideally at least the recorder and grand knight.

Alumni Relations Chairman – Maintaining healthy relationships with alumni members can help the council utilize these relationships for mentorship and financial assistance. The alumni relations chairman should communicate regularly with alumni and plan at least one or two alumni/council events per year, usually in conjunction with homecoming or other campus alumni events.

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