



THE POTOMAC DISCOVERER

**MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
POTOMAC COUNCIL #9259**

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Second and fourth Thursday of
each month at 7:00 PM

**In December, we will only meet
once, on Dec 10th.**

Where are we?

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

**Until further notice, meetings are
held by Webex:**

<https://troyadagostino.my.webex.com/meet/tadagostino>

**Dial in options will be sent by
email with meeting reminders.**

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.

Recent and Upcoming Events

A Call for Assistance!

Our Parish leadership have finalized the Mass schedule for the Advent season. There are significant needs for volunteers for door checks, temperature checks, and Usher duties.

There are Masses scheduled for Dec 6th, 12th, 20th, and 27th at 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 5 p.m; on Dec 24th at 2 p.m, 4 p.m., 6 p.m., 8 p.m., and 10:30 p.m; and on Christmas Day at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

If you are willing and able to volunteer, please contact Chanel Marquis at cmarquis@stfrncis.org as soon as possible.

Food for Families in the Time of Pandemic

Our Council will continue with our annual effort to provide food for the needy in our Food for Families program led by our Worthy Brother Mike Buckley. In consideration of safety and health considerations, we will provide gift cards for food instead of boxes/baskets of food. This will reduce the potential exposure of volunteers and recipients alike and will continue our mission to assist those in need.

If you wish to provide an individual donation to the effort, please send a check to the Council address with "Food for Families" annotated as a note.

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Fraternal Year 20-21 Program of Events and Budget Passed

The program and budget for Fraternal Year 20-21 were unanimously passed in our second vote concluded at our November 12th Council business meeting. Thank you to all that took the time to review the documents and to provide feedback. We are now poised to pursue each of the programs outlined in the plan to serve our parish, our communities, and our faith.

Holiday Wreath Sales Continues

Each year we support the fundraising efforts of Knights of Columbus Potomac Council by purchasing a fresh Holiday Evergreen Gift on the fundraising website: www.GiftItForward.com. We hope you enjoyed your purchase and thank you for supporting our organization.

Knights of Columbus Potomac Council continues to need your support. For each Evergreen purchased, \$8.00 is donated to support their activities. What a great way for you to remember your friends and family as you complete your 'Christmas Gift List'!

PLEASE INCLUDE THE 'COUPON CODE' LISTED BELOW when making your purchase so Knights of Columbus Potomac Council receives your donation of \$8.00 for each item purchased.

Coupon Code:
KNIGHTVA003

We thank you for support as you welcome home friends and family for the Holidays with fresh Evergreens from Mickman Brothers!

Upcoming Virtual Exemplifications of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity

The Virginia State Council will host virtual Exemplifications of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity on Monday, December 14, and Monday, January 11. Both degrees begin at 7:00 PM, so candidates should join the meeting around 6:45 PM.

Following are the links that candidates and observers must use to register for the degrees:

- **December 14:**
<https://meeting.windstream.com/meeting/register/513bb8844ed5002cb365879ed38bb92a>
- **January 11:**
<https://meeting.windstream.com/meeting/register/6bbafe450a291aad51522de3cebcef65>

The degrees are ideal for the following Catholic gentlemen are open to their wives and guests:

- New members joining the Knights of Columbus
- Online members joining our council
- Current members of your council advancing to the Knighthood (Third) Degree

Fraternal Benefits Night

Several Knights attended the Fraternal Benefits Night hosted by Bob Abbate, the Knights of Columbus General Agent for Virginia. The presentation was very informative and provided a great overview of services that the Knights of Columbus offer. If you or Brother Knights are interested in learning more about the financial services offered by the Knights, please reach out directly to our Field Agent, Martin Alordzinu at martin.alordzinu@kofc.org.

Livestream Masses at St. Francis of Assisi Parish*

Liturgies at St. Francis of Assisi Parish are Live Streamed on Saturdays beginning at 5:30 p.m., and then made available as a recording afterwards. Click the link below for the YouTube channel.



News and Links of Interest

News from the Arlington Diocese

Find the latest news releases from the Arlington Diocese here:

<https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/pressreleases/>

Advent Resources from the U.S. Council of Catholic Bishops

The link below will take you to the USCCB site for Advent 2020 resources. There is a detailed calendar that can be downloaded in pdf format in English and Spanish. There are also several links to prayers, devotionals, and information useful in celebrating Advent.

Find USCCB resources here: <https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year-and-calendar/advent>

Prayers

Please remember those suffering from the novel coronavirus both physically, mentally, and economically.

