

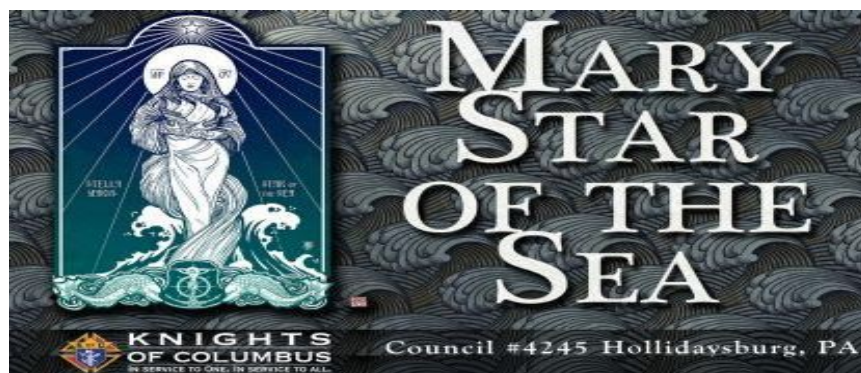
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Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights,

I want to start off by sending my condolence to the families and friends of Brother Bernie Mikesic and Brother Michael Varlotta. I also want to thank all the Brother Knights that came to the wake services. It's important that we support each other through troubled times and show support to families and friends. Our prayers and actions of support is what makes us a strong council. When we all gathered for the wake services I definitely believe it really helps those who lost their loved one. Again thank you and God bless. Please remember to keep those in need in your prayers.

Fraternally yours,
Rich

Chaplains Corner

by Father Anthony J. Legarski

The Faithful Departed

Brother Knights:

In the 43 years that I have been a Priest, I have found that one of the most frequently misunderstood teachings of the Church by the faithful, as well as non-catholics, is without question, the teaching of Purgatory. The misunderstandings range anywhere from confusing it with "limbo" to some sort of 'third option' when we pass from this life. Fortunately for us, neither is the case. That is a good thing.

A more theological treatment of Purgatory, as well as the scriptural basis for it, is given in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Numbers 1030-1032.

Actually, Purgatory is not a very complicated dogma of our faith. Unlike Heaven or Hell, Purgatory is not eternal. It is temporary. It is not a place so much as it is a process of purification that is experienced by those who will eventually enter Heaven, but must be first cleansed of imperfections and transgressions they incurred in this life, not sufficient to put them in Hell. The church refers to this as temporal punishment, or punishment for a time. The anguish, the longing, the

the intense desire to finally enter eternity with our Lord is the "punishment" to which the Church is referring.

So how can we help the faithful departed? We can do this by lessening the time of purgation, the time spent in Purgatory. We do this by prayers and good works on their behalf. We remember them daily and every time we participate in Mass. We offer Masses for the. it is never a frugal or ineffective thing to pray for the faithful departed. If they have already entered into the Kingdom of God, others will benefit from our prayers and good works; especially those who have no one to pray for them, or those to whom we refer to as the: "poor souls in Purgatory".

During this month of November particularly, the Church asks us to focus on the faithful departed. We celebrate those we believe to be in the presence of God by the lives they lived on this earth on November 1st, the Feast of all Saints. We remember those that are in Purgatory---particularly those who have no one to pray for them -- on November 2nd, the Commemoration of All Souls.

As Knights we give tremendous witness to our belief in a merciful and loving God by remembering in our thoughts, words and deeds "...those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith". May all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. And may all those who have gone before us be assisted by our prayers and the intercession of our mother and patroness---Mary, Star of the Sea.

October 2017 Council Meeting Minutes



The meeting was called to order by Chancellor Dennis McGeehan at 7:01 pm with 33 members in attendance.

Application for membership:

- First reading of the application for Kenneth Greene from St. Catherine's parish was presented; motion to accept passed.
- First of the application for Deacon Charles Ahearn from St. Mary's parish was presented; motion to accept passed.
- 1st Degree Ceremony will be held at the November meeting.



Grand Knights Report: N/A

Chaplains Report: N/A

Donation Request:

- The Garvey Manor 400+ club is selling tickets as part of their fund raising event. Lou Endress motioned to donate (purchase) 2 tickets (\$200.00) motion passed.

Notes/Letters of Appreciation were received from the Following:

- Thank you note from the Mary's Day Committee at St Catherine's Parish in appreciation for funding the transportation for our local Catholic schools to attend the celebration.
- Thank you from St. Patrick's School in appreciation for funding the transportation to the Mary's Day celebration.

Financial Secretary Report:

- The football sweepstakes program tickets are due back by noon October 6, 2017. The fundraiser helps the Council based on the number of tickets sold. Please record the Council number (4245) on the ticket.
- Tim Surkovich presented a motion (in absentia) to raise the dues from \$36.00 to \$38.00.....motion passed.
- Proceeds from the November Ham and Cheese sale will be sent to St. Jude's Research Hospital. Sandwiches will be assembled on November 16, and can be picked up from 4-6pm at the Council Home.

New Business:

- Jerry Kovach presented information about a recent Bishop Guilfoile graduate, Bryson Miller who was severely injured in an auto accident.

St. Patrick's will hold a benefit spaghetti dinner on October 15, 2017 in the school cafeteria from 11:30 - 2:30 pm, a basket raffle, bake sale and 50/50.

Bob Hazenstab motioned to donate \$100.00 to Bryson.....motion passed

Committee Report

Fund Raising

Chairman: Bob Hazenstab

- The Committee has been meeting every 2 weeks.
- Power Sports Raffle in progress
- Keep Christ in Christmas magnets will be promoted.

- Please submit new ideas for fundraising to Bob Hazenstab.



Reported by Faithful Navigator Ron Harella

- Next Meeting will be October 26th , 7pm
- Color Corp is needed at the annual vocations Mass at St. Michaels in Loretto, PA on October 8, 2017.....meet at 1:30 in the church basement.
- The Color Corp went to Immaculate Conception in Dudley, PA recently. Zane Treese took photos and Ron Harella has copies if you want them!.
- Color Corp is requested at the Patriotic Rosary being held at the Cathedral on October 28, 2017. Please arrive at 1:30.
- 4th Degree Knights may wear a jacket with tie for future events. The current regalia is approved until July 2018 before being discontinued. If a Color Corp is required after July 2018 the new uniform is required. A 25% discount for members ordering the new uniform until October 31, 2017 The discount is supported by the Bishop Garvey Assembly.
- Ron Harella has organized a bus trip to Lancaster to see the :

MIRACLE OF CHRISTMAS

at the Sight and Sound theater. Cost of the package which includes the show, dinner and transportation. Te cost is \$115.00pp and benefits the procurement of a Priest's chalice. The names of 8 4th Degree Knight will be engraved on the chalice.

District Deputy Report
by DD George Husick\

- George presented recognizing our Council as the #1 ARC supporter in Pennsylvania a plaque.
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- George presented gifts to all Knights that have successfully recruited new members: Ron Harella, Tom Mathews, Father Legarski, Jerry Kovach and Lee Zimmerman.
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Field Agents Report:

- Mike McAndrew invited any available Knights to participate in a Habit for Humanity project at 3rd Ave. and 19th Street in Altoona, PA, each Saturday, at 8:00 AM. (every Saturday hereafter until Thanksgiving). No experience is needed. The new home owners are expecting their second child this fall. Furniture will be needed upon completion of the home. Our Council donation of \$100 will be combined with others will be used for the first mortgage payment.
- Mike reported there may be a 4th Degree ceremony in the local area. If you are interested please contact Mike.

Good of the Order:

- Dennis McGeehan requested prayers for his daughter during the birth of their 2nd grandchild.
- Please send cards to the families of our recently deceased brothers Bernie Mikesic and Sir Knight Michael Varlotta.

- **Chaplains Summation: NA**

Announcements:

- Gary Ellis thanked all the Knights who helped cooking chicken recently.
- We received a thank you and \$100.00 donation from Ms. Barbara Mikesic in appreciation for our Wake Service Rosary and presentation at her husbands viewing

Council sang the closing ode and the meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm



Please sign up for the 2018 Hospitality meals – Sign-up sheet is on the Deputy Grand Knights table at every meeting.

Council reimburses all hospitality meal costs up to \$50. Roasters are available for hospitality meals at the meetings.

Hilarious Twitter Reactions to the Knights of Columbus Regalia Change.....below....

"I think a friend nailed it. The new Knights of Columbus regalia is what a 60 year old man thinks a 20 year old might want over the old.

— Fr. Josh Miller (@FrJoshMiller)



Next Meeting:
November 2, 2017



MICHAEL	ERCOLE	11/1
JOSEPH	DODSON	11/1
RICHARD	FLEEGLE	11/1
JOSEPH	FERNICOLA	11/1
MARK	MIELNIK	11/4
DONALD	SERVELLA	11/5
EDWARD	SHRIFT	11/6
JOHN	SLOVIKOVSKI	11/6
ALLAN	DUMAN	11/7
DAVID	SMITHMYER	11/9
SCOTT	ZIMMERMAN	11/9
GARY	RAY	11/11
CARL	LEAR	11/14
EDWARD	VANIEL	11/15
DAVID	GEHRET	11/23
DALE	FRANK	11/26
JIM	HODGE	11/27



From the Star News Editor

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'Milestones'

On October 1, 2017 **Third Degree Knight Bernard Mikesic** passed away after several years of nursing care at Homewood, Martinsburg, PA. He is survived by his wife Barbara and four children.

A wake service and Rosary was requested by the family with 20 Knights attending.

On October 2, 2017 **Sir Knight Michael Varlotta** passed away. Michael was a former Grand Knight and Faithful Navigator of the Bishop Garvey Assembly.

A wake service with the Color Corp was requested by the family with several Knights attending.



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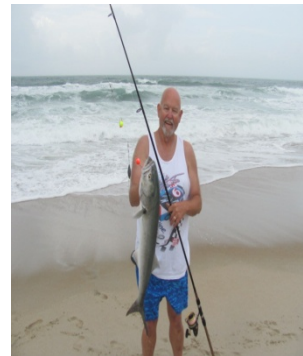
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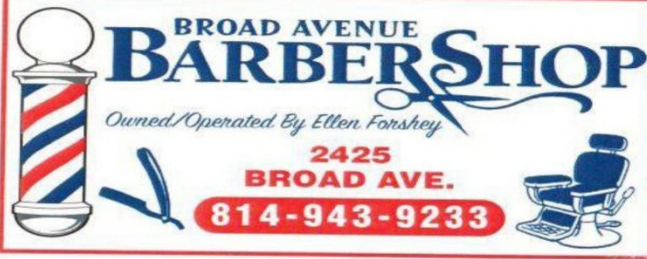
The Catholic Daughters of America, Hollidaysburg Court #1755 observed the 60th anniversary of their 'Court' on September 24, 2017 at the 11:30 Mass at St. Mary Church in Hollidaysburg and a dinner to follow at the new American Legion Hall at Legion Park. Eight members of the Color Corp attended the Mass and approximately 100 people attended the dinner.



Participating in a K of C Event or Project? Take some photos and we'll post them here.



With 207 members there may be a Knight that can help you with an addition to your home, preparation of legal papers, purchasing a vehicle or assisting you in some way. Send me your input... as much or as little as you wish so everyone can learn more about their Brother Knights..... Editor Mike Metzgar



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