



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWSLETTER
COFFEE RUN COUNCIL 6768**

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2018



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**Please join us for meetings every second Wednesday
of the Month at St. Mary of the Assumption Church.**

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE



IT IS AMAZING HOW FAST TIME HAS FLOWN BY -- SOMEHOW OR ANOTHER 2017 CAME TO AN END AND WE ARE NOW BEGINNING 2018. REFLECTING ON TIME, WHETHER WE ARE 20 YEARS OLD OR 90 YEARS OLD WITH THE PASSAGE OF ANOTHER YEAR, WE ARE ALL MUTUALLY ONE YEAR OLDER.

AND AS TIME PROGRESSES, WE NOT ONLY MATURE AS HUMAN BEINGS, BUT WE ALSO ADVANCE IN OUR MARCH ONWARD TOWARDS ETERNITY. IN FACT, WE ARE NOT ONLY ONE YEAR OLDER, BUT NOW BY THE GRACE OF GOD WE ARE ALL ONE STEP CLOSER TO ENTERING INTO HEAVEN. OUR EARTHLY LIFE IS ALWAYS A PILGRIMAGE TO HEAVEN, DAY BY DAY, YEAR BY YEAR WE COME A LITTLE BIT CLOSER TO OUR TRUE FINAL DESTINATION.

WHEN WE KEEP OUR ULTIMATE END IN VIEW, THIS POINT ALONE CAN BE ONE OF THE GREATEST AIDS IN DAILY DECISION MAKING. WE THEN ASK OURSELVES WHEN FIGURING OUT WHAT TO DO, "IS WHAT I AM ABOUT TO DO GOING TO DRAW ME CLOSER TO GOD AND MOVE ME AND THOSE AROUND ME FORWARD TOWARDS HEAVEN? OR IS IT GOING TO DRIVE ME FURTHER AWAY FROM HIM AND ULTIMATELY LAND ME IN A PLACE WHERE I REALLY DO NOT WANT TO GO WHEN I DIE?"

ALL HUMAN DECISIONS MOVE US TOWARD OR AWAY FROM GOD. AND SO AS WE BEGIN THIS NEW YEAR, MAY WE RESOLVE ABOVE ALL THINGS TO MAKE GOD OUR PRIORITY, SUCH THAT ALL OF OUR THOUGHTS, WORDS, AND DEEDS MAY BE GOOD AND HOLY. AND SO AS ST. PAUL EXHORTS US, "KEEPING OUR EYE ON THE PRIZE" MAY 2018 BE A HEAVENLY YEAR FOR YOU AND FIND YOU IN 2019 TRULY BLESSED AND THAT MUCH CLOSER TO HIM!

**GRACE & PEACE IN CHRIST,
FR. GLENN EVERS**

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Grand Knight's Message

Worthy Brothers,

I hope you and your families had a wonderful and blessed Christmas and I wish you all a very Happy & Healthy New Year!



I want to congratulate our newest First & Second Degree Knight! Rich Deegan took his Admission & Formation Degrees at Seton Council on November 28th. Frank Sonson took his Formation Degree at the same dual Exemplifications.

I also want to congratulate John McCormick & John Andaloro, who were awarded Honorary Life Membership in December, recognizing 25 years of service in the Knights of Columbus.

Now that the Holiday Season has past, we are entering our busiest time of the year for service programs. See the January & February Calendar of Events at the end of this newsletter for information regarding dates, times & locations.

We will need a lot of support to achieve all that we have planned.

Speaking of service programs, it is time to complete your 2017 Survey of Fraternal Activity. You can complete the form online on our Council website (www.kofc6768.org) or the form is available in electronic format at www.kofc.org/forms. Send your completed forms to John Baldo (baldo61@gmail.com) by January 15th. The compiled total hours are due to Supreme Council office by January 31st.

**Vivat Jesus!
Tom Green**

Annual Awards – Tom Green

At our Council Christmas Party on December 17th, I had the honor of presenting plaques for 2017 Knight and Family of the Year. Mike Brown is our Council's Knight of the Year and Tony & Kim Gennusa are our Family of the Year. Congratulations!



Fourth Degree – Tom Green

Congratulations to Steve Haller who became a Sir Knight at the 45th Exemplification of the Fourth Degree on November 11th. Also, congratulation to John McCormick who was recognized as the Sir Knight of the Year at the Exemplification Banquet.



Breakfast With Santa – Tom Green

On December 2nd, we held our first Breakfast with Santa for our Parish Children. It was a great success with 59 children & 54 parents / grandparents attending and filling the St. Mary room to near capacity. It replaced our past annual mid-afternoon Children's Christmas Party that

was held in the Church Hall. I want to thank all of our volunteers (Betty Baldo, Kathy Green, Tom & Ann Strab, & Gene Sinko) but especially Larry & Marian Maguire, who chairs the event, Santa & Mrs. Claus (Gerry & July Safanski) and our chief (Jeff Cooper).



HELP NEEDED FOR FOLLOWING COMING EVENTS

Chili Cook off-Jan 20th Howard Wallace

**Cornerstone Men's Retreat Knights Preparing meals-Feb 2nd and 3rd
Mike Brown**

Mardi Gras Dinner Dance- Feb 10th Gerry & Judy Safranski

Fish Fry- Every Friday during Lent beginning- Feb 16th Tony Genusa

GENERAL COUNCIL NEWS

ROSE FOR LIFE

Knights scheduled to present the Rose and prayer card during January and February are Brothers Tony Gennusa, Bill Egan and Steve Haller. That will bring us up to Lent, when there are no scheduled baptisms at St. Mary's.



KNIGHTS' DUES

Dues notices have been mailed and you should have received one by now unless you are Honorary Life, a Deacon or Seminarian, or have prepaid dues. 2018 membership cards will be mailed starting the week of 1/8/18 or when you pay dues, whichever is later.

**MEMBERSHIP
RENEWAL**
Annual Dues

Remember that 4th degree cards come from the Assembly.

If you have any questions about dues or your membership card, please call or write John Baldo at (302) 239-6541 or baldo61@gmail.com

PRO-LIFE

DC March for Life 1/19/18



St. Mary of the Assumption will be sending a bus to Washington, DC again this year. Our bus (56 passengers) will leave the parking lot at St. Mary of the Assumption parish in Hockessin, DE on Friday, January 19th ~7:00am. We plan to return by ~7pm.

We will have a Mass offered for our busload in the Saint John Paul II National Shrine, then journey to the Rally and March via our bus (we will not use the Metro). Our Worthy Chaplain, Father Glenn Evers will celebrate the Mass.

We will keep the same price of \$25/person, with special rate for students (\$5 each), and families.

Please send your reservation with:

- 1) name of each passenger**
- 2) e-address of each passenger**
- 3) cell phone number of each passenger**
- 4) and check (payable to St. Mary's Pro-Life) to:**

St. Mary of the Assumption

Attn: Pro-Life Committee, 7200 Lancaster Pike, Hockessin, DE 19707

FISH-FRY

Brother Knights,

Happy New Year! It is hard to believe 2018 is upon us already, the Lenten Season is fast approaching and this means it is time for the annual Fish Fry! Ash Wednesday is February 14th and Fish Fry 2018 is as follows: Feb 16th, 23rd, and March 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 23rd.



Our Fish Fry is a great part of our Lenten journey. So many of our parishioners come out to support us each week. For many, it is a weekly night out, social time with family and friends, a time they look forward to and really enjoy for 6 weeks. As always, I count on my brother knights and their worthy wives for help in making each fish fry a success.

Each week there is much work to be done. From kitchen work for food prep, cooking, and cleaning, to food service line, salad and soup line, food running, check out, and clean up. I would like to encourage each of my brother knights to come out and help with these wonderful and worthy events. If you are unsure how best to lend a hand, simply ask and I will be happy to suggest an area that will fit your skill and our needs. Your volunteer hours are counted toward our council total hours, be sure to keep track of them.

Of immediate need is a donation of plastic grocery bags for carry out meals. If you have a few of these extra around your house, please consider bringing them to our fish fry. We can put them to good use.

**VIVAT Jesus,
Anthony Gennusa
Email: finfanfun@comcast.net
Mobile: 302-293-8543**

SOUP-ER BOWL FOOD DRIVE

Soup-er Bowl Food Drive is Feb 3-4 Weekend with Delivery set for Feb 5th 2018.



What is it? A collection of non-perishable food that will be distributed to 13 organizations in the New Castle County and Elkton Maryland area. Who receives the food? St. Paul Outreach, Hockessin Community Center, House of Joseph, West End Neighborhood, Ministry of Caring Child Care Center, Sojourner's Place, Holy Spirit Church, Bayard House, Immaculate Conception of Elkton, Emmanuel Dining Room, Latin American Community Center, and Christ the King. New this year is St Patrick's food pantry in Wilmington.

Who collects the food? While this is coordinated by Coffee Run K of C many organizations are engaged to help collect the food: Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, UD Community Connectors Group, EEP, PREP, St. Herman's of Alaska and St Mary of the Assumption Parish. Questions or volunteer – Contact Ralph Paulus at 302-234-1897 or email Paulusre@yahoo.com.



How can you help? Sign up will be added to Coffee Run Calendar.

- **Collect food in your neighborhood, office, parties, associations etc.**
- **Donate money to Soup-er bowl through Coffee Run K of C (Can pre-buy in bulk)**



- **Save packing boxes at your house approximately 18” Wide by 12” Deep and 12” Tall +/-2”**
- **Volunteer – Help needed in Mid -January to collect boxes from local liquor stores**
- **Volunteer -- Help needed before and after each**

- **Mass Feb 3-4 to collect money and to move donated food to the basement (collect at cornerstone too).**
- **Volunteer – Help needed in the basement Sunday Feb 4th from ~9:30 through 4PM to sort by size, count, record, box and tape etc.**
- **Volunteer – Help needed Monday Feb 5th to load trucks, cars etc. to deliver to the 13 organizations.**

*Your help
is needed!*

INSURANCE

From Ralph Paulas:

Only Having Insurance “Through Work” Doesn’t Work

Do you know anyone whose life or career has drastically changed during these years of economic downturn? It’s very likely that someone in your immediate or extended family or group of friends is facing financial uncertainty. Maybe there’s a possibility that you (or your spouse) could change employers, or even lose your job.

Too many people have often relied on group term life insurance as their only safety net. Often, this insurance is an employee benefit provided at low or no cost. The existence of this coverage might convince someone that personally-owned life insurance is not necessary.

But only having “through work” insurance can leave you and your family vulnerable. Most group life insurance policies are limited in amount, which may be tied to salary or some other benchmark. These numbers are often capped, and this cap may be dangerously low when compared to your family’s actual needs. In fact, a detailed needs analysis that evaluates your specific situation, will likely show that any employer-provided coverage falls short.

In addition, the amount of group insurance offered is almost always reduced, sometimes dramatically, when you retire. You could one day find yourself without coverage, and if your health has changed (which it will as

you age), you might also find yourself unable to secure individual protection. At the very least, it will definitely be more expensive. While group life insurance can help, it does not replace the need for individually owned life insurance. I'll be happy to meet with you and provide a no-cost needs analysis, so you'll know exactly where you stand. Ralph Paulus: Ralph.Paulus@kofc.org or call 302-750-1433.



LADIES AUXILIARY-PRESIDENT BETTY BALDO
eab861gmail.com

Ladies need help with the Fish Fry



COMMUNITY PROGRAMS– Steve Haller
GOVMULER@HOTMAIL.COM

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP (Achievements)
John Andalaro

Honorary LIFE Membership (Achievements)
John McCormick,
Ed Bishop

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Prayers for SK John McCormick, Tom Strab, Slagowski Family, McGrellis Family, Robert Geibler



Calendar of Events January – February 2018

Date	Activity	Location	Time
January			
Jan-01-18, Mon	New Year's Day		
Jan-08-18, Mon	Adoration 11-Noon - Knights Present	Chapel	11:00 – 12 Noon
Jan-10-18, Wed	Council Business Meeting	Coffee Run Room	7:00 PM
Jan-10-18, Wed	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	St John Room	7:00 PM
Jan-13-18, Sat	State Mid-Year Meeting	St. Joseph's Church - Middletown	Starting at 8:30 AM
Jan-15-18, Mon	First Degree Exemplification	Brother Vincent Council - Smyrna	6:30 - 8:00 PM
Jan-16-18, Tue	First Degree Exemplification	Christopher Council - Claymont	7:30 - 9:00 PM
Jan-19-18, Fri	March For Life	Washington DC	
Jan-20-18, Sat	Chili Cook-Off / Supper 50-50 drawing	Church Hall	Starting at 6:00 PM
Jan-22-18, Mon	Annual Chaplain's Recognition Night	Executive Banquet & Conference Center	Starting at 6:00 PM
Jan-31-18, Wed	Annual Survey Of Fraternal Activity Due		
February			
Feb-02-18, Fri	Cornerstone Men's Retreat, Knights Prepares Meals	Church Hall	5:00 -11:00 PM
Feb-03-18, Sat	Cornerstone Men's Retreat, Knights Prepares Meals	Church Hall	7:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Feb-03-18, Sat	Souper Bowl Food Drive Collection	Church	Collection After 5:00 PM Mass
Feb-04-18, Sun	Polar Bear Plunge For Special Olympics	Rehoboth, DE	1:00 PM
Feb-04-18, Sun	Souper Bowl Food Drive Collection & Sorting	Church & Church Hall	Collection After Each Mass
Feb-05-18, Mon	Souper Bowl Food Deliveries	From Church Hall	Starting at 9:00 AM
Feb-05-18, Mon	Adoration 11-Noon - Knights Present	Chapel	11:00 – 12 Noon
Feb-05-18, Mon	Cardinal Gibbons Meeting	Holy Family Church - Newark	7:00 PM
Feb-10-18, Sat	Mardi Gras Dinner Dance	Church Hall	7:00 - 11:00 PM
Feb-14-18, Wed	Ash Wednesday & Valentine's Day		
Feb-14-18, Wed	Council Business Meeting	Coffee Run Room	7:00 PM
Feb-14-18, Wed	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	St John Room	12 Noon
Feb-15-18, Thu	Semiannual Council Audit Due		
Feb-16-18, Fri	Fish Fry (Week 1)	Church Hall	5:00 - 7:00 PM
Feb-17-18, Sat	Mardi Gras Dinner Dance Snow Date	Church Hall	7:00 - 11:00 PM
Feb-19-18, Mon	First Degree Exemplification	Brother Vincent Council - Smyrna	6:30 - 8:00 PM
Feb-23-18, Fri	Fish Fry (Week 2)	Church Hall	5:00 - 7:00 PM
Feb-24-18, Sat	Third Degree Exemplification	Brother Vincent Council - Smyrna	12:30 - 2:30 PM
Feb-28-18, Wed	Newsletter Items Due Date		

Have any news? Submit any articles for publication in the March /April Newsletter by February 28, 2018 to nickmastrocinque@gmail.com.

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