



# Our Cable

*“There is Strength in Unity”*

The Monthly Newsletter of:

## John Paul I Council—Knights of Columbus

Serving Visitation BVM & Saint Teresa of Avila Parishes

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### Video Recording of the Christmas Concert Available

**January 21st. Right to Life Mass  
and Reception (in place of meeting)**

**Inside Guard Position Open  
Nominations and election  
at February 4th. Meeting**

### From our Grand Knight (cont.)



Brother Knights ,

The year 2002 proved to be a very busy and successful council year. Our program included charitable events, fund raisers, religious retreats, a family picnic, a basketball free throw and of course our annual “Keep Christ in Christmas” concert.

As we begin the year 2003 we plan to continue these events and I am pleased to announce one additional major program. We would like to honor our wonderful priests who have devoted so much of themselves to us, our families, and our faith. On February 23, 2003, at 3:00 P.M. we will gather at St. Teresa’s to join in the celebration of Mass followed by dinner. The Mass will be celebrated by The Most Reverend Joseph F. Martino, D.D., H.E.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia. We have invited the priests of Visitation BVM parish, the priests of St. Teresa of Avila parish, a number of the Villanova priests, as well as our former Chaplain Father Navat.

Gentlemen, this is a very important affair I am sure we can get maximum participation from our members and their families. Please read this months newsletter for more details.

**GOD BLESS YOU,**

**TED**

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## On the Battle Field

We need the support of Our Lady—We are Her Knights  
**PRAY THE ROSARY**

### Opportunities:

**Join Us**

Perpetual Adoration Chapel at Visitation BVM is always open for you.

Men's Fellowship (Bible Study) at Saint Teresa every Saturday at 6:45 AM—join with many other Christian gentlemen there for a morning uplift.

Do you know of a knight who is ill or in need, whose family is in need or who has passed away? Please let Jack Kees know so that we may help and pray together. Jack's number is 610-539-4935.

### Calendar of Events

#### **Sunday, January 19th. - 4 - 5:30 PM**

Free Throw Tournament at Visitation Gym  
Help needed to make this contest go smoothly.

#### **Tuesday, January 21st. - 7:30 PM**

"Life Mass" at Visitation BVM - Knights are providing help at the Mass as ushers and hosting the reception afterward at Larkin Center.

#### **Tuesday, February 4th. - 7:30 PM**

Officers' Meeting at Saint Teresa. All Brother Knights are welcome to attend.

#### **Sunday, February 23rd - 3 PM**

Clergy Appreciation Mass & Dinner at Saint Teresa  
Special program - Special Day. Don't miss it.

### **Want to Come to a Meeting, but have transportation problems?**

Have you been unable to make a council meeting because of transportation needs? For some of our older brothers driving at night becomes a real challenge. Or maybe an illness or problem limits your ability to drive. Please, allow us to help. Brother Knights stand ready and are more than willing to "share" a ride for you to come to our meetings. Just let any officer know - It would be a privilege and joy to be of service.

### **Special Prayer request**

Brothers, Serious news. Our brother Walt Ednie was admitted to the University of Pennsylvania Hospital. He received open heart surgery on January 15th. Please keep Brother Walt and his family in your prayers.

### **Position Open**

A vacancy has occurred for the position of inside guard. Nominations will be made and voting for this position will be held at our meeting of February 4th, held at Saint Teresa's. Any member in good standing of the third degree is eligible provided they do not hold any other elected office.

### **Concert Video Tapes Available**

The concert is over, but you can relive the memories and hear the music over and over again. The concert was shot in the new mini-DV format (professional quality) and then digitally edited and re-mastered. The copies were made professionally. We gave copies to the soloist, accompanist, the director of the Greater Exodus Baptist Choir and our participating pastors. We still have some tapes left. They are available at \$14.95 from Dennis Mann (610-630-0563).

### **2003 Dues are DUE!!**

It's time again for the annual dues and fraternal survey of service. Please mail the enclosed form with your dues and survey to Brother Jack Kees. It is important for our council for you to respond quickly. The dues are \$25.00 and includes, same as last year, a book of C.O.A.L. tickets when they come out. Help make this a great year and help Brother Jack by responding to this notice. Thank you for your cooperation. Prosit.



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### Revisions to Bylaws Finished

After much time and effort, our Bylaws have had revisions proposed to bring them up to date. Our Bylaws were enacted on December 10th of 1980. Many of the changes were of a "housekeeping" nature. The changes in the Bylaws will be published in our February newsletter and voted upon at our regular February meeting. Copies of the entire Bylaws will be available at the time of voting and, if passed, will be submitted to Supreme for final approval. When approved, copies will be mailed to all members.

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### ITS NOT TOO EARLY!!

Time to mark your calendars. Our third annual Retreat to Malvern will be May 30th to June 1st, 2003. We are looking for another good turnout. Ask someone who went last year - they will tell you what a satisfying spiritual experience Saint Joseph's in the Hills is and what a retreat can mean to your spiritual life. Make plans now to attend.

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### We are Mass of Life Hosts

In place of our regular meeting on January 21st., we have been invited by the Right to Life Group of Visitation BVM to act as hosts and participants for a special Mass of Life. This Tuesday night we will have Knights serving as ushers and provide refreshments after the Mass in the Larkin Center. This is on the eve of the anniversary of the court decision "Roe v. Wade" that allowed abortion to become legal. The next day many will join the March in Washington to protest this national shame. Many here will be involved in special prayer vigils and other activities. At Saint Teresa there will be a day of Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration for Respect for All Life - beginning at 8 AM until 7 PM with a Rosary for Life at 6:30 PM before the Benediction.

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### **MILESTONES IN THE CRUSADE FOR LIFE**

Even before the U.S. Supreme Court's 1973 *Roe vs. Wade* decision, the Knights of Columbus had positioned itself as a leader in the pro-life movement. In the fall of 1972, the Knights went to work with other pro-life groups to combat abortion. Its opposition to abortion is a pledge the Order has proudly kept for a quarter of a century of milestones in the Crusade for Life.



Clergy  
Appreciation  
Mass



Another first for our council is the sponsoring of a special Mass of Appreciation for our Clergy and a dinner following with a special speaker at Saint Teresa of Avila Church.

The Mass will start at 3 PM. The chief celebrant will be The Most Reverend Joseph F. Martino, D.D., H.E.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia.

Clergy from both Visitation and Saint Teresa have been invited as well as our former Chaplain Father Navat. The Mass is open to all the members of both parishes as well as all our Knights and their families. We want very much to have a good turnout to honor the servants of God who have done so much for us. Please invite as many of your friends and neighbors as possible. The mass will be followed with a private dinner for the Clergy, as our guests, and our Knights and their families. It will be a wonderful time to express to our Clergy how much we appreciate all that they do for us. At the dinner we will have a guest speaker. It promises to be a very special day. The cost of the dinner (for the Knights and their guests) is not finalized yet, but will be announced shortly. This is an event we need every Knight to attend. Will you help and be a part of our first "Clergy Appreciation" Event?

