



THE KNIGHT LIFE



Newsletter of Father James J. Kelly Council #3632 Verona, Cedar Grove, W. Orange December, 2007

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MEETINGS

1ST & 3RD

TUESDAYS

OF THE MONTH

7:30 PM

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec 4	Regular Meeting @ Verona Community Center 7:30
Dec. 8	Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Dec. 8	Rosary For Life: 8:45-10:00 AM in Montclair
Dec. 12	Feats of Our Lady of Guadalupe
Dec 14	Christmas Concert @ OLL
Dec 18	Regular Meeting @ Verona Community Center 7:30
Dec. 25	Blessed Christmas
Jan. 1	Feast of Mary, Mother of God
Jan. 5-6	Rose Sunday @ OLL
Jan 11	Council Holiday Party @ Salvatorian Monastery
Jan. 12	Rosary For Life: 8:45-10:00 AM in Montclair
Jan. 12-13	Rose Sunday @ St. Catherine of Sienna
Jan. 15	Regular Meeting @ VCC 7:30 (Only meeting in January)
Jan. 21	Martin Luther King Day
Jan. 22	March For Life bus trip to Washington, DC

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights,
Holiday Best Wishes

As we enter into this Holy Holiday season I would like to wish all my Brother Knights and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and prosperous New Year. We hope that 2008 will bring a renewed sense of enthusiasm and fraternity, encouraging new and continued support for our Council and its activities for the New Year.

Be sure to get your "Keep Christ in Christmas" lawn sign and/or car magnet and display them proudly. Buy some extra 50/50 tickets for stocking stuffers. Make a New Years resolution to recruit a new member. Come to a meeting and be part of the camaraderie. Check out www.kofc3632.org, our new web site.

We still have a lot of work to do. So get active and be a part of our FAITH IN ACTION!

Dave Lyon, GK



CHAPLAINS CORNER



Brother Knights!

How appropriate that in these days leading up to the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of our Lady, Pope Benedict XVI issued his second encyclical, *Spe Salvi*, on Christian Hope. As our Holy Father points out, *Jesus Christ is the true light of the world, the sun that has risen above all the shadows of history. But to reach him we also need lights close by—people who shine with his light and so guide us along our way. Who more than Mary could be a star of hope for us? With her “yes” she opened the door of our world to God himself; she became the living Ark of the Covenant, in whom God took flesh.*

Holy Mary, Mother of God, our Mother, teach us to believe, to hope, to love with you; shine upon us and guide us on our way! Show us the way to the Kingdom of Christ your Son!

Vivat Jesu!

Fr. Robert

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Write it down, bookmark it, put it in your favorite places! That’s right, our council’s web site is up and running. Our newsletter comes out once a month but the web site is dynamic and updated constantly. For example, the “Keep Christ In Christmas” lawn signs we are selling that you will read about on page three, was on the web site two weeks ago. You could have had yours already. Better hope they don’t sell out at OLL & St. Catherine’s. Other updates and reminders like the “Socks for Soldiers” program are posted. Past issues of the Knight Life are there if you happen to misplace yours. We are linked to Verona’s and Cedar Grove’s web sites.

So check it out. Send us your email address so we can update our database, we’d love to hear from you. Father James Kelly Council has arrived in the 21st century.

ALZHEIMER DRIVE

We are about to close this drive and send in our check. If any brother still wants to contribute to this worthy fund, make a check payable to K of C #3632 and mark it for the Alzheimer fund.

Please put it in the same envelope with your 50/50 stubs to be mailed to Larry Dillon. A final report will be in the next Knight Life.

JANUARY 50/50

Enclosed with this issue of the Knight Life, you will find tickets for the January 50/50 with a return envelope. They are \$5 each. Fill out and send back the stubs with your check made out to K of C #3632.

Our council winners for October were: Walter Hislop, Bill Van Houten, Helen Sciaraffa, Tony Miloscia, Tony LoRusso (2X), Walter Drury, John Sommer, William Spooner III, Bob Rodgers, Stan Osinski, and the \$500 winner Judy Hectus. There were seven winning numbers not returned for a total of \$450. Total tickets sold was 540.

If you would like more tickets as Christmas stocking stuffers, call PGK Larry Dillon @ 973-736-5684.

MEMBERSHIP

Congratulations to our newest members who made their 1st Degree on Tuesday November 20 after our regular meeting, exemplified by our council’s 1st Degree team: Alexander Linkus, Terry Gooley, and Jerry Graham. Also welcome to transfers and re-instatements Tony Morano, Mathew Wyble, and Michael Altomase.

“KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS”

This year we are selling lawn signs and car magnets with “Keep Christ In Christmas” on them. Lawn signs are \$10 each and magnets are \$3. Contact John Sommer at 973-857-1370 or Kevin Brown at 973-239-8830 . Quantities are limited so don't procrastinate. Every brother Knight in this council should have these items for display on their lawns and vehicles.

These items are to remind us of the real reason for the Christmas season.



ROSARY FOR LIFE - DECEMBER 8

Join your brother Knights and Judy Holtz's Rosary Support Group the 2nd Saturday of every month. They meet from 8:45 AM to 10 AM on Bloomfield Ave. in front of the Social Security building opposite the Pilgrim Abortuary. They come and pray that mothers will not abort their babies. They say the four mysteries of the rosary and the chaplet. You can come for part of the time or stay for all the mysteries. It takes only one hour and 15 minutes of your time. Prayers do cause miracles.

OUR LADY OF THE LAKE CHRISTMAS CONCERT

On Friday, December 14, 2006, the annual Christmas Concert will be held in Our Lady of the Lake Church. Both choir and orchestra have been working very long and hard to get ready for this delightful concert. It starts at 7:30 PM. Contribution of \$8 is suggested. There are a some brother Knights who sing in the concert.

ROSE SUNDAYS—JANUARY 5-6 & 12-13

We will again be selling the Right To Life rose lapels at both Our Lady of the Lake and St. Catherine of Sienna churches with the proceeds going to Nellie Gray's March For Life in Washington DC and Birth Right of Essex county.

The collection date at Our Lady of the Lake is January 5 & 6. St. Catherine's will be on the following weekend, January 12 & 13.

We will be taking donations of \$5 for the lapel rose along with signatures to send to our representatives in Washington, DC to show our support for Respect Life from conception to natural death. Volunteers are needed at both churches to cover all the Masses. Call John Sommer at 973-857-1370 and tell him which mass you will be attending.

HOLIDAY PARTY - JANUARY 11, 2008

Make plans to attend our Holiday Party on Friday, January 11 at 7:30 PM at the Salvatorian Monastery. The price will be \$15/person. This is not a fund raiser but a fun raiser! Last year we had sixty-eight people - brother Knights, family, and friends attending.

The food will be catered by Forte of Caldwell. There will be beer, soda, and wine. We are asking the wives of the members to bring desserts - cookies, brownies, cakes, etc.

Let Tony LoRusso (office 973-228-5275 or home 973-595-5441) or Ron Blaha (973-239-2895) know how many people you are bringing. They to know how much food to order.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

Continue to pray for Spiritual Adoption.



GOOD OF THE ORDER

Your prayers are needed for our brother Knights and all those listed below:

Gabriel Bercovici, Alice Garcia, Mary Lou Rapuano, David Ford, , Ian Stryker, John D. Coyne Jr., William Foley, Regina Soboti, Richie Weber, Al Moltedo, Paul Maria, Joe Musynske, Stephanie Herbert, Hayley Pope & family, the Rembert Family, baby girl Hanlon, Eric M, Thomas Flood, Frank Rodgers, Anita Sommer, Elaine Shaffer, Eileen Frey, Pat Reynolds, Dr. Doris, Stella & Jerry Votta, Leonard Laniewski, Christine Maccia, Joann Spiegel, Carol Weld, Marie Cole, John DeSimone, Pat MacFarlane, Steve Rappaport, Edythe Tomaszewski, Marie Pierce, and Judy Sommer.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those members who have died and their families, especially Gail Coleman, Abby Lewis.

Pray for the victims and their families of Hurricane Katrina.

Pray for peace in our world especially in the Middle East.

Special prayers for our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI.

We should continue to pray for all those who run maternity shelters for the homeless and unwed mothers, especially Good Counsel.

Say the rosary daily with your family for your own personal intentions, for the Good of the Order, and for the end of abortions.

Pray for all our parish priests, deacons and religious, that the Holy Spirit will come and strengthen and enlighten them to carry out Christ's work. Also pray for vocations to the religious life.

If there are any Knights or their family members who are sick, in need of prayers, would like visitors, or would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact John Sommer at 973-857-1370 and he will make arrangements.

**Please contact the Knight Life if any of the names listed in the "Good of the Order" should be updated or removed.*

INSURANCE

Scrooge Didn't Believe

We can all remember the story of Scrooge and his failure to believe in the spirit of Christmas. To all but the Scrooges of the world, the celebration of the birth of Christ brings with it a warm feeling of family ties, a joy and pleasure that our faith brings to others.

That same warm feeling comes from owning life insurance. Just knowing that, because of what you have planned, your loved ones will have joys and comforts for years to come if something should happen to you.

I don't think Scrooge would have believed in life insurance either, but men of good will do. And the world is a better place because of them. Through life insurance, they know that comfort and security will not be for only one day, but, instead, a gift that will provide for their loved ones for years to come.

This Christmas, give a gift of security and protection. Happy and Holy Holidays to all of you!

Ron Listwan, Your council field agent.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to our brother Knights born in the month of November!

Robert Deyo
Thomas Basil
Bogdan Palka

Larry Dillon
Christopher Gartner
Brian Rodgers

Dan Fitzpatrick
Stan Osinski
Normand R. Roy

Happy birthday to our brother Knights born in the month of December!

Vincent Manno
Frederick Schroeder
Anthony Ditri
Michael Altomase

Walter Drury
Dominick Bertoldi
Leonard Laniewski

Nicolas Centano
Joseph Carter
John Gieseeman

William Spooner III
John Coyne, Jr.
Joe Mortara