



THE KNIGHT LIFE



Newsletter of Father James J. Kelly Council #3632 Verona, Cedar Grove, W. Orange May, 2010

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MEETINGS

2ND & 4TH

THURSDAYS

OF THE MONTH

7:30 PM



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UPCOMING EVENTS

May 13	Regular Meeting at OLL
May 13-16	K of C NJ State Convention—Wildwood
May 16	Feast of the Ascension
May 23	Pentecost Sunday
May 29	Ordination to Priesthood of Rev. Julius Lucero
May 27	Regular Meeting @ St. Catherine
May 31	Memorial Day
Jun. 3-6	Carnival @ St. Catherine of Siena
Jun. 10	Regular Meeting at OLL—Shield Award presentation
Jun. 12	Jerry O'Connor Special Citizen's Picnic
Jun. 12	Rosary For Life
Jun. 15	Golf Outing
Jun. 20	Father's Day
Jun. 23	4th Degree Installation Mass @ Salvatorian Monastery 7:30 PM
Jun. 24	Regular Meeting @ St. Catherine—Election of Officers
Jul. 8	Installation of Officers Mass @ Salvatorian Monastery
Jul. 15	NJ Jackals Game
Jul. 22	Regular Meeting @ St. Catherine

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights,

So much to say, so little space to say it. Let me start with the escalating attacks on the Catholic Church and our Holy Father Benedict XVI. Without going into my tirade, please go to www.kofc.org and read the facts and the truth behind the attacks.

Supreme has just announced another significant milestone for our Order. We have just surpassed the 1.8 million membership mark! The Knights of Columbus has grown every year since 1973, and all but four years since 1942. No other service organization can make that claim. So don't let anybody tell you we are a dying breed.

There are several more events before the summer comes. One is the Special Citizens Picnic. If you have never gone to it before, you should. Then you will see why we stand in front of supermarkets collecting money. Memorial Day means a parade. Come march with your council and let everyone in town know you are a Knight. Volunteer to work our booth at St. Catherine's Carnival. Another is our Golf Outing for the youth groups. Get a foursome or sponsor a hole. If you have a kid or grandkid in those youth groups, you shouldn't even think twice about it. In July we will have our friends and family outing at a NJ Jackals baseball game. Get involved. It's what we do best.

Vivat Jesus,
Chuck Collins, GK

NEW MEETING DAYS AND LOCATION

Beginning in January 2010, our meeting nights were changed to the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month.

The new locations are:

2nd Thursday

OLL School Library

4th Thursday

St. Catherine's Church basement

GOLF OUTING



Our council is having its second annual golf outing at the Black Bear Golf Club in Franklin, NJ. The date has been set for Tuesday, June 15. Player registration is from 7:30 AM-8:30 AM with a 9 AM shotgun start. A lunch and awards for longest drive, closest to the pin, and more will follow golf.

The fee is \$135 which includes greens fees, a golf cart, food, and refreshments. If you want lunch only—\$50. Hole sponsorship is \$100, Cocktail hour sponsorship is \$500, and a lunch sponsorship is \$1000. Send your payment in by June 1 to reserve your spot. All proceeds are to benefit the **Youth**

Groups of St. Catherine of Siena and Our Lady of the Lake. Last year we raised \$2500 for each youth group. This year our goal is to double that.

Start getting your foursome together. It's all for a great cause and fun outing. Give Kevin Brown a call @ (973) 239-8830. Check out our website for a downloadable brochure.

ANCHORS AWAY FATHER ROBERT!

Father Robert Gelinas, our former council chaplain, is heading into the Navy. He starts with three months of training this summer in Newport, RI and Columbia, SC. Then he ships out to Camp Butler in Okinawa, Japan to be with the Marines.

Fr. Robert is coming to St. Catherine's to celebrate Family Mass (9:15, lower church) on May 16. Might be nice to be there if you're able. God bless you Father Robert. Our prayers are with you.

NJ JACKALS COUNCIL OUTING

Once again, our council will be going to a NJ Jackals game this summer. The date is Thursday, July 15, vs. the Brockton Rox. It will be St. Patrick's Night at Yogi Berra Stadium that night. All drinks are \$1. So mark the date. Bring your spouse, kids, and friends. Last year we had a crowd in excess of forty. More details in the June Knight Life.

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CARNIVAL

St. Catherine's is holding its annual carnival starting Thursday, June 3 to Sunday, June 6. Our council has volunteered to help run a gaming booth from 6 to 10 PM all four nights. It's a lot of fun and helps raise money for St. Catherine's school. Our council also sponsors the booth.

Please sign up for one of these dates. You can do a 4 hour shift or a 2 hour shift. Please contact Kevin Brown @ 973-239-4446 to sign up.

VERONA MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Our Council proudly accepted the invitation to march in Verona's Memorial Day parade. Let's make this a family affair by bringing your wife family and friends to honor those who have died protecting our lives and our country.

The parade starts at 10 AM @ Everett Field. Give John Sommer a call at 973-857-1370 if you plan on marching.. We want to arrange car pools. Meet at OLL parking lot at 9:30.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At the June 24 regular meeting at the Salvatorian Monastery, we will hold elections for officers for the 2010-2011 Columbian year. The proposed slate is as follows:

Grand Knight	Kevin Brown
Deputy Grand Knight	Tony Morano
Chancellor	Dan Fitzpatrick
Recorder	Al Linkus
Treasurer	P. J. Hanly
Warden	Tim Murphy
Advocate	Tony Ditri
Outside Guard	Gary Wilczewski
Inside Guard	Jack Cavallere
<u>Assigned:</u>	
Chaplain	Fr. Bryan Page
Financial Secretary	Joe Cafarella
Lecturer	Open

JERRY O'CONNOR MEMORIAL K OF C SPECIAL CITIZENS PICNIC

All Knights and their families are invited to this special picnic. It will be held on Saturday, June 12 (rain date June 13), 12 noon to 4 PM at Cedar Grove's Community Park on Little Falls Rd. Music will be supplied by Jake Thomas and his band. Beryl O'Connor and her family took this picnic to heart and have raised the funds to finance this special event. They will be the hosts. This was Jerry's special project and his family took it over after his death.

Jack Cavallere and Joe Cafarella are in charge of the food with the able assistance of Bob Rodgers. They would like some help. Please call Jack at 973-226-1101. It is a special day for these special citizens. Bring your family, lawn chair, and enjoy this great day of food, music, fun and friends. If you have never been to this annual event, you should really make an effort to see your council do its best work.

.ORDINATION OF JULIUS JOSEPH B. LUCERO

Congratulations to Julius Joseph B. Lucero, one of the seminarians we have been sponsoring, is being ordained to the priesthood by Most Rev. John Joseph Myers, Archbishop of Newark, on Saturday, May 29, 2010, at the Basilica Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Newark. Please keep him I your prayers

MEETING ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

We collect \$1 from each member at every meeting and if a member's name is drawn and he is in attendance, he wins. If he is not present, the money is rolled over to the next meeting, and so the pot grows. It pays to attend meetings. Luca Masucci's name was drawn last meeting. And guess what? The pot gets bigger. It's not Mega Millions, but it could buy dinner for two at a BYOB.

3RD DEGREE

Exemplification of the 3rd Degree will be on Friday, June 4, at Livingston Council. Candidates should be there by 7:00 PM, in jacket and tie.

SPECIAL CITIZENS/MENTALLY HANDICAPPED DRIVE

The following are the results of our council's collection:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	
St. Catherine	1252.84	753	(-499)
OLL	1145.00	939	(-206)
Foodtown 3 days	1501.10	1301	(-200.10)
Kings 2 days	1454.88	868	(-586.88)
Shop Rite 3 days	1087.07	1094	(+6.93)
Mailings (as of April 27)	3721.55	1570	(-1326.55)

As you can see brothers, we are not doing so well this year. If you haven't sent in your donation, please do so. Make a check out to Knights of Columbus #3632 and mark it for the Special Citizens Drive. Mail it to John Sommer, 172 Forest Ave., Verona, NJ 07044

Thanks to all those who donated their time collecting at the stores and the churches:

Joe Marino, Bob Loffredo, Charlie Dimeck, Tony Ditri, Angelo Bernardi, Kevin Brown, Tony Morano, Phil DeRitis, Bill Spooner, Larry Dillon, Joe Cafarella, Al Linkus, PJ Hanly, Tommy D, Dave Lyon, Tim Murphy ,

James Miserendino, Dan Fitzpatrick, Jerry Graham, Mike Collins, John Sommer, Paul Soderman, Chuck Collins, Fred & Diane Mann, Nick Centeno, Nick Munning, George Hectus, Bob Rodgers, Greg Mau, James Cole, Eric Watkins. Final results of the drive will be in the next issue of the Knight Life.

ROSARY FOR LIFE – JUNE 12

Witness the power of prayer! Join the Knights of Columbus on Saturday, June 12, from 8:45 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Bloomfield Ave. in Montclair, in front of the Social Security building, opposite the Pilgrim Abortion Clinic where they perform 100 abortions a week. We gather to pray the rosary that mothers will not abort their babies. We meet the second Saturday of every month. Come spend as much time as you have. Your prayers and presence will and have saved baby's lives! Bring your families. This is the sixth anniversary of the Rosary For Life praying in front of the Pilgrim Abortion Clinic. At the May 8th Rosary for Life, four abortion bound mothers changed their minds, and thus, four babies lives were saved through the power of prayer!

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

Keep praying daily for the pre-born baby that you spiritually adopted who is in danger of being aborted.

Seven - Eight Month Developing Baby

You're in the home stretch with your spiritually adopted baby. He is completely formed, and has been since 8 weeks. All he is doing now is gaining weight - and making and making his mother uncomfortable with his size. But she's not worried now. In a short time, her baby will be born. She has planned to bring him home or to place him for adoption. Either way, she knows she can receive the assistance she needs from the Catholic Church and from the crisis pregnancy centers.

Your baby's mother appreciates the prayers you have said for her and her baby throughout the pregnancy. It hasn't been easy, but your prayers have given her grace to seek the help she needs.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Pope John Paul II said the following about the Month of Mary in May 2002:

"Today we begin the month dedicated to Our Lady a favorite of popular devotion. In accord with a long-standing tradition of devotion, parishes and families continue to make the month of May a 'Marian' month, celebrating it with many devout liturgical, catechetical and pastoral initiatives!"

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP TOPS 1.8 MILLION

5/5/2010

The Knights of Columbus passed a significant milestone on April 30, 2010, when its membership exceeded 1.8 million.

At the end of the last day of April, the official tally of Knights of Columbus around the world stood at 1,800,445.

“Achieving this milestone in membership is a testament to the high regard in which the Knights of Columbus is held among Catholic men everywhere,” Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson said. “We offer a unique opportunity to serve our church and our communities as one of the most active service organizations anywhere in the world.

“We truly offer the ‘experience of a lifetime,’ to join brother Knights in a common effort to become better fathers, better husbands, better citizens and better Catholics, together with the opportunity to provide financial protection for their families.”

Membership in the Knights of Columbus grew from 1.7 million to 1.8 million in less than five years (59 months), and continues a growth trend in which the number of Knights has grown every year since 1973. Moreover, membership has grown in all but four years since 1942.

In the United States, jurisdictions adding the largest number of new members were Texas, California, Florida, Michigan and Illinois, which together accounted for 15,506 new members recruited since the beginning of the current fraternal year on July 1, 2009. Those five states accounted for more than one-third of the 45,180 new U.S. members.

In Canada, jurisdictions in Quebec and Ontario together recruited 4,640 new members, more than 70 percent of the 6,469 new Canadian members.

In the Philippines, Luzon led all jurisdictions with 7,669 new members recruited, fully one-half of all new members recruited there.

In Mexico, the Mexico South jurisdiction recruited 515 new members, more than one-third of all new members recruited there.

The Order’s newest jurisdiction, Poland, also grew briskly, recruiting 291 new members and increasing its membership by more than one-third in less than a year. The Dominican Republic added 221 new members, representing growth of 12 percent in less than a year.

Over the past 10 months, the Knights of Columbus has recruited 70,310 new members worldwide, and councils have two more months to recruit new members before the end of the fraternal year on June 30. A final tally of Knights of Columbus membership for the 2009-2010 fraternal year will be announced in July. The number of new members recruited will be offset by deaths and withdrawals, and thus net growth in membership will be slightly lower.

AROUND THE FEDERATION

Many of you have heard of the Federation but don’t know what it is . The Essex County Federation is a chartered organization, whose members are the K of C councils of Essex county. The councils pay dues to the Federation which works as a group to do things like buy seminarians the *Book of Gospels*. The Federation all stays in the same hotel during the convention. They try to support the activities of member councils. You are a member of the Essex County Federation by virtue of your membership in our council.

Livingston Council: Golf Outing June 28. East Orange Golf Course.

Nutley Council: Deep Sea Fishing Outing. August.

Short Hills Council: Golf outing September 5. Black Bear Golf Course.



GOOD OF THE ORDER

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

Gabriel Bercovici, Alice Garcia, Mary Lou Rapuano, John D. Coyne Jr., William Foley, Regina Soboti, Richie Weber, Paul Maria, Joe Musynske, Hayley Pope & family, the Rembert Family, baby girl Hanlon, Eric M, Thomas Flood, Anita Sommer, Elaine Shaffer, Eileen Frey, Stella & Jerry Votta, Christine Maccia, Marie Cole, John DeSimone, Steve Rappaport, Nicole Greco, Daniel Fischer, Fr. Frank McGowan, Paul Coleman, Beth Duelly, William Robertson, Jane and Andy C., Dick Meehan, Julie Alvarez, Stephanie Herbert, Kevin Carr, Frank Testa, Roslyn Warmoth, Betty Ferrari.

- Please pray for the repose of the souls of those members who have died and their families.
- Pray for our seminarians, especially the ones we support, Julius Lucero and Richard Di Brasi
- Pray for peace in our world especially in the Middle East and for the safety of all our military men and women.
- Special prayers for our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI.
- 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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to our brother Knights born in the month of April:

Charles Dimeck
Joseph Marino
Bill VanHouten
Peter Wojtal

Fr. Andrew Kielkowski
Tony Miloscia
Pat Vuolo

Br. Damian Marek
Francis Rodgers III
Ron Weathermon

And to our brother Knights born in the month of May:

Fr. Tesfamariam Baraki
James McEvoy
Kevin Carr

Joseph Cafarella
Chuck Pritchard

Richard Citrano
Mathew Ripoli

Al Linkus
Emil Jarco

INSURANCE

No doubt the signs of spring have had their effect on you. Initially, getting outdoors is the obvious thing to do. We start by poking around the garden, working on the lawn, attending softball practice, dusting off the gas grill.

Beneath it all we sense that vacation time is near. This pleases everyone. It doesn't matter whether we are planning an elaborate vacation or will simply enjoy the company of our family at home - the feeling is the same. Vacations are fun.

If we've planned properly, chances are that some of our hard earned dollars have been set aside for this occasion. We recognize that if we plan to spend money in the pursuit of enjoyment, the ordinary fixed expenses - mortgage, utilities, etc. - must still be paid. So you need a vacation fund.

All this makes good sense. The soundness of the idea is obvious. Isn't it amazing that so many of us see the wisdom of planning for our vacation each summer, but fail to plan our long range vacation - retirement. The government has thought about it and encouraged your independence at retirement age. Your place of employment has probably thought about it and planned a pension for you.

The only one left is you...it's time you thought about it. Find out how you can add to government and employer programs an amount sufficient to provide for you and yours.

After all, retirement is the longest vacation you'll ever take. Call our insurance agent, Brian Honsberger at (973) 998-4229 and he'll plan it with you.