



THE KNIGHT LIFE



Newsletter of Father James J. Kelly Council #3632 Verona, Cedar Grove, W. Orange January, 2012

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MEETINGS

2ND & 4TH

THURSDAYS

OF THE MONTH

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan. 23	March For Life—Washington DC Bus Trip
Jan. 26	Regular Meeting at St. Catherine's
Jan. 27	WINTERFEST Council Dinner Dance
Feb 9	Regular Meeting @ OLL
Feb 11	Rosary For Life
Feb 22	Ash Wednesday
Feb 23	Regular Meeting at St. Catherine's
Mar 8	Regular Meeting @ OLL
Mar 10	Rosary For Life
Mar 22	Regular Meeting at St. Catherine's
April 8	Easter Sunday
May 2	Pride In Our Priests Dinner @ The Fiesta

Dear Brother Knights ...

Happy New Year! I hope everyone enjoyed Christmas and is geared up for a great 2012. It was nice to see so many folks at our Christmas party in December—my thanks especially to Gary Wilczewski who always goes above and beyond to make sure everything runs smoothly.

I look forward to seeing even more of us at our annual Winterfest party on Jan. 27. It's always a great time, and all are welcome. So come out and have fun; details are in this issue.

Also, especially this month, let's keep in our prayers those who find themselves in the often unintended predicament of having to make a life-changing choice, and those who are dealing with the consequences of life-changing decisions they have made, that the wisdom of the Holy Spirit will guide them to the Truth, and His gentle comfort will support them.

And as always, stay in touch with us by phone, e-mail, through the Knight Life, and the Council website (kofc3632.org) for news about our events and activities. Get involved! We're always happy to see you! You don't have to attend every meeting or volunteer for every activity. Get involved as often and for as long as you can. It's so rewarding, and it's a wonderful way to participate in the vitality and good work of our Council.

Vivat Jesus,
Tony Morano
GK



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

I pray that 2012 has begun with blessings for all of you and your families; may they continue throughout the year. Just as we begin this new year of our lives, so too do we begin Ordinary Time in the Church's year. Ordinary Time is anything but ordinary; rather it gains its name from the word ordinal, as in to be numbered. So these are simply the weeks that are numbered and not part of the other five major church seasons. During these weeks we go through the Holy Scriptures, especially following the life of Jesus in the Gospels.

This year we will go through Cycle B which will be taken mostly from the Gospel of Mark. January 15th, however, is taken from the Gospel of John and depicts the call of the Apostles slightly differently than the other accounts. It points out that when Andrew hears of the Messiah's arrival, he first goes to get his brother Simon, who we know as Peter, to meet Jesus.

This subtle detail points out two things I think worth noting. First, it depicts the humble spirit that we as brother Knights ought to have: that we should be trying to bring our brothers to Christ. In this light, an excellent goal for us in the New Year is to bring in new members and to bring all of our brothers to Christ. But the second point is also important. Each of the Gospel accounts of Jesus' life that we will listen to in the numbered weeks ahead, not only have a familiar story but, have specific details like this account from John, which we probably have not paid attention to in the past. I invite you to listen to what God is trying to tell you in the details. I pray that the details of the Life of Christ may help each of us in our day to day life.

May God Bless You All,

Fr. Mac

WINTERFEST PARTY—JANUARY 27, 2011



Save the date: Friday, January 27, 2011. Our annual holiday party, Winterfest, will be held once again at the Russian Hall in Little Falls. Live entertainment will be provided by the local favorite band, *Pet In The Middle*, for you listening and dancing pleasure. A family style dinner with the famous Russian Hall fare, beer and soda. A great evening of fun. We suggest reserving a table of 10 and bringing friends and relatives. Cost is \$35/person Advance reservations and payment will help us assure you a spot as we are anticipating a large turnout. Call GK Tony Morano @ 973-857-7122 for reservations. Ads and sponsors for our program are also available. Call Chuck Collins @973-857-9124 to buy an ad.

MARCH FOR LIFE BUS TRIP—JANUARY 23, 2011

Our council will once again join Montclair council's annual bus trip to Washington DC on Monday, January 23. The reason it is not on the anniversary of Roe vs. Wade on January 22 is because all the government offices are closed on Saturdays.

The meeting place will be at the Immaculate Conception Church in Montclair at 6:45 AM for Mass. There will be a light breakfast after Mass in Madonna Hall. Parking will be in the fenced in lot across the street (on Park St.). The cost of the trip is \$20 for adults, \$5 for children. Our council will be supplying the food for the trip (breakfast, lunch & supper). Our Chaplain, Fr. Mac, will going on the bus trip as well as Fr. Paul from OLL.

Call John Marin @ 973-746-9383 for information and reservations.

ROSARY FOR LIFE – FEBRUARY 11

Witness the power of prayer! Join the Knights of Columbus on Saturday, December 10, 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 abortions have increased from 100 to over 150 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. Surely you have one hour to pray that the life of a pre-born baby be spared. Your prayers and presence will and have saved baby's lives! Bring your families.

ROSE SUNDAYS

In December and January at St. Catherine's and Our Lady of the Lake Churches, respectively, our council collected money by selling red lapel roses. The red rose symbolizes the blood of the pre-born babies that are killed by abortion. We asked for a donation of \$5 or whatever they can afford. We use the proceeds for:

- Nellie Gray's March For Life Committee in Washington DC (Nellie Gray is the principal organizer of the March For Life for 38 years).
- Birthright of Essex County in Bloomfield.
- To buy food for the joint bus trip to Washington DC with the Montclair Council.

This year we collected \$800 and 125 signatures from St. Catherine of Siena, and \$1175 and 214 signatures from Our Lady of the Lake. We are sending \$850 to the March for Life committee, \$425 to Birthright, and \$700 for the council food expenses for the bus trip (breakfast, lunch, & dinner).

We thank those who did an outstanding job at collecting and contributing: Pat Mullen, Carlos Fernandez, Charles Dimeck, Bob & Grace Whelan, Tony Morano, Tim Murphy, Jeannie Andraizzi, George Hectus, Madge Rodgers, Genaro Salerno, PJ Hanly, Fred & Diane Mahn, Greg Mau, Eric Watkins, Liz Arias, Matt Repoli, Pat Hanley, Torre Mathesin, Paul Soderman, Tony Ditri, Pat Meeham, Lyon family, John & Judy Sommer.

GOLF OUTING - JUNE 11, 2012



The date has been set for our council's fourth annual golf outing. So mark the date, Monday, June 11. Tell your boss NOW that you won't be in that day. If you are your own boss, tell your employees you won't be in that day. If you are a stay-at-home dad, tell your wife you are taking the day off. Start getting your foursome together.

This year we will be closer to home, as the event will be held at **Glen Ridge Country Club** in Glen Ridge, NJ. Once again, all amenities (including open bar) are included, with fantastic raffle prizes and contests. Remember this fundraiser benefits the youth groups at Our Lady of the Lake and St. Catherine of Siena. In the first years of the outing we have raised \$16,000 for these youth groups. Help us raise the bar even higher by participating this year.

SUPER BOWL XLVI POOL

Once again, our council will be running a Super Bowl football pool. This is a basic grid pool that many are familiar with. The grid has 100 boxes, set up in a 10 x 10 grid. Each box will be randomly assigned two numbers, one for each conference, from 0 to 9. If your box has the ending digits at the end of a quarter you win the associated prize money.

For example: You chose a box and it is designated as NFC 4 and AFC 7, at the end of the 1st quarter the score is NFC 14 and AFC 17, which means, you win.

Super Bowl XLVI Pool Rules

1. The cost to enter will be \$10 per box.
2. Put initials in box of your choosing and fill out entrant information.
3. All boxes must be sold prior to Super Bowl Sunday. If all 100 boxes are not sold, the remaining boxes will be bought by the council.
4. Numbers will be randomly picked when all boxes are sold.
5. Filled in grid and only initials and names will be emailed to all entrants. All other information will not be forwarded. (Those without email will need to make arrangements to obtain a copy of this information.)
6. Prizes will be awarded to the owners of the boxes matching the scores at the end of each quarter, and distributed as follows: \$50 for the 1st and 3rd quarter scores, \$150 for the half time and 4th Quarter scores and \$600 for the final score. If the 4th quarter does not end in a tie the 4th quarter and final prize money will be combined.
7. Checks will be mailed to winners.

Boxes will be sold at the 1/26 meeting and at the Winterfest Party on 1/27. After that, call P.J. Hanly @ 862-216-4900, to see if there are any boxes left.

GOOD OF THE ORDER



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

John D. Coyne Jr., Regina Soboti, Hayley Pope & family, the Rembert Family, Thomas Flood, Anita Sommer, Elaine Shaffer, Eileen Frey, Christine Maccia, William Robertson, Stephanie Herbert, Barbara Shea, Suzanne Flood, Mark, Gustafo & Eduardo Chiappara, Brenda Benvenuti (lung disease), Bill Frazee, Christine Collins, Bruce Williams, Claire Tomeo, Nick Munning, William Spooner III, Nivaldo DelPino, Laurie Nicoletti, Nick Centeno, Pati Roma, Baby Brooke, Carol Luders, Fausto

Alercon, Ron Blaha, and Karen Reynolds.

- Please pray for the repose of the souls of those members who have died and their families, especially Gene Corcoran, & Florry Murphy, brother of our Worthy Warden, Tim Murphy.
- Pray for our seminarians, especially the ones we support, Thomas Quinn & Antonio Sarento.
- 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 January:

Tom DeFrancisci	Chuck Collins	George Thomas	Joseph Shook
William Cannan III	Christopher Rodgers	Ron Blaha III	Tim Murphy
Fr. Wojciech Kowalski	Fr. Wlodzimierz Las	Peter Kiernan	P.J. Hanly

MEETING ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

IT'S GETTING HUGE! At our January 12 meeting, Edward Young's name was drawn. But Ed couldn't make it and the \$275 pot moves on. It should be approaching \$300 by the next meeting. 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. You have to be there to win. Besides, it's a nice nite out with your brother Knights. See you all at the next meeting on January 26 at SCS.

INSURANCE

Do you know the Knights of Columbus can offer IRAs and Keogh Plans (US), RRPs (Canada)? Do you know enough about them to decide whether or not they fit into your financial picture? I would like you to answer three questions: 1) Are you, like most people, interested in saving money? 2) Do you find it difficult to save under common saving methods? 3) Take the number of years you've been working times your average salary. What percentage of that income have you saved so far? How much will you save in the future?

If your answers bother you, I would like a chance to sit and talk with you (and your wife, of course) about our alternatives — annuities and tax-sheltered savings at highly competitive interest rates. You need not look anywhere else but your own Order for your financial needs. Other institutions bombard you with ads for business at this time of year. We just keep doing what we have been doing since Father Michael McGivney founder of the Order — taking care of our members and their families.

Call me, Craig Fuchs, your council field agent, at (973) 632-6694, to discuss these needs. I want to hear from you.

