
☘ THE KNIGHT LIFE ☘

Newsletter of Father James J. Kelly Council #3632 Verona, Cedar Grove, W. Orange March, 2013

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MEETINGS

2ND & 4TH

THURSDAYS

OF THE MONTH

7:30 PM

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar. 24	Palm Sunday
Mar. 28	Holy Thursday (no meeting)
Mar. 31	Easter Sunday
Apr 12	Regular Meeting @ OLL
Apr. 13	Spring Dinner Dance @ The Bethwood
Apr. 14	Rosary For Life
Apr. 26	Regular Meeting at St. Catherine's
Apr. 19-21	Special Citizens Collection @ Foodtown—Cedar Grove
Apr. 26-28	Special Citizens Collection @ Jack's Foodtown—Caldwell
May 1	Pride In Our Priests Dinner @ The Fiesta
May 11	Special Citizens Collection @ Shoprite –West Caldwell



HABEMUS PAPAM!

FRANCIS

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights,

Well I've brought in some new services to help us better communicate as a council. You may have gotten an email or phone call about this week's meeting. If not, and you would like, please visit our website and sign up for our mailing list at the bottom of the page.

I'll be trying these services out late this month, as a reminder that our second meeting has been canceled, due to it falling on Holy Thursday.

We have a few things coming up. If you haven't already and would like to, make sure you reserve your room for the State Convention. Time is running out to do so.

I hope you are all doing well on with your Lenten obligations, as we prepare for Easter and with the Holy Spirit's grace a new Pope. Happy Easter!

Vivat Jesus!
PJ Hanly, GK

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



This morning I was reflecting on God's beautiful creation and as I contemplated the snow on the ground in some areas, melting and muddy in others, I noticed a small bush trying to bud. This seemingly dead group of sticks growing from the ground was bringing new life into the world and becoming a new creation in God. Isn't this the perfect image to reflect on this Lent? Not only are we called to examine our own way of life and recognize what is in need of being shed, but also we need to see in what ways we may bud new life and form ourselves anew in the image and manner which Christ Himself has shown us. As we are now more than half way through our Lenten pilgrimage, I pray you have been strong in your resolve and that you commit yourself even more now in this little remaining time we have left.

That you might be assisted in your journey, I encourage you to take advantage of something Archbishop Myers has begun new this year in the Archdiocese of Newark. This year, parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Newark, which consists of the counties of Essex, Union, Hudson, and Bergen, have been asked to offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday evenings throughout Lent from 7 to 8pm. I know both Our Lady of the Lake and St. Catherine's are participating in this program. Just as St. Paul urges us, "Be reconciled to God," I encourage you to take advantage of the healing power of God in this Sacrament. May it assist you in becoming a truly new creation and bring with it the joy God promises. The Diocese of Paterson (Counties of Passaic, Morris, and Sussex) has already begun a practice of offering Reconciliation on Monday evenings throughout Lent if you find yourself more conveniently located.

In addition to preparing ourselves this Lent, Holy Mother Church will be going through a process of renewal as she finds herself in this place known as "Sede Vacante," or "Vacant See," following the resignation of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI. This is the first resignation of a Pope since Pope Gregory XII in 1415. Though resignation may not be common, the process of electing the new Pope is the same in the case of resignation or death of the Pope. The process has become known as the Conclave since 1271 when 18 Cardinals gathered to elect the new Pope, who would be Pope Gregory X. During their gathering, they were locked in by the townspeople after they became frustrated that there had been no Pope since the death of Pope Clement IV two years and nine months earlier in 1268. No worries on the 117 Cardinals gathering this year taking that long though, 20th century elections have averaged only 3 days and the longest was 4 days in 1922. This is certainly encouraged by the rationing of food and provisions provided to the Cardinals should it go beyond 4 days. Let us pray fervently, that the Holy Spirit will be on fire in the hearts of the Cardinals as they vote for the next Pope. As they gather for Conclave beginning March 12th, may God guide them and provide for us a truly Good and Holy Shepherd after His own heart.

Many of you have probably lived through several Conclaves including: John XXIII in 1958, Paul VI in 1963, John Paul I in 1978, John Paul II in 1978, and Benedict XVI 2005. As we live through this exciting time, I invite you to look at this process of electing the new Pope as a process of renewal. Just as you yourselves are journeying through Lent, humbling and refocusing yourself on God and His love, so also see that God, through the humbling of Pope Benedict XVI, is inviting the Church to stand strong. With all of the news and publicity, the world can't help but hear about the Catholic Church, may it true that there is no such thing as bad press. Despite those who will try to convict the Church by the actions of the few, see the promise of God's providence in this journey. That together in this Easter season Holy Mother Church and each of us through our own Lenten journey, will have great reason for rejoicing in the Lord who promises us all eternal life.

May God Bless You All,
Fr. Mac

MARDI GRAS PARTY—Rescheduled for April 13, 2013



Our annual winter party, which took on the theme of Mardi Gras this year, was postponed due to winter storm Nemo on February 8. Since it is no longer a pre-Lenten bash, it is now a **Spring Dinner Dance**, and has been rescheduled for **Saturday, April 13**. Same venue, same menu, same band, same great price.

The cost is \$55/person, which includes a four course dinner, beer, wine, and soda. Live entertainment will be provided by the local favorite band, *Pet In The Middle*, for your listening and dancing pleasure. You can't beat that! Children are welcome. Children under 13 are \$25 and includes a chicken fingers dinner, soda, & dessert. The party is open to all Knights, their neighbors, family, and parishioners. We suggest reserving a table of 10 and bringing friends and relatives.

So resurrect yourselves and leap into Spring with this post-Lenten party and join us. Call PGK Chuck Collins @ 973-809-5580 or PGK Dave Lyon @ 973-857-1977 and tell them how many are coming. We already have a large turnout but there is always room for more.

QUARTERLY 50/50 FOR APRIL

Enclosed with this issue of the Knight Life, you will find tickets for the April 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 January were: John Sommer, Mario Bucca, Bernadine O'Conner, Don O'Dea, James Ferguson, and Joe Shook. Congratulations! There were ten winning tickets sent out to our brother Knights who did not return their stubs for a total of \$600. This is our council's only fundraiser to support our activities and charities. In January, over 25% of the tickets went unsold. Please participate in this raffle. You never know, you may win.

If you would like more tickets for Easter basket stuffers, call PGK Larry Dillon @ 973-736-5684.

ROSARY FOR LIFE – APRIL 12

Witness the power of prayer! Join the Knights of Columbus on Saturday, April 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 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.

SUPER BOWL XLVI POOL

We hand no brothers win in the super bowl pool, unfortunately. But here are the people who did win.

1st Quarter - Sean O'Grady (Tinari Economics Group/Sobel & Co., LLC) \$150

Half Time – Ben Binder (O'Neil's Regular) \$250

3rd Quarter – Christine Sullivan (O'Neil's Poker Player) \$150

Final – Marty Cutler (Sobel & Co., LLC) \$450

GOLF OUTING - JUNE 10, 2013



The date has been set for our council's fourth annual golf outing. So mark the date, Monday, June 10. 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 the event will once again 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, as well as seminarians and other council charities. In the first four years of the outing we have raised \$20,000 for these groups. Help us raise the bar even higher by participating this year.

PRIDE IN PRIESTS DINNER—MAY 1

Come and join your brother Knights and priests from Bergen, Essex, Hudson, and Union counties from the Archdiocese of Newark, at the annual Pride in Priests Dinner, Tuesday, May 1, held at the Fiesta Banquet Hall on Rte 17 in Wood Ridge, NJ. Festivities start with a open bar cocktail hour from 6:30-7:30, followed by dinner with a cash bar. Our council is trying to get table of ten. So if you would like to join us, call Grand Knight P.J. Hanly at 973-862-216-4900. Bring along your wife or a friend if you wish.

Last year, over 500 attended including Archbishop Myers, Auxiliary Bishops of Newark, K of C State Deputy and state officers, brother Knights, ladies, and friends.

Cost is \$40/person. Proceeds of the event go to a fund set up for the Archbishop. If you can't go you can sponsor a priest to go.

SPECIAL CITIZENS DRIVE

The dates are set. Expect a call from committee members to volunteer some time. Dates for our drive are as follows:

April 19-21	Foodtown—Cedar Grove
April 26-28	Jack's Foodtown—Caldwell
May 11	Shop Rite—West Orange
St. Catherine's & OLL	TBA

Do your duty and volunteer when the time comes. Please call committee chairmen P.J. Hanly @ 862-216-4900 if you don't hear from him first.

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, Stephanie Herbert, Barbara Shea, Mark, Gustafo & Eduardo Chiappara, Brenda Benvenuti (lung disease), Bill Frazee, Christine Collins, Bruce Williams, Claire Tomeo, Stella & Jerry Votta, Patti Roma, Baby Brooke, Tony LoRusso, Barbara Fergenson, Maureen Flynn, Sally Hasslacher, Victor Zuniga, a brother fighting addiction, Virginia

Robertson, John Cadmus, Betty Ferrari and Karen Reynolds.

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, 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 Emeritus , Pope Benedict XVI & new Pontif, Francis.

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 March

Peter Fryer	John Sommer	Al Maccia	Fr. John Gibbons
Fr. Jerome Arthasseril	Andrew Burger	Fred Mahn	Clay Rice
Eric Watkins	Robert Phillips	Fr. Bryan Page	Michael Birmingham
Charles Maccia	Gary Wilczewski	Michael Pescatore	Pat Mullen
Genaro Salierno	Stanley Gagner		

INSURANCE

Wouldn't it be great to be able to retire and not worry about money? You don't have to die to benefit from life insurance. You can use it as a retirement fund for you and your wife.

It isn't luck that will help you survive in your retirement years. It is good, intelligent use of your money. Life insurance is one of the ways you can be sure to enjoy your golden years. Life insurance enables you to look forward to retirement instead of fear it.

Call me, Brian Baird, your council field agent, at 201 -707-6477 or brian.baird@kofc.org today. I want to hear from you.

MEETING ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

It's getting big again! It's over \$179! In February, Robert Smith and Patrick Dufficy had their names drawn but were not in attendance. On March 14, Mathew Repoli's name was pulled but he did not come to the meeting for our St. Patrick's Day party, and thus, missed out on the \$179 prize.

We collect \$1 from each member at every meeting. We randomly draw a members name and if 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. Remember, you need to be at the meeting to win.

NJ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE CONVENTION

Wildwood, NJ—May 16-19, 2013

It is not too late if anyone is interested in attending the NJ K of C State Convention next spring in Wildwood. Contact P.J. Hanly @ 862-216-4900. We will be staying at the Port Royal Hotel. Reservation deposit is \$90 (\$70 for room, \$20 for hospitality room). You must reserve for three nights (Thur, Fri, & Sat). Plan on having a mini-vacation in the beautiful month of May. The Port Royal Hotel is on the beach in Wildwood Crest.