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UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov. 22-24 Nov. 28 Dec. 1 Dec. 7 Dec. 12 Dec. 14 Dec. 18 Dec. 25 Dec 28-29 Jan. 1 Jan. 4-5 Jan. 9 Jan. 11	Men's Retreat @ Malvern, PA Happy Thanksgiving (no meeting) First Sunday in Advent Verona Fair in the Square Council Christmas Party @ St. Catherine of Siena Rosary For Life 4th Degree Dinner @ Fairfield Blessed Christmas Rose Sunday @ OLL Happy New Year Rose Sunday @ SCS Regular meeting @ OLL Rosary For Life
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Jan. 22	March For Life bus trip to Washington DC
Jan. 23	Regular Meeting @ SCS

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brother Knights

On November 15, 2013 we will be having our Annual Past Grand Knights
Dinner Honoring PJ Hanly for the fine work he did as our Grand Knight. Let Tony
Morano know that you will be coming. As we sit down for our Thanksgiving
dinner this year let's not forget the Men and Women who are fighting for our
country and cannot be home with their Loved Ones. On behalf of all the Officers of
Father James J Kelly Council 3632 we like to wish you a Happy and Safe
Thanksgiving.

Vivat Jesus

Joe Cafarella, GK

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Today I want to begin by Thanking God for each of you, the Knights of Columbus. During this season of Thanksgiving, so many people have taken the time to share what they are thankful for. Indeed I am thankful for many things but high on that list are the brothers of the KofC and their families who support them. Together the KofC provide support to many worthy causes, not least of which is the support of each other. May God continue to look with favor upon us and our work.

And what is that work? As we prepare ourselves for Advent, I think it is important to recognize what the good work we do is. We offer stewardship through time, talent, and treasure not to achieve salvation. For that war has already been won for us by Christ. Instead, we work tirelessly in charity because of gratitude for the gift of life, and new life, which has been given to us in Christ. That is what Advent is about, preparing ourselves for the gift given at Christmas. The gift which is the first step of Christ entering the world and our hearts.

Let us continue to give thanks to God for all of His many gifts in our lives. But let us always remember He gave to us while we were still sinners. He shared new life with us before we ever took a breath. Therefore, everything we do is a response to the loving gift God has given us. How do we respond to the gracious gift He offers? And how do we show others that gift which has been offered to all?

May God Bless You All, Fr. Mac

ALZHEIMER DRIVE

We collected at local food stores:

\$1,106.31	Jack's Foodtown	Caldwell
\$1,176.05	ShopRite	West Caldwell
\$1,512.35	Foodtown	Cedar Grove
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\$3794.71

\$2170.00 Mail appeal so far

\$5964.71 Total

Our goal this year is \$6200. There is still time to make a donation to reach this goal. If you haven't made a donation, send a check made out to Knights of Columbus #3632 and mark the check Alzheimer's Drive. Send the check to John Sommer @ 172 Forrest Ave, Verona, NJ 07044.

Thanks to brothers and family who collected at the above food markets: Tim Murphy 5X, Larry Dillon 4X, Bob Roma, Al Linkus 5X, Tony Ditri 2X, John Sommer 4X, Pat Mullen, Bill Spooner, Angelo Berardi.

COUNCIL CHRISTMAS PARTY—DECEMBER 12

We are once again having a council Christmas party for our members and their families on Thursday, December 12, the night of our regular meeting at **St. Catherine of Siena's**. (Please note we usually meet at OLL on this night)

The purpose is to put away our commercialized seasonal stresses and join our brother Knights and families in celebrating the true reason for the season. Food, drink, and Christmas music will be supplied by the council. We ask those attending to bring a dessert and Christmas camaraderie. Contact GK Joe Cafarella @ 973-239-5246 or email gk3632@njkofc.org and tell him how many of your family is coming so we know how much food to order. Again, the Party is at St. Catherine's.

MEMBERSHIP

Father James J. Kelly Council welcomes it's newest member, **Joseph Cubero**. Joe hails from West Orange and belongs to Our Lady of the Lake parish. He made all three degrees during Bloomfield council's Columbus Week of Degrees in October.

MEETINGS

There will be no meeting on Thanksgiving, November 28. We all have a lot to be thankful for. Let us show our appreciation by attending Thanksgiving Masses wherever you may be.

ELECTRONIC KNIGHT LIFE

We still want your email address. You can still share your email address with us before the next issue and help your council save money by sending it to *kofc3632@aol.com*. So far we still have about a 35% response. We know that everybody doesn't have email, but in 2013, we have to believe that more 35% do. Save your council a stamp and one less envelope to stuff by sending us your email address and receive the Knight Life electronically.

ROSARY FOR LIFE - DECEMBER 14

Witness the power of prayer! On November 9, two babies lives were saved! Join the Knights of Columbus on Saturday, December 14, 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 100 to over 150 abortions a week take place. 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.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

A campaign of prayer and fasting to end abortion worldwide

In our area, 40 Days For Life ended with a Eucharistic prayer vigil and a procession with the Holy Eucharist from Immaculate Conception Church to the abortuary in Montclair and back again. Fr. Anthony of CFR (Christian Friar Renewal) carried the Monstrance in the procession with 4 friars holding the canopy over Christ in the Eucharist.

On our way to the abortuary we were saying the sorrowful mysteries and on the way back the Chaplet to the Divine Mercy. The service ended with Benediction at the church. There were about 40 people in the procession.

Worldwide, in 306 locations in 10 countries, 526 babies were saved that we know of during the 40 days of prayer and fasting.

MENS RETREAT @ MALVERN, PA. -NOVEMBER 22-24

To advance, sometimes you have to RETREAT. There are more than enough dilemmas, job pressures, health issues, money concerns, church problems, America's woes, etc. Join over 200 men from the Knights of Immaculata's Annual Retreat at the Malvern Retreat House in Malvern, PA. There is a great lineup of conferences, testimony, an acclaimed actors performance on St. Maximilian Kolbe, and more. Call Larry Dillon at 973-736-5684 or brother Knight Bud MacFarlane (609-493-0485 or cell 973-204-6328) for more information.

NEW JERSEY RIGHT TO LIFE CAR RAFFLE - OCTOBER 26-27

On the weekend of October 26-27, we sold 207 raffles for a total of \$2070. New Jersey Right To Life thanks all who purchased and/or sold tickets. Those who helped were: George Hectus, PJ Hanly, Bob Rodgers, Eric Watkins, Mike Barone, Torrey Mathisen, Lyon family, Matt Ripoli, Nick Centeno, Jessica Mosses & family, Bob Roma, Pat Hanley, John Sommer, Charles Dimeck,

VERONA FAIR IN THE SQUARE—DECEMBER 7

Once again, our council will have a table at the Fair In the Square at the Verona Civic Center, 600 Bloomfield Ave., on Saturday, December 7, from 12-4:30. We use this venue to sell our "Keep Christ In Christmas" items and promote our council. Volunteers are needed to man the table for an hour or two. Call Pat Mullen (973-571-0056) to volunteer.

NEW EYES FOR THE NEEDY

On November 4, we delivered to the New Eyes for the Needy 133 pairs of glasses, 65 pairs of sun glasses, one package of miscellaneous jewelry, and 29 watches, collected at Our Lady of the Lake church.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS DECEMBER 14 & 15

On December 14 & 15, we will be selling "Keep Christ In Christmas" lawn signs, car magnets, and buttons after all Masses at St. Catherine's and Our Lady of the Lake. Proceeds from this annual fundraiser benefit our Catholic schools of the two parishes.

We need people after every Mass to help sell these items. For St. Catherine's, call Pat Mullen @ 973-571-0056. For Our Lady of the Lake, call John Sommer @ 973-857-1370.

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, Elaine Shaffer, Eileen Frey, Christine Maccia, Stephanie Herbert, Barbara Shea, Brenda Benvenuti (lung disease), Bill Frazee, Christine Collins, Claire Tomeo, Stella & Jerry Votta, Baby Brooke, Tony LoRusso, Barbara

Fergenson, a brother fighting addiction, Virginia Robertson, John Cadmus, Betty Ferrari, Pat Reynolds, Cindy Breeze, Mary Ciccotti, Fr. Jack Martin, Fr. Tesfai, Judy Cecere, Jake Hasslacher, Al Maccia, John Marrin, Dolores & Nick Serino, baby Ryan Meyers, Jane Chiappara, and Karen Reynolds.

Please let us now if you are well enough to be removed from the sick list.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those members who have died and their families, especially Anita Sommer, and Louis Niosi.

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 & Pope 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 November!

Michael Barone Larry Dillon Dan Fitzpatrick
Thomas Basil Christopher Gartner Stan Osinski
Normand R. Roy

ROSE SUNDAYS

This year we will be holding Rose Sunday weekends on December 28 & 29 at Our Lady of the Lake, and January 4 & 5 at St. Catherine of Siena,. The monies we raise will subsidize food for the bus trip (March For Life) to Washington DC, the March For Life, and Birthright of Essex County. When the date approaches, please help. This year's bus trip will be Wednesday, January 22.

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 St. Catherine's and OLL to cover all the Masses. Call John Sommer at 973-857-1370 and tell him which Mass you will be attending.

4TH DEGREE CHRISTMAS PARTY

The 4th Degree Christmas party is being hosted by Fairfield Council 6389 in their Knights room at St. Thomas More church. Cost is \$30/person which includes full dinner & dessert, plus wine, beer, soda, water, and coffee.

INSURANCE

During Thanksgiving, as you are giving thanks for what you have, think about what you are giving your family, I know you're a great provider. You give your family a nice home and everything else they could need. But what would happen if you were to die unexpectedly? Would the giving end?

It wouldn't have to if you had life insurance. Give your family the security that life insurance delivers. Give them protection that will last for a lifetime. Get life insurance for yourself - and your family.

Call our K of C insurance agent, Brian Baird at 201-707-6477 or brian.baird@kofc.org today for an appointment.