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UPCOMING EVENTS

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Jan. 9	Regular meeting @ OLL
Jan. 11	Rosary For Life
Jan. 22	March For Life bus trip to Washington De
Jan. 23	Regular Meeting @ SCS
Feb. 8	Rosary For Life
Feb. 13	Regular meeting @ OLL
Feb. 22	Texas Hold 'Em Tournament @ SCS
Feb. 27	Regular Meeting @ SCS
Mar. 5	Ash Wednesday
Mar. 8	Rosary For Life
Mar. 13	Regular meeting @ OLL
Mar. 15	Catholic Men's Conference @ SHU
Mar. 17	St. Patrick's Day
Mar. 21-22	Men's Cornerstone @ SCS
Mar. 27	Regular Meeting @ SCS
Apr. 20	Easter
May 7	Pride in Priests Dinner @ Fiesta
May 16-18	NJ K of C State Convention
Jun. 9	Golf Outing

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brother Knights

We are now entering the second half of the Columbian year. We have a lot more things that are coming up and to be done. When you are asked to take part in an activity, say yes I will help. We are still looking for new members and now more than ever is the time to ask your family or a friend if they want to become a knight. The 4th degree will be holding there Exemplification on March 30, 2014 at the Parsippany Hilton. Any who is interested see me for I have the forms and will give you the details at that time.

Vivat Jesus

Joe Cafarella, GK

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Don't you just love our new Pope? Just the other day I was reading about how he tried to call a group of Religious Sisters and since they were in prayer he had to leave a voicemail. After releasing the tape, the media picked it up showing the very warm human side of Pope Francis. I think it is this familiarity that seems to be the cause for everyone finding him so welcoming and friendly. Everyone seems to be a fan even giving him accolades such as Person of the Year. And as flattering as this is for most, his great humility would suggest his lack of interest in the award.

Aren't we all called to follow this example? Isn't this simply put the model of Christianity first given us by Christ. We read continuously that Christ was moved with pity for the people. That He would leave the city when people were trying to raise Him up as a leader. And even that He wept at the death of His friend. Human compassion and humility is what we are taught to imitate by both our God and our leader. And yet, how many of us are guilty of pulling back rather than leaning in? Of avoidance rather than showing tenderness? Of sending an email or a text rather than making a phone call or a visit? How many of us have tried to minimize a wake visit when we could have made the funeral? Or spent time at the party but didn't go to the wedding ceremony? Or sent Christmas cards and bought gifts only for those we expected to receive from in return rather than sharing simply out of a desire to spread joy and love?

If we search our hearts, I bet we can all find times and ways we could have been more personal, more caring, more thoughtful, more helpful. As we make resolutions for this New Year, I challenge you to consider asking yourself, what would Pope Francis do? Better yet, what would Jesus do? (WWJD) How can you show greater compassion? I know you will find ways beyond telling. May this be a wonderful and blessed New Year for each of you and to all with whom you share God's love.

In His Peace, Fr. Mac

MARCH FOR LIFE—JANUARY 22, 2014

Now is the time to make arrangements at work to take off Wednesday, January 22, 2014. Our Father James J. Kelly Council #3632 is again sponsoring, with Montclair council #1277, a bus ride to the March For Life in Washington, DC, for the 41st anniversary of Roe v. Wade. We have done this for many years and every year the amount of people who march increases.

The bus leaves from the Church of the Immaculate Conception located at 30 Fullerton Ave., Montclair, after a special 7:00AM Mass. After Mass, a light breakfast is served downstairs in Madonna Hall. Food for lunch, supper along with beverage will be served on the bus. The cost is \$\$25 for adults, \$5 for students. There is no charge for clergy and religious. For more information please contact Montclair's PGK John Marrin @ 973-932-0717 or john@marrin.us.

If you can't go on the bus trip to Washington D.C., join the Rally For Life in Trenton, NJ. New Jersey Right To Life (NJRTL) invites you to join them at the State House steps, NJ Capitol, State Street in Trenton, from 11 AM to 1 PM on Wednesday, January 22,. Pro-Life leaders, elected officials, and clergy are expected to address the rally. Please do not bring signs, as signs will be provided.

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE MARCH 15

Save the date, Saturday March 15, for the annual Catholic Men's Conference sponsored by the Men's Commission of the Archdiocese of Newark. The location is Seton Hall University and the cost is \$25. It is an all day affair from 9 AM to 4 PM concluding with mass celebrated by Archbishop John Meyer. This year's keynote speaker is His Eminence Timothy Cardinal Dolan, Archbishop of New York.

If you would like to join our council's group at the conference, contact DD Chuck Collins at 973-857-8124.

ROSARY FOR LIFE – JANUARY 11 & FEBRUARY 8

Where do you pray? Start this year by continuing to help save lives through the power of the rosary. Come and pray at the Pilgrim Abortion Clinic in Montclair. We start the rosary at 8:45 AM and end at 10 AM. You can come for part of the time or all of it. The location is in front of the Social Security building on Bloomfield Ave., across the street from the clinic.

According to the sidewalk counselors, there have been 4,050 abortions from January 2013 to November 2013. That is more than the entire enrollment of the Verona, Cedar Grove, and West Orange school systems. The sidewalk counselors said only 139 babies were saved. With your attendance and prayers we should be able to save many more.

ELECTRONIC KNIGHT LIFE

"Holy Epiphany, Batman! What a great idea. Sending the Knight Life via email instead of paying postage for snail mail!"

We 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. Save your council a stamp and one less envelope to stuff by sending us your email address and receive the Knight Life electronically.

ROSE SUNDAYS

On December 28-29, we had our red lapel rose sale at Our lady of the Lake Church. It was a snowy weekend. We collected \$1061 and 117 signatures. On January 4-5, we had our lapel rose sale at St. Catherine of Siena Church., where we collected \$812 and 89 signatures.

The red lapel rose symbolizes the blood of the preborn babies that are killed by abortion. The monies collected are divided as follows: The March For Life Committee in Washington DC- \$700. Birthright of Essex County—\$423. The remaining \$750 is used by our council to supply food and beverages for the bus trip to the March For Life with Montclair council on January 25.

Those who sold the lapel roses: Pat Hanley, Bob & Madge Rodgers, PJ Hanly, Eric Watkins, Mike Barone, Greg Mau, Lyon family, Torrey Mathisen, Judy & John Sommer, Charles & Maureen Dimeck, Bob & Grace Whealan, Al Linkus, Tim Murphy, Pat Mullen, Carlos Fernandez, Lennie & Jeannie Andruizzi, George Hectus, Ralph Powell, Nick Centano, Paul Soderman, Joe Cubero, and Bob Roma..

Thanks to all who gave of their time to help fight abortion.

ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

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. The pot will start growing faster now as we are back to two meetings/month. That's if no one wins it first.

GOLF OUTING - JUNE 9, 2014

The date has been set for our council's sixth annual golf outing. So mark the date, Monday, June 9. 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 five years of the outing we have raised \$25,000 for these

groups. Help us raise the bar even higher by participating this year.

EVENTS AT ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

February 22— **Texas Hold 'Em Tournament** 7-11 PM @ SCS school gym

Buffet dinner, beer, wine, soda. Entrance fee per player: \$100

Call Jerry Oehm @ 973-943-0022 for further information

March 7-8 Women's Cornerstone March 21-22 Men's Cornerstone

MEMBERSHIP

Membership growth is essential to the success of the Knights of Columbus. With the addition of each new member, the Order can better serve the Church, local communities and particularly those in need. If a man is interested in helping those in need, serving his parish, growing in his faith or having access to top-rated insurance protection for his family, then the Knight of Columbus is the organization for him.

So be a part of Pope Francis' new evangelization. Ask a neighbor, friend, fellow parishioner, or family member if they would be interested in joining the world's largest Catholic men's organization. Do as Pope Francis says, "Go, do not be afraid, and serve."





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, Tony LoRusso, Barbara Fergenson, a brother fighting addiction, Virginia Robertson, John Cadmus, Betty Ferrari, Pat Reynolds, Mary Ciccotti, Fr. Jack Martin, Fr. Tesfai, Judy Cecere, Jake Hasslacher, Al Maccia, John Marrin, Vern K, Jane

Chiappara, Jim Wick, Jean & Nick Munning, 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.

Pray for our seminarians, especially the ones we support, Thomas Quinn & Antonio Sarento.

Pray for peace in our world especially for the Christians who are being massacred for their religious faith, 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 January:

Tom DeFrancisci Chuck Collins George Thomas Joseph Shook William Cannan III Christopher Rodgers Ron Blaha III Tim Murphy P.J. Hanly

INSURANCE

Your Business Belongs Here

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

ALZHEIMER'S DRIVE

Our council has donated \$6000 to New Jersey State Council Knights of Columbus <u>Alzheimer Respite Care Fund</u>. Thanks again to all brother Knights who collected and contributed.

NJ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE CONVENTION

Wildwood NJ-May 15-18, 2014

Anyone interested in attending the NJ K of C Sate Convention next spring in Wildwood, contact GK Joe Cafarella @ 973-239-5246. 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.

EDITOR'S VACATION

There will be no Knight Life in February