



THE KNIGHT LIFE



Newsletter of Father James J. Kelly Council #3632 Verona, Cedar Grove, W. Orange June, 2014

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UPCOMING EVENTS

June 18	1st Degree @ Bloomfield Council
June 20	2nd Degree @ Bloomfield Council
June 26	Regular Meeting @ SCS—Election of Officers
July 4	Independence Day Parade in Montclair
July 12	Rosary For Life
July 14	6th Annual Golf Outing (Rain make up date)
July 17	Jackal's Baseball Game
July 24	Regular Meeting @ SCS
Aug 9	Rosary For Life
Aug 15	Feast of the Assumption

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brother Knights

As I complete my term as your Grand Knight I would like to thank all of my officers for a fine Job you did during this Columbian Year. One job comes to an end and another one begins. As of July 1, 2014 I have been appointed District Deputy. Chuck Collins will still be your District Deputy for I have been assigned other councils. I am looking forward to this new adventure and hope all goes well. I will still make meetings but not as many as I normally do for I would have to go the My assigned council's meetings also. I do hope that everything goes well with this council and keep up the good work.

Vivat Jesus

Joe Cafarella,GK

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Rejoice! Indeed we have reasons to rejoice. We are an Easter people. And although the Easter season has come to an end, we should be striving to live always with the joy of Easter in our hearts. Following Pentecost, it is easy to see the Church alive in our day bringing God's Love and Compassion where it is so desperately needed. June 14th marks the 10th Anniversary Prayer Vigil for the Rosary Support Group and the KofC at the Pilgrim Abortion Clinic. In that time countless lives have been touched and indeed saved. We will also be celebrating the Jerry O'Connor Picnic at Community Park, and again God's compassion has been brought to those in need. The Spirit continues to move us and we will find ourselves serve lunch as the people of Cedar Grove and Verona are introduced to Archbishop Hebda, the new Coadjutor of Newark, on June 22nd. And despite a rain delay, we will move forward to raise funds for the youth ministry programs in the parishes we serve. As we continue to allow the Spirit to work through us, let us take note of how God is working. Let us realize that we can do nothing on our own and we are given nothing without purpose. For just as the Father sent the Son, so has the Son sent the Spirit upon us, and sent us out to spread the Good News.

As we celebrate Father's Day this year, let us recognize all those who serve in fatherly relationships and the importance of the father in the family union. Recently, fatherhood was put under attack by the celebrity Mila Kunis. She has been making a big thing about how fathers should not refer to themselves as being pregnant when they say "we" are pregnant. I think it important to point out that while she may have been speaking just to get a laugh; the media has snatched up this headline and sought to highlight it, probably because it pushes a particular agenda. As Mila Kunis is also proud of the fact she is pregnant and engaged, she seems to point out the fact that she is clearly missing the importance of God's plan. God has called a man and a woman to come together in the bond of the Sacrament of Marriage where a significantly expressed purpose is starting a family. It is only when a male and female come together that this is even a possibility and so we see from nature itself what God is trying to reveal to us. And this bond is not only for the beginning of creation but rather is intended to be a co-creation and a continued journey of raising children as well. While it is true that the woman is physically pregnant, she did not get that way on her own. More importantly, if done correctly, her burdens are to be lightened by the aid of the father who, if also her husband, is invested in the relationship and in both her health and the health of her child. Without that relationship of husband and wife, neither the father nor the mother has a recognized interest in the child. While she may just be reaching for a joke, I think she is pointing out one of the major failings of this generation, the short sightedness with which they see everything as individualistic rather than recognizing the importance of the complementarity of the sexes.

June 21st we will again begin a Fortnight for Freedom in the Church of the United States with exactly this kind of thinking in mind. Throughout the US, Catholics are urged to pray for our most basic right of Religious Liberty and for the Sanctity of Life, and the recognition of Marriage between a man and woman. Pope Francis has said that "religion [cannot] be relegated to the inner sanctum of personal life, without influence on societal and national life." Our beliefs and our faith must move us to take action and this is the time. I encourage you to visit the Bishop's website at: www.fortnight4freedom.org and see how you can be active during these two weeks of prayer for Religious Freedom at home and abroad. I wish all of you a very Happy Father's Day!

May God Bless You All,
Fr. Mac

SPECIAL CITIZENS DRIVE

It was a struggle, but our council has again reached our goal of \$10,000. We collected \$9796 this year, Left over from last year was \$446.32. This gives us a total of 10,\$242.32. Congratulations to all who collected and donated. We will give \$10,000 this year and hold the balance of \$242.32 for next year. This is 11 years out of 12 , and 8 years in a row we have reached this goal, that puts us in the top 4% of councils in the state of New Jersey.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At the June 27 regular meeting at the St. Catherine's, we will hold elections for officers for the 2014-2015 Columbian year. The proposed slate is as follows:

Grand Knight	OPEN
Deputy Grand Knight	OPEN
Chancellor	Dan Fitzpatrick
Recorder	Al Linkus
Treasurer	Pat Mullen
Warden	Tim Murphy
Advocate	Tony Ditri
Outside Guard	Gary Wilczewski
Inside Guard	Jack Cavaliere
<u>Assigned:</u>	
Chaplain	Fr. Robert (Mac) McLaughlin
Financial Secretary	P. J. Hanly
Lecturer	John Sommer

Nominations will also be accepted from the floor. Any Brother who would like to run for any of the above offices, please contact PGK PJ Hanly @ 862-216-4900.

GOLF OUTING RAINDATE- JULY 14, 2014



Well, it had to happen eventually. Our annual golf outing was postponed due to inclement weather. Actually, it rained so hard the night before that the course was deemed unplayable.

The good news is that it has been rescheduled for Monday, July 14! Same deal, 18 holes of golf, a hole in one challenge for \$25,000, a putting contest, followed by an open bar, lunch and fantastic raffle prizes, all at nearby Glen Ridge Country Club. And it is all for charity—our parish youth groups.

So if you haven't signed up yet, now you have a second chance. Greens fees, golf cart, lunch, and 2 hour open bar for \$175 is a sweet deal. If you can't play, a great way to help out is sponsor a hole for \$100. A sign that will display your name or business will be prominently placed on a tee box. Check out the Golf Outing website at kofc3632.org/golf for all the information—registration forms, sponsorship information, and more. Sell sponsorships! Get golfers! Come out and play on June 9! With your help we'll keep the Golf Outing going and growing. For more information about how you can get involved, contact Chuck Collins at 973-857-9124 or njcollins5@aol.com.

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.

QUARTERLY 50/50

Enclosed with this issue of the Knight Life, you will find tickets for the July 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 April were: Angelo Berardi, James Cole, Chuck Collins, Clay Rice, Tony LoRusso, Stan Osinski, Helen Sciaraffa, and Tony Ditri. Congratulations! There were three winning tickets sent out to our brother Knights who did not return their stubs. This is our council's only fundraiser to support our activities and charities. Please participate in this raffle. You never know, you may win.

If you would like more tickets, call PGK Larry Dillon @ 973-736-5684

FATHER JAMES J. KELLY COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIPS

This year we again awarded two \$250 scholarships to deserving eighth graders from our two Catholic schools. The winner at Our Lady of the Lake was Brielle Robinson. She will be attending Mother Seton High School next fall. The winner at St. Catherine of Siena was Jessica Contrera. She will be attending Mount St. Dominick in the fall.

Our council is proud we could help these students in our Catholic schools.

EVERYONE LOVES A PARADE

Memorial Day Parade in Verona

We had a nice turnout for this parade and a beautiful day. Our council marchers were PJ Hanly, James Miserendino, Bill Spooner, Paul & Lisa Soderman, John & Judy Sommer, and Tim Murphy, Joe Cafarella, Larry Dillon, Pat Hanley, Nick Centano, Chuck Collins, and Nansie Salls. Father Mike of OLL gave a wonderful and opening prayer and benediction. It was a great day to remember our service men and woman who gave their lives for our country.

Independence Day Parade in Montclair

We will once again be joining the Montclair council for the 4th of July parade. They will supply post parade lunch and refreshments at Madonna Hall in Immaculate Conception Church in Montclair. We would like the Knights to have a big representation in the parade. Please call John Sommer at 973-857-1370 if you can possibly make it. He has to let Montclair council know how many are coming so they can make they proper food arrangements. We meet at OLL parking lot at 10:30 AM to arrange car pooling. Parade starts at 11:30 AM.

NJ K OF C STATE CONVENTION

The weather for the convention was a mixture of sun and rain. Friday was the rainy day. Our council was represented by Grand Knight Joseph Cafarella, Financial Secretary PJ Hanly, PGK Bob Rodgers and wife Madge, Lecturer John Sommer and wife Judy, District Deputy Chuck Collins and Nansie Salls. The Essex County Federation stayed at the Port Royal Hotel in Wildwood Crest, as it has done for years, a beautiful facility right on the beach.

At the convention, we were awarded two plaques. The first one for collecting \$6000 for the Alzheimer Respite Program. We were #2 in the state for amount collected. The second plaque was for the Special Citizens Drive for collecting in excess of \$10,000. We were one of only 12 councils to collect over \$10,000 out of the 360 councils in the state of New Jersey. Congratulations to our council and to all brothers and friends who participated in giving and collecting.

NJ JACKALS GAME OUTING—JULY 17

Our annual outing to Yogi Berra Stadium on the campus of Montclair State University to see the New Jersey Jackals baseball club will be on Thursday, July 17, 2012. The Jackals will host the Rockland Boulders, with first pitch at 7:05 PM. It is Thirsty Thursday night at Yogi Berra Stadium, where all 12 oz. beers and 16 oz. sodas are \$1. Tickets are \$11 for box seats. Mark your calendars and enjoy a night at the ballgame with your brother Knights and their families. Call John Sommer @973-857-1370 and tell him how many tickets you want by July 9.

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, Tony LoRusso, Barbara Fergenson, a brother fighting addiction, Virginia Robertson, John Cadmus, Betty Ferrari, Pat Reynolds, Mary Ciccotti, Fr. Jack Martin, Judy Cecere, Jake Hasslacher, Al Maccia, Jane Chiappara, Jean & Nick Munning, Joseph Donohue, Jim McEvoy, Fr. John Gibbons, Jack Gardner, and Karen Reynolds.

Please let us know 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 Gary Kapinski.

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 June:

James Miserendino
Bud MacFarlane
Dave Lyon

Pat Hynes
Kevin Glenn
Michael Collins

Dan Donovan
Paul Soderman

And happy birthday to our brother Knights born in the month of July:

Bob Rodgers
Ralph Powell
Thomas Powel
James Ferguson

Mario Bucca
Ron Blaha, Jr.
Nick Munning

Alfred Santoro
Michael Maione
Thomas Cannan

Angelo Berardi
Fr. Mike Hanly
Tom Finn

INSURANCE

One of my fellow field agents recently called on a Brother Knight who allowed his Knights of Columbus insurance policy to lapse by not paying his premiums. This field agent simply called to ask if he would please return the lapsed policy. Because the member considered the policy to be worthless now, he asked the agent why he wanted it back.

The field agent replied that when the member died, he wanted to avoid the unpleasant task of explaining to his widow and children that the policy was worthless. He wanted to avoid the excitement the widow would feel when she found out what she thought was a life insurance policy, only to become further depressed when she found it was useless and belonged in the wastebasket.

Fortunately, this story has a happy ending. The member in question was able to conserve this valuable protection for his loved ones by reinstating his insurance.

Call our Field Agent Brian Baird at 201-707-6477 or brian.baird@kofc.org today for an appointment

ROSARY FOR LIFE JULY 12 & AUGUST 9

We are starting our 11th year across from the Montclair Abortion Clinic (aka Pilgrim Medical Center) on the second Saturday of each month (8:45 –10 am). And we are looking for some pro-life Knights to join us in a peaceful prayer to help save lives and souls. We know you would like to help “one of these days” and that we’re on your “bucket list” of things to do. Well now is that time. Just show up or call 973-736-5684 for more info.

ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

At the May meeting, Christopher Rodgers' name was pulled from the hat, but he wasn't there and the \$28 prize money went back into the pot. . At our last meeting, Frank Prout's name was pulled for \$40 but he was not there. 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.