



THE KNIGHT LIFE



Newsletter of Father James J. Kelly Council #3632 Verona, Cedar Grove, W. Orange September, 2015

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MEETINGS

2ND & 4TH

THURSDAYS

OF THE MONTH

7:30 PM



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 12	Rosary For Life
Sept. 24	Social Meeting @ SCS
Oct. 3	Oktoberfest @ OLL
Oct 8	Regular Meeting @ OLL
Oct. 10	West Point Football game outing vs. Duke
Oct. 10	Rosary For Life
Oct. 10	America Needs Fatima
Oct 12	Columbus Day
Oct. 15	Regular Meeting @ OLL
Oct 17-18	Membership Drive @ OLL
Oct 22	Social Meeting @ SCS
Oct 31-Nov 1	NJRTL Car Raffle
Nov 1	All Saints Day
Nov 2	All Souls Day
Nov 3	Election Day
Nov 6	NJ Devils vs Chicago Blackhawks outing
Nov 12	Regular Meeting @ OLL
Nov 14	Rosary Life

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brother Knights

Guess who is coming to America? Pope Francis arrives in the USA on September 22 and will be visiting Washington DC, NYC, and Philadelphia. Tune in and watch our Holy Father's historic visit. Pray that his visit will be fruitful and safe.

How many of you have our Country's Flag flying outside your home? This symbol of pride in our Country is something I would hope most of us have. Under the National Colors, you could add a pennant letting everyone know we are "One Nation Under God", as we say loud and proud when we recite the National Anthem. Pennants are available through the State Council's One Nation Under God Program. Contact John A Gazis, FDD at skjgazis@aol.com

Vivat Jesus,
Gary Wilczewski
Grand Knight

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Dear Friends,

Today (September 8th) is the feast day of the nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It's a great day that the church gives us thank God for the awesome gift of our Blessed Mother Mary in our lives. When the church celebrates a nativity as opposed to a birthday the focus is more not the reality of the birth rather than on the date. The church celebrates three nativities: the birth of Our Lord, the birth of John the Baptist and today's feast of the Our Blessed Mother Mary. Today's celebration comes exactly nine months after the solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mary teaches us that all of life is precious, sacred and God given. We've heard from all three popes of recent times: Pope St. John Paul II, Pope Benedict XVI and our present Holy Father Pope Francis that we live in a throw away culture and that even the most important and precious things in life are disposable. God choose Mary before all time began to be the mother of the Savior and persevered her as immaculate from the very first moment of her conception in her mother's womb. Today feast of her nativity is the follow up to the great Solemnity of her Immaculate Conception. Perhaps we can pray today for sacredness of all human life from the conception to natural death as Mary reminds us in the celebration of her birth.

Peace, blessings and fraternal regards,
Rev. Joseph A. D'Amico

QUARTERLY 50/50



Enclosed with this issue of the Knight Life, you will find tickets for the October 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 July are Joe Shook 2X, Rev. John Gibbons, Walter Drury, Chuck Collins. Congratulations! There were 11 winning tickets sent out to our brother Knights who did not return their stubs., including the \$500 Saturday number. This is our council's only fundraiser to support our activities and charities. Please participate in this raffle. You never know, you may win. Are there any brothers who can sell more 50/50's? They are a relatively easy sell.

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

REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE RESUMES

In September, our regularly scheduled meetings resume, after a reduced summer schedule. On the 2nd Thursday at Our Lady of the Lake school library we have a regular business meeting with cold cut sandwiches and a variety of beverages served afterward. On the 4th Thursday in the lower church at St. Catherine of Siena, we have our social meeting, which is a shortened business meeting, sometimes a lecturer, and a hot meal (prepared by our Grand Knight Gary Wilczewski) and beverages served afterward. Thursday Night Football, baseball playoffs, will be on the big screen and quite possibly a card game will break out. So bring your nickels and dimes. If you haven't been to a council meeting in a while, come and join your brother Knights for a little fraternization. Who knows, maybe you will win the attendance raffle or 50/50.

6TH ANNUAL WEST POINT FOOTBALL OUTING

Army vs. Duke



It's not just a game! Save the date, October 10, 2015. Yes, we are going again and we will have our same great tailgate spot on Daly Field opposite Trophy Point. Bring a cooler with your favorite food and drinks. We will supply the game tickets, parking passes, and the tailgate site for \$55. You will need to provide your own transportation. This day is for camaraderie and enjoyment of our members, their families, and friends. Don't miss out! For more information, details, and possible car pools, call Larry Dillon @ 973-736-5684 or Pat Mullen @ 973-571-0056.

OKTOBERFEST—OCTOBER 3 @ OLL

Our Lady of the Lake Parish in Verona will sponsor its 6th annual Oktoberfest on Saturday, October 3 from 6:00pm until 11:00pm. The celebration will include traditional German food, craft beers, wine, a variety of non-alcoholic drinks, live music and entertainment, raffles and an extensive tricky tray. Tickets for Oktoberfest are \$65 per person and can be ordered online at the special secure Oktoberfest website (www.ollverona.org/Oktoberfest) or purchased at the OLL Rectory (973-239-5696). On Friday, October 2, OLL also will present its 5th annual Kinderfest from 4:00pm until 9:00pm! Admission for Kinderfest is free, and there will be amusements, live music and fun for the whole family. Family-friendly food will be available for purchase from local restaurants. Tickets can be purchased at Kinderfest for rides, attractions, crafts and carnival games. Each event goes on rain or shine at the OLL parish grounds, 32 Lakeside Avenue in Verona!

ROSARY FOR LIFE – September 12

“We are created in the image of God. From the time there is conception there is the life of God, the life of the living God. That is why it is so wrong to destroy life, to destroy the image of God.” - Mother Theresa

Let us all pray to end abortion together across the street from the Pilgrim Abortion Clinic in Montclair on the second Saturday of every month from 8:45 –10:00 AM. Our prayers can save lives. What are you waiting for?

AMERICA NEEDS FATIMA—OCTOBER 10

Our entire country desperately needs the saving power of the rosary. This year ANF is organizing 20,000 rosary rallies on Saturday, October 10 at noon, from coast to coast. Once again, the local ANF will be gathering at Verona Town Square to pray for our nation, at that time. All Knights and their families are invited to join them. Please come for an hour to pray.

“More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of.” - Bishop Fulton J. Sheen

NEW JERSEY RIGHT TO LIFE CAR RAFFLE - OCT. 31—NOV. 1

On the weekend of October 31 and November 1, our council with parishioners will be selling chances on a new 2016 Volvo XC60 AWD SUV for the NJRTL at Our Lady of the Lake Church following all the Masses. This is NJRTL’s main fund raiser for the year. The chances are \$10 each. Raffle Drawing is Friday, November 20, 2015

1st Prize: 2016 Volvo XC60 SUV valued at \$42,000

2nd Prize: Shop Rite gift card \$1000

3rd Prize: “ “ “ “ \$ 750

4th Prize “ “ “ “ 500

We again need to schedule members to help at the doors. Call John Sommer at 973-857-1370.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

On the weekend of October 17-18, our council will be out in force to recruit new members at Our Lady of the Lake Church. We will be out in **force** if you all show up to help. What can you do, you may ask? Here are some thoughts. October is a month that honors Mary, the mother of Jesus, and our patroness. It also happens to be the month that honors Christopher Columbus. So before the weekend of drive even begins, start thinking about recruiting family, Catholic friends, and neighbors to be a Knight. Then, on the weekend of the drive, volunteer to be at one of the doors to hand out literature, answer questions, and encourage men to fill out a prospect card so the membership committee can contact him later. Better yet, wear a jacket and tie with your lapel pin, to identify yourself as a Knight and Catholic gentleman.

It has been quite a few years since we have had a serious membership drive at OLL. Let’s band together and make it a huge success. Call John Sommer 973-857-1370 or Chuck Collins 973-857-9124 to sign up.

COVENANT HOUSE IN MONTCLAIR

Brother Pat Mullen found out that the Covenant House in Montclair (called Nancy’s Place on 32 S. Willow St.), was in desperate need of an oven and microwave He brought the matter up at a meeting and our council agreed to pledge \$750. Pat spent a lot of time pricing these items but the two items exceeded our pledge. He did get a microwave that fitted for \$400, but that left only \$350 for the oven. We are contacting Montclair Council to see if they can pledge the \$750 to get the oven.

Nancy’s Place was very appreciative with the microwave. It was just what they needed. Hopefully, by the next Knight Life, we can bring you more goods news.

NJ DEVILS OUTING –NOVEMBER 6

On Friday, November 6, our council will be sponsoring an outing to the Prudential Center in Newark to see the New Jersey Devils take on the defending NHL Stanley Cup Champions, Chicago Blackhawks. Dtails and pricing are being worked out. Call Pat Mullen at 973-571-0056 for more info.

WHAT’S YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS?

Our email list has grown to 45%. That means 55% of you still have not shared your email address with us. Events, photos, announcements, and yes, even deaths, come suddenly that we would like to share with the membership. So if you haven’t done so already, please send us your email address to kofc3632@aol.com. We promise not to share it with anyone else. All communications are sent as a blind copy. It’s 2015 gentlemen. Countless phone calls are unnecessary in this electronic age.

GOOD OF THE ORDER



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

Regina Soboti, Hayley Pope & family, Elaine Shaffer, Christine Maccia, Stephanie & Joseph Herbert, Barbara Shea, Stella & Jerry Votta, Tony LoRusso, Barbara Ferguson, a brother fighting addiction, Virginia Robertson, John Cadmus, Betty Ferrari, Pat Reynolds, Mary Ciccotti, Ron Cecere, Jake Hasslacher, Al Maccia, Jane Chiappara, Jean Munning, Joseph Donohue, Fred Mahn, the Robinson family, Kate W., Fr. Daniel Vitz, Claire Smith, Vern & Cindy Koppenhaver, Catherine Maccia, Joan Brown Thomas K age 7, Nancy Shea, Frank Testa, Angelo Berardi, Al Linkus, and Jerry Hrycychn.

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.

Pray for our former seminarians, Thomas Quinn & Antonio Sarento, who were ordained to the priesthood on May 23. 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 September!

Robert Cannan
George Hectus
Edward Young

Carlos Fernandez
Patrick O'Callaghan
Robert Smith

Neil Gervasio
Frank Prout
Rev. Joseph D'Amico

INSURANCE

You have it pretty good right now, don't you? Some minor worries but nothing you can't handle. You and your family are enjoying life. But how long will these carefree days last?

Your wife and family are your responsibility. Have you done anything to secure their future? Have you made any provisions to insure that they are taken care of when you die? I realize that you are healthy today and you feel there is no hurry to get life insurance. You can always buy it some other time, right? Wrong. You may not be insurable tomorrow.

What if something happens to you? You are left with nothing. Even worse, your family is left with nothing. Buy life insurance today and protect your family's tomorrow.

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

ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

The Attendance Raffle is alive and growing. After a slow summer with only one meeting a month, it will begin to exopnate again with bimonthly meetings. In August Tony Miloscia's name was called but alas, he was not there. You got to be here to win. Each meeting we collect a dollar from each member present then draw a name out of a bag containing all the council members.. If we pick your name and you are there, you win the pot. If the picked name is not present the money rolls over until the next meeting. And so the pot grows.

DEGREES

Bloomfield Council will once again be hosting their Columbus week series of degrees, starting with a 1st Degree on Monday October 12. The 2nd Degree will be on Wednesday, October 14. Both degrees will be conferred by our council's own Father James J. Kelly Degree Teams. A 3rd Degree is tentively scheduled for Friday, October 16. If you are in need of completing your degrees, contact District Deputy Chuck Collins @ 973-809-5580.

RECRUIT A NEW MEMBER