



THE KNIGHT LIFE



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

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MEETINGS

2ND & 4TH

THURSDAYS

OF THE MONTH

7:30 PM



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 22	Social Meeting @ SCS
Oct 23-24	Alzheimer's Drive @ Jack's Foodtown
Oct 31	Alzheimer's Drive @ Cedar Grove Foodtown
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 6-7	Men's Cornerstone @ OLL
Nov 7	Alzheimer's Drive @ West Caldwell Shop Rite
Nov 12	Regular Meeting @ OLL (only meeting of the month)
Nov 14	Rosary For Life
Nov 22-24	Men's Retreat—Malvern, PA
Nov 26	Happy Thanksgiving (no meeting)

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brother Knights

This past weekend we held a membership drive at Our Lady of the Lake Church. The results are not yet in, but I just want to remind everyone that the drive for new members is a 365 day event (366 next year). So ask your neighbor, a relative, the guy who sits in your pew every Sunday. Be not afraid, as Saint Pope John Paul II told us.

Need to reconnect with yourself, your faith, with God? A couple opportunities are available to us next month. A Men's Cornerstone at OLL and a Men's Retreat in Malvern, PA. If you never did a Cornerstone or went to a retreat, consider it. Couldn't hurt.

Also, our council is hosting a hockey outing to see the NJ Devils next month. A good outing for the family, or just come yourselves for a night out with the boys. Check inside this issue of the Knight Life for details on all these events

Vivat Jesus,
Gary Wilczewski
Grand Knight

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Dear Friends,

Peace, blessings and all good to you and your families. As we transition into the month of November we feel a little chill in the air and we are reminded the Christmas is right around the corner. But the month of November brings so many great opportunities for prayer and reflection. As the ground gets colder and the last of the leaves fall from the trees, we know that the earth is dying. But in light of Jesus Christ and His Resurrection, we know that death has been erased forever. This temporary sleep of death of the earth teaches us many things: Life is stronger than death, light is stronger than darkness, and love is stronger than hate. At the same time that the earth slowly dies in this month of November, we dedicate it to all of our dearly departed. November 1st, the Solemnity of All Saints, reminds us that we are all created for and journeying toward Heaven. Not all of us will have a day dedicated to us on the church calendar or have our image shown in stained glass, but everyone in Heaven is a saint. Maybe it's the saintly grandmother who taught us how to pray, or the parents who left a foreign country to struggle for a living here in America with the hopes of giving their children a better life. Perhaps it's the priest who quietly and lovingly was present at moments of sickness, death, grief, or the sister who always there to embrace, console and guide. The COMMUNION OF SAINTS refers to anyone has come to inherit their eternal reward. Let's thank God for them. The church, likewise, gives us November 2nd to pray for "All Souls". Those are our brothers and sisters who stand at the entrance of heaven, yet still in need of purification to fully inherit the fullness of heaven. Those in purgatory can be helped by our prayers, sacrifices and good deeds. November is a great time to visit the graves of our loves, have masses said for our loved ones and keep their memory alive. November, I believe, reminds us to pray for those who continue to grieve and mourn the loss of loved ones. Whether we've had to bury a parent at 100 years of age or a child, grief is grief. Perhaps, as part of November prayer and spiritual practices, we can reach out to someone grieving and mourning the loss of a loved one and extend a kind word, a shoulder to cry or someone to lean on. Finally, I'd like to pray for all the deceased Knights of Columbus of our council and their families. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. And their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Fraternal regards
Rev. Joseph A. D'Amico

ALZHEIMER DRIVE

We are once again collecting for the Alzheimer Respite Program on the following dates:

October 23 & 24	Jack's Foodtown, Caldwell
October 31	Nicholas Foodtown, Cedar Grove
November 6	Shop Rite, West Caldwell

We still need volunteers at:

Jack's Foodtown for Friday Oct. 23, 9-11 and 11-1 and Sat. Oct 24, 9-11 and 3-5

Cedar Grove Foodtown for Saturday Oct. 31, 5-7

Shoprite of Caldwell for Sat Nov. 6 from 9-11 and 3-5

Call Larry Dillon @ 073-736-5684 to volunteer. If you can't volunteer, please send a donation check made payable to Knights of Columbus #3632 and denote it for "Alzheimer Drive". Mail it to John Sommer, 172 Forest Ave., Verona, NJ 07044. Thank You.

FR. JAMES J. KELLY COUNCIL RECEIVES AWARDS

For our council's activities in the community, the council, family, church, culture of life, and youth, Supreme has awarded us with the Columbian Award. District Deputy Chuck Collins presented the award to Grand Knight Gary Wilczewski at our last meeting.

Our council also received an award plaque from ARC of Essex County. We were one of six K of C councils to be honored, along with Livingston, Short Hills, East Hanover, Fairfield, and Montclair, at ARC's fund raiser on September 24. It was a Community Partner Award. ARC of Essex County is one of the organizations we support with our Special Citizens Drive.

The Knights also received a Joint Legislative Resolution from the Senate and General Assembly of New Jersey in "recognition of our exemplary dedication and steadfast commitment to ARC of Essex County and the community at large." It is quite an impressive document signed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the General Assembly. Congratulations to our council

ROSARY FOR LIFE – November 14

The 2nd Saturday of November is your next chance to join those who have been going to Montclair to pray the rosary, across from the abortion facility, for years. The rosary starts at 8:45 AM finishes at 9:45 AM. Come and pray that mothers will turn away and spare the lives of their babies. There is help available for these mothers at 1-800-848-LOVE (5683). Be not afraid to come! See you there.

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.

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. Details and pricing are being worked out. Call Pat Mullen at 973-571-0056 for more info.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: SEPTEMBER 23-NOVEMBER 1, 2015

If you haven't started, it is not too late to join us in prayer to end abortion. We are asking you brother Knights and your family members to partake in praying one hour a week for six weeks at the vigil outside the Social Security Building at 396 Bloomfield Ave in Montclair. This is across the street from the Pilgrim Medical Center, a high volume abortion clinic. You can pick your hour and day of the week. Please call Lisa Hart @ 973-769-4422, email: lisa@lifeneducation.org, to inform her of the one hour or one day of the week you have chosen.

MEN'S CORNERSTONE "FOLLOW ME"

Cornerstone is a personal invitation from Jesus to you. It is an opportunity to come away for a while in Jesus' company to rest, listen, pray and reflect. It gives you an opportunity to experience Our Lady of the Lake as a parish community in a new way. It will help you grow in your knowledge and love of God in the Person of Jesus and so help build up the faith life of the parish as a whole.

Who conducts Cornerstone? It is done by a team of parishioners, Cornerstone veterans, along with Fr Joe and Deacon David and a host of team members. These men, according to their gifts and talents will share in various ways to make the whole experience a memorable one. Some men were called to share their personal faith journey with the hope that their lives of faith, failure, suffering, doubt, grace, joys and successes will give you confidence and support on your journey.

The event begins on Friday evening November 6th at 6:00PM with sign in, cot assignment and a light dinner which will be provided. It concludes with the Eucharist at 5:30PM Mass on Saturday 11/07/15 followed by a dinner reception. Food and beverage will be provided throughout the weekend. To cover all expenses, a \$50.00 donation is suggested.

We are calling you to make a personal commitment to Jesus and to yourself. It is a risk. Anything worthwhile is a risk. You will love it, we guarantee it!!!

If you are interested, please email Joe Mortara, lay director of Men's Cornerstone, at jpmortara@aol.com or call him at 973-508-8179.

MEN'S ANNUAL RETREAT

Knights of Immaculata (all K of C members) are invited to Men's Weekend Retreat. On November 20-22. Starts Friday at 6 PM and runs to noon Sunday at Malvern Retreat House, Malvern, PA. This retreat is to help you be the best husband and father you can be. The suggested offering is \$235, 50% off for first time retreatants. Call Larry Dillon @ 973-736-5684. The guest speaker is Fr. Anthony Maestroeni.

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, Bill Gleason, Ruth Edison, John Marrin, Pat Camalleri, Rev. Jack Martin, Mary Ann M., 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 October

Michael Fitzpatrick
Edward Kurzeja
Jim Robbins

Luca Massucci
William Spooner IV
Terry Gooley

John Cryan, Jr. Tom Daniels
Bob Roma
Frank Sapienza

INSURANCE

Are you a true provider or just pretending to be? When it comes to protecting your family, choose life insurance. It's the smart choice.

Life insurance protects against dying too soon or living too long. It also provides mortgage protection; enables your children to get an education; allows you to have money for final expenses and emergencies; or can be used as a retirement fund.

The life insurance you purchase today will supply your family with the needed money to obtain their dreams. Don't masquerade as a provider. Be a true provider. Be an insured member.

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.

ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

The Attendance Raffle is alive and growing. At our last meeting, Don O'Dea lost out on \$54. Should have been there Don. 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.

NJ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE CONVENTION

Wildwood NJ—May 12-15, 2016

It's not too early to plan to attend the NJ K of C State Convention next spring in Wildwood. 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. Contact Jim Kiernan @ 973-759-5196.

PRAY THE ROSARY