



THE KNIGHT LIFE



Newsletter of Father James J. Kelly Council #3632 Verona, Cedar Grove, W. Orange June, 2016

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MEETINGS

2ND & 4TH

THURSDAYS

OF THE MONTH

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UPCOMING EVENTS

June 14	Flag Day
June 15	4th Degree Assembly meeting in Fairfield
June 19	Father's Day
June 23	Meeting @ SCS: Election of Officers
July 4	Independence Day Parade in Montclair
July 9	Rosary For Life
July 21	NJ Jackals Baseball Outing
July 28	Meeting @ SCS—Distribution of Special Citizens checks
Aug. 4	Installation of Officers Mass @ OLL
Aug 13	Rosary For Life
Aug 25	Meeting @ SCS
Oct 22	West Point Football Outing

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights,

Well, these two years have gone by remarkably fast. So for my final Grand Knight's message, I have nothing inspiring to say, but rather would just like to thank all those brothers who did so much of the work.

PJ and Roger oversaw the finances. Larry ran the 50/50 and West Point trip. John took care of the Special Citizens drive, Right To Life, and made most of the phone calls. Dan ran the golf outing. Pat brought us to the Devil's game, Keep Christ in Christmas, and was homeless for a night in NYC. Jimmy, Tony, Tim, Dave and everyone else that shook a can, marched in a parade, or just pitched in somehow. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

We also lost some brothers these past two years: Al Linkus, Jack Cavallere, Nick Munning, Michael Frey, James Ferguson, and Pat O'Callaghan. They are missed. May they rest in peace.

Some day, when I have more time on my hands, I would love to return and serve another term as Grand Knight. But for now, I will savor the thought of being addressed as, Past Grand Knight. This is Gary Wilczewski signing off.

Vivat Jesus,
Gary Wilczewski
Grand Knight

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Peace, Blessings and all good to you and your families.

As we go into the summer season we pause and thank God for all the men that God has placed in our lives in celebration of Father's day.


Fathers play a very important role in society and in the church. I often read in church magazines and Catholic on line resources that there is a crisis of manhood today. Sadly, I have to agree. There are many movements that approach equality between the sexes to a denigration of the unique and complimentary qualities of man and woman. Just as women play a unique role in the world because of their God given gifts and attributes so do men. The role of men is important not to guide and be role models for boys growing into men but for young ladies in regard to how man should interact with a woman. The basics building blocks of our society are found in the family structure and we are blest to be recipients of so many great articles on this topic from our present and two previous popes.

But fatherhood, as we know, is much more than biology. God has placed many men in our lives and in our paths to protect, sacrifice and dedicate in way uniquely theirs and in a way that only a man can do. Women share in that but do it differently, not better and not worse.

So let's pray for all men in our society today who seem to be under attack by a misguided notion of equality. They need our help. Our dads need help to equip them to raise their children as St. Joseph raised our young Lord in Nazareth. And let's also pray for our father figures; our uncles, God fathers, priests, and those great guys in our lives that God places to not teach, guide, mentor but to also love us in a way uniquely male and uniquely designed by God.

Fraternal Regards
Rev. Joseph A. D'Amico

8TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING



Our 8th Annual Golf Outing was held on a beautiful Monday, May 23 at Glen Ridge Country Club. 55 golfers enjoyed a round of golf and a delicious barbecue lunch. Over 60 prizes, acquired by Lori Lyon and her team, were available for silent auction, and a good size 50/50 was doled out. All in all, another successful outing put on by chairman Dan Fitzpatrick and his staff. Final financial results will be disclosed in the next Knight Life. The proceeds from the golf outing benefit the Youth Ministries at Our Lady of the Lake and St. Catherine of Siena. Here is a communication from OLL Youth Ministry Coordinator, Gina Butler.

On behalf of the Youth Group we are so thankful and blessed to have the support of our awesome Knights of Columbus, their amazing wives, and friends. Thank you for all you do to make this fundraiser such a success year after year for our teens. Your donations contribute to a number of important elements in our program! To give you an example this past year you helped us buy teen bible study books on the Gospel of Luke, replace brooms for our loved Broomball Game night, and provided a number of scholarships for our teens to attend our yearly Insight retreat, all of which help us lead them closer to Christ and strengthen them as members of our church community.

Please pray for us and God's blessings and know that we are praying for the same for you and your families!

*Best in Christ,
Gina Butler*

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: PJ Hanly, Tom Finn, Bob Rodgers, Bill Spooner, and Bob Roma. Congratulations! There were seven 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.

ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

Ronald Weathermon lost \$130 at our last meeting. Why? He wasn't there when his name was drawn for the attendance raffle. The pot is growing. Attend meetings and you could take it home.

SUMMER MEETING DAYS AND LOCATION

As is customary, we will only be meeting once a month in July and August. The meetings will be the 4th Thursday of those months, both being held at St. Catherine of Siena, below the church.

ROSARY FOR LIFE – July 9 & August 13

Word on the street is that the Pilgrim Medical Center (aka Abortuary in Montclair) which has been in operation for over 40 years, has filed for bankruptcy and may close operations. Let us keep the prayers going, especially at this time. We all know the power of the rosary. So come on down to Bloomfield Ave., between 8:45 AM and 10 AM. We will all be better for it.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Election of officers for the 2016-2017 Columbian year will be held at the second meeting in June. The following is the nominated slate of officers for 2016-17:

Grand Knight	Bob Rodgers
Deputy Grand Knight	Mike Risolli
Chancellor	Dan Fitzpatrick
Treasurer	Roger Ellert
Warden	Tim Murphy
Advocate	Joe Cubero
Outside Guard	James Miserendino
Inside Guard	Pat Mullen
<u>Assigned:</u>	
Chaplain	Fr. Joseph D'Amico
Financial Secretary	P. J. Hanly
Lecturer	John Sommer

SPECIAL CITIZENS DRIVE

The results from our store collections:

Jack's Foodtown—Caldwell	\$1,424.28
Foodtown—Cedar Grove	1,575.95
Shop Rite—West Orange	<u>1,074.25</u>
Total	4,074.48
Mail solicitation as of 5/26/16	3467
St Catherine of Siena	<u>1011</u>
	\$8552.48

Our Lady of the Lake June 11-12

As you can see, we are \$1448 short of our \$10,000, pending our OLL collection. If you have not yet made your personal donation, please do so. Make a check to Knights of Columbus #3632, noted for Special Citizens Drive, and enclose it in the return envelope with your 50/50 check.

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 10:00 AM to arrange car pooling. Parade starts at 11:00 AM.

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 Holly Lake. She will be attending Lacodaire High School next fall. The winner at St. Catherine of Siena was Michelle Lei. She will be attending Mt. St. Dominic in the fall.

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

BROTHER KNIGHT ORDAINED DEACON

Congratulations to Ralph Powell, a member of our council, who was ordained to the permanent diaconate in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark on Saturday, June 4, 2016. A Mass of thanksgiving was celebrated at Our Lady of the Lake on Sunday, June 5

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 Herbert, Barbara Shea, Stella & Jerry Votta, Tony LoRusso, Barbara Ferguson, a brother fighting addiction, Virginia Robertson, John Cadmus, Betty Ferrari, Pat Reynolds, Jake Hasslacher, Al Maccia, Jane Chiappara, Jean Munning, Joseph Donohue, the Robinson family, Kate W., Fr. Daniel Vitz, Claire Smith, Vern & Cindy Koppenhaver, Catherine Maccia, Joan Brown, Thomas K age 7, Nancy Shea, Angelo Berardi, Bill Gleason, Ruth Edison, and Doris Dolan.

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 Pat Camalleri, Pray for our new seminarians, Jay Joo and Juan Rojas.

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	Pat Hynes	Dan Donovan
Bud MacFarlane	Kevin Glenn	Paul Soderman
Dave Lyon	Michael Collins	Victor Metallo

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

Bob Rodgers	Mario Bucca	Alfred Santoro	Angelo Berardi
Ralph Powell	Ron Blaha, Jr.	Michael Maione	Thomas Powell
Thomas Cannan	Tom Finn	Robert Criscuolo	Roger Ellert
Henry Trautfetter	Nicholas Metallo		

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

4TH DEGREE—ST. ISAAC JOGUES ASSEMBLY

The 4th Degree assembly for our council meets every 3rd Wednesday of the month at St. Thomas Moore in Fairfield. All 4th Degree members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

NJ JACKALS GAME OUTING—JULY 21

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 21, 2016. The Jackals will host the Trois-Rivieres Aigles 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 7.

