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# THE KNIGHT LIFE

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Newsletter of Father James J. Kelly Council #3632 Verona, Cedar Grove, W. Orange March, 2018

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## **GRAND KNIGHT**

**MICHAEL**

**RISOLI**

**973-450-0340**

## **DEPUTY GK**

**DON TRADER**

## **CHANCELLOR**

**DAN**

**FITZPATRICK**

## **WARDEN**

**TIMOTHY MURPHY**

## **FINANCIAL**

## **SECRETARY**

**PJ HANLY**

## **LECTURER**

**JOHN SOMMER**

## **TREASURER**

**ROGER ELLERT**

## **ADVOCATE**

**JOE CUBERO**

## **INSIDE GUARD**

**PAT MULLEN**

## **OUTSIDE**

## **GUARD**

**JAMES**

**MISERENDINO**

## **CHAPLAIN**

**FR. JOSEPH**

**D'AMICO**

## **DISTRICT DEPUTY**

**CHUCK COLLINS**

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## **MEETINGS**

**1ST & 3RD**

**THURSDAYS**

**OF THE MONTH**

**7:30 PM**

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Mar. 15	Social Meeting @ SCS
Mar. 17	St. Patrick's Day
Mar. 20	1st Day of Spring
Mar. 25	Palm Sunday
Mar. 30	Good Friday
Apr. 1	Easter Sunday
Apr. 5	Regular Meeting @ OLL
Apr. 19	Social Meeting @ SCS
May 3	Regular Meeting @ OLL
May 5	Special Citizens Drive—Shop Rite West Caldwell
May 11-13	Special Citizens Drive—Jack's Foodtown Caldwell
May 17	Social Meeting @ SCS
May 17-20	K of C NJ State Convention—Wildwood, NJ
May 22	Pride in Priests Dinner
June 9	Special Citizens Drive—Foodtown Cedar Grove
June 25	10th Annual Golf Outing

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## **GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE**

Dear Brother Knights,

Our Council #3632 is in good standing with Supreme. We're still planning our church drives as soon as the weather gets better. As per a letter from Supreme, they want all members of K of C to attend Good Friday services @ their local parish.

I would like to wish all of you a Happy & Safe St. Patrick's Day. I would also like to wish you a Happy Palm Sunday & a Happy & Holy Easter. May God Bless you all.

Vivat Jesus,  
Mike Risoli  
Grand Knight



## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Dear friends,

Many thanks for you all your prayers and support of my mission to El Salvador the week of March 3-10. I was invited to be a spiritual director/chaplain for a group of Seton Hall Students spending their spring break in El Salvador on mission. And what a blessing it was. While many college students go to Cancun or Miami for some "fun in the sun" these young folks gave up a vacation to feed the poor in soup kitchens, care for the elderly in nursing facilities for abandoned women, and hold crying babies in day care centers. It was a delight to be their spiritual guide and leader for that week.

In addition to praying and learning from these incredible young people I was likewise inspired by a Texan Knights of Columbus council. On the night the students were about to depart Newark airport nor'easter Riley struck. We were able to get the students on a very late flight to Houston but only with a 20 hour lay over. They got on the plane not knowing what to do or where to go when they landed. Behind the scenes the campus ministry program was able to contact a priest in Houston who networked with a parish close to the airport for hospitality. The knights in that parish immediately sprang into action by providing blankets and food as the students slept on floors in a local parish grammar school. They likewise provided transport from and to the airport with a caravan of mini vans and SUV's. I want to thank the Knights and their families of that council who became angels of mercy for us student missionaries.

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

## QUARTERLY 50/50



Enclosed in this issue of the Knight Life you will find tickets for the April 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 January were: Mary Cicotti (2), Margaret Rodgers, Loyola Vuolo, Henry Salvatore, Tim Murphy, Eric Nunes, Andy Berger.. Congratulations! Nine winning tickets were mailed out but not returned. Don't let it happen to you. This is our council's only fund raiser to support our activities and charities, so please participate in this raffle. If you would like more tickets, call PGK Larry Dillon @ 973-736-5684

## GOLF OUTING

### **GOLF OUTING MONDAY, JUNE 25TH, GLEN RIDGE COUNTRY CLUB**



We are proud to announce that our Golf Outing to benefit the Youth Groups of OLL and SCS is celebrating a milestone! Thanks to everyone's hard work and support this year marks the 10th anniversary of the Outing! We need your help now as much as we did in 2009. Please come out and enjoy a great day of golf and camaraderie. WE HAVE NUMEROUS PRIZE HOLES WITH GREAT PRIZES INCLUDING A \$25,000 HOLE-IN-ONE contest on a par 3 hole! You don't have to golf to participate or support. You can attend the lunch / open bar raffle which is always a lot of fun. You can sponsor a tee box for \$100 and have a custom sign displayed with any message you want printed on it. There are other sponsorships available as well such as "Refreshment Cart", "BBQ Lunch" or "Continental Breakfast". Please contact Dan Fitzpatrick at [d3fitzpatrick@spectrolume.com](mailto:d3fitzpatrick@spectrolume.com) or 973-222-7503 with any suggestions or questions.

## K OF C/ JERRY O'CONNOR SPECIAL CITIZENS PICNIC COMES TO AN END

A joint decision between the O'Connor family and Father James J. Kelly Council has put an end to the annual Special Citizen's Picnic.

The picnic was started nearly 40 years ago by our late brother Knight, Jerry O'Connor. Jerry's tireless work built the picnic up to the success it held for many years. When Jerry passed away in the early 90's, the council dedicated the picnic in his name. A banner was created and his family became involved by running fund raisers for financial support, and supplying manpower on the day of the picnic. Brother Knight Jack Cavaliere assumed Jerry's role as council chairman for decades to come. Other brother Knights set up, got supplies, and worked the event. Eventually, the O'Connor family assumed most of the work for the picnic with our council chipping in here and there.

So, as the years have gone by and life changes for many of us, the O'Connor family decided they no longer can, or are willing to, carry on their participation in the Special Citizens Picnic. And, unfortunately, our council's membership has not grown with enough youthful members to provide the leadership and muscle to continue the tradition. And so it was deemed that for the best interest of all involved, the Special Citizens Picnic should be put to bed. Any remaining funds will be donated to the Christopher Brandle Joy of Life Foundation.

## **ROSARY FOR LIFE – April 14 and May 12**



Come and pray the rosary with us. We meet in Montclair across the street from the Abortuary on Bloomfield Ave. at the old Social Security building. We meet every 2nd Saturday of the month from 8:45 to 10 AM. Can you spare one hour a month to pray for the end of this “holocaust”? We pray for the mothers and preborn babies that go into the abortuary. We pray the mothers have a change of heart and realize there is another choice: life for their babies. Be not afraid to come and pray with us.

## **ADORATION AND HOLY HOUR**

The first or second Monday of each month there is a Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction at our Lady of the Lake Pastoral Center chapel at 7 PM. It’s a good time to pray for our country, our church, and ourselves. It is “Face Time” with our Lord. **Highly Recommended!** The next ones are on April 9 and May 7.

## **PRIDE IN PRIESTS DINNER**

It is time once again to plan for our 13<sup>th</sup> annual Newark Archdiocesan *Pride In Our Priests* dinner. Let us continue the fine tradition of honoring our bishops and priests for their selfless dedication to our spiritual needs and for their tireless efforts on behalf of the Church community. If anyone is interested in coming, call Chuck Collins at 973-809-5580. Seating is limited.

**Tuesday, May 22, 2018**

**PLACE :** *The Terrace, 293 Paramus Road, Paramus, NJ 07652*

**TIME :** **6:30PM Cocktail Hour**

**W/Open Bar & Hors D’oeuvres**

**7:30PM Dinner (Cash Bar)**

**COST :** **\$50 Per Person**

## **FOUNDERS DAY—MARCH 29**

On Founder's Day this March 29th, we celebrate the anniversary of the Knights of Columbus.

As we celebrate the legacy of [Venerable Michael McGivney](#) and the contributions of our brother Knights since 1882, we also prepare for an even greater future as we live out the vision of our founder.

The anniversary of the realization of Father McGivney’s dream is a cause for celebration.

## **REV. JOHN GIBBONS 1932-2018**



Fr. John Gibbons, our council’s Chaplain from 1974 to 2006, passed on to heaven on February 3, 2018. Born March 3, 1932, and ordained a priest in 1958, Fr. John served his church at multiple parishes through out northern New Jersey, including a 10 year stint at St. Catherine of Siena in the ‘70s, where he joined our council as Chaplain and brother for many years. He was a 4th Degree Knight. When Fr. John retired, he moved down to the shore area and became Faithful Friar for Assembly 1926 in Toms River. He would still come up for our social events and the Pride In Priests Dinner.

As we all have fond memories of our personal encounters with Fr. John, let us keep him in our prayers for the repose of his soul.

## **SPECIAL CITIZENS DRIVE**

Did you know that our council collects in excess of \$10,000 annually for this drive? Placing us in the top 15 councils in the state? That is because of your volunteerism and our goal is to do it again!

The dates are set. Expect a call from committee members to volunteer some time. Sites for our drive are as follows:

May 5                Shop Rite—West Orange

May 11-13        Jack’s Foodtown—Caldwell

June 9             Foodtown—Cedar Grove

St. Catherine’s & OLL    TBA

Do your duty and volunteer when the time comes. Sign up sheets will be at the meetings. These citizens and the facilities desperately need our help with decreasing government funding.

## GOOD OF THE ORDER



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

Regina Soboti, Hayley Pope & family, Elaine Shaffer, Stella & Jerry Votta, Tony LoRusso, Barbara Fergenson, a brother fighting addiction, Betty Ferrari, Pat Reynolds, Jake Hasslacher, Al Maccia, Jane Chiappara, Joseph & Carol Donohue, Kate W., Claire Smith, Catherine Maccia, Ruth Edison, Marie Pierce, Marita Shatzel, Carole Weld, Joseph Wilson, Kevin Gail, Katie Kloss, and Judy Hectus.

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 Rev. John Gibbons and Thomas Powell.

Pray for our 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 March

John Sommer, PGK	Al Maccia	Fr. Jerome Arthasseril	Andrew Burger
Fred Mahn	Clay Rice	Eric Watkins	Robert Phillips
Michael Birmingham	Charles Maccia	Gary Wilczewski, PGK	Pat Mullen
Genaro Salierno	Stanley Gagner	Jerry Graham	Raymond Scally

## 4TH DEGREE—ST. ISAAC JOGUES ASSEMBLY

The 4th Degree assembly for our council meets every 3rd Wednesday of the month at St. Thomas More, 127 Hollywood Ave., in Fairfield. All 4th Degree members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

## INSURANCE

### IT TAKES MORE THAN MONEY

Most commodities can be bought provided you 1) have the money, 2) can find a willing seller, and 3) can agree on a satisfactory price. In like manner, most investments - real estate, stocks, bonds, mutual funds, bank accounts - require only an arm's length agreement and a deal is struck. All it takes is money. There is one notable exception to the above statements. The purchase of life insurance. When the purchase of life insurance is considered in addition to setting aside dollars, the prospective insured must prove that he is in good health. If a man is deemed to be "uninsurable," no amount of money will make this commodity available to him.

The ability to qualify for life insurance is an asset that is temporary at best. Without warning, your health can fail, and you may never be able to add to your life insurance program. Other hazards may prevent you from qualifying - occupation, character, even old age. What would happen if you suddenly woke up and decided to buy life insurance, but had lost your ability to qualify for it? Ever think about that?

I can tell you about our quarantine purchase option. Think of that! The ability to secure additional insurance, depending on the amount of your option, on a quarantine basis - without necessarily being in good health. This option can be added at issue of a new certificate through age 37. Find out at your convenience how little it costs to guarantee the right to increase your protection.

Call me, Brian Baird, your K of C council field agent, at 201-707-6477 or [brian.baird@kofc.org](mailto:brian.baird@kofc.org) today and let's talk about life insurance for your family.

## WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBER

Our Council welcomes our newest member, Daniel Brown. He is the son of PGK Kevin Brown and grandson of PGK Sir Knight Hank Brown. Daniel, a senior at St. Peter's Prep, turned 18 in December. He will be attending classes and playing lacrosse at Rhodes College next fall.