

# Knight Crier



## Grand Knight's Comments

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“Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life, and that day catch you by surprise like a trap.”  
Luke Chapter 21

### Brothers

Welcome to Advent and the celebration of first coming of our Lord Jesus Christ! Let me just say that this is probably my favorite time of the liturgical year. This is a time of year where we get to prepare for the first coming and lucky for me there is a possibility of snow in Virginia that makes it all the better to my eyes. Who am I kidding though, I really love this time because it's like a lightbulb turns on in my body and all my focus turns to prepare for the coming of Christ.

There is no doubt that December brings about a time to really think about the amount of faith it took for St. Joseph and Our Lady to trust fully in God's message. It really sets the most perfect example of what we should try to do every day: Listen to God and trust Him. When we look at the Holy Family, we have Mary, the new Eve, the perfect woman obedient to God. Then St. Joseph, who doesn't say a word in Bible, but instead his actions speak for



him. A testament to the saying that we should speak softly and instead allow our actions to speak loudly. That's one of the reasons I joined the Knights of Columbus, it was a chance to let my actions speak for me and no time brings more work for our council than Advent and Lent. We have a lot of things going on, so you can break away and give some time to let your actions speak instead of your words, I hope to see you out there with me. May you all have a wonderful Advent that brings you closer to Christ and may you also have a wonderful Christmas.

Vivat Jesus!  
Tony DeMaio  
Grand Knight



*Virgin of the Immaculate Conception | 1600 Spanish | The Metropolitan Museum of Art*

## Chaplin's Comments by Fr Folmar



Having just recently celebrated Thanksgiving, which we hopefully were able to spend with family and friends, we're already looking forward to Christmas. The next major family and friend gathering. And if you are able to, try and invite someone who does not have a place to go to. For no one should be alone on these days. Look at it as inviting Jesus to your get-together.

Now, in regard to Thanksgiving, if you were the one to have everyone over, you had to do a lot of preparing for the coming and arrival of various people. Well, now it's time to do that for Christmas, which can entail a little more.

Speaking of the word coming or arrival, that's exactly what the word *adventus* means, from which is where we derive the word Advent..

Consequently, as we begin Advent we focus on preparing ourselves for Jesus' great birth that had been foretold of for centuries and centuries beforehand. A season in which we also prepare ourselves to receive all the wonderful graces that God will give us this Christmas as well. Therefore, as holy men of God leading our families, we can help prepare each of our family members and ourselves for Christ's 1<sup>st</sup> Coming at Christmas by taking advantage of one of the many times that we offer Confession.

You could also take your family to Eucharistic Adoration. Moreover, allow Our Blessed Mother to help prepare each of your souls by making sure that praying the Rosary gets done as a family at least once or twice a week – possibly on Saturdays and/or Sundays. Furthermore, ask each of your family members to go through their clothes and honestly ask if it is something that they truly need and still wear, or can give it away for the good of another. Maybe afterwards in doing any of these things you could go to dinner or order take out as a family. Just be together and prepare together.

So, prepare your family and yourself for Christmas in all these ways. For then there will be room for the Christ Child to reign as King in each of your hearts.



## Some Upcoming Events [click here](#)

### Wednesday, December 1

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

FOOD BANK DELIVERIES

Officer's Dir's. Chmn. Plan M't'g

### Thursday, December 2

CHRISTMAS TREES SALE

FOOD BANK DELIVERIES

### Saturday, December 4

CHRISTMAS TREES SALE That Man is You

### Sunday, December 5

CYM Dinner

### Wednesday, December 8

Business Meeting

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

### Saturday, December 18

Micah Furniture Pickup/Delivery

CHRISTMAS TREES SALE

### Tuesday, December 21

FOOD BANK DELIVERIES

## December CYM Dinner



The Council is responsible for the following CYM dinners: 12/5, 1/23, 3/20 and 5/1.

The CYM dinner on 12/5 will be at the Parish Life Center. We need volunteers to prepare food items as well as serve the meal. The meal will be chili and fixings and sides (cornbread, salad, etc.) and dessert. **Please use the link to sign-up sheet to volunteer and to sign up for food items.**

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1xVEkly4\\_bzxH3Jug9R6OwUM6dxeMr-VT\\_t9cpB3jOCA/edit?usp=drivesdk](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1xVEkly4_bzxH3Jug9R6OwUM6dxeMr-VT_t9cpB3jOCA/edit?usp=drivesdk)

## Welcome our New Members

### Exemplification on 5 November:

- Nicholas Moose, new member. Third new member this fraternal year.
- Mario Toygo, transferred into our council.

### Our new Financial Secretary, SK Anson Brown



Anson Brown, a Knight for over 20 years, last August transferred from the Springfield Council 6153 and joined our council. He and his wife Suzy have 6 children, ages 2 to 18. The family moved to Fredericksburg in 2018 and are parishioners of St. Mary's.

Anson has a BA from George Mason University and an MBA from the University of Maryland. He is a manager and software implementation consultant at SAP. In his spare time Anson enjoys woodworking, camping with his family, hunting and just being outdoors.

## The Christmas Season is Our Busiest Time



**We need many volunteers for all our Christmas activities.**

- 1<sup>st</sup> weekend of December, Feast of St. Nicholas.
- Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December. Village like area in the tree sales area for Santa to use as a backdrop. Needs: plywood, paint, etc.
- And our annual Christmas Tree Sales ( turn the page)



## Christmas Trees Fundraiser



### SIGN-UP

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1tMnxrD7J0QeEb0MsrOgWO2hMoSa75GE5/edit#gid=201853776>

Brothers, we are into Christmas Tree Sales at St. Mary again this year. This is a great opportunity to get involved in our largest fundraiser of the year and you will get to know your brother knights better while working shifts together. For more information, please contact Tree Sales Chairman Tim Fleming at [timgfleming@gmail.com](mailto:timgfleming@gmail.com) or 540-809-8135 and leave a message.

Tree sales started the first Saturday after Thanksgiving (**Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>**) when we took delivery of the trees from Mt. Rogers Tree Farm. We set up the tree stands, lights, and work tent one week prior on Saturday **Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> (9:00 a.m.)** We are selling trees **Wednesday through Sunday**. Sales will continue through Thursday **Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>** when we will break down the sales site.

First up, we **NEED A DAY CAPTAIN FOR SATURDAY**. We utilize Day Captains to help with the daily operations of the Tree Sales including opening (3:00 p.m. on weekdays, and 8:00 a.m. on weekends) and closing (8:00 pm). Each captain also recruits Knights for shifts and bring rosters to the sight for each Knight to sign in. Due to some of our captains leaving the council or not able to do it anymore, we need some of you to step up this year and volunteer.

We want a minimum of 2 Knights per shift, so no one has to work by themselves. We **NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR SUNDAY**. This is only a 4-weekend event, and we need all-hands-on-deck for filling up sales shifts as early as possible.

## Good of the Order

### **Knight of the Month and Family of the Month**

Each month we promote and support the development of strong and vibrant knights and families. We select a Knight and a family that totally Demonstrates Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism in all they do for the parish, and community.

**Knight of the month: Peter Parquette**

**Family of the month: Parquette Family**

## Dues for 2022 (Jan 1-Dec 31)

Membership dues are one of the major ways the Council collects funds for fraternal events, service programs, and council development. Dues are voted upon by the council during previous year's business meetings. In the spirit of fraternal assistance, the dues are kept to the minimal amount in order not to impose financial burden upon our Brother Knights.

You may pay our dues via PayPal below.

**Member:** Dues: \$40 via check - \$42.00 via PayPal

**Active Military:** Dues: \$20 via check – \$20.91 via PayPal

**Student:** Dues: \$10 via check - \$10.61 via PayPal

**Honorary Member:** Dues: \$10 via check – \$10.61 via PayPal

**Life Member Dues: Donation**

You may pay our dues with check made payable to:

Knights Columbus 4034

Mail to:

Lenny Cascio 17 Aiken Rd. Fredericksburg VA 22401

or

Anson Brown 9 Redskin Drive, Fredericksburg, VA 22405.



**December Birthdays**  
**Happy Birthday**  
**Brother Knights!**

Name            Birthday

Randall	Kelly	1
Jacob	Dunneback	2
Doran	Sanger	5
Louis	Farrell	8
George	Pottanat	8
Stephen	Stoecker	8
Patrick	McQuade	11
Stephen	Keating	12
Michael	Catell	13
Joseph	Cralle	15
Brendan	Sullivan	16
Daniel	Kinion	17
Daniel	Lewis	18
Luis	Alpentista	19
Mario	Castillo	21
Joshua	Kapp	21
Peter	Carroll	22
Michael	Aldred	23
Paul	Haggerty	23
Douglas	LeBlanc	24
Dr	Sambat	27
Paulino		
Hank	Domingue	29
Gary	Rolla	29



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**Officers Fraternal Year 2021- 2022**



<b>Officers</b>	<b>Name</b>
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Grand Knight	SK Tony De Maio
Deputy Grand Knight	John Landolfi
Chancellor	SK PGK Steve Stoecker
Recorder	SK George Biedenbender
Financial Secretary	SK Anson Brown
Treasurer	SK Mark Gardner
Advocate	SK PGK Michael Kasey
Warden	Jim Burns
Outside Guard	SK Joe Cralle
Inside Guard	SK Rick Reschick
Lecturer	SK Matt Prohaska
3 Year Trustee	SK PGK Anthony Hall
2 Year Trustee	SK PGK Gary Rolla
1 Year Trustee	SK Jorge Lizaralde