



Knights of Columbus

In Service to One. In Service to All.



Keep Christ in Christmas

Important Dates:

- Dec 2: Christmas Party @ Mueller's
- Dec 10: Men's Advent Conference
- Dec 13: Regular Business Meeting
- Dec 17: Indoor Nativity Set Up
- Dec 18: Monthly Parish Breakfast
- Dec 20: Cathedral Assembly Meeting
- Jan 6: Free Throw Contest
- Jan 10: Regular Business Meeting
- Jan 17: Cathedral Assembly Meeting
- Jan 22: Monthly Parish Breakfast
- Jan 23: March for Life
- Jan 25: 1st & 2nd Degree STJW
- Jan 28: Night at the Races
- Jan 31: Officer Meeting
- Feb 14: Regular Business Meeting
- Feb 21: Cathedral Assembly Meeting
- Feb 19: Monthly Parish Breakfast
- Feb 26: Parish Blood Drive
- Feb 28: Officer Meeting
- Feb 29: 1st & 2nd Degree STJW

Prepare the Way of the Lord

Advent Day for Men

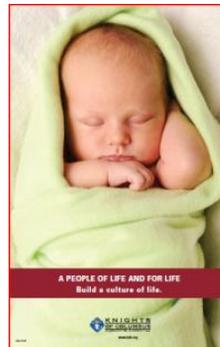
Saturday, December 10, 8:30 am to 1:30 pm
St Joseph the Worker Church, Orefield

Offering: \$10

*Includes Hot lunch, beverages, snacks &
 CD of Archbishop Fulton Sheen's
 "The Meaning of Christmas"*

*Walk-ins welcome,
 Pre-registration is recommended*

Pre-register @ <http://stjw.org/stjw01c/stjwc.html>



March for Life
Washington DC
Monday, Jan 23, 2012
Cost \$ 10 per person
Contact GK Jim Mueller @
(610)392-1401 or jim@jnsc.org

Outdoor Nativity Set Up Saturday November 26 @ 8 AM

Planned Charitable Giving 2011-12

- Vocations: \$4000
- Chapel: \$2000
- School/Prep Scholarships: \$1200
- Teacher Appreciation: \$300
- Holiday Food Gifts - \$1000
- ARC: \$2000
- Indian Catholic Mission: \$1000
- Mercy Learning Center: \$1000
- Caring Hearts: \$500
- Mary's Shelter: \$500
- Emergency Fund: \$1000
- Haiti Relief: \$1000
- Parish Activities: \$900
- Habitat for Humanity: \$500
- Military Advocacy: \$500



The next weekend is Feb 10-12, 2012 at St Francis Center for Renewal, Bethlehem. See Dave Shellhamer for more details.

Night at the Races

Saturday, Jan 28

Doors Open @ 6 pm



Come out for a night of fun, food & excitement

Contact John Fitzpatrick @
610 530-7728 or
jlfitzpatrick@verizon.net
for more information

Youth Free Throw Contest



Jan 6 @ 4 - 5 PM
STJW School Gym

Open to all boys/girls, ages 10 -14



Rose for Motherhood

1st & 3rd Sunday after 11:30 Mass
Please Contact Paul Davis

2011-12 Officers

Grand Knight	Jim Mueller
Chaplain	Father Gualano
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Field Agent (M-Z)	Dennis Tobash

Life - Imagine the Possibilities

MEN OF ST. JOSEPH'S

Time to get in spiritual shape. Many of you attended the Men's Conference with Fr. Larry Richards and Danny Abramowitz that was very inspiring on how to be a man of God. Here's your chance once again to follow up, to get spiritually in shape to fight the battles to support and encourage each other in growing in our faith. No sneakers needed, no bar bells or bats and balls are needed, just your willingness to get in shape spiritually which is answering God's call to do His will in our life on the first Saturday of each month in the Early Childhood Center from 9am to 10:15am.

Brothers, an hour and fifteen minutes can make a big difference in your life. Hope to see you there. Please contact Deacon Tony for more information.

Grand Knight's Message

Worthy Brothers,

I wish one and all a Happy Thanksgiving, a Merry and Joy Filled Christmas and a New Year filled with joy, laughter and growing closer to God. Remember the reason for the season, the one whose birthday we celebrate and the reason for living. Today is a present from God, that is why we call it present, the past is past, and tomorrow may never come, so love and enjoy one another as God wants today and every day.

I stand in awe of all that our members have accomplished these few short months (parish picnic, parish breakfasts, 9/11 prayer service at St Joseph School, soccer challenge, hosting coffee and donuts, council installation and pot luck dinner, viewing the movie "Blood Money", sending Christmas Cards to our military for their use, the Night at the Races, and 1st and 2nd degrees to name a few). These things give me great joy to be part of. Maybe we should share this joy with others and invite them to become a Knight, so they can partake in the joy of serving God, Church & Country.

The rest of the year is not going to be quiet. We have our Turkey Raffle, Parish Breakfasts, 1st & 2nd degrees, 2 Christmas Parties, and a free will offering pancake breakfast by Caroline Clee for the Haiti Mission. It is wonderful to see someone like Caroline come forth in faith and put on this breakfast. We, as Knights, should support such a good cause. Come out Dec 4th from 8am to 1 pm.

I'm looking toward Thanksgiving, Christmas and the New Year. I think of friend and relatives and the joy I have when I get to see them once more. Let us treat our brothers and sisters the same way when they come to Mass on Christmas Day. We may have not seen them in a year. Maybe, one kind word or a greeting of joy will cause them to want to be with us as we celebrate the love Jesus has for all of us. Let your light shine so all can see, be inviting so they will want to be with us throughout the year.

This coming year let us use the motto of Blessed Pope John Paul II "BE NOT AFRAID". We need to stand up for what is right. Come join us on the *March for Life* Jan 23, 2012. If you cannot make this, then consider

praying for those fighting abortion and for those who believe abortion is the only way and for the 3,000+ babies killed each day.

Since prayer is the best way to do the work God is calling us to, and the best prayer is the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, we will be starting all council meetings at 7:00PM with Mass. The meeting will follow immediately afterwards.

Jim Mueller, GK

Presentation Is Everything

Fr. Bernard J. Ezaki

But when the fullness of time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman. --Galatians 4:4—

I am a disgrace to my Japanese heritage in at least this one respect: While I do not mind giving gifts, I hate wrapping them. I make all kinds of excuses to explain away this shortcoming. I argue that, as a visually impaired person, I find the idea of gift-wrapping totally meaningless. I insist that I am hopelessly inept when it comes to wrapping presents. I even claim that not using gif-wrap conserves natural resources. Yet when all is said and done, my real reason for avoiding gift-wrap is sheer laziness. It is, as I said, precisely in this that I fall short of my Japanese forebears.

For the people of Japan, gift-wrap is no mere external. On the contrary, the Japanese regard a beautifully packaged present as an art form in and of itself. Such a gift, they believe, is a triple statement of honor. The well-wrapped gift bespeaks the generosity of the giver, the value of the gift, and the dignity of the recipient.

God, it would seem, is Japanese at heart. When He gave us the gift of His only-begotten Son, He was anything but lazy. On the contrary, He took great care to package His Gift in the exquisite gift-wrap of the Immaculate Virgin Mary. In doing so, He proclaimed for all time His boundless generosity, Christ's inestimable value, and the inherent dignity of every human soul.



Field Agents' Message

HE SLEEPS IN A STORM: A man seeks employment on a farm. He hands his letter of recommendation to his new employer. It reads simply, 'He sleeps in a storm.' The owner is desperate for help, so he hires the man.

Several weeks pass, and suddenly, in the middle of the night, a powerful storm rips through the valley. Awakened by the swirling rain and howling wind, the owner leaps out of bed. He calls for his new hired hand, but the man is sleeping soundly.

So he dashes off to the barn. He sees, to his amazement, that the animals are secure with plenty of feed. He runs out to the field. He sees the bales of wheat have been bound and are wrapped in tarpaulins. He races to the silo. The doors are latched, and the grain is dry. And then he understands. 'He sleeps in a storm.'

If we tend to the things that are important in life, if we are right with those we love and behave in line with our faith, our lives will not be cursed with the aching throb of unfulfilled business. Our words will always be sincere, our embraces will be tight. We will never wallow in the agony of 'I could have, I should have.' We can sleep in a storm.

We can help you rest easy - make an appointment today to ensure you have protected your family - before the storm comes.

On behalf of the Agency Department, may you and your family have a merry and blessed Christmas!

Fraternally,

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