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Sisters Luncheon

The Council hosted a packed house February 28 for the annual Sisters Luncheon held to recognize nuns in the Camden Diocese.. More photos on page 3.

Grand Knight's Message

Brothers,

“Love what you do and you will never work a day in your life.”

This phrase is attributed to Chinese philosopher Confucius. It is important to know that enjoyment needs to be a part of life. When you do what you enjoy, time can go more quickly and work done more effectively.

Many times we need to perform repetitive tasks to pursue a higher goal. For example, it takes three hours to convert prepared ingredients into 900 wrapped hoagies that are ready to sell. The camaraderie and spirit present make the time go faster. Some of my best conversations with Brother Knights have occurred then.

Our consistent hoagie sales provided us with the resources needed for a new roof last fall. We hope to realize significant savings so we can do more fun things. Spring sales resume this month!

Another example are coin drops at Kings Highway and White Horse Pike. Vested Brothers collect money while dealing with traffic and the elements. It brings me joy that we consistently raise several thousand dollars for charities like MSAA and Alzheimer's research.

One last example is Music Night. “The PreFab Four” will return to serenade us on Saturday, March 7. We need Brothers to prep, cook, serve, and clean. The proceeds will be used for a good cause. This concert has always been well-received. It is another opportunity to enjoy good food, good music, and good company.

I pray we can continue to work together and have fun doing it!

Vivat Jesus!



[Rolland C. Coutinho, GK](#)



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Coming Events March 2026

Fri	6	Nocturnal Adoration/Stations - St. Rose	6:00 PM
Fri	6	Friday Night Social	7:00 PM
Sat	7	Membership Drive - SJW	All Masses
Sat	7	Music Night	7 PM
Sun	8	Membership Drive - SJW	All Masses
Mon	9	Officers Meeting	7:00 PM
Wed	11	COR Meeting	7:00 PM
Fri	13	Friday Night Social	7:00 PM
Sat	14	Hoagie Sale #10	5:30 AM
Sat	14	Membership Drive - St Rose of Lima	All Masses
Sun	15	Membership Drive - St Rose of Lima	All Masses
Mon	16	Council Mtg/Life & Hon Life Awards	7:00 PM
Wed	18	4th Degree Meeting	7:00 PM
Fri	20	Friday Night Social	7:00 PM
Sat	21	MS Coin Toss, Kings Hwy & WHP	9:00 AM
Sat	21	Membership Drive - STC	All Masses
Sun	22	Membership Drive - STC	All Masses
Tue	24	Hunger Harvest Preparation	6:00 PM
Wed	25	COR Meeting	7:00 PM
Wed	25	Chapter Meeting	7:30 PM
Thu	26	Police Appreciation Night	6:30 PM
Fri	27	Friday Night Social	7:00 PM
Sat	28	Hoagie Sale #11	5:30 AM
Sat	28	MS Coin Toss - Rain Date	9:00 AM
Sun	29	Palm Sunday - Get your palms!	All Masses

Charity Raffle ticket sales begin. Help with sales at area churches

Charity Raffle ticket sales will be held at Saint Rose of Lima the weekend of April 11 and 12. Ticket sales at Saint Joseph the Worker and St Teresa of Calcutta parishes will be the following weekend, the 18th and 19th of April. There will be a total of nine Masses. We are need help sell tickets after each.

Meanwhile, the spring tickets have been printed and will be distributed to members very soon. The first raffle drawing is Friday, April 24! Contact Stan Hadam at 609 234-5174, Michael O'Mara at 484 868-5509 or George Ezekiel at 856 905-4506 with any questions.



NJ State Holy Hour

More than 20 Santa Maria, South Jersey and state Knights of Columbus, including George Ezekiel, PGK, and State Deputy Jim Sweeney, left, recently participated in Nocturnal Adoration at St. Rose of Lima Chapel on February 6.

Good Friday Fish Dinner

Santa Maria Council is holding our annual Family Fish Dinner on Good Friday, April 3, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. "Eat-in" and "to-go" dinners are available. The meal includes baked flounder, macaroni

and cheese, vegetables, cole slaw and soft drinks. The cost is \$12.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children 12 and under. Brother Knights are needed to assist! For info, contact Mark Kiernan at 856 261-3074 or mvkiernan@aol.com.

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Music Night

Santa Maria Council is hosting the PreFab 4 for a night of Beatles and classic rock music on Saturday, March 7 at 7 PM. PreFab 4 has played for us twice before and done a great job. The cost of \$45 per ticket includes a beef & beer. For information, 609 922-3732 or olivieridan@yahoo.com.

13th Annual MS Coin Toss

The fundraiser will be held on March 21 at Kings Hwy and White Horse Pike, Audubon 9 AM to 2:45 PM. One -hour shifts available. Contact Chairman Mike Meo, 609 929-0247, Koc1443mikem@gmail.com for desired shift. Zach McShane is co-chairman.

March Madness

Our 27th annual NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament is ready to go! Please see or contact Mark Kiernan (856 261-3074, mvkiernan@aol.com) to reserve one of the 64 spots.

The cost remains \$10 and all of the proceeds are paid out as prizes. Friends, relatives and family are welcome to participate. Everyone will get 4 seeds, picked at random, to follow through the Tournament - these will be given out at FNS on March 14.

Speaker Series March 16

Haddon Twp. Police and Bro. Chief Timothy Hak will discuss a crisis facing police and first responders at the March 16 Council meeting at 7 PM. Come out for this informative talk.

Food pantry needs

We are stocking up for Easter food deliveries. Please be generous and donate. We need: 8 to 10 lb. hams, carrots, cereal, corn, green beans, jelly, mac & cheese, peanut butter, peas, pineapple cans, rice, stuffing and tomato sauce. Contact Michael Meo at koc1443mikem@gmail.com or Bill Liebeknecht at bliebeknecht@dovetailcrg.com.

Return of the Hoagie Sales

Our first hoagie sale is set for March 14, followed by March 28, April 11 & 25, May 9 & 23 and June 6 & 20. Help make, sell or buy hoagies.

Board of Governors opening

There is an opening for a member of the Board of Governors for the Club. After years of dedicated service, Paul Dugan has decided to step away. We thank him for his service. Anyone interested in serving may contact John J. Mazziotti Jr., FDD, PGK, PFN, at 856 546-3128, 609 868-6951 or johnmazziotti@verizon.net.



Honoring their service

Santa Maria Council #1443 recognized nuns from the Camden Diocese with its annual Sisters Luncheon on Feb. 28. Not only were the sisters wined and dined but they left with multiple gifts. See a larger [photo gallery on Facebook](#).



Chairman Anthony Albanese



Consider permanent life insurance

Tax Day, April 15, will be here before you know it. Do you know if your tax rate or bracket has changed? If so, are you aware of the implications? Your income throughout life can fluctuate, causing you to potentially end up in a higher tax bracket than anticipated. Of course, each new administration can change tax brackets and tax rates. As a result, you may not have as much disposable income or as much money to leave to family as you planned. This can be true earlier in life, or in retirement when your income sources may change.

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I'd love to share how permanent life insurance may be able to help you prepare for the unexpected. If you have any questions, please come chat with me and we can schedule a time to meet.

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March 2026 Fraternal Report

Ailing Brothers: Michael Anthony; Ernie Antonini; Albert Biggio, Father Hugh Bradley, Ron Casmer, John Colarullo, Mike Conway, Michael Corman, James Cummings, Charlie Cunane, Bob Daily, Brian Dawson, Walter Delengowski, Walt Eife Sr., Lou Esola, Bill Ezekiel Jr., Eric Fasnacht, Dave Grayce, Frank Hodnicki, John Johnston, Fred Jurash, Mike Kirby, Father Frederick Link, Mike Mattson, Sean McGrath, Dennis McNally, Mike Meo, William Mignone, Tony Plakis, Joe Polimeni, Bill Schade Jr., John Schiavo, Bill J. Schmidt, Joe Tanzi, John Paul Tomik, Bob Walters, Chris Warner, Joseph Wiedmayer, Don Wilson, Martin Wintczak.

Deceased Brothers: FDD and PGK Daniel V. Farrell, Joseph Krawczyk, Joseph Snyder, plus recently added from 2025: Thomas Diemer and Louis Pavlik.

Ailing Family: Harry Agnew, father of Br. Shawn; Antonio Albanese, father of Br. Anthony; Jimmy Beckett, great-nephew of FSD Reggie Beckett; Patty Benesch, wife of Br. David; Sue Bolin, sister of Br. Mike Conway; Owen Boyle, nephew of PGK and Trustee Mark Kiernan; Gloria Carolfi, daughter of Br. Angelo; Joe Carolfi, brother of Br. Angelo; Joe Carolfi, Jr., nephew of Br. Angelo; Peter Catrambone, son of Br. Jim; Champ Catrambone, father of Br. Jim; James Conway, father of Br. Mike; Pam Corman, sister of Br. Bill Liebeknecht; William G. Coutinho, father of GK Rolland; Marie D'Elia, wife of Br. Mike; Marie Dezii, wife of Br. Darrin; Brian Elgart, brother of DD Adam; Arlene Ezekiel, mother of PGK George and Bns. Bill, Jr. and Jerry; Marianne Fanelle, wife of Br. John; Luca Giamporcaro, great-nephew of Br. John Buttill; Barbara Grayce, wife of Br. Dave; Dave Grayce Jr., son of Br. Dave; Rosemary Hodnicki, wife of Br. Frank; Karen Jacquot, sister-in-law of PGK Al; Angie Johnson, wife of PGK Al Johnson, Jr.; Sandy Johnston, wife of Br. John; Marianne Jones, wife of Br. Walt Delengowski; Barbara Kiernan, wife of PGK and Trustee Mark; Brian Lipko, son of late Br. Rich; Theresa Luby and Seamus Jones, child relatives of Br. Mark Barrett; Shirley McGann, mother of Br. Jim; Mary Ann McShane, wife of Br. Dan and mother of PFN Zach; Amanda and Stephen Mellet, daughter-in-law and son of Br. Bill; Amy Meo, wife of Br. Mike; Armand Meo, uncle of Br. Mike; Laurie Miller, sister of FS Dave; Chris Narducci, brother-in-law of late Br. Chuck Guidotti; Marie Olivieri, wife of FDD Dan Olivieri; Bernadette Osman, wife of Br. Mark; Michael Piecyk, brother-in-law to Br. Angelo Carolfi; Rose Plakis, wife of Br. Tony; Angela Slack, niece of Br. Angelo Carolfi; Rosa Tanzi, wife of Br. Joe; Margaret Viereck, and her husband Matt, sister and brother-in-law of PGK Al Johnson, Jr.; Matt Vives, son-in-law to Br. Joseph McMahon; Kim Volpe, cousin of Br. Michael D'Elia; Carol Warfel, sister-in-law of Br. Dan McNamara; John Warner, father of Br. Chris; Diane Wilson, wife of Br. Don; Cliff Woodbury, brother-in-law of Br. Mike O'Mara.

Deceased Family: Joseph Michael Ditizio, son of Br. Mike; Carol Warfel, sister-in-law of Br. Dan McNamara
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