



# The Accolade



**Knights of Columbus  
Sacred Heart Council #2577**

and

**St. John Neumann Assembly #1763  
Bowie & Crofton, Maryland**

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## GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE



Lee "Bud" Dumais, Jr.

Brother Knights,

February is a good month for probably many reasons, but this one for us – George Washington and Abraham Lincoln were born. Two incredible men. It's hard to believe that we became the United States, when you see all the losses that Washington endured while commanding the Continental Army. But he was the epitome of perseverance. This tired worn-out old man, who was ready to go back to Martha and his beloved Mount Vernon, was asked to preside over the Constitutional Convention. Washington then retired to his home, only to be unanimously chosen to be the first president.

Lincoln walked a thin line during his presidency. Hold the states together or stop slavery. Realizing that both needed to happen, led to the Emancipation Proclamation. During the Civil War, Lincoln dealt with a number of generals who failed to make progress. Grant was the general that succeeded. Lincoln was assassinated shortly after the war.

I have to include another President in my thoughts, even though he missed being born in February by two days. Franklin Roosevelt wanted to help Churchill defend England in WWII. He struggled physically with the loss of the use of his legs from polio and he struggled with finding ways to support England

without going against the people and congress, who were opposed to getting involved in 'Europe's war', at least until Pearl Harbor. During that same period, he worked toward ending the depression, creating solutions to help the unemployed. He signed the Social Security Act to support retirees. He died in his fourth term.

Of course, there are many people who sacrificed for us, the most important One, Jesus. Ash Wednesday is the beginning of Lenten season, which takes us to the Lord's resurrection.

The snow starts falling and the silence begins. All is calm. Peace. Our hectic lives come to a halt. Captured, together, in our homes, we have meals together again.

*Vivat Jesus!*

Bud Dumais  
Grand Knight

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Chaplain: Fr. Andrew Clyne, 202-270-3390  
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donny@boswellevents.com

## **MASS SCHEDULES**

#### **Sacred Heart Church**

Daily 6:30am Chapel M, W, F  
8:00am Chapel M – F  
9:30am Chapel S  
Saturday 4:30pm (Vigil) Church  
Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am & 12:00pm Church

#### **St. Edward the Confessor**

Daily 8:45am W, F  
7:30pm T, Th  
Saturday 5:30pm (Vigil)  
Sunday 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am

#### **St. Pius X Church**

Daily 9:00am T, W, Th  
Saturday 5:30pm (Vigil)  
Sunday 9:30am, 11:30am

#### **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**

Daily 9:00am M – Th  
Saturday 4:30pm (Vigil)  
Sunday 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 5:30pm

## Chaplain's Message



Fr. Andrew Clyne

Brother Knights,

I pray you all are staying safe and warm as we continue to weather the cold, snow, and ice in our area.

This February is a busy month for our Church! Our Lenten season starts on February 18<sup>th</sup> with Ash Wednesday. As we get ready for our Lenten preparation, I encourage you all to intentionally consider how you plan to grow closer to God through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. To make a more meaningful sacrifice, like giving up chocolate, remember to fill that void with something even sweeter, growing closer to God through dedicated prayer or reading scripture.

Growing closer to God is also fitting with the Church's dedication to the Holy Family. I encourage you all to use this time to study the Holy Family's model of virtue, love, and household harmony and apply those lessons to your families.

*Vivat Jesus!*



## Deputy Grand Knight and Program Director's Message

Greg Franklin, Deputy Grand Knight



Hello to all of our frozen brothers and sisters!

I'm writing this from Myrtle Beach SC, where we were hoping to escape the snow and freezing temps in Maryland. It didn't work, it was 19 degrees last night and our water hose froze solid. But it did warm up enough to thaw it out today. Barbara and I will be traveling for the next 7 weeks, however you all will be in our prayers.



I just want everyone to know about the upcoming events for February.

Date	Time	Event
6 Feb.	6:30pm	First Friday
8 Feb.	2:00pm – 3:30pm	Basketball Free Throw Contest
8 Feb.	4:00pm	Super Bowl - Chili Cook Off
17 Feb.	5:00pm	Pancake Supper
19 Feb.	7:30pm	4th Degree Renewal of Obligation
21 Feb.	10:00am	Rosary at St. Pius

*Vivat Jesus!*

# Maryland March for Life

**16 March** – Maryland March for Life in Annapolis, MD

The event will begin at St. Mary's Catholic Church at 5:00pm with a mass followed by the march to the Maryland State House.

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## 200+ Club Winners for January and February

We held the Jackpot Month drawing of our 200+ club at Knights of Columbus Bingo on 13 January.

Congratulations to:

- First Place: #258 – Chuck Leshinsky, \$50
- Second Place: #68 – Steve Dobrosielski, \$35
- Third Place: #101 – Jackie Robinson, \$25

Our 200+ club drawing for February at Y.O.R.K. was postponed to 12 February due to the ice.

Winners will be shared next month.

As always thank you for your generosity and helping raise \$2,500 to support our charitable work. Good Luck!

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## District 1 Free Throw Competition Results

On 8 February, Knights from Sacred Heart Council and other Councils within the District held the Free Throw Competition at the Bowie City Gym. Thank you to all of the volunteers, pictured below, who came out to support the event!

All winners were from:

St. Pius (4)

The School of the Incarnation (2)

The star of the competition, for the second year in a row, was Regina Lonergan, making 18 out of 25 free throws.



# Sacred Heart Bingo Roster 2025 – 202

## Bingo Team 1

1. Mike Mitchell 703-628-1291  
2. Jim Seidleck 443-510-1380 - c  
410-721-0206 - h  
3. Greg Franklin 301-602-0987
- P: Bill Dziwura 301-262-7278  
P: **Vacancy**  
S: Mike Gorman 301-249-1142 –ofc  
301-249-5300 -home  
S. Dave Williamson c: 301-467- 6155  
h: 301-464-3776  
S. Ellie Foranda 301-646-9028  
- Ladies of Holy Family  
HS/C: Bertina Bates 301-789-3744  
HS/C: **Vacancy**

## Bingo Team 2

1. Mike Ose 301-262-1276 P: **Vacancy**  
2. Rob Farrell 240-595-2408 P: **Vacancy**  
3. Jack Rodgers 703-909-6548 S: Mike Gorman 301-249-1142 –ofc  
301-249-5300 -home  
S. Dave Williamson c: 301-467- 6155  
h: 301-464-3776  
S. Ellie Foranda 301-646-9028  
- Ladies of Holy Family  
HS/C: Bertina Bates 301-789-3744  
HS/C: Rob Van Rite c: 301-910-4524

## Bingo Team 3

1. Jonathan Tallmadge  
301-218-4623  
2. Don Tallmadge  
301-218-4623  
3. Danny Hall 301-787-1788
- P: **Vacancy**  
P: **Vacancy**  
S: Mike Gorman 301-249-1142 –ofc  
301-249-5300 -home  
S. Dave Williamson c: 301-467- 6155  
h: 301-464-3776  
S. Ellie Foranda 301-646-9028  
- Ladies of Holy Family  
HS/C: Perry Concepcion h 301-218-1549  
c 301-575-6326  
HS/C: Bertina Bates 301-789-3744

## Bingo Team 4 (awaiting volunteers)

1. **Vacancy** P: **Vacancy**  
2. **Vacancy** P: **Vacancy**  
3. **Vacancy** S: **Vacancy**  
S: **Vacancy**  
S: **Vacancy**  
HS/C: **Vacancy**  
HS/C: **Vacancy**

### Legend

1. Captain  
2. Cashier  
3. Caller
- P: Paper Sales  
S: Signup Sales  
HS/C: Hybrid Sales/Cleanup

### Admissions:

Betty Emelio 301-518-1094  
Sandy Barnes 443-292-8400 (h)  
Sharon Chadwick  
Donna Denny

Kitchen: Romeo Paternoster 301-509-0236  
Kitchen: Aaron Paternoster 301-997-3389

Joe Massimini 240-997-0402  
Steve Dobrosielski 240-917-4081

### Bingo Team Substitutes

Mark Davis 301-832-0377  
Tim Fitzmaurice 240-269-3955  
Matt Warehime 301-352-7082, 443-506-9877  
Megan Paternoster (caller)

12-1-2025

## February's Insurance Agent Message

Brothers,

Do you have goals in mind for this year?

It may be February, but the year is still fresh. Instead of new year's resolutions, I like to think in terms of setting concrete, actionable goals. I recommend that at least once a year, you make it a goal to take inventory of your financial health.

You can start by asking yourself if you've experienced any major life events in the last year that may call for an update to your insurance plan or to acquire a policy for the first time. If you've gotten married, welcomed or are expecting a baby, changed careers or purchased a home, these are good reasons to evaluate your life insurance coverage.

Don't forget that if your life insurance policy is dependent on your current employer, you could be underinsured and only protected while you are still working.

It's also important to consider whether you're on track to maintain the lifestyle you want in retirement. Do you know how much money you'll need to retire comfortably?

It's not too late to set goals for 2026.

If you have any questions, please contact your agent to schedule a time to meet.

Thank you!




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# Prayer Requests

## Recently Deceased

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in Peace.  
Amen.*

## Sick and in our Prayers

*Lord, have mercy on your sick servants. Restore them to health and grant them peace. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

If you are aware of any Brother in need of our prayers, please contact Jeremy Hesketh below.



**Want to feature an article or flyer in the *Accolade*?**

Contact our Chancellor, Jeremy Hesketh –  
[Hesketh.jeremy@gmail.com](mailto:Hesketh.jeremy@gmail.com)

## Join and follow our Facebook Groups:

KofC Sacred Heart Council 2577 (Closed group, send request to join)

Knights of Columbus #2577 (Public group)

Sacred Heart Bingo, Bowie – (Public group)

### *The Catholic Standard*

Catholic Standard newspaper and website of The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington

[www.cathstan.org](http://www.cathstan.org)

### CR: Catholic Review


Communicating the Gospel and its impact on people's lives in The Archdiocese of Baltimore and Beyond

<https://catholicreview.org>

# February

# Sacred Heart 2577

# 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	<b>Ground Hog Day</b> 2 BA and CWC Meeting 7:00pm	3 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	4	5 Y.O.R.K.	6 First Friday Mass 6:30pm	7
8 District 1 Free Throw Competition 2:30pm – 3:30pm  Super Bowl Chili Cook Off	9	10 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	11	12 Y.O.R.K. Council planning meeting	13	14
15	<b>Presidents Day</b> 16 	17 <b>Pancake Supper</b> Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	<b>Ash Wednesday</b> 18	19 Y.O.R.K. <b>4<sup>th</sup> Degree Renewal of Obligation</b>	20	21 Rosary at St. Pius 10:00am
22	23	24 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	25	26 Council business meeting	27 D.C. March for Life	28

# March

# Sacred Heart 2577


2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 BA and CWC Meeting 7:00pm	3 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	4	5 Y.O.R.K.	6 First Friday Mass 6:30pm	7
8 Daylight Savings	9 Blood Drive 12:00pm – 5:00pm	10 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	11	12 Y.O.R.K. Council planning meeting	13	14 Maryland State Council Free-throw Competition 11:00am St. Vincent Pallotti High School
15	16 Maryland March for Life 5:00p St. Mary's Catholic Church	17 <b>St. Patrick's Day</b> Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	18	19 Y.O.R.K. <b>4<sup>th</sup> Degree</b>	20 First Day of Spring	21 Rosary at TBD 10:00am
22	23	24 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	25	26 Council business meeting	27	28
29 <b>Palm Sunday</b> Vietnam War Veterans Day	30	31 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm				

# April

# Sacred Heart 2577

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	<b>Maundy Thursday</b> 2 Y.O.R.K.	<b>Good Friday</b> 3	<b>Holy Saturday</b> 4
<b>Easter Sunday</b> 5 	6 Business Association and CWC Meeting 7:00pm	7 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	8	9 Y.O.R.K. Council planning meeting	10	11
12	13	<b>14</b> Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	15	16 Y.O.R.K. <b>4<sup>th</sup> Degree</b>	17 First Day of Spring	18 Rosary at St. Edwards 10:00am
19	20	21 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	22	23 Y.O.R.K. Council business meeting	24	25 Shrimp and Oyster
26 Vietnam War Veterans Day	27	28 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	29	30 Y.O.R.K.		

# May

# Sacred Heart 2577

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 State Convention	2 State Convention
3 State Convention	4 Blood Drive 12:00pm – 5:00pm BA and CWC Meeting 7:00pm	5 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	6	7 National Day of Prayer Y.O.R.K.	8 VE Day	9
10	11	12 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	13	14 <b>Ascension of the Lord</b> Y.O.R.K. Council planning meeting	15 First Day of Spring	16 Armed Forces Day Rosary/Picnic 1:00- 4:00 PM
17	18	19 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	20	21 Y.O.R.K. <b>4<sup>th</sup> Degree</b>	22	23 Shrimp and Oyster
24 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Breakfast	25	26 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	27	28 Y.O.R.K. Council business meeting	29	30

# June

# Sacred Heart 2577

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 (May)	1 BA and CWC Meeting 7:00pm	2 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	3	4 Y.O.R.K.	5 First Friday Mass 6:30pm	6
7	8	9 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	10	11 Y.O.R.K. Council planning meeting	12	13 Food Drive 9:00am – 12:00pm
14 Flag Day	15	16 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	17	18 Y.O.R.K. 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree	19 First Day of Spring	20 Rosary at Sacred Heart 10:30am
21	22	23 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm	24	25 Y.O.R.K. Council business meeting	26	27
28	29	30 Bingo Doors Open 5:00pm				

# Knights of Columbus \$50 Recruitment Incentive

## \$50 bonus for each new Knight recruited!

### How it Works:

- Each time a Knight recruits a new member to the Order in Maryland, he will be awarded a \$50 bonus per member!
- To receive credit for recruiting a new member, the Knight's membership number must be included on the candidate's application.
- There is no limit to the amount of incentive funds a Knight can earn each month. The more members recruited, the more cash earned!
- At the end of each month, a report will be generated showing recruitment results for the month.
- Knights who earn the \$50 new member bonus will be issued payment in the form of a check mailed from the State office each month.

### Eligibility Guidelines:

- All MD Knights who are in good standing are eligible to participate.
- All ladies are eligible to participate, but to receive credit, must use a Knights' membership number when acting as a proposer.

### Why Recruit:

- New members bring new friendships, new ideas, new energy.
- Councils that invite new members are councils that expand their charitable outreach.
- Knights owe the gift of membership to all Catholic men!

Be part of something special! Don't miss this unique opportunity to earn cash for your recruitment efforts! Start today and make the most of this incentive program designed to grow our Order and expand our charitable outreach!

