



# THE KNIGHT LIFE



Newsletter of Father James J. Kelly Council #3632 Verona, Cedar Grove, W. Orange March, 2008

## GRAND KNIGHT

**DAVE LYON**

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## DEPUTY GK

**CHUCK COLLINS**

## CHANCELLOR

**KEVIN BROWN**

## RECORDER

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## WARDEN

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**JOE CAFARELLA**

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## ADVOCATE

**TONY DITRI**

## LECTURER

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## INSIDE GUARD

**CARLOS**

**FERNANDEZ**

## OUTSIDE

## GUARD

**TIMOTHY MURPHY**

## CHAPLAIN

**FR. ROBERT**

**GELINAS**



## MEETINGS

**1ST & 3RD**

**TUESDAYS**

**OF THE MONTH**

**7:30 PM**



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 18	Regular Meeting @ VCC 7:30
Mar 21	Good Friday
Mar 23	Easter Sunday
Mar 25	K of C Day of Unknown Child
Mar 29	Founders Day
Mar 30	Divine Mercy Sunday
Apr 1	Regular Meeting @ VCC 7:30
Apr 15	Regular Meeting @ Salvatorian Monastery 7:30
April 12-13	Special Citizens Drive @ Kings
	“ “ “ @ OLL
Apr 18-20	Special Citizens Drive @ Foodtown
Apr 25-27	Special Citizens Drive @ Shop Rite West Orange
Apr 26-27	Special Citizens Drive @ St. Catherine of Siena
May 1	Feast of the Ascension
May 6	Regular Meeting @ VCC 7:30
May 15-18	K of C NJ State Convention @ Wildwood
May 20	Regular Meeting @ Salvatorian Monastery 7:30
May 26	Memorial Day
May 28	Pride In Priests Dinner

## GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights,

This month concludes the year long activities and celebrations that marked the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the Knights of Columbus by Father Michael J. McGivney on March 29, 1882.

This Lenten season seems to be flying along. We just celebrated the Fourth Sunday of Lent so in just two weeks we will enter into that very holy and solemn time that recalls Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem, the Last Supper and the Passion of the Christ. During this time we reflect on the suffering that Jesus went through to conquer the devil and free us from sin. If we are going through some rough times and think that life or a particular situation in life is not fair, let's remember our incredibly *unfair* the people of Jesus' times were to Him.

We have our largest fund raising drive for the Developmentally Challenged Citizens coming up. As usual, we will be counting on our brother Knights to rise to the occasion and dedicate a couple of hours collecting donations at our local supermarkets and our parishes. Also, please consider being as generous as you can in your own donation to such a worthy cause.

May you and your family have a blessed and happy Easter!

Vivat Jesus!

David Lyon, GK

## CHAPLAINS CORNER



Brother Knights!

March is certainly going to make his presence felt this year! Easter hasn't come this early in years and we celebrate the feast days of two saints whom I am sure are dear to the hearts of many of our brother Knights.

Now I don't want to start a holy war here between our Irish and Italian brothers, but as your chaplain and being of **French** heritage I want to amicably and diplomatically praise the greatness of **both** St. Joseph and St. Patrick.

At the famous oratory in Montréal, near the tomb of Frère André, there are altars dedicated to the titles of St. Joseph, let us pay special attention to these manly attributes: Guardian of Virgins, Mainstay of Families, Comfort of the Afflicted, Hope of the Sick, Patron of the Dying, Terror of Demons, and Protector of the Holy Church. To imitate such virtues leads us to holiness, humility and godliness!

What is so remarkable about St. Patrick is the tenacity with which he pursued the evangelization and salvation of the Emerald Isle. For it should not be thought that even after the conversion of many chieftains everything was easy sailing. Time and again, Patrick's life was in danger from many, especially the pagan Druids. Yet what helped him survive was a sharp shrewdness and on more than one occasion, the special help of divine Providence. Today we give thanks for the gift of faith and example that holy St. Patrick gives us in our own day!

Vivat Jesu!  
Fr. Robert

## HOLIDAY PARTY - JANUARY 11, 2008

It was a great turnout for our Holiday Party on Friday January 11, 2008. There were 78 in attendance. Ron Blaha and Tony LoRusso were co-chairman.

The food from Forte's was excellent and plentiful as were the deserts provided by the ladies. The entertainment was a wonderful keyboard player, Bob McHugh. Thanks to Judy Holtz for recommending him for us. Jokes were provided by Bud MacFarlane, John Sommer, and Fr. John.

As in all good parties, it took a lot of hard work. Ron Blaha, Tony LoRusso, and Larry Dillon made the phone calls. Larry, Tony, Bob Rodgers, and John Sommer helped setting up and purchasing the food and drinks. Tony LoRusso brought a couple of gallons of home made wine. Ron Blaha and Tony Ditri were the tickets takers and the father and son team of P.J. and Pat Hanley were the 50/50 sellers. Judy Holtz supplied the flowers. Cleaning up after the party were Judy and John Sommer, Larry Dillon, Walter Hislop, Lori Lyon and her girls, Tony Ditri, and Joe Cafarella.

We all had a good time talking, eating, talking, listening to music, talking and watching the four children dancing, and yes, talking. Our special guest, Fr. John Gibbons, our chaplain for over 30 years, was with us (he's always our special and beloved guest). Our new seminarian, Thomas Quinn, joined us. He is in his first year at the seminary. He is going to be good one.

Keep in mind we always hold our post Christmas party on the second Friday in January.

## MARCH FOR LIFE ROSE SALE

Thanks to all who sold and collected at the St. Catherine of Siena's March For Life Rose Sale on the weekend of January 12-13. We collected \$1217.

Thanks to the brothers who collected: Chuck Collins, Larry Dillon, Kevin Carr, Terry Gooley, Carlos Fernandez, P.J. Hanley, Tim Murphy, Tom Basil, Gary Natini, Paul VanHust, George and Judy Hectus, Bob Rodgers, John Sommer.

## **MARCH FOR LIFE BUS TRIP TO WASHINGTON D.C.**

Four of our council brothers (Tony LoRusso, Larry Dillon, Bob Rodgers, and John Sommer) made the trip again this year. There was a difference this year however in that our council co-sponsored the ride with the Montclair council. Although Tom Russo still rode the bus, he shared the captaining with brother Knight John Marion (Montclair) while our council provided all the food, drinks, and refreshments for the day. This was necessary to keep the bus going since the Montclair council could no longer afford all the expenses involved. (Our expenses were \$745, theirs were over double that amount.)

The day itself was pretty much the same as always....the crowd gets bigger and bigger (well over 100,000) especially with the number of youth growing every year. Even the number of speakers increased (it's an election year) and it delayed the start of the parade. We stopped at our two U.S. Senators offices to leave pro-life messages, of course neither was there a usual. However, due to the large crowd and late start, we were unable to visit any U.S. Congressman's office.

Among the huge crowd, we ran into brother Bud MacFarlane and a fine group of seminarians from Immaculate Conception Seminary including two sponsorees—Tom Quinn and Julius Lucero. Vivat Jesus! Start thinking about joining us next year. We may need you more than ever depending on this years election results.

## **ROSARY FOR LIFE**

Remarkable! On December 12, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the unborn, the Pilgrim Medical Center's abortuary closed its doors because Dr. Nick Campanella, the abortionist, hurt his hands. Eventually, the clinic had to stay closed throughout the Christmas season and all of January. A true Christmas miracle gift! Certainly babies were saved because of this closing. Many times all that is needed for a baby to be saved is just a little time for the mom to think.

Join us on Bloomfield Ave., Montclair, on the next and/or any second Saturday morning of the month between 8:45 and 10:00 AM, to pray the rosary for Dr. Nick's conversion and all unborn babies and their moms.

## **QUARTERLY 50/50—APRIL**

Enclosed are tickets for our April 50/50 lottery with return envelopes. This lottery is our main source of funds for our organizational expenses and charitable donations. It also offers an opportunity to win \$50 or more every day of the month. Don't lose out! Thirty of the 31 winning numbers were mailed out for last January's lottery. There were 21 winners totaling \$1,250. If you need more tickets, call Larry Dillon @ 973-736-5684.

## **SPECIAL CITIZENS (MENTALLY HANDICAPPED) DRIVE**

As you surely know, this is our major charitable promotion for the year. For several years our council has been one of the top 10 in the state. If everyone volunteers at least two hours at one of the listed stores, we can successfully carry out our four principles—Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

This years line up:

	Kings, Verona	April 12-13
	Foodtown, Cedar Grove	April 18-20
	Shop Rite, West Orange	April 25-27
Also	OLL Masses	April 12-13
	St Catherine of Siena Masses	April 26-27

Your help is always greatly appreciated by the several local agencies that help these special citizens. Save a 2 hour time slot between 9 AM and 7 PM for one or more of these dates and then call Larry Dillon @ 973-736-5684.



## **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

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

Gabriel Bercovici, Alice Garcia, Mary Lou Rapuano, David Ford, , Ian Stryker, John D. Coyne Jr., William Foley, Regina Soboti, Richie Weber, Al Moltedo, Paul Maria, Joe Musynske, Stephanie Herbert, Hayley Pope & family, the Rembert Family, baby girl Hanlon, Eric M, Thomas Flood, Frank Rodgers, Anita Sommer, Elaine Shaffer, Eileen Frey, Pat Reynolds, Dr. Doris, Stella & Jerry Votta, Leonard Laniewski, Christine Maccia, Joann Spiegel, Carol Weld, Marie Cole, John DeSimone, Pat MacFarlane, Steve Rappaport, Edythe Tomaszewski, Marie Pierce, Nicole Greco, Daniel Fischer, Fr. Frank McGowan, Bro. Walter Doyle S.C., Richard Sommer, Ben Apicella, new born baby Holly Shannon, Paul Coleman, Jerry Liquori Sr., Al Maccia, and Judy Sommer.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those members who have died and their families, especially James Flynn, David Ford, Ethel Caggiano (mother-in-law of Chuck Collins).

Pray for the victims and their families of Hurricane Katrina.

Pray for peace in our world especially in the Middle East.

Special prayers for our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI.

We should continue to pray for all those who run maternity shelters for the homeless and unwed mothers, especially Good Counsel.

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.

## **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, Ron Listwan, your K of C council field agent, at 973-519-2487, today and let's talk about life insurance for your family.

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

**Happy Birthday to our brother Knights born in the month of March**

Peter Fryer	Patrick Dufficy	John Sommer	Steve Rappaport
John Dolan	Henry Koryan	Al Maccia	Fr. John Gibbons
Andrew Burger	Fr. Tadeusz Majcher	Fred Mahn	Clay Rice
Eric Watkins	Robert Phillips	Fr. Bryan Page	Michael Birmingham
Charles Maccia	Fr. Jerome Arthasseril		

## **SPIRITUAL ADOPTION**

Keep praying daily for the pre-born baby that you spiritually adopted who is in danger of being aborted.

*“Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you very much.  
I beg you to spare the life of the unborn child  
that I have spiritually adopted  
who is in danger of abortion”*

### **Six Month Developing Baby**

Your spiritually adopted baby is growing quite beautifully now. His weight is approaching two pounds. Baby's born prematurely at this time have a very good chance of surviving. The medical advances in caring for extremely small newborn infants are extraordinary indeed.

Justice Sandra Day O'Connor has remarked that the Roe v. Wade decision is on a collision course with itself. Each passing year, we witness medical advances that allow our medical professionals to save younger and younger premature infants.

### **Seven - Eight Month Developing Baby**

You're in the home stretch with your spiritually adopted baby. He is completely formed, and has been since 8 weeks. All he is doing now is gaining weight - and making and making his mother uncomfortable with his size. But she's not worried now. In a short time, her baby will be born. She has planned to bring him home or to place him for adoption. Either way, she knows she can receive the assistance she needs from the Catholic Church and from the crisis pregnancy centers.

Your baby's mother appreciates the prayers you have said for her and her baby throughout the pregnancy. It hasn't been easy, but your prayers have given her grace to seek the help she needs.

## **MEMBERSHIP CONTEST**

As an incentive for driving up membership, I am personally going to sponsor a membership contest. Here's how it goes:

For every 4 candidates that a member signs up and the candidate must make the 1st degree prior to the end of this Columbian year ( June 30, 2008). I will give you a \$25.00 American Express Gift Certificate. For every member over 4 I will add \$10.00 dollars to that amount. If you have any questions about please contact Ron Listwan @ (973) 519-2487 or E-mail me @ [RGTT8888@aol.com](mailto:RGTT8888@aol.com).

Thanks,  
Ron Listwan