



THE KNIGHT LIFE



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

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MEETINGS

1ST & 3RD

TUESDAYS

OF THE MONTH

7:30 PM



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug 12	156th anniversary of the birth of Fr. Michael J. McGivney (1852)
Aug 15	Feast of the Assumption
Aug 26	Officers Meeting @GK Chuck Collins house. 7:30 PM
Sept 2	Regular Meeting @ VCC 7:30
Sept 11	Interfaith Memorial Service @OLL
Sept 13	Rosary For Life
Sept 16	Installation of Officers Mass @Salvatorian Monastery
	NJRTL Golf Classic
Sept 17	4th Degree Meeting @ Salvatorian Monastery (hosted by 3632)
Oct 3	Past Grand Knight's Dinner at Salvatorian Monastery
Oct 4 & 5	NJRTL Car Raffle @ OLL
Oct 7	Regular Meeting @ VCC 7:30
Oct 10	Alzheimer Drive @ Kings
Oct 11	Rosary For Life
Oct 17 & 18	Alzheimer Drive @ Foodtown
Oct 21	Regular Meeting @ Salvatorian Monastery 7:30
Oct 24 & 31	Alzheimer Drive @ Shop Rite

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights,

"Summer's almost gone. Where will we be, when the summer's gone?" For those of you my age, you may recognize those lyrics from the '60's rock band, The Doors. So where will we be?

We'll be kicking off the new Columbian year with a meeting on September 2nd followed by the Installation of Officers two weeks later, followed by a host of activities including the Past Grand Knight's Dinner. Something new to bolster meeting attendance is a raffle. Details are inside this issue. And our charitable efforts feature the Alzheimer's Drive in October. So volunteer. Cut out the Upcoming Events above and stick it on your refrigerator door and get involved! With Fall approaching, we should start thinking about recruiting new members.

Actually, the Columbian Year officially started July 1, and at our last meeting we distributed funds (over 10K) from our Special Citizens Drive (see article inside). Each recipient expressed their gratitude with wonderful remarks about our organization. It made you appreciate why we do what we do. If you stood in front of a supermarket for two hours or collected money after Mass, this was the fruits of your labor.

Today, as I write this, it is Father McGivney's birthday. I was hoping for an epiphany. It never came. Maybe next time.

Vivat Jesus,
Chuck Collins, GK

CHAPLAINS CORNER



Brother Knights!

Take a moment to count up, over the years of your life, how many times you have prayed the words of the Our Father. At each Council meeting, at every Mass, in the car, at home or at work, we recite this prayer composed by Our Lord Himself. How often do we meditate upon the words of this concise prayer? I was once told that St. Francis of Assisi, while praying during an all-night vigil, could get no further than, *Our Father who art in heaven*; as he meditated upon the enormity of those words.

It is in this great prayer that we either urge God to do something, or we assure Him we will welcome something He does. This language reflects both our daring and our trust; because God is Our Father, we dare to tell Him what to do for us and because He is Our Father in heaven, we have the confidence to say that we will accept unquestioningly, whatever He wills.

Vivat Jesu!

Fr. Robert

OFFICERS MEETING—AUGUST 26

The second summer officer's meeting will be held on August 26, 7:30, at the home of Grand Knight Chuck Collins (142 Linden Ave. in Verona). Bring your new ideas when you come. Also, you don't have to be an officer to attend. Have a great idea? Have something to say? Stop by and be heard.

RECIPIENTS OF SPECIAL CITIZENS/MENTALLY HADICAPPED DRIVE

Before our last meeting on August 5th, we presented checks to five of the twelve organizations who are the recipients of our Special Citizens Drive. The organizations we donated to are: ARC of Essex County, Goodwill Industries, Camp Fatima, First Occupation Center of NJ, St. Vincent Nursing Home (Alzheimer), Catholic Charities, New Day Community, Vocational Education and Special Training, Northwest Essex Health Care Network, School for Special Children, The Michael Fund, and Holy Cross Center of Learning.

All these organizations deal with children and adults with special needs. Our donation to them totaled \$10,400.

9/11 INTERFAITH MEMORIAL SERVICE AT OLL

9/11, 2001....Do you remember what you were doing on the day of the tragedy? Our Lady of the Lake Parish in Verona invites you and your family to a community-wide interfaith memorial service on Thursday, September 11th, 2008 at 7:30 P.M. (Preceding the service, all who wish to may meet at the 9/11 Memorial Monument located in Verona Town Square at 7:00P.M. for a period of silent remembrance and tribute and then walk to Our Lady of the Lake Church).

On this day, we want to....

- remember those who perished in the tragedy of 9/11
- pray for peace
- pray for others
- pray for our personal needs
- pray in thanksgiving
- praise God for His goodness and mercy

The service at OLL will be a contemplative experience of prayer, readings, quiet meditation and song modeled after the prayer services celebrated by the Community of Reconciliation of Taize in Burgundy, France. Included in this service, those assembled will be given the opportunity to recite the names of family members, relatives and friends who perished on 9/11/01.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

On Tuesday, September 16, we are holding our annual Installation of Officers Mass at the Salvatorian Monastery at 7:30 PM. The Officers to be instilled must be there by 7 PM wearing the required tie and jacket.

Mass will be concelebrated by our chaplain Fr. Robert and former chaplain Fr. John.. After Mass there will be refreshments. We are asking wives and friends to bring finger desserts. The council will supply coffee, tea, and other liquid refreshment.

We have a new slate of officers so lets show them our support by coming to the Mass. It is a wonderful way to start off our Columbian year. During refreshments, we will hear from our brother Knight, Torrey Mathisen, about his experience with the youth group on their trip to Appalachia.

Plan on coming to welcome our new officers on Tuesday evening, September 16 at 7:30 PM.

4TH DEGREE ASSEMBLY MEETING - SEPTEMBER 17

Our council is hosting a 4th Degree meeting for St. Isaac Jogues Assembly at the Salvatorian Monastery on Wednesday, September 17, at 8 PM. If you made your 4th Degree, please come and join us.

PAST GRAND KNIGHT'S DINNER

Put Friday, October 3 on your calendar for the Past Grand Knight's Dinner at the Salvatorian Monastery in Little Falls. We will be honoring PGK Dave Lyon who served so well as our Grand Knight this past year. This is one of our special events we have every year to honor the leadership of our council.

The dinner is open to all, Knights, families, friends. The food is great and music will be provided by Ted Vincent. Please talk it up and fill up a table with family and friends.

For reservations call PGK John Sommer @ 973-857-1370 or GK Chuck Collins @ 973-857-9124.

CATHOLIC VOICES

Catholic Voices is holding a breakfast buffet at the Regency House Hotel, 140 State Highway 23 north, Pompton Plains, NJ, at 10 AM on September 14. The is \$30 per person. The keynote speaker is talk show host Steve Malzberg from WOR 710 AM. His daily program is heard nationally via WOR Radio Network from 4-6 PM. Come and you will find him most interesting and informative.

MEMBERSHIP

Welcome new member Joseph Marino who made his first Degree last month. Welcome back James Ferguson who started out in our council, moved to Colorado, and has transferred back. If you know a good prospect for our council, contact Grand Knight Chuck Collins @ 973-857-9124.

There are lots of men who belonged to different councils and have moved into our area. Ask them if they would like to transfer or re-instate into our council and be active again.

ROSARY FOR LIFE

Join your brother knights and Judy Holtz's Rosary support group on the 2nd Saturday of every month, from 8:45 AM to 10 AM on Bloomfield Ave. in Montclair, in front of the Social Security building, opposite the Pilgrim Abortuary. We come to pray that mothers will not abort their babies. We say the four mysteries of the rosary and the chaplet. You can come for part of the time or stay for all the mysteries. It takes only one hour and 15 minutes of your time.

We can't understand why more brother Knights aren't present. After all, we are a Catholic organization and are Pro Life. It is early on Saturday morning only once a month. It doesn't seem like a hardship especially if you save one baby. Bring your families. Prayers do cause miracles.



GOOD OF THE ORDER

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

Gabriel Bercovici, Alice Garcia, Mary Lou Rapuano, Ian Stryker, John D. Coyne Jr., William Foley, Regina Soboti, Richie Weber, Al Moltedo, Paul Maria, Joe Musynske, 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, Marie Cole, John DeSimone, Steve Rappaport, Nicole Greco, Daniel Fischer, Fr. Frank McGowan, Bro. Walter Doyle S.C., Paul Coleman, Walter Breese, John Dolan, Beth Duelly, William Robertson, and Barbara Shea.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those members who have died and their families.

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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to our brother Knights born in the month of August!

Robert Bell	Jack Cavallere	James Cole	Michael Frey
Tony LoRusso	Torrey Mathisen	Donald O'Dea	James Stack
Jerry Votta	Charlie Collins, Jr.		

INSURANCE

A Way of Life

When was the last time your wife went shopping for the day and left you to mind the children? How would you handle this responsibility, day after day, plus having to work?

When I ask this question, I find that most of our members have closed their minds to this possibility. Unfortunately, it does happen, you know. No man likes to place a monetary value on his spouse. But money is the only thing that will give you a fighting chance to keep a semblance of a home for your kids should anything happen to your wife.

Many insurance men call it "wife insurance." I like to call it "**way of life**" insurance. Call me, Ron Listwan, your council field agent, at 973-519-2487, today for an appointment.

MEETING ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

In an effort to bolster attendance at our regular meetings, we are having a raffle at every meeting. Here is how it will work. In addition to the 50/50 we have every meeting, every one in attendance will put \$1 in the ante. After the meeting, a number will be drawn that corresponds to every member in our council. If that member is there, he wins the pot. All of it. If he's not, the money carries over to the next meeting, and we do it again, until the winning member is at the meeting.

We average about 15-20 members at a meeting. So if no one claims the prize by the holidays, it could be over \$100. Even more if attendance increases. Something new to try. Should get exciting. We're hoping for SRO (that's Standing Room Only) at future meetings.

NEW JERSEY RIGHT TO LIFE CAR RAFFLE—OCTOBER 4-5

On the weekend of October 4-5, our council with parishioners will be selling chances on a new 2009 Volvo V50 all wheel drive sports wagon, for the NJRTL, at Our Lady of the Lake church after all Masses. This is NJRTL's main fund raiser for the year. The chances are \$10 each.

We again need to schedule members to help at the doors. Call John Sommer @ 973-857-1370 and sign up to help at the door of OLL before and after Mass that weekend. Tell John which Mass you will be attending.

NEW JERSEY RIGHT TO LIFE GOLF CLASSIC

New Jersey Right To Life is holding 1st Annual Golf Classic on Tuesday, September 16, at the Cranbury Golf Club. For reservations call Bob Gerling @ 732-223-7994 or his cell 908-208-5161, or the NJRTL office @ 732-562-0562.

Entry fee is \$150 per person. It includes: Greens fees, cart breakfast buffet, hot dogs, drink at the turn, dinner buffet, award ceremony, gifts & prizes. Four hole-in-one contests, win a Volvo. \$500 on three additional par 3s.

9:30 Registration & full breakfast buffet

11:00 Shotgun Start Tee Off

4:30 Dinner Buffet & Awards

Cranbury Golf Club
49 Southfield Rd.
West Windsor, NJ
609-799-0341
www.cranburygolf.com

NEW EYES FOR THE NEEDY

We collected from our brother Knights, Our Lady of the Lake and St. Catherine of Sienna churches, 136 pairs of eyeglasses, 17 watches, and 6 hearing aids. The New Eyes For The Needy were very grateful. Tim Murphy was head of the drive at St. Catherine's and John Sommer at our Lady of the Lake. The basket on the organ side of OLL will remain for glasses, watches, and hearing aids.

K OF C OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY TRAVELLING STATUE

Everyone wants peace! Peace at home, peace in their soul and peace in the world. Our council is offering our statue to anyone who will take it to their home for a week to pray the rosary. Invite family, friends and neighbors over to pray the rosary for one night (or more). Meanwhile, you and your family can pray the rosary daily. Call John Sommer at 973-857-1370 to arrange for your week. "The family that prays together stays together."



See you In September