



THE KNIGHT LIFE



Newsletter of Father James J. Kelly Council #3632 Verona, Cedar Grove, W. Orange May, 2013

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MEETINGS

2ND & 4TH

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7:30 PM

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UPCOMING EVENTS

May 9	Regular Meeting @ OLL
May 9	Ascension Thursday
May 11	Special Citizens Collection @ Shoprite –West Caldwell
May 11	Rosary For Life
May 12	Mothers Day
May 16-19	NJ State K of C Convention in Wildwood
May 18-19	Special Citizens Collection @ SCS
May 23	Regular Meeting @ SCS
May 27	Memorial Day Parade in Verona
June 8	Rosary For Life
June 10	5th Annual Golf Outing @ Glen Ridge Country Club
June 13	Regular Meeting @ OLL
June 14	Flag Day
June 16	Fathers Day
June 27	Regular Meeting @ SCS—Election of Officers

GRAND KNIGHT’S MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights,

Here we are in May already. We are in the midst of our Special Citizens drive and will hopefully make our goal again this year. Thanks to all of you who collected at our churches and local grocery stores. Many of you have sent in donations by mail and there’s still time to do that!

Lots still to do in these last two month of our Columbian year. A small group will be going to the State convention in Wildwood. We will be marching in Verona’s Memorial Day parade. We will be manning a booth at St. Catherine’s carnival. Let us know when you can help with that. Join us at the Jerry O’Connor Picnic. Then play a round of golf with us at our outing. If you don’t play golf, ask how you get help out, or just join us for lunch afterwards.

Vivat Jesus!

PJ Hanly, GK

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



I greet you today as a newly inducted member of the 4th Degree of the Knights of Columbus and I am truly thankful for everyone's support. The ceremony of last week was not only beautiful to participate in but truly inspiring to witness and be part of so many men of various ages and nationalities coming together in such a way. May we all gain strength from our bond and bring more members into our order. For all of you who have not yet made the 4th Degree, I offer my encouragement and support. This is something every knight should long to do. May God continue to bless our Order.

From time to time we find ourselves in a moment that seems horrific and full of despair. We have questions and doubts, and often we aren't offered answers which are spelled out loud and clear. Instead we need sometimes look more deeply. As we begin this month of May, dedicated to Our Lady, I feel many of us might be facing such a situation. If you have read the Star Ledger on any day this week, you have been made aware of the current crisis which the Church is facing. But, no matter the situation we can find reason to hope. Here, I would like to take the opportunity to point out some of the hope found in this situation.

First, I find it interesting as the news breaks of what seems to be scandal, at the least questions of the legality of a situation, the readings from Mass established decades before hand for the calendar are all about remaining in the Lord. Jesus says we must remain on the vine if we are to bear fruit. He says again, remain in my love and follow my commandments if our joy is to be complete. While at the same time we see in the Acts of the Apostles that disputes were brought before the Apostles and the Presbyters, indeed before the Church, to be discerned and understood. Our scripture, the Word of God, reminds us to remain faithful.

Next as we seek consolation, we find those who are willing to stand up and point out the truth. Bill Donohue, the President for The Catholic League for Religious and Civil Rights, has written a four page document, outlining the injustices presented in the article written by the Star Ledger and specifically pointed out intentional errors and misleading comments made in the article. His letter can be found on the web at <http://www.catholicleague.org/star-ledgers-war-on-archbishop-myers/www.catholicleague.org/star-ledgers-war-on-archbishop-myers> Here, Mr. Donohue, outlines not only the misleading information but also points out that those leading the charge for the resignation of Archbishop Myers are in fact truly unhappy with the Church's teachings on other areas of morality such as Gay Marriage and Abortion. As we make decisions and come to understanding, we need to have solid and reliable news sources which the Star Ledger has shown itself not to be once again in covering this story.

Finally, my friends, I ask your prayers and support of the Archbishop, the priests, and the faithful Catholics of our Archdiocese. Time will reveal the truth and I am certain that our faith and hope will not be in vain. I for one will trust that these legal matters will be resolved by the appropriate authorities with whom the Archbishop has been cooperating. For our part, we should not be placing our faith on the actions of any one person. Rather on the teachings taught to us by Christ. The mission of the Church is ever steadfast because it is from God and not from man. With prayer and the power of God, we shall overcome.

May God Bless You All,
Fr. Mac

SPRINGFEST

Our annual winter party, which took on the theme of Mardi Gras this year, was postponed due to winter storm Nemo on February 8. It was rescheduled for April 13 and billed as a Springfest, at the Bethwood in Totowa, NJ. Despite the postponement, a new venue and slightly higher price, the event turned out to be huge success. The Bethwood supplied a classy atmosphere along with a four course dinner, beer, wine, and soda. Music was provided by live band staple Pet in the Middle. The dance floor was occupied most of the night. Al Linkus was presented with our annual Knight of the Year award, for his dedication and volunteerism.

Unfortunately, out of the 82 dinner guests that night, only 14 were members of our council. We need more council participation at these events to make it worth the effort put in by those who run them.

JERRY O'CONNOR MEMORIAL K OF C SPECIAL CITIZENS PICNIC

All Knights and their families are invited to this special picnic. It will be held on Saturday, June 8, 12 noon to 4 PM at Cedar Grove's Community Park on Little Falls Rd. Beryl O'Connor and her family took this picnic to heart and have raised the funds to finance this special event. They will be the hosts. This was Jerry's special project and his family took it over after his death.

Jack Cavallere would like some help. Please call Jack at 973-226-2222. It is a special day for these special citizens. Bring your family, lawn chair, and enjoy this great day of food, music, fun and friends. If you have never been to this annual event, you should really make an effort to see your council do its best work.

GOLF OUTING - JUNE 10, 2013



The date is drawing near for the event of the year: 18 holes of golf, a hole in one challenge for \$25,000, a putting contest, followed by an open bar, lunch and fantastic raffle prizes, all at nearby Glen Ridge Country Club. And it is all for charity—our parish youth groups.

But time is truly running short as it is only a few weeks away. Greens fees, golf cart, lunch, and 2 hour open bar for \$165 is a sweet deal. If you can't play, a great way to help out is sponsor a hole for \$100. A sign that will display your name or business will be prominently placed on a tee box. But we have to get those signs printed soon.

Check out the Golf Outing website at kofc3632.org/golf for all the information—registration forms, sponsorship information, and more. Sell sponsorships! Get golfers! Come out and play on June 11! With your help we'll keep the Golf Outing going and growing. For more information about how you can get involved, contact Chuck Collins at 973-857-9124 or njcollins5@aol.com.

Remember this fundraiser benefits the youth groups at Our Lady of the Lake and St. Catherine of Siena, as well as seminarians and other council charities. In the first four years of the outing we have raised \$20,000 for these groups. Help us raise the bar even higher by participating this year.

ROSARY FOR LIFE – MAY 11

Witness the power of prayer! Join the Knights of Columbus on Saturday, May 11, from 8:45 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Bloomfield Ave. in Montclair, in front of the Social Security building, opposite the Pilgrim Abortion Clinic where abortions have increased from 100 to over 150 a week. We gather to pray the rosary that mothers will not abort their babies. We meet the second Saturday of every month. Come spend as much time as you have. Surely you have one hour to pray that the life of a pre-born baby be spared. Your prayers and presence will and have saved baby's lives! Bring your families.

SPECIAL CITIZENS DRIVE

As of this printing, we have collected the following:

Mailing	1270
Foodtown of Cedar Grove (3 days)	1899
Jack's Foodtown of Caldwell (3 days)	<u>1389</u>
Total	\$4558

We collected at OLL this past weekend, We will be at Shop Rite of West Caldwell on May 11, and at St. Catherine's May 18-19. Do your duty and volunteer when the time comes. Please call committee chairmen P.J. Hanly @ 862-216-4900 to volunteer at Shop Rite, and PGK Tony Morano @ 973-857-7122 to volunteer at St. Catherine's. if you don't hear from him first.

Reminder: A personal donation request was sent to all brother Knights of the this council. If you haven't yet responded, we would appreciate you doing so shortly. Our annual goal of \$10,000 would be much easier reached if everyone sent in a personal donation. We will send you a receipt. Thank you. Send checks made out to K of C #3632 to John Sommer, 172 Forest Ave., Verona, NJ 07044.

VERONA MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Our Council proudly accepted the invitation to march in Verona's Memorial Day parade on Monday, May 27. This is something we really should do to show our respect for all those who died to keep us free.

The parade starts at 10 AM @ Everett Field. Give John Sommer a call at 973-857-1370 if you plan on marching.. We want to arrange car pools. Meet at OLL parking lot after 9 AM Mass.

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CARNIVAL

St. Catherine's is holding its annual carnival starting Thursday, May 30 to Sunday, June 2. Our council has volunteered to help run a gaming booth from 6 to 10 PM (4-8 on Sunday). It's a lot of fun and helps raise money for St. Catherine's school. Our council also sponsors the booth.

Please sign up for one of these dates. You can do a 4 hour shift or a 2 hour shift. Please contact Pat Mullen @ 973-571-0056

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Election of officers for the 2013-2014 Columbian year will be held at the second meeting in June. We are asking brothers to step up to the plate and volunteer your time and leadership for some of the positions in the coming year. Elected positions are Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Chancellor, Warden, Recorder, Treasurer, Advocate, Inside Guard, Outside Guard. Contact PGK Tony Morano @ 973-857-7122.

GOOD OF THE ORDER



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

John D. Coyne Jr., Regina Soboti, Hayley Pope & family, the Rembert Family, Anita Sommer, Elaine Shaffer, Eileen Frey, Christine Maccia, Stephanie Herbert, Barbara Shea, Mark, Gustafo & Eduardo Chiappara, Brenda Benvenuti (lung disease), Bill Frazee, Christine Collins, Claire Tomeo, Stella & Jerry Votta, Baby Brooke, Tony LoRusso, Barbara Fergenson, Maureen Flynn, Sally Hasslacher, Victor Zuniga, a brother fighting addiction, Virginia

Robertson, John Cadmus, Betty Ferrari, Pat Reynolds, Cindy Breeze, and Karen Reynolds.

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

Pray for our seminarians, especially the ones we support, Thomas Quinn & Antonio Sarento.

Pray for peace in our world especially in the Middle East and for the safety of all our military men and women.

Special prayers for our Holy Father Emeritus , Pope Benedict XVI & Pope Francis.

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 April:

Charles Dimeck	Fr. Andrew Kielkowski	Br. Damian Marek	Joseph Marino
Tony Miloscia	Francis Rodgers III	Bill VanHouten	Pat Vuolo
Ron Weathermon	Fr. Robert "Mac" McLaughlin	Filoteco DeRitis	Peter Wojtal
Brian Baird			

Happy Birthday to our brother Knights born in the month of May:

Fr. Tesfamariam Baraki	Joseph Cafarella	Al Linkus	Emil Jarco
James McEvoy	Chuck Pritchard	Mathew Ripoli	

INSURANCE

Nobody knows how long they are going to live. That is why it is essential to buy life insurance. With Life insurance you can live forever in the eyes of your family.

Right now you have questions: How will they survive without me? What would they do if I were no longer here for them? How would they live? With life insurance all these questions are answered.

There is no need to spend your living years worrying about how your family will cope without you. Let life insurance take the worry out of life so that you can enjoy it.

Call me Brian Baird, your council field agent, at 201-707-6477 or brian.baird@kofc.org today for an appointment.

MEETING ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

Jimmy does it again! That's right, Jim Miserendino had his name drawn for the \$188 jackpot on April 11. Not for nothing, but Jim rarely misses a meeting, so he probably deserves it. Now if we can only get him to buy a round.

We collect \$1 from each member at every meeting. We randomly draw a members name and if he is in attendance, he wins. If he is not present, the money is rolled over to the next meeting, and so the pot grows.

Remember, you need to be at the meeting to win.

NJ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE CONVENTION

Wildwood, NJ—May 16-19, 2013

You still have time to join the festivities at the K of C State Convention in Wildwood. Contact P.J. Hanly @ 862-216-4900. We will be staying at the Port Royal Hotel. Reservation deposit is \$90 (\$70 for room, \$20 for hospitality room). You must reserve for three nights (Thur, Fri, & Sat). Plan on having a mini-vacation in the beautiful month of May. The Port Royal Hotel is on the beach in Wildwood Crest.