



THE KNIGHT LIFE



Newsletter of Father James J. Kelly Council #3632 Verona, Cedar Grove, W. Orange Jan/Feb, 2017

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MEETINGS

2ND & 4TH

THURSDAYS

OF THE MONTH

7:30 PM



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan. 13	Regular Meeting @ OLL
Jan. 14	Rosary For Life
Jan. 14-15	Rose Sunday @ OLL
Jan. 23	March For Life Rally in Trenton
Jan. 26	Social Meeting @ SCS
Jan. 27	March For Life Bus Trip To Wash. DC
Feb. 3	NJ Devils vs Calgary Flames outing
Feb. 9	Regular Meeting @ OLL
Feb. 11	Rosary For Life
Feb. 14	Valentine's Day
Feb. 20	President's Day
Feb. 23	Social Meeting @ SCS
Mar. 1	Ash Wednesday
Mar. 9	Regular Meeting @ OLL
Mar. 11	Rosary For Life
Mar. 17	St. Patrick's Day
Mar. 23	Social Meeting @ SCS

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EMBLEM

The emblem of the Order dates from the second Supreme Council meeting May 12, 1883, when it was designed by James T. Mullen, who was then Supreme Knight.

A quick glance at the emblem indicates a shield mounted upon the Formée Cross. The shield is that associated with a medieval Knight. The Formée Cross is the representation of a traditionally artistic design of the Cross of Christ through which all graces of redemption were procured for mankind. This then represents the Catholic spirit of the Order.

Mounted on the shield are three objects: a fasces standing vertically, and, crossed behind it, an anchor and a dagger or short sword. The fasces from Roman days is symbolic of authority which must exist in any tightly-bonded and efficiently operating organization. The anchor is the mariner's symbol for Columbus, patron of the Order, while the short sword or dagger was the weapon of the Knight when engaged upon an errand of mercy. Thus, the shield expresses Catholic Knighthood in organized merciful action, and with the letters, K. of C., it proclaims this specific form of activity.

The red, white and blue in the background of the shield and the foreground of the Cross of Malta are the colors of our country. As such, red is the symbol of stout-hearted courage, of pulsing activity and a full measure of devotion. Blue is the symbol of hope, of calm tranquility under God and of confidence in the protection of our country. White is the symbol of nobility of purpose, of purity of aim and of crucible — tried ideals to be carried out.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Dear Friends,

As we begin to pack away our nativity sets and christmas decorations we also pack away our memories and graced received during this christmas season.

One of my greatest blessings this season is the gift of our outdoor nativity set donated by our very own Knights of Columbus. Immediately after the blessing and dedication of our new manger I saw many of our OLL school classrooms and CCD classes go out to visit and see the beauty. Many of our classes sang songs by the manger all during Advent and the teachers and catechechists used the beauty and simplicity of Bethlehem as a teaching moment for the children. And I was most inspired by the many families that stopped by and to pray there as well. Many thanks to all of you for making our Christmas season here so bright and meaningful by your special gift. Please know that your gift was appreciated and that you were all prayed for.

As I share this thought with you I write with such enthusiasm regarding the appointment of Joseph W. Cardinal Tobin as our new Archbishop. During the press conference which announced his arrival he described himself as cut directly from the heart of Pope Francis himself. And that seems to be so true. Let's thank God together for the arrival of our new shepherd and also be grateful for the ministry and contribution of Archbishop John Joseph Myers for his ministry and leadership as well. During this time of transition let's keep praying for each other and thank God for His guidance.

Peace, blessings and fraternal regards

Rev. Joseph A. D'Amico

EMAIL ADDRESSES

We have made this plea dozens of times before, but once again we are asking the membership to supply us with your email address. It helps us and you in several ways.

One, it enables us to contact you with breaking news, updates, or reminders. For example, when a member dies, this is how we alert the membership as to when we will be having our wake service. The next Knight Life will not be published until March. We may have need to communicate with you sometime in the next two months. Sometimes we have photos of council activities we like to share with you.

Two, to those who have shared their email address with us, we send the Knight Life newsletter electronically, saving us money in printing and postage costs.

Currently, we only have about 40% of the email addresses in our database. I know we can do a lot better than that. Please note that your email address is not shared and all correspondence is sent as a blind copy so no one sees your address.

COUNCIL CHRISTMAS PARTY—DECEMBER 15

Our council Christmas party was held on December 15, 2016 at St. Catherine's. A good number of members and their families attended, nearly 35 total. Food was catered by Esposito's, beer, wine soda, water, and coffee were served. A bounty of desserts were provided by quests. Holiday music and good cheer filled the evening. Fr. Joe read some thank you letters from OLL's 3rd grade, thanking us for our donation of the outdoor Nativity set. They were heartfelt, cute, and amusing.

We presented checks of \$250 each to our seminarians, Juan Rojas and Jae Joo, who came to the party. They both spoke and thanked our council and the Knights for our support. We also presented a Christmas check to our council Chaplain, Fr. Joseph D'Amico. Our council made it's usual Christmas donation to Our Lady of the Lake and St. Catherine of Siena Churches.

ROSE SUNDAY

The weekend of January 14-15, our council will be selling the lapel roses at the doors of OLL after all Masses. The monies we raise will subsidize food for the bus trip (March For Life) to Washington DC, the March For Life Committee, and Good Counsel Maternity House.

We will be taking donations of \$5 for the lapel rose along with signatures to send to our representatives in Washington to show our support for Respect Life from conception to natural death. Give John Sommer a call at 973-857-1370 and let him know which Mass you are available.

ROSARY FOR LIFE – JANUARY 14 & FEBRUARY 11

Come and pray the rosary with us. We meet in Montclair across the street from the Abortuary on Bloomfield Ave. at the old Social Security building. We meet every 2nd Saturday of the month from 8:45 to 10 AM. Can you spare one hour a month to pray for the end of this “holocaust”? We pray for the mothers and preborn babies that go into the abortuary. We pray the mothers have a change of heart and realize there is another choice: life for their babies. Be not afraid to come and pray with us.

PRO LIFE/MARCH FOR LIFE RALLY IN TRENTON -JANUARY 23, 2017 11AM—1 PM

The rally will be held on the State House steps, NJ Capital, 123 West State St., Trenton, NJ. Pro Life leaders, elected officials, and clergy are expected to address the rally. Do not bring signs. Signs will be provided. Contact NJRTL website, njrtl.org for mor information.

MARCH FOR LIFE—JANUARY 27, 2017

Come join our Knights of Columbus Bus Trip to the March for Life in Washington DC on Friday, Jan. 27, 2017. NOW is the time to make arrangements so you can go & see for your self the excitement of the Pro-Life people who are praying & marching for Life. Join the young people who travel from far away - St. Louis, Kansas City, Boston, Philadelphia & all parts of New York & New Jersey, just to mention a few. You'll see for yourself the great crowds of people (over 300,000) that the liberal media ignores!

Our bus leaves from the Church of the Immaculate Conception , 30 Fullerton Ave. Montclair after a special Mass @ 7:00 AM. A light breakfast will be served downstairs in Madonna Hall. There will be food, soft drinks & water available with sandwiches for the trip down & back .

The cost is \$25.00 for adults & \$5.00 for students. There is no charge for clergy & religious. For more information, contact John Marrin @ 973-932-0717 (Montclair K of C) or John@Marrin.us.

NJ DEVILS OUTING –FEBRUARY 3



On Friday, February 3, our council will be sponsoring an outing to the Prudential Center in Newark to see the New Jersey Devils take on the Calgary Flames. The opening puck drops at 7:30 PM. Discounted group ticket price is \$50.34 for seats in the lower level section 15. Those who went to last year’s outing raved about what a good time they had. Call Pat Mullen at 973-571-0056 to reserve your seats or more info. Don’t delay as there are a limited number of tickets.

CATHOLIC MEN’S CONFERENCE—MARCH 4

On Saturday, March 4 at Seton Hall University, the Newark Archdiocese Men’s Commission will have their annual Catholic Men’s Conference. The day begins with registration at 8:00 AM and ends at 4:30 PM. The day includes continental breakfast and lunch, Holy hour, adoration chapel, confessions, and Mass, celebrated by our new Archbishop, His Eminence Joseph Cardinal-elect Tobin. It is an inspiring day for men of all ages.

The theme for this years conference is “**Go, do not be afraid, and serve**”. This year’s guest speakers feature **Seán Patrick Cardinal O’Malley**, OFM Cap., the ninth bishop and sixth archbishop in the more than 200 year history of the Archdiocese of Boston. **Joe Lombardi**, New Orleans Saints quarterbacks coach and grandson of the legendary Vince Lombardi. **Fr. John Gordon**, Associate to the Vicar for Pastoral Life/Evangelization for the Archdiocese of Newark and chaplain for Holy Family Council #14712 in Nutley.

Registration is \$25 for adults, \$15 for college students, \$20 for senior citizens. For registration please visit the website www.rcanmenscommission.org, or call 973-497-4545.

NJ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE CONVENTION

Wildwood NJ—May 18-20, 2017

Anyone interested in attending the NJ K of C Sate Convention next spring in Wildwood, contact Jim Kiernan @ 973-759-5196. 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.

GOOD OF THE ORDER



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

Regina Soboti, Hayley Pope & family, Elaine Shaffer, Stephanie Herbert, Stella & Jerry Votta, Tony LoRusso, Barbara Ferguson, a brother fighting addiction, Betty Ferrari, Pat Reynolds, Jake Hasslacher, Al Maccia, Jane Chiappara, Joseph Donohue, Kate W., Claire Smith, Vern & Cindy Koppenhaver, Catherine Maccia, Bill Gleason, Ruth Edison, Marie Pierce, Bob Rodgers, Tommy Cercone, Marita Shatzel, and Doris Dolan.

Please let us know if you are well enough to be removed from the sick list.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of those members who have died and their families, especially Frank Prout. Pray for our new seminarians, Jay Joo and Juan Rojas.

Pray for peace in our world especially for the Christians who are being massacred for their religious faith, 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 January:

Tom DeFrancisci	Chuck Collins	Joseph Shook	P.J. Hanly
Christopher Rodgers	Ron Blaha III	Tim Murphy	Pat Cupo
Donald Trader	Mike Risoli		

And for those in February

Donald Vincent	Kevin Brown, PGK	Mark Rodgers	Gregory Mau
Benjamin Maniscaleo	Ricardo Flattes	Brian Baird	

4TH DEGREE—ST. ISAAC JOGUES ASSEMBLY

The 4th Degree assembly for our council meets every 3rd Wednesday of the month at St. Thomas More, 127 Hollywood Ave., in Fairfield. All 4th Degree members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

INSURANCE

“I DON'T NEED LIFE INSURANCE”

Is that your answer when you are asked to buy life insurance? You say **you** don't need life insurance, but what about your family? Don't they count?

There has to be food on the table every day. Your loved ones must have clothing to stay warm and healthy. The one thing they need the most is income. You supply all these things (and more!) for them now. If something were to happen to you would the money go with you?

With life insurance your family's well-being is taken care of. You say **you** don't need life insurance, but your family does.

Call me, Brian Baird, your council field agent, at 201-707-6477 or brian.baird@kofc.org, today and let's talk about life insurance for your family.

ADORATION AND HOLY HOUR

The first Monday of each month there will be a Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction at our Lady of the Lake Pastoral Center chapel at 7 PM. It's a good time to pray for our country. Our church, and ourselves. It is "Face Time" with our Lord. **Highly Recommended!**

RELEVANT CATHOLIC RADIO STATION

WNSU1430 AM

This is a Catholic talk radio station broadcast within the Archdiocese of Newark. It has a capacity to reach 16 million souls in our area. It has informative, entertaining, and interactive programming 24 hours per day, seven days a week. Try it out. You may like it and make it one of your primary radio stations. For those of you with satellite radio, check out The Catholic Channel on Sirius XM 129.