



THE KNIGHT LIFE



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

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MEETINGS

1ST & 3RD

THURSDAYS

OF THE MONTH

7:30 PM



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec. 16 & 17	Rose Sunday @ OLL
Dec. 20	4th Degree Christmas Party
Dec. 21	Council Christmas Party @ SCS
Dec. 25	Blessed Christmas
Dec. 30 & 31	Rose Sunday @ SCS
Jan. 3	Federation Meeting @ Livingston Council #3533
Jan. 4	Regular Meeting @ OLL
Jan. 8	Holy Hour @ OLL
Jan. 13	Rosary For Life
Jan. 18	Social Meeting @ SCS
Jan. 19	March For Life Bus Trip to Washington DC
Jan. 22	Pro-Life Rally in Trenton
Feb. 8	Regular Meeting @ OLL
Feb. 10	Rosary For Life
Feb. 14	Ash Wednesday
Feb. 22	Social Meeting @ SCS

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights,

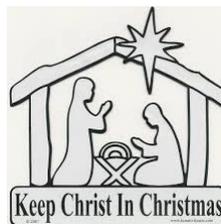
We're currently in the season of Advent & Christmas and New Year's is quickly approaching. There will be a council Christmas Party on 12/21/17 @ St. Catherine's. The cost is \$10.00 per person. The food will be catered by Esposito's.

Gary (PGK) will be coordinating this event. If you're attending, please pay John Sommer (PGK) @ the door. We hope to see many of you there.

Let us keep in our prayers the hurricane & earthquake victims.

We would like to wish you & your families a Merry Christmas & a Happy & a Healthy New Year. May God Bless all of you.

Vivat Jesus,
Mike Risoli
Grand Knight



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



Dear Friends,

During this mid way point of Advent we also usher in the official winter season...the winter solstice, the shortest day and longest night. We are brought face to face with the birth of Christ of the LIGHT OF THE WORLD who illumines our darkness. Many early theologians of the church have written how the whole life of Jesus Christ is written within the mysteries of the natural world.

So often in our lives we can feel like we are living in a perpetual dark period. This Advent season and always, God wants to send His son, Jesus Christ, to brighten and illumine our lives so as to live constantly in his grace and mercy. This Christmas season we have a great opportunity on the many ways that Jesus is our light! I'm so grateful to my brothers in the Knights of Columbus for sharing life, faith and ministry with me here at Our Lady of the Lake. They contribute so much to well being and health of our parish family. And I'm sure I can say the same for all they do and who they are at our sister church, St. Catherine of Siena.

A year ago, our brothers in the Knights of Columbus donated an outdoor nativity set which stands as a beacon of light, hope and joy on the corner of Lakeside and Bloomfield Avenues. It is particularly more beautiful at night and great thing to behold. We have had many parishioners take pictures of it including family selfies. Many of our OLL School classes have already gone out to look at it and not only marvel at its beauty, but more so to learn the lessons each characters in the nativity scene teach us.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year
Peace, blessings and fraternal regards,
Rev. Joseph A. D'Amico

QUARTERLY 50/50—STOCKING STUFFERS

The Quarterly 50/50 is here just in time for Christmas. They would be fun stocking stuffers for children, brothers, sisters, grandchildren, parents, wives, or co-workers. Take advantage as they are only \$5 each. Enclosed in this issue of the Knight Life are the January 50/50 tickets. Please fill them out early, and return them with your check made payable to Knights of Columbus #3632, in the return envelope.

The winners from our council for October were: Stan Osinski, Neil Gervasio, Dave Lyon, Bud MacFarlane, Mike Risoli, and Larry Dillon. There were 6 brothers who did not send in their winning ticket. One of our brothers would have won twice as his numbers came up twice

If you would like to get some extra tickets for stocking stuffers, call Larry Dillon @ 973-736-5684. He is waiting for your call. Brothers, this is our council's only fund raiser for ourselves. The proceeds help the every day expenses of running the council and helps the seminarians we support.

COUNCIL CHRISTMAS PARTY—DECEMBER 21

We are once again having a council Christmas party for our members and their families on Thursday, December 21, at St. Catherine of Siena's. The purpose is to put away our commercialized seasonal stresses and join our brother Knights and families in celebrating the true reason for the season. This year, we are asking for a \$10/person donation, to help defray the costs. A hot buffet will be catered by Esposito's of Cedar Grove, and beer, wine soda will be served, while festive seasonal music fills the air. We ask those attending to bring a dessert and Christmas cheer. Call Gary Wilczewski at 973-432-0923, or John Sommer @ 973-857-1370, or email the council at kofc3632@aol.com, and tell him how many of your family are coming so we know how much food to order. You can pay at the door.

KEEP CHRIST BEFORE US COLORING BOOKS

Once again, our council donated Keep Christ Before Us" coloring books to pre-school, kindergarten, and 1st graders at Our Lady of the Lake School (91) and St. Catherine of Siena School (100). The coloring books were paid for from our Quarterly 50/50 proceeds.

ATTENDANCE RAFFLE

The Attendance Raffle is alive and growing. At our last meeting, Jim Robbins lost out on \$69. Should have been there Jim. You got to be here to win. Each meeting we collect a dollar from each member present then draw a name out of a bag containing all the council members. If we pick your name and you are there, you win the pot. If the picked name is not present the money rolls over until the next meeting. And so the pot grows.

ROSARY FOR LIFE – January 13

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.**

ALZHEIMER DRIVE

Our Alzheimer’s Drive continues into December

Foodtown—Cedar Grove	\$ 900
Jack’s Foodtown—Caldwell	\$1030.16
ShopRite-W. Caldwell	<u>\$ 996.35</u>
	\$2928.51
Mailings to date	<u>\$1734</u>
	\$4662.51

As you can see we are short of our goal of \$5000. by \$338.

Just a reminder if you haven’t mailed in your donation: do it soon. You can mail it in the self addressed envelope enclosed in last month’s Knight Life or put it in the envelope with your 50/50 stubs in this month’s Knight Life. Make sure you note your check for “Alzheimer’s Drive”. We want to close out this year’s drive. Thanks to all who contributed.

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!** The next one is on January 8.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

On December 9 & 10 at St. Catherine of Siena, and at Our Lady of the Lake, our council will be selling “Keep Christ In Christmas” lawn signs, car magnets, buttons, and Christmas cards, after all Masses. We have a new item this year, “Keep Christ In Christmas” wrist bands. Proceeds from this fund raiser benefit our Catholic schools of the two parishes. We need brother knights after every Mass to help sell these items. For St. Catherine’s call Pat Mullen @ 973-571-0056. For Our Lady of the Lake call John Sommer @ 973-857-1370.

MARCH FOR LIFE—JANUARY 19, 2018

Come join our Knights of Columbus Bus Trip to the March for Life in Washington DC on Friday, Jan. 19, 2018. 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.

ROSE SUNDAYS

This year we will be holding Rose Sunday weekends on December 30-31 at St. Catherine of Siena, and December 16-17 at Our Lady of the Lake. The monies we raise will subsidize food for the bus trip (March For Life) to Washington DC, the March For Life, and Good Counsel. When the date approaches, please help.

We will be taking donations of \$5 for the lapel rose along with signatures to send to our representatives in Washington, DC to show our support for Respect Life from conception to natural death. Volunteers are needed at St. Catherine’s and OLL to cover all the Masses.

GOOD OF THE ORDER



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

Regina Soboti, Hayley Pope & family, Elaine Shaffer, Stella & Jerry Votta, Tony LoRusso, Barbara Fergenson, a brother fighting addiction, Betty Ferrari, Pat Reynolds, Jake Hasslacher, Al Maccia, Jane Chiappara, Joseph & Carol Donohue, Kate W., Claire Smith, Catherine Maccia, Ruth Edison, Marie Pierce, Marita Shatzel, Carole Weld, Joseph Wilson, Kevin Gail, and Judy Hectus.

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.

Pray for our 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 December!

Leonilo Zunga	Walter Drury	Nicolas Centano	Tom Minichillo
James Spiegel	John Coyne, Jr. (90)	Anthony Ditri (98)	Joe Mortara
Tony Morano	Patrick Hanley	Nicholas Lucivero	Michael Altomare
Jesus Christ			

4TH DEGREE—CHRISTMAS PARTY- DECEMBER 20

The St. Isaac Jogues Assembly Christmas Party will be held at the Brookdale Kitchen and Bar restaurant, 1099 Broad St. , Bloomfield. Starts at 6:30/7:00 pm. Cost is \$30/person. A \$10 Grab bag gift is optional. Gift must be wrapped. Please call SK Angelo Scalo, FN, @ 862-881-2788 for reservations

INSURANCE

This Christmas give your family a gift they will cherish. It is a gift that shows you truly love your family. Life insurance. When you purchase life insurance it isn't just for yourself. It is for the entire family.

Life insurance does two things. The first thing is it provides you and your wife an income during your retirement years. It enables you to live and not worry about money. You may go and do what you want. The second thing it does is it protects your loved ones if you were to die prematurely. It gives your family financial protection so that they may survive in your absence. It can be nearly impossible for a family to live without life insurance when the breadwinner dies.

So be a real St. Nick and get life insurance today.

Call you insurance agent, Brian Baird at 201-707-6477 or brian.baird@kofc.org, today for an appointment.

NJ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE CONVENTION

Wildwood NJ—May 17-19, 2017

It's not too early to plan to attend the NJ K of C State Convention next spring in Wildwood. 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. Contact Jim Kiernan @ 973-943-8611. Reservations must be in by January.

PRO-LIFE RALLY IN TRENTON— JANUARY 22, 2018

NJ Right to Life invites you to join them as they Rally For Life, Monday January 22, 2018, on the 45th anniversary of Roe v. Wade U.S, Supreme Court decision. Rally will take place at the State House steps of the NJ State Capital, 142 West St., Trenton, NJ. The rally runs from 11AM to approximately 1 PM. For further information