



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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EAST YORK, PENNSYLVANIA COUNCIL #6353

Newsletter for January-February 2015

Brother Knights:

Two extremely important practices have been implemented by our Council. The practice to carry and pray the rosary as often as we can focuses our attention to the importance of a Knights devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. My mother was devoted to the rosary and often I would find her sitting in the living room praying the rosary during my childhood. During her retirement years she prayed the rosary daily. We can continue the practice by following my Mom's example. I'm reminding you of our commitment to carry a rosary, ring rosary or credit card rosary when attending council events, or pay a fine of one dollar to the treasury of the Council.

The other practice is to wear a Council 6353 name badge to all church and council events, thereby, making Council 6353 member Knights visible to the parish members. It is a display of pride and devotion concerning your membership in the Catholic fraternity of men.

At certain times in our lives we may feel insignificant and useless, surrounded by people with greater talent than ours. We are tempted in our weak moments just to settle back and let somebody else do the work. We reason that what we have to offer won't make much difference anyway. We forget the truth suggested by our Lord's use of five loaves and two small fish to feed a multitude (John 6:1-14). Each of us has something important to offer in His service.

The Knights of Columbus can succinctly be called a Catholic Fraternal organization. It is the fraternal bonds between Catholic gentlemen that provide the Orders strength. I suspect that you, like me, didn't join the Knights just to work Bingo or sell latest raffle tickets. We joined, in part, because we wanted to associate with fellow Catholic gentlemen.

The challenge before us is to build and strengthen our fraternal bonds. We should be more than just acquaintances. Our strength as a Council comes from the friendships we have. Friendships are developed over time through close association. Think about the folks you know who sit near you at Mass. You gradually get to know them over time before and after Mass. The respective association in a friendly environment fostered those relationships. That's what the Knights of Columbus can do for you; provide the environment to build lasting friendships with fellow Catholics. Yes, we need people to work events, but those are just the mechanics of the Council. The real benefit is the repeated association with like-minded men that leads to friendships and all the good things that come from the relationship.

Shared experience and frequent association mature the fraternal bonds that are so crucial to the Knights of Columbus. I encourage all of you to become more active in our Council activities, even, if it is only to regularly attend our meetings: you will be pleased at the return on your investment.



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One last item is PRAYER. We list those who need our prayers on the Good of the Order list in each set of business meeting minutes. Please email me the name of anyone you feel should be on the list. Some of our brothers have experienced tragic loss of life of a loved one or serious illness of family or friends. Please hold in prayer, the suffering members of our council who need the healing power of God's grace.

Bill Schreiber, Grand Knight Council 6353, Vivat Jesus

Activities for the Year
2014 in Review

January Home Association meeting

February Free throw tournament
Membership dues
Council Christmas party
New Field Agent, Robert Reilly
200 club

March St. Patrick's Day parade

April Fourth Degree Exemplification in Grantville
Annual council dinner meeting
Annual ARC campaign

May Knight's State Convention
Roses to mothers on Mother's Day
Annual chicken barbecue
Mid May Malvern men's retreat

June Ordination of priests at St. Patrick's Cathedral
Annual Golf Tournament. View Flyer or Sponsor Letter
Parish carnival
Gifts for Father's Day
Election of Officers
200 club

July New officers assume duties
Christmas in July for Pleasant Acres and Misericordia

August COAL tickets
Football tickets

September Annual car show (moved to September)
Installation of officers



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Annual Labor Day yard sale
Sponsor a table at School Night
Soccer Challenge

October Recruitment Sunday
Fishers of Men Dinner

November Mass for Living and Deceased Knights
Start of annual fruit sale
Parking for Fan the Fire

December Light Up For Christ
Keep Christ in Christmas - billboard
Essay contest and scholarships

Officers update for 2014

Grand Knight----- Bill Screiber Deputy Grand
Knight-----George Jahn Financial Secretary----- Wayne
Kurek
Chancellor----- Dave Simms Recorder
----- Pat Workinger Treasurer
-----Bill Fullerton
Warden-----Charles Hordorf
Lecturer-----Charley Krause
Advocate-----Don Desseyn Inside Guard
----- Dick Lyko Outside Guard -----Ken
Witmer Trustee 3 year----- Paul Shellenberger
2 year----- Frank Burkhardt
1 year----- D J Corbett Chaplain
----- TBD

A Message to the Knights of Columbus from Pope Francis

We are moving toward the season of grace and gratitude. Grace is given to us from God in calling us to the Christian life with its promise of eternal beatitude. Reverence for life and respect for the gifts of the created universe inspire in us a willingness to serve the needs of others as well as gratitude for all we have received. The Christmas season is a time for us to reach out to others in our neighborhoods, our parish and our community.

We can make the holidays a time of authentic love if we will follow in the footsteps of Venerable Father Michael J McGivney and sacrifice ourselves so others may know the joy of the season. Venerable Michael J McGivney pray for us.



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Degrees

First and Second Degree 1/4/15 @ St. Rose School @ 1:30
Third Degree 3/8/15 @ St. Rose School @ 2:00
Fourth Degree 3/21 & 3/22 @ Holiday Inn , Grantville
First and Second Degree 4/5/15--- 5/3/15----6/7/15

The Fourth Degree will be held on 3/22/2015. You may make reservations at the Holiday Inn in Grantville. Specify that you are with the Knights of Columbus. This event you may have your spouse accompany you. For the Degree on Sunday Black Tuxedo, black bow tie ,plain white tuxedo shirt[No wing Collars],black shoes and black cummerbund [No vests] are required for Sunday.

Sleeping rooms are available for the weekend by calling the Hotel.

Holiday Inn,Harrisburg-Hershey
604 Station Rd.
Grantville, Pa. 17028
Phone : 1-800-315-2621

Fundraisers:

200 Club 12/21/14 through 5/3/15

Sold more than 600 Coal books

Football tickets have 4 winners as of mid- December

Fruit Sale sold 8080# of Fruit. 2680# went to food Pantry

Shrimp Feast will be held 4/18/15. George Jahn & Bob Fedroff are chairs.

If anyone has an idea for a fundraiser, contact George Jahn
717-428-2851 to discuss and get on the agenda. We need project chairs for all projects.

St Joseph council #6353 will be hosting our annual Christmas party on Jan 10,2015. It can be a great time to socialize with your brother knights and their wives or friends. Come and enjoy their company, good food and some beverage. It will be held at Alexander's Restaurant on Carlyle road. It is inexpensive only \$15 a single and \$30 per couple.

Baptism and Adoration schedules have been made and distributed for 2015.

Adoration for January : 1/3—Wayne Kurek 1/10--- Dennis Hummel 1/17—Bill Schreiber 1/24 --- Luis Garcia 1/31--- Shay Coll 2/7 --- Glen Falotovich
2/14 --- Joe Halza 2/21 Orian Morgan 2/28--- Rob Bertuccio



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Baptism's: 1/4 --- Chris Walsh 1/18--- Gary Workinger
 2/1--- Charles Krause 2/15--- Andre Lijoi

New Members for 2014-2015 Year

Michael Baron----- William Brander----- Joseph Brennan Jim Deeter
----- Nicholas Glennon----- Mark Lavallee Dane Morgan-----
Orian Morgan----- Matthew Pittman Tim Roth-----
Christopher Sweeney- Jim Werth Gary Workinger----- -Matt Dursee

Birthday's for January: Tim Bair---- Jim Boyle---- John Duchek----
Joseph Frick Mike Goc---- Bert Grentz---- Charles Holdorf---- John
Keefer---- Chris Lang Louis Lease---- Fr. Robert McCreary---- Michael
Papa---- Michael Rucci Tom Snyder---- Chris Walsh

Birthday's for February: Rob Bertuccio---- Brian Brister---- Jim Deeter
Charles Dugan---- Pete Dungar---- Leo Grenier---- Edmund Kamara Jarrett
Kealey---- Al L, ibasci---- Randy McKee---- Louis Paoli James
Rauhauser---- Frank Romano

Prayer Requests: Fr. Louis, Eleanor Paoli, Jack & June O'Donnoghue, Vic
Straka, Ed Bamberg, Don Crumling,

Respectfully Submitted
Pat Workinger
Newsletter Editor