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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brothers,

I would like to start this off by saying thank you to Brother Jay Castillo for putting on a wonderful Christmas/Holiday gathering. I would also like to thank our Brother Ray Sanchez for providing the entertainment. For those who didn't attend, this party is a celebration for our hard work during the course of the year. If you didn't attend this year, please make sure that you attend next year. It was a blast!

The celebration was also our farewell to Brother/Chaplain Fr. Mike. A few of the PGK's presented Fr. Mike with some special gifts. I would like to thank everyone, especially the ladies, for their contribution towards the gifts and the evening. It was a special time.

As far as business, at the last meeting it was brought up that Brother Bill Hengemihle will run the Bingo for the remainder of the fiscal year due to some

work scheduling conflicts with Brother Mike Georgulas. That said, I would like to thank Mike for his help with Bingo. Mike stepped up and volunteered without any urging on my part and did a fine job. This is our biggest budget item Brothers, so please see Bill Hengemihle and ask how you might be able to get involved. It's a lot of fun and the customers love us.

Lastly, thanks to everyone for making the first half of the year terrific. I now know what the Past Grand Knights have felt while running this council. Support and enthusiasm runs rampant in this council and everyone, everyone should be proud to be a part of it. I know that I am!

Mary, watch over us.

*Mike Mall
Grand Knight*

Membership

Bill Hengemihle, Director
410-569-5253

For the record...01/01/06

Total Membership	204
Honorary Life/Hon	7
Fr. McGivney Award	30%
Founders Award (5)	100%
Surge With Service	66%

It was a pleasure having the State Deputy Ron White on hand at our January social meeting to present the council with its 11th straight Star Council award. Our council just keeps on truckin....

Our Chaplin and greatest member is now at Saint Margaret's. We all wish him all the best. Will our incoming pastor be a KNIGHT?

BINGO: The Grand Knight has asked me to fill in for Mike Georgulas helping with the bingo. Mel and Connie are doing such a great job that we can hardly thank them enough for what they do for the council.

We must make certain that we do not put too much work on either of them. We are seeking people to train to work the bingo on a one time a month basis. Please contact me (410-569-5253) and we will arrange a schedule for you. Brother Bill Orlosky is going to be trained to run the sales table.....Good Luck to Bill!

**BUILDING A BETTER
WORLD... ONE COUNCIL
AT A TIME!**

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Message from our Chaplain

Dear Friends,

I thank you, individually and as a Council, for your faith, for your commitment to Catholicism even in some challenging times, and for your commitment to this parish. As I said last week at the Christmas party, you have given of yourselves in so many ways and it is this – the giving of your time, talent and treasure – that makes this Council, and St. Francis de Sales the wonderful community of faith that it is.

As I said in my bulletin column, as I leave here, I have so many feelings:

I feel very fulfilled. This has been a very, very satisfying and fulfilling experience for me. I know that comparisons can often be tricky. Still, I must say that these seven

and a half years have been among, if not the happiest of my thirty-three and a half years as a priest.

I feel proud. I feel proud of you, of us as a parish and of what we have done together. I often sing the praises of St. Francis de Sales to those outside this community.

I feel sad. Leaving here is a loss for me. True, I am not going far and I believe that I will enjoy the people and ministry at St. Margaret's very much. Nevertheless, leaving behind the weekly and even daily interactions with so many of you is a loss for me.

Everything I have said is particularly true of the Knights of Columbus and the K of C Ladies.

What a wonderful group of people you are! I cannot think of the success the parish has enjoyed these past few years without thinking of you. You have, and continue to have, such a profound effect on the parish and its ministry, that I feel any priest assigned as Pastor here will be grateful to have such a group associated with St. Francis.

It has been a privilege for me to serve as Chaplain to you. I will carry my memories of the Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Council with me.

I thank you. I love you. May the Lord continue to shine upon and bless you and your wonderful service!

Fr. Mike



Deacon's Corner

This month we will look at the many ways that we understand that the Lord is present in our liturgical celebrations.

The Sacrifice of the Mass.

Did you ever ask yourself the question of why must a priest be present to offer mass? Jesus offered himself on the cross and now offers himself through the ministry of his priests. The priest at mass wears special vestments that call for the uniqueness of his role as the leader of worship. The church has retained this style of clothing down through the centuries. The garments worn today at mass can be traced back to the early clothing of the Romans with later adaptations & many added symbols.

Christ is also present in the Eucharist. We as a church believe that under the sign of the bread and wine, the Risen Jesus is truly present. The priests, deacons and the trained Eucharistic ministers present to the people the consecrated bread and wine with the words, "the Body of Christ or

the Blood of Christ". The response that we say when we receive the Host is "AMEN", which in effect is an act of our faith saying, I believe it. This whole period is a moment of reverence in receiving Christ into our bodies.

Christ is also present in the Tabernacle where the sacrament is reserved. In the early church the consecrated elements were reserved simply for later distribution to the sick or anyone who could not attend mass. Through the years our church developed a devotion to the Real Presence and designed a safe place for it to be kept. A sanctuary lamp is lit to remind us of the Real Presence of Christ.

Christ is present in the sacraments. Baptism, Marriage, Reconciliation, Confirmation, are all signs that Christ is present and Christ is the one who is administering these gifts to us.

The Lord is Present

Christ is present in the scriptures proclaimed at the Liturgy. As the church tells us, "Christ is present in the Word since it is he himself who speaks when the holy scriptures are read". That is why the church emphasizes this presence by having the readers be prepared in proclaiming the text, and having candles and processions and sometimes incense at the gospel. We touch our foreheads, lips and hearts at the introduction to the gospel in the hope that we may understand these words with our minds, express them in our speech and believe them in our hearts. The presence of Christ is also in the hymns that we sing and the prayers that we say. Since Vatican two we have become a church that is filled with song and vocal prayer. Most every church has hymnals and missalettes in the pews to encourage us to fully participate in the Liturgy. I hope that we can always recognize that Christ is in every part of our worship and that our faith is strengthened by his presence.

Deacon Dick Stine



3-Month Planner

FEBRUARY			
Sun	5	Council Pancake Breakfast, Kilduff Hall	6:30 – 2:30 p.m.
Mon	6	Council meeting, Knights Hall	8 p.m.
Fri	10	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6p.m.
Sat	11	1 st Degree Practice	10 a.m. - Noon
Mon	13	Council Officers meeting, Knights Hall	7:30 p.m.
Sat	18	Kids Bingo, Kilduff Hall	6:30 p.m.
Mon	20	Council Mtg /1 st Degree (Judging)/Social, Kilduff Hall	8:00 p.m.
Mon	20	K of C Ladies Mtg, Knights Hall	8:00 p.m.
Fri	24	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6p.m.
MARCH			
Sat	4	Ice Skating Party, Ice World, Abingdon	5:45 – 7:45 p.m.
Sat	4	Food Drive Bag drop off, Knights Neighborhood	All Day
Sun	5	Donut Sunday, Kilduff Hall	7:30 am -12:30pm
Mon	6	Council meeting, Knights Hall	8 p.m.
Fri	10	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6p.m.
Sat	11	Food Drive Collection, Kilduff Hall	9 a.m. to noon
Sun	12	Founder's Day Mass, Loyola College Chapel	
Mon	13	Council Officers meeting, Knights Hall	7:30 p.m.
Sat	18	St. Patrick's Day Dance, Kilduff Hall	6:30 pm – 11pm
Mon	20	Council Mtg /1 st Degree/Social, Kilduff Hall	8:00 p.m.
Mon	20	K of C Ladies Mtg, Knights Hall	8:00 p.m.
Fri	24	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6p.m.
Sun	26	4 th Degree Exemplification, Hagerstown, Md	All day
APRIL			
Sat	1	Parish Spaghetti Dinner, Kilduff Hall	3 p.m. – 7p.m.
Sun	2	Donut Sunday, Kilduff Hall	7:30 am -12:30pm
Mon	3	Council meeting, Knights Hall	8 p.m.
Sun	9	Palm Sunday	All Day
Mon	10	Council Officers meeting, Knights Hall	7:30 p.m.
Fri	14	Good Friday – No Bingo	All Day
Sun	16	Easter Sunday	All Day
Mon	17	Council Mtg /1 st Degree/Social, Kilduff Hall	8:00 p.m.
Mon	17	KofC Ladies Mtg, Knights Hall	8:00 p.m.
Sun	23	2 nd Degree Practice, Kilduff Hall	1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
Thur	27	2 ND Degree, Lady of Grace Council	8 p.m.
Fri	28	Bingo Kilduff Hall	6p.m.
Sat	29	John Archer Festival, John Archer School	9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

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Programs Update

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Worthy Brothers,

We started January with our **annual Christmas Party** at the Bayou Restaurant on Route 40. Approximately 70 Brothers and spouses/significant others greatly enjoyed themselves. Brother Ray Sanchez provide excellent entertainment.

We conducted our District's second 2nd Degree at Kilduff Hall. The team was judged at this event. The team wishes to thanks all the Brothers who showed up to provide moral support for the team.

February will start off with a Pancake Breakfast on February 5th. As always, we can use all of the help we can get for this event. If you can help out, please give Norm

Martin a call at 410-515-0101. The council's 1st Degree Team will have a practice at 10 a.m. in Kilduff Hall on Saturday, February 11. They will conduct a 1st Degree Ceremony on February 20. This will be their judging degree, so, please make a point to attend this meeting to support this team.

We will hold our annual Kids Bingo on Saturday, February 18 from 7 – 9 p.m. If you can help out, please give Mike Brown a call at 410-538-7447. Youth who need service hours can obtain some by helping out at this event. Have them contact Mike if they are interested in working. If you are bringing your children to play bingo, get there early as this is an event that fills up quickly.

As all ways, I ask you to support each of our activity directors programs. Let any one of the activity directors know about your ideas on activities we could do. Thank you for the support you have provided.

Dan Samis

District Deputy Report

Bob Hoguet, District Deputy

Brothers,

It is a short month, so I'll make it a short report.

As I have done in the past, I want to thank all council officers and Activity chairmen for stepping forward and taking on those responsibilities. Your leadership and work drive the council onward. You follow in the footsteps of those courageous few men who took up Fr. McGivney's challenge, and what a wonderful legacy it has become.

I ask all brothers to consider



what role they can take in the council. We will soon be approaching the time to look for new officers. If you are asked to become a Chairman, please consider it. If you are interested in becoming an officer, let the Nominating committee know. The Grand Knight should be announcing a committee in the next month.

February is also the month to recognize your Valentine. You might want to consider asking her to attend a one-day retreat being held February 26th at the Shrine of St. Anthony in Ellicott City. The

Theme is *Pilgrims on the Journey of Lent*. It begins at 9:30am and ends at 4:00pm. A cost of \$30 includes lunch. If interested, call Bud Peroutka at 410-922-3213.

Finally, I remind everyone that the book *Parish Priest*, a biography of Fr. McGivney, is now available in stores, as well as on Amazon.com. Please consider getting this fascinating account of his world, and of the people who influenced him in his life.

Brothers, thank you for all that you do for the community, our priests, and the parish.

Vivat Jesus!

Bob Hoguet

Insurance

Ed O'Keefe, Insurance Agent
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Soon it will be Valentine's Day. Are you certain that the one you love is the beneficiary on your life insurance policy? It would be a wise idea to find out – and update your beneficiary if necessary. As your Knights of Columbus agent, I can help you do that.

Beneficiaries... Who Do You Love?

Why is this important? A life insurance policy protects the financial status of another person – or people - in the event of your death. Through a beneficiary designation, you determine who that should be.

With a Knights of Columbus insurance policy, you select both a primary beneficiary and, if you

choose, a contingent, or secondary, beneficiary. It's always a good idea to select a contingent beneficiary in case you outlive your primary beneficiary. A contingent beneficiary is the person designated to receive life insurance policy proceeds if the primary beneficiary dies.

You should be as specific as possible in wording your beneficiary designation. By naming your wife, daughter, son, etc., as beneficiary, you make sure that the life insurance proceeds will be available to them in a timely manner.

Your life situation will undoubtedly change over time. Plan to update your beneficiary designations periodically. This will ensure that your life insurance coverage will protect those you want it to protect.

Changing your beneficiary is a simple process. Simply complete a change of beneficiary form (#113A) for each policy you want to change. I can provide you with these forms – and I will help you to fill them out. I can also help you with beneficiary designations for any life insurance policy you hold – regardless of the company that issued it.

Give me a call, I'll be happy to help.

SCHOLARSHIPS:

The Maryland State Council sponsors several scholarship programs for students starting their college years as well as students entering Catholic High Schools. The application period is from November 1, 2005 to March 1, 2006. Information and applications may be obtained by writing to: Maryland State Council, Knights of Columbus, 10815 Stang Road, Owings Mills, Md. 21117-4607. You can also call Romeo Gauthier, PSD at 410-374-3202, or go to <http://www.kofc-md.org/pages/committees/scholarship/scholar.htm>.

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Here are the highlights from our 1/16/06 meeting:

At our "Baby Shower" for Birthright, Carol Maglov from Birthright provided a presentation for our group about what her organization does for the women in our community. She provided several statistics and shocking facts regarding abortion, including the fact that Maryland is the 3rd leading state with regards to the number of abortions in the US and that 4300 abortions are done daily in this country. While Birthright does not involve itself so much in the legislation of abortion, it does provide emotional and financial support, along with prayer, to women seeking their help. Their funding is through private donations with no federal or state funding. Carol expressed her gratitude on behalf of her staff and the women they help for the donations and gifts provided by the ladies at the baby shower. We also voted to donate \$100 to Birthright.

The Craft Bazaar Bake Sale was a success generating nearly \$1200. \$235 of that money was donated to the Little Sisters of the Poor.

Our Christmas activities this year were (1) Nursing

Home Project – where we provided gifts to all residents; (2) sponsoring a family from our Hispanic community; and our bags of food and gift cards to St. Vincent de Paul.

Our project for the month of February is to provide supplies for soldiers serving in Iraq. Karen Georgulas will be in contact with her friend to determine items most needed. We voted to allocate \$400 for the soldiers.

We voted to donate \$250 to the Smile Train organization. This donation will defray the cost of one surgery to correct a cleft palate for a child.

We voted to spend \$300 towards the gifts for Fr. Mike. We also voted to donate money to the Ladies Activities for the 4th Degree and the Convention.

The Knights are sponsoring a Kids Bingo on Saturday February 18th. They are requesting our help with donations of desserts/snacks and volunteers to help work the evening of the bingo.

Next meeting is Monday, February 20th. Hope to see you there!

Good Luck Fr. Mike.
We love you and you are in our prayers.
Thank you for all you've done for us.
We will miss you sorely.

