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#### GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

"VOLUNTEER- TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE"

#### My Brothers All,

Now that the Catholic Church is just about in the middle of our ordinary we now have time to think and pray about our relationship with Christ. The readings throughout this season teach us how to be more loving Christians. Let each Knight carry Christ's message of peace and love to all we meet.



Speaking of love for our neighbor, let us not forget the love that we have for the unborn. They do not have a voice in our state legislature; nor can they walk the halls of congress. Let each Knight carry the unborn' message of life and freedom to our elected officials. Make it your goal, passion, or resolution to find some way to make your voice heard. Above all else, pray for life. Whether that be for the unborn child or the elderly, life as we believe, is from conception to death.

Thanks for your service to the Fr Wolfe Council and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Vivat Jesus Larry Shannahan **Grand Knight** 

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### **Associate Chaplain's Report**

#### The Apostles

I'm always amazed at how the first Apostles were called to their ministry. Jesus is standing by the Lake of Gennesaret. He sees two fishing boats and notices that the men are washing their nets. They have been fishing all night. Washing the nets is the last job before they go home. They are exhausted but Jesus tells them to go out onto the lake into deeper water and lower the nets for a catch. Simon (who will be named Peter) says to Jesus "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets." As soon as the nets were in the water they caught a tremendous amount of fish. There were enough fish to fill both boats. Simon Peter is so



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stunned that he falls on his knees in front of Jesus and says, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man." All the others, including James and John, fell on their knees also. Jesus tells them soon they will become fishers of men. When they got to shore they left everything and followed Jesus.

What a beautiful story of how abundantly fruitful a life with Jesus can be. All of us struggle at times with financial issues or other issues life hands us. Life is difficult, we all know that. The important thing to remember is, when we invite Jesus to be an integral part of our lives, things seem to work out for the best. It still may not be easy and we might have some work to do to improve our relationship with him. If we are willing to make the effort, we will find that our boats will always be filled.

May our blessed Lord help us to see where we need to be and show us how to get there!

Peace and All Good! Deacon Jim



# THIS NEWSLETTER IS DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF OUR CHARTER GRAND KNIGHT, ED COLVIN. WE LOVE YOU ED! — KEITH MARCHIANO, PGK

AUGUST 18, 1947 - JANUARY 16, 2017

James Edward "Ed" Colvin of Aberdeen died Monday, January 16 at Perry Point VAMC. He was 69.

Born in Springfield, IL he was the son of the late Edward Colvin & Mary Lou (Burnett) Dietrich. Mr.

Colvin retired after 20 years serving in the U.S. Army. He was a Charter Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus at St. Frances de Sales, Chapter 11372. He is survived by his wife Constance Bailey Colvin; son, James Colvin; step children, David Bailey of Nottingham, PA, Annette Rolfes of Edgewood and Tamara Stewart and Michelle Maloyed and husband Donald both of Aberdeen; 13 grandchildren and six great grandchildren. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to either St. Frances de Sales Church, Abingdon, MD or the U.S.O.



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#### PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT

"WHAT'S GOING-ON IN OUR COUNCIL"

#### ARE YOU SERVING CHRIST AND THE CHURCH?

As we enter a new year with great expectations, a lot of people make resolutions on how to improve their life. By supporting the Council fundraisers, you are serving those in need and the Church.

Thank you all for your dedication to our council and Church!

- Keith Arndt, Program Director

#### **Activity Chairs**

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE COUNCIL?

Church Steve Herpel 410-569-8278 olmchssoccer@yahoo.com.

Members of the Council assisted the parish youth in the Epiphany Mass on January 7th, including members of the Fourth Degree Color Corps. Planning is underway for the Pancake Breakfast to be held on Super Bowl Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>.

Culture of Life Allen Siegel 631-220-3425 allen.w.siegel@gmail.com

The Annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. was on January 27th. A few of us attended this very important event which had around 500,000 people march, along with the first time a high-ranking politician spoke at the march when Vice President, Mike Pence, spoke to the large crowd.

On Saturday, March 25, we will recognize the Day of the Unborn Child with a procession after Mass.

**Community** Bill Hengemihle 410-539-5253 whhengemihle@verizon.net

We will be joined by the Cub Scouts for a roadside clean-up at 9:00 am on Saturday, February 25th. We need a few good men to help us make our community cleaner! Please contact Keith Arndt for more details.

Family Steve Budddenbohn 443-895-0374 sbuddenbohn@aol.com

On April 16<sup>th</sup>, Steve will be coordinating the Knights to cook hotdogs at the St. Francis Easter egg hunt. The event will start at 12 noon- more details to come. Also, planning has begun on our role in this year's Touch-A-Truck event to be held on April 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Youth** Jeff Gutowski 410-925-1762 gutowskijr@gmail.com

One of our longest running and fun events is right around the corner in our annual Kids' Bingo! This has been a tradition for our council for over the last 15+ years. This year, the bingo will be on Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>. Please make plans to bring out your kids and grandkids to join in on the fun.

Council Mike Novak, 410-515-6867 j.michael.novak@verizon.net

Our Deputy Grand Knight, Mike Novak, put on one heck of a party! Our council held our annual Christmas party on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 510 Johnny's. We danced, some dressed up in 50's

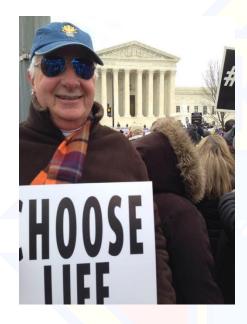
attire, and of course we enjoyed each other's company. Great job Mike!!

#### **Other Activities**

- -Volunteers are always needed for Bingo held on the second and Fourth Fridays of the month
- Our seafood chowder will be ready for pick up on the Saturday prior to the Super Bowl and again on four Fridays during Lent. We can always use help on the prep day and cooking day.

Keith Arndt
Chancellor and Program Director

March for Life







# **Father Wolfe Christmas Party**











Plenty of Dancing and Fun!!!

# 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Message

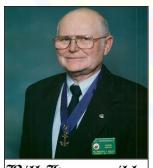
This is the last call for any Third Degree Knight who wants to participate in the Exemplification of the Fourth Degree on Saturday March 4, 2017 at the Princess Royale Hotel in Ocean City. Applications are due to the Faithful Comptroller of the Archbishop John Carroll Assembly no later than February 15. We will need to vote you in at our meeting on February 16. The Initiation Fee is \$70 and dress for the Exemplification is Tuxedo. Your Council contact is John Young. He has applications and all information to enable you to take this next step in Knighthood.

Our February meeting will be on February 16 at Mason/Dixon Council in Pylesville. The meeting will begin at 7:30.

If you need more information or a membership application contact John at <a href="mailto:jryoung2807@outlook.com">jryoung2807@outlook.com</a> or me at <a href="mailto:baltobob@comcast.net">baltobob@comcast.net</a>. We will be glad to get them to you.

Bob Renshaw PGK Faithful Navigator

## February Membership Report



Will Hengemihle with the with

Total membership is 294 members.

On February 20<sup>th,</sup> our award winning 1<sup>st</sup> degree team will hold an exemplification at 7:30pm. This will be judged and we ask for your support in attendance and by asking a Catholic man to join our wonderful council.

God bless.

Bill Hengemihle

Membership Director

### **District Deputy's Report**

Worthy brothers I bring you greetings from our State Deputy Steven M Cohen

Do you have a student entering or in a Catholic high school who could use a scholarship? Information about the Maryland State Council High School Scholarship Program is available at http://www.kofcmd.org/state1 61 7/committees/scholarships.asp

For students in or entering a Catholic College, Supreme Council scholarship information is available at http://www.kofc.org/un/en/service/scholarships/inde x.html

The deadline for Supreme scholarships is March 1, 201 7. Last year, Supreme awarded 651 scholarships totaling more than \$1.9 million



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#### INSURANCE ADVISOR'S REPORT

#### Retirement Income you cannot Outlive

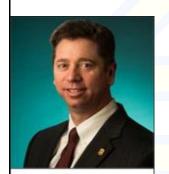
What really makes people happy during their retirement years?

Of course, good health is a big part of the answer, but from a financial perspective the happiest people in retirement may be those who do not have to worry about outliving their money.

Even if you have worked hard for many years, and carefully saved and invested your earnings, you may never know for sure if you have "enough" saved since you cannot know how long you will live. But with the right products and planning, you may not need to know! A Knights of Columbus annuity is a great way to create a stream of income that you cannot outlive.

An annuity is simply a retirement savings product designed to make periodic payments to the annuitant. With a deferred annuity, payments begin some years in the future (usually upon retirement), and with an immediate annuity the payments begin right away. There are many options for tailoring an annuity to your specific needs and priorities, but they all come with three important guarantees. First, your principal is guaranteed so your annuity will never lose value regardless of market conditions. Second, each annuity comes with a lifetime guaranteed minimum interest rate. Third, there are guaranteed settlement options.

I am here to walk you through the details, so call me today if you are interested in learning more about Knights of Columbus annuities—a guaranteed lifetime income stream from a company that shares your Catholic values.  $\blacklozenge$ 



Edward O'Keefe edward.okeefe@kofc.org 410-569-6141

# Ladies Auxiliary Report



Our next meeting will be on February 20th in the Knights Hall. As always, we welcome all ladies of the Parish. Join us as we serve the Church, Community, Youth, Council and Family. Hope to see you there!

St. Francis de Sales volunteers prepare and deliver bag lunches for 50-60 homeless people, on a rotating schedule with other churches in Harford County. Our Parishioners donate individual containers of bottled water, juice boxes, individually packaged snacks, crackers, jello and similar items.

Ann Mangones amangonesmd@aol.com

### Let's Do Lunch



This year with the help of the K of C Ladies, the Perkins family, the Gallagher family and the Myers family they decided to take it a step further. One of our members, Sally Myers coordinated a collection of items, such as socks, gloves, scarves, hats, shirts and coats to be delivered on Christmas morning. Sally and John have been passionate and dedicated to this effort for many years! The homeless people were grateful, and all donations were fully appreciated.

Thank you Sally, John, and Marge for your years of dedication to Let's do Lunch!

# **State news and Events**



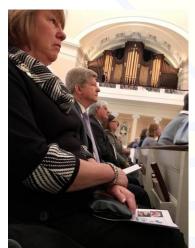
Stephen M. Cohen cohensmc42@aol.com 443-465-1308

My Brothers All, WE ARE ADVOCATES OF THE LORD

As you know, the Baltimore City Council voted on changing the name of Columbus Day, and we along with Italian American groups and the National Christopher Columbus Association were instrumental in defeating their Bill. It is believed that this will be attempted again in the very near future. Please stand by to help in any way that you can.

Continue to recruit, continue to hold Admission Degrees and continue to make your council interesting for our members. Strive for STAR Council. Ensure all forms and reports are turned in on time. If you have questions, please contact any member of

the State Team for assistance



On January 22<sup>nd</sup>, State Officers & Ladies along with Culture of Life Chairman, Mike Furst, in attendance at the Pro-Life Mass & reception at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Baltimore. The celebration included a beautiful Mass and homily by Archbishop William E. Lori (our Supreme Chaplain); award presentations to the Little Sisters of the Poor & the Nellies Family; and, special guest and singer, Tony Melendez.

Our annual tradition and commitment to Special Olympics of Maryland continues to get stronger. On Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> a few brave souls, including your state officers, braved the elements for this great cause. Thank you to all the councils who participated in this event!





Vivat Jesus!

Stephen M. Cohen More information about the state council can be found at: http://kofc-md.org/

## **Supreme News and Events**

Carl A. Anderson



# VICE PRESIDENT SPEAKS AT MARCH FOR LIFE

1/27/2017

WASHINGTON — On Friday, Jan. 27, just days after the presidential inauguration, Vice President Mike Pence spoke to tens of thousands, including members of the Knights of Columbus, gathered to participate in the 2017 March for Life.

The event has taken place every January since 1974, on or near the anniversary of **Roe v. Wade**, the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion throughout the nation.

The event kicked off with a rally sponsored by the March for Life Education and Defense Fund, which was born out of the grassroots movement that gathered on the first anniversary of **Roe v. Wade**.

At the rally, Vice President Pence, the highest-ranking government official to attend the event during its 44-year history, said, "I am deeply humbled to be the first vice president of the United States ever to attend this event." On behalf of President Trump, he also thanked the attendees for their stand for life and their compassion for the women and children of America.

Citing the Mexico City Policy that restricts funding for abortion services to foreign countries, Pence assured pro-lifers that the Trump administration will continue to devote its time and energy to making America a country for life, announcing that President Trump will name a pro-life Supreme Court nominee next week.

"We've come to a historic moment in the cause for life," he said. "Compassion is overcoming convenience, and hope is defeating despair. ... In a word, life is winning in America because of all of you." He added, "Be assured that along with you, we will not grow wearied, we will not rest, until we restore a culture of life in America for ourselves and for our posterity."

The rally began with the introduction of Jeanne Mancini, president of the March for Life Education and Defense Fund, by Deputy Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly, who referred to the march as "the largest annual civil rights gathering in the world." After greeting the crowds, Mancini welcomed Kellyanne Conway, senior counselor to President Trump.

"I am a wife, a mother, a Catholic, counselor to the president of the United States of America. And yes, I am pro-life," Conway told the crowd. "It is such an honor to stand with the vice president of the United States and with students from places near and far to defend the unborn. This is a new day, a new dawn for life."

"Why are we here? What does it mean to stand together?" she continued. "It means to protect and promote the most precious gift in the world, the gift of life."



Supreme Knight Carl Anderson and Deputy Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly talk with Vice President Mike Pence prior to his address to the tens of thousands attending the rally prior to the March for Life (Photo: Matthew Barrick).

The number of attendees at the pro-life march has grown throughout the years, with attendees coming not just from nearby states but from across the country to participate. This year, the marching crowd grew following the rally, reaching — according to EWTN reporters at the event — approximately half a million attendees.

Their attendance supports the Marist polling commissioned by the Knights of Columbus in 2016, which showed that the majority of Americans see abortion as both ultimately harmful to women and morally wrong.

Of those polled, 55 percent of Americans agreed that abortion ultimately does a woman more harm than good — an opinion equally shared by both the men and women polled. By contrast, only about 1 in 10 Americans believe there should be no restrictions on abortion.

"Year in and year out since we began polling on this issue, the American people have understood that the law can protect mother and child alike and have expressed a strong consensus in favor of abortion restrictions," said Supreme Knight Anderson. "It is time for a new national conversation on abortion, one that begins with this consensus in favor of restrictions — a consensus that American women and men have already reached."

This year, as in past years, the crowd at the March for Life consisted of people of all faiths and political backgrounds. Countless pro-life banners and flags were on display, including the thousands of Knights of Columbus "Defend Life" and "Choose Life" signs distributed by the D.C. State Council. Many participants attended with their families and young children. Others, such as college and high school students, traveled together on parish- or school-sponsored buses.

Armed with cell phones, many marchers shared their support of life on social media using the hashtag #PowerofOne, which was the hopeful theme of this year's march. The theme emphasized the power that each individual person can have in building a culture that protects life at each and every stage.

Following the rally, the nearly 2-mile march began from the National Mall and progressed past the U.S. Capitol before concluding at the Supreme Court building.

Standing together, marchers once more defended the weakest in society. It is a cause that has endured both weather and time as people continue to make a stand — or in this case, a march — for life.

#### Vivat Jesus!

Supreme Knight Carl Anderson



# Special Intentions December 2016

Keep in your prayers the following Brothers and family members:

Will and Pat Glassman

Cooper Young

Eric Young

**Ed Colvin** 

Connie Colvin

**Ed Petrovic** 

Norm Martin

Mallory O'Keefe

**Charles Duke** 

Patricia O'Connor (Brian's mother)

Bill Elliott's wife, Chrissy

Mike Brown's Mother

Rob and Pam Hardy and Pam's mother

Steve Wisniewski

Ronald Gutowski

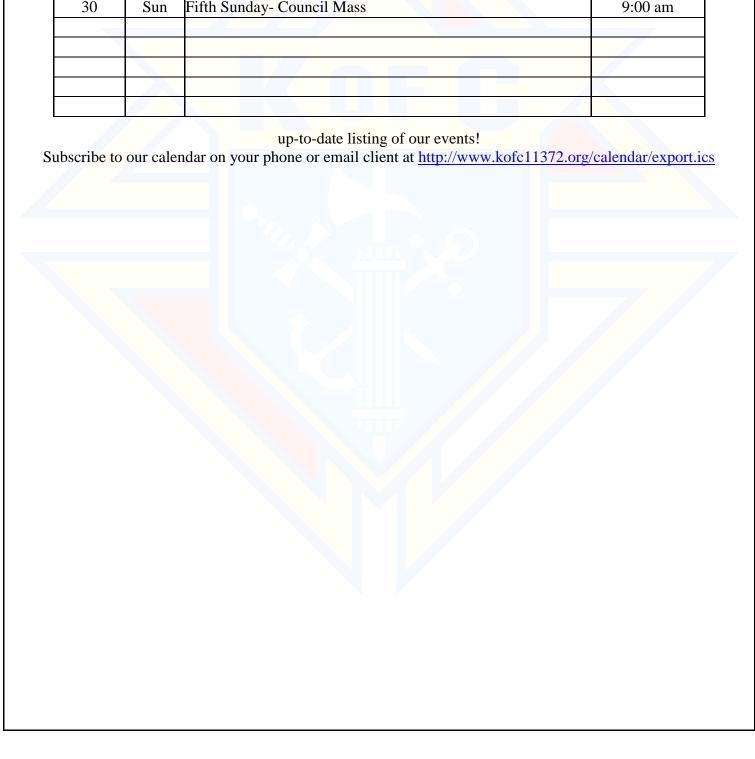
Pray for all of our country's peace keepers and first responders, especially the police officers. We pray that they may always be safe while protecting us in service to our country, state and county's citizens.

# THREE MONTH PLANNER

Check out <a href="http://www.kofc11372.org/calendar">http://www.kofc11372.org/calendar</a> for a full

		February 2017	
3	Fri	Slice and Dice Chowder	10:00 am
4	Sat	Cook and Sell Chowder	10:00 am
5	Sun	Super Bowl	8:00pm
5	Sun	Pancake Breakfast- Kilduff Hall	7:00 am
6	Mon	Council Meeting- KofC Hall	7:30pm
10	Fri	Bingo-Kilduff Hall	6:00 pm
11	Sat	Kids' Bingo	6:30 pm
13	Mon	Officers Meeting- KofC Hall	7:30pm
14	Tue	Valentines' Day DON'T FORGET!	All Day
16	Thu	Assembly at Mason-Dixon	7:30 pm
20	Mon	Council Meeting- Kilduff Hall	7:30 pm
24	Fri	Bingo - Kilduff Hall	6:00 pm
		March 2017	
1	Wed	Ash Wednesday	
2	Thu	Chowder Prep	10:00am - 12:00pm
3	Fri	Chowder Cook & Sales	10:00am-7:00pm
6	Mon	Council Meeting- KofC Hall	7:30pm
10	Fri	Bingo	6:00pm
10 - 12	Fri-Sun	Malvern Retreat	
13	Mon	Officers Meeting- KofC Hall	7:30pm
16	Thu	4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly @ St. Ignatius	7:30 pm
16	Thu	Chowder Prep	10:00 am - 12:00pm
17	Fri	Chowder Cook & Sales	10:00am - 7:00pm
20	Mon	Council Meeting- Kilduff Hall	7:30pm
24	Fri	Bingo	6:00pm
25	Sat	Feast of the Assumption Mass & Procession	5:00 pm
30	Thu	Chowder Prep	10:00am - 12:00pm

April 2017					
3	Mon	Council Meeting- KofC Hall	7:30pm		
10	Mon	Officer Meeting- KofC Hall	7:30pm		
14	Fri	Good Friday	No Bingo		
TBD		Youth Baltimore Pilgrimage			
15	Sat	Easter Egg Hunt and hot dog sale	12:00 pm		
16	Sun	Easter			
17	Mon	Council Meeting and First Degree	7:30		
20	Thu	Assembly @ Mason-Dixon Council	7:30		
22	Sat	Ladies Event	TBD		
28	Fri	Bingo	6:00 pm		
29	Sat	Touch A Truck	10:00 am		
30	Sun	Fifth Sunday- Council Mass	9:00 am		



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# Lee Eder, FN, PGK



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