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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

"VOLUNTEER- TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE"

Brothers All,

First, I hope everyone enjoyed their celebration of Christmas with family and friends and that your New Year will be filled with Health, Happiness and Prosperity. Secondly, I



would like to thank everyone who participated in the many activities held here during the holiday season (i.e.: Christmas Bingo, Children's Christmas Party, The Laying of Wreaths to Honor Our Departed Veterans, Journey Around St Francis de Sales, etc.). A very special Thank You to Lee Eder and his family for taking the lead and those who helped with the very successful Pit Beef Project.

As the New Year begins, we have a full slate of activities to prepare for:

- 1. Parish Bingos every 2^{nd} and 4^{th} Friday of the month.
- 2. March for Life on Friday January 19th
- 3. Council Holiday Party January 20th
- 4. Super Bowl Seafood Chowder February 2nd
- 5. Pancake Breakfast February 3rd
- 6. Council's 1st Degree Team Judged by State Council on February 5th
- 7. Kids Bingo February 10th

Bingo

It not only benefits our Council but Our Parish as well. We have found ourselves on occasion in a difficult position, very few volunteers to assist with Bingo. We need your help, if you can volunteer for just one of the Friday Bingos a month it would greatly be appreciated. Our Bingos are held on the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month and we could really use a hand. YOU NEED NO EXPERIENCE TO WORK BINGO. Please let Greg Ward at ajward63@qmail.com know of your availability.

Finally, know the qualifications for membership. If you have a friend who might be a perspective member, talk to him and his wife about how the Council benefits the family. Also, I am inviting those who have not been active in our council activities, over a period of time, to come back and join us. I'm sure that with your continued support and prayers we will be successful in our endeavors.

May God Bless all my Brother Knights this New Year 2018

Vivat Jesus Mike Novak PFN Grand Knight SUPREME KNIGHT

Carl Anderson

Stephen M. Cohen

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Associate Chaplain's Report

Another New Year

Well, it's all over. Another holiday season has drawn to a close. The decorations are taken down (or are they?), the gifts are put away and it's time to make those New Year resolutions. I will lose weight, quit smoking and drinking, be a nicer person, have a closer relationship with God. Wait a minute, what was that? I already have a relationship with God. I go to Mass every Sunday, say the Rosary, do lots of good work as a Knight and try my best to be a good person! What else am I supposed to do?

How about making our lives, your life, a life of prayer? St. Paul encourages us to pray always. To pray always does not mean we sit or kneel in church all day praying prayers someone else wrote. Praying always means being aware that God is with us all the time. It means God



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through the smoke of selfishness so we may more fully enjoy his work. How do we do that? We ask God to help us to know him better. A holy card or other small religious symbol placed on a dresser or night stand could serve as a reminder to ask God to make his presence known to us. When we see the picture or symbol perhaps we could ask the Lord to remind us that he is always with us and together we can do great things.

has a hand in everything we see, touch and hear. If we learn to pray daily, God will give us the wisdom to see

The rest is up to God and believe me, he works in ways that surprise us all! Let this be the year we change our relationship with God. We need only to ask. He's waiting to hear from us.

Peace and All Good! Deacon Jim

PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT

"What's Going-on in Our Council"

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Culture of Life Ed Petrovic. <u>e.petrovic@verizon.net</u>

On Friday, January 19th the annual March for Life will take place in Washington DC. We will be splitting a bus with St. Margaret's Parish. If you are interested, please contact Ed or Steve.

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Our annual Christmas party will be held January 20th at Primavera Restaurant. Festivities to start at

6:30pm until 9:30pm and cost is \$25 per person.

Other Activities:

Bingo is held the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month. Please contact Steve Herpel or Greg Ward, PGK gjward63@gmail.com if you can help.

Call Steve Herpel, Program Director, with questions or to volunteer. Cell: 410-987-5621 olmchsoccer@yahoo.com



Kids Christmas Party











Wreaths Across America 2017















Ladies Auxiliary

Lots of great events to come!
April Holdun, Secretary, aprholdun@icloud.com

January Membership Report



Will Hengemihle with the with

Hey brothers, its dues time once again. I want to send a shout out to all the members who send in their yearly dues very faithfully even though they do not get or take the chance to be more active with the council. We fully understand. We need you and respect you as members of the greatest Catholic men's organization in the world. We have strength in our numbers. If you can lend a hand a couple times a year with one of our activities, that would be greatly appreciated.

We are looking to have an admissions degree (formerly 1st degree) in February. Please let me know if you have any Catholic men looking to join our wonderful council.

Thank you in advance for your prompt dues payment and have a great 2018.

Bill Hengemihle

Membership Director

District Deputy's Report

Brothers I bring you greetings from our State Deputy Steven M Cohen. I hope you all had Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Let's start the new year off by bringing in a new member. New members keep our councils growing and building in the word of the Lord.

If you haven't talked to your insurance agent you should give him a call he is there to help.

We are in the process of putting together a 2nd degree. If you wish to help to be part of our district formation degree team, contact me <u>mikegeorgulas@gmail.com</u>.



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State Convention sign up date will start on January 8, 2018. Go here to register: http://www.mdkocconvention.org/

The state convention will be held May 4th through 6th in Ocean City, MD. This is always a fun time, plus celebrating Mass together at St. Luke's Church is something you will always remember.

Vivat Jesus,

Mike Georgulas, District Deputy



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INSURANCE ADVISOR'S REPORT

Edward O'Keefe, CLU, ChFC, CASL, FICF, LUTCF

WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU LIVE?

THE SECURITY OF LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE

Thanks to marvelous innovations in medical technology and advances in living and working conditions, many of us will enjoy long, prosperous lives. With average life expectancies on the rise, there's a lot to be grateful for and look forward to. But living longer also comes with added responsibilities that we must take seriously.

Typically, when thinking about insurance products, we think about "what ifs." For life insurance, we think: What if we get in an accident? For medical insurance, we think: What if we get sick? For disability insurance, we think: What if we get injured?

But for long-term care, the question is different. It's not just what if something happens to us — but what if something doesn't happen? What happens if we live?

"So what?" you say. "I won't need long-term care." But the statistics tell a different story. Seventy percent of individuals over the age of 65 will need some type of long-term care service during their lifetime. And, just as you would imagine, paying out-of-pocket for long-term care is neither brief nor cheap. The average duration of long-term care needed per individual is three years, at a national annual cost of \$86,700 for nursing home care and \$60,000 for at-home nursing care.

Traditional and government medical insurance programs usually don't provide much help. According to the Department of Health and Human Services, Medicare only pays long-term care services for a maximum of 100 days, and that's only if you meet certain criteria. Medicaid does pay for long-term care, but only if your income is below a certain level and you meet state requirements. As for employer-sponsored or private health insurance plans, they typically cover a limited range of services similar to that provided by Medicare.¹

Subsequently, many of us are left drawing from our own resources or our family's resources to cover long-term care costs. It can be an expensive proposition just when cash resources need to be preserved for retirement.

That's why long-term care insurance should be considered part of an overall sound insurance protection strategy, and that's why the Knights of Columbus is proud to offer long-term care insurance to our members and their eligible family members.

Simply put, long-term care insurance is designed to help cover the cost of your long-term medical needs.

Available in 3-year, 5-year and 10-year benefit periods, our flexible plans come with a number of different options and ways for you to customize your long-term care coverage to help fit your unique needs and budget.

You choose a daily benefit amount that the policy provides and specify whether you want to be covered for care in an assisted-living facility or at home. You may also elect to purchase a Compound Inflation Rider, which will increase your maximum lifetime benefit by 3 or 5 percent each year. And, should you choose to apply for long-term care insurance with your spouse, each of you will receive a 30 percent discount through our Spousal Discount program.

Father Wolfe Charity Corporation

Did you know we have a charity corporation? Our charity corporation has 3 primary beneficiaries: St. Francis de Sales Outreach program, John Archer School for kids with special needs, and the Father Wolfe Scholarship program to benefit students attending Catholic High School and College.

Did you also know that you can designate the Father Wolfe Charity Corporation as the beneficiary if you or one of your loved one passes away? Instead of flowers, you can ask family and friends make donations to our charity corporation.

Own a business and want to make a tax-deductible donation? You can do that as well.

If you have any questions or wish to inquire about information from above, please contact Keith Marchiano, PGK and President of Father Wolfe Charity Corporation, kmarch52@verizon.net

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State news and Events

On December 5th the State Officers, along with Supreme Chaplain Archbishop Lori, handed out Coats for Kids at St. Peter Church in Baltimore City. This annual event gave us the chance to make sure those that might not have a winter coat receive one. This year many councils participated throughout the state. Thank you to those who participated.

Now is the time to pull all your numbers together for your council's annual fraternal survey. This is where you show your council's charitable activities over the past year.

The state convention is in May and details are up on the state website. Please make sure to register on January 8th, especially if you want a room at the Princess Royale. The Supreme Convention in August will be held in Baltimore. Volunteers are needed before, during, and after the convention. Please go to the state website for more details and contact Jack Giacolone to sign up. The mid-term meeting is being held at Columbus Gardens on January 6th. Please make sure all Grand Knights and Deputy Grand Knights attend this meeting. It is especially helpful for incoming Grand Knights to attend.

On behalf of my wife Vicky, I want to wish you and your family a very Happy New Year!!!

Vivat Jesus! Stephen M. Cohen

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

Supreme News and Events A RENEWAL OF THE FAMILY

12/1/2017

by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson

IN FOCUSING ON "BUILDING THE DOMESTIC CHURCH," THE ORDER HELPS CATHOLIC FAMILIES TO FULFILL THEIR MISSION



In December, we fix our gaze on the Holy Family and are able to see how, in the words of the Second Vatican Council, "authentic married love is caught up into divine love" (Gaudium et Spes, 48).

In his apostolic exhortation **Amoris Laetitia**, Pope Francis reminds us that the Holy Family exudes the beauty of family life (65). He then recalls the words of Pope Paul VI that the Holy Family "illuminates the principle which gives shape to every family" (66).

During the past several years, the Knights of Columbus has begun a number of important initiatives to help our families draw closer to the Holy Family and, in this way, to get "caught up into divine love."

One of our most important initiatives is our program of family consecration to the Holy Family.

In his apostolic exhortation **Familiaris Consortio**, St. John Paul II wrote, "The family has the mission to guard, reveal and communicate love" (17). He went on to say, "Man cannot live without love. He remains a being that is incomprehensible for himself, his life is senseless, if love is not revealed to him, if he does not encounter love, if he does not experience it and make it his own, if he does not participate intimately in it" (18).

This task is revealed in an intense and intimate way to the members of the family — both as individuals and as a community. Pope Francis states that in fulfilling its mission, "every family, despite its weaknesses, can become a light in the darkness of the world" (Amoris Laetitia, 66).

The Second Vatican Council also addressed the mission of the laity in broader terms, noting that "the laity, by their very vocation, seek the kingdom of God by engaging in temporal affairs and by ordering them according to the plan of God" (Lumen Gentium, 31).

Then the council tells us something astonishing: The laity is called to "consecrate the world itself to God" (34).

The French philosopher Jean-Luc Marion suggests this means that each Christian is called first and foremost to "convert the part of the world that is in him."

We might add that the layman is also called to convert that part of the world which is uniquely entrusted to him: his marriage and his family.

Seen in this light, the Order's program of family consecration to the Holy Family will help many of our members to take an important step in fulfilling their responsibility as husbands and fathers to consecrate their "part of the world" to God.

By understanding the Christian family as a domestic church, the Order's initiative to strengthen Catholic family life calls attention to the family's identity and mission.

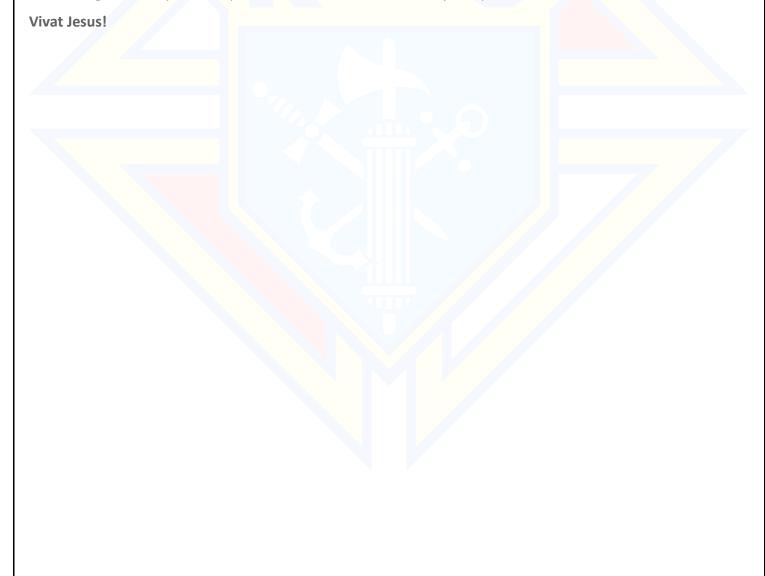
Much can be said about the family as a domestic church. But a good place to begin is with what Pope Benedict XVI wrote in **Deus Caritas Est** about the Church itself. "The Church's deepest nature," he explained, "is expressed in her three-fold responsibility: of proclaiming the word of God, celebrating the sacraments, and exercising the ministry of charity" (25).

These duties also apply to the domestic church. The family has the duty to evangelize, to worship and to perform acts of charity.

In order to help more brother Knights take up their leadership role within their families — to help transmit the faith to their children and lead them in worship and a commitment to Christian charity — we have made available the new guide to fostering masculine spirituality, Into the Breach.

Pope Francis also tells us in **Amoris Laetitia** that "the Church is a family of families, constantly enriched by the lives of all those domestic churches" (87).

With this in mind, we unite all of our family programs in the initiative Building the Domestic Church While Strengthening Our Parish. In this way, all of our Knights of Columbus families can be at the service of the Church in greater ways and help to lead a renewal of both family and parish life.





Special Intentions January 2018

Keep in your prayers the following Brothers, family members and friends:

Dave Brown (SFDS Parishioner)

Ed Colvin Family

Charlie Carpenter (Rich Sosna Father-In-Law)

Charles Duke

Dan Forte

Father Jaime Garcia

Mercez Garcia (Fr. Jaime's mother)

Will and Pat Glassman

Ron Gutowski

Rob and Pam Hardy and Pam's mother

Steve Herpel's brother, David, and mother, Mildred

Margaret Kholes

John & Sally Myers

Patricia O'Connor (Brian's mother)

Mallory O'Keefe

Mike Novak's brothers, Al & Walt

Rich Wolfe

Cooper Young

Eric Young

Greg Ward and his family as they mourn the death of Greg's mom Theresa Ward John Schmidt

Pray for our country's peace keepers serving around the world 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. We pray for those who were killed in Texas. We pray for Christians in the Middle East that are persecuted for their religious beliefs. Pray for our local priests & deacon and that more personnel will enter the Catholic vocations.

THREE MONTH PLANNER

Check out http://www.kofc11372.org/calendar for a full up-to-date listing of our events!

		January	
Mon	1	NEW YEAR'S DAY – HAVE A BLESSED YEAR	All Day
Mon	1	NO K of C General Meeting	
Mon	8	Officers' Meeting- Knights Hall	7:30 PM
Fri	12	Bingo Night	6:00 PM
Mon	15	Officers Meeting	7:30 PM
Fri	19	March for Life- Washington DC	All Day
Sat	20	Council Christmas Party- Primavera	6:30 PM
Mon	22	K of C General Meeting	7:30 PM
Mon	22	K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	7:30 PM
Fri	26	Bingo Night	6:00 PM
Sat	27	Clergy Appreciation Dinner- TBD	TBD
		February	
Sat	2	Seafood Chowder Sales for Super Bowl	TBD
Sun	3	Pancake Breakfast and Scout Sunday- Kilduff Hall	8:00 AM
Mon	5	K of C General Meeting- Knights Hall	7:30 PM
Fri	9	Bingo Night	6:00 PM
Sat	10	Kids Bingo (Youth Activity)	TBD
Mon	12	K of C Officers Meeting- Knights Hall	7:30 PM
Wed	14	HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY	All Day
Mon	19	K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting (President's Day)	7:30 PM
Mon	19	K of C General Meeting- Kilduff Hall	7:30 PM
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March			
Mon	5	K of C General Meeting- Knights Hall	7:30 PM
Fri	9	Bingo Night	6:00 PM
Mon	12	K of C Officers Meeting- Knights Hall	7:30 PM
Sat	17	HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY	All Day
Mon	19	K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting (President's Day)	7:30 PM
Mon	19	K of C General Meeting- Kilduff Hall	7:30 PM
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