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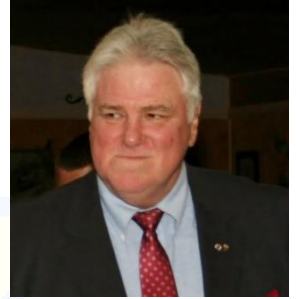
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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

"VOLUNTEER- TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE"



Brothers All,

First and foremost, I would like to wish all my Brother Knights and their families a Happy and Blessed Easter. With that said, we had a busy schedule in March selling our Lenten Chowder, working the Parish Bingo, hosting our St. Patrick's Day Celebration and hosting an after-competition luncheon for the Special Olympic Ice Skaters. I want to thank my Brother Knights, who volunteered, for their time and energy that made these events so successful. On a Spiritual note, I understand that the Malvern Retreat was inspirational and fulfilling. I am sorry that I was unable to attend. I specifically want to thank Keith Arndt and George Hemelt for running our Lenten Chowder, Rich Sosna for heading up our Malvern Retreat, Steve Herpel for chairing our St Patrick's Day Celebration and Keith Arndt for Chairing our Special Olympics Luncheon.

April will be a little less stressful as we prepare for these upcoming events:

- 1. Bingo every 2nd and 4th Friday of the month.*
- 2. Beginning the preparation for upcoming election of officers in May*
- 3. Assisting with Touch-A-Truck*
- 4. The 5th Sunday Knight' Mass on April 29th at 11:00 am.*

Our Program Director Steve Herpel will cover the bulk of the activities in his Program Director's section of this newsletter.

Bingo

It not only benefits our Council but Our Parish as well. 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 gjward63@gmail.com know of your availability.

I am asking my Brother Knights to reach out to a friend who is a practicing Catholic and not a fellow Knight and invite him to join our Fraternal Organization. I also invite those who have not been active in our council activities to come back and join us. If you can give an hour or two over the next two months to support one of our activities, it would be greatly appreciated.

Please keep our Brother Knights, their Families and our Clergy in your prayers.

Vivat Jesus

Mike Novak PFN

Grand Knight

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Associate Chaplain's Report

After the Resurrection

During the Easter season, I'm always drawn to the story of the Road to Emmaus. We might be surprised that Jesus' closest followers do not recognize him. They are terrified, startled and actually thought they were seeing a ghost. We ask ourselves, "How can this be?" They had just spent about three years with Jesus. They ate with him, visited all of Galilee and beyond, woke up together, and watched him heal and cure many people along the way! You would think they would know Jesus quite well. It isn't until Jesus opens their minds and hearts to the Scripture that they understand exactly what happened. It isn't until Jesus explains in words they can understand that they begin to grasp the meaning of his resurrection. They will still experience fear and doubt about what they learned while Jesus was with them. It is not until Pentecost when the Holy Spirit comes that they truly understand his mission and the mission they were recruited to do.

It's the same with us. We need instruction and the gifts of the Holy Spirit in order to do the work Jesus wants us to do. Even then we may struggle. This is the reason God gave us our church. It is the church's work on earth to teach us and grant us the wisdom to be disciples of Jesus. That is why it is so important for us to attend church regularly. It is in the writings of the Scripture that we can become closer to our Lord. It is my sincere hope that all of us will try to attend Mass on a regular basis. It is there we will learn what Jesus wants us to know.

May God bless you and your families, and may you know he is always with you.

Peace and All Good,
Deacon Jim



**Deacon Jim
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PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT

"WHAT'S GOING-ON IN OUR COUNCIL"

Steve Herpel, (M) 443-987-5621, E-Mail olmchssoccer@yahoo.com

FROM THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR... WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE COUNCIL?

Reservations are now being taken for the Knights of Columbus MD **State Convention** in Ocean City, MD. This annual event takes place the first week-end in May. The **Saint Patrick's Day Celebration** was very successful and fun for all. Thanks to all my brothers who participated and a special thanks to our Ladies Auxiliary helping with decorations, Baskets of Cheer, set-up of the hall, and help at the Big Six Wheel. Their contributions were wonderful. Tremendous thanks and kudos to our student support (Isabel Sans, Madison Buddenbohn, Patrick Harper, & Celine Brundridge) serving the buffet line, helping with food set-up, desert distribution and clean-up. I would especially like to thank our DGK Keith Arndt for his leg-work throughout the planning of the event and helping to keep me focused.



Activity Chairs

Church Larry Shannahan 443-928-9393 ishannahan@comcast.net .

Larry is a very visible Church Director in our Council as well as providing support to other efforts in our Parish. Thanks for all you do.

Culture of Life Ed Petrovic. e.petrovic@verizon.net

Thank to Ed for all of his support this year for such an important part of our council activities and our faith!

Community Charlie Gill 410-679-3703 sfmanager@archbalt.org

Charlie will be working our annual support to the John Archer School on May 5th. We have always provided brothers to support the school's one primary fund raiser of the year for its May Day Event. This event always seems to fall on the same weekend as the MD State Convention but we have always sent a strong contingent of brothers. Let Charlie know if you like to help – we need you and this is a very rewarding experience!

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

Thanks to Steve for his hard work in Family Activities and his crossover into the Youth initiatives with Jeff. The Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 3, for Families & Youth will be completed by the time you read this but Steve & Jeff are working hard to ensure this event and the Touch-A-Truck event support for both Families & Youth of our parish on Saturday, April 28. will be very entertaining and fun.

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

Jeff continues to provide entertainment for the youth of our council and the parish. Thanks to Jeff for his guidance and support and he will be providing support to both the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, Mar 31, which will be completed by the time this issue is published, and as well as the Touch-A-Truck event on Saturday, April 28.

Council Rob Hardy, 410-459-6132 rob@robhardy.net

The St. Patrick's Day Celebration was a fun time for all even if you happened to not be of Irish heritage. Everyone can be Irish for the evening. This Council event was to raise funds for our K of C Charities. Rob was also our primary camera person for the event and I am sure we will see a few in this edition. Thank you, Rob.

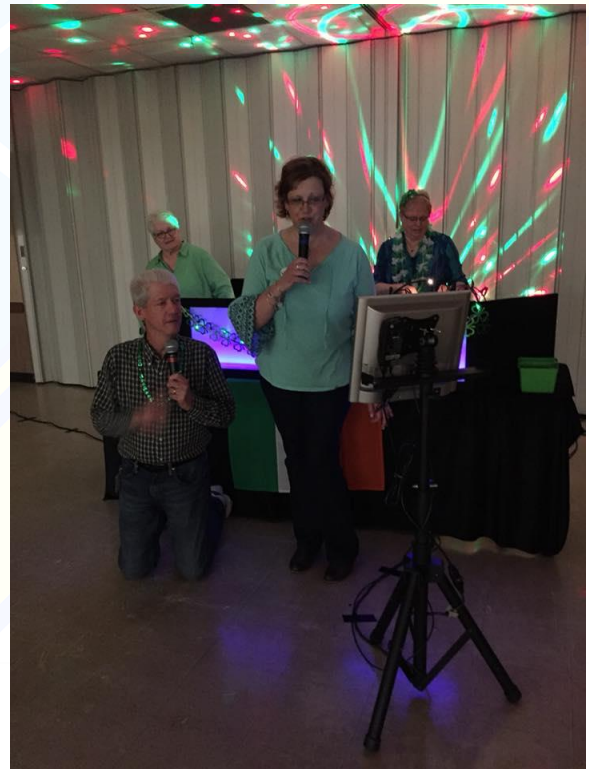
Other Activities:

Volunteers are always needed for Bingo held on the second and Fourth Fridays of the month. Brother Greg Ward and his cast of merry men and women have done a super job with this program that directly supports our parish and the Knights.

**Call Steve Herpel, Program Director, with questions or to volunteer. Cell: 410-987-5621
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St. Patrick's Day Party!!!





April Membership Report



Bill Hengemihle
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We are entering our final few months in our fraternal year. I ask each brother find a Catholic Man to invite to become a Knight of Columbus. There is no better gift you can provide a Catholic friend then to ask them to become a member of our order. Please let me know if you have any candidates.

Bill Hengemihle
Membership Director

Brothers and Ladies, there are a lot of members of our council that have the same story, "I was at a St. Francis de Sales event and was approached by Bill Hengemihle who asked me to become a Knight of Columbus." Bill recruited over 100 members into our council for more than a decade. Bill has decided after many years to step down as our membership director. I am a Knight because of this man. Bill, on behalf of our entire council, well done our good and faithful servant! Thank you for everything you have done for our council. We love you brother!

Keith Marchiano, PGK

District Deputy's Report

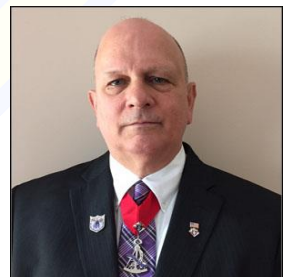
Brothers I bring you greetings from State Deputy Steve Cohen

Our district will be having a second degree being held at St. Francis de Sales Kilduff Hall on Monday, April 30th at 7pm. If you are a 1st degree member and want to take part in this ceremonial, please contact Keith Arndt at 936-828-0624.

I'm looking forward to seeing everybody at the convention next month.

Vivat Jesus,

Mike Georgulas, District Deputy



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INSURANCE ADVISOR'S REPORT

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



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LIFE INSURANCE CALCULATOR

Did you know that in addition to our insurance products, there are Family Fraternal Benefits that can help our members facing unique needs? Some of these benefits include: orphan benefits and member/spouse accidental death benefits. Contact me to learn more.

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Father Wolfe Scholarship Program

Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Charity Corporation
2018 Scholarship Application

- 1) Please read application carefully and answer all questions fully.
- 2) For high school students: If the student is awarded funds from the State Council, no funds will be awarded from Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Charity Corp.
- 3) Current or past recipients of the Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Charity Corporation scholarship must also follow these guidelines if they wish to be eligible for funds for the current year.
- 4) Eligibility is extended to any active member, or child, or grandchild of an active member of Father Wolfe Council #11372 planning to attend a four-year Catholic High School, four-year baccalaureate program or technical vocational program. All dues of the member/sponsoring members must be current.
- 5) Only one scholarship per family or sponsoring member will be granted.
- 6) An updated transcript from the student's college or high school (on school letterhead) is required.
- 7) For first year applicants, a letter of recommendation from an adult (non-family member) who has knowledge of the services you have provided to your school, church, and/or community.
- 8) Students are required to possess and maintain a 2.5 GPA to be eligible.
- 9) Please submit all information, postmarked no later than 5/21/2018 (no applications submitted after will be accepted) to:

Charity Corporation President
Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Charity Corporation
PO Box 942
Abingdon, MD 21009

All applicants should be available for an in- person interview during the first two weeks of June of 2018. All applicants will be called to schedule time to interview with the Scholarship committee during this period. Final award announcements will be made no later than June 30, 2018. The presentation of the scholarship will be made at the Fr Maurice J Wolfe Council's annual Installation of Officers held on July 21, 2018. Scholarship recipients and their parents are expected to attend.

Awards will be announced on or about 6/17/2018.

Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Charity Corporation
2018 Scholarship Application

Student's Full Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone number _____ Email _____

Member Name _____ Member # _____

Relationship to Above _____

School presently attending _____

Address _____

High School/ College you plan to attend _____

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Intended Course of Study _____

Honors, Awards, and Community Service:

Extra- Curricular Activities (School, Church, offices held or awards) List dates involved:

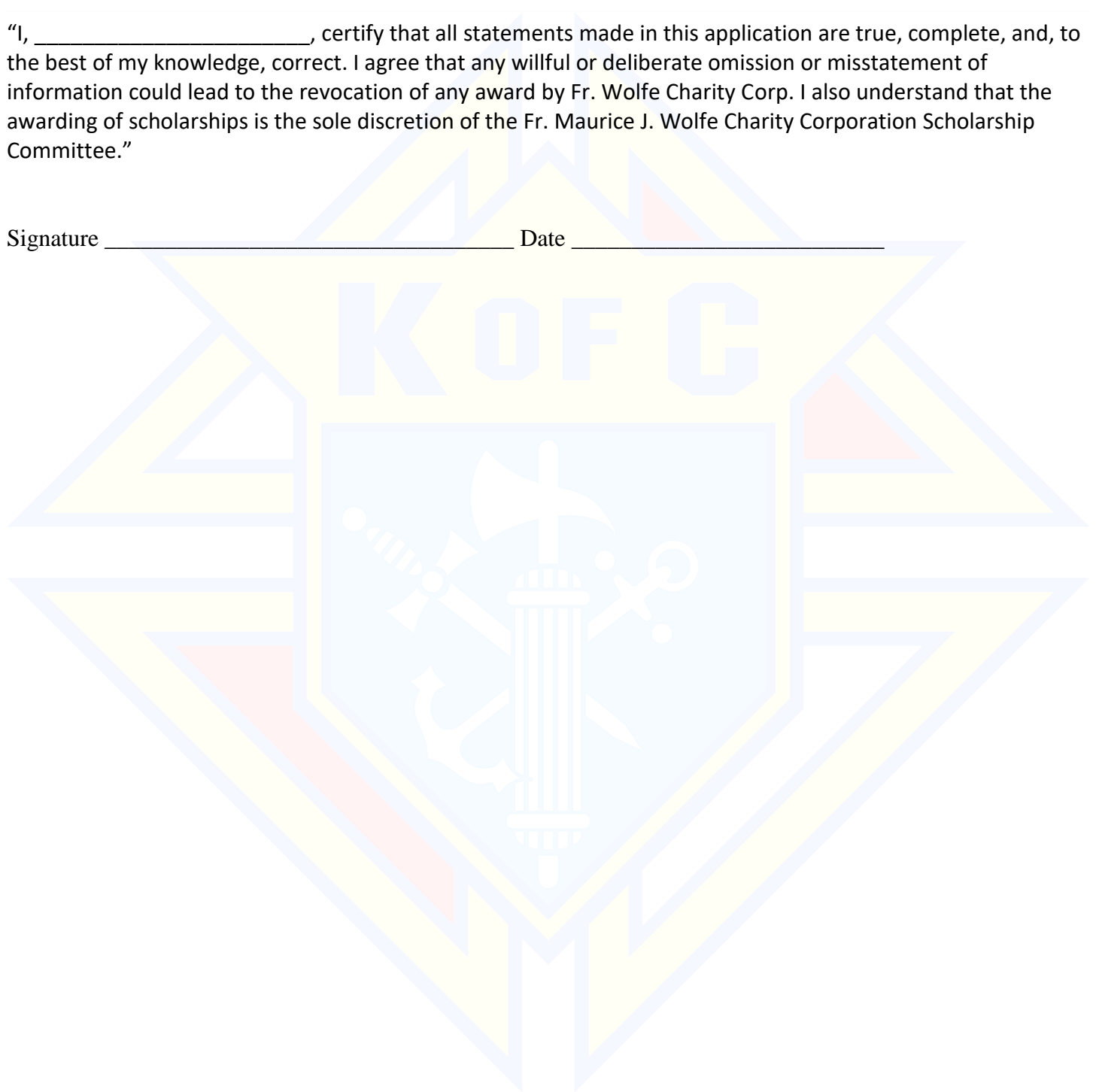
List any jobs you have worked during your high school:

On a separate sheet of paper, in at least 250 words, please explain why you are choosing your course of study and why you are requesting financial assistance from Fr. Wolfe Charity Corp.

Please feel free to attach any additional information you feel would help the charity corporation committee get to know you better as a person and assist us with the selection process.

"I, _____, certify that all statements made in this application are true, complete, and, to the best of my knowledge, correct. I agree that any willful or deliberate omission or misstatement of information could lead to the revocation of any award by Fr. Wolfe Charity Corp. I also understand that the awarding of scholarships is the sole discretion of the Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Charity Corporation Scholarship Committee."

Signature _____ Date _____



Supreme News and Events



‘TO RECEIVE AND GIVE LIFE’

4/1/2018

by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson

REVERSING NEGATIVE DEMOGRAPHIC TRENDS WILL DEPEND ON EMBRACING THE CHURCH’S WISDOM ABOUT MARRIAGE AND FAMILY

IN 1980, I had the opportunity to speak in Rome at a conference on the future of the family in Europe and Africa, which was sponsored by the Catholic University of the Sacred Heart’s medical school.

During the meeting, a young African mother introduced herself and her new baby. She told us that her child’s name was “Gift Francis” and that she chose that name because when she was pregnant her parish priest, who was a Franciscan missionary, told her that her child was a gift from God.

I thought of Gift Francis last Advent when Pope Francis lamented nations that have entered a demographic winter because they have “chosen sterility.” Pope Francis contrasted this with the Christian’s way of life that is open “to receive and give life.”

The pope’s words followed a recent study published by Demographic Intelligence, which reports that the U.S. birthrate has fallen to a 30-year low of 1.77 children per woman. The study predicts that the U.S. birthrate will be at its lowest rate of growth since the Great Depression years of 1936-1937.

Numerous factors influence this negative growth; we identified many during our conference back in 1980. But now some experts suggest there may be a new factor: a correlation between the birth rate and increased use of social media.

They say more time spent in virtual reality has not only diminished real human interaction but created a new hesitation to commit to long-term relationships such as marriage and especially to the responsibility of raising children.

In an earlier column this year, I wrote about the coming of a new crisis as developments in science in areas such as artificial intelligence, robotics and genetics increasingly blur our understanding of what it means to be human and even to act in a human way.

I wrote that, in this regard, Pope Paul VI’s 1968 encyclical, *Humanae Vitae*, was truly prophetic.

As we approach the 50th anniversary of the encyclical, let us strive to recover its central teaching, that “married love particularly reveals its true nature and nobility when we realize that it takes its origin from God, who ‘is love,’” (8) and that “this love is above all fully human”(9).

If we do not recover this understanding of the “true nature and nobility” of married love, many younger Catholics living in a thoroughly secularized culture will find it increasingly difficult — if not impossible — to understand “human fulfillment” and what it means to be “fully human.”

We need more Catholic couples to adopt the attitude described by Pope Francis: a life of such generosity and sacrifice that they are willing “to receive and give life.”

This will require all of us to make greater efforts to transmit the central teaching of *Humanae Vitae* regarding the dignity and mission of marriage. This is one of the great pastoral challenges facing the Church in our time.

The Knights of Columbus is seeking to strengthen Catholic families by helping men and women understand their mission as both spouses and parents in terms of a “domestic church.”

We hope more Catholic families will appreciate in their daily lives how, in the words of Paul VI, “the marriage of those who have been baptized ... represents the union of Christ and His Church” (8).

At times, this will require Catholic couples to act heroically. At times, all of us will respond imperfectly. But this should only make us more, not less, determined to accompany and assist each other in fulfilling the noble mission given to our families. The safeguarding of this mission has been entrusted, through Father McGivney’s foresight, to our noble Order.

Vivat Jesus!





Special Intentions

April 2018

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

Stony Burke (K of C Member)
Steve Buddenbohn's Father Robert Buddenbohn
Charles Duke (Council Member)
Father Jaime Garcia
Merchez Garcia (Fr. Jaime's mother)
Charlie Gill (Council Member)
Will and Pat Glassman (Council Member)
Ron Gutowski & Wife (Council Member)
Rob and Pam Hardy and Pam's mother
Steve Herpel (Brother – David) & (Mother – Mildred)
Margaret Kholes
Norm Martin (Council Member)
John & Sally Myers (Council Member)
Brian O'Connor (Mother - Patricia), (Brother – Ray) & (Daughter – Amy Bowen)
Ed O'Keefe (Daughter – Mallory) & (Mother, RIP)
Mike Novak (Council Member, Grand Knight)
Mike Novak's brothers, Al & Walt
Mike Walsh's Grand Niece Charlotte Vasilaks (Only one month old)
Steve Wisneuski (Council Member)
John Young (Son – Eric) & (Grandson – Cooper)

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. Pray for our local priests & deacons and that more personnel will enter the Catholic vocations.

THREE MONTH PLANNER

APRIL 2018			
DAY	DATE	EVENT	TIME
SUN	1	HAPPY EASTER - CHRIST IS RISEN	All Day
MON	2	K of C General Meeting	7:30 PM
MON	9	K of C Officers' Meeting	7:30 PM
FRI	13	Bingo Night @ the Hall	6:00 PM
MON	16	K of C General Meeting	7:30 PM
MON	16	K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	7:30 PM
TUE	17	INCOME TAX DEADLINE	All Day
SAT	21	K of C Ladies Auxiliary Event	TBD
SUN	22	EARTH DAY	All Day
FRI	27	Bingo Night @ the Hall	6:00 PM
SAT	28	Touch-A-Truck Support (Youth)	TBD
SUN	29	Knights of Columbus Mass Attendance	11:00 AM
MON	30	Knights of Columbus 2 nd Degree Ceremonial-Kilduff Hall	7:30 PM
MAY 2018			
DAY	DATE	EVENT	TIME
FRI	4	Day1 - Knights of Columbus State Convention	All Day
SAT	5	Day 2 - Knights of Columbus State Convention	All Day
SAT	5	May Day @ John Archer School (Community)	9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
SAT	5	CINCO De MAYO	All Day
SUN	6	Day 3 - Knights of Columbus State Convention	All Day
MON	7	K of C General Meeting	7:30 PM
FRI	11	Bingo Night @ the Hall	6:00 PM
SUN	13	Mothers' Day (Distribution of Marigolds) (Culture of Life)	After All Masses
MON	14	K of C Officers' Meeting	7:30 PM
MON	21	K of C General Meeting	7:30 PM
MON	21	K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	7:30 PM
FRI	25	Bingo Night @ the Hall	6:00 PM
MON	28	MEMORIAL DAY	All Day

JUNE 2018			
DAY	DATE	EVENT	TIME
MON	4	K of C General Meeting	7:30 PM
FRI	8	Bingo Night @ the Hall	6:00 PM
MON	11	K of C Officers' Meeting	7:30 PM
MON	18	K of C General Meeting	7:30 PM
MON	18	K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	7:30 PM
FRI	22	Bingo Night @ the Hall	6:00 PM



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