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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

"VOLUNTEER- TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE"

Brothers All,

We've left the summer months and Thanksgiving is around the corner with Christmas close behind. In the stores, Halloween decorations have already been pushed aside and replaced with Christmas "stuff." The youth of our parish will soon be selling "Keep Christ in Christmas" magnets suitable for placement on vehicles, refrigerators, etc. as a constant reminder to us and others what we will be truly celebrating.

We're off to a good start with recruiting this year with nine new Brothers. Our Membership Director, Larry Shannahan, met with the new Brothers and all signed up to participate in one of the activity areas. Speaking of activities we have several new, interesting activities planned for this year:

Novena for Life , November 19-27

Breakfast with Santa, December 9

Spiritual Reflection Retreat, January 12

Consecration to the Holy Family , January 13

And, of course, in order to support our charitable works we also continue our important fund raising efforts with Bingo and Pit Beef sales.

On the evening of Friday, October 19th, our parish conducted a very moving, spiritual Holy Hour led by Father Jaime and dedicated to healing the ills the church and the victims are experiencing. At the end of the prayer service, questions were solicited from the congregation and answers addressed by Bishop Brennan, Fr. Jack, Fr. Jaime and Deacon Jim. We all need to continue to pray for the church and victims as well as Christianity worldwide.

The Archdiocese **requires** all staff and volunteers that have contact with children take on the online VIRTUS training. There are two levels of contact: substantial and non-substantial with different requirements. The training portal can be found at <http://virtusonline.org>. If you have questions, please contact Rebecca in the parish office at 410-676-5119 x 113

Finally, VOTE on November 6th.

Vivat Jesus,

Keith Arndt



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PAST GRAND KNIGHTS

Ed Colvin, Ray Traube, Bob Hoguet, Mike Georgulas, Frank Tumminelo, Rich Sosna, Bill Hengemihle, Mike Mall, Dan Samis, Bill Elliott, Lee Eder, Dan Trout, Keith Marchiano; Gregory Ward, Larry Shannahan, Mike Novak

LADIES AUXILIARY Cynthia Santiago

INSURANCE REPRESENTATIVE

Edward A. O'Keefe CLU, ChF

Associate Chaplain's Report

The Pursuit of Francis

One of the pursuits we should never give up on is the pursuit of holiness. As most of you know, Francis of Assisi, whose feast day was October 4th, never gave up on his pursuit of holiness. Thomas of Celano in his first biography of St. Francis said, "Francis of Assisi was always occupied with Jesus: Jesus he bore in his heart, mouth, eyes, ears, and in his entire body: Jesus." You might be thinking, "That's Francis of Assisi! I'm not Francis of Assisi and never will be."

Did you know that Francis was at one time quite the playboy? He was known to carouse around Assisi waking up residents and partying until the wee hours of the morning. Does this sound a little more human to you? There was a time in Francis' life when he was just a regular person, growing up in Assisi, learning to be a cloth merchant from his father, and doing all the things teenage boys and young adults do. In the midst of all his worldly attractions, God tugged at his soul. Little by little Francis began to live the quote from Thomas of Celano.

It wasn't easy for Francis and it's not easy for us either. One thing is for sure; God is tugging at each one of our souls, asking, encouraging and inviting us to become holier every day. If the rabble-rousing Francis can answer God's call, I'm sure you can too. It doesn't matter how old or young you are or if you are male or female. God wants you as his friend, and he wants to be a part of you. Francis answered the call of Jesus. When he did, Jesus and he became one. All you have to do is answer the call God places before you and do your best to be holy just like Francis.

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 olmchsoccer@yahoo.com

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

Autumn is upon us. Thanks to all who participated in our October activities as we keep rolling along in this fraternal year. One of our favorite charities needs your support. The Tootsie Roll program needs your help to collect vital funds for The John Archer School. Your support is needed and Mike Walsh (See contact information below) will appreciate filling in some of the time slots (Nov 10, 11, 19, 20, & 21) he has been allocated at a local location. Thanks to Bob Mull as our Chairperson of our car raffle ticket program. He spent much of his time after each mass to sell these tickets. This is a program where \$.060 of every dollar ticket sold comes back to the council for our charitable endeavors. Our Grand Knight, Keith Arndt, is challenging the membership with many robust activities we have done in the past and looking at new ways to spread our word about Jesus Christ with Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism that epitomizes our organization. If you can support any of our activities for as little as an hour or two a month please come out, meet new and old friends, challenge yourself, and make your membership in this organization count. **You** are important in spreading the word about the activities for the Father Maurice J. Wolfe Council and the Knights of Columbus. Be brave. **PARTICIPATE!** Please contact me if you have any questions at all!



Volunteers are always needed for Bingo held on the second and fourth Fridays of the month. Bingo is one of our main fundraisers with the church and our council doing a 50-50 split

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Other Activities:

Volunteers are always needed for Bingo held on the second and Fourth Fridays of the month. Greg Ward, PGK, has done an incredible job in running our bingo program these last 5 years and will be stepping down, a well deserved break. We need brothers and ladies to step up and fill this role. If you like bingo and want to help, please contact Greg or Steve.

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

Father Wolfe Charity Golf Tournament: Monday, August 20th Winter's Run Golf Club



Pit Beef Sales

Every Sunday 9am to 1pm



Ladies Providing Boxes of Joy

Box of Joy business and fun! With the extra donations, we sorted items for the Breakfast with Santa activity, Outreach Christmas Party, and a local Hurricane Michael Drive. Also, we quality checked all the Boxes of Joy to make sure they are ready for shipping. Smiles all around 😊

Thank you for your generosity and participation 🎁🎄🎁🎄🎁🎄🎁🎄🎁🎄



July Membership Report



Brothers! Our membership is off to a great start! I would like to welcome the following newest members to our council:

Clarke Bowie
Michael Eckels
Jay Tremblay
Daniel Zankowitz
Michael Acerno
James Dawson
Jorge Tellez

Welcome to Father Wolfe Council!

Larry Shannahan
Membership Director

Ladies Auxiliary Report

Happy Thankful Thursday! We are thankful for your ongoing support and participation and cannot wait for our biggest fundraiser of the year on Saturday, November 17th. Our event will feature Bingo, Silent Auction, Baskets Raffle, Cruise Raffle, and more! Cash and credit are accepted

Cynthia Santiago, President

5th Annual Holiday Luncheon Bingo
Saturday, November 17, 2018

Doors Open 11:00am - Lunch served from 12 noon to 1:00pm

Extra Packages \$3 each or 2 for \$5 	Early Bird Game \$2 each or 3 for \$5 	50/50 Raffle \$2 each or 3 for \$5
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The colors on your cards & tickets may be different then showing on this flyer.

Daubers \$1.00 each 	Extra Jackpots \$2 each or 3 for \$5 	Basket Raffles 3 for \$5.00, 10 for \$10 or 30 for \$20
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Don't forget to bid on the fabulous **Silent Auction** items.

Yes, you can charge it! The Square will be available if you forget your cash.

Silent Auction item list will be available soon.

Cruise Raffle Tickets
\$10 each 3 for \$25

INSURANCE ADVISOR'S REPORT

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



THE VALUE OF LIFE INSURANCE FOR CHILDREN

As a father, one of your greatest worries is protecting your children and their future. One of the most valuable ways is by purchasing a life insurance policy for them.

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Supreme News and Events

TELLING OUR STORY

by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson

THE RENEWAL OF THE CHURCH DEPENDS ON CHARITY AND ON OUR COMMITMENT TO THE COMMON GOOD, THE FAMILY AND GROWING IN FAITH



ON OCT. 16, we celebrated the 40th anniversary of St. John Paul II's election to the See of Peter.

It is easy to forget the situation of the Church at the time of his election. Since the publication of Pope Paul VI's encyclical **Humanae Vitae** a decade earlier, the Church had been embroiled in theological controversies. Many in the news media considered the Church out of touch, with a frail, elderly pope no longer able to respond adequately to the daily attacks upon Catholic beliefs.

Then, a young, dynamic pope was elected. In his first homily, John Paul II told Catholics, "Do not be afraid!" And to the rest of the world he announced, "Open wide the doors to Christ!"

And to show that he would personally open many of these doors, John Paul II traveled to Mexico, Poland and the United States in the first year of his papacy.

This year also marks the 20th anniversary of St. John Paul II's great apostolic exhortation on the vocation and mission of the laity, **Christifideles Laici**.

In its opening pages, we read, "A new state of affairs today both in the Church and in social, economic, political and cultural life, calls with a particular urgency for the action of the lay faithful.... **It is not permissible for anyone to remain idle**" (3).

Those words ring as true today as they did when written.

Christifideles Laici outlines four principles especially important for us.

First, "At this moment, **the suffering individual is the way of the Church** because that person is, first of all, the way of Christ Himself, who is the Good Samaritan who 'does not pass by'" (163).

Second, the laity has "the specific duty" and "irreplaceable" role "to work towards the Christian animation of the temporal order" by means of the "spiritual and corporal works of mercy" (41). Related to this is the recognition that charity "is never able to be separated from **justice**," and that the laity "**are never to relinquish their participation in 'public life'**" or their responsibility to promote the common good (42).

Third, "The lay faithful's duty to society primarily begins in marriage and in the family" (40), and the family as a domestic church "is a community in which the relationships are renewed by Christ" (52). As a domestic church, the family shares in the Church's mission to build up the Kingdom of God through its everyday work that expresses the love between husband and wife and between members of the family.

Fourth, the lay faithful should grow and mature in the faith in order "to overcome in themselves the separation of the Gospel from life, to again take up in their daily activities in family, work and society,

an integrated approach to life that is fully brought about by the inspiration and strength of the Gospel” (34).

Christifideles Laici is an extraordinarily rich document that has provided sure guidance for the Knights of Columbus for two decades.

St. John Paul II summarized the mission of the laity in these words: “Their responsibility, in particular, is to testify how the Christian faith constitutes the only fully valid response ... to the problems and hopes that life poses to every person and society” (34).

The spiritual genius of Father Michael McGivney is that he established a way in which Catholic men could fulfill this responsibility by joining together to live the principles of charity, unity and fraternity. Now, with our new Faith in Action program model, the Knights of Columbus will demonstrate his genius in even more effective ways.

As we confront the challenges that Catholics face today, we can say of Father McGivney that he was a man ahead of his time, but more appropriately that he was a man just right for our time.

Vivat Jesus!





Special Intentions

November 2018

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

Steve Buddenbohn's Father Robert Buddenbohn
Stony Burke (K of C Member)
Prescott Cole (Council Member) RIP
Charles Duke (Council Member)
Charlie Gill (Council Member)
Mike Georgulas' (DD) Mom Nancy Recovery from knee surgery
Will and Pat Glassman (Council Member & Spouse)
Ron Gutowski & Wife (Council Member & Spouse)
Rob and Pam Hardy (Council Member & Spouse), (Pam's Mother)
Steve Herpel's (Brother - David), (Mother - Mildred) & (Son - Jeffrey)
Margaret Kholes
Norm Martin (Council Member)
John & Sally Myers (Council Member & Spouse)
Brian O'Connor's (Mother - Patricia), (Daughter - Amy Bowen), & (Sister-In-Law – Kathy Schaeffer, Heart Surgery)
Ed O'Keefe's (Daughter – Mallory) & (Mother, RIP)
Mike Novak (Council Member, Grand Knight)
Mike Novak's brothers, Al & Walt
Mike Novak's Close Friend Charles Knott
Mike Novak's Cousin Brother Robert Novak C.S.S.R.
Phil Pfarr's Friend Stephanie MacLennan By Pass Surgery
Dick Seajack (K of C Member)- Past State Deputy
Mike Walsh's (Grand Niece Charlotte Vasilaks Only one month old) & (Son-In-Law – Shawn, Surgery)
Wendy Ward (Ladies Auxiliary)
Steve Wisneuski (Council Member)
John Young's (Son – Eric) & (Grandson – Cooper)
Daniel Samis, PGK who we lost and his family

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

NOVEMBER 2018			
DAY	DATE	EVENT	TIME
THU	1	ALL SAINTS DAY	All Day
FRI	2	ALL SOULS DAY	All Day
SAT	3	Memorial Mass (Faith Activity, Stone Chapel)- Reception to Follow	9:00 AM
SAT	3	Fourth Degree Exemplification	10:00 AM
SUN	4	Pit Beef, Ham & Turkey Sales (For Charity Distribution)	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
MON	5	K of C General Meeting	7:30 PM
TUE	6	ELECTION DAY (GENERAL ELECTION)	All Day
FRI	9	Bingo Night @ the Hall	6:00 PM
SUN	11	VETERANS DAY & DAY LIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS	All Day
MON	12	K of C Officers' Meeting	7:30 PM
SAT	17	Ladies Auxiliary Holiday Bingo (Kilduff Hall)	6:00 PM
SUN	18	Pit Beef, Ham & Turkey Sales (For Charity Distribution)	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
MON	19	Novena for Life (Start)	9:00 AM
MON	19	K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	7:15 PM
MON	19	K of C General Meeting	7:30 PM
THU	22	THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY	All Day
FRI	23	BLACK FRIDAY (Let the Shopping Begin)	All Day
FRI	23	Black Friday Bingo Night @ the Hall	6:00 PM
SUN	25	Pit Beef, Ham & Turkey Sales (For Charity Distribution)	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
TUE	27	Novena for Life (Ends @ 9:00 AM Mass)	9:00 AM
WED	28	Membership Meeting & Admissions Committee	6:00 PM
DECEMBER 2018			
DAY	DATE	EVENT	TIME
SAT	1	Spiritual Reflection Retreat	(TBA)
SUN	2	Pit Beef, Ham & Turkey Sales (For Charity Distribution)	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
SUN	2	Journey to the Inn - Christmas Around St. Francis (Faith)	6:00 PM
MON	3	K of C General Meeting (Admissions Degree)	7:30 PM
SAT	8	Irish Christmas Bel Air with Andy Cooney (Tickets \$35.00)	3:00 PM or 7:00 PM
SUN	9	Breakfast with Santa	8:30 AM

SUN	9	Pit Beef, Ham & Turkey Sales (For Charity Distribution)	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
MON	10	K of C Officers' Meeting	7:30 PM
WED	12	Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe	All Day
FRI	14	Bingo Night @ the Hall (Christmas Bingo)	6:00 PM
SAT	15	Wreaths Across America (SFDS Cemetery)	4:00 PM
SUN	16	Pit Beef, Ham & Turkey Sales (For Charity Distribution)	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
MON	17	K of C Ladies Christmas Party- No Council Meeting	7:15 PM
TUE	25	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY - CHRIST IS BORN	All Day
Fri	28	No Bingo	
SUN	30	5 th Sunday Mass- Council Mass	9am
SUN	30	Pit Beef, Ham & Turkey Sales (For Charity Distribution)	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
MON	31	NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION	All Day

JANUARY 2019			
DAY	DATE	EVENT	TIME
TUE	1	NEW YEAR'S DAY	All Day
MON	7	K of C General Meeting	7:30 PM
FRI	11	Bingo Night @ the Hall	6:00 PM
MON	14	K of C Officers' Meeting	7:30 PM
FRI	18	DC March for Life	All Day
MON	21	K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	7:15 PM
MON	21	K of C General Meeting	7:30 PM
FRI	25	Bingo Night @ the Hall	6:00 PM
TUE	29	Admissions Committee Meeting	7:00 PM

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