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## GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

"VOLUNTEER- TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE"



Brothers All,

We are three months into the Fraternal Year and you should all be proud of all that we have accomplished in service to our community and parish. From the Road Clean-up, Bingo, Tri-Parish Picnic, Sr. Ice Cream Social, Nun Run, Faith Fest, Pancake Breakfast and Ravens Pit Beef Sandwiches We finish September with the One Thing Ministry which will give each of us an opportunity to, "Go Make a Difference" with their own unique talents.

I came across a story I need to share that helps share how one thing came make a difference. On Saturday, September 14 at Iowa vs. Iowa State, College Gameday was broadcasting and a fan, Carson King had a sign that read "Busch Light Supply Needs Replenished," and it included his Venmo username. In a very short time he had raised \$400 dollars. He actually started this as a joke and it just continued to grow in donations by his request. After speaking with his family he decided to donate the money minus the cost of a case of Busch Light to the Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital. This hospital is actually attached to the Iowa State Stadium and during the football games all the fans from both teams turn and waive to the children that are positioned at the windows for encouragement and support.

Busch Light and Venmo became aware of the situation and raised the stakes by pledging to match the donations to all that contributed to his Venmo account. By Sunday morning the funds at reached \$1 million dollars. Busch decided to reward Carson King by providing him a lifetime supply of Busch Light with his picture on the cans to acknowledge his One Thing that will make a difference in many children's lives.

Now we might not have this same impact to the tune of raising \$1 million dollars, know that every person we touch through our Faith in Action can have a lasting impact on those individuals and I challenge all including myself to use your faith each day, "To Go Make a Difference".

Vivat Jesus

J. Michael Walsh III

Grand Knight

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# Associate Chaplain's Report

## Francis of Assisi

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 is October 4<sup>th</sup>, 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."

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 rabbleroising 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



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# PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT

"WHAT'S GOING-ON IN OUR COUNCIL"

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**Autumn Has Arrived!** Officially my favorite season is here, but we have not begun the cool clear nights and crisp clear days. We are in the Indian Summer of the year. Our first quarter reports are behind us and I want to thank my activity directors for completing their required obligations and submitting timely reports. The District Deputy thanks you as well!



It is now full speed ahead in the second quarter and as you can see by our three-month calendar, we will be busy. But as always it will be fun and exciting sharing these times with our Brothers and our Ladies in helping our Church, Community, Youth & Families, and Life itself. We want to "Make A Difference" in our surrounding environment we live in.

To our Knights that have been on the sidelines for a while, please make an effort to give a little time for our annual "Tootsie Roll" project for John Archer School. Brother Jim Dawson needs your help to give an hour or two to collect funds for this worthy cause we have been a part of for the last 25 years. The students and faculty are thankful for your support.

Brother Bill Hengemihle is handling the car raffle tickets this year and he certainly can use your help in making this a banner year. Remember, the council receives \$0.60 for a every dollar ticket sold.

Our "Meat Team" is once again putting forth a stellar effort to satisfy your hunger with a tasty and juicy sandwich full of pit beef, ham, or turkey on those Sundays that the Ravens' games start a 1:00 PM. You will enjoy their "home cooking" for a really reasonable price and the profits support our charity funds. Brothers come on out and provide your expertise and suggestions to help your council.

Lastly, some additional thank-you's for going the extra mile. Brothers Larry O'Toole and Frank Jenkins for putting together another delicious pancake breakfast (September 22) and the brothers that supported them. Brother Steve Buddenbohn & his Family provided another wonderful Ice Cream Social (September 8) at the Abingdon Gardens Senior Living Facility (Catholic Charities) along with the musical renderings from Brother Rob Henry (Church Choir Director) and our drummer Corey Dregier (Contemporary Group)

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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**Fun events and activities in your Council!! Join in on the Fun!!!**

# What's Been Happening

## Come support our council with Bingo and Beef

**SFDS Church Bingo**  
sponsored by the K of C Council #11372  
Every 2nd & 4th Friday of the Month

Join us for some fun!

K of C Pit Beef, Ham or Turkey Sales  
Every Ravens 1pm games  
Home or Away - Sandwiches \$7.00 each

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**Faith Fest- what a great experience to spread God's love and  
our Catholic Faith with Harford County! Did you hear the  
fireworks?**

**Welcome to Faith Fest!**



**Saturday, September 14, 2019**

# October Membership Report



Hello Brothers of the Fr. Wolf Council

The weekend of October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, the delta church drive at St. Francis is a great opportunity to bring in new members into our council. I want to share with you the minutes from our council meeting on September 13<sup>th</sup> and a report done by our Lecturer, Keith Marchiano, PGK.

With big dreams, come big goals. Because without a goal a dream cannot come true, it remains a dream.

In speaking to our Grand Knight, he has a goal to have more active men involved in the Knights of Columbus. That includes bringing existing members to an event or meeting and inviting Catholic men who are not members of the Knights to join us. We all as Knights want to serve God and our church more, we want to help more people. Well that cannot be done without members, extra hands to do God's work. We have a long tradition in this council- 19 Star Councils in a row, 22 of our 25 years we received the award. People say we cannot recruit 20 members. Well if you think you can't do something, guess what, you are not going to do it. We have recruited more than 20 members in one year many times in our council's history. 3 of them were during our current time frame while as an A council in the state and we achieved Star Council those years. Members recruited during those years are here today and active in our council.

So what is our goal? 20 new members! What can you do? Invite 1 person you are friends that you have a relationship with to join us. Don't wait for somebody else in the council to do it, you do it. It's not just Larry's job or Mike Walsh's job, it's all of our responsibility as Catholic men, to grow this council, and have more men doing God's work. Let's look up on this wall next year and see another Star Council. Let's look at the chairs in this room and see 5-10 more filled. These will be men that will help continue to help us do His work for His glory. Our council deserves this. Our Church and Community will benefit from it.

**Every Fr. Wolfe Council Member will bring in 1 New Knight: Our next Admissions (1<sup>st</sup>) degree is Monday October 21<sup>st</sup> at 7pm.**

Thanks for your support!

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# Ladies Auxiliary Report

## Knights of Columbus Ladies Quarterly Newsletter Submission

**Submitted by/Date:** Denise Walsh, President/September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019

It was a busy summer! On Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, the 2019-2020 officers were installed as part of the Council Installation. What a fantastic way to kick off the new year for the Fr. Maurice Wolfe Council Men and Ladies Auxiliary. We had 89 in attendance and our Guests of Honor from the State was Worthy State Secretary Vince Grauso and Lady Mary Jane as well as Beth Ward and husband Dan, and Co-Chair Cynthia Santiago, who is now the newest member of the State Ladies Auxiliary Council. The evening was beautiful and we wish the new Council #11372 Board members a great year ahead.

The Tarnished Door! Over the weekend of August 3<sup>rd</sup>–5<sup>th</sup> many of our Council members and friends attended a special theatre production of “The Tarnished Door” hosted by The Shadow Players in Kilduff Hall. It was a heartwarming production and enjoyed by all.

On Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, our Ladies and Men participated in the Little Sisters of the Poor Annual Nun Run in Baltimore, MD. We were thrilled to learn that our group of 30 people took 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Medium to Small parish category for having the most participation. The weather was beautiful, a great time was had by all supporting this fundraiser for the St. Martin's Home in Catonsville. Way to go Ladies & Men!

\*\*\*\*Save the Dates\*\*\*\*

**Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 10pm** - come out for food, fun and fundraising. Neo's Artisan Pizza in the Festival in BelAir will donate 20% of net sales to the Ladies Auxiliary to offset the mailing costs for our “Box of Joy” charity,

**Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup>** Annual Holiday Luncheon Bingo – Tickets are SOLD OUT but donations for our silent auction and baskets are always needed.

Our next meeting- **Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup>** in the Knight's Hall at 7:15pm. As always, we welcome all ladies of the parish. Join us as we serve the Church, Community, Youth, Council, and Family.

We hope you have a blessed and safe fall



# INSURANCE ADVISOR'S REPORT

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## Quick Personal Finance Tips

1. Choose to keep your finances organized. Make it a priority to track every facet of your finances. Record all of your financial information in one place so you can refer to it and keep track of your progress.
2. Check your credit. Do you know your credit score? If so, when was the last time you checked it? Credit scores are used across the board, from getting car and home loans to renting an apartment to signing a cell phone contract. Your credit scores are essential to financial well-being.
3. Save where you can. Very small expenses can add up to a significant amount. For example, if you're spending \$8 on going out for lunch every day, that's \$40 a week or close to \$200 a month. Try to create a habit of bringing lunch from home and let your bank account reap the rewards.
4. Set long- and short-term goals. Goals usually take time. Make financial goals that are specific, measurable, attainable and most important, based on your chosen time frame. Accomplishing your short-term goals will motivate you to continue striving to achieve your long-term goals.



5. Be ready to learn from others. Listen to family members who appear to have some financial success, read a book on money management, and most importantly don't feel like this is a do-it-yourself project. A trusted financial professional may be a great resource to help you meet your financial objectives.



## Supreme News and Events

### *IN THE FACE OF TRIALS, CHRIST CALLS THE CHURCH TO DEEPER FAITH IN HIS POWER TO SAVE US*

Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori



WHEN I BOARD an airplane, I hope the flight will be smooth. No matter how much I've flown, I'm nervous when the plane bounces around and the flight attendants are instructed to take a seat for the rest of the flight. Some passengers take the turbulence in stride; others are openly frightened. Still others are equally frightened but try not to show it. I'm in this last category. It wouldn't do for a man wearing a Roman collar to get frantic. Instead, I discreetly pull out my rosary and ask the Blessed Virgin Mary to intercede for the pilot, the crew and the passengers (including myself). When the plane lands safely, I offer a prayer of thanksgiving.

Turbulence is an unwelcome experience, which causes heart palpitations and can endanger life and limb. But it also serves a purpose. It reminds us that we really are flying 35,000 feet above the earth, and that's not without risk. Better to keep those seat belts buckled! As noted, turbulence is also good for one's prayer life. As a passenger, I'm in the pilot's hands, but I'm ultimately in God's hands: "Jesus, I trust in you!"

The unnerving ups and downs of turbulence also serve as a good metaphor for life itself. As we begin each day, we hope it will be productive and tranquil. We often pray for lives that are calm and undisturbed. Yet, as we utter such prayers, Scripture rings in our ears. For example, in the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus speaks of wars, famines and earthquakes, and he warns of persecution and even death because of his name (cf. 24:6-9). In John's Gospel, the Lord says, "In the world you will have trouble, but take courage, I have conquered the world" (16:33).

We experience turbulence in many ways, both in everyday life and in our life of faith. Sometimes, it's the result of our own folly, as when we betray the trust of others or engage in self-destructive behaviors. At other times, such turbulence is not of our own making. Life's journey can be rough due to illness, financial problems, unemployment, marital discord and controversy of all sorts.

In my life as a priest and bishop, I certainly experience spiritual turbulence. It's not that God's consolations and graces aren't abundant; it's not that the signs of his goodness are lacking. But many of the problems I encounter, especially in this particularly turbulent time for the Church, are deeply distressing.

The Church is in the grip of a global crisis of trust because of clergy sexual abuse and the failures of some bishops. This crisis has shaken the faith of many. Some have stopped going to Sunday Mass; others have left the Church altogether. Corrective measures once deemed effective don't seem to have lessened scandals in the Church.

In the midst of this, what are we to do? Are we simply to grip the nearest pew and hold on tightly? Rather, we need to pray for all we're worth. Sometimes, all I can do is to repeat over and over again: "Jesus, I trust in you!" Both clergy and laity also need to speak their mind about the scandals and do

whatever they can to help the Church restore trust and continue its mission of faith, worship and service.

Just as airline passengers see turbulence as a bad thing, we usually recognize life's problems as bad. But turbulence in our Church and in our personal lives also serves a purpose. It reminds us that we are not fully in charge. It reminds us that we need to pray and express in faith our dependence upon God. It builds up perseverance.

And it also confirms the need to change course, to take corrective actions — not looking for the smooth air of untroubled comfort but for a pathway of truth and courage through present trials. Ultimately, the air, or wind, we must seek is divine — the Holy Spirit, who carries us to everlasting life.







## Special Intentions

### October 2019

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

Scotty Friedman  
Pat Brooks  
Walt Novak  
Norm Martin  
Charlie Duke  
Pat Glassman  
Cooper and Eric Young  
John and Sally Myers  
William Mosca and family  
Pat Moro (passing of his father John Moro)  
The Herpel Family (passing of mother/grandmother Mildred Herpel)

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. Prayers for women contemplating abortion.

# THREE MONTH PLANNER

OCTOBER 2019			
THU	3	Candidate Forum (K of C Meeting Hall)	7:00 PM
SAT	5	K of C Recruitment Drive (After Mass)	After 5:00 PM
SAT	5	Car Raffle Ticket Sales	After 5:00 PM
SUN	6	K of C Recruitment Drive (After All Masses)	All Masses
SUN	6	Car Raffle Ticket Sales	All Masses
SUN	6	National Life Chain (Location Jarrettsville)	2:30 - 3:30 PM
SUN	6	Football Sales of Pit Beef, Ham & Turkey Fund Raiser	7:30 AM - 1:00 PM
MON	7	K of C General Meeting	7:30 PM
FRI	11	Bingo Night @ the Hall	6:00 PM
SAT	12	Columbus Day Ball (Location TBD)	TBD
SUN	13	Football Sales of Pit Beef, Ham & Turkey Fund Raiser	7:30 AM - 1:00 PM
MON	14	K of C Officers' Meeting	7:30 PM
THU	17	Fourth Degree Assembly Meeting (Long Green Valley)	7:30 PM
THU	17	K of C New Members Orientation (Knights Meeting Hall)	7:00 PM
MON	21	K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	7:15 PM
MON	21	K of C General Meeting (Admissions Degree)	7:30 PM
THU	24	New Knights Forum (K of C Meeting Hall)	7:00 PM
FRI	25	Bingo Night @ the Hall	6:00 PM
NOVEMBER 2019			
SAT	2	Memorial Mass (Faith Event) Chapel	9:00 AM
MON	4	K of C General Meeting	7:30 PM
FRI	8	Bingo Night @ the Hall	6:00 PM
SUN	10	Football Sales of Pit Beef, Ham & Turkey Fund Raiser	7:30 AM - 1:00 PM
MON	11	K of C Officers' Meeting	7:30 PM
SUN	17	Football Sales of Pit Beef, Ham & Turkey Fund Raiser	7:30 AM - 1:00 PM
MON	18	K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	7:15 PM
MON	18	K of C General Meeting	7:30 PM
THU	21	Fourth Degree Assembly Meeting (St. Ignatius, Hickory)	7:30 PM
FRI	22	Bingo Night @ the Hall	6:00 PM
THU	28	HAVE A BLESSED THANKSGIVING	All Day

DECEMBER 2019			
SUN	1	Football Sales of Pit Beef, Ham & Turkey Fund Raiser	7:30 AM - 1:00 PM
MON	2	K of C General Meeting	7:30 PM
SUN	8	Football Sales of Pit Beef, Ham & Turkey Fund Raiser	7:30 AM - 1:00 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 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	7:15 PM
MON	16	K of C General Meeting	7:30 PM
THU	19	Fourth Degree Assy Mtg & Xmas Party (St Francis de Sales)	7:30 PM
SUN	22	Football Sales of Pit Beef, Ham & Turkey Fund Raiser	7:30 AM - 1:00 PM
DECEMBER 2019 (CONTINUED)			
WED	25	MERRY CHRISTMAS - CHRIST THE SAVIOR IS BORN	All Day
FRI	27	Bingo Night @ the Hall	6:00 PM
SUN	29	Football Sales of Pit Beef, Ham & Turkey Fund Raiser	7:30 AM - 1:00 PM
SUN	29	K of C Mass Attendance	9:00 AM
TUE	31	NEW YEARS EVE - Celebrate Safely	All Day



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