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Grand Knight's Message



Dear Brother Knights and Honored Clergy,

This is the time of year when we should be praising God for the gift of family and friends. Now that the election is over and the noise is starting to subside we should also be thankful for the peace and quite to prepare for the changes that will be taking place in our country.

We need to embrace the opportunity to agree to disagree, and thank God that we live in a country where are free to do this. We need to appreciate that our greatness is in the diversity of people, cultures, and religions in our country. As the Supreme Knight has said, we need to be advocates

for unity by setting an example of acceptance. We do this in the range of activities of our Council.

However, we must also advocate for freedom of religion which we do when we carry the "Keep Christ in Christmas" banner in the Westerville parade. We do this when we pray the rosary outside abortion facilities.

May God Bless you and your family for all you do. May you have a Blessed and Merry Christmas.

Vivat Jesus
Scott Muehlbauer

Our next business meeting starts at 7:00 pm on Wednesday December 7, 2016 at St Paul's in Room 2 in the lower level of the Church.

Join us to pray the Rosary at 6:30 pm

Please give PGK Kevin O'Connor (614-523-3892, koconnor@gci2000.com) any written articles by the end of the month so they can be included in next month's newsletter.



Sat December 3
Pro-Life Prayer

Join our Council and many others as we mobilize for pro-life on Saturday Dec 3. We will gather after the 7:00 am Mass at St. Patrick to pray outside of Founders Clinic at 1243 E. Broad Street. Contact GK Sebastian Mauricio for information (SebMauricio@gmail.com)



Sunday December 4
“Keep Christ in Christmas”
Council Christmas Parade Entry

Once again, the Council will have an entry in the Westerville Christmas Parade. The theme is “Keep Christ in Christmas.” It will feature the Virgin Mary and Joseph accompanied by an entourage of shepherds and angels. All Knights and their families are invited to march in the parade. Assembly will begin 12:30pm at Westerville South High School.

This year’s entry will feature a color corps of 4th Degree Knights. If you know young people who are interested in participating, please contact DGK Curtis Smith (Curtis.smith@gmail.com).



Breakfast with Santa
December 10

Ho ho ho ! Can it be so ? It certainly is. It's time to start planning for the 2016 Breakfast with Santa event at St. Paul. This year's event will be held in Miller Hall on Saturday December 10. I will arrange a planning meeting, but it is better to submit requests for auction items early in the year. If you know anyone who is affiliated with a business and might be interested in supporting our efforts with donations let me know and I'll send you our solicitation note that has the council's tax id number and a summary of the event. I can be reached at anthonyjlloyd.al@gmail.com
Fraternally,
Tony Lloyd



Meals on Wheels

Brother Knight Paul LeCorgne has taken over responsibility for Meals on Wheels. This is a main fundraiser for the Council, and requires but a little time on Saturday or Sunday. **Nobody is scheduled every weekend. If you can help or want more information, please contact Paul (614-794-0071, paul.s.lecorgne@chase.com)**



Council December Birthdays

*Dale B. Acree
Michael Beale
Jay H. Beck
David C. Bianconi
Morey J. Brady
Matthew Clouse
Richard M. Danko
Dan Faiella
Thomas E. Foos
Joseph P. Hawkins
Gordian U. Igwilo
Greg L. Karhoff*

*Michael E. Kenny
David R. Kreuzer
Charles J. Lamb
M. Nicholas Lomano
William P. Messerly
Raymond J. Michalski
James Newell
Kenneth L. Nichols
Eric S. Niehaus
Anthony J. Omlor
Michael N. Pavolino
Gary P. Pietrangelo
Albert Rachuba
Andrew Tarpey
Robert Tavenner
Dr. Stephen T. Urbanek
Alexis P. West
Christopher Zoky*



Just a reminder that F.S. Curtis Smith will be sending out the 2017 membership dues statement in mid-December. Included in the statement is a request to contribute \$5 to the Ohio KofC "Gimme Five" program which goes to the Measure Up campaign



Council Shirts Available

Dave Jones has shirts (M, L, XL, and XXL) available for immediate purchase. Polo Shirts are \$22 and T-shirts are \$10. They provide a wonderful medium for

emphasizing unity and fraternity. They make us look good too!!

Nametags



Any Brother Knight who wants a nametag please contact Rocky Lomano at 614-890-5790 or e-mail at wlsurvey@earthlink.net. The nametags are a great way to let people get to know you at our events. Cost is \$7.



Pennies for Heaven

Be sure to drop your pennies in the milk jug at every Council meeting, Breakfast, and Fish Fry. These funds are collected to provide support for seminarians.



In Support of Priests and Religious Vocations

Pray for Pope Francis
Pray for Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Pray for Bishop Frederick Campbell
Pray for Pastor, Fr. Charlie Klinger
Pray for Fr. Dave Gwinner
Pray for Fr. Joseph Murphy
Pray for Fr. Rod Damico
Pray for Fr. Michael Hinterschied
Pray for Fr. Dan Drury
Pray for Deacon Mickey Hawkins
Pray for Deacon Tom Barford
Pray for Deacon Joe Ciaciura
Pray for Deacon Carl Jerzyk



Keep Them in Your Prayers

SEND REQUESTS TO
prayerrequest@kofc5776.org

Pray for the repose of the soul of Filipinas Mauricio, mother of PGK Sebastian Mauricio

Pray for the repose of the soul of Sharon Dauer, wife of Brother Knight Dave Dauer

Pray for Barbara Burns

Pray for Brother Knight Larry Stember

Pray for Brother Knight Bill Zuzalski

Pray for the mother of Brother Knight Curtis Smith

Pray for Brother Knight Joe Ditmar

Pray for the daughter of Brother Knight Gary Anderson

Pray for Brother Knight Dominic Oravec

Pray for the family of Brother Knight Dick Marflak

Pray for Brother Knight Paul Guevin and his wife, Bev

Pray for Brother Knight Raymond Michalski

Pray for Brother Knight Tom Augustus

Pray for Brother Knight Tony Riveralli

Pray for Fr. Augustine

Pray for Fr. Snoke

Pray for Fr. Richart

Pray for Brother Knight Keith Meyers

Pray for Brother Knight Al Surette

Pray for Frank Nachtman, per request of Brother Knight Scott Bastian

Pray for Brother Kniight Darrel Freeman

Pray for Brother Knight Tom Nann

Pray for PGK Barney Sweeney and his wife, Jacqueline

Pray for Brother Knight Dave Brown

Pray for the grandchild of PGK Art Sullivan

Pray for Brother Knight Mark Steele

Pray for Virginia Jones, wife of Brother Knight Dave Jones

Pray for Janice Peltomaa

Pray for Past State Deputy Gary Eckstein

Pray for Brother Knight John Marzec

Pray for Brother Knight Don Gray and his wife, Addie

Pray for Brother Knight Robert Laube

Pray for Jason and Angela Wiegand, niece and nephew-in-law of Brother Knight Dave Dauer

Pray for Halina Barford, wife of Brother Knight Tom Barford

Pray for Brother Knight William Grubb

Pray for Ariana Rose Hankins (Brother Knight Elmer Cabotage's granddaughter)

Pay for Leroy Piekenbrock, father of Brother Knight Mark Piekenbrock

Pray for Peter Chlore, Anthony Kinslow, Jacob Spann, Dustin Derga, Ryan Miller, Samuel Pearson, and others who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country.



Thought for the Month "Gift List"

Pray to receive these gifts:

Wisdom

Knowledge

Counsel

Fortitude

Understanding

Piety

Fear of the Lord

Come Holy Spirit Come

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Council Calendar

Sat December 3

Prayer at Abortion Clinic
Contact PGK Sebastian Mauricio

Sun December 4

Westerville Christmas Parade

Wed December 7

6:30 PM **Rosary**
7:00 PM **Business Meeting**
5776 Home Association Meeting

Thur December 8

First Degree at St Paul

Sat December 10

Breakfast with Santa

Wed December 21

Officers Meeting

Thur December 22 – 6pm

Holy Hour

Sun December 25

CHRISTMAS DAY

Sun Jan 8, 2017

Free Throw Contest
St Paul Old Gym

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District Deputy Dick D'Auteuil presenting the Star Council Award to GK Scott Muehlbauer



Knights and family members prayed the Rosary outside the abortion clinic



Jake O'Dare was selected Knight of the Month



Under the guidance of Curtis Smith the blood drive was again successful



Many people gave the Gift of Life



Bagging the tomatoes and peppers for the sub sandwiches



Making 480 sub sandwiches was a family event



Greg Madsen and Art Sullivan made a presentation of their walk along the Way of St. James



Once again Knights and their families picked up leaves for Barbara Burns.



BUILDING THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

While Strengthening Our Parish



FIND AN
AGENT



FIND A
COUNCIL OR
ASSEMBLY

DECEMBER – JOY

Joy is an attribute of God's divine love. To reflect God in our family life, we are called to be joyful by developing our relationship with Christ.

Meditation

From Pope Francis' Amoris Laetitia

The expression "*chaírei epì te adikía'*" ["rejoice over wrongdoing"] (1 Cor 13:6). Has to do with a negativity lurking deep within a person's heart. It is the toxic attitude of those who rejoice at seeing an injustice done to others. The following phrase expresses its opposite: *sygchaírei te aletheía'*: "it rejoices in the right". In other words, we rejoice at the good of others when we see their dignity and value their abilities and good works. This is impossible for those who must always be comparing and competing, even with their spouse, so that they secretly rejoice in their failures.

When a loving person can do good for others, or sees that others are happy, they themselves live happily and in this way give glory to God, for "God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Cor 9:7). Our Lord especially appreciates those who find joy in the happiness of others. If we fail to learn how to rejoice in the well-being of others and focus primarily on our own needs, we condemn ourselves to a joyless existence, for, as Jesus said, "it is more blessed to give than to receive" (acts 20:35). The family must

always be a place where, when something good happens to one of its members, they know that others will be there to celebrate it with them.

1. What are some joys we have experienced in our family? Are there ways to build upon these joys to create a more joyful home?
2. In what ways could we add more joy to our family? Could we be more cheerful in giving and complain less? Could we focus less on our own needs and more on the happiness of a family member? Could we rejoice in our family's love by affirming each other more with compliments? Could we smile more at our family members?
3. Do we base our lives on the joyful awareness that we are beloved sons and daughters of God, or do we let something rob us of the joy of the Gospel? What is it that robs us? Is it anxiety, fear or impatience? How might prayer help with these things?

Scripture Reading - Psalm 33:1-7, 20-22

A prayer of praise and rejoicing before the Lord

Rejoice, you righteous, in the LORD;
 praise from the upright is fitting.
 Give thanks to the LORD on the harp;
 on the ten-stringed lyre offer praise.
 sing to him a new song;
 skillfully play with joyful chant.
 For the LORD's word is upright;
 all his works are trustworthy.
 He loves justice and right.
 The earth is full of the mercy of the LORD.
 By the LORD's word the heavens were made;
 by the breath of his mouth all their host.
 He gathered the waters of the sea as a mound;
 he sets the deep into storage vaults.
 Our soul waits for the LORD,
 he is our help and shield.
 For in him our hearts rejoice;
 in his holy name we trust.
 May your mercy, LORD, be upon us;
 as we put our hope in you.

Family Project

Put joy into practice by singing together advent and Christmas hymns, hosting an advent or Christmas party with special treats, and reading a *Christmas story* out loud. The story could be Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* or a book more suitable for young children, like *The Legend of the Poinsettia* by Tomie dePaola.

Also consider creating a family book of favorite religious hymns and carols. Have each family member choose a song that they enjoy and make copies to share. Then sing together advent and Christmas songs at times that are convenient. For instance, a family could sing before its family prayer, before bed, before lighting the advent wreath, before opening presents at Christmas, or at another time. If you have young children, sing a few simple songs to them so they can begin to learn the lyrics.

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