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Dear Brother Knights:

Lent is upon us. By the time you receive this, we will have hosted two important events: the District free-throw contest, and the February 27th soup-and-scripture evening. Thank you for all you do!

Rich Bevilacqua and Dan McHugh will be assisting John Colaianni in managing the Palm Sunday breakfast. Let's give Rich and Dan a little extra help as they take on this major endeavor.

We have committed to the weekend of April 25 and 26 for our recruitment drive weekend at Church; more information to follow.

Vivat Jesus.

Robert Galasso
Grand Knight

DEGREE NEWS

Our Council welcomes and congratulates Fred Labrosciano who took his First Degree at Santa Maria Council on Feb. 2nd. And his Second Degree at Shanes's Castle Council. Witnessing the degrees were GK Robert Galasso and Tony Ginero.

PARISH APPRECIATION BREAKFAST

For the 13th year, in order to show our appreciation to our parishioners for their support throughout the year, our Council will be providing them with a complete breakfast after the Sunday Masses. This program has been well attended and appreciated by our supporters in the past so we are planning to do it again this year. The date will be March 29th from 7:00AM until 12:15 PM, in the Parish Center. We expect this to well attended and so we are counting on you, the membership, for some help. We will begin our set up preparations on Saturday, from 10:00 AM until 12:00 noon on March 28th. We will be continuing to seek the support of our parishioners for our programs so that the success of the breakfast is important.

KNIGHT/FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Our Knight of the Month for February was Jim Coolen (service to the Council). Our Family of the Month for February was Jeff Lilley and family (Culture of Life). Congratulations and thank you.

ANNUAL DUES

If you have not yet paid your annual dues please take care of this **NOW**. Thank you.

FREE THROW CONTEST

On Feb. 21, our Council hosted the District free throw competition in the Parish Center. Here are the winners: Girls 9yrs Carolyn Carnovski, 10 Sofia Granieri, 11 Hannah Bowe, 12 Chole Bennet, 13yrs Hunter Hayes, 14 none. Boys 9yrs Ryan Gambill, 10 Michael Petito, 11 Aristotle Rakoujy, 12 Chris Powell, 13 Nolan Parry, 14 Tyler Gargano. We thank our Director, Dan Tumolo. We also thank the good turnout of our members: Joe Panikowski, Bob Weight, Jim Coolen, Kevin Gallagher, Ray Duguay, Dave Vega, Omar Colon, Alex Santos, Jim McGovern, Robert Galasso, Fred Sulpizi, Fred Durso, Frank Brandis, Pat Theckston, Rich Bevilacqua, and John Gandolfo. The winners will compete in the Regional competition on March 15th at Paul VI High School. We thank all the members who stayed after the competition to set up the gym for the Java for Jesus Program.

SUPER BOWL MANIA SWEEPSTAKES

Here are the results of our Charity Mania super bowl fund raiser. 693 game cards were sold and there were 67 winners. The gross was \$3,460 and the net to our Council was \$2,144 which will be shared with OLOH. We thank our program director, Joe Pettineo Jr. and all who helped and participated in our CharityMania super bowl sweepstake fund raiser.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

What is heaven really like? Now and then we read of some poison on the operating table whose soul lift the body for a few seconds and found itself in a place of supreme joy and when brought back to its body experienced a truly remarkable transformation in his or her life. That person no longer feared death, because he or she now knew what to look forward to. St. Paul tells us: "The things that no eye has seen and no ear has heard things beyond the mind of man, all that God has prepared for those who love him.

RSVP PROGRAM

Through the Knights of Columbus Refund Support Program (RSVP) Councils, assemblies and Squire

Circles "adopt" one or more seminarians of postulants and provide them with financial assistance and moral support. RSVP money is used by seminarians and those in religious formation for tuition and books, car insurance and maintenance, travel during vacations, emergency expenditures and other living expenses. Our Council sponsors 5 seminarians and received a \$500 refund from our \$2500 donation.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Tim Ferrell has resigned his position as Council 3yr Trustee for job reasons. The Council has elected Oredola Soluade to fill this position.

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG

On Jan. 24-25, after all the Masses we participated in this program. The bottles provided were collected the following week and thanks to generous donations and Jeff Lilley's efforts, the drive brought in \$2,600 to be donated to the National Life Center.

IN MEMORIAM

Once again it our sad duty to report the passing of a Brother Knight. On Feb. 1, Gus Urbano passed away. Gus was a 4th degree knight and for over 22 years was our legendary hoagie sale director. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE

The Knights of Columbus has provided insurance benefits since its inception in 1882. From very humble beginnings, the Knights of Columbus has evolved into a Fortune 1000 company, marketing life insurance, retirement products, disability, and long-term-care insurance to its members and their families. The Knights of Columbus also received the 2014 Worlds Most Ethical Companies award from Ethisphere Institute, a global leader in defining and advancing the standards of ethical business practice. The safety of funds in Knights of Columbus Insurance plans and annuity retirement funds is best gauged by the financial strength of the Knights of Columbus. Our financial strength ratings are consistently among the highest in the

industry. It has earned A.M. Best's highest financial strength rating for 39 consecutive years. The Knights enjoys a stalwart reputation for financial security, and has one of the lowest lapse rates in the industry and offers a product line designed to provide life insurance, annuities, disability income and long-term care policies to meet the needs of Catholic families.

Call me today for an appointment.

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HOLY THURSDAY VIGIL

Our Council has made a commitment to stand watch during the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, following Mass on Holy Thursday evening (April 2nd). Dress for the occasion is tuxedo with baldric. We need additional volunteers. To participate, or for further details, contact Barry Start (384-5884).

FOURTH DEGREE NEWS

The Bishop Schad Assembly meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month in the Parish Center. Next meeting March 18th.

SEMI-ANNUAL AUDIT

Our Council has prepared and filed our semi-annual audit as required by Supreme Council.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

The next Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the Our Lady of Hope Chapel on First Friday, March 6th, after the 9:00 AM Mass, continue until 7:00 PM, and close with Benediction. Try to stop in to spend time with the Lord.

COUNCIL WELLNESS NOTICES

Contact Ron Miller (783-6458) or

ronmiller@kofc.org to send a "get well" message or a message of condolence.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

The following members or members of their families will celebrate their birthdays this month: Brianna Belmont, Richard Bevilacqua, Mike

Columella, Rev. Charles Conaty, Frank Dintino, Jonathan Ferrell, Albert Frick, Lawrence Grady, John Harry, Mrs. Marilyn Heck, Joseph Kennedy, Robert Kramer, Balbino Luzano, Loraine Massaro, Don McKay, Pete Miszuk, Jr., Lamael Montero, Joe Panikowski, Joe Pettineo, Tony Porcellini, Lewis Reed, Mrs. Lillian Steward, Albert Tucci, and Lawrence Villarose. Members celebrating their anniversaries are: Mr. & Mrs. Chip Tolen.

CONGRATULATIONS. If we missed someone's birthday or anniversary, please contact John Gandolfo (227-0447) or gandy@comcast.net.

EDITORIAL

The holy season of Lent is upon us and it is for Catholic gentlemen (Knights of Columbus) to focus and further practice our Faith and prepare for the events of Holy Week and Easter Sunday. Take advantage of this opportunity because if you take a look at the coming events listed below under IMPORTANT DATES, we are looking forward to a busy, but enjoyable, month ahead.

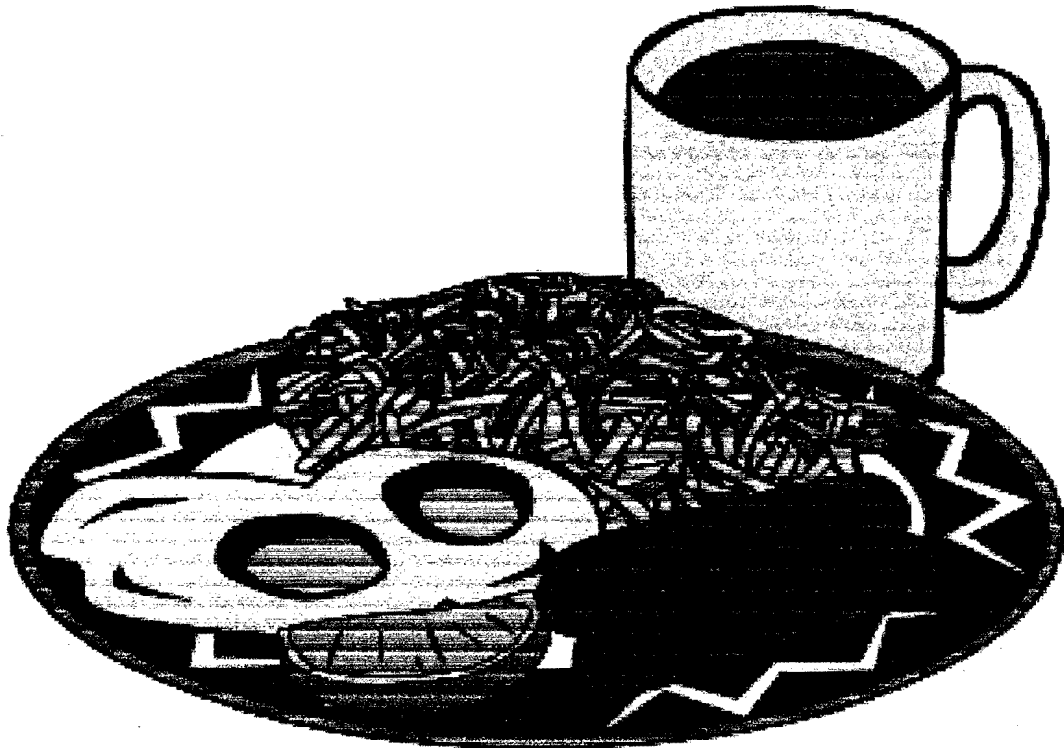
Vivat Jesus.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Mar. 6 First Friday (OLOH Chapel)
- Mar. 12 Officers Meeting (7 PM Parish Center)
- Mar. 12 Council Meeting (8 PM Parish Center)
- Mar. 14-15 Church Membership Drive (All Masses)
- Mar. 26 Council Meeting (8 PM Parish Center)
- Mar. 29 Founder's Day
- Mar. 29 Parish Appreciation Breakfast
- Apr. 5 Easter Sunday
- Apr. 9 Officers Meeting (7 PM Parish Center)
- Apr. 9 Council Meeting (8 PM Parish Center)
- Apr. 11 Hoagie Sale
- Apr. 23 Council Meeting (8 PM Parish Center)
- Apr. 24-26 Citizens With Intellectual Disabilities
- Apr. 25-26 Church Recruitment Drive
- Apr. 28 Open House (7 PM Parish Center)
- Apr. 30 First Degree (8 PM Parish Center)



PARISH APPRECIATION BREAKFAST



SUNDAY MARCH 29th
7:00 AM UNTIL 12:15
OUR LADY OF HOPE
PARISH CENTER