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FEBRUARY 2024

MY BROTHERS ALL

January is now in the books; it was cold, and we received the first snow of the season. It was also a busy start to the year with the kick off of Charity mania super match, blood drive, Malvern retreat and rose lapel. We could not do the good works without the help and support of our brothers. That brings to my next thought about the future that the success of any organization is growth. It is not about awards or making a quota. The growth of the Council and brotherhood is essential to continue our support to the parish and community. We grow by seeking NEW members & encouraging ALL members to be active. It has never been easier to become part of the Knights of Columbus with online membership and CUF degree. Encourage the Catholic men in your family or friends to join and let them know what the Knights are all about. I am asking that you be present at our next recruitment drive on March 2-3 to answer any questions and share your thoughts on why you joined the Knights followed by an open house Tuesday March 5 th

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SUPER BOWL FOOTBALL MANIA

This is the 11th year of this fundraiser and it has proven to be very successful. Super Bowl game cards are now available from Jerry Sindoni or at the Parish Office. Complete instructions are on the card and donation is \$5 per card or 6 for \$25. Tickets may be purchased online using this website <https://www.charitymania.com/give/PE00D> Last year there were dozens of winners so your chances are pretty good. To play, complete the card and enter your returns by Super Sunday, February 11th, to Brother Jerry, the Parish Office, on line or better still, bring it to a meeting. Additional cards are available from Jerry.

FROM OUR DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT

Hello everyone it's time for the Super Bowl and our Charity Mania Super Bowl ticket sales. We really need everyone's help this year to beat our LY results. We were able to donate \$2,500 to Our Lady of Hope School for tuition assistance and give 5 low income families \$500 and also support many other needs of our parish and Council. Please consider donating \$25 which would buy 6 tickets and many chances to win this year. Our drive last year had over 220 winners! I would like to thank you in advance, please help us help our Parish and community, Sincerely Joseph Pettineo Jr. (Deputy Grand Knight)
Please log on to the web-site below to support and follow our progress!

<https://www.charitymania.com/give/PE00D>

ANNUAL DUES

Brothers, in the interest of saving expenses, your bill for annual dues will be sent to you by email. Dues for the year are \$30 and may be paid by check or mailed to P.O. Box 1536, Blackwood, NJ 08012 or preferably through our website at www.kofc9193.org. If you are financially challenged regarding the payment of dues please contact our Financial Secretary, Dan Tumolo at daniel.tumolo@comcast.net

MALVERN WEEKEND RETREAT

Our annual Malvern Retreat during the weekend of Jan. 12-14 was an overwhelming success. Our group numbered 44 (32 from our Council). This was largely due to the efforts of our Worthy District Agent, Fred Durso. We will do this again next year so plan or getting on board.

KNIGHT AND FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Our Knight of the Month for January was Dominic DiClementi (Service to the Council). Our Family of the Month for January was David Harkins and Family (Spiritual Leadership). Congratulations and thank you.

FREE THROW CONTEST

For over 48 years more than 2.6 million boys and girls ages 9 to 14 have participated in the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. On Saturday February 3rd, our Council will compete in the Council free throw competition in the OLOH school, Registration will start at 1PM and the competition will start at 1:30PM. Your help will be needed to set up, register, line up and and keep score of the shooters. The winners will compete in the District competition on Feb. 17, same time, same place and same procedure

ASH WEDNESDAY

It seems like we just put the Christmas decorations away but February 14th is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. Remember the three callings of Lent, Prayer, Fasting and Alms Giving. Our Church will be

offering special prayer services so try to attend and take advantage of them. Keep in mind that the "Soup and Scripture" program takes place every Friday during Lent. We are usually the first ministry out of the gate to provide the soup (probably February 16)..

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE

Knights of Columbus Insurance consistently ranks at the top of the industry in financial stability and ethics. Please call to discuss these services.

- Financial needs analysis
- Life Insurance
- Tax deferred fixed-rate annuities
- Long-term care insurance
- Disability income insurance
- Retirement account rollovers
- Estate preservation
- Scholarships
- Family fraternal benefits

For further information please call me for an appointment.

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SEMI-ANNUAL AUDIT AND SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY REPORT

Both reports were filed in a timely manner in accordance with the requirements of Supreme.

FRATERNAL BENEFITS NIGHT

Our February 8th Council meeting will present an important program of benefits available to Council members, presented by our District Agent, Fred Durso. There is much valuable information that you should be aware of as a member. These programs are designed to be presented to you and are required as necessary steps to be taken toward achieving Star Council.

DAN RIIFF MEMORIAL BLOOD DRIVE

The blood drive that we sponsored on Jan. 4th brought in 43 pints. These could be used to provide 120 transfusions. We thank our members: Jim Coolen, Tim Ferrell, Chris Chiaro, GK Hugo Candeloro and Fred Sulpizi for coordinating and managing to drive.

FOURTH DEGREE NEWS

The Bishop Schad Assembly meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month in the Parish Center.

ABOUT THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

In 1882, Blessed Michael McGivney, a young parish priest in New Haven, Connecticut, founded the Knights of Columbus to serve the needs of a largely immigrant Catholic community. What began as a small fraternal benefit society has since grown into one of the world's leading international charitable organizations. In 2021, Knights around the world donated nearly 48 million service hours and nearly \$154 million for worthy causes in their communities. As the world's premier lay Catholic men's organization, the Knights is comprised of more than 2 million members in over 16,000 local councils. The Knights of Columbus also offers extensive life insurance products to members and their families. Knights of Columbus currently has more than \$120 billion of life insurance in force and was named by Forbes as one of America's Best Insurance Companies in 2023.

PRO LIFE ROSE SALE

The annual sale successfully collected \$547 and we thank our generous parishioners, our members that helped with the drive and Jeff Lilley for his direction.

THE NEW JERSEY STATE COUNCIL

Has awarded for Sept. Tim Ferrell "Family of the Month," and for Nov. Jim Coolen and Family. Congratulations to Brother Tim, Jim and families.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on Friday Feb. 2nd from 10AM and close with Benediction at 6:30PM.

EDITORIAL

The Super Bowl program is off and running and doing well but we still have a way to go. Our plan to schedule a bus for the Washington March was canceled due to a lack of registrations. Notice that Ash Wednesday begins on Feb. 14, so keep in mind the needs for Prayer, Fasting and Alms Giving. **VIVAT JESUS**

WASHINGTON MARCH

The Washington March bus that we offered to people wishing to travel to Washington was canceled due to a lack of registrations. The Council voted to donate \$1000 of the bus deposit money to a very grateful National Life Center, Woodbury..

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

The following Brothers or members of their families will celebrate their birthdays this month: William Belmont, Joseph Carbone, John Colaianni, Omaliel Colon, JohnPaul Dombkowski, Sam Evangelista, Kyle Friedman, Caitlin Gallagher, Joe Gentile, Samuel Azab Ghali, Sean Grannan, Sean D. Grannan, Al Guarini, Dave Harkins, Mike Harkins, Paul Heim, Sr., Bill Higgins, Ted Hubbard, Ron Lawrence, Mike Little, Mrs. Tricia Little, Dan McHugh, Jim Millardi, Matthew Parkinson, Mike Petroski, Mike Poiez, Mrs. Anna Rescinito, Dan Riiff, Anthony Rutigliano, Robert Sambuco, Ralph Scipione, Oredola Soluade, and Mrs. Gina Squilla. The following members will celebrate their anniversaries this month: Mr. & Mrs. Frank D'Amico, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Lisanti, Mr. & Mrs. John Gandolfo.

CONGRATULATIONS If we missed someone's birthday or anniversary, please contact John Gandolfo (227-0447) or gandy1937@comcast.net.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Feb. 2 First Friday (OLOH Chapel)
- Feb. 3 Council Free Throw (1PM Parish Center)
- Feb. 8 Officers Meeting (7PM Parish Center)
- Feb. 8 Council Meeting and Fraternal Benefits Night 7:30PM Parish Center)**
- Feb. 14 Ash Wednesday
- Feb. 17 District Free Throw (11:30 OLOH School)
- Feb. 22 Council Meeting (7:30PM Parish Center)
- Mar. 1 First Friday (OLOH Chapel)
- Mar. 2-3 Membership Drive (All Masses)
- Mar. 5 Open House (7PM Parish Center)
- Mar. 14 Officers Meeting (7PM Parish Center)
- Mar. 14 Council Meeting (7:30 Parish Center)
- Mar. 24 Appreciation Breakfast (Parish Center)
- Mar. 28 Holy Thursday
- Mar. 29 Founder's Day
- Mar. 31 Easter Sunday

New Jersey State Knights of Columbus Motorcycle Ministry

We are starting a Southern NJ Chapter and welcome all riders that our
Currently a Knight in good standing with our order. You can go to the
website at NJKOFCMM.com or contact Joseph Pettineo Jr.609-707-3511.

Email NJKOFCMM1@GMAIL.COM or PETJOE56@gmail.com



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Faith in Action

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LENT BEGINS

FEBRUARY 14th

PRAYER, FASTING ALMS

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