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Our Council's Namesake

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### OCTOBER COUNCIL MEETING

PLACE: SSJP PARISH CENTER  
DATE: MONDAY, 10/10/2016  
TIME: 7:30PM

### OCTOBER SQUIRES MEETING

PLACE: SSJP RECTORY MEETING ROOM  
DATE: FRIDAY, 10/14/2016  
TIME: 7:30PM

### PURGATORY CHASM HIKING TRIP

MEET AT: HOPKINS HILL PARK AND RIDE  
DATE: SATURDAY, 10/15/2016  
TIME: 10:00AM

### MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

PLACE: ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH  
DATE: WEEKEND OF 10/15-16/2016  
TIME: AFTER ALL MASSES

### COMBINED 1<sup>ST</sup>/2<sup>ND</sup> DEGREE CEREMONY

PLACE: SSJP PARISH CENTER  
DATE: MONDAY, 10/17/2016  
TIME: 6:30PM

### NOVEMBER SQUIRES MEETING

PLACE: SSJP RECTORY MEETING ROOM  
DATE: FRIDAY, 11/4/2016  
TIME: 7:30PM

### NOVEMBER COUNCIL MEETING

PLACE: SSJP PARISH CENTER  
DATE: MONDAY, 11/14/2016  
TIME: 7:30PM



## Grand Knight's Corner

My Brothers All,

I pray that you and your families are well.

Blessing Council will be conducting a Membership Drive at Saint Vincent de Paul Parish on the weekend of October 15-16 after all Masses. The Membership Committee is planning Membership Drives at SS. John & Paul, and Our Lady of Good Counsel at a later date.

Blessing Council will host a 1st and 2nd Degree Exemplification on Monday October 17th, at 7:00pm at the SSJP Parish Center. Candidates should be there for 6:30pm. If we hope to grow the council and achieve the Star Council this Columbian Year, we will need to recruit new members. I ask each Brother Knight to recruit one member this year. Ask a male family member, friend, or a parishioner who is a practicing Catholic to join the Knights of Columbus.

The Awards and Donations Night for Blessing Council will be in November. We are also beginning to prepare for our Annual Christmas Party which will be Friday, December 2, 2016.

The Silver Rose Prayer Service will be at Our Lady of Good Counsel on Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup> starting at 7:00pm. I ask all Brothers to try and attend this event if you can, this is a beautiful Prayer Service.

Remember "One Member, per Council, per Month".

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Meeting Place: SS John and Paul Parish Center

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**Marshal Squire**

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## Chaplain's Corner

My Brothers All,

October is a month that is dedicated to the Rosary. In 2017 we will celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima. Please pray the rosary daily for the intentions of our Holy Father, for an increase in vocation to both the Priesthood and Religious life. Encourage your priests to pray the Rosary before or after the morning Mass in your parish. Finally, I ask for your prayers for my recovery from my Hip replacement surgery on October 7th. God bless all your endeavors.

Vivat Jesus!

Fr. Paul Lemoi

Chaplain

### Right to Life Demonstration at the Women's Health Center in Cranston

Brothers, as you know the 40 Days of Life Cycle started in September. On Saturday, October 1, 2016, four brothers went to Cranston to demonstrate our views on abortion by walking in front of the Women's Health Center on Broad St. It was a rainy day, but we ventured out anyway. When we arrived at the Center there was another group, the Dominion Lay Group from Providence College, walking in front of the facility – four ladies and a gentleman. We asked them if we could join them in their walk and prayers. We joined them in the Mysteries of the Rosary as we walked. At the conclusion of the Mysteries we sang some songs and thanked each other for all our efforts. It was a successful and gratifying day. If one car passed by and was going to turn in but didn't, we did our job. There is always room for more Brother Knights to join us in our efforts. Remember we speak louder with more voices! Please make an effort to give an hour to this cause.

God bless, Herb Knott, PGK/FN, Culture of Life Director

### October Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following Brother Knights:

Francis Perry, Jr.	October 2	Justin Puckett	October 20
Arthur Lebrun	October 3	Ryan Tremblay	October 20
David Tremblay	October 3	Fr. Jacek Ploch	October 22
Brian Smith	October 9	Alan Giroux	October 23
Joseph Jarvis, Jr.	October 6	Donat Lamoureux	October 27
Richard Gaudette	October 7	Herbert Knott	October 28
Matthew Duska	October 7	John Criscione	October 29
Donald Oat, Jr.	October 15		

*"For GOD hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind."  
– 2 Timothy 1:7*



## Soccer Challenge Competition



The Council held its first soccer challenge competition on Sunday, September 25. While the turnout was a little light, there was a great time had by all. The following four young men and women will be representing our council at the State Soccer Challenge:

- 9 yr. old boys Adam LeClair,
- 11 yr. old boys John Pizzo, Jr.,
- 13 yr. old girls Isabella Pizzo,
- 13 yr. old boys Ian LeClair

Thanks to the Youth Committee who arranged the competition: FDD/PGK/FS Neil Fidler, FDD/PGK/Trustee John Pizzo, Sr., GK Frank Laiter III, FDD/PGK/PFN Pat Hurley and Tony Favata.

## Stephen Del Deo – Insurance Field Agent



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## WHO DOES IT? - Brother Knights Skills Listing

Skill	Brother Knight	Phone	Email/Address
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Blueberry Farm	John Macomber	401-397-5079	<a href="http://macomersblueberryfarm.shutterfly.com">macomersblueberryfarm.shutterfly.com</a>
Certified Tutoring	Edgar Brouillard	401-354-9298	<a href="mailto:edbrou@gmail.com">edbrou@gmail.com</a>
Auto Repair	John Starziano	401-821-9887	Star Service Center, 53 Arnold Rd., Coventry
Plumbing/Electrical/Applicances	Tom Rossi	401-243-3767	<a href="mailto:tomr421@cox.net">tomr421@cox.net</a>
Writing Instruments	Herb Knott	401-316-7230	<a href="mailto:knotth1@gmail.com">knotth1@gmail.com</a>
Computer Repair	Mike Colvin	401-641-6881	<a href="mailto:mikegcolvin@gmail.com">mikegcolvin@gmail.com</a>

If you have a particular skill and would like to be included on this list, please contact FS Neil Fidler at [Narragansett55@yahoo.com](mailto:Narragansett55@yahoo.com) to be added.

*“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.”  
– Hebrews 11:1*



## Soccer Challenge, Fish Hill Soccer Complex, September 25, 2016



*“But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.” – Isaiah 40:31*





# Squires News



## SAINT OF THE MONTH



**St. Maria Faustina Kowalska**

Sister Faustina was a young, uneducated nun in a convent of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in Poland during the 1930s. She came from a poor family that struggled during the years of World War I. She had only three years of simple education, so hers were the humblest tasks in the convent, usually in the kitchen or garden. However, she received extraordinary revelations — or messages — from our Lord Jesus. Jesus asked Sr. Faustina to record these experiences, which she compiled into notebooks. These notebooks are known today as the Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska, and the words contained within are God's loving message of Divine Mercy.

Though the Divine Mercy message is not new to the teachings of the Church, Sr. Faustina's Diary sparked a great movement, and a strong and significant focus on the mercy of Christ. Saint John Paul II canonized Sr. Faustina in 2000 making her the "first saint of the new millennium." Speaking of Sr. Faustina and the importance of the message contained in her Diary, the Pope call her "the great apostle of Divine Mercy in our time."

Today, we continue to rely of St. Faustina as a constant reminder of the message to trust in Jesus' endless mercy, and to live life mercifully toward others. We also turn to her in prayer and request her intercession to our merciful Savior on our behalf.

## PURGATORY CHASM HIKING TRIP



**When: Saturday, October 15, 2016 @ 10:00AM**

**Meetup: Hopkins Hill Park and Ride**

The Fr. Leo Ancil Circle invites all Squires, Knights and their families to join us for a hiking trip to Purgatory Chasm in Sutton, MA, on Saturday, October 15. We will be meeting up at the Hopkins Hill Park and Ride at 10AM which will likely put us at the Chasm at 11:15AM. We will be bringing bagged lunches, and will eat lunch right after we arrive. It is requested you bring the following items:

1. Backpack that will secure tightly to your back
2. Water – canteen or 2-3 water bottles
3. Bagged lunch
4. Hiking boots or rubber soled shoes
5. Hat and/or sunglasses
6. Sunscreen
7. Bug spray

The rocks of the chasm can be slippery which is why hiking boots/rubber soled shoes are required. In the case of inclement weather, the trip will be cancelled. Keep an eye on the weather so that you will know how to dress.



## Chief Squire's Corner

No report this month.

*"JESUS CHRIST is the same yesterday, today and forever." – Hebrews 13:8*