

Happy New Year!



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Our Council's Namesake

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY OFFICERS MEETING

PLACE: SSJP RECTORY MEETING ROOM

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 1/9/2019

TIME: 7:00PM

JANUARY COUNCIL MEETING

PLACE: SSJP PARISH CENTER

DATE: MONDAY, 1/14/2019

TIME: 7:30PM

JANUARY KNIGHT OUT

PLACE: DRAGON PALACE

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 1/30/2019

TIME: 6:00PM

FEBRUARY OFFICERS MEETING

PLACE: SSJP RECTORY MEETING ROOM

DATE: WEDNESDAY, 2/6/2019

TIME: 7:00PM

FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

PLACE: FJVD GYMNASIUM

DATE: SUNDAY, 2/10/2019

TIME: 1:00PM

FEBRUARY COUNCIL MEETING

PLACE: SSJP PARISH CENTER

DATE: MONDAY, 2/11/2019

TIME: 7:30PM

FEBRUARY KNIGHT OUT

PLACE: TBD

DATE: TBD

TIME: 6:00PM



Grand Knight's Corner

My Brothers All I pray you and your families are well. We are now half way through our Fraternal year. Time seems to fly by doesn't it. Our Council has accomplished much this past 6 months.

We had a "Funny for Funds" event which from the proceeds we were able to provide up to 72 brand new winter coats for needy families in our parishes. We had a steak fry in August which was enjoyed by all attending and the proceeds for this event will be used for other council charities.

This past September we had a booth at the Annual Car Show where we sold hamburgers and hot dogs along with chips and soda. Our proceeds from this work went to the Father John V. Doyle school and netted over \$400. We also had a successful Soccer challenge with many participants from all over the community. We also continue to take care of the Veteran's Park at the corner of Tiogue Ave. and Arnold Road.

Our Awards and Donations night was held in October and our Council gave out many donations to our Churches, Seminarians and other charitable organizations in the community. The spaghetti and meat ball dinner was superb.

During the past 6 months we had many opportunities to increase our faith by attending any one of the 4 Silver Rose ceremonies held at each of our Council's Churches. This is a nice family event where we learn about Our Lady of Guadalupe and pray the Rosary for the sanctity of life at all stages. We also prayed the rosary at Planned Parenthood in Providence to ask Our Lady to intercede for an end to Abortion.

We hope to have within the second half of our Fraternal year more opportunities to increase our Catholic Faith. Please plan to attend and if needed to help your Brother Knights with your talents. I would personally like to thank all our Brother Knights that participated in our events over the past year. You are truly putting your Faith in Action.

Brothers, as I mentioned in the last newsletter, we are hoping that these programs will aid in bringing in new members to our Council. Please consider taking part in these programs with family members if possible and with prospective candidates if you know of one.

We have business meetings every 2nd Monday of each month. Please attend these meetings to see what our Council is planning and what we have accomplished.

May Our Lord grant us a Happy and Blessed New Year.

Thank you,
Vivat Jesus!
Paul Lemek
Grand Knight

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Meeting Place: SS John and Paul Parish Center

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Chaplain's Corner

Brother Knights!

As we beginning this new year of 2019, we gathered to honor our Blessed Lady as Mother of God, we intercede for her blessings and guidance upon us in the new year. Also, this month we remember the Roe vs Wade decision of the high court of our land. There is still the need to pray the Rosary everyday so that our society will grow in its respect for all human life from the moment of conception until the moment of natural death. It calls for us to have a deep respect for all human life as a divine gift from God. Our blessed lady and St. Joseph are our great example of the sacredness of our families. They cared for the Christ child even though he was divine in nature they taught he the traditions of the Jewish faith. Scripture tells us that in their care he grew in stature, wisdom and grace. Through the living out of our faith we too can help others grow in faith. The challenge of the Gospel is to live our faith to its greatest extent, not being afraid to openly live out our beliefs.

May the Blessing of the Holy family descend upon your families in this new year, may it be a year full of good health and prosperity. May the hand of Christ guide and protect you and your families. Remember to pray the rosary daily, and strive to attend daily Mass.

Vivat Jesus!

Father Paul Lemoi
Chaplain

PRAYER INTENTIONS

- Our Holy Father Pope Francis
- His Excellency Bishop Thomas Tobin
- His Excellency Bishop Robert Evans
- The Priests of the parishes we serve
- PGK Angel Ferrer
- PGK/PFN Herb Knott
- PGK William Moskosky
- Chancellor Anthony Machado
- Treasurer David Legault
- Lecturer Alan Ogrodnik
- Brother Len Denommee
- Brother John Deary
- Brother Matt Parent
- Brother Joseph Farrell
- Brother Paul Lacroix
- Lucille Ferrer
- Ellen Ogrodnik
- Bernadette Favata
- Nancy Giolitti
- Wyatt Canfield
- All US military personnel
- The Unborn

"Seek peace with all people, and the holiness without which no one can ever see the Lord." – Hebrews 12:14

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to the following Brother Knights:

David Canfield	January 2
Father Nicholas Fleming	January 2
Stephen Kukulka	January 7
Richard Houle	January 8
Patrick Hurley	January 12
Dale Cross	January 18
Earl Mahar	January 21
Zachary Farrell	January 21
William Lyons	January 22
Anthony Machado	January 24
Anthony Favata	January 25
Philip Vanasse	January 27
Scott True	January 30
Richard Sullivan	January 31

**COUNCIL YEAR IN REVIEW 2018!**

- Free Throw Championship
- Membership drives at our churches
- St. Patrick's Day Fundraiser Dinner
- 40 Days for Life
- KANDI Drive
- Membership drives at our three churches
- Columbian Award Winner 2017-18
- Veterans Memorial Park Maintenance
- Corpus Christi Procession from Our Lady of Czenstochowa to St. Vincent de Paul
- Steak Fry
- Silver Rose Prayer Service
- FJVD Car Show Burger Stand
- Soccer Kick Challenge
- Awards and Donation Night with annual donations presented.
- Christmas Party with Toys for Teens donations



When: Sunday, February 10, 2019, 1PM-3PM

Where: Fr. John V. Doyle School Gymnasium

Blessing Council will be conducting a Free Throw Challenge on Sunday, February 10, from 1PM to 3PM in the Father John V. Doyle School Gymnasium. All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent.

For entry forms or additional information contact: Neil Fidler @ 401-632-7922. Since its beginning in 1972, over 2.5 million youths have participated in the contest.

"The Law of Yahweh is perfect, refreshment to the soul; the decree of Yahweh is trustworthy, wisdom for the simple." – Psalms 19:7

ANNUAL DUES

By now, unless you are an Honorary Life member, you should have received a notice from the Financial Secretary to pay your annual dues for 2019. If you haven't already done so, please mail your payment to the Financial Secretary. You also have the opportunity to pay in person prior to the January meeting on Monday, January 14, as the Financial Secretary will be in the Parish Center at 7PM. Once paid, you will receive your 2019 Membership Card. Please be sure to sign the card prior to placing in your wallet!

Stephen Del Deo – Insurance Field Agent


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- End-of-Life Planning

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WHO DOES IT? - Brother Knights Skills Listing

Skill	Brother Knight	Phone	Email/Address
Construction/Roof Repair	Brian Smith	401-826-1725	BCS Contruction, 23 Holmes Rd., Coventry
Certified Tutoring	Edgar Brouillard	401-354-9298	edbrou@gmail.com
Woodworking	David Tremblay	401-580-5784	triumph213@yahoo.com
Auto Repair	John Starziano	401-821-9887	Star Service Center, 53 Arnold Rd., Coventry
Plumbing/Electrical/Applicances	Tom Rossi	401-243-3767	tomr421@cox.net
Computer Repair	Mike Colvin	401-641-6881	mikegcolvin@gmail.com

If you have a particular skill and would like to be included on this list, please contact FS Neil Fidler at Narragansett55@gmail.com to be added.

"But he has answered me, 'My grace is enough for you: for power is at full stretch in weakness.' It is, then, about my weaknesses that I am happiest of all to boast, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me." – 2 Corinthians 12:9

COUNCIL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Cranston Country Club, December 9, 2018

