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MONSIGNOR PETER BLESSING COUNCIL #5273



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RI State Chaplain 1913-1957
Our Council's Namesake

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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: COWESETT INN, 226 COWESETT AVE., WEST WARWICK
DATE: WEDNESDAY, 2/27/2019
TIME: 6:30PM

MARCH OFFICERS MEETING

PLACE: SSJP RECTORY MEETING ROOM
DATE: WEDNESDAY, 3/6/2019
TIME: 7:00PM

MARCH COUNCIL MEETING

PLACE: SSJP PARISH CENTER
DATE: MONDAY, 3/11/2019
TIME: 7:30PM

MARCH KNIGHT OUT

PLACE: TBD
DATE: TBD
TIME: 6:00PM



Grand Knight's Corner

My Brothers All I pray you and your families are well. Are the New Year's resolutions still in effect? I'm sure with God's help we can keep trying to keep them.

Our Council has some resolutions that it is trying to keep also. One of them is our commitment to recruiting new members. We recently had a 1st and 2nd degree ceremony and received one new member to our council and two new members to the St. Paul Council in Cranston. Another Brother from our Council made his 2nd degree. We had over 20 Brothers attend which impressed the new recruits that made their Degrees.

Our Council is planning to have a recruitment weekend at Saints John and Paul parish on February 23 and 24. We will be trying to get prospects to perhaps attend an information night on a date to be determined. If you know of a practicing Catholic gentleman that might be a prospect would you please ask if we could get his email or phone number so that he could get more information on the Knights of Columbus and, in particular, Monsignor Peter E. Blessing Council.

We also hope to be having some faith filled events in the next few months that we would hope many Brothers can attend along with family members and maybe bring along some prospects. Please help in any way that you can and pray that these events will be successful in building up our faith.

As you probably have heard some politicians have been verbally attacking men for being in the Knights of Columbus because of their values that we profess as Brothers. Our faith is being attacked on all levels especially in the Pro-life movement. As Knights we must stand in solidarity with our faithful Priests and Bishops and uphold our Catholic values and beliefs.

Jesus said that he would be with His Church until the end of time. Jesus please give us strength to carry on our duties as Catholic men. Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney please pray for us.

Thank you,

Vivat Jesus!
Paul Lemek
Grand Knight

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Meeting Place: SS John and Paul Parish Center

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Three Year Trustee

Angel Ferrer, Jr.



Chaplain's Corner

Brother Knights!

This month begins with the Feast of the Presentation of our Lord in the Temple on February 2nd. It is also the day we celebrate the observance of the World Day of Consecrated life. Let us take some time on that day and throughout this month to give thanks to God for the gift of consecrated life - for all men and women who have dedicated their lives to the Lord and to service in his Church.

Let us continue to pray our daily prayer for vocations, that all men and women will hear the call of Christ to live their lives as example to others. It is also a time in our Scriptures that we began once again to prepare ourselves to make the journey with Christ to Jerusalem. It is a time to start to of our Lenten Journey, we don't have to wait until Ash Wednesday on March 6th to decide what we are going to do spiritually for our Lenten journey to Easter and the Risen Christ.

Remember, my brothers, to pray daily the Rosary for the sanctity and dignity of all human life, strive to attend daily Mass pray for our Bishops and Priest of our Diocese and especially for our Holy Father Pope Francis.

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
- Recorder Bill Jakabek
- 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

"Let everything you do be done in love." – 1 Corinthians 16:14

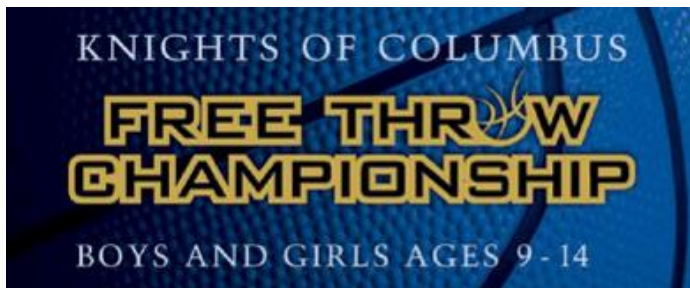
JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to the following Brother Knights:

Victor Moffitt	February 2
John Folloni, Jr.	February 5
Raymond Piccirilli	February 6
David Florio	February 6
Father John "J.D." Duggan	February 7
Dr. Douglas De Cubellis	February 14
John Connor	February 15
Daniel Danis	February 16
Richard Lord	February 17
Frederick Haibon	February 19
Father Paul Lemoi	February 25
Joseph Allen	February 26

WELCOME ABOARD MATTHEW McGUIRE

Welcome aboard to our newest Brother Knight, Matthew McGuire. Brother Matt, along with two new Brother Knights from St. Paul the Apostle Council in Foster, made his First and Second Degree during our recent Exemplification Ceremony on Tuesday, January 29, at SS John and Paul Parish Center. The Admission (First) Degree Ceremony was held in honor of our council's namesake, Msgr. Peter E. Blessing, and the Formation (Second) Degree Ceremony was held in honor of St. John Vianney. Kudos to our Degree Team for another successful ceremony!



**When: Sunday, February 10, 2019,
3:30PM-5:30PM**

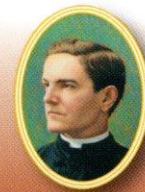
**Where: Fr. John V. Doyle School
Gymnasium**

Blessing Council will be conducting a Free Throw Challenge on Sunday, February 10, from 3:30PM to 5:30PM 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.

Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father, call many holy young people to consecrated life for the sake of your kingdom. Call an abundance of virtuous men to serve in ordained ministry, as laborers for your harvest. Call numerous others to faithful, chaste and fruitful love in the sacrament of marriage, as signs and witnesses of Christ's love for his Church. Through baptism you have called all your children, in whatever state of life, to love and serve you. Fill us with your Holy Spirit and grant us each the grace to follow you in perfect obedience and charity. With Mary and Joseph as our models and intercessors, we ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



"And so I will sing of your strength, in the morning acclaim your faithful love; you have been a stronghold for me, a refuge when I was in trouble." – Psalms 59:16

ANNUAL DUES

Second notice letters have been sent out to those Brother Knights who have not been able to pay their 2019 dues. Brothers, if you haven't paid your dues yet, please fulfill your obligation soon! Our council has already received a bill from both Supreme and State for our annual per capita which part of your dues goes to help alleviate. If you have a financial hardship, please contact our Worthy Financial Secretary Neil Fidler at 401-632-7922 to discuss. All conversations are always confidential, and something can be worked out. Please remain a member in "good standing."

Stephen Del Deo – Insurance Field Agent


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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.

"On the other hand the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control; no law can touch such things as these." – Galatians 5:22-23

JANUARY "KNIGHT OUT" AT DRAGON PALACE

January 30, 2019

