



THE BLESSING WORD

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
MONSIGNOR PETER BLESSING COUNCIL #5273



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER OFFICERS MEETING

PLACE: OLC MEETING ROOM
DATE: WEDNESDAY, 10/12/2022
TIME: 7:00 PM

OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

PLACE: OLC MEETING ROOM
DATE: MONDAY, 10/17/2022
TIME: 7:30 PM

SILVER ROSE PRAYER SERVICE

PLACE: OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL
DATE: MONDAY, 10/24/2022
TIME: 6:30 PM

NOVEMBER OFFICERS MEETING

PLACE: OLC MEETING ROOM
DATE: WEDNESDAY, 11/9/2022
TIME: 7:00 PM

NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

PLACE: OLC MEETING ROOM
DATE: MONDAY, 11/14/2022
TIME: 7:30 PM

FUNNY4FUNDS COMEDY NIGHT

PLACE: SSJP PARISH CENTER
DATE: FRIDAY, 11/18/2022
TIME: DOORS OPEN AT 7 PM, SHOW STARTS AT 8 PM

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Meeting Place:

Our Lady of Czenstochowa Meeting Room



Grand Knight's Corner

Fall Greetings, Brothers!

I'd like to extend a HUGE 'Thank You' to all 'brothers and others' who helped make the FJVD Car Show and the Italian 'Knight' successful! First – the Car Show went very well. We were blessed with perfect weather and served over 200 burgers and hot dogs. Last year, we ran out of food and had to go shopping multiple times. This year, we had too much food. I'm calling next year our 'Baby Bear' year, cuz it'll be 'just right'!

Our Italian Knight was VERY well received. All who attended remarked at how much they enjoyed it and said we should do it at least once a year. Challenge accepted!! Special thanks to our own 'chef de cuisine', Mark Giolitti for sharing his recipes and overseeing all operations, and also to our Worthy Chaplain Fr. Paul Lemoi, who spent all day working in the kitchen from rolling meatballs to doing dishes. Overall, many hours were put into both events by many people – some who could only offer an hour or two, some who simply attended, spent money, and enjoyed the food. It all adds up, so if you missed your chance to help, don't worry – Funny4Funds Comedy Night is coming soon!!

Last week, we had another Exemplification Ceremony and welcomed two more Brother Knights into our council. We are making some serious progress with membership recently! However, I would urge ALL of our Brother Knights to attend our ceremonies. They are not just for the new members and the degree team. It's important to come out and show your support for our new Brother Knights, so please come if you're able to do so.

Finally, my family and I attended the Mother Teresa movie this evening. It was very powerful and moving. I sincerely hope that it is available somewhere after its short two-day run in theaters. It's appropriate for all ages and we highly recommend it. Visit www.motherteresamovie.com to see the trailer.

God Bless and Vivat Jesus!

Brian Mattias

Grand Knight

Supreme Knight

Patrick Kelly

RI State Deputy

David Bebyn

District Deputy (RI Dist. 6)

Joseph Burns

Insurance Agent

Jim Davis

Msgr. Peter E. Blessing Council Officers:**Chaplain**

Rev. Paul Lemoi

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Peter Blais

Treasurer

William Jakabek

Recorder

Jerry McEvoy

Advocate

Patrick Hurley

Inside Guard

James Hall

Outside Guard

Stephen Kukulka

Lecturer

Edgar Brouillard

One Year Trustee

Frank Laiter III

Two Year Trustee

Paul Lemek

Three Year Trustee

David Legault



Chaplain's Corner

No report this month.

SUPREME CHAPLAIN'S CHALLENGE October 2022



The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." (Gospel for Oct. 2, Lk 17:5)

"Increase our faith." Think about that for a moment. Even the apostles, who walked with Jesus, lived with Jesus, heard him teach and saw him perform miracles, had their struggles with faith. Wouldn't faith be even more difficult for us, who have not seen Jesus when he walked the earth? Fortunately, Christ is truly present to us in the Eucharist, and we can hear his words in Scripture. If we wish to increase our faith, let us spend time with Christ in the Eucharist and listen to him through Scripture.

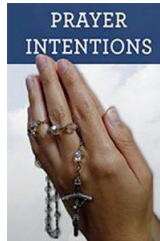
Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to spend some time each week reading and meditating on the Gospels in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Second, I challenge you to participate in the Faith in Action Pilgrim Icon program.

Questions for Reflection:

When it comes to faith, do you ever find yourself just "going through the motions"? How can spending time with Christ in the Eucharist or reading his words in Scripture increase your faith? What are some practices you can undertake to grow in faith in Christ?

"For so many marvels I thank you; a wonder am I, and all your works are wonders. You knew me through and through,"— Psalms 139:14



- Our Holy Father Pope Francis
- Our Bishops Tobin and Evans
- The Priests and Deacons of the parishes we serve
- Transitional Deacon Patrick Ryan and Seminarian Nicholas Whitaker
- PGK/PFN Herb Knott
- PGK Harold Trafford
- IPGK David Legault
- Brother Anthony Machado
- Brother Rob Brodeur
- Brother Alan Ogrodnik
- Brother Len Denommee
- Brother Paul Lacroix
- Brother James Kmon
- Brother Matt Parent
- Brother Jim Hall
- Brother Joseph Murphy
- Brother Jaroslaw Lewkowski
- Lucille Ferrer
- Bernadette Favata
- Veronica Brouillard
- Nancy Giolitti
- Henry Giolitti
- Mary Deary
- Shirley Laiter
- Diane Burke
- Mary Lawlor
- Roberta Soucy
- Lori Bullock
- Michelle Legault
- Nancy Blais
- Eric Thatcher
- Dennis Belanger III
- Andrew Whitaker
- John Dolan
- All US military personnel active and former
- The Unborn
- All who are suffering in Ukraine



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to the following Brother Knights:

Arthur Lebrun (83)	October 3
David Tremblay (60)	October 3
Joseph Jarvis, Jr. (67)	October 6
Matthew Duska (58)	October 7
Robert Brodeur, Jr. (53)	October 7
James Kmon (39)	October 7
Donald Oat, Jr. (73)	October 15
Ryan Tremblay (35)	October 20
Fr. Jacek Ploch (42)	October 22
Alan Giroux (73)	October 23
Donat Lamoureux (86)	October 27
Deacon Patrick Ryan (28)	October 27
John Criscione (95)	October 29

WELCOME NEW BROTHER KNIGHTS!



The Msgr. Peter E. Blessing Council Degree Team hosted an Exemplification Ceremony of Charity, Unity and Fraternity on Tuesday, September 27, 2022, at Our Lady of Czenstochowa Church. We welcomed our new Brother Knights Austin Kairnes and Maxwell Laiter to our council and our order. Brothers Austin and Maxwell are now Third Degree Knights and mark our fifth and sixth new Brother Knights for the 2022-23 Fraternal Year. The honoree for the ceremony was Blessed Michael McGivney.

*“Do not congratulate yourself about tomorrow, since you do not know what today will bring forth.”
– The Proverbs 27:1*

CHANGE OF VENUE



Starting this month, the venue for Blessing Council Officers and Membership Meetings will now be the Our Lady of Czenstochowa Meeting Room. This is the building to the far left in the photo above and looking from Washington St. (117). The address for our new venue is 445 Washington Street in Coventry.

THE PATRIOTIC (FOURTH) DEGREE



The Wallace Assembly 4th Degree will be holding a Memorial Mass at Saints John and Paul Church for all deceased members of Father Wallace Assembly over the last fraternal year. The Mass will be held Thursday, November 10, at 7 PM. Many of the deceased were from the Blessing Council.

Current Patriotic Degree Sir Knights are encouraged to join the Assembly Color Corps. Father Wallace Assembly will give \$250 towards a new uniform. Additionally, Blessing Council will contribute \$150. Our Color Corps are the visible arm of the Knights of Columbus.

Paul Lemek, Faithful Navigator, Father Wallace Assembly

PRAYERS FOR BABY DENNIS



Brother Dennis Belanger and his wife Casey are proud parents of a baby boy, Dennis Belanger III, born Tuesday, October 4. The young man weighed in at a hefty 9 lbs., 7ozs, and 22 ½ inches tall. Unfortunately, Baby Dennis is currently in the Women and Infants NICU, as a precaution, with strider which is a wheezing of the throat. Please keep Baby Dennis in your prayers as he recovers.

"FUNNY4FUNDS"

Where: SS John and Paul Parish Center
When: 7:00 PM - Friday, November 18, 2022



Our annual Funny4Funds Comedy Show to benefit our Coats for Kids program will take place on Friday, November 18. Doors open at 7 PM and the show starts at 8 PM. There will soon be a webpage up with all the details on the show including ticket price. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year, and your support will be greatly appreciated!

"Jesus replied, 'More blessed still are those who hear the word of God and keep it!'" – Luke 11:28

FATHER JOHN V. DOYLE SCHOOL CAR SHOW Saturday, September 10, 2022



MOTHER OF LIFE PREGNANCY CENTER OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, September 17, 2022

Program Director Paul Lemek and Life Director Brian Lawlor represented Blessing Council at the Mother of Life Pregnancy Center open house on September 17. It was a fulfilling experience per Brother Paul. Brother Knights, including State Deputy David Bebyn, came from all over Rhode Island and received tours of the home. They were amazed at the facilities especially the beautiful chapel on the second floor. The people that run the center are dedicated to helping families in pregnancy crisis situations and provided a wealth of information. It made one proud to be helping out as a Council with our donations over the years to this wonderful Life Center. Brother Brian worked the signing in table for all those attending.



ITALIAN "KNIGHT"
Our Lady of Czenstochowa Gymnasium
Friday, September 23, 2022



MORE ITALIAN "KNIGHT" PHOTOS

