



GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights,

As we prepare to begin another year through the grace of our Father, I want to discuss the first emblem of our order, Charity. As many of you are aware it is getting harder and harder to raise the funds we need to support our Churches, Catholic Schools and Council. Many of us help support these organizations on a personal level through Stewardship, the giving of time, talent and treasure. Many of us are Knights because of our strong faith and this belief in Stewardship.

Over the past few years there has been a greater emphasis by many Brother Knights in having Stewardship take on a greater role in our Council by the giving of time and talent. Examples of this include the time spent by various Knights installing new wiring at Pius X High School and the ongoing renovation of our council home. Many Knights hear about some of these projects after they are complete and are disappointed that no one called them to help. Since we never know when some of our Churches or Schools are going to need help I want to start a database of Knights that are willing to help on these projects and the talents they have to share. So please take a minute and send me your name, telephone number and the talent(s) you have that you can bring to a project. Whether you can help with electrical, plumbing, masonry, painting, or just general maintenance, the more Knights that get involved the more projects we will be able to accomplish. You can send your list to my attention at 1139 Dotta Drive, Pen Argyl, PA 18072.

Please continue to do what ever you can to support our council through the various fund raisers held through the year. Also, remember to keep our sick and distressed Brother Knights and their families in your prayers. I pray that all of you will have a safe, happy and healthy New Year.

Fraternally yours,
John A. Dunbar

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Dear Brother Knights,

As we are once again in the midst of a holiday season – Thanksgiving and Christmas – our families are very much in our minds. These two celebrations are feasts – spiritual feasts – and all the attempts by the secular Godless society to reduce them to national holidays can't change that. On Thanksgiving Day, Whom do we thank? Nobody but God, the giver of the greatest gift we have – our very lives which carry with them the invitation to eternal happiness. At Christmas, we commemorate the birth of Christ Who took upon Himself our human nature so He could suffer and die on Calvary as a God-man, thereby adequately making up to God the Father for the sins of mankind. Our modern society has tried very hard to eliminate the very mention of Our Lord's name in promoting their version of the coming season. "Happy Holidays" replaces "Merry Christmas". But thank goodness there seems to be a return to the use of the term Christmas by some commercial organizations, and that is the result of the efforts of the Knights of Columbus and their billboards. So enjoy this very special time with your families and proudly wish everyone a very Merry Christmas, as I do to all of you. In this season of giving you are and have been marvelous examples of real giving – works of charity toward your less fortunate neighbors. May your spirit of giving continue to be the engine which drives your activities as loyal members of our Order. May God bless you always!

Father Tom Prior, C.M. *Chaplain*

Schedule of Activities

DECEMBER 2006

- 9 Tuesday – Regular Knights of Columbus Meeting – 200 Club Drawing – All members are urged to attend.
- No Second Council Meeting
- No Fourth Degree Meetings

JANUARY 2007

- 7 Sunday – “Free Throw Contest” at Pius X High School, 10:00 A.M. All boys and girls ages 10 to 14 are welcome to participate. Committee: John Dunbar, Tom Miller, Jeff Virbin and all the Squires.
- 9 Tuesday – Regular Knights of Columbus meeting. 7:30 Council Home
- 18 Thursday – Pope Pius XII Fourth Degree Meeting Easton.
- 23 Tuesday – Regular Knights of Columbus Meeting. 200 Club Drawing. Annual meeting and election of Home Association Officers. We urge all members to attend this very important meeting. 7:30 Council Home

FEBRUARY 2007

- 5 Monday – Ladies Auxiliary Meeting. 7:30 Council Home
- 13 Tuesday – Knights of Columbus Meeting. 7:30 Council Home
- 15 Thursday – Pope Pius XII – Fourth Degree Meeting – Nazareth
- 25 Sunday – Home Association “Grand Drawing of the 200 Club” in the Council Home, 3:00 to 5:00 P.M. All ticket holders are welcome to attend. Committee: Tony Barazzuol, Joseph Coccia, Iggy Klausz, Corey Genteel, and John Neetz.
- 27 Tuesday – Regular Knights of Columbus meeting. 7:30 Council Home.

MARCH 2007

- 3 Saturday – Annual “Patriotic Ball” Sponsored by Pope Pius XII Assembly. To be held at the Holy Family Club n Nazareth. The public is welcome. For information and reservations call Tony Barazzuol 610-863-5611.
- 4 Sunday – Squires Circle Meeting. Council Home 1:00 P.M.
- 5 Monday – Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Council Home 7:30 P.M.
- 6 Tuesday – Home Association Meeting. Council Home 7:30 P.M.
- 11 Sunday – Knights of Columbus Spaghetti Dinner at our Council Home. Volunteers are needed for Saturday and Sunday. Committee: All Knights of Columbus Officers.
- 13 Tuesday – Knights of Columbus Regular Meeting 7:30 P.M. Start of the new “200 Club”. We ask all members to buy one ticket or share one with someone. Tickets are \$60.00 and it can be paid \$5.00 per month.
- 15 Thursday – Pope Pius XII Assembly Fourth Degree Meeting, Bangor.
- 27 Tuesday – Regular Knights of Columbus meeting 7:30 P.M.
- 30-31 Friday, Saturday, Sunday – Annual Retreat at St. Francis Friary – Easton, PA. Sponsored by our council. All Catholic men of the Slate Belt are invited to attend. For reservations call Lou DiNardo or Joe DeFrank.

OPENINGS IN SQUIRES CIRCLE

The Columbian Squires Circle (Junior Knights of Columbus) are looking for new members. Any Catholic boy between the ages of 10 and 18, who is from the Slate Belt area, is welcome to join this organization. Have them call Chief Councillor John Dunbar at 863-8995 and Phil Giaquinto at 863-7573.

APRIL 2007

- Mar. 30, 31 and **April 1** Friday, Saturday, **Sunday** – Annual Retreat at St. Francis Friary – Easton, PA. Sponsored by our council. All Catholic men of the Slate Belt are invited to attend. For reservations call Lou DiNardo or Joe DeFrank.
- 1 Sunday – Squires Circle Meeting. Council Home 1:00 P.M.
 - 2 Monday – Ladies Auxiliary Meeting. Council Home 7:30 P.M.
 - 3 Tuesday – Home Association Meeting – Council Home 7:30 P.M.
 - 7 Saturday – Annual Easter Egg Hunt at the Council Home (Rain or Shine) at 2:00 P.M. All members are asked to donate one dozen eggs.
 - 10 Tuesday – Regular Knights of Columbus Meeting. 200 Club Drawing.
 - 19 Thursday – Pope Pius XII Fourth Degree Meeting.
 - 24 Tuesday – Knights of Columbus Meeting. 7:30 P.M. Nominating Committee to be selected by the Grand Knight. 200 Club drawing.
 - 28 Saturday – Collection for “PARC” program. At this time volunteers are needed. Committee: John Dunbar, Corey Genteel, Joe Coccia, Mike Coccia, Joe DeFranco, Bill Kerler, John Page and any volunteers.

MAY 2007

- 1 Tuesday – Home Association Meeting 7:00 P.M.
- 6 Sunday – Squires Circle Meeting. Council Home 1:00 P.M.
- 7 Monday – Ladies Auxiliary Meeting. Council Home 7:30 P.M.
- 8 Tuesday – Recitation of the Rosary before the regular Knights of Columbus meeting starting at 7:30 P.M. in front of the Shrine. Starting nomination of officers.
- 12 Saturday – 52nd Anniversary Dinner Dance at the Council Home. Tickets are available from the captains. The Knight of the Year will be presented by the immediate past Knight of the Year. Committee: All Past Grand Knights and Council Officers.
- 17 Thursday – Pope Pius XII Fourth Degree Meeting.
- 22 Tuesday – Recitation of the Rosary before the Regular Knights of Columbus Meeting starting at 7:30 P.M. in front of the Shrine. Continuing nominations of officers at this meeting. 200 Club Drawing.
- 26 Saturday – Placing flags on deceased members graves. Committee: Robert Castelletti, J. Bufi, Bill Heard.

JUNE 2007

- 3 Sunday – Squires Circle Meeting. Council Home 1:00 P.M.
- 4 Monday – Ladies Auxiliary Meeting. Council Home 7:30 P.M.
- 5 Tuesday – Home Association Meeting. Council Home 7:30 P.M.
- 12 Tuesday – Regular Knights of Columbus Meeting. Election of council officers. All members must attend.
- 21 Thursday – Pope Pius XII. Fourth Degree Meeting in Bangor at 8:00 P.M.
- 26 Tuesday – Regular Knights of Columbus Meeting. 200 Club drawing.

OUR NEW INSURANCE AGENT IS:

James W. Kearney
P.O. Box 363
Wilkes Barre, PA 18703
Phone: 1-570-654-3390

The Auxiliary is always looking for new members, so please urge your Wives to join. Meeting night is the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Council Home.

Bulletins Courtesy of Donna & Jim Gaffney

Please Pray For Our Deceased Members

Rev. Joseph Alfonsi	Philip Curcio	Chester A. Milunic, PGK
Rev. Pasquale DeNisco	John T. Dally	Fred Mondello
Rev. Joseph Illig	Paul DeFranco	George Mutton
Rev. Gennaro J. Leone	Archie DeMarteo	Joseph Neffue
Rev. Michael O'Brien	Anthony DeNardo	Alfonso Nerino
Rev. Charles P. Sweeney	Pasquale DeNardo	Enzo Ostilli
Rev. Msgr. Joseph M. Whalen	Christopher DeRosa	Robert R. Owens
Rev. Gerald D. Conroy	William Devine	Anthony Pagano
Rev. Daniel J. Renaldo	Philip A. DeMilio, Jr.	Victor Paolini
Artilio P. Abruzzese	John DeVito	Edward Piergallini
Gilbert Abruzzese	Michael DeVito	Joseph Ponnett, Sr.
Leo Antonioli	Amato DePalo	Joseph Powlette
Mario Armelin	Alfiero DiFelice	Leonard Renaldo
Renald Baratta	Carl DeFanco	Michael Renaldo
Allego P. Bartolacci	William Doall	Peter Renaldo
Willard P. Bartron, PGK	Anthony Dotoli	Anthony Renaldo
John Begies	Joseph Duvo	Anthony Reto
Quintus Bianco	John Emerick, Sr.	George Ricca
Russell Bisher	Ralph Falcone	Arcangelo Roberti
Samuel Blasco	Domenik C. Falcone, PGK	Dr. Nicholas M. Romano
James Bonisese	Joseph Falcone	Michael J. Romano
Nelo J. Bontempo	John Falcone P.D.D.	Joseph Romano
John Brescancine	Victor Falcone	Domenick F. Ronco
Joseph F. Bubba	George Falteick	Robert D. Ronco, PGK
Joseph Bucher	Daniel Finelli	Michael D. Ronco
William Burke	Michael Fisher	Peter L. Rossigno
Armando Buschi	Anthony Franchino	Dominic Rossigno
Clearance Bush	George D. Giaquinto, Sr.	Augustine Ruggiero
Dr. Nicholas Capobianco	Anthony Giovannini	Louis J. Ruth
Samuel Callie	Matthew Giovannini, PGK	Dr. Leonard Rushin, PGK
John Callie	Michael Goffredo, PGK	William Rushmeyer
John M. Camiletti	John Goffredo, Sr.	Frank Sabatine
Joseph Capone	Anthony Grecco	Domenic A. Sabatino
Anthony Caracio	Leonard Gruppo	Anthony Sabia, PGK
Louis Caracio	Anthony Guida	Joseph A. Saccon, PGK
Vincent Caracio	Carmen Guida	Diego Sansone
John Carcione	Vincent G. Irwin, Sr.	Elmer Saveri
Anthony E. Cascario	Vincent J. Irwin II	Mariano Saveri
Anthony N. Cascario	Charles Karasek, Jr.	Victor Saveri
Anthony Casciano	Phillip Kellow	Leo P. Segatti
Joseph Casciano	John King	Leo Shanahan
Philip Casciano	Salvator La Valva	Anthony F. Schiavone
John Cascioli	Philip Lopiano	Frank Spadoni
James Cash	Sal Lopiano, Sr.	Peter Stasak
Amerigo Castelletti	Matthew LeDonne	Ralph Talotra
Alphonso Cesare	Silvio Lupachino	Hugh A. Tiernan
Gus Chaffier	Vincent F. Luttgen	Michael Trigiani
Anthony Communale	Charles Montross	Anthony Trilli
Nicholas Confalone	Salvatore Martino	Pasquale Vicaro
Anthony Cortazzo	Nicholas Martocci	Joseph Vonelli
Angelo Cortez	John Maso	Evan Williams
Samuel Costello	John P. Masut, Sr.	Nicholas Zito
William Costello	John R. Masut, Jr.	Philip Zito
Daniel Crafa	Andrew Merlo	Prospero Zito
Joseph Curcio	Anthony Merlo	Daniel H. Zito
Vito Curcio, PGK	Joseph Merola	Victor C. Zucal

Father DeNisco Ladies Auxiliary

Magdalene Angelini	Marie DeVito	Josephine D. Renaldo
Josephine A. Caiazzo	Constance Fisher	Mary Renaldo
Mary Capozzolo	Theresa Fusacchia	Ersilia Pagano
Norma Capobianco	Minnie King	Anna Sabia
Mary Carcione	Mary Guida	Margaret Sansone
Rosemarie Casciano	Constance Milunec	Genevieve Sesnovik
Elizabeth DeNardo	Rose Neffue	Viola Trigiani
Jean DeNardo	Josephine A. Renaldo	Margaret Williams