



The Knight Crier

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE



Philippians 2:4

Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

Brothers,

One of the things a Grand Knight receives are calls out of nowhere. This past month I had one of those calls. I was in my classroom and got a call from a Colonel Green in Kaiserslautern Germany. He introduced himself as a Past Grand Knight and said he had a man who needed our help. My first thought was how are we supposed to help someone in Germany. He explained the gentleman in need was one of his former Marines, named Matt and he was stuck in Fredericksburg. I said not a problem we will help him. I agreed to meet Matt that afternoon. When I arrived, Matt was waiting, this is what I learned: Matt was a former Marine sniper who was wounded in Fallujah. He was on Christmas break with a couple of friends from college and they left him in Williamsburg. He called his fiancé and explained the situation; she is the daughter of Col. Greene. Col Greene called Matt and told him to hold tight

the Knights were coming. Col. Greene contacted a Grand Knight in Williamsburg and got Matt a ride to Fredericksburg with a Brother (retired Air Force Major). I picked him up and drove him to Woodbridge where we hooked up with another Knight who got him to Washington D.C. where he was able to get a train home to Portland.

Matt could not believe that a bunch of Knights would go out of their way to assist him, when he was in a pickle. I explained that is what Knights do - we take care of our Brothers. Matt was very grateful for the help and continually thanked me for our help.

I received an email from Col. Green and he said he was most appreciative and stated what a wonderful way it was to introduce his future son-in-law to the Knights. Matt has already told him as soon as he finishes RCIA he plans to become a Knight.

Our council has had an easy month. We had the March for Life on the 23rd and corporate communion on the 29th. Thanks go out to all the Knights who participated in these events. Special thanks go to Joe Vogel for heading up the March for Life for the Council and to Tommy Lyons for taking the lead on the Corporate Communion.

We have several events coming up in February - a Valentine's Dinner/Dance on February 11, and our first REAP fundraiser on February 19. Please come out for both of these events (more info following).
Fraternally in Christ,
Warren Kimmerly, GK

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COUNCIL 4034 EVENTS

If any Council 4034 member wishes to take part in any of the degrees listed herein, contact the Financial Secretary immediately so that all paperwork and arrangements can be completed for your participation.

Date	Event	Time	Place	Notes
FEBRUARY				
2/1	Officer's Meeting	7:30 PM	4034 Council Home	
2/4	First Friday Adoration	6-7 AM	St. Mary's Church	Council 4034 has Saturday morning
2/4	Family Dinner	6-8:30 PM	Activity Center	
2/8	Business Meeting	7:30 PM	4034 Council Home	
2/11	2 nd Degree Ceremony	9 AM	Council Home	District 11 meeting to follow
2/11	Valentine Dinner	6 PM	Parish Life Center	\$28 each to Steve Stoecker
2/15	4 th Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	TBD	
2/19	Pancake Breakfast	7:30 AM-Noon	Parish Life Center	supports Religious Education
2/19	Free Throw Competition	2 PM	Sealston Elementary	District 11 Competition
2/22	Social Meeting	7:30 PM	4034 Council Home	
2/25	Free Throw Competition	8:30 AM	St. Gertrude HS	state competition in Richmond
2/26	New Parishioner Welcome	11:30 AM	Parish Life Center	Follows 10:30 AM Mass
MARCH				
3/3	First Friday Adoration	6-7 AM	St. Mary's Church	Council 4034 has Saturday morning
3/3	Men's Conference		St. Joseph parish hall	Herndon, VA: see diocese website
3/3	Family Dinner	6-8:30 PM	Activity Center	
3/7	Officer's Meeting	7:30 PM	4034 Council Home	
3/14	Business Meeting	7:30 PM	4034 Council Home	
3/17	bowling deadline	Last day to register for state bowling tournament		
3/21	4 th Degree Meeting	7:30 PM	TBD	
3/25	New Parishioner Welcome	11:30 AM	Parish Life Center	Follows 10:30 AM Mass
3/28	Social Meeting	7:30 PM	4034 Council Home	

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Scott Bergeron	President (3 years)	George Johnson	(1 year)
Jack Rosner	Vice President (3 years)	Virgil Nelson	(1 year)
Ralph Steiniger	Treasurer (2 years)	Mark Janda	ex officio (Trustee)
Warren Kimmerly	ex officio (Grand Knight)	Loui Stevens	ex officio (Trustee)
John Wilkes	ex officio (Deputy Grand Knight)	David Corey	ex officio (Trustee)

FEBRUARY BLOOD DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus, Council 4034, will be kicking off their 2012 Blood Drive on February 1, from 1 to 7 PM, at the St. Mary's Church parking lot. Let's start this year off with a bang as we did last year! Remember, the life you save may be your own, so come out and give! For more information, please contact SK Scott Bergeron, 540.898.2627.

WOODWORKER NEEDED

I am still looking for a volunteer, who has good woodworking skills to remove some wooden panels and install glass or Plexiglas panels with trim. You have to buy nothing! It will be bought by the Columbus Club. For more information, please contact SK Scott Bergeron, 540.898.2627.

FEBRUARY FAMILY DINNER

The February Family Dinner, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, will be held on Saturday, February 4 from 6 to 8:30 PM in the Parish Life Center (aka the Activity Center). The menu includes homemade pork barbeque sandwiches, french fries, baked beans, cole slaw, and bread pudding. The profit will be donated to the Guadalupe Free Clinic in Colonial Beach. The dinner is open to the public and pay-at-the-door. Takeouts are available. The cost is Adults: \$7, Seniors (60&up): \$6, Teens: \$6, Children (7-12): \$5, Children (under 7): Free. **THE MAXIMUM COST PER FAMILY IS \$24.**

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

On Sunday February 19 we will sponsor a Pancake Breakfast at the Parish Life Center after the morning Masses. Sign up on website to help. This is our first fundraiser to support the Religious Education Assistance Program (REAP).
Warren Kimmerly, Grand Knight

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND DISTRESSED

Your prayers are requested for: our Armed Forces and their families, Loui Stevens, Fred Nunez, Martha Kimmerly, John Wilkes, Bill Novitzky, Rose Kimmerly, Bill McCarthy, Sandy Rosner, Joe Blanford, Carolyn Cavanagh, John Trammel, Shirley Mayers, Dick Salazar, Kevin Craddock, Roland Becotte, Bob Lyman, Laszlo Cseke, Jane Stoecker, Clare Stoecker, Mark Sarbacker, and David Corey.
Pray for the repose of the soul of Sharon McKenna.

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Tobit 13:6

When you turn back to him with all your heart, and with all your soul do what is right before him, Then he will turn to you, and will hide his face from you no longer.

Now consider what he has done for you, and give thanks with full voice.

Bless the Lord of righteousness, and exalt the King of the ages.

In the land of my captivity I give thanks, and declare his power and majesty to a sinful nation.

According to your heart do what is right before him: perhaps there will be pardon for you.

Brothers,

It is truly inspiring to hear stories of brothers doing little things here and there. Bringing a brother to Mass, or to attend one of our meetings, or helping a stranded vet get home to college. Perhaps it is the Order's culture, or our own Council's that promotes this but I think it takes a special person, with a charitable heart, to even join the Knights of Columbus!

After a bit of a rest, we again enter a busy month. On the February 4, at 6 AM, we have an opportunity to spend time with Our Lord, in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Consider joining us for the monthly Business Meeting, February 8, at 7 PM at the Council Hall.

On the 11th, at 9 AM there will be a 2nd Degree ceremony at the Council Hall. Please, come early, so the District's 2nd Degree team can start on time! That evening, at 6 PM, we will have our annual Valentine's Dinner. Please RSVP to our Worthy Warden Steve Stoecker, at sjstoecker@yahoo.com.

On Sunday, February 19, we will host our first fundraiser for our Religious Education Assistance Program. This will be a cherry pancake breakfast, starting after the 7 AM Mass, and continuing for the 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM Masses. We will need cooks, servers, and cleanup, as the Parish Life Center is needed for another event by 12:30 PM!

Please keep doing what is right before our Lord, in Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism!

John Wilkes, Deputy Grand Knight



KNIGHTS AND CONGRESSMAN AT THE RELIGIOUS FREEDOM MEMORIAL



FOURTH DEGREE COLOR GUARD

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

“Amen I say, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.” Matthew 25:40

Brothers,

I want to thank you for all you do in service to our Council and to the Church. As always, the character of the Knights shines in every act of charity you do for others. I'm especially edified by all those who served or attended the 40th annual March for Life. Ever since I was a young man, the Knights were very much present at the March, serving not only the unborn by their witness, but also serving the needs of hundreds of thousands of marchers from all over the country. Knights volunteer as crowd marshals, they serve as ushers at the many Masses around the area, and they lead the vanguard of the march at the front of a very long line of pro-life witnesses. One of my fondest memories from my childhood was seeing my home Knights park an RV at the base of the steps of the Supreme Court building. There, for years, rain or shine they would serve hot food and coffee to the marshals, police officers, and the occasional priest.

The most incredible part of the March is the quiet demonstration of a vast number of people of their disapproval of a barbaric and unjust law that permits the murder of an innocent life at virtually every stage of pregnancy. Annually, it is marked by prayer, peace and curiously enough, joy. What a stark contrast to a world that is so unhappy! Instead of bitter, angry, and upset people marching against injustice, the March brings out the best in people. It brings out smiling youth, joyful families, laughing, songs, and a unified movement that witnesses to the one demographic in our society that doesn't have the power or the words to speak on their own. The message is clear, but it is not a bitter message. It is a message of hope and healing.

It is into this world that we as Knights are placed. We are challenged to serve and defend those without a voice. But most especially, we are called by God to defend life and its dignity by our service to all, even the smallest future Knights and Squires in the womb. Gentlemen, this year, let us recommit ourselves to serving others and, by our service, show them that each human person, no matter the case, is loved and cherished by God, created in His image, and has dignity and worth from conception until death.

Reverend Ed Bresnahan, Chaplain



BEGINNING THE RELIGIOUS FREEDOM MARCH



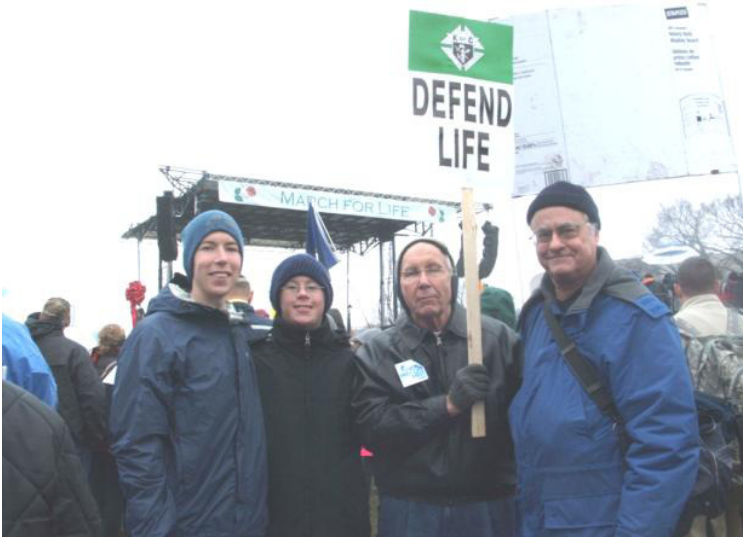
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BUS PROVIDED BY COUNCIL 4034 ABOUT TO LEAVE SAINT MARY



MARCH FOR LIFE ON CONSTITUTION AVENUE



SAINT MARY PARISHIONERS ON THE WASHINGTON MALL DURING THE MARCH FOR LIFE
(From Brother Loui's District 11 Talking Points)



SAINT MARY PARISHIONERS AND THEIR BUS ON INDEPENDENCE AVENUE
(From Brother Loui's District 11 Talking Points)



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