



The Olive Branch In Our 67th Year

Chartered - November 14, 1954



November 2022

Shooting for a STAR!

Chaplain's Message.....

Dear Knights:

Solemn Holy Days of November

As we enter this holy month of November we begin it with two sacred Holy Days, All Saints and All Souls Days. All Saints Solemn Feast Day is the one day each year when we honor all the Saints in heaven. This includes all the canonized saints of the Catholic Church and also those who God has justified to be in heaven as the unknown saints. This number includes the unnamed martyrs, those just and holy ones that the Old Testament speaks of who awaited the coming of the Savior- as well as all those who Saint Peter says, "I truly see that God shows no partiality, but in every age in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him." (Acts 10:34).

The greatest of the Saints is the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Heaven, and Earth. Next to her is Saint Joseph, her Most Chaste Spouse. We ask the prayers of all the Saints and Angels throughout this month.

On November 2nd we honor all the Souls in Purgatory and pray for our beloved dead. The whole month of November is a month of remembrance for the dead. We get this notion of praying for the dead from the Wisdom literature, and most especially, from the 2nd Book of Maccabees in the Old Testament which says, "They purified themselves according to Jewish custom and then observed the holy day. By the following day it was urgent that they gather up the bodies of the men who had been killed in battle and bury them in their family tombs. [...] they praised the ways of the Lord, the just judge, [...] and they begged him that this sin might be completely blotted out." (2 Macc. 12:38 – 42)

Praying for the dead is one of the spiritual works of mercy that the Lord calls us to do, as when Jesus prays, "Father, I desire that they too, may be with me where I am with you." (John 17:24)

This whole month of November is a sacred and holy month to call for the assistance of the Saints in heaven and to pray for the souls who need our prayers to get to heaven. To offer sacrifice requires a body, and the poor souls in Purgatory need us to make a sacrifice for them, for they are separated from their bodies. So just as Jesus offered his body on the Cross, so we offer our sufferings this month for those poor souls in Purgatory. Eternal rest grant unto to them O Lord. May they rest in Peace.

Peace,

Fr. Will

Rev. William Wuenschel, Chaplain



Grand Knight's Message...

Brothers:

The Fall Season is in full swing as the trees are changing into their beautiful colors, and the weather is becoming crisper each day.

October was quite busy for us. In addition to our normal activities, our focus was on one item of concern and another item of opportunity. The item of concern is our budget. Like everyone, the performance of our Columbia Knights' investments has directly impacted the ability of our Council to maintain the level of Charity we have provided over the past several years. Meetings were held, budget items have been adjusted, and our plan going forward, though lean, will permit us to continue with our programs.

The opportunity we have created is for our Council to take on the challenge of the Aid and Support After Pregnancy (**ASAP**) Program which our Supreme KofC is promoting <www.kofc.org/ASAP>. Working with St. John Neumann parish, we have begun the collection of pre-natal and newborn items to help pregnant mothers and newborn infants. A "Giving Baby Bottle" with tags indicating needed items has been placed in the SJN Narthex. If you belong to St. John Neumann, or have the opportunity, please take a tag, purchase the indicated item, and return them for our pick-up. Final pick-up will be November 13th. Thank You **ASAP** Committee for your time/efforts on this!

Sadly, we lost a special Brother recently, our Brother Al Fill. Al joined the KofC in 1996, and remained active as his health permitted. Anyone who attended our past Christmas Parties up to a couple of years ago has met Al. There is a special place in Heaven for Santa, and if you look there, you'll find Al.

Our Council has several upcoming events early in November which you should place on your calendars. On November 9th, we have our annual Memorial Mass and Pot-Luck Dinner during which we honor the Brother Knights who have left us in the past year. On November 12th there will be our annual *Knight at the Races* dinner and fundraising event. This is always fun and it gives our Chapter the opportunity for a (mostly) pure social evening of food and fun. Again, thank you to the committees making these events possible. Also, please mark December 10th for our Children's Christmas Party. See the pages in this *Olive Branch* for more details.

November is traditionally a month of Family, so I encourage you to take the time to make new memories with those you love.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Vivat Jesus!

George Franz

Grand Knight





Brother Knights,

Every September a non-profit organization known as *Life Happens* coordinates the Life Insurance Awareness Month campaign. This campaign is dedicated to informing people about

how important life insurance is to protect their families. Life insurance is a cornerstone of a family's future financial security. Blessed Michael McGivney certainly knew how important life insurance was to a family. But many members don't understand how involved Fr. McGivney was in developing the Order's insurance program. According to Christopher Kauffman, the author of the centennial history of the Order, *Faith and Fraternalism, The History of the Knights of Columbus 1882-1982*, one of Fr. McGivney's two main reasons for founding the Order was "the need to protect families during sickness and death." (pg. 17). Kauffman goes on to say that Fr. McGivney "spent his energy in promoting the insurance feature." (pg. 35). Originally, when the Order was founded, there was no such thing as an "associate member". Everyone was insured- that was one of the two primary reasons for joining. While the Order is now well known for its charitable works and strong advocacy for the most vulnerable, strengthening men in their faith and protecting them and their families with life insurance were twin catalysts in forming the Order. While young Catholic men still seek to strengthen their faith, we know families still need protection from untimely death. This mission remains just as important today. In an attempt to make every member, and every eligible Catholic man, aware of how important life insurance is, the Order has made a substantial investment. The Order has provided me with a high-tech, state-of-the-art financial needs analysis platform that can help us determine where you stand today. It can help me formulate a strategy for you and your family and offer meaningful insurance and financial solutions...a strategy specific to your family and your situation. The analysis can be done in the comfort of your home or virtually. What can life insurance provide? Peace of mind and security.

Vivat Jesus!

David McIntosh, FIC

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Important – Save the Date Info

Please mark your calendars NOW for several Upcoming Events in 2022 that you will not want to miss:

Wednesday, November 9th

Memorial Mass & Potluck Dinner
7:00pm- Saint Alexis Church

Saturday, November 12th

Knight at the Races
6:00pm- Pine Twp. Community Center

Saturday, December 10th

Children's Christmas Party
12:00pm- St. Alphonsus Cafeteria

CANCELLED- due to unforeseen circumstances

Saturday, March 11th

St. Patrick's Day Party
6:00pm- Pine Community Center

CANCELLED- due to unforeseen circumstances

Family of the Month

This month's *Family of the Month* is Ron Tassone, our Chancellor, and his wife, Sue. Ron heads up the new **ASAP** Program (article in this issue) and manages 10 RSVP seminarians- sending cards, invitations to council activities/events, and oversees our Council's fiduciary support of them. Recently, he scheduled our Living Rosary at Saints John & Paul's outdoor Rosary Garden and keeps in contact with the sick members of our Council. Ron attends weekly Mass at St. John Neumann.

Vivat Jesus!

Mike Conroy

Sacramental Gifts Program

Our council continues to provide Knights of Columbus Rosaries and cards to our four churches for them to give to each "New Catholic" at their Baptism.

This program has been enthusiastically supported in our parishes and the gifts have been gratefully accepted by the families.

From July through mid-October, we have had (85) Baptisms- (38) Girls and (47) Boys.

Vivat Jesus!

SK William Romig

PGK, Community Director

The Magee Project

The Magee Project, to end the abortions at Magee Women's Hospital restarted on November 7th. Every day of the week, someone is praying. Magee performs 400-500 abortions a year, with ~half of them being in the second trimester (4-6 months gestation).

Vivat Jesus!

Chris Kelley,

Life Director (724-799-0249) & <chris081476@gmail.com>

Knights of Columbus Ukraine Donations

For anyone wishing to help brother Knights in Ukraine, there is a Knights of Columbus website for donations to Ukraine, called:

"Ukraine Solidarity Fund": The URL is:

<<https://www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/charity/ukraine.html>>

Charity Fund

This fund is available to help individuals/families throughout the year. If you know anyone who could be a candidate to receive support from our Charity Fund, please give Karapandi a call.

As you know, all activities are kept confidential, but it's important that if you know a fellow Knight or someone else in distress, you should contact Rich Karapandi as soon as possible.

Rich Karapandi can be contacted at 412-366-3294.

Charitable Contributions

As we progress through our new "Fraternal Year" (July 2022 - June 2023) our Council is blessed to be able to continue making charitable donations throughout the year from our "Major Charities" fund.

September: \$500 – *Saint Aidan* – "Hour of Power" Holy Hour; **\$712** - *Coats for Kids* – North Hills Community Outreach; **\$250** – Special Olympics.

Please note that these donations are separate from, and in addition to, the Council "Charity Fund" that Rich Karapandi maintains.

Vivat Jesus!

SK William Romig

PGK, Major Charities Director

Rich Karapandi

Council Charities Director

(Editor's Note: Anyone who wishes to donate to the Ukrainian Orphans, or any other Charity, and doesn't know the best way to ensure it gets to where it's intended, send your donation to KofC's "Major Charities Fund" at our Council P.O. Box and we will get it there.)

Please also Keep in Your Prayers Our Recently Deceased

- **Flora J. (Ferrante) Ermlich** (Wife of Paul) (RIP-10/19/2022)
- **Joseph Oscar Brashear** (Ken Landaus FIL) (RIP-10/13/2022)
- **Michael Richard Karapandi** (Rich's son) (RIP-10/12/2022)
- **HL Eugene A Lersch** (age 90) (RIP-10/11/2022)
- **HL GT Albert Joseph Fill** (Santa Claus) (RIP-10/05/2022)
- **Bernice D. "Bee" McClure Stern** (age 93) (RIP-10/04/2022)
(Deceased Bernie's Wife)
- **Rocco D. "Rocky" Tassone**, (age-100) (RIP-09/05/2022)
(Ron's Dad)
- **Dr Francis Joseph 'Frank' Lyman** (age-92) (RIP-08/15/2022)
- **Msgr. Ronald M. Ketteler** (Larry's Cousin) (RIP-08/26/2022)
- **Mary M. (Aldridge) "Peg" McArdle** (age 89) (RIP-08/06/2022)
(Bernie/Megan Caputo MIL)
- **GT SK Charles J. 'Chuck' Mazur, Jr.** (RIP-07/21/2022)
- **Susan "Sue" Elizabeth Helleman Cibula** (RIP-07/17/2022)
- **Rosemary SUSAN Seaman** (Steve's SIL) (RIP-07/14/2022)
- **Gaetano "Tom" Dentici (Friend)** (RIP-07/12/2022)
- **Rita M. (Yaggi) Miller** (age-100) (Hank's wife) (RIP-07/10/2022)
- **Donald J. Gaus** (The Kneeler Guy) (RIP-07/09/2022)
- **HL SK Robert G. Corcoran PGK5501 FDD** (RIP-06/25/2022)
PFN FCCC (age 88)
- **Jane Stadnik (PGK3907 Ed's Wife)** (RIP-05/10/2022)

(H = Honorary Member) (SK = Sir-Knight 4th-Degree)

(HL = Honorary Life Member) (GT = Gold-Tie C3907)



A Knight at the Races November 12th 2022

This year's "Knight at the Races" will be held on November 12th at the Pine Community Center, 100 Pine Park, Wexford, PA. Horses, Jockeys, and

Race Sponsorships, are available to purchase. With your Purchase, you can name each Horse/Jockey and Race; and share in the Winnings, should they win their Race.

GET YOUR TICKETS NOW: (Only (47) Reservations Remain)

Joe Daquelente: 412-585-3138;

<joedaq@zoominternet.net> or any C3907 Officer....

NOTE: Knight-at-Races Members PLANNING MTG's:

Tuesdays: October 25th, plus November 8th 7PM....

Fall is a Great Time to Pay the Dues you may have forgotten about

All dues-paying members should have seen their new (2022) Membership Cards in the mail. If you have not received it, or if you did not receive an invoice, please contact Jim Fernald, or any of your Officers (see past OBs). A second invoice for members of record has also been mailed out for anyone who may have misplaced the first one.

Please send your Dues (\$30), Payable to: KofC #3907. Mail to-

Jim Fernald, FS

P.O. Box 131

WEXFORD, PA 15090-0131

For 1st & 2nd, Degree Members: This is also a good time to Upgrade Your Membership (online) to Full-Knighthood (3rd Degree) See On-Line Membership/ Advancement below....

December Issue of the Olive Branch!

Our Newsletter for December is targeted for mailing before the end of November. The deadline for your input is **November 15th**. Please send your Input to: **Chris Kelley <chris081476@gmail.com>**

We have added some of you to our Olive Branch via Email. Let us know if you prefer the Email version and we will take you off the mailed copy, saving our Council printing & postage. If you need us to send this to a different Email address, let us know that also...

Thank You!

Larry Emark PGK <emarklw@verizon.net>

PA State College Scholarships Program

TEN SCHOLARSHIPS, each totaling \$3,000.00, payable in four installments of \$750.00 per year, for Knights, Sons, and Daughters of Pennsylvania Knights of Columbus, and Columbian Squires: who are currently in good standing. Several other conditions must be met. Please review Lawrence Barkowski, Scholarship Chairman's webpage at: <<https://kofcpennsylvania.org/scholarships>>

Application Deadline: December 31st....

KofC Catholic School/High School Student Grant Program

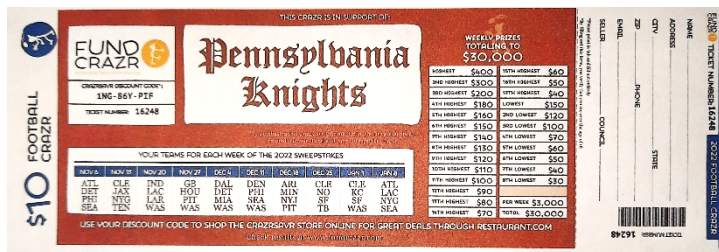
The Knights of Columbus Educational Foundation will be offering at least (50) \$1,000 grants to members whose children attend Catholic Schools' Grades 1 through 12, where a Third-Degree member's child is enrolled. Last year, the Foundation was able to fund (100) grants to help our members Cover Tuition Costs. **Applications will be received starting January 1st-31st, 2023.** Applications can be downloaded from the KofC State website -<
<<https://kofcpennsylvania.org/catholic-school-grant>>. If anyone has any questions, please call Shaun Lally at 412-726-7387.

Vivat Jesus!

Shaun Lally

412-726-7387

**Football Craze Sweepstakes
Tickets Now Available**



The 2022 Craze Football Sweeps are available now. This season begins November 6th and ends January 8th. There are 10 games for just \$10.00 (\$1.00 per week gives you 10 chances) to follow the NFL action and share in \$3,000 in Cash Prizes – from \$400 for the highest score to \$150 for the lowest score. This is a fun way to follow the NFL and support *Our Lady of Olives*. Tickets are available from: Mike Conroy (412-401-3797) or <conroy1603@gmail.com>

**"Enjoy" Books 2023
Are (now) Here**



The 2023 "Enjoy" Books HAVE ARRIVED, at the same low price as last year...only \$30.00 per Book:

The 2023 Enjoy Coupon Book Program is better than ever! In addition to our great Local Coupons and incredible National Section, the SaveAround® Mobile App and online coupons allow you to easily SAVE-ON-THE-GO! Download the App from the App Store or Google Play™ and activate your SaveAround® Membership by using the Savings PassCode on the front of the book. This will give you the most up-to-date savings the program has to offer.

Look for more information and how to purchase (makes good Christmas Gift) in the next Olive Branch... Get Yours Now!

ENJOY BOOKS ARE HERE (Call ME for Delivery)
[2023-Books are Good from: Nov. 1st 2022 -- Oct. 31st 2023....]

Larry Emark– 412-367-0525 or <emarklw@verizon.net>

**Annual Memorial Mass November 9th 7PM
Saint Aidan Parish/ Saint Alexis Church
and POTLUCK DINNER in School Cafeteria**

Families and Friends Come and Join-us: In Remembrance of our Recently Deceased Brothers, who passed away since our last/previous Council #3907 Memorial Mass (November2021). This Mass will be celebrated by our Chaplain, Father Will Wuenschel, at Saint Aidan Parish/ Saint Alexis Church **Wednesday, November 9th 2022, at 7pm....**

**FOLLOWING MASS: A POTLUCK DINNER WILL
BE HELD IN ST. ALEXIS SCHOOL CAFFETERIA**

If you're planning on attending our **Memorial Mass** and the **Potluck Dinner**: **Please Call/Contact (our Faith Director) Ron Tassone (below), with your Intentions to Attend and What you Can Bring, so he knows what food item you'll be bringing to the Dinner:** [A follow-up Call may follow:]

This Year we will be honoring the following Recently-Deceased Brothers (of C3907 unless otherwise identified); in addition to Remembering our many Previously Deceased, from our beginnings in 1954.):

- **HL Eugene A. Lersch** (age 90) (RIP-10/11/2022)
- **HL GT Albert Joseph Fill** (Santa) (RIP-10/05/2022)
- **Francis Joseph "Frank" Lyman** (age-92) (RIP-08/15/2022)
- **GT SK Charles J. "Chuck" Mazur, Jr.** (RIP-07/21/2022)
- **Joseph G. Deley** (RIP-06/13/2022)
- **H SK William F "Bill" Ryan** (RIP-12/22/2021)
- **HL GT Ralph R Kirsch TRY** (age-100) (RIP-12/16/2021)

SK=Sir Knight; PGK-Past Grand Knight; FFS-Former Financial Secretary; H=Honorary; HL=Honorary Life; GT= Gold-Tie C3907; HL-SK=A2191; C=Charter member.

May God bring them all close to Him....

Regards & Vivat Jesus!

Ronald L. Tassone

Ron Tassone, Faith Director

412-656-3644 & <rontassone@yahoo.com>

Columbus Day Dinner

The annual Columbus Day Dinner was held October-9th at the Double Tree (by Hilton) Monroeville Convention Center.

The evening began with a social gathering at 5:00PM, dinner at 6:00PM, followed by the Program. The featured speaker was Kurt **Kondrich**, a former Pittsburgh Police Officer and current Pro-life and Down Syndrome DADvocate, and his amazing Daughter, **Chloe Kondrich**. Pennsylvania's "Chloe's Law", which helps protect the lives of unborn Down's Syndrome babies, is named for her. Kurt and Chloe have been all over the world speaking about the specialness of Downs Syndrome children...

(10) Knights from our Council and (2) wives attended the gala. Color Corps members presented and retired the Colors before and after the event.

40-Days for Life

The international 40 Days for Life Fall Campaign began September 28th in 622 cities around the world and will conclude on Sunday, November 6th. There will be a Mass and Eucharistic Procession at Epiphany Church that evening. If you'd like to participate, please contact me.

Vivat Jesus!

Chris Kelley

Life Director: 724-799-0249 & <chris081476@gmail.com>

Meeting Schedule

The meetings in November will be November 2nd & 16th. We have opened the meetings to everyone (both vaccinated and unvaccinated) who feel comfortable to attend, and re-established our tradition of having a Repast/meal available after our meetings. We are continuing the "hybrid" meeting format, with members attending in-person or virtually by Zoom. If you want to attend via Zoom, just let Chris Kelley know ahead of the meeting date and you'll be sent a Link via Email, along with a Meeting ID and Passcode. To be added to the Email invitation list, email Chris at:

<chris081476@gmail.com> or call him at (724)-799-0249

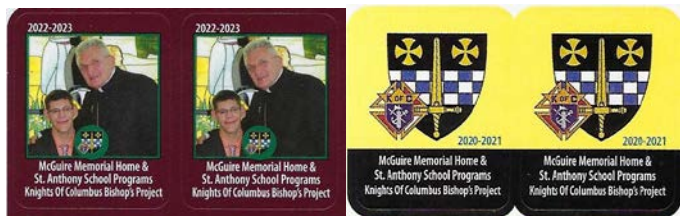
Come join us for the **Rosary, now at 7:00pm**, each meeting-night followed by the **Meeting at 7:30pm**.

The "In-Person" Meeting Location (across Route-19 from Saint Alphonsus/Patron's Restaurant):

Wexford Professional Building II:

Suite 2308 (Third-Floor)
11676 Perry Highway
Wexford, PA 15090

Enter from the **Rear Parking Lot** onto 2nd-Floor, take the stairs or elevator to the 3rd-Floor for the meeting. Look for **Room 2308**.



Bishop's Project Christmas Seals

Our KofC Bishop's Project (BP) serves Intellectually Disabled and/or Physically Challenged Youth and Adults in the **Saint Anthony Schools** and at the **McGuire Memorial Home and Schools**, for Exceptional Children who are in need our continued support for their activities: <www.bishopsprojectkofc.org>.

Bishop's Projects (BP) Christmas Seals: are being included in this issue of the Olive Branch. We ask that you plan to use them as you send your Christmas Cards. **Extras are also included so our members can share these Envelops with their other Family Members and Friends.** Please consider making-a-donation to the Bishop's Project and ask your friends to consider **making-a-donation** as well. Your donation will help the Knights of Columbus of the Pittsburgh Diocese to continue their unbroken commitment to the Bishop of Pittsburgh to assist the **Saint Anthony Schools** and the **McGuire Memorial Home and Schools Programs**. Any donation large or small is **Greatly Appreciated!**
<www.bishopsprojectkofc.org>

When making Online Donation Select Your Parish plus **Council: 3907**

Larry Emark PGK
<emarklw@verizon.net>

PS: We have (extras) BP-Christmas SEALS available at our Wexford C3907 Hall/Home: Ask any Officer or myself if you need extras...

New Meeting Schedule Began in September

Meetings now begin at **7:30PM**. The Rosary, prayed before each meeting, will begin at 7:00PM. This is a major change in our meeting schedule, so please mark your calendars accordingly.

ASAP Program (new)

As mentioned by our Grand Knight in this month's Message, Supreme has put its full weight behind a new **LIFE** initiative to help pregnant women and new mothers care for their child. The Aid and Support After Pregnancy (**ASAP**) program will provide support to local pregnancy resource centers and maternity homes allowing them to directly meet the needs of mothers and children in local communities.

Under George's leadership, our Council formed a committee of six Brothers. As a result of the three online committee meetings, it was decided to approach Fr. Tim Deely, Pastor of St. John Neumann, and ask him to approve our Council's plans for a "Baby Bottle Giving Tree" weekend as soon as possible. Mike Conroy presented the plan to Fr. Tim and he enthusiastically approved.

Tags, labeled with needed items, will be placed on the Giving Tree for parishioners the weekend of October 22nd & 23rd.

After appropriate research by the committee, and following Supreme's rules for the **ASAP** Program, **Choices Pregnancy Center**, located in Coraopolis, was selected to be the beneficiary of this first **ASAP** event.

Choices provided a list of needed items, which include swaddles, onesies, diaper bags, bassinet sheets, diaper bags, infant carrier covers, and other items.

An article about the program was placed in the St. John Neumann bulletin on October 15th and will continue to be run through November 6th. We will be placing the Baby Bottle "giving tree" in the Narthex starting October 23rd. Parishioners will be asked to take a tag of the needed item and bring their gift item back to church by November 13th. A play pen will be set up in the Narthex to receive the gifts. During each week, a Knight will pick up the gifts and store them in the Council home. Tags will be replenished during the weeks. The final weekend of the gift collection is November 12th-13th.

KNIGHTS ARE NEEDED AFTER ALL ST. JOHN NEUMANN WEEKEND MASSES, THROUGH NOVEMBER 13th, TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS PARISHIONERS MAY HAVE ABOUT THE ASAP PROGRAM.

Contact **George Franz to Volunteer at 724-772-0494** or <george.franzjr@gmail.com>

Mother Teresa: No Greater Love
In Theaters **November 7th Only**
Cinemark North-Hills (& elsewhere) **7pm**
Cinemark Robinson Township **7pm**
AMC Waterfront **22 7pm**
(Prompted by KofC Supreme)
<https://www.fathomevents.com/events/Mother-Teresa-No-Greater-Love?layout_id=2018&preview=1>

Remember in Your Prayers

The following individuals were included in our prayers at our October meetings, plus any submitted since then. Please add these deserving members and friends to your daily Prayer List during these trying times:

Deceased: Jack Bestwick; **Joseph Oscar Brashear** (Ken Landaus FIL); **Susan “Sue” Elizabeth Hellerman Cibula**; SK **Robert G. Corcoran**; Wayne Covey; Paul R. DeArment; **Joseph G. Deley**; **James Paul Emark**; **Flora J. (Ferrante) Ermlich**; **Rev. Joseph Edward Feltz**; **HL GT Albert Joseph Fill** (Santa Claus); **Donald J. Gaus**; **HL GT Elmer A Gerst**; **Margaret Jean “Margie” (Ogden) Gerst**; **Michael Richard Karapandi** (Rich’s son); **HL GT Ralph R. Kirsch (age-100)**; **Rev. Ronald M. Ketteler**; Elizabeth M. “Betty” (Neugebauer) Luczak Kolakowski; **William “Bill” Kunz III**; **HL Eugene A Lersch (age 90)**; **Dr Francis Joseph ‘Frank’ Lyman (age-92)**; **GT SK Charles J ‘Chuck’ Mazur, Jr.**; **Mary M. (Aldridge) ‘Peg’ McArdle**; **Rita M. (Yaggi) Miller (age-100)**; **Austin James Rusch**; **(H) SK William F. ‘Bill’ Ryan**; **Rosemary SUSAN Seaman**; **Jane Stadnik (PGK3907 Ed’s Wife)**; **Bernice D. “Bee” McClure Stern (age 93)**; **James J. Steiner**; **Rocco D. “Rocky” Tassone, (age-100)**; **Shirley A. (Cole) Wilson**; and **Kathleen E. (Graham) E. Burns M. Zabel**.

Sorry we Removed some of our Deceased from before last-January to make room for our more Recently deceased. If any need to-be added back, please let us know... Also: If Anyone below is now feeling better and out of Danger, also let us know....

Members: **The Cummings Family**; SK **Joseph A. Daquelente Jr.**; **GT Mike Delisi**; **GT William R. “Bill” Eaton FS**; **James E. Fernald FS PGK**; **Jeff Fisher**; **SK Deacon Albert E Heiles Jr.**; **Rich Karapandi**; **HL Ralph J. Ledonne Jr.**; **HL GT HL-SK George E. Lyons Sr. PGK**; **HL GT Wally Merriman**; **SK Rev. Peter P. Murphy MDiv**; **SK Jack Murtagh Jr Esq PGK**; **HL GT Larry Rusch**; **HL GT SK Stephen G. Seaman PGK**; and **HL SK Thomas S. Szmed**; **HL Thomas F Wilson Sr.**

Family & Friends: **Jimmy Bischoff**; **Rev. Dennis M. Buranosky, MDiv**; **Virginia Capp**; **Sherry Cinko**; **Dena Cercone**; **Jeanette Crosby**; **Joan Daquelente**; **Gaetono (Tom) Dentici**; **Marian Delisi**; **Robert Dunbar**; **Alfretta Gibson**; **William Grieb**; **Norma (Sevcik) Gordon**; **Andy Greenier**; **Rosemary Gross**; **Amanda Gunkle**; **Anita M Gunkle**; **Fran Hageman**; **Dorothy Harbison**; **Andy James**; **Janie Kantenwein**; **Dee Karapandi**; **Michael Karapandi**; **Margaret Lazur**; **Michael Mackie**; **Joyce Masuga**; **Mary Marlovits**; **Fran Mazur**; **Lou & Margert Mazur**; **Riley McQuillis**; **Joanna Meyers**; **Viola Neath**; **Mary Raves**; **Pat Ritter**; **Lauren Rogus**; **Barbara Rusch**; **Bill Sadecky**; **Lynn Schneider**; **Jim Seaman**; **Anna Sendek**; **David Shelton**; **Elain Stapinsky**; **Audrey Szmed**; **Timothy Tacach**; **Tom and Diane**; **James Henry Trim**; **Elmer Turkovich**; **Amber Van Vickle & Family**; **Scott Voettiner**; **Dave Wyckoff**; **Kacie Yauch**; **Dave Yauch**; **Christine Zarilla**; plus **Coronavirus Pandemic Victims** (alive & deceased).

To add or delete any names to/from this list, please contact Grand Knight **George Franz** or Financial Secretary **Jim Fernald**.

First Friday Overnight Adoration

(This past June-2019 marked the Twelfth Year for this Project)

Since June of 2007, members of Council #3907 (many along with their wives), have participated in First Friday Overnight Adoration at Saints John & Paul Parish, which has now changed into continuous Perpetual Adoration. You are encouraged to take a few minutes each First Friday to think about the Lord, and speak to Him as if you were in Adoration at the Chapel. If you would like to continue with First Friday Overnight Adoration, that is possible in conjunction with Perpetual Adoration. If you would like a Reminder, please let Larry Emark know that you would like to be added to his First Friday Overnight Adoration Email and/or Call for Instructions on how to participate. Phone: 412-367-0525; Email: <emarklw@verizon.net>

Message from SSJP Karen Walker: Thanks for this/your emails. I wanted to make a correction – Saints John & Paul has (actually) Re-established Perpetual Adoration in our Grotto Chapel. Adoration is available (24) hours/ (6) days a week – Sunday through Friday. There is No-adoration on Saturdays, so that Weddings and Baptisms can take place, as well as permitting time for the Grotto to be cleaned. We appreciate the help of the KofC to commit to Eucharistic Adoration. While all the spots are filled, it’s better to have 2-Adorers (in case of last-minute emergencies or when there is a need of a sub). I’ll add that we no-longer require those engaging in adoration to Wear-Masks. We are following the diocesan COVID Protocol, which States that Masks are recommended when individuals gather indoors, but they are not-required. Deacon Tom Boucek is copied on this reply, since he is the individual who Coordinates our Adorers. Questions? Deacon Tom Boucek <tboucek@greatgrouping.org> or Call:717-433-3525. Note: Check Parish Website and Sign up before you go. It is important that you sign-in, so we know that someone is present when the Blessed Sacrament is exposed. Anyone wishing to participate in SSJP Weekly Perpetual Adoration can sign-up as an “Adorer” or “Sub” (Note for Security,

On-Line Membership New Combined 1st, 2nd & 3rd Degree Supreme On-Demand Exemplification Platform!

Supreme has upgraded to a new, cleaner platform to host our Online Events and Exemplifications of: Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. To invite a Candidate to the On-Demand ceremony, please use this NEW invitation (available in: **English, Spanish, or French**). The invitation, Registration, and Reporting Processes remain the same.

See: On-Demand Exemplification of: Charity, Unity, and Fraternity: “You’re Invited” Become an Online Member for FREE! via Promotion-Code **BLESSEDMCGIVNEY** at <www.kofc.org/join>, for 12-months of free online membership. “Online Membership” Annual dues of \$30 will apply on your Membership Anniversary. Local Council dues vary. Our C3907 Annual Dues are also \$30 Annually.

Join US: <<https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html>>

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to Men 18-Years of Age or Older, who are Practical (that is, Practicing) Catholics in union with the Holy See. Invite Catholic men to join today at: <www.kofc.org/join>.

Degree Exemplification are **OPEN to You, Your-Family & Friends**, and takes ~30-Minutes. This also proves an opportunity for our **1st&2nd Degree Members to Advance to their Full Knighthood 3rd-Degree**. Our **C3907 Grand Knight George Franz** <george.franzjr@gmail.com> (724-772-0494), can answer your Questions and handle Your-Application: We have sent this Invitation to each of our-Prospective New Members, in addition to each of our 1st & 2nd Degree Members. Please Review: <<https://videos.kofc.org/exemplification>>

Note: You must Register (online) to Receive Credit for attending this Combined Degree, to Receive **Advancement** to your **Full-Knighthood Fraternal Third-Degree**. If You are Interested in Learning more about the KofC, go to: <www.kofc.org/un/en/for-members/our-webinars.html#gsc.tab=0>, and/or <www.kofc.org/en/for-members/resources/index.html?1tab=1tab0#gsc.tab=0>.

You can also go to the **PA State Council website** at: <<https://kofcpennsylvania.org>>.

BENEFITS TO JOINING: Access to highly-rated KofC **Life Insurance** and **Retirement Products**, as well as access to the **KofC Investment Advisor Group**. (They can manage your personal investment portfolio)

Many Catholic Men are Interested in knowing more about the Knights of Columbus. Sometimes all it takes is someone to **Ask-Them** to “**Join-Us**” at: <<https://www.kofc.org/en/index.html>>. It is literally **YOUR Job** as a **KofC Member** to “**Ask!**”

Note: You must be at-least **18-Years of Age**, and be a **Practical/Practicing Catholic** to sign-up, which means you follow the **Six-Precepts** of the **Catholic Church**: <http://www.canonlaw.info/precepts_noaudio.htm>

We are also **In-Need of 4th-Degree Sir-Knights (SK)** to Join our **4th-Degree Color-Corps**: Currently: out of (45) Council 3907 SKs, we only have (5) Active Color-Corps Members. To-be Eligible: You first need to be a 4th-Degree Member. Call/Email SK Larry Emark (above) for more information or an Application: **The NEXT Patriotic 4th-Degree Exemplification is/will (SAT NOV/5th 12Noon) at St. Bruno Catholic Church, Greensburg, PA. Information for this and other Membership Ceremonials can be found at Website: <www.kofcpennsylvania.org> under the Membership tab. Fourth (4th) Degree Color Corp UNIFORM** can/are found at: <<https://www.kofcuniform.com/>> or Call: 833-562-4327....

Father Will is asking for Knights to sign up for **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** at St. Aidan’s Parish. There is Adoration at **St. Alphonsus on Mondays from Noon-3:00pm** and **First Friday Adoration at St. Alexis from 8:30am-3:00pm** on the First-Friday of the month. Below is Sign-Up Genius link for those who want to Schedule a Regular time to adore: <<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c054faaaa22af49-staidan1>>

St. John Neumann is Offering Adoration **All-Day Wednesday’s** (9:30am to 7:00pm), where **EXTRA HELP** is needed. Plus, Friday 7:45am to 8:45am (Mass to follow). **Confession** Available: Saturday mornings after 9am Mass. Or by Appointment.

Tootsie-Roll fundraisers at (3) of our Churches

Thank you to the Knights who handed out Tootsie Rolls at St. John Neumann, St. Alphonsus, and St. Alexis after weekend Masses in September and October.

The collected donations go directly to the *Bishop's Project* to support Special Needs Children and Adults at the McGuire Home and the St. Anthony School Program....

C3907 Gold-Tie Club

NOTE: Our next Gold-Tie meeting is **Postponed until late Spring**, chaired by Shaun Lally. The purpose of the meeting will be to plan for the next Gold-Tie/Recognition Dinner. All Gold-Tie members are invited to attend....

Please Support our Seminarians as You Send Out Your Christmas Cards This Year.

This year, our council "Adopted" one new Seminarians, and we now support ten! Please add them to your Christmas Card List (and include a small "present" if you are so inclined):

Nicholas Clinton, c/o Saint Vincent Seminary, 300 Fraser Purchase Road, Latrobe, PA 15650-2667; <nclinton@diopitt.org>

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SK Lawrence W. "Larry" Emark PGK (Warden)

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** Other Full 3rd-Degree Members are always Invited to Attend/Observe these: State, Chapter, and Bishop Project Meetings...

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Our Lady of Olives Council #3907 <> Council Calendar <> October 30, 2022 – December 31, 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
October 30 31 st Sunday in O.T. Fr. Will's St. Aidan Pastoral Installation Mass 10am St. Alexis C3907/Pgh-Chap+CC-A2191	October 31 Adoration: SAlp (N-7pm) Halloween	November 1 All Saints Day (HD) SJN Adoration → (Wed 9am-7pm)	November 2 All Souls Day KofC 3907 Meeting(+Virtual) Rosary 7:00PM Meeting 7:30PM	November 3 Pittsburgh -Chapter Meeting 7:30pm Madonna Del Castello Social Hall C6118/C11381	November 4 First Friday SAlx((8-3)/SSJP(8am-8pm)) ++Overnight Adoration	November 5 First Saturday
November 6 32 nd Sunday in O.T. Adoration: SAlp (N-7pm) →	November 7 MOTHER TERESA NO GREATER LOVE Cinemark NH 7pm	November 8 ELECTION DAY Knight-at-Races Planning Mtg 7PM	November 9 C3907 Memorial Mass & Pot Luck Dinner 7pm St. Alexis	November 10 ←SJN Adoration (Wed 9am-7pm)	November 11 Veterans Day	November 12 Knight at the Races Pine Comm. Ctr 5PM
November 13 33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	November 14 Adoration: SAlp (N-7pm)	November 15 SJN Adoration → (Wed 9am-7pm)	November 16 KofC 3907 Meeting (+Virtual) Rosary 7:00PM Meeting 7:30PM	November 17	November 18 Bishop's Project A-B Zoom Meeting 7:30pm	November 19
November 20 Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe	November 21 Adoration: SAlp (N-7pm)	November 22	November 23 SJN Adoration (Wed 9am-7pm)	November 24 THANKSGIVING (HOLIDAY)	November 25 Black Friday CC Mandilion Ball	November 26
November 27 1 st Sunday in Advent	November 28 Adoration: SAlp (N-7pm)	November 29	November 30 SJN Adoration (Wed 9am-7pm)	December 1	December 2 First Friday SAlx((8-3)/SSJP(8am-8pm)) ++Overnight Adoration	December 3 First Saturday
December 4 2 nd Sunday in Advent	December 5 Adoration: SAlp (N-7pm)	December 6 All Saints Day (HD) Pittsburgh Chapter Meeting CXXXX 7:30pm	December 7 KofC 3907 Meeting(+Virtual) Rosary 7:00PM Meeting 7:30PM	December 8 ←SJN Adoration (Wed 9am-7pm)	December 9	December 10 Christmas Party CANCELLED
December 11 3 rd Sunday in Advent	December 12 Adoration: SAlp (N-7pm)	December 13	December 14 SJN Adoration (Wed 9am-7pm)	December 15	December 16 Bishop's Project A-B Zoom Meeting 7:30pm	December 17
December 18 4 th Sunday in Advent	December 19 Adoration: SAlp (N-7pm)	December 20 SJN Adoration → (Wed 9am-7pm)	December 21 KofC 3907 Meeting(+Virtual) Rosary 7:00PM Meeting 7:30PM	December 22	December 23	December 24 Vigil of Christmas Christmas Eve
December 25 Nativity of the LORD Christmas Day	December 26 St. Stephen, 1 st Martyr HOLIDAY	December 27 SJN Adoration → (Wed 9am-7pm)	December 28 The Holy Innocents, Martyrs SJN Adoration (Wed 9am-7pm)	December 29	December 30 The Holy Family Jesus, Mary & Joseph	December 31 KofC Student Scholarship Program Deadline New Year's Eve

Have a Great Thanksgiving Holiday!