



The Olive Branch In Our 67th Year

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October 2022

Shooting for a STAR!

Chaplain's Message.....

Dear Knights:

The Bible is Catholic

Catholics are called to read the bible. Each week at mass we hear from the Old Testament, Psalms, New Testament, and the Gospels. The mass enters us into the mystery of God's love for us. In the Liturgy of the Word, we hear from every book in the bible in a three-year cycle. We not only hear the Word of God proclaimed each week at Mass, but we also are encouraged to read the bible on our own and with our families. It would be wonderful for each family of the parish to have an evening dedicated to reading the bible. An evening when we read a passage or a few chapters of a book of the bible. It would be helpful to have a good catholic commentary on the book, to understand the context. Parents could read the commentary beforehand and explain to their children the context of the book of the bible they are going to read from each week. I invite your family to pray about having an evening with the bible each week. The Gospels are a good place to start reading, or maybe you read the following Sunday's readings for Mass. They can be easily accessed online or through any number of subscriptions. The important part is to start reading the Bible within the family or on your own.

The United States Catholic Bishops Conference (USCCB) gives ten insights on Catholics reading the bible. I list five here, because of space. Please find the full list at:

<http://www.usccb.org/bible/understanding-the-bible/index.cfm>

1. **Bible reading is for Catholics.** The Church encourages Catholics to make reading the Bible part of their daily prayer lives. Reading these inspired words, people grow deeper in their relationship with God and come to understand their place in the community God has called them to in himself.

2. **Prayer is the beginning and the end.** Reading the Bible is not like reading a novel or a history book. It should begin with a prayer asking the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds to the Word of God. Scripture reading should end with a prayer that this Word will bear fruit in our lives, helping us to become holier and more faithful people.

3. **Get the whole story! When selecting a Bible, look for a Catholic edition.** A Catholic edition will include the Church's complete list of sacred books along with introductions and notes for understanding the text. A Catholic edition will have an *imprimatur* notice on the back of the title page. An *imprimatur* indicates that the book is free of errors in Catholic doctrine.

4. **The Bible isn't a book. It's a library.** The Bible is a collection of 73 books written over the course of many centuries. The books include royal history, prophecy, poetry, challenging letters to struggling new faith communities, and believers' accounts of the preaching and passion of Jesus. Knowing the genre of the book you are reading will help you understand the literary tools the author is using and the meaning the author is trying to convey.

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Grand Knight's Message...

What an incredibly fast Summer... Like me, I bet that you feel the summer went by way too fast. It seems like the kids were just out of school, now they're back. Football season has started and it's getting cooler in the evenings. I hope you had a great summer filled with many good memories.

The month of September didn't see the Knights slow down either- if anything we were as busy as ever. We're back to our 2 meetings/month routine, with meetings now beginning at 7:30pm on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month (please see the article inside this Newsletter for all the details).

During September we co-sponsored the "Hour of Power" at St. Aidan's with Bishop Waltersheid. 14+ Knights helped clean up during and after the St. Alphonsus' Harvest Home Dinner fundraiser. We were welcomed by the staff at the Vincentian Continuing Care facility on September 22nd, where we helped serve lunch to 17 residents (including 3 priests) at the retirement complex. September was also the month where we supported the *March for Life* in Harrisburg. Our Living Rosary at Saints John and Paul's outdoor Rosary Garden had 21 attendees (including 9 Knights), family members, and friends. Thanks to Wally Merriman for his musical entertainment at the Pizza Party following the Rosary. Many of our Knights helped give away Tootsie Rolls (and accepting donations) at Regina Coeli Parish's St. John Neumann Church on Sept. 24th & 25th (St. Aidan's is Oct. 1st & 2nd). With all this going on, and the many sub-committee meetings not mentioned here, it's no wonder things have gone by so fast.

As you know, with the recent changes in federal laws, abortion is no longer "by-request" in all states. There is a possibility that more parents and their infants will need the help of the KofC. Our National leadership has started a new program to address this need: The "Aid and Support After Pregnancy Program (ASAP)" www.kofc.org/ASAP. We have adopted this program within our Council by forming a committee to develop a "local approach" which we can take to our Parishes, for their participation. Several committee meetings have been held and programs to address pre-birth and post-birth needs are being discussed. You will hear about these programs soon, in future *Olive Branch* Articles, and from the pulpit of your churches. Anyone interested in helping us provide help to pre-born and newly-born babies, and their parents, please contact me. Any ideas or help would be welcome.

Please look at the "Save the Date" article in this Olive Branch and plan to attend the several upcoming events we have planned. You will also see a flyer for our ***Knight at the Races*** dinner/fundraiser coming in November. Please mark this down on your calendar and plan to join us for a great evening.

Please pray for all our members and families who have passed, who are sick, or otherwise in need of our prayers.

Vivat Jesus!

George Franz

Grand Knight





Knights of Columbus
INSURANCE
YOUR SHIELD FOR LIFE

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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Charity Fund

This fund is available to help individuals/families throughout the year, especially in this time of the COVID virus. 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.

Pennsylvania March for Life

The 2nd annual *Pennsylvania March for Life* was held in Harrisburg on September 19th. News reports cited estimates of 5,000-6,000 attendees. They came to the Capitol to support Life as a gift from God, from conception to natural death. Many Knights from across the Commonwealth participated in the March.

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5. **Know what the Bible is – and what it isn't.** The Bible is the story of God's relationship with the people he has called to himself. It is not intended to be read as history text, a science book, or a political manifesto. In the Bible, God teaches us the truths that we need for the sake of our salvation. We need to engage in reading the bible as Catholics because it is God's story of our salvation. I pray that more Catholics will faithfully read the bible and engage in living out the bible in the celebration of our salvation each week at Mass.

Peace and Love!

Fr. Will

Rev. William Wuenschel, Chaplain

Family of the Month

This month's *Family of the Month* is our Financial Secretary, Jim Fernald and his wife, Fran. Jim joined the Knights in 2003 and served the Council as Grand Knight and, most recently, served for many years as Advocate. In that role, Jim always provided sage advice when issues were discussed in Council meetings. He and his wife are active members of Regina Coeli Parish and attend Mass at Assumption. They help manage the Parish Festival with food preparation and serving, organizing the bingo, and supervising it.

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-September, we have had (51) Baptisms: (24) Girls and (27) Boys.

Vivat Jesus!

SK William Romig

PGK, Community Director

The Magee Project

The Magee Project, to end the abortions at Magee Women's Hospital continues, with at least two people praying every day of the week.

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>>

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;
plus: \$712 - Coats for Kids – North Hills Community Outreach.

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

- **Rocco D. "Rocky" Tassone** (age 100) (RIP-09/05/2022)
(Ron's Dad)
- **Rev. 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 Hellerman 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**
PFN FCCC (age 88) (RIP-06/25/2022)
- **Joseph G. Deley** (W)Retired Member C3907 (RIP-06/13/2022)
- **Alice C. Dinser** (Larry's brother Jim's MIL) (RIP-05/28/2022)
- **Jane Stadnik (PGK3907 Ed's Wife)** (RIP-05/10/2022)
- **William "Bill" Kunz III** (Bill's Son) (RIP 05/03/2022)
- **Robert E. Sacacena** (SJN KofC Member Ohio) (RIP 05/02/2022)
- **Andrew J. Irlbacher** (Friend) (RIP-05/01/2022)
- **Damian P Luti MVCP DD117/112** (Friend) (RIP-04/28/2022)
- **June A. Pegher** (wife of Neil) (RIP-04/18/2022)
- **James Paul Emark** (Larry's Brother) (RIP 04/07/2022)

(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. [The next Knight at the Races Committee meeting 7:00PM on Tuesday October 18th....](#)

See Attached **FLYER** to Make (Send-in) **Your Reservations....**

Terry Conroy, 412-865-9998, <terrence19650@yahoo.com>
or any C3907 Officer....

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....

November Issue of the Olive Branch!

Our Newsletter for November is targeted for mailing before the end of October. The deadline for your input is October 14th. 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>

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!

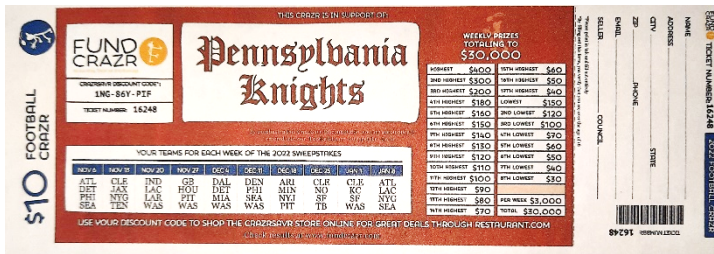
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PA State College Scholarships Program

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>>

Football Crazr Sweepstakes Tickets Now Available



The 2022 Crazr 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 - \$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>

Columbus Day Dinner

The annual Columbus Day Dinner is October 9th and will be held at the Double Tree (by Hilton) Monroeville Convention Center.

The evening will begin with a social gathering at 5:00 PM and dinner at 6:00 PM, followed by the Program. The featured speaker will be **Kurt Kondrich**, former Pittsburgh Police Officer and current Prolife 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.

LIVING ROSARY @Saints John & Paul

Our Council held a Living Rosary on September 14th at Saints John & Paul's outdoor Rosary Garden. After the Rosary, we gathered in the Pavilion and shared pizza, soft drinks, and good conversation.

(21) participants prayed the Glorious Mysteries, including (12) Knights, several wives, and a Mom & Dad with their (5) Children. At the Pavilion, member Wally Merriman and his Accordion serenaded us with catchy tunes.

Ron Tassone

Faith Director: 412-656-3644 <rontassone@yahoo.com>



"Enjoy" Books 2023 Are (almost) Here



The 2023 "Enjoy" Books ARE EXPECTED TO BE HERE BY MID-OCTOBER... 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 on the App Store or Google Play™ and activate your SaveAround® Membership by using the Savings Pass Code on the front of the book. This will give you the most up to date savings our program has to offer.

Look for more information and how to purchase (makes good Christmas Gift) in next Olive Branch

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

Meeting Schedule

The meetings in October will be October 5th & 19th. 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):

Wexford Professional Building II:

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

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

Important – Save the Date Info

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

Sunday, October 9th
Columbus Day Dinner
Doubletree by Hilton- Monroeville
5:00pm- Social; 6:00pm- Dinner

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

40-Days for Life

The international 40 Days for Life Fall Campaign began September 28th in (622) cities around the world. In Pittsburgh, on the 27th, a Kickoff Mass was held at Epiphany Church downtown, presided over by Father Chris Donley. Our Chaplain: Father Will Wuenschel, gave the Homily. After Mass, Father Joe Freedy led the Eucharistic Procession, and about (200) prayer warriors, processed from the church to Planned Parenthood on Liberty Avenue. If you'd like to participate, please contact me.

Vivat Jesus!

Chris Kelley

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

New Meeting Schedule **Began in September**

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

Vincentian Priests' (Men's) Luncheon

On September 22nd Brother Knights gathered to serve hot dogs, hamburgers, baked beans, pasta salad, and beverages to the men at the Vincentian Retirement Center. (17) Residents, including (3) Priests, were served by (9) Knights from our Council. This quarterly Event had not been allowed in 3-years, due to COVID. This was a Special Occasion, as Denise, a 27-Year employee of the facility, and the host of the luncheons, is Retiring at the end of September.



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: Lois Jane Baur; HL Peter P. Chvostal; **Susan "Sue" Elizabeth Hellerman Cibula**; Paul J. Crnkovic {SJN/SP-Cross Friend}; **SK Robert G. Corcoran**; **Wayne Covey**; Paul R. DeArment; **Joseph G. Deley**; Dolores W. "Dolly" Ebbert; **James Paul Emark**; Rev. Joseph Edward Feltz; **Donald J. Gaus**; **Edward J. Geiger Jr.**; HL GT Elmer A Gerst; Margaret Jean "Margie" (Ogden) Gerst; Andrew J. Irlbacher; Kelly E. Kilhof; Anna Kris; HL GT Ralph R. Kirsch (age-100); **Rev. Msgr. Ronald M. Ketteler**; Elizabeth M. "Betty" (Neugebauer) Luczak Kolakowski; **William "Bill" Kunz III**; **GT SK Charles J 'Chuck' Mazur, Jr.**; Mary M. (Aldridge) "Peg" McArdle; Terry McBinley; **Rita M. (Yaggy) Miller (age-100)**; Herman Muko; Hilda (Richard) Pegher; Patricia E. "Pat" Pegher; **Robert J. "Bob" Roberts**; Austin James Rusch; **(H) SK William F. "Bill" Ryan**; **Rosemary SUSAN Seaman**; **Rocco D. "Rocky" Tassone (age-100)**; Violet A. (Merriman) Wagner; **Shirley A. (Cole) Wilson**; Gregory S. Yeager; Kathleen E. (Graham) E. Burns M. Zabel; and Mary A. Zangrille. 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; **GT Albert J. Fill**; Jeff Fisher; **SK Deacon Albert E Heiles Jr.**; **Rich Karapandi**; HL Ralph J. Ledonne Jr.; HL Gene Lersch; HL GT HL-SK George E. Lyons Sr. PGK; HL GT Wally Merriman; **SK Rev. Peter P. Murphy MDiv**; HL GT Larry Rusch; HL GT SK Stephen G. Seaman PGK; and HL SK Thomas S. Szmed.

Family & Friends: Jimmy Bischoff; Virginia Capp; Sherry Cinker; Dena Cercone; Jeanette Crosby; Joan Daquelente; **Gaetono (Tom) Dentici**; **Marian Delisi**; Robert Dunbar; **Connie Fill**; Norma (Sevcik) Gordon; **Carroll Gorman**; Andy Greenier; **Rosemary Gross**; **Amanda Gunkle**; Anita M Gunkle; Fran Hageman; **Dorothy Harbison**; **Dee Karapandi**; Michael Karapandi; **Janet Kunz**; Margaret Lazur; Michael Mackie; Joyce Masuga; Mary Marlovits; Fran Mazur; Lou & Margert Mazur; Riley McQuillis; Joanna Meyers; Viola Neath; **Emily Olup**; Mary Raves; Pat Ritter; **Lauren Rogus**; Barbara Rusch; Lynn Schneider; Jim Seaman; Anna Sendek; **David Shelton**; Elain Stapinsky; Audrey Szmed; Timothy Tacach; Tom and Diane; **Marilyn Thomas**; James Henry Trim; **Elmer Turkovich**; Amber Van Vickie & 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/10c054faaa22aaf49-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 (2) of our Churches

We need help manning our annual Tootsie-Roll fundraisers at St. Alexis & St. Alphonsus (October 1st & 2nd) after all the Masses.

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

Please contact Larry Emark <emarklw@verizon.net> and/or at Home: 412-367-0525, and let him know after which Masses that weekend you can help.

We have Already Completed Our Tootsie-Roll Campaign at Saint John Neumann Church last Weekend September 24th & 25th....

Memorial Mass/Potluck Dinner- November 9th

Come join us to remember the Brothers who passed away since last November. The 7:00pm Mass at St. Alexis will be presided over by our Chaplain, Father Will Wuenschel. Families and friends of all our deceased Brothers are welcome to attend. After Mass, we will host a Potluck Dinner in the St. Alexis School Cafeteria.

Gold-Tie Club

A Gold Tie-Club meeting was held on September 22nd at the Council Home, chaired by Shaun Lally. The purpose of the meeting was to plan the next Gold-Tie/Recognition Dinner. (8) Members attended.

The next Gold-Tie Club meeting will be on Thursday, November 3rd at 7:00pm in the Council home. All Gold-Tie members are invited to attend....

Mother Teresa: No Greater Love
In Theaters October 3rd & 4th
Cinemark North-Hills (& elsewhere) 7pm
Cinemark Robinson Township 7pm
AMC Waterfront 22 7pm
(Prompted by KofC Supreme)

Twenty-five years have passed since the death of Mother Teresa of Calcutta, sparking a renewed interest in this spiritual giant of the 20th century. Filmed on 5 continents and featuring unprecedented access to both institutional archives and the apostolates of the Missionaries of Charity, this film reveals not just who Mother Teresa was, but how her singular vision to serve Christ in the poor continues to be realized through the Missionaries of Charity today. This is far more than a documentary. It is at once a soaring tribute to a spiritual icon, a powerful witness of authentic Christian charity, and a guidepost for all who seek hope in our turbulent times.

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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 <> September 25, 2022 – December 3, 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
September 25 26 th Sunday in O.T. SJN Tootsie Rolls	September 26 Adoration: SALp (N-3pm)	September 27 SJN Adoration→ (Wed 9am-7pm)	September 28 4 th Degree A2191 @C3907/C5501 7:30PM	September 29	September 30	October 1 First Saturday SAIx Tootsie Rolls
October 2 27 th Sunday in O.T. SAIx & SALp Tootsie Rolls	October 3 Adoration: SALp (N-7pm) MOTHER TERESA NO GREATER LOVE Cinemark NH 7pm→	October 4 SJN Adoration→ (Wed 9am-7pm) Pittsburgh Chapter Meeting C4825 7:30pm	October 5 KofC 3907 Meeting (+Virtual) Rosary 7:00pm Meeting 7:30pm SJN Adoration 9am-7pm	October 6	October 7 First Friday SAIx((8-3)/SSJP(8am-8pm)) ++Overnight Adoration	October 8 CC Columbus Day Parade Bloomfield ????
October 9 28 th Sunday in O.T. Columbus Day Dinner 5pm Doubletree Monroeville	October 10 Columbus Day (HD) Adoration: SALp (N-7pm)	October 11 SJN Adoration→ (Wed 9am-7pm)	October 12 4th Degree A2191/C11838 Memorial Mass 7pm TBD	October 13	October 14	October 15
October 16 29 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	October 17 Adoration: SALp (N-7pm)	October 18 Knight-at-Races Planning Mtg 7PM	October 19 KofC 3907 Meeting (+Virtual) Rosary 7:00PM Meeting 7:30PM	October 20 ←SJN Adoration (Wed 9am-7pm)	October 21 Bishop's Project A-B Seals Pickup 8am @MKolb-Meeting 7:30pm	October 22 EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS NCHS 11am-7pm
October 23 30 th Sunday in O.T.	October 24 Adoration: SALp (N-7pm)	October 25 SJN Adoration→ (Wed 9am-7pm)	October 26 4 th Degree A2191 @C3907/C10175 7:30PM	October 27	October 28	October 29
October 30 31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time	October 31 Halloween Adoration: SALp (N-7pm)	November 1 All Saints Day (HD) ELECTION DAY Pittsburgh Chapter Meeting CXXXX 7:30pm	November 2 All Souls Day KofC 3907 Meeting(+Virtual) Rosary 7:00PM Meeting 7:30PM	November 3 Gold Tie Member Meeting- 7pm	November 4 First Friday SAIx((8-3)/SSJP(8am-8pm)) ++Overnight Adoration	November 5 First Saturday
November 6 32 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	November 7 Adoration: SALp (N-7pm)	November 8 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 (9am-7pm)	November 24 THANKSGIVING (HOLIDAY)	November 25 Black Friday CC Mandilion Ball	November 26

Have a Relacing & Joyful Fall!