



# The Olive Branch In Our 70<sup>th</sup> Year

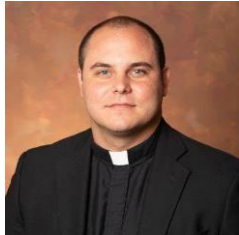


January 2025

Chartered - November 14, 1954

Shooting for a STAR!

## Chaplain's Message....



### Brother Knights

#### Solemnity of the Holy Family

(St. Aidan Bulletin Article 12-29-24)

As we celebrate the "Solemnity of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph," we see how our family plays an important role in our overall development. Our

Gospel stated that Jesus "advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man." And where did all of this development take place?

The Gospel stated that Jesus' physical and spiritual development took place primarily in his home in Nazareth.

#### Where did I first learn to share?

It was within the family life that I learned how to share food, clothes, or even the TV remote with my siblings.

#### Where did I first learn to forgive?

It was within the family that I learned how unproductive it was to hold a grudge, and how to apologize to other people whenever I did something wrong.

#### Where did I first learn to be selfless and considerate of the needs of others?

Within the family of course. Growing up, I can't tell you how many times my mom reminded me that there were girls in the house, that my brother and I weren't living in a bachelor pad.

The family is where we learn to love, to forgive, and to treat other people as we would want to be treated. During the holiday season, when we often spend more time than usual with our immediate or extended family, we turn to the Holy Family for their example and intercession.

Our families may not be perfect, and our relationships with our family members can be quite challenging at times, but they offer us ample opportunity to truly live out our faith and grow in virtue.

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, pray for us!

Vivat Jesus!

*Fr. D.J. Egan*

Rev David J. Egan, Chaplain  
(412) 841-1492



St. Aidan Parish will be sending a bus to the 2025 March for Life in Washington, D.C. on Friday, January 24th. The bus will leave St. Alphonsus Church at 6:00am, with a Mass ahead of departure at 5:30 AM. To sign up for the bus, go to the St. Aidan Parish website. On the home screen, click on "Events" and the drop-down menu shows "March for Life."

## Grand Knight's Message....



### Brother Knights,

#### A Year of Generosity and Service

As we begin 2024, we take a moment to celebrate the incredible achievements of our council over the past year. The Knights of Columbus have once again demonstrated the values of charity, unity, and fraternity through your unwavering support and dedication to serving others.

In 2024, our council contributed generously to a wide range of charitable causes, making a meaningful impact in the lives of many. With the help of many to raise funding, we donated \$500 to NET Ministries in Ireland, helping spread the faith among youth, and \$250 to the Diocese of Tombura to support communities in South Sudan. A \$300 donation to the Alzheimer's Association, matched dollar for dollar, provided \$600 to support research and care for those affected by this devastating disease.

Your compassion extended to those affected by natural disasters, with a \$500 donation to Brother's Brother Foundation for Hurricane Helene relief efforts. We also supported life-affirming initiatives, including \$500 to the Network of Life (formerly WCN) and \$500 to the Knights of Columbus Ultrasound Initiative, empowering women to make informed choices about life.

Locally, we brought joy to children and families by contributing \$500 to Toys for Tots and \$600 to the *Keep Christ in Christmas* program, reinforcing the true meaning of the season. One of our most significant contributions this year was \$3,000 to TRY Special Needs, enhancing opportunities and resources for individuals with special needs in our community.

These accomplishments are a testament to the collective dedication and generosity of our members. Whether through donations, volunteer efforts, or prayerful support, each of you has played a vital role in fulfilling our mission.

As we look ahead to 2025, let us continue to build on this foundation of service and faith, striving to make a difference wherever we are called. Thank you for your hard work and commitment to living out the principles of the Knights of Columbus.

May God bless you and your families in the year ahead!

Vivat Jesus!

Thank you,

*Ken Landau*

Grand Knight  
Our Lady of Olives, Council 3907  
412.417.4070

## January Meeting Date Changed

Only one meeting in January, to be held January 15<sup>th</sup>, normal times, and location...more information on following pages.



Brother Knights,

"O Come, O Come Emanuel, and ransom captive Israel"

Every year at this time, the Church calls us to pause and reflect on the wonder and mystery of the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ. As the season of Christmas approaches, I would like to express to you and your entire family my heartfelt prayers and wishes for your health and safety. I hope that whenever your financial needs and the needs of your family come to mind, that you will remember the Knights of Columbus. Thank you so very much for your continuing support and commitment to the goals and concerns that we both share as members of the Knights of Columbus.

God Bless you and your family. I wish you a very happy and blessed Advent and Christmas celebration.

Sincerely and fraternally,

David McIntosh, FIC

Assistant General Agent
Office: (724) 885-0101
david.mcintosh@kofc.org

Catholic Student Grant Program

The State K of C Educational Foundation is offering Tuition Grants to students in Grades 1 through 12 enrolled in a Catholic School. To be eligible, the student must be the son or daughter of a Knight (or of a deceased Knight) in good standing. A minimum of fifty (50) \$1000 Knights of Columbus Education Foundation Student Grants will be offered, paid directly to the Catholic School for the selected students. Applications will be accepted by the Educational Foundation Secretary, if postmarked on or before January 31, 2025. The Educational Foundation members will then hold a drawing, and the winners will be notified by the Secretary and posted on the K of C

State Web Site at www.kofcpennsylvania.org. Only applications post marked on or before January 31, 2025 will be eligible for the drawing.

Rules and General Information is available at the State K of C website: <https://kofcpennsylvania.org/catholic-school-grant>

Donations to Other Programs and Charities

In addition to the Major Charities and Council Chasrity Fund donations, our Council continues to support our community and families in other ways, with our manpower efforts (Bishop's Project, ASAP) and with other contributions. We have listed several below for your reference:

- Keep Christ in Christmas Billboard - Shroud of Turin Billboard
- Net Ministries - Irish Mission Support - TRY
- Alzheimer's Association - Diocese of Tombura

Coats for Kids Campaign

If you would like to donate toward our Coats for Kids program, please send your donation, in any amount, to our Council's PO Box 131, Wexford, PA 15090, attention Bill Romig.

Charitable Contributions

As we start a new Fraternal Year:

- \$500 - NET Ministries, Ireland;
\$250 - Diocese of Tombura
\$300 - Alzheimer's Association (w/\$300 Match)
\$500 - Brother's Brother Foundation - Hurricane Helene
\$500 - Network of Life (formerly WCN)
\$500 - Toys for Tots
\$500 -- K of C Ultrasound Initiative
\$3,000 - TRY Special Needs
\$100 -- Wreaths Across America
\$4,000 - St. Aidan Angels Fund (Student Scholarships)

Please note that these donations are separate from, and in addition to, the "Council Charity Fund" which SK William Romig also directs.

Vivat Jesus!

SK William Romig

PGK, Major Charities Director
Council Charities Director

Gold Tie Club / Pass the Gavel Dinner
May 1st Camelot Event Center

May 1, 2025 has been set for the upcoming Gold Tie Club / Pass the Gavel Dinner. The dinner will be held at the Camelot Event Center, Wexford (our previous Council Home). Please mark your calendars now so you can keep that evening available. The doors will open at 6:00 PM and a Buffet Dinner will begin at 7:00 PM followed by our M.C. Shaun Lally's hosting of the formal Passing of the K of C GK Gavel to our new Grand Knight, Ken Landau. Gold Tie Presentations will follow. Come to see your old friends and meet up with our newest members. More information will follow.

The next Planning Meeting of the dinner committee is scheduled for February 17th, 7:00 pm. Please attend if you can. If you would like to attend virtually, please contact George Franz:

george.franzjr@gmail.com/724-772-0494

February Issue of the Olive Branch

Our Newsletter for February is targeted for mailing before the end of January so we are requesting that the deadline for your input is January 15th. Please send your Input to:

George Franz at <george.franzjr@gmail.com>

Most everyone receives the Olive Branch via Email. If you still get a hard-copy of the Olive Branch, but would prefer to receive just the Email version, let Brother Larry Emark know. This will save the Council postage costs. If you need us to send this to a different Email address, let us know that also...

SK Larry Emark PGK <emarklw@verizon.net>

Council Charity Fund

This fund is available to help individuals/families throughout the year. This December, we were able to assist another family. If you know anyone who could be a candidate to receive support from our Charity Fund, please give Bill Romig a call.

As you know, all activities are kept confidential.

SK William Romig can be contacted at (724-799-5735)

**Knights of Columbus #3907**  
**Angel Fund Contribution**

The investment income from the Brother John V. Sheridan Jr. Fund was transferred from Columbian Knights to the Knights of Columbus Council #3907 in December, 2024. In turn, the \$4,000 was donated to the St. Aidan Parish Angel Fund. The purpose of the Angel Fund is to supply grants for students to attend Catholic Schools. The Brother John V. Sheridan Jr. Fund is administered by the Columbian Knights and actively managed to provide recurring interest income to benefit various charitable donations.

**Vivat Jesus!**

**Ron Tassone**

President, Columbian Knights, DGK

**Aid & Support After Pregnancy (ASAP)**  
**St. Aidan Parish**

Our Council's next ASAP Program will be at St. Aidan Parish, St Alphonsus & St. Alexis Churches. Our current schedule is for the kickoff weekend of February 8th. & 9th, and collections for the next two weekends, February 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> and February 22nd & 23rd. All purchased items and monetary donations to be returned by Sunday, February 23rd. The Knights ASAP Program will benefit Angels Place, a faith-based provider of family support and to parents in need. Angels Place has two locations on the North Side and in Swissvale. Knights will be handing out ASAP Info Cards the first weekend, February 8th. & 9th. after all Masses at St. Alphonsus & St. Alexis. The Knights continue to support local pregnancy centers in their support of life.

**Vivat Jesus!**

**Ron Tassone**

DGK & ASAP Chairman

**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.

This Fraternal Year, to date there have been 70 Baptisms in the four churches we support, 39 Girls and 31 Boys.

**Vivat Jesus!**

**SK William Romig** PGK, Community Director

**40 Days For Life**

The year-round *40 Days for Life* campaign to end abortion continues here in Pittsburgh, with people peacefully praying in front of the downtown Planned Parenthood. Dedicated sidewalk advocates, with love in their hearts for the pregnant women and their unborn child, approach them as they are about to enter the clinic, encouraging them to change their mind. My shift is from 2:00pm-3:00pm every Wednesday. If you would like to pray with me, and need a ride, please let me know

**Vivat Jesus!**

**Chris Kelley**

Life Director (724-799-0249) & [chris081476@gmail.com](mailto:chris081476@gmail.com)

**Important – Save the Date Info**

*Please mark your calendars NOW for several Upcoming Events in 2024 that you will not want to miss:*

**Priests' Luncheon**

**11:00 AM January 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**Vincentine Home**

**St. Patrick's Day Dinner**

**6:00 PM March 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**Camelot, Wexford**  
**(Old Council Home)**

**Pass the Gavel/Gold Tie Dinner**

**7:00 PM May 1st**  
**Camelot, Wexford**  
**(Old Council Home)**

**Donations to the Little Lamb Resale Shop**

Our Council continues to support the *Little Lamb Resale Shop*, located several doors down Liberty Avenue from Planned Parenthood. They offer reasonably-priced maternity and infant clothing for sale, and have helped dozens of expectant mothers and new mothers since they opened in July.

They offer a warm place, a cup of coffee, and a bathroom for the *40 Days for Life* prayers on the sidewalk.

Many of us have signed up for a reoccurring \$10 donation.



If you would like to make-a-donation, please make out your Tax-Deductible Check to:

**National Women's Coalition for Life,**

(write) "**Little Lamb Project**" on the Memo line), mail it to:

**301 DeArment Parkway; Pittsburgh, PA 15241**



**St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Dance**  
**Saturday March 15<sup>th</sup>**

Mark your calendars **NOW** for our **Seventeenth Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Dance** on Saturday, March 15th 2025 at the **Camelot Event Center, Wexford, PA** (our old Council Home). The evening will

begin at 6:00pm, followed by an **Irish-themed Buffet Dinner** at 7:00pm. Dinner includes several entree options, vegetables, salads, desserts, coffee, etc. Cash Bar.. Also, we will again have the Irish Dancers plus a DJ for Irish music and dancing.

**Line up your family & friends to enjoy an outstanding evening.** Please contact Chris Kelley at 724-799-0249 **before March 7th**, or send a check to our PO Box 131, Wexford, PA 15090 with St. Patrick's Dinner in the memo line.



**The Magee Project**

The Magee Project has resumed, with people praying every day for the end of abortions at Magee Women's Hospital. Magee performs 400-500 abortions a year, with about half of them being in the second trimester (4-6 months gestation) of a woman's pregnancy. Magee performs more abortions than any hospital in Pennsylvania...

**Vivat Jesus!**

**Chris Kelley – Life Director**

(724-799-0249) & [chris081476@gmail.com](mailto:chris081476@gmail.com)

**Please Support TRY**

TRY's mission is to provide therapeutic recreational programs to our youth and adults with different abilities. Please consider **Donating to TRY** by writing a Check to "**KofC Council #3907**", with **TRY** on the Memo Line, and mail it to: **Knights of Columbus; PO Box 131; Wexford, PA 15090-0131....** Thank You for your Generous Support of our Special Needs Youth and Adults,

**Vivat Jesus!**

**SK William Romig,**

PGK, Community Director

Email: <[wercr@verizon.net](mailto:wercr@verizon.net)>; (724-799-5735)

**Priests' Luncheon at Vincentian Home**  
**January 9<sup>th</sup>**

Our Luncheon that was scheduled on December 12th at the Vincentian Home in McCandless for the retired Priests and other men had to be rescheduled. Please join us on Thursday January 9th and help bring these wonderful gentlemen from their rooms and back. Volunteers meet in the front lobby at 11:00 am and we are generally finished by 1:00 pm.

**Bill Romig,**

Community Director

**Football Craz Sweepstakes**  
**The Fun Starts No. 3<sup>rd</sup>**

The 2024 Football Craz tickets are all sent in and the fun started November 3<sup>rd</sup> and runs to January 5<sup>th</sup> offering 10 games for \$10. Those playing share in \$3000 in prizes weekly - \$400 for highest score to \$150 for lowest score. This is a fun way to follow the NFL and support our council. As of December, we have had 4 winners from our Council/friends.

**Vivat Jesus!**

**Mike Conroy**

412-401-3797 or <[conroy1603@gmail.com](mailto:conroy1603@gmail.com)>.

**Knights of Columbus International Amateur Golf Association (K.C.I.A.G.A) Tournament**

The **56th K.C.I.A.G.A. tournament will be held in Burlington, Kentucky.** The tournament will be held at **Lassing Pointe Golf Course** located at 2266 Double Eagle Dr, **Union, KY 41091** on **June 10 thru 12, 2025.** Lassing Pointe has been rated #1 Public Course in KY in 2016/7 & 2019/23. More information on the course can be found here: <http://www.boonecountygolf.com/> For more info please contact Dustin Reed (859) 866-2122

**Super Bowl Squares**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 3907 SUPER BOWL SQUARES: ALL MONEY NOT PAID IN PRIZES GOES TO CHARITIES  
\$25.00 PER SQUARE: WIN A CASH PRIZE OF \$250 FOR A HALF TIME LAST DIGIT SCORE MATCH, AND \$200.00 FOR LAST DIGIT MATCH TO FINAL SCORE, AND EVERYONE GETS A PRIZE  
THE BLESSING OF GIVING TO GOOD CHARITIES!

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| 12/18/2024                     |      | Column                         | A                             | B                              | C                              | D                              | E                                 | F                               | G                             | H                                 | I                             | J                                |
| National Football League Champ | R-1  | 7                              | Dave Barton<br>412-952-1741   | Tom Laycock<br>412-491-7755    | Jim Fernald<br>412-681-6898    | Greg Bogovich<br>301-633-8752  | Brian Bias<br>412-720-3825        | Bert Smith<br>412-816-7337      | Stephen Bober<br>412-951-6307 | John Folino<br>412-448-1889       | Chris Brown<br>412-523-9334   | Juliet Franz<br>724-772-0494     |
|                                | R-2  | 6                              | Chris Kelley<br>724-799-0249  | Gina Kosak<br>724-671-1168     | Bert Smith<br>412-418-7337     | Phyllis Rowles<br>412-448-5824 | Don Lovre<br>724-796-1989         | Fran Fernald<br>412-791-6968    | Conor Gartner<br>724-772-0484 | Lauren Diopopaki<br>724-796-3128  | Bob Shaffrey<br>724-443-2284  | Florlan Bogovich<br>412-846-7302 |
|                                | R-3  | 8                              | Chris Kelley<br>724-799-0249  | Mark Gartner<br>724-772-0484   | R. Karapandi<br>412-396-0294   | Larry Emark<br>724-627-7252    | Matthew Beck<br>724-612-1830      | Phil McLaughlin<br>412-735-1154 | Mike Lynch<br>724-900-4471    | Tom Bricker<br>412-999-0555       | Kate Gardner<br>412-956-2854  | Emily Price<br>724-816-7337      |
|                                | R-4  | 1                              | Rich Bogovich<br>412-585-3138 | Bill Romig<br>724-799-8735     | Larry Emark<br>724-627-7252    | Nancy Apel<br>724-816-0290     | Tom Laycock<br>412-491-7755       | Bryan Randall<br>412-386-1906   | DJT<br>412-999-0555           | Joyce Lay<br>724-910-4817         | Fran Fernald<br>412-761-6998  | Greg Bogovich<br>301-633-8752    |
|                                | R-5  | 5                              | Jim Conroy<br>412-551-5515    | Larry Emark<br>724-627-7252    | Mike Conroy<br>412-401-3797    | Ryan Price<br>724-816-7337     | Carl Apel<br>724-816-0260         | Tom Laycock<br>412-491-7755     | Jim Fernald<br>412-551-5515   | Fletcher Sampson<br>724-772-0494  | Bert Smith<br>412-816-7337    | Joe Daqualeto<br>412-985-3138    |
|                                | R-6  | 9                              | Larry Emark<br>724-527-7252   | Don Lovre<br>724-796-1989      | Dennis O'Neale<br>412-370-8792 | Fran Fernald<br>412-761-6998   | Dave Barton<br>412-952-1741       | Brian Apel<br>724-816-0260      | Jim Conroy<br>412-551-5515    | Linda Bernardelli<br>724-816-7337 | Joe Daqualeto<br>412-985-3138 | Stephen Bober<br>412-981-6307    |
|                                | R-7  | 3                              | Alyssa Olson<br>724-591-4913  | Shawn Lally<br>412-728-7387    | Sophia Sampson<br>724-772-0494 | Ed Lay<br>724-699-8863         | Nancy D (Joe Daw)<br>412-985-3138 | Peter Elliott<br>412-302-2211   | Heather Apel<br>724-816-0260  | Shawn Lally<br>412-728-7387       | Nabelle Franz<br>724-772-0494 | Jim Fernald<br>412-551-5515      |
|                                | R-8  | 2                              | John Folino<br>412-448-1889   | Charlie Bender<br>724-614-3088 | Tom and Karen<br>412-427-1357  | Jim Yingling<br>412-401-3797   | Mike Conroy<br>412-302-2211       | Peter Elliott<br>412-952-1741   | Dave Barton<br>412-952-1741   | Don Lovre<br>724-796-1989         | Rich Bogovich<br>412-408-4384 | Ken Landau<br>412-417-4070       |
|                                | R-9  | 0                              | Mark Dillano<br>412-418-8998  | Fran Fernald<br>412-761-6998   | Bob Shaffrey<br>724-443-2284   | Bert Smith<br>412-418-7337     | Ann Lynch<br>412-302-2211         | Fr. Will<br>925-0502            | Tom Laycock<br>412-491-7755   | Bob Shaffrey<br>724-443-2284      | Jamie Bick<br>412-400-0028    | Stephen Bober<br>412-981-6307    |
|                                | R-10 | 4                              | Joe Daqualeto<br>412-985-3138 | Chris Brown<br>412-523-9334    | Don Lovre<br>724-796-1989      | Bryan Bias<br>412-720-3825     | Joe Daqualeto<br>412-985-3138     | Nathan Smith<br>724-816-7337    | Chris McKevey<br>724-799-0634 | Jim Fernald<br>412-551-5515       | Stephen Bober<br>412-981-6307 | Dave Barton<br>412-952-1741      |

\* Random Numbers were selected and added into the column and rows at 5:45pm 2/2/25. Questions: George Franz (724-772-0494 or [george.franz@gmail.com](mailto:george.franz@gmail.com))  
The Last Number of each team's halftime score will be used to select the halftime winner of \$250. The Last Number of each team's final score will be used to select the Final Score Winner of \$1000.  
Winners will be notified by email/text on the morning following the Superbowl (Monday, February 10th). Winner's names will be emailed to all local 3907 members and players.

This Year's Super Bowl Squares game is off to a great start, all squares have sold. Remember all proceeds are going to our K of C Charities. On Super Bowl Sunday, at halftime and at the end of the game the last digit of the team score will be used to identify which square wins the Half Time amount of \$250 and the Final Score Amount of \$1000. I will contact all winners to confirm the mailing address for their winnings. Please let me know if you have questions.

Thank You!! To all who are playing.

George Franz, [george.franzjr@gmail.com](mailto:george.franzjr@gmail.com); 724-772-0494

**PARISH RETREAT SCHEDULES ARE AVAILABLE**

September/April Saint-Paul of The-Cross Parish-Retreat Schedules are listed on their Website//Inquire:

<<https://passionistsspiritualplaces.org/st-paul-of-the-cross>>

<<https://passionistsspiritualplaces.org/st-paul-of-the-cross/contact-us/inquire>>

About our Retreats: Men's & Women's Retreat are now showing as available: (You can always attend as an Independent on another Appropriate Weekend)

- Men's: Saint Aidan (former St. Alexis) January 24-26, 2025
- Men's: Saint Aidan (former St. Alphonsus) January 24-26, 2025
- Men's: St. Luke the Evangelist (former Saints John & Paul) March 7-9, 2025
- Men's: Regina Coeli (former Saint John Neumann) March 14-16, 2025
- Men's: Regina Coeli (former Assumption) March 14-16, 2025
- Women's Regina Coeli (former Saint SJN) October 18-20, 2024)
- Women's Regina Coeli (former Assumption) October 18-20, 2024)
- Women's Saint Aidan (former St. Alexis) January 10-12, 2025
- Women's Saint Aidan (former St. Alphonsus) January 10-12, 2025
- [See Website (above) for Other Parishes.]

**Please Sign-Up as Soon as Possible:**  
(New or Original Rooms Available)  
(St. Paul's 412-381-7676) 8am-4pm M-F

**Meeting Schedule (Changed for January)**

The Council meetings in January is affected by New Years Day falling on the first Wednesday, and other Assembly meetings conflicting with our normal schedule. Therefore, we will only have one meeting on the THIRD Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup>.

Our Lector, Carl Apel, arranges for a speaker for the second meeting of the month with the business portion of the meeting shortened accordingly. We have re-established our tradition of having a Repast/meal available after our meetings as well. We offer the "hybrid" meeting format, with members attending in-person or virtually by Zoom. If you want to attend via Zoom, just let Ken Landau know ahead of the meeting date and you will be sent a Link via Email. To be added to the Email invitation list, email Ken at:

<klandau24@gmail.com> or call him at (412) 417-4070

Come join us for the Rosary, 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 2<sup>nd</sup>-Floor, take the stairs or the elevator to the 3<sup>rd</sup>-Floor for the meeting. Look for Room 2308.

**"2025 Enjoy" Books ARE HERE**



2025-Books are Good from: Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> 2024 -- Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> 2025.... Looking for more information on how to purchase @\$30ea? Call/Email ME for Delivery or Pickup Anytime You See Me!

Larry Emark- 412-367-0525 or [emarklw@verizon.net](mailto:emarklw@verizon.net)

Reference: <[https://issuu.com/savearound/docs/enjoy\\_pittsburgh](https://issuu.com/savearound/docs/enjoy_pittsburgh)>

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If YOU Would Like a Book Elsewhere Across the USA: Go to:

<<https://www.sapaynow.com/215122>> To Give Our Council Credit:

<<https://savearound.com/pages/buy-books>>

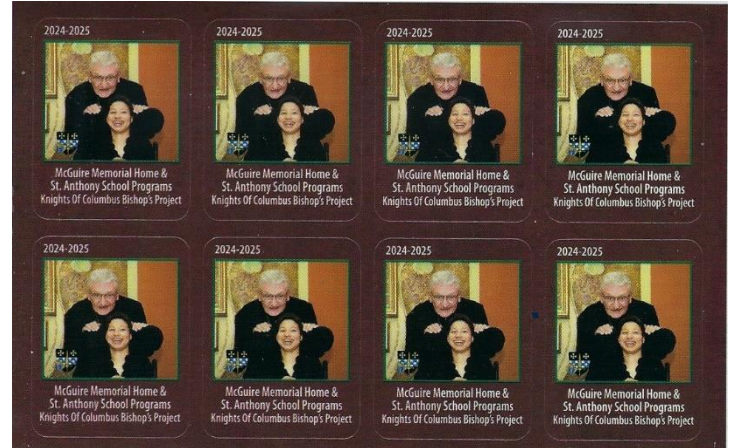
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So Far: We have 11 Sold with 14 Remaining, please get your order in soon.

**Christmas Seals**

Your Christmas Seals should have arrived. Please return a small donation (\$5 recommended) and use these seals this Christmas Season, and throughout the year. Using these seals shows our support of the Bishop's Project, an important project for our Special Need Kids and Adults. You will receive 3 envelopes of Seals, please keep, and use one, and give the others to friends and family. With everyone's help we can make a big difference. The Knights have participated in this program for over 62 years. With your help, we can continue serving the intellectually disabled and/or physically-challenged youth and adults in the Saint Anthony Schools and McGuire Memorial Home and School. Be sure to include our Council 3907 on the memo line.



**FYI: Bishops Project Appreciation Dinner is set for Thursday April 24<sup>th</sup> at the Seminary**

Look for these Seals in Your Mailbox



**Knight of the Month**

Our Council has selected George Franz as Knight of the Month for December 2024. George is the past GK, and he and his wife Jan, remain involved with pretty much everything for our Council. George shows his continued passion and commitment to Council 3907 and the Knights of Columbus, and is a true example of how a Knight should demonstrate his Catholic Faith combined with giving back to the community.



## Seminarian News

Council #3907 continued our prayers and quarterly financial support for our eight Seminararians.

The Seminararians that we support in prayer, and their addresses are:

- **Xavier Engle**, Saint Vincent Seminary  
300 Fraser Purchase Road, Latrobe, PA 15650-2667
- **Mark Littlefield**, Saint Vincent Seminary  
300 Fraser Purchase Road, Latrobe, PA 15650-2667
- **Colin Kulmoski**, Saint Paul Seminary  
2900 Noblestown Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15205-4227
- **Peter Mallampalli**, Theological College  
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**Kevin Hein**  
Faith Director

## Welcome Our New Members

At our December 18<sup>th</sup> meeting we were joined by two of our newest members. Mike Puharic (longtime member -transfer in) and Ted Wilson. What a great way to end the calendar year. Welcome Guys!!



GK Ken Landau Presenting 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Certificate to Ted Wilson

## Please also Keep in Your Prayers Our Recently Deceased

### Deceased A2191 & C3907 Members from this Past Year 4th Deg A2191 SK Memorial Mass Sched for Oct-9<sup>th</sup> @SVctor

- **SK Andrew T. Gionta** (43) C14474 (US-AirForce) (RIP-07/21/2024)
- **Gerard Andrew Wuenschel** (97) (Fr. Will Dad) (RIP-06/14/2024)
- **SK John F. Hooley, Sr.** (79) KofC83 Chelsae, MA (RIP-04/11/2024)
- **HL SK Ronald J. Socash Sr.** (90) C14807/A2191 (RIP-03/07/2024)

### C3907 Memorial Mass Scheduled for Nov-13<sup>th</sup> 2024 @SAIx

- **Daniel E. Stack** (51) (Son of PGK Morrie & Marian) (RIP-05/10/2024)
  - **HL Robert Edward 'Bob' Laskey** (79) (RIP-03/25/2024)
  - **HL SK Terrence "Terry" Richard Cummings** (86)  
FDGK3907 PGK FFS11143 (PSD Joe's Brother) (RIP-03/06/2024)
  - **Thomas Frederick Frankart** (95) (RIP-12/01/2023)
  - **Vanna Koerner** (52) (Mike Conroy's Relative) (RIP-12/18/2024)
  - **Heather (Hagan) Rogus** (57)  
(Chuck & Daryl Hagen's Daughter) (RIP-12/13/2024)
  - **Jessica Lynn Glancy** (43)  
(Relative of Bob & Shawn Glancy, Mike & Terry Conroy) (RIP-12/13/2024)
  - **Lois Margaret (Hurrie) Laux** (95)  
(Mike Conroy's Aunt) (RIP-12/09/2024)
  - **Richard T. "Rich" Perrotte** (82) (JoeD's Friend) (RIP-11/30/2024)
  - **Jeffrey P. McAfee** (47)  
(Son of SK Regis & Norma (King) McAfee (A2191)) (RIP-11/13/2024)
  - **Jean Ellen (Stevwing) Rock** (81)  
(Wife of The Late SK Harry Joseph Rock) (RIP-10/28/2024)
  - **Joseph E. Sioli, Sr.** (79) Rev. Joe's - SJN Dad) (RIP-10/23/2024)
  - **Lois Margaret (Froehlich) Leahy** (97)  
(Wife of The Late SK James Blair Leahy) (RIP-09/23/2024)
  - **Thomas Ralph Ketteler** (82) Larry's Cousin (RIP-05/04/2024)
  - **Rose Marie (Doyle) Karapandi** (91) Rich's Aunt (RIP-04/27/2024)
  - **Sam "Sal", "Salvatore" Alioto** (72) Mike's Friend (RIP-04/24/2024)
  - **Douglas W. Romig** (42) PGK Bill & Rita's Son) (RIP-04/20/2024)
  - **Kathleen L. (Matoic) Rotuna** (82) Friend (RIP-04/11/2024)
  - **Robert T. Kuczinski** (83) Larry's (W)Coworker (RIP-03/30/2024)
- H = Honorary Member) (SK = Sir-Knight 4th-Degree)  
(HL = Honorary Life Member) (GT = Gold-Tie C3907)  
(FDGK = Former Deputy Grand Knight)  
(FFS = Former Financial Security)  
(PGK = Past Grand Knight)  
(PSD = Past State Deputy) (FM = Former Master)

## "Keep Christ in Christmas" (plus HE IS RISEN) Car Magnets



Larry Emark, has an ample supply of **Keep Christ in Christmas** (plus **HE IS RISEN**) Car Magnets (available) at \$5ea. Look for me promoting these sales at our respective local Parishes. You can also find these displayed on the back my (and Other) Cars. Please contact me, if you wish to show that **Christ is Truly the Reason for the (Respective) Seasons.** [NOTE: These Require A-Metal Trunk (or Deck) on the Back of Your Car to Adhere...]  
Larry Emark at - 412-367-0525 or <emarklw@verizon.net>

## Remember in Your Prayers

**Deceased:** Sam "Sal", "Salvatore" Alioto; **HL SK Terrence "Terry" Richard Cummings;** Thomas Frederick Frankart; Jessica Lynn Glancy; SK Andrew T. Gionta; SK John F. Hooley, Sr.; Thomas Ralph Ketteler; **Vanna Koerner;** Robert T. Kuczinski; HL Robert Edward 'Bob' Laskey; Lois Margaret (Froehlich) Leahy; Lois Margaret (Hurrie) Laux; Jeffrey P. McAfee; Richard T. "Rich" Perrotte; Jean Ellen (Stevwing) Rock; **Heather (Hagan) Rogus;** Kathleen L. (Matoic) Rotuna; Douglas W. Romig; **Joseph E. Sioli, Sr.;** **Daniel E. Stack;** and **HL SK Ronald J. Socash Sr.;** Gerard Andrew Wuenschel;

Sorry we Removed some of our Deceased from before last-November, 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:** HL SK Rev John J 'Jack' Batykefer; SK Mike Conroy PGK PFN; SK Terrence J Conroy Sr PGK; The Cummings Family; GT Mike Delisi; GT William R. "Bill" Eaton FFS; Jeff Fisher; SK Wayne S Freet PSD FVSM; Bob Glancy; Tom Glancy; SK Deacon Albert E Heiles Jr.; HL GT HL-SK Shaun Lally SEFVP FDD118/95 PGK; HL Ralph J. Ledonne Jr.; HL GT HL-SK George E. Lyons Sr. PGK; SK William J 'Bill' McKim PGK; HL GT Wally Merriman; SK Rev. Peter P. Murphy MDiv; SK Timothy R Richards Jr SS (BP-AB); SK PGK Bill (& Rita) Romig; HL GT Larry Rusch; HL GT SK Stephen G. Seaman PGK; John C Stein Sr; Ron Tassone; HL George J Turak Jr; HL SK Thomas S. Szmed; and Rev. William "Will" Wuenschel.

**Family & Friends:** Jimmy Bischoff; Kevin Brown; Leon Boretz; Dennis M. Buranosky, MDiv; Virginia Capp; Karen Carson; Julie Castunoo; David Cieszynski; Sherry Cinker; Dena Cercone; Cathy Conroy; Tom Conroy; Nancy Cummings; Patrick & Holly Daquente; Marian Delisi; Rev. Fr. Tim Deely; Rick Deyley; Rev Jay Donahue; Lucy PJ Duffy(7); Robert Dunbar; W.R. 'Bill' Eaton Jr; Stephane & Laney Egnacheski; Johns Family; Abbie Franz; Jeannie Gartner; William Grieb; Norma (Sevcik) Gordon; Rev. David W. Green; Andy Greenier; Ellen Gross; Rosemary Gross; Amanda Gunkle; Anita M Gunkle; Fran Hageman; Larry Harkins; Dorothy Harbison; Vern Henning; Brocco Hoffman; Ken Ismael; Andy James; Chris Kaist; Marlene Karl; Janie Kantenwein; Rev. Thomas G. Kadlick; Mary Kohler; Tom Kress; Janet Kunz; Margaret Lazur; Bonnie Lindemarino; Margaret Livermore; Margaret Kelman; Kathleen Lyons; Michael Mackie; Denise Malchano; John Malia; Joyce Masuga; Mary Marlovits; Fran Mazur; Lou & Margert Mazur; Joanne McConville; Rilely McQuillis; Joanna Meyers; Dennis McLaughlin; Virginia (Ginny) McLaughlin; Robert McLaughlin. Patricia M. McKim; Carlos Medina; Tony Montagnese; Rose Murdoch; Viola Neath; John O'Keefe; Paul Palmer; Carmella Peduto; Elizabeth Pollard; Ryan Powell; SK Jeffrey Peterinelli GBCP DD222/FDD GK1480 PGK FFC914; Barbara Randall; Carl Riesler; Bryan & Linda Randall; Sophia Randall; Amanda & Rosalie Ann Rennebeck; Pat Ritter; Lauren (Hagen) Rogus; Lynn Schneider; Jim Seaman; Marlene Seaman; Kathleen Schattshneider; Kathy Schattshneider; Ed Sendek; Suzanne R. Stack; Elaine Stapinsky; Vicky Lopez Staudt; Sue Tassone; Timothy Tacach; Tom and Diane; Logan Tinneny; Aurora Tanner; Cathy Totuna; James Henry Trim; Auri Tupper; Elmer Turkovich; Eric Wassel; Nicholas Williams; Donna Wise; Dave Wyckoff; Kacie Yauch; Dave Yauch; Terry Zanone; Christine Zarilla; Tiane's Unborn Baby @Geneis House; Unborn Babies & Their Mothers; plus People of Israel (Gaza, Lebanon, & Syria)....

To add or delete any names to/from this list, please contact **Grand Knight Ken Landau** or Financial Secretary Bryan Randall Sr.

## Saint Luke the Evangelist Parish Perpetual Adoration

(This past June-2024 marked the Seventh Year for this Project)

Perpetual Adoration at Saints John & Paul Church, Saint Luke the Evangelist Parish Since June of 2007, members of Council #3907 (many along with their wives), have participated in First Friday Overnight Adoration at Saints John & Paul Church, now part of Saint Luke the Evangelist Parish. Eucharistic Adoration is available 24-hours a day/ (6-days a week) in the Grotto Chapel located on the lower level of the Church building. Adoration is suspended on Saturdays at 8AM until Sundays at 8AM, to allow for cleaning, and so that Weddings and Baptisms can take place. **Questions: Contact Deacon Tom Boucek @717-433-3525 or <Adoration4Him@gmail.com>, if you are interested in becoming a Scheduled Adorer, or find out more information here: <www.saintluke.net/adoration>.** If You would like to continue with **First Friday Overnight Adoration**, that is possible in conjunction with Perpetual Adoration.

**Note: Check Parish Website and Signup 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, only your First Name and Last Initial Appear). Reference: <https://greatgrouping.org/adoration> / <https://adorationpro.org/johnandpaul2> **Also see:** <https://greatgrouping.org/bulletin>.

## On-Line Membership New Combined 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 go to **KofC.org** and select the "Join Us" button, or direct at <[www.kofc.org/join](http://www.kofc.org/join)>.

To Become an Online Member for FREE! use Promotion-Code **BLESSEDMCGIVNEY** and get your dues waived for your first 12-months. Our C3907 Annual dues of \$30 will apply on your Membership Anniversary.

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](http://www.kofc.org/join)>.

Degree Exemplification are **OPEN to You, on demand, and Your-Family & Friends can watch.** The on-line ceremony takes ~30-Minutes. This also proves an opportunity for our 1st&2nd Degree Members to **Advance to their Full Knighthood 3<sup>rd</sup>-Degree.** Our C3907 Membership Director, **Chris Kelley** <[chris081476@gmail.com](mailto:chris081476@gmail.com)> (724-799-0249) can answer your Questions and handle Your-Application: 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.**

**BENEFITS TO JOINING:** Association and fraternity with other Christian men, active in their Faith, Focused on Charity, Pro-Life, and Patriotic to our Country. Membership also provides 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!"

## 125 ANNIVERSARY EXEMPLIFICATION CEREMONY

The NEXT Patriotic 4<sup>th</sup>-Degree Exemplification will take place: **Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> 2025, @St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City, followed by a Banquet at the New York Hilton Midtown.** The schedule of events includes an Exemplification of the Fourth Degree followed by Sunday Vigil Mass and an Anniversary Banquet. Information for Membership Ceremonials can be found at Website:

<<https://www.kofc.org/en/for-members/anniversary.html>>

**Special Transportation** is being Organized for Candidate & One-Guest to Attend this Degree.... **Some Brothers are Taking the Train....**

**Otherwise for Oher Degrees See**

<[www.kofcpennsylvania.org](http://www.kofcpennsylvania.org)> under: **What We Do/ Council Growth/ Upcoming Ceremonials/ 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Ceremonial/ More Events/** <<https://www.kofc.org/en/for-members/resources/supplies.html>>

We are In-Need of 4th-Degree Sir-Knights (SK) to Join our 4<sup>th</sup>-Degree Color-Corps: To-be Eligible for Color-Corps: You first need to be a 4<sup>th</sup>-Degree Member. Once you have the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree, Call/Email SK Larry Emark for more information: <[emarklw@verizon.net](mailto:emarklw@verizon.net)>.

## COR – KofC Catholic Men to Live their Faith:

COR exists to Form and Strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through prayer, formation, and fraternity.

Check Our **KofC COR:** Prayer, Formation, Fraternity:

Reference: <<https://www.kofc.org/en/who-we-are/our-faith/cor.htm>>

## Saint Aidan Parish Adoration

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 Monday's (10am to 6:30pm), Confessions (6-7pm).** Plus, Friday Adoration (7:45 to 8:45am) (Mass to follow). Confession Available: Saturday mornings after 9am Mass. Or by Appointment.



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**Happy New-Year!**

**Return Service Requested**

**Our Lady of Olives Council #3907 <> Council Calendar <> December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025**

| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday   | Saturday  |
|--|--|---|---|---|--|---|
| December 29  | December 30                                      | December 31   | January 1   | January 2   | January 3  | January 4   |
| <i>Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph</i>                      | <b>Adoration:</b><br>SAIp(N-7pm)<br>SJN(9am-7pm) | KofC State<br>College Scholarship<br>Program Deadline<br>New-Years Eve Mass | <b>Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)</b>                                     | KofC Catholic School/<br>High School Student<br>Grant Program → → | <b>First Friday</b><br>++SSJP Perpetual/<br>Overnight Adoration  | <i>First Saturday</i>   |
| January 5  | January 6  | January 7   | January 8   | January 9   | January 10   | January 11  |
| <i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i>                                  | <b>Adoration:</b><br>SAIp(N-7pm)<br>SJN(9am-7pm) |   |   | <b>Priests' Luncheon @Vincentian-11AM</b>                         | <b>Pgh Chapter Meeting TBD Rosary @6:45pm</b>                    | ←St. Alexis Women's→<br>+St. Alphonsus Women's<br>Retreat - Jan 10–12 |
| January 12   | January 13                                       | January 14  | January 15  | January 16  | January 17   | January 18  |
| <i>The Baptism of the Lord</i>                                   | <b>Adoration:</b><br>SAIp(N-7pm)<br>SJN(9am-7pm) |   | {Martin Luther King Day}<br>KofC 3907 Meeting (+Virtual)<br>Rosary 7:00pm<br>Meeting7:30pm + <b>CK 8:30pm</b> |   | <b>Bishop's Project A-B EAS Meeting 7:30pm</b>                   |   |
| January 19   | January 20                                       | January 21  | January 22  | January 23  | January 24   | January 25  |
| <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>                    | <b>Adoration:</b><br>SAIp(N-7pm)<br>SJN(9am-7pm) | ←Martin Luther King Day   | 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree A2191<br>@C3907/C10411 7:30PM  |   | <b>MARCH FOR LIFE- DC</b>  | ←St. Alexis Men's→<br>+St. Alphonsus Men's<br>Retreat - Jan 24–26     |
| January 26   | January 27                                       | January 28  | January 29  | January 30  | January 31   | February 1  |
| <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>                    | <b>Adoration:</b><br>SAIp(N-7pm)<br>SJN(9am-7pm) |   | Proposed <b>UNITY DEGREE</b><br>@C3907 Rosary 7pm   |   | KofC Catholic School/<br>High School Student<br>Grant Program DL | <i>First Saturday</i>   |
| February 2   | February 3                                       | February 4  | February 5  | February 6  | February 7   | February 8  |
| <i>The Presentation of the Lord Groundhog Day</i>                | <b>Adoration:</b><br>SAIp(N-7pm)<br>SJN(9am-7pm) |   | KofC 3907 Meeting (+Virtual)<br>Rosary 7:00pm<br>Meeting7:30pm + <b>CK 8:30pm</b>                             |   | <b>First Friday</b><br>++SSJP Perpetual/<br>Overnight Adoration  |   |
| February 9   | February 10                                      | February 11   | February 12   | February 13   | February 14  | February 15   |
| <i>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>                    | <b>Adoration:</b><br>SAIp(N-7pm)<br>SJN(9am-7pm) |   |   |   |  |   |
| February 16  | February 17                                      | February 18   | February 19   | February 20   | February 21  | February 22   |
| <i>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Gold-Tie Meeting →</i> | <b>Adoration:</b><br>SAIp(N-7pm)<br>SJN(9am-7pm) | ←Presentists Day  | KofC 3907 Meeting (+Virtual)<br>Rosary 7:00pm<br>Meeting7:30pm + <b>CK 8:30pm</b>                             |   | <b>Bishop's Project A-B EAS Meeting 7:30pm</b>                   | <b>New 4<sup>th</sup> Degree NYC By Bus/Train (See Page7)</b>         |
| February 23  | February 24                                      | February 25   | February 26   | February 27   | February 28  | March 1   |
| <i>7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>                    | <b>Adoration:</b><br>SAIp(N-7pm)<br>SJN(9am-7pm) |   | 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree A2191<br>@C3907/C11838 7:30PM  |   | <b>Pgh Chapter Meeting TBD Rosary @6:45pm</b>                    |   |

**Happy New Year!**