

# The Knightly News

COUNCIL 4522

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## Monthly Newsletter

April 2020

### IMPORTANT DATES IN APRIL

Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup> – Officer's **VIRTUAL** Meeting, 7:30 PM (Details forthcoming)  
 Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup> – General Business Meeting – CANCELLED!  
 April 9<sup>th</sup> – April 12<sup>th</sup> – Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Vigil of Easter and Easter Sunday  
 Sat/Sun, April 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup>, KOVAR, All Masses at QofA (*God Willing*)

*"At this time, we ask God to take special care of our families, especially the sick and the people who are taking care of them: doctors, nurses, and volunteers, who risk their lives in this service."*

- Pope Francis

### **\$\$\$HAVE YOU PAID YOU DUES YET??\$\$**

**If not, your Membership Card EXPIRED February 29<sup>th</sup> You are at risk of being SUSPENDED!**  
**Please check your email (incl SPAM) and snail mail for Notices from the Council Immediately**

### Grand Knight's Message

My brothers, this isn't business as usual, and it's a time of great stress and uncertainty. It's also a moment in time when the work we're doing as Catholic gentlemen is its most critical. I know this is probably the most stressful time in our lives. We are worried, fearful and don't know what lies tomorrow or the end of this crisis. I call on you brothers, to be prayerful, meditate and trust in God. Our father the Almighty God is the only one can see us through this period of uncertainties. We must call on Mother Mary, raise your rosary high, she will intercede for you and your family. Don't forget, even though our Lord Jesus said at the wedding at Cana that it was not yet His time, he heeds the intercession of the Holy Mother Mary.

Please let me use this time to inform you that even though church gatherings, and in person council meetings are suspended, the work of the church and Knight of Columbus continues. I ask the election nomination committee to continue with the work of filling the slate of council officers. Membership recruitment is in progress with email, text and phone call voting. There are several ways we can continue to meet without leaving our respective houses.

Supreme and the State Councils have been hosting discussions on the impacts of COVID-19 on their assigned jurisdictions and the Order as a whole. A summary of some of the discussions are:



### Degree Ceremonies:

- Details will soon be sent out regarding the ability for anyone with a submitted Form 100 or E-Member to view the online video of the new consolidated degree(s)
- Within the same time frame, an updated version of the degree will be available to be performed over WebEx/skype/zoom for interested new members

### Awards:

- Any council close to receiving star council will most likely receive it
- State Deputy Award submissions are due by 1 April (*Council 4522 has met all requirements for the State Deputy Award and all required reports have been submitted*), majority of awards are expected to be given out at Org Meeting 11 July in Roanoke (Tentative)
- Columbian Awards will be given out to DDs at October Meeting as usual

### Insurance:

- Dropping members will be much easier soon via a new process forthcoming from Supreme
- Annual insurance quotas are going away in favor of fraternal benefits night with 10 non knights present (being tested in several states with great success)

- General Agents are being told to address the Field Agent shortage ASAP

#### Meetings & Elections:

- Supreme is recommending using online meeting software/teleconference for upcoming business meetings, nominating committee, and officer elections
- Free software is available at the following sites that is relatively easy to use (Zoom, WebEx, Skype)
- State Convention and 4th Degree cancelled; 2 May will be a teleconference over one of the above systems to complete the work that needs to be done. 4th Degree Biennial Meeting notes will be sent in separate email

Most importantly, please take care of yourselves, family and each other! Remember to check on your neighbors and other brother Knights. The parish office is open to receive your phone calls also. I encourage you to follow the directions and guidelines outlined by the CDC, National, State and local authorities. We shall prevail.

Fraternally yours,  
Patrick Okoronkwo  
Vivat Jesus

#### Virtual Spiritual Services & Masses @ Queen of Apostles Catholic Church:

Our Chaplain, and Queen of Apostles' Pastor, Fr. Juan Espino, with the help of several tech savvy parishioners, has put together a daily broadcast of services and masses for our religious nourishment. Please tune into the Queen of Apostles' Facebook Live Stream daily (the videos remain on Facebook in case these times do not work for you):

##### In English

- 9:00 am Daily and Sunday Mass
- 12:00 pm Angelus (M-Sat.)
- 3:00 pm Divine Mercy (M-F)
- 5:00 pm Rosary (M=Sat.)
- 7:30 pm Stations of the cross (Fridays)

##### In Spanish

- 12:00 pm Misa dominical
- 6:00 pm Rosario (lunes-domingo)
- 7:00 pm Misa diaria (lunes-sábado)
- 8:00 pm Via Crucis (viernes)

#### New Confession Schedule @ Queen of Apostles

- M, T, Th, F, Sat: 6:30 pm until last penitent
- Wednesdays - 6:30-8:00 pm
- Sundays - 10:00 am until last penitent

Although we are not able to physically receive the Eucharist, an act of spiritual communion is available (<https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/devotions/act-of-spiritual-communion-339>) and encouraged by our Bishop

Live stream masses are available every day at 12:05 PM via St. Thomas More Cathedral (<https://www.cathedralstm.org/live-stream-mass/>)

Several online masses are available for Sunday and other Holy Days (<https://www.arlingtondiocese.org/covid19resources/>)

#### Remember in these stormy times...

##### 1. God has power over every storm.

If the wind and waves don't concern Him, then they shouldn't frighten you. You might not be able to change your situation, but you can choose to faithfully trust God in the middle of it.



##### 2. Fixing your eyes on Jesus leads to peace.

Are you looking at the size of the storm, or turning towards the One who can calm it? It's only by focusing on God, who knows every outcome, that you can navigate any situation with His wisdom and peace.

##### 3. Jesus is always in your boat.

It's easy to focus on your fears when you can't control your future. But thankfully, Jesus knows your future, and He's always by your side. And, He calls you to live by faith, not by sight. ~ Praise God!

#### Knight of the Month

The Council recognizes SK John Cosgayon as the Knight of the Month. Brother John serves as the Chancellor and Programs Director. He is an eucharistic minister at QofA and heavily involved with the Young Catholics and Youth Ministries as well. John is always present at various council activities and meetings—an excellent all-around Knight. Congratulations John!

#### Family of the Month

The Family of the Month are the Williams, PGK, and now FS, Roger and his lady, Susan. The Williams family is very involved in both the council and Queen of the Apostles parish. Roger is a fixture at Council events and activities and is heavily involved in most of the planning and logistical requirements beforehand.

He and Susan are regulars at Christ House every other month feeding the needy. They are also extremely involved in different parish activities and ministries. The Council and the parish are very blessed to have the Williams as part of their "families." Congratulations!

**2020/2021 Council and Casey Club Nominations**

Each Officer position is vitally important in efficiently running the Council, developing fundraisers, identifying ways the Council can assist the parish and the community, and growing the faith in one another. All 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Brothers are strongly encouraged to consider running for a position or nominating a qualified Brother for one (NOTE: Any such nomination should be discussed with the potential candidate(s) to ensure they are willing to accept the nomination and carry out the duties of the office they are being nominated for).

Brother Daniel Penrose [dpenrose@engineer.com](mailto:dpenrose@engineer.com) is the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, and is being assisted by PGK Roger Williams [sbrog11@yahoo.com](mailto:sbrog11@yahoo.com) and SK Vincent Guevara [vincentg97@gmail.com](mailto:vincentg97@gmail.com). If you are interested in running for a position or want to know what is involved before committing to a position, please contact a committee member or any one of the sitting Officers—as soon as possible. In accordance with Article VIII of the revised Bylaws, the Nominating Committee will submit its report to the Members during the April Council Meeting (Date TBD at this time). This report will include information related to the nominations for both the Council and the Casey Club in the Fraternal Year 2020 to 2021, which begins July 1, 2020.

**Please note – Election Date:** The Council will conduct its annual election of officers at a special meeting in the Council Home at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 27, 2019 (God willing, the pandemic will be over). At this meeting, the only item for consideration and action will be the election of officers for the Council and the Casey Club.

Be advised that nominations MAY be made from the floor the night of the election. It is highly recommended that any such nominations be discussed with the potential candidate(s) to ensure they are willing to accept the nomination and carry out the duties of the office they are being nominated for before the actual elections begin—again the meeting will start precisely at 7:30 PM at the Council home.

**Positions are as follows:**

- Grand Knight
- Deputy Grand Knight
- Chancellor

- Recording Secretary
- Treasurer
- Warden
- Advocate
- Inside Guard
- Outside Guard
- 1<sup>st</sup> Year Trustee
- Past Grand Knight Delegate

Candidates are also sought for Officer positions in the Casey Club. The Casey Club is charged with maintaining the Council home and overseeing the organization’s investments, among other duties.

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer

**40 Cans for 40 Days**



Council 4522 again partnered with Queen of Apostles Catholic School to hold the Third Annual 40 Cans for 40 Days Campaign at the school. The Campaign provided the children (and their families) blessings each day during Lent—providing them with the opportunity to give alms, promote charity to others, and learn/know more about sacrifice in the way of bringing a canned good to school each school day (*The Campaign was suspended March 15<sup>th</sup>—and may be over for the year at this writing because of the pandemic*).

**The Light Is ON for You this Lent**



Wednesday evenings during Lent, many parishes across our Diocese and the Archdiocese of Washington remain open for confession. Please check individual parish websites for specific information. For many of us, the Sacrament of

Reconciliation can be stressful. We may be nervous or consider ourselves unforgivable. Yet, with confidence, Pope Francis reminds us: “Don’t be afraid; go to Him; He is waiting for you. He will take care of everything. We hear many offers from the world around us but let us take up God’s offer instead: His is a caress of love.” Visit <https://thelightison.org/> for more information.

**Into the Breach**

Inspired by the Apostolic Exhortation for Catholic men written by Bishop Olmsted of Phoenix, the Knights of Columbus have produced a video series which seeks to answer the question of what it means to be a man and

how to live as a man in today's world. Into the Breach is a call to battle for Catholic men which urges them to embrace wholeheartedly masculine virtues in a world in crisis. Watch all the episodes at <https://www.kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html> – Can't say you don't have time.....

**The Life of Pope John Paul II (Continued)**

In 1964, Polish Primate Wyszynski appointed Karol Wotyla the archbishop of Krakow with the approval of the communist government. Ever since the beginning of the 1960's the Polish government had made clear its desire for a second Polish Cardinal. Using typical communist "subtlety" in diplomacy, they were planning a divide and conquer strategy to split the Polish church. The decision to make Princes of the Church however fell exclusively to the Vatican with no need for consultation with the Polish communists.

The government simultaneously had their desires fulfilled and denied when in 1967, Pope Paul VI gave Karol Wotyla his red Cardinal's cap. The Polish government already knew that they had been duped after Wotyla's appointment as archbishop, so he would have been their last choice for a second Polish Cardinal. Wotyla and Primate Wyszynski ended up moving forward largely in unison, with Wotyla deferring to Wyszynski whenever possible. All this, despite the fact that Wyszynski once described Wotyla, perhaps dismissively, as "a poet".

After the beginning of the second Vatican Council, Pope Paul VI started new policy of dealing with the communist governments of the world, which could be roughly described as "saving what can be saved". The thought behind this diplomatic strategy was that the church could not prevail or administer to the flock without existing to administer the sacraments. This is precisely what happened in Czechoslovakia where the church was so antagonistic to the government, that after the 1968 Soviet invasion, they effectively ceased to exist.

This set the stage for diplomatic friction between Warsaw and Rome.



**Happy April Birthdays Brother Knights!**

Dean F Clancy	04-06
Lonnie J McClellan	04-06
Stanley J Radzevicius	04-07
David A Brown	04-10
Ramon S Sarmiento	04-10
Jack N Kodrich	04-12
Richard E Pompei	04-15
Jean P Graziani	04-16
PGK Cesar A Anchiraico	04-26
HON James Thomas Moore	04-26

**Casey Woman's Club**

The March meeting, with the Corona-virus effects still in a cloud, left members full of concerns; nevertheless, many items on the full agenda were addressed.

President Connie King will follow up on the status of our two letters requesting funds for charities from the Ortolani Trust that were forwarded to the Foundation Committee in July and October 2019. Treasurer Ruth Zirkle reported two checks outstanding, one written November 2019.

The New Membership list was provided by Ethel Apostolico and distributed to members present by Vice President Geri Owen.

Hostess Peggy Puritano provided an outstanding Irish spread of scones, Irish Soda Bread and sweets in honor of St. Patrick's Feast day.

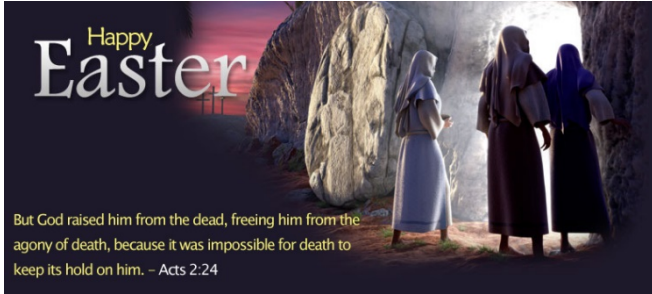
The members decided as a group to attend the Living Stations of the Cross provided by the school children at Queen of Apostles Church, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 PM **(cancelled)**

Dorothy Fanucci gave a brief talk with pictures of her trip to Taiwan, very interesting with many questions. Thank you, Dorothy.

Due to Federal, State, Local, and Diocesan guidelines and restrictions, many meetings and functions have been cancelled. Jean Hughes will call members relative to our April 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Happy Birthday to our ladies \* Beth Medford-1<sup>st</sup> and Pat McHenry-19<sup>th</sup> \*God's Blessings be with you\*. Blessings of Health, and Happiness to all.

Connie King, President



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**The submission deadline for the May 2020 Newsletter is April 20th**

MAY THE HOLY NAMES OF JESUS BE PRAISED AND HONORED BY ALL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND THEIR FAMILIES, AND MAY IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY RULE IN ALL OF OUR HEARTS UNTIL WE ATTAIN TO EVERLASTING LIFE! AMEN! ST. JOSEPH AND ST. DOMINIC, ORA PRO NOBIS!

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