

The Knightly News

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Monthly Newsletter

November 2017

REMINDER

**There will be NO regular Council meeting in November.
Instead, on Wednesday, November 8th at the Council Home, at 7:30 PM
will we celebrate a Remembrance Mass.
This is a full Mass; ALL families and friends are invited.
Refreshments will be served after Mass.**

THE GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brothers all, I hope this month's Newsletter finds you and your family in good health and thankful for all the Lord gives us each day. If that is not the case, please let us know. We'll put the word out, and through the power of prayer, things may just get better. The Lord God is always with us—but we must pray. In case you didn't know, you can request prayers right on our website or contact me directly at sbrog11@yahoo.com. You may submit a prayer request online at:

<https://www.kc4522.com/reports/prayer-requests.cfm>.

November is truly a month full of opportunities to give thanks and take to take some time for remembrances—starting with our own Remembrance Mass to be held on Wednesday, November 8th at 7:30 PM at the Council Home. This will be a full Mass and your family and friends are all invited and encouraged to attend.



Next up is Veterans' Day on Saturday, November 11th. There isn't a Brother Knight, nor a citizen in this country, that can't stop on 11/11 and give thanks to a veteran or pray for them, thanking them for their sacrifices while they served. To

all the Veterans, especially our Veteran Brother Knights, Thank you and may God always bless you and your family!

Of course, we close out the month with Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 23. I'm sure we all look forward to gathering with our families and friends, giving thanks for everything the Lord has provided and spreading love, encouragement and our faith with all those we encounter.



I'd be remiss, if I didn't remind everyone that Election day is Tuesday, November 7th! Be sure to get out and vote! We cannot stand idly by, especially complaining about our politicians, if each and every one of us does not get out and exercise our constitutional right to vote! Here is a good recap of the candidates (in VA), what they are about and where they stand on most of the pressing issues <http://vacatholic.org/action-center/election-2017/>

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

The Knight of the Month for November is a name well-recognized at Pope John Paul II Council 4522. He is among the most involved in our Council and Queen of Apostles parish. I am pleased to announce that Vincent Guevara is in his second year as Council

Youth Director and recently led other Brothers in their efforts supporting a very successful Soccer Challenge. Brother Vincent is multi-talented around the parish, one Mass reading scripture as a Lector, the next playing violin with the Choir...I may even have seen him ushering in between! Vincent (and his Family of the Month for October) will step forward whenever called upon for the good of the Council, the parish or the Community. Council 4522 is very lucky to have such a generous Brother Knight in our midst. Thank you and congratulations Brother Vincent!



FAMILY OF THE MONTH

The Amadi Family is recognized as the Council's Family of the Month for November. SK Tobias and his son Daniel (3rd Degree Knight) are reliable servants of Christ and certainly devoted parishioners at Queen of Apostles' masses, and Pope John Paul II Council events and activities. While both have been Knights for some time, they have only been in the Washington area since April 2016—and the first thing they did after arriving—was to seek out our Council's Grand Knight and transfer their records and service to Council 4522. The Council can always count on Brothers Tobias and Daniel when the call goes for assistance. Brother Tobias also serves as the Council's Outside Guard and Keep Christ in Christmas Chairman. Congratulations to the Amadi Family and Thank You for your service.

HEAD'S UP – DECEMBER CALENDAR ALERT

Get your crock pots warmed up, the casserole recipes out and get prepared for this year's **Christmas Pot Luck Dinner** to be held at the **Council Home at 6:30 PM on Friday, December 15th**. We'll gather with families, friends, old and young for an evening of unity, fraternity and great food and refreshments. More details to follow, but put it on your calendar now!!

SOCCER CHALLENGE – GOAL!

Council 4522 was at an "away" game for this year's Annual Soccer Challenge as we (and several Queen of Apostles children) traveled to St. Michael's soccer field to challenge the goal. October 1st was a beautiful Sunday afternoon, where nearly 30 goal scorers from Pope John Paul II and Monsignor Scannell Councils put their heart and soles into the

Council competitions. District competition followed immediately after the Council sessions were completed. Unfortunately, Council 4522 did not have any kickers advancing to the state competition, but fun was had by all! The Pope John Paul II Council Champions were: Claire Delaney, Girls, Age 10; and, Jesse Kasenge, Boys, Age 11. Congratulations to Claire and Jesse! Special thanks to Youth Director Vincent Guevara and his (and our) Brother Mark for their outstanding leadership and enthusiasm throughout the competition. Brothers Jay, Ray, Patrick, Dennis, Craig and Leo – Thank you for your "goals" in helping make this year's Soccer Challenge a great success!

THE (REAL) COLUMBUS DAY – OCTOBER 12, 2017

Columbus Day may be behind us this year, but the assault on Columbus Day and the memory of Christopher Columbus goes on all year. Past State Deputy and President of the National Christopher Columbus Association, J.P. McCusker, invites all Brother Knights to join in the fight.

The National Christopher Columbus Association is a leader in the national battle to protect Columbus Day. Please consider joining the organization. Dues are \$25/year. More information can be found on the web site www.christophercolumbus.org. You can keep up to date on the activities of the NCCA on their Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/NationalColumbusAssn/>
and learn more at: www.truthaboutcolumbus.com.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN COMES TO AN END, BUT....

The 40 Days for Life Campaign officially ends on November 5th, unfortunately, abortion clinics will remain open and continue to kill the most innocent of all human beings—unborn children. Please continue to pray the rosary for their souls. Pray that through all the ongoing efforts, the clinics will be closed and abortions will come to an end. More information is available at www.40DaysforLife.com.



One way to continue the “campaign,” to continue the fight, is to choose, Choose Life License Plates for your vehicles. It’s easy, online and only \$25! Once ordered, you can expect to get them in

the mail in just a couple of weeks. Here’s the website: www.dmv.virginia.gov/vehicles/#splates/info.asp?idnm=CL. You can also obtain them by visiting your local DVM location.

TOWARD A MISSIONARY FAMILY: NOVEMBER’S TOPIC – CONFIRMATION

When the group of the disciples received the promised gift of the Holy Spirit, on the day of Pentecost, “they were all together in one place” (Act 2:1). The Holy Spirit is received not only as individuals but as part of a community, a family, and for the sake of the family. That gift of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, which is now celebrated in the sacrament of Confirmation, transformed the apostles from fearful men (Jn 20:19) into audacious evangelists of Jesus Christ (Act 2:14-36).

There are several effects of the sacrament of Confirmation. It unites us more firmly to Christ. It increases the gifts of the Holy Spirit in us. It renders our bond with the Church more perfect. And, it gives us a special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend the faith as true witnesses of Christ, to confess the name of Christ boldly, and never to be ashamed of the Cross.

More than ever, we as Brother Knights and family men, need to rediscover the graces of the sacrament of Confirmation. We need to be courageous to confess his name boldly. Like Peter and the apostles at

Pentecost, we need to bring new brothers to Christ. And, we need to rediscover the amazing gifts that God in his Mercy wanted to bestow in his Church and our hearts: wisdom, understanding, knowledge, counsel, fortitude, piety, and fear of the Lord. These graces are not only for our personal benefit: they are, first, for the good of the Church family and society.

Your “homework” for the month is to each day of the week, choose a gift on which to reflect and to put into action. At the end of each week, discuss with your family or your Brothers what actions were taken and the results.

Blessing of the Month - Strengthened and Sent By the Spirit

Almighty and merciful God, enkindle in me today
 the fire of your Holy Spirit which you poured
 into my soul at Baptism
 and sealed within me at Confirmation.

Give me strength and courage
 to be your faithful witness.

Send me out to be your
 hands and feet in the world,
 and to be the face of your mercy

and love to my family, friends, neighbors, and
 everyone I meet.

Amen.

IMPORTANT DATES

Please note: additional information for all these events is available elsewhere in this newsletter or on our website at www.kc4522.com.

- Wednesday, November 1st, ALL SAINTS Day—is a Holy Day of Obligation
- Wednesday, November 1st, Officers’ Meeting, 7:30 PM at the Council Home
- Sat/Sun, November 4th/5th, Keep Christ in Christmas Card Sales at QofA

IMPORTANT DATES (continued from last page)

- Tuesday, November 7th, Election Day (VA Governor, Lt. Governor, Attorney General)
- Wednesday, November 8th, Remembrance Mass 7:30 PM at the Council Home!!
- Saturday, November 11th, Veterans' Day
- Tuesday, November 14th, Christ House – Serving Meals
- Sat/Sun, November 18th/19th, Keep Christ in Christmas Card Sales at QofA
- Thursday, November 23rd, Thanksgiving
- Tuesday, November 28th, Retiree luncheon, Bunco

NOTE: We host a food donation run for the St. Joseph Food Pantry each Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Contact Joe Lynem at plantyourdreams@msn.com or (703) 628-3473 to volunteer.

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS IN SEPTEMBER

Joseph E Whibley	11-01
Rev. Anthony N Kinuthia	11-05
Mark R Rios	11-08
Josepha T Kasai	11-12
John T Battaglia	11-16
Alberto C Bueno	11-16
Neil A Bingaman	11-19
Joseph A Covas	11-20
Julius F Ewen	11-21
Leonard A Mastrofini	11-21
Ernesto Gonzalez	11-22
Andrew F Zaccardi	11-23
John A Martin	11-24
Philip H Sheridan	11-26
Daniel C Amadi	11-30

WOMEN'S CASEY CLUB

We opened our new year of meetings on October 12th, with interesting and positive discussions, suggestions, and recommendations for speakers and social events to increase interest in the meetings with potential of new members. The group suggested written suggestions/recommendations be submitted to

Connie King, President, at the Nov. 9th meeting for further discussion.

Ruth Brophy and Ruth Zirkle will again co-chair our See's Candy fundraiser this year. Ruth B. will have flyers available at the Retiree Lunch, Oct. 27th and at our November meeting. Funds generated are distributed to local charities.

Thank you to Marion, and Jean, hostesses for our October meeting, well done with Halloween goodies.

Our retiree lunch and Bunco is the last Tuesday of every month; lunch is Tuesday, November 28th, at noon; call Geri or Ethel.

Member birthdays during November are Lleana Stone –12th, Lenore Principato-22nd, and Ruth Zirkle-30th . Happy & Blessed Birthday ladies!

God Bless, be Happy, be Healthy,
Connie King, President



Richard “Dick” Owen, PGK, PFN, FDD – Grand Marshall for the Annandale Parade

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The Annandale Parade has been a fixture in our community since 1950. Showcasing businesses, schools, scouts, veterans, charitable organizations, international dance groups, marching bands, Step Teams, and those just out to enjoy the day, the Annandale Parade will

once again be celebrated on Saturday, October 28th from 10:00 AM to Noon along Columbia Pike. The Annual Parade promotes community involvement and neighborhood camaraderie while celebrating the rich diversity of Annandale. It's also just a great way to have a bit of innocent family fun. Mark your calendar, plan to participate in the parade itself or bring the family to view this Annandale tradition. Children are invited to wear their Halloween costumes, to cheer the participants, and to marvel at the exhibits.

The Annandale Chamber of Commerce, sponsor of the parade, is pleased to announce that this year's Grand Marshal is Richard Owen, Vice President of the Casey Club-Knights of Columbus and a recipient of the prestigious Jefferson Awards for Public Service. The Jefferson Awards encourage and honor individuals for their achievements and contributions through public and community service. Richard was particularly cited to receive the Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis award for outstanding public service" for organizing a group that has prepared over 400 meals for the needy, and for raising over \$11.7 million for KOVAR, a Knights of Columbus charitable program that provides financial support to organizations that offer training and help to those with intellectual disabilities. Past winners include Hubert Humphrey, Madeleine Albright and Henry Kissinger. For years, Richard has also gathered a team of his fellow Knights and neighbors to pick-up multiple vehicles full of donated bread and baked goods from a commercial bakery in Woodbridge and deliver these weekly donations to a number of shelters, ACCA, and local food pantries in both Annandale and Bailey's. He has also collected and carted donated

books, videos, television sets, playing cards and board games to VA hospitals and other veteran organizations annually. Richard has volunteered regularly at the Annandale Parade, the Fall Festival, the Bed Race, Annandale's National Night Out and promoted charitable causes and volunteerism in our community. A quiet spoken, thoughtful gentleman, Richard brings joy to every activity.

The Chamber is honored to have Mr. Owen as this year's Grand Marshal and treasure him as a member of the Annandale Community. While we honor Richard, the Chamber would also like to herald the Knights of Columbus for their ongoing dedication to community service. their many charitable endeavors, and the volunteer hours given annually by their membership. Most people have no idea the depth of their giving as this is an organization that truly exemplifies that charity asks for no recognition. This once, we hope they will accept our community's gratitude.



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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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