

The Knightly News

COUNCIL 4522

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Monthly Newsletter

November 2018

NO COUNCIL MEETING IN NOVEMBER

IMPORTANT DATES IN NOVEMBER

Tuesday, Nov 6th – Election Day
 Wednesday, Nov 7th – Officer's Meeting, 7:30 PM Council Home
 Sat/Sun, Nov 10th/11th – Solicitation for Coats for Kids, KCIC Card Sales
 Queen of Apostles ALL MASSES
 Sunday, Nov 11th – VETERANS' DAY (observed on Monday, Nov 12th)
 Tuesday, Nov 13th - Serving those in need at CHRIST HOUSE
 Wednesday, Nov 14th - **Remembrance Mass**, 7:00 PM @ Queen of Apostles
 Thursday, Nov 15th – Knighthood (3rd) Degree - @ Council 16234 in Sterling, VA
 Saturday, Nov 17th – 9:00 AM Pray the Rosary – 101 S. Whiting St. Alexandria
 Thursday, Nov 22nd – Thanksgiving Day – Give Praise and Thanks!
 Friday, Nov 30th – Visit the Veterans in Martinsburg WV
 Saturday, Dec 1st – QofA School Auction

CRITICAL ACTION NEEDED - UPDATE:

Thank You for Your Input

In last month's edition of The Knightly News, readers were asked to contact Grand Knight Roger Williams if they were interested in continuing to receive the hardcopy "mailed" monthly newsletter. Out of 201 addressees, we received NINE positive responses—and SIX of those were from members of the Casey Women's Club. No longer having a need to mass mail a hardcopy of the newsletter, the Council will save approximately \$1,300 this year and nearly \$2,000 a year going forward. These savings will put the Council in a much better fiscal position and allow us to focus more on the needs of those we serve—executing a major goal of our founding father, the Venerable Fr. McGivney.

As a reminder, editions of The Knightly News, past and current, are available on the Council website at www.kc4522.com

Grand Knight's Message

Repeating the Venerable Fr. McGivney's vision—and why we are Knights and should be out there every day "executing" his vision:

- To change a man's life
- To deepen and enrich his faith
- To strengthen his family
- And to build better lives for those who so desperately need help

The Knights carry Fr. McGivney's vision through our works of charity, unity and fraternity. Our calendar is full of opportunities for every current Knight to get involved...and shows the constant need to recruit new Catholic gentlemen to our Order. As we ask prospective candidates, "Why are you not a Knight of Columbus," we also can ask current Knights, "Why are you not more involved?"

The November calendar is truly a month full of opportunities to give thanks, to be involved, and take time for remembrances—starting with our own Remembrance Mass to be held on Wednesday, November 14th at 7:00 PM at Queen of Apostles. This will be a full Mass and your family

and friends are all invited and encouraged to attend.

Next up is Veterans' Day on Sunday, 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!! May God always bless you and your family!



Tuesday, November 13th, we again serve the needy at Christ House in Alexandria. If you haven't participated in this bi-monthly "giving" event, you're missing the essence of charity and giving...serving 60+ brothers and sisters that otherwise wouldn't have a meal is the most gratifying experience the Council performs. You should really consider being a part of this PJPII tradition.

Of course, we close out the month with Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 22nd. 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 6th! 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 senate candidates (in VA), what they are about and where they stand on most of the pressing issues <https://vacatholic.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/2018-US-Senate-Candidates-English-Spanish.pdf>

May God bless you and your family! Happy Thanksgiving!!

GK Roger

Knight of the Month

Our Knight of the Month is one of our youngest members, yet he is already experiencing what it means to be a Knight. A lector, an eucharistic minister, an usher if needed, a very reliable participant of many of our events and editor of this very publication, Brother John Cosgayon is our Knight of the Month! Asked at the beginning of this fraternal year to "step up," Brother John has done that multiple times. As a young Catholic gentleman, and exemplary Knight, Brother John presents a worthy role model for other young Catholic men to follow. Our prayerful congratulations to the October Knight of the Month, Brother John Cosgayon!

Family of the Month

A long-time fixture at Queen of Apostles, and the force behind the parish's Sunday Socials, Brother Richard Sacra and his wife Clarissa represent our October Family of the Month. Brother Richard has been a Knight for over twenty-four years. Richard and Clarissa have been managing the parish Sunday Social (1st Sunday each month) for years—through sickness and health—to the delight of all the parishioners and many clergy that have enjoyed the fruits of their labor. Several Council Brothers have recently gotten involved with the preparation and execution of this monthly event under the watchful eye of the Sacras and have thoroughly enjoyed the experience. The Council thanks the Sacras for sharing their blessing, and for their unwavering service over the years and is proud to acknowledge them as the October Family of the Month.

Moving on up??

Calling all 2nd Degree Brothers – You have two upcoming opportunities to rise in the ranks of the Order to Knighthood—November 15th in Sterling, VA and January 26, 2019 in Fairfax, VA. ALL 2nd Degree Brothers are strongly encouraged to take advantage of one of these blessings. Each Degree provides a Knight with a stronger sense of fraternity and unity, increases their knowledge of the workings and proceedings of the Order, opens opportunities for leadership, and clears the way towards your ultimate goal, serving in the Patriotic (4th) Degree. Please contact GK Roger Williams, DGK Patrick Okoronkwo, or our Membership Director, Rich Lamarre, for more information. Why

are you still a 1st or 2nd Degree Knight?? Let's "Move on up!"

Are you a federal retiree?



Did you know, that as a federal retiree, you can now contribute to your favorite charity through the Combined Federal Campaign—just as you did while working? And how wonderful would it be if you selected, KOVAR, as one of those charities? KOVAR's CFC number is 42569. For more information, please visit: <https://cfcgiving.opm.gov/welcome> You can make your donations through January 11, 2019.

New Field Agent Assigned

Council 4522 has been extremely fortunate to have Brother Jim Bertine come to our rescue for the short term while a new permanent Field Agent was being recruited. The Council would like to thank Brother Jim for his outstanding service during the last few months, as we welcome our new, permanent Field Agent, Brother Daniel "Dan" Garrigan, FIC.



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Brother Dan works out of the same office in Springfield, Virginia. He can be reached at (703) 845-3402, via cell at (703) 494-0967, via email at daniel.garrigan@kofc.org or via their website at: <http://kofcknights.org/FieldAgentSite/indexnew.asp?FA=149>

Please contact Field Agent Garrigan for any questions you may have about the outstanding fraternal benefits that the Knights of Columbus offers with regards to insurance, personal financial management and long-term care.



Closing 40 Days for Life Prayer Rally

We (Our Council and the Queen of Apostles parish) have the busiest abortion mill in the diocese; Landmark Towers, 101 S. Whiting St. Alexandria, VA.

Knowing there is a problem is the first step—2,263 babies killed is a problem. 13 women have an abortion every day in the Arlington Diocese because they feel they have no other choice. That is a problem. Praying outside Landmark Towers raises awareness. It might eventually cause the abortion clinic to lose its' lease. Knights of Columbus have "helped" several other clinics lose their leases over the years. This one is next on our list!

PLEASE JOIN US for the Closing 40 Days for Life Prayer Rally at Landmark Towers, Saturday, November 3rd at 10:00 am - 11:00 am at 101 S. Whiting St. Alexandria, VA. If you want to sign up on the calendar here is the link: <https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/alexandria/calendar/>

March for Life 2019

Plans for March for Life 2019 are being finalized and our continued support is needed to make it a success. The theme for this year is **Unique from Day One - Pro-Life is Pro-Science**. Jeanne Mancini, president of March for Life, explained the theme, "At thirteen weeks, the baby has a fingerprint. Unique from day one. One hundred years ago our understanding of embryonic development and fetal development was very different than what it is now. We owe so many advances to medicine and science and technology, and they all continue to reaffirm the scientific fact and the truth: that life begins at fertilization, at conception. Pro-life is Pro-science."

The March For Life, the world's largest annual civil rights demonstration, will focus on this theme because it is timely in framing the discussion that we are all "*Unique from Day One*." Our Council's help is needed to have a successful March and spread this important message.

As in previous years, our Brother Virginia Knights of Columbus will be the marshals for the March. Knowing who and how many will be there is critically important. **Please take a minute to sign up using this link to the Sign Up Genius page, <https://tinyurl.com/KofC2019MFL>, so March representatives will know you are coming and supporting this life-saving event.**

March For Life will take place on Friday, January 18, 2019. You will note the starting location will be as last year, the National Mall at 12th Street, just off the Smithsonian-National Mall Metro Station. The new, earlier start time is to meet at 8:30 AM at the large Recreational Vehicle.

Please contact PGK Joe Lynem at plantyourdreams@msn.com for more information!



Happy November Birthdays!

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

ATTENTION: Bartenders Needed!



Queen of Apostles School is conducting their annual fundraising gala (auction) on Saturday, December 1st and have asked the Council for support in the way of bartenders—something we seem to do very well. If you're available and would like to share in some fraternity for a very good cause, please contact GK Roger Williams!

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 Saturday, December 15th**. We'll gather with families, friends, old and young for an evening of unity, fraternity and great food and refreshments. Please contact WDGK Patrick Okoronkwo at pokor22@gmail.com or at (734) 431-1275 for more details. He needs to coordinate what you are bringing and how much you can help out—pre or post dinner! Put it on your calendar now!!



Annual Soccer Challenge – GOAL Attained!

Pope John Paul II, Monsignor Scannell and Ambrose Council youth athletes and Brother Knights put their heart and "soles" into the Annual Soccer Free Kick competition—this year, held on Sunday, September 30 on the St. Michael's School's home turf. The District competition followed immediately after the joint Council sessions were completed. This year, Council 4522 sends forth 12-year-old, Anthony Rodriguez to represent not only our Council, but also District 16, as the District winner of his age group in the State Competition! Congratulations Anthony and Good Luck!!



The remaining Pope John Paul II Council Champions were: Diego Rodriguez (age 13) and Alexander Ramirez (age 11). Congratulations to these young athletes as well! Special thanks to our Community Programs Director, Vincent Guevara, for his outstanding leadership and enthusiasm throughout the competition. DGK Patrick and Brother John Cosgayon also pitched in on the "pitch." Thanks to all for making another Soccer Challenge a great success!

Building the Domestic Church – *Becoming a Real Man of God*

Since we do not have a regular monthly meeting in November, we'll suspend our series discussions and pick up where we left off in December. Stay tuned as we look at masculine love and the world's most notable example—Saint Joseph! We look forward to seeing you in December!!

Casey Women's Club

GK Roger Williams will address our Club on the Council's "Coats for Kids" fundraiser and the distribution of the coats.

If you have not paid your dues for this year be sure to send your check to Ruth Zirkle or Ethel Apostolico.

The See's Candy fundraiser is underway. Ruth Z. provided order forms at our October meeting. Orders are due no later than December 7th! Delivery is December 18th—just in time for Christmas.

We will again prepare 15-20 gift bags this year. Marion Scafidi is asking for donations of personal items for the adult woman of the home and a \$5.00 cash donation for additional items to complete the gift bags. Marion will accept all at our November 8th meeting.

Save the Date: Thursday, December 13th, 1:00 PM is our Christmas Party—spouses/significant others are welcome.

The Retiree Luncheon is Tuesday, November 27th, at Noon. Bunco will follow at 12:45 PM. Please call Ethel or Geri if you plan to attend.

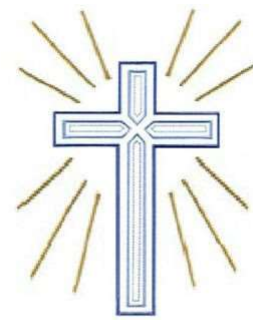
November member birthdays are: Ileana Stone—12th, Lenore Principato—22nd and Ruth Zirkle—30th. Happy Birthday and may you have many more!

God Bless, Smile and be Happy,

Connie King, President



**VOTE
November 6th**



Rest In Peace

**REMEMBER
November 14th**



**GIVE THANKS
November 22nd**

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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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