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Monthly Newsletter

November 2022

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday, Nov 1st – All Saints' Day
Tuesday, Nov 8th – Election Day
Wednesday, Nov 2nd – All Souls' Day
Wednesday, Nov 2nd – Officer's Meeting, 7:30 PM ZOOM
Tuesday, Nov 8th - Serving those in need at CHRIST HOUSE – 3:15 PM Muster
Wednesday, Nov 9th - Remembrance Mass, 7:00 PM @ Queen of Apostles
Friday, Nov 11th – VETERANS' DAY
Sat/Sun, Nov 12th/13th – Solicitation for Coats for Kids, KCIC Card Sales
Queen of Apostles ALL MASSES
Thursday, Nov 24th – Thanksgiving Day – Give Praise and Thanks!
Sunday, Nov 27th – First Sunday of Advent

Grand Knight's Message

Fall is upon us in all seriousness, nights are colder and longer, the liturgical year is ending, and Thanksgiving will be here at the end of this month. It is time for us as a council to collectively give thanks for and remember all those worthy Catholic gentlemen who have gone before us as deceased members of our Council. We will have our council Remembrance Mass on Wednesday November 9 at 7:00 PM in the main Queen of Apostles Church. I strongly encourage all who can make it to attend and to remember our predecessors. This mass will occur instead of (not in addition to) our normal general business meeting.

I would like to remind the council members that all are welcome to attend the Officers' meeting, which will be held by zoom on November 2nd at 7:30 PM. I will send a zoom link that day or the day before. This meeting functions as the regular Casey Club meeting.

A special thank you is to Brother Richard Sacra and his wife who took on the work of organizing and arranging for the St. Andrew's dinner at Queen of Apostles earlier in October.

In November, we will continue collecting for Coats for Kids and selling Christmas cards as part of our Keep Christ in Christmas program to support Arlington seminarians. We will be doing these activities after all masses on the weekend of November 12 and 13. Thank you all for your support on both these worthy initiatives.

Please take time to thank your parents, wives, family, friends and all who support you in the magnificent work we do as Knights. We would not be able to do the work we do without the work they do. Have a blessed Thanksgiving!

God Bless,

Daniel Penrose Grand Knight, Council 4522



Knight of the Month

Worthy Deputy Grand Knight Vincent Guevara is the Knight of the Month. Brother Vincent took the lead for the Soccer Challenge in October. He has been coordinating this event for years now, and every year puts on a spectacular event. This year's event included both council and district competitions. Brother Vincent is an example of the sort of worthy Catholic gentleman who makes the Knights of Columbus a world-class volunteer organization. We are honored to name Brother Vincent the Knight of the Month.

Family of the Month

The Family of the Month is the Richard and Clarissa Sacra Family. Brother Rick and his wife took time out of their vacation to take on an unplanned request for assistance by the Diocese of Arlington. They arranged the food and service for the St. Andrew's dinner, which was a vocational formation event hosted at Queen of Apostles in Hannan Hall. The food was widely received as delicious, and Clarissa even went the extra mile to make homemade apple crisp for the desert. While our recognition pales in comparison to the personal

gratitude he received from Bishop Burbidge, we nonetheless would like to honor Brother Rick and his wife as Family of the Month for October.

Election Day

is Tuesday, November 8th! Be sure to get out and vote! We cannot stand idly by, especially complaining about our politicians, if each one of us does not get out



and exercise our constitutional right to vote! Here is a useful resource website/document for your consideration: https://vacatholic.org/action-

center/election-resources/

Annual Council Assessment (Dues) Upcoming!!



Just a quick note to <u>remind you</u> <u>now</u>, that the 2023 Council Assessment (\$55 for full members) will be coming DUE in Mid-January 2022! If you have an email address on file, you will only get an email assessment notice—

you will not get a paper "bill." Emailing the assessments will continue to save the Council more money in postage and supplies. You are strongly encouraged to validate your current email OR send us a new/latest email to the Financial Secretary, Roger Williams at jpii4522@gmail.com as soon as possible.

Notices, by Order guidance, are not allowed to be sent to members before December 15th, so look for your notices sometime soon thereafter and be ready to remit your dues immediately. Each year, we spend an enormous amount of time and effort tracking down tardy payments. Time and resources would be much better spent on spreading the Lord's Word and performing acts of mercy. And remember, whether you pay or not—the Council still must pay your share to both the Virginia State Council, Supreme, and Right to Life activities. Thank you in advance for your support and cooperation!!

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 15, 2023.

What it means to be a Knight!

"A Knight lives by faith and leads by creative courage. Faith and courage compel us to be men of charity. It is often said, "Where there's a need, there's a Knight." And we prove it every day. We feed hungry families, give coats to kids, protect the vulnerable from catastrophe and defend the unborn.



We rebuild churches in the Middle East and build homes for the homeless in our communities. But we are not merely volunteers. We are servants of Christ who see his face in those we serve. Ours is a charity that evangelizes. Ours is a

charity that brings people to faith, even as it springs from our own. Faith and courage inspire us to be men of unity. The Knights are known as the "strong right arm of the Catholic Church." We have always been firmly united with the pope, the vicar of Christ. We stand with our bishops, support our priests and aid in the formation of seminarians and religious. We strengthen the family — the domestic church — helping men build strong marriages and raise faithful children. We strive to be the family's first line of defense, encouraging men to embrace their vocation to heroic generosity and self-sacrifice.

We are called to protect the truth from those who deny it and bring the truth to those who need it. Our fidelity to Christ is the source of our unity; we are proud to proclaim it, everywhere. Finally, faith and courage bind us together in fraternity. A Knight of Columbus is never alone. Each one of us stands side-by-side with brothers — in our parish and around the world. At a time when men are increasingly isolated, we offer solidarity. At a time when men are searching, we offer meaning and mission. Fraternity amplifies all we do. It broadens our charity and deepens our unity. Alone, a man can do good works. Alongside his brother Knights, he can rise to greatness.

So, what does it mean to be a Knight? It means a life of faith in action, a life of boldness in brotherhood, a life worth living. Catholic men are looking for nothing less. In the Knights of Columbus, they will find it."

Editors' note: As a Knight, have you found it? Next time someone asks you why you joined the Knights, you can point to these attributes. The next time you receive a call or email asking for assistance for one of our many activities, you can look back at this and remember what it is to be a Knight. Perhaps if we all align ourselves with these acts of kindness, charity, and faith (even in one

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another), we—our Council—can be a daily, living proof of Blessed Fr. McGivney's vision.

March for Life 2023

Plans for March for Life 2023 are being finalized and our support is needed to make it a success. Our goal is to enlist at least three volunteers to help marshal the March for Life. Having enough, at least 100, marshals is important to having a safe event. For decades Virginia Knights have stepped up to marshal, directing Marchers and helping avoid counter-protesters.

This March for Life marks two important milestones: the 50th March for Life and the First Post-Roe March for Life. The theme for this year is *Next Steps: Marching Forward in a Post-Roe America!* Jeanne Mancini, president of March for Life explained the theme, "Vital to our strategic "Next Steps" is continuing to boldly march each year in Washington, D.C. This year, rather than marching to the steps of the Supreme Court, where we have for decades asked our highest Court's Justices to undo the destructive decision that was *Roe v. Wade*, we will now march to a new front in our battle for life, the steps of the United States Capitol. We must tirelessly build a culture of life on Capitol Hill, and advocate for the advancement of federal pro-life policies."

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 "Next Steps: Marching Forward in a Post-Roe America!" Your help is needed to have a successful March and spread this important message.

Please take a minute to sign up using this link to the Sign Up Genius page, https://tinyurl.com/KofC2023MFL The March For Life will take place on Friday, January 20, 2023. You will note the starting location will be as before, the National Mall at 12th Street, just off the Smithsonian-National Mall Metro Station. Plan to arrive by 9:00-9:30 AM at the Logistics Vehicle.

A Note from our Lecturer

October's message referenced St. Martin de Porres, Patron Saint of workers, the poor, downtrodden, mixed-race couples and families and Christian justice. He said, "Everything---even sweeping, scraping vegetables, weeding a garden, and waiting on the sick could be a prayer if offered to God". The teaching point---we should offer all our labor to God as a prayer.

Another point he makes is "racism is a sin almost nobody confesses. Like pollution, it is a "sin of the world"

that is everybody's responsibility but apparently, nobody's fault"

One could hardly imagine a more fitting patron of Christian forgiveness--on the part of those discriminated against--and Christian Justice--on the part of reformed racists--than St. Martin de Porres.

November 2022 Birthdays



Rev Anthony N Kinuthia	11-05
Alberto C Bueno	11-16
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





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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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