

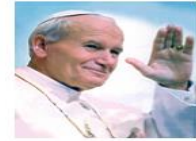
The Knightly News

COUNCIL 4522

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Monthly Newsletter

September 2022

IMPORTANT DATES

September 7, 7:30 PM Council Officers' Meeting/Moving the Council chamber

September 13, 3:15 PM Serving Dinners at Christ House

September 14, 7:00 PM Rosary, 7:30 PM Meeting, HYBRID General Business Meeting at the Guadalupe Center

September 17/18, Membership Drive/Ministries Fair at Q of A

Grand Knight's Message

I was impressed by the turnout and dedication of the fine Catholic gentlemen of Council 4522. While the representation was impressive, it was difficult to get an exact count of the Knights who were there because our Brothers are spread over so many ministries. I must give special thanks to Brother Cory Williams and his wife Taylor who captained our Knights-specific effort at the beer truck from before arrival to well after departure. Brother Martin Oppus was overall event captain, and our very own Recorder John Cosgayon was the English-language emcee for the event. I'm happy to see that our Knights participate in so many diverse ministries, this truly integrates our council into the life of the parish. It was also a fitting send off for our worthy FS Roger Williams who stopped by throughout the day, I hope you all got a chance to wish him well.

The worthy Warden and I found time during the festival to head over to our new location at the Guadalupe Center (the former Christendom College building). For those of you who have not been there, the meeting room is approximately three times the size of our current meeting room. The goal is to have the September General Business Meeting in our New Room. I will send an email with directions and try to have some signs posted on-campus on the 14th.

Please note that September 13 is Christ House. Please meet at Christ House (131 S West St. Alexandria) at 3:00 PM if you are interested. Text worthy Warden Danny Restivo (419-906-1959) if you have questions. Also, we will be having a membership drive after all masses at Q of A on the weekend of September 17 and 18, and will require Knights to staff the table, especially Spanish-speaking Knights after the Spanish masses.

Finally, thanks again for the great turnout and all your hard work during the Parish Festival, your dedication is a credit to the Council and the Order.

God Bless,
Dan Penrose



Knight of the Month

The council would like to congratulate the August Knight of the month, Brother Kevin Becks. In addition to stepping up to serve the council as an officer for the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year, brother Becks was present for the duration for the Parish festival. He helped wherever he needed, not just with the beverage truck, and did so with enthusiasm. In addition to all this, he maintained his normal overnight shift of eucharistic adoration. We would like to honor our fine example of Knighthood Brother Becks with the Knight of the Month Award for August.

Family of the Month

We would like to congratulate August's family of the month, Brother Cory Williams, and his wife Taylor. Cory and Taylor really took charge of the beverage distribution at the Parish festival which was lucky because they had done it before last year. Cory and Taylor both worked the setup diligently per usual, then they both staffed the beverage truck for the duration of the festival (about eight straight hours), and then they were both cleaning up when I finally left for home on Saturday night. We wish to honor both the dedicated and hardworking volunteers with the Family of the Month for August. Thank You!

Christ House – September 13

As many of you know, our council volunteers to provide meals at the Christ House shelter in Old Town Alexandria every other month. This month, it will be on Tuesday, September 13. We normally gather at about 3:00PM and can always use hands to prepare sandwiches. Please consider helping. For more information, please contact Br. Danny Restivo at DANJRESTIVO@gmail.com.

Call for Adorers – You Can Do This!

As many of you know, we Knights have the Friday night/Saturday morning 2-3AM time for Adoration. When this was restarted last year, we had four adorers. By God's grace and Bl. Fr. McGivney's help, we are now up to six! I'd like to invite even more brothers to heroically sacrifice and spend time with our Lord. If we get enough Knights to answer the call, we can schedule two at a time! This is a wonderful opportunity to support our Parish, and to be in sacred silence with our Lord. Please consider making this visible commitment to our Lord. Please send your name to martinoppus40@gmail.com.

**Membership Drive**

There will be a Council Membership Drive after all Masses during the weekend of September 17/18. Knights will be around to help answer questions from prospective members. Please spread the word about joining our brotherhood. If you or anyone you know would like to deepen your involvement with the Knights of Columbus, we would love to have you!

A Note from our Lecturer

A few days ago, I was reading the book of James and came upon some important scripture that resonated with me. Many of you know my Mother recently passed away and I was seeking wisdom in managing the myriad of challenges I had been experiencing in this painful crucible. I found great comfort in James Chapter 5 in the messages of the importance and necessity of prayer, community, and reconciliation.

The teaching points are:

- Reliance on our brotherhood to lift one another up through our perils and tribulations.
- Praying continually, as we do in Eucharistic Adoration, taking our needs directly to our Lord.
- Confessing our sins to our Priests for forgiveness and guidance.

The below story about Saint Francis de Sales, really says it all.

Francis de Sales (1622) was the bishop of Geneva, Switzerland, when Calvinism, with its grim view of salvation, had drawn many away from the church. With gentle persistence, Francis preached, ministered, and witnessed to his scattered flock.

He wrote the *Introduction to the Devout Life* and a *Treatise on the Love of God*.

Many lay people who read Francis' writings came to see, for the first time, that holiness was accessible to them. Devotion, Francis taught, was for every person, in any state of life. "Do as little children do", Francis told them, "who with one hand cling to their father, and with the other gather blackberries along the hedges." And what should we do when we have let go of our father's hand and fallen? "Lift your heart up gently whenever it falls," Francis counseled. "Humble yourself before God, but do not be astonished by your fall since it is not surprising that weakness is weak, frailty is frail, and misery is miserable."

But Francis never dwelt on failure. A woman who was a notorious prostitute came to confess to him. After receiving absolution, she collapsed in the confessional, struck with horror at what she had done. Francis rose, came to her, and asked her to stand. Then the bishop himself knelt. In awe, he told her that he was on his knees before her in this way because he was now in the presence of a soul without sin.

Blessings to you, brothers, for peace in Jesus.

Fraternally,
Edward "Sonny" Masso

Show time!

I wanted to bring your attention to two events which touch us directly as Knights. "Sons of Columbus" is a play produced for the virtual environment about the period of Bl. Fr. McGivney's life when he ministered to James "Chip" Smith while Smith was on death row. Because Fr. McGivney wrote no accounts of his interactions with Smith, the dialogue between them is purely fictitious. However, the playwright wove in the many aspects of Fr. McGivney's life with which we are well acquainted. It's about one hour long and well worth it. It's not a slick production but the acting is particularly good, and it helps to humanize and bring Bl. Fr. McGivney to life. The play was produced by the Benedict XVI institute (<https://benedictinstitute.org/>) based out of San Francisco and with Archbishop Cordileone's patronage. The play itself can be found here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L8lfO49uBTk>

"No Greater Love" is a documentary on the life of St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta. The Knights of Columbus and the Missionaries of Charity produced it. The movie is coming to movie theaters on October 3 and 4 as a Fathom Event. Locally, this can be viewed at the AMC Hoffman, Regal Springfield, and Ballston. Check out the

website and movie trailer here:
<https://www.motherteresamovie.com/>

Casey Women’s Club

CWC - next meeting will be Thurs. Sept. 8th. We will resume Retiree luncheon/Bunco Tues. Sept. 27th.

Bunco only was held Aug. 30th. Thanks to all who support us. BD for Sept. Susan Brown.

Prayers for all our sick and recovering members.

Geri Owen VP



September 2022 Birthdays



Rev. Joseph M Rampino	09-02
Arthur S Leahy	09-04
Deacon Richard C Caporiccio	09-09
PGK Craig J Delaney	09-09
Thomas W Pairo	09-09
Kevin Becks	09-12
Edward W Imperati	09-12
Eric F Tanchez	09-26
Almond J Smith	09-27
Michael V Burke	09-29

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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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