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**Grand Knight Report** 



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Aneurin M'Carthy was born in Freetown, Sierra Leone to Ladipor and Gertrude M'Carthy. He attended Saint Edwards Secondary School in Freetown. In 1980, he joined the Sierra Leone Commercial Bank and studied at the Institute of Public Administration and Management, He immigrated to the US in 2012. Aneurin is married to Leonora, and they have 2 adult children, Sylvia and Denzel.

Aneurin is currently employed with Social Health Services and resides in Bowie, Maryland.

Aneurin joined Mother Seton Council in 2012 and is a Past Grand Knight of the Council elected in July 2017. He is the fourth member to serve multiple terms as Grand Knight (Bob Worthington 1996-98, Gary Anson 1999-2002, Don Aitcheson 2013-15), but is the first to do so in non consecutive years.

Congratulations to the Grand Knight and his team as they chart their course for the 2022-23 fraternal year.

Editor





## Chaplain's Corner

(Father Milt's Reflection)



Rev. Dr. Milton E, Jordan (ret) Chaplain Emeritus

#### John 15:12-17 LOVE ONE ANOTHER

In 6 verses we learn clearly from Jesus how we can use God's love for us, in turn, be our love for others. In these words, Jesus displays for us what it means for all followers of Jesus and His teachings to be His followers in claiming our world-wide name: Christians. This name signifies that we are people called to live and practice one simple gift: God is love. And for the Christian this means "to have God is to be what God is: love". These thoughts should explain for us Jesus's description of the connection between joy and commandments: "love one another as I love you." Being good at practicing what God asks of us is how we become the best version of ourselves: followers of His commandment: "love one another as I love you." In a way we are being called like so many missionaries to foreign lands, bring the reality of God's love to humankind. So we should really see beyond a restrictive interpretation of the word "commandment" but rather a means of bringing His love to us and through us to others. So let us pray for one another this day that we, all of us, should become truly what it means to be Christian to others. We don't have to cross oceans to practice this. It begins in our own homes and just outside our front doors! Our missionary charge is to bring the love of God, His love for every human being He has created, to our own culture. Let us become known as The American Missionaries of the Love of God. Amen. And may what seems to be a soggy day be a day when all of us let others see that we love being true Christians. May the God of love be with you today. Fr. Milt

Fr. Milt Oremus Pro Invicem





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Greetings My Brothers,

I would like to thank GK Aneurin M'Carthy, and his officers for stepping up to lead your council this fraternal year. Congratulations to IPGK Joseph Ngu and his team, for a job "well done" guiding your council through a difficult year. As we start a new fraternal year, we will continue going forward with our Faith, Family, Community and Life programs. My District Warden, Charles Briscoe, and I look forward to working with your council as you follow Blessed Michael J. McGivney's vision of catholic gentlemen by continuing his principles of Charity, Unity and Fraternity.

On behalf of our State Deputy, Christopher Powers whose motto is "Cry the Gospel with Your Life", I wish everyone a successful 2022-2023 fraternal year.

Vivat Jesus, Harold F. Sanders Jr. District Deputy #3

Congratulations to Charles I. Briscoe, PGK,PFN who was selected as District Warden #3

## Mary, Queen of The Knights

Our Lady, \*Queen of the Knights, \*bless all the activities of our Order. \*Keep us true to the pledge \* to extend the kingship of thy Divine Son on Earth, \* Through Thine intercession, \* win for us the grace\* ever to exemplify in our public and private lives, \* the virtues which should characterize\* those specially dedicated\* to the service of the heavenly court. \*Make us always aware \*that as your Knights\* we are constantly observed, \*our faith judged\* and our Order appreciated. \*Accept, O Mary, \*this renewed pledge of fealty and devotion\* of thy servants, \*the Knights of Columbus.





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#### **Family Activity** Family of the Month Sylvester Ikpi, PGK, PFN

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The May 2022 honoree is the family of Deacon Alton and First Lady Jeannette Davis. Deacon Davis is our Associate Chaplain. He also is our prayer leader at the monthly KoC sponsored Zoom Rosary meeting. Jeannette is Lector as well as a member of the Ladies of Charity and the Parish Social Life Committee. Thank you for your service to the Council, Parish and Community. God's continued blessings for you and your family.

## **Faith Activity** SK Francisco C. King



We commemorate the following feast days and saints this month of July: Junipero Serra (1), Elizabeth of Portugal (4), Maria Goretti (6) Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions(9), Benedict(11), Henry (13), Kateri Tekakwitha(14), Bonaventure(15), Our Lady of Carmel(16), Lawrence(21), Mary Magdalene(22), James, Apostle(25), Ss Joachim & Anne(26), Martha, Mary & Lazarus(29).

#### Fraternal Benefits Corner **Stephen Clites** stephen.clites@kofc.org 240-375-1372





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#### **Community Activity**

The FedEx season got off to a good start. Cold Play concert was well attended by member volunteers and the weekend Monster Jam had participation by our school volunteers from last season.

We look forward to maximizing our efforts for the upcoming football season.

# Prayer to Mother Seton Lord God,

You blessed Elizabeth Seton with gifts of grace As wife and mother, educator and foundress, So that she might spend her life in service to your people.

Through her example and prayers

May we learn to express our love for you

In love for our fellow men and women.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your

Son,

Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

**Pro - Life Activity** 



We continue to Defend Life from Conception to Natural Death.

Defend Life - Support the Ultrasound Program

Membership Corner Membership Director E. Sony Ajayi, PGK sonyajayi@yahoo.com 202-413-1066

# "Make It Personal and Ask"

Checker:

2022-23 : GOAL: 9 NEW: 0 LOSS: 0 NET: 0

We have a new fraternal year and new opportunities.

We achieved 75% of our goal last year.



Go to http://stewardsofhopefoundation.org

Memorial to Bob Faass in the July 2022 of the Princeton Alumni Weekly Click on link below:

https://paw.princeton.edu/memorial/robertt-faass-48







## Program Chairmen/Directors for the 2022-23 Fraternal Year

Program Director: Kenneth Osuji, DGK

Faith Director: Francisco King

**Vocations Director:** Ike Udejiofor

**Community Director:**:Gabriel Achemu

**Life Director**: James Kalshoven,PGK

Family Director: Sylvester Ikpi, PGK, PFN

Membership Director: Emmanuel Ajayi, PGK

**Recruitment Committee:** Jose Barahona

Retention Director: Christopher Agboli, PGK

**Lecturer:** Sylvester Ikpi, PGK, PFN

We look forward to a productive program year and encourage all who are able, members, family, friends or benefactors to join us.

Charity is the one of the principles of our order. Every member is encouraged to commit to a program that they can lead or participate in that will make a difference in someone else's life.

As we celebrate the feast of Saint James, the Apostle, this month, remember to live the words he preached: "...Faith without works is dead...."(James -2:18).





## **Catholic Corner**

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for July 2022** 



The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network invites all to join in the Holy Father's July 2022 prayer intention:

## **Elderly**

We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people, may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

#### **Daily Offering Prayer**

God, our Father, I offer You my day. I offer You my prayers, thoughts, words, actions, joys, and sufferings in union with the Heart of Jesus, who continues to offer Himself in the Eucharist for the salvation of the world. May the Holy Spirit, Who guided Jesus, be my guide and my strength today so that I may witness to your love. With Mary, the mother of our Lord and the Church, I pray for all Apostles of Prayer and for the prayer intentions proposed by the Holy Father this month. Amen.



Basilica of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Valletta, Malta The original church was built around 1570







## Sick and Recovering

#### **Brothers**

Christopher Agboli, PGK Kevin Butler, PGK Deacon Alton Davis Dominic Forka, PGK Nicholas Kniska, HLM Everett Lallis Rodney Oak, PGK

Lord, look upon me with eyes of mercy, may your healing hand rest upon me, may your life-giving powers flow into every cell of my body and into the depths of my soul, cleansing, purifying, restoring me to wholeness and strength for service in your Kingdom. Amen

If you know a Brother Knight or a family member who is sick, recovering or recently deceased, please contact us so that we may pray for them. Your help is needed to manage this list (Editor: aitcheson@hotmail.com.)

#### Relatives/Friends

Helen Dziduch
Eugenia Ikpi
Jan Jarus
Anne Keightley-Florimbio
Martha (Marty) Lallis
Regina Loffredo
Gay Magruder
Angie Opalski



Father of goodness and love; hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering, may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits. May these special people find lasting health and deliverance, and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts. We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed. Amen.





# Supreme Council News In Our Founder's Footsteps

Supreme Knight presents charter for new council at Blessed Michael McGivney's alma mater, St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore



Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore are joined April 26 by Maryland State Deputy Vince Grauso and members of the newly chartered Blessed Michael McGivney Council 17759 at St. Mary's Seminary & University in Baltimore. *Photo by Matthew Barrick* 

Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly presented the charter for a new college council named for Blessed Michael McGivney during Solemn Vespers at St. Mary's Seminary & University in Baltimore, where the Knights of Columbus founder completed his studies for the priesthood 145 years ago. Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore presided over the Solemn Vespers on April 26, and Maryland State Deputy Vince Grauso and Sulpician Father Philip Brown, president-rector of St. Mary's Seminary & University and the council's chaplain, were also present for the occasion.

Congratulating the new members of Blessed Michael McGivney Council 17759 during the charter presentation ceremony, Supreme Knight Kelly noted that the Order's founder is a model for the spiritual formation of all Catholic men.

"Father McGivney was extraordinary in his ordinariness," the supreme knight said. "But Father McGivney was heroic in performing his priestly duties."





He added, "There's a quote that's sometimes attributed to Teddy Roosevelt, which says 'You should do what you can, with what you have, where you are.' And that epitomizes Father McGivney — doing what you can, with what you have, where you are."

In his homily during vespers, Archbishop Lori emphasized that the chartering of Council 17759 should re-energize and motivate the seminarians and Knights alike to seek the Knights of Columbus founder's intercession.

"It's not every seminary in the United States that can count among its alumni, a parish priest, on his way to canonization," the supreme chaplain said. "As we celebrate the chartering of this new council, I would ask you to redouble your prayers for Blessed Michael's canonization and we pray that the new council will succeed not only in numbers, but above all in helping us all to imitate the example of Blessed Michael, who was formed here at the nation's oldest seminary for the priesthood."

Supreme Knight Kelly presented the charter to Father Brown and three of the seminarians among the council leadership: Grand Knight Michael Schultz from the Archdiocese of Louisville, Deputy Grand Knight Adam Feisthamel from the Diocese of Albany, and Chancellor Joseph Tokasz, a transitional deacon from the Diocese of Buffalo. During his remarks, Father Brown thanked the supreme knight, supreme chaplain and other dignitaries for attending the ceremony, and recalled his long association with the Knights of Columbus.

Founded in 1791 on a hill above Baltimore's harbor, St. Mary's is the oldest Catholic seminary in the United States. Father McGivney attended the seminary for four years, before his ordination in 1877 by Archbishop (later Cardinal) James Gibbons. He was assigned to St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Conn., where he founded the Knights of Columbus in 1882. The seminary has since moved five miles north from its downtown location, and the Paca Street site where Father McGivney lived and studied is now St. Mary's Spiritual Center & Historic Site. The only structure still standing from Father McGivney's days in Baltimore is the historic chapel where he prayed

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# **Maryland State Council News**



**State Deputy Chris Powers** 



# BLESSED MICHAEL MCGIVNEY FEAST DAY FOOD PACKING EVENT

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## **Fourth Degree Report**

Bishop James E. Walsh Assembly No. 1548

Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, 7:00 pm at Father Michael Kidd Council, Holy Family Church, Mitchellvile, MD

Next scheduled meeting is July 11th @ 7PM

#### PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF MEETING LOCATION



ADW Website (www.awddistrict.org)



## Official Flag Days in the USA



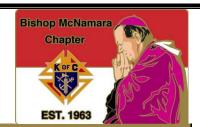
#### **JULY**

4<sup>th</sup> - Independence Day

27<sup>th</sup> - Korean War Armistice Day

# Bishop McNamara Chapter of Grand Knights Maryland State Council

Celebrating its 59<sup>th</sup> Year Upcoming Chapter Meetings



July 20, 2022

Meeting

TBA

Come hear about all the exciting events and activities that are planned for the year.

The Chapter encourages not only Grand Knights to attend, but also Deputy Grand Knights and Council Program Directors. The Chapter meets the third Wednesday of each month except for December. The location varies. http://www.kofc-md.org/state1820/mcnamara.asp





# BIRTHDAYS FOR JULY

## **Council**

- 1. Julius C Unamba
- 2. Lekecho N Tangoalem
- 5, Kebe E Ikpi Emmanuel I Osadebe
- 6. Joseph R Slert
- 10. Divine M Njodzeka
- 14. Marcel O Obeleagu
- 15. Charles L Johnson
- 19. Chukwunomso G Okonkwo
- 20. Albert L Hayling
- 22. Muted Fofung
- 25. Joseph R Corson PGK, FDD
- 30. Frank A Demma

## **Ladies Auxiliary**

22. Pat Makowski



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

#### Editor's Pen

If there is a special request for a copy of the Seton notes by mail, let us know. Please send all newsletter related issues to Don Aitcheson at aitcheson@hotmail.com (240-481-0622).

The deadline for article submission is the  $20^{\text{th}}$  of each month. The email edition will be sent on or about the  $1^{\text{st}}$  of each month. Please feel free to give us feedback. Copies are available in the pamphlet rack at St. Matthias. back of Saint Matthias Church and on the website at <a href="https://www.stmatthias.org">www.stmatthias.org</a>.

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## Happy Independence Day!!

## **Upcoming Council Events Calendar**

Independence Day
Council Meeting – 8PM
Zoom Rosary Meeting – 7PM
Council Meeting - 8PM
Maryland PrimaryDayVOTE!!
Council Meeting – 8PM
Council Installation of Officers

Council meetings are held 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month in the Hughes Center at Saint Matthias Parish, Lanham, MD unless otherwise posted.

Council meetings are now being held in person.

Note: Dress code for meetings is relaxed until October. Business casual, no jacket and tie required.

NO Shorts or T-Shirts Please.