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MARCH FOR LIFE 2013 40 Years of Roe v. Wade

Once again hundreds of thousands of pro-life activists gathered on the Mall in Washington D.C January 25th to make a clear message to politicians in the Capital and the whole country that abortion is wrong and 40 years is too long. Despite the frigid weather and light snow fall later in the march, the crowd of mixed young adults and old alike chanted pro-life slogans while holding their signs as they marched.

This year's March for Life marked the 40th anniversary of Roe v. Wade, with an estimated 55 million babies have been killed by abortion in the United States.

Accurate numbers of attendees at the march are hard to come by. Organizers had reported that the days leading up to the march had shown all signs this would be a record-breaking crowd. Last year's march was estimated at around 400,000 participants, likely putting this year's at the half million mark, or beyond. Organizers installed two jumbotrons just to ensure that all marchers could get a glimpse of what was happening on the stage.

Before opening the rally with a prayer, Cardinal Sean O'Malley announced to the crowd that Pope Benedict had just tweeted his support for the marchers, which brought cheers. Our Holy Father said, "I join all those marching for life from afar, and pray that political leaders will protect the unborn and promote a culture of life." Following were speakers like Rick Santorum, Rand Paul, Rep. Diane Black who promised to reintroduce H.R. 217, Congressman Mike Pence who was elected governor of Indiana and our own Chris Smith, the chairman of the House Pro-Life Caucus, gave a stirring speech. House Speaker John Boehner addressed the rally by video, promising he was busy at work putting together a bipartisan pro-life majority and will work to pass the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act. However, the close proximity to Barack Obama's second inauguration drew heated remarks on the part of speakers.

A tribute to Nellie Gray had been given over the jumbotrons and newly appointed full-time president of the March for Life & Defense Fund, Jeanne Monahan, gave an in-depth presentation of the legacy which Nellie Gray had made and the work which is needed to be done.

Our own Supreme Knight Carl Anderson and Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori joined Brother Knights and several college Knights of Columbus Councils for the March for Life up Constitution Avenue making their way to the Supreme Court Building.



We as Knights of Columbus need to protect the unborn and support pro-life groups with our programs and the right-to-vote. Don't leave it for the next person, or say my actions will not make a difference. We have 55 million pre-born children who will never experience a hug or blow out a birthday candle and most of all have a name to be remembered, just thrown in the trash. Be a "Culture of Life".

Vivat Jesus!
John Hencinsky, FDD
Respect Life Activities Director



State Deputy's Message

Brothers,

Last week, I was able to attend the Trenton Rally for Life and the March for Life in Washington, DC. It is the 40th anniversary of the disastrous Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade decision. During those 40 years, nearly 56 million precious babies have been savagely killed; prevented from ever knowing the joys of life, experiencing the love of others, feeling the sun on their faces, smelling leaves on a fall day, hearing the singing of Christmas carols or viewing the new blooms of spring flowers.

They will never have the opportunity to be a mother or father and pass along love and caring to their own children. They will never be the teacher who motivates and excites their students. They will never be the researcher who discovers a cure for cancer. They will never be the astronaut who is the first person who walks on Mars. They will never be the next Derek Jeter. They will never be the next Mother Teresa or Martin Luther King.

What a horrendous sin against humanity and against our all-loving God!

I have to admit that I regret and am ashamed to say that we live in a time and country where life seems to have little value. We kill over 1 million innocent babies through legalized abortion every year. We allow our children to be constantly exposed to and influenced by senseless violence and the denigration of the sanctity of the human body in movies, television shows, music and the internet. We are increasingly tolerant of euthanasia and the killing of those that may provide inconvenience in our lives. We refer to assisted suicide as death with dignity. And we continue to support and allow the prac-

tice of the death penalty in many parts of our country.

Planned Parenthood, a recipient of our tax dollars, recently reported a record number of 333,964 abortions during 2011-12. That is the killing of a baby every 94 seconds. This is big business for the organization. It is estimated that the abortions generated over \$150 million in revenues. You wonder why Planned Parenthood so vigorously supported the Affordable Care Act.

However, I believe there is hope on the horizon. A recent Knights of Columbus/Marist poll shows that 83% of Americans now favor significant restrictions on abortion. Americans are finally realizing that abortion has horrible consequences not only in the loss of a child's life but also for the parents. The loss of the child leads to horrible affects on the physical and mental health of the parents.

We have no alternative but to remain committed to be unconditionally pro-life; to seek the restoration of full legal protection for the lives of the unborn, the sick, the handicapped, the terminally ill, the elderly, the poor, and all those affected by current economic conditions; to oppose capital punishment and any governmental actions that in any way promote, legalize, or finance the performance of abortion, infanticide, euthanasia or

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State Chaplain's Message

EASTER

The holiest season of the year is Easter. We celebrate the Resurrection of Our Divine Lord. Jesus had referred on various occasions that he would die to save us and be raised again. However, the Apostles really did not understand what Jesus was speaking about. Even though they saw the miracles of Jesus, they did not understand what had really happened, for example, they were present when Mary and Martha sent word to Jesus that Lazarus, their brother, was dying, Jesus arrived late and they told him that Lazarus was already in his tomb for a few days. Jesus called him out of the tomb, they removed his burial cloths and Jesus gave him back to his sisters. What an extraordinary miracle! Jesus told the Jewish rabbis "If you destroy this temple (His body), in three days I will rebuild it ". He was speaking about

His own body.

Three days after Jesus suffered and died a horrible death on the cross to save us from our sins, He rose from the dead. He visited the Apostles a number of times. He invited them to touch Him and even ate with them to convince them he was truly alive again. He remained forty days with them to remove any doubt and finally ascended into heaven. A short time later he sent the Holy Spirit to them to confirm them in their faith.

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General Program Director's Message

Worthy Grand Knights and Brothers All,

Football is over and winter is upon us, so with no games to watch I cannot think of a better time to begin initiating one or more of our many state recognition programs.

As I mentioned at the mid-term meeting, there are so many people in our parishes, schools, and communities who provide extraordinary service without recognition or fanfare. Please take the time to participate by recognizing the time, efforts, and talents of these individuals such as:

- Council Chaplain of the Year
- Knight of the Year
- Family of the Year
- CCD & Parochial School Teacher of the Year
- State Shield Awards for EMT, Fire, & Policeman of the Year
- Vocations RSVP Program

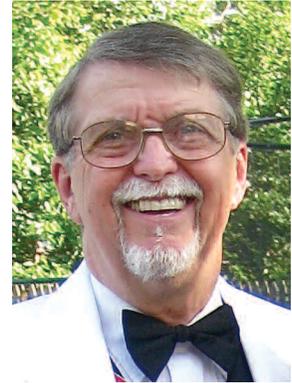
What a great way for a council to promote itself, the Order, and these exceptional people who go above and beyond for all of us.

In addition, there are many other programs and activities to get involved with between now and June including:

- District, Diocesan, and State Free Throw

Contests

- Diocesan and State Spelling Bees
- State Bowling Tournament
- State Photo Contest
- State Horseshoe Throwing Contest
- Bishop Dougherty Scholarship
- State Squires Scholarship Awards
- Veterans Tank Pull



You can find all this and more on the state website www.njkofc.org/programs/general-programs. Check it out! You'll be surprised what ideas you may find!

Speaking of recognition – don't forget about the State Council Service Program Awards. If your council developed and delivered extraordinary service programs this year in one or more categories of Church, Community, Council, Family, Pro-Life, or Youth, you may be eligible for a State Council Service Award. So what are you waiting for – fill out the service program entry form and attach the supporting materials. Who knows, we may be calling your council's number as a winner at the state convention in May.

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State Membership Chairman's Message

Brothers,

Yes it is cold outside but my heart is warmed by the thoughts that another order-wide Membership Church Drive is about to begin. I am sure you all have heard how many men within the borders of New Jersey have left our ranks. We have experienced over 950 deaths so far this Colombian Year which is normally what New Jersey sees in a year!

I am asking you to not leave any stones unturned. We all tend to say, "Let the other guy bring a new man into the order!" Not this time!

Be the Knight that you pledged to be when you became a Knight. Go out and evangelize a bit more. Go and ask a Catholic man to join. Ask him, "Why aren't you a Knight?" Asking a man every week after or before Mass should become common place among the men of Jersey.

Supreme has added incentives of a \$9.00 credit toward next year's per-capita and the State of New Jersey has also matched that same sum. Think of what a savings this could bring a council by bringing in a new man and saving a brother who might be in arrears due to financial circumstances. A WIN-WIN for all! Take advantage of this because it ends June 30, 2013.



Lent begins February 13, 2013. Easter is early this year slated on March 31st. The 40 days of cleansing and preparation all for the glory of God! This is a time when we all should be doing that bit move. More work with our families, at our parishes, helping

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Culture of Life Director's Message

Brothers all,

January 22nd marked the 40th anniversary of the Supreme Court's historic but misguided decision in Roe V. Wade, that made abortion on demand a "right" in this country. As we have for far too many years, members of our order again made the pilgrimage south to Washington, DC to join with others from across the country to decry this inhumane "right". If you were present, I thank you for bearing witness and for standing up for the defenseless victims of this landmark decision. The Knights of Columbus will continue to stand tall and defend life as long as it takes until every child is protected within its mother's womb. As you've heard me say at our recent meetings I firmly believe that we are not living within a culture of life protected by our legislators and legal system. Instead, it appears that we are moving steadily toward a culture of death where decisions on who should live and who should die will be made by fallible men rather than an all-knowing God. He is the only one who gives life and He should be the only one who can reclaim it. His wisdom surpasses that of all our legislators, justices and "experts" in the field. We will continue our work in this area until everyone, from the unborn to the aged is assured a life whose end is defined solely by our Creator. I quote our Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson in his recent statement that "We are called to be what our name implies – to be faithful, to be steadfast, to come to the defense of those who cannot defend themselves and to remain on the field until the field is won." Amen!

As we travel through our Lenten journey, let us look within ourselves to remove those obstacles in our lives that prevent us from fully becoming who and

what we are intended to be. Let us strive to be more Christ-like and find the good in every man rather than finding his faults. This should be a season that brings about change; in who we are, in what we say and in what we do.



I know that many of you and your councils have a busy schedule and are looking forward to the coming spring when we all emerge from our winter cocoons to spread our wings in the sunshine. Here are some ideas to help your council embrace this coming season of rebirth.

- Invite your chaplain to attend your meetings; actually ask him. Offer him the opportunity to speak to you and your members on any subject he'd like. This being a 'Year of Faith' seems like a good place to start.
- Contact our Alzheimer's Program Chairman, George Mulhauser. He can secure a speaker for you from the Alzheimer's Association to let you know how the funds you raise make a world of difference to the families of patients afflicted with this horrid disease.
- Schedule a couple of weekends to sell those 'Roses for Life'. Easter, Mother's Day, Annunciation Day are all good times to consider.
- Put a plan together to run a Baby Bottle Boomerang in your parish to raise funds for the unborn and their often-troubled mothers. The results of the councils who have run this program are simply amazing, especially since it doesn't require a lot of effort.

Thank you for all that you do for our order. As always please don't hesitate to contact me or my Program Directors and Chairmen if you'd like assistance implementing our programs into your council's curriculum.

Vivat Jesus!

Jim Stoever, DD

State Director of Culture of Life Programs

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He sent them to the whole world to bring His gift of faith to all who would listen to them. That faith with the help of many now rests with us, you and me.

However, when God gives a gift He expects us to use it. What is God asking of us? The way our faith was passed on to us was by those who lived that faith before us. We saw it in their actions and by the way they lived their life. They showed us by the example of their worship of God and by professing the way they lived their faith. Many of us who have seen their faith have come to know God's will and experience the satisfaction of living this great gift of God.

We are all men of the Knights of Columbus and are committed to our faith. The Holy Father has called us his strong right arm. Many of us have seen the important ways we help our Parishes to grow, by the help we have given to many in need by our charities, and the willing help the Knights give when they join together to support a special cause.

We should all be involved. We show the world the results of our faith in the risen Lord who leads his Knights of Columbus to accomplish so much in his name.

Bishop Charles J. McDonnell

State Chaplain



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Lastly, allow me to remind the Grand Knights of our 2nd Responders and Habitat for Humanity programs. It is the hope that these service programs will assist our neighbors and local communities recover from personal tragedies, natural disasters or unfortunate circumstances. Recruit willing brothers, gather some tools and get to work! There are people waiting for our help!

Fraternally,

Tom Ponting, FDD

State Director of General Programs



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assisted suicide, human cloning, and fetal stem cell research which fails to recognize the inherent dignity and value of every human life.

We will continue the battle against abortion until it is completely eliminated. We will march in Trenton and Washington, DC to let our legislators know our unwavering support for life. We will provide funding to Pregnancy Resource Centers that provide mothers an alternative source of support and encouragement to keep their babies. We will purchase ultrasound machines and place them in Pregnancy Resource Centers. I am proud to report that we have already purchased eight ultrasound machines in New Jersey and plan to purchase another 4 over the next year.

Most importantly, we will continue to pray for and help where we can mothers who are lost, frightened or just do not fully appreciate the consequences of their decisions. Their decisions cannot be based on their convenience or that of others.

As our Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson, recently stated:

"It is time for our country to chart a new course on this issue – a course that protects both the mother and the child."

Brothers, we will not rest until that day comes. It is critical that our Order remains strong and vibrant so we can continue to lead this battle.

Vivat Jesus,

Dan



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our religious and even better, our communities at large. More men make that job easier. It is our duty to provide the support that each of those groups need. Can your council fulfill that objective with the number of men that you currently have? More importantly, will that be enough in the near future?

Let's all have a great Lent and Easter while working towards growth of the Order!

Till the next time, God bless and be well!

John W. Brandon, FDD

New Jersey State Membership Program Director



Trenton Rally for Life 2013



On Tuesday, January 22, 2013, pro-life activists from around the state came to Trenton for the 40th anniversary of the Supreme Court ruling in the Roe v. Wade decision of abortion on demand. Pictured above are Father John Chang, State Deputy Dan Rossi and wife Alyce, Former Supreme Director Jim White and wife Jill, State Advocate Tony Moskal, State Warden Bob Hatler, Past State Deputy Tom Ciborski, and State Membership Director John Brandon.

Former Supreme Director Reggie Beckett Installed as Knight of Saint Gregory



On Sunday, November 4, 2012, Former Supreme Director, Reggie Beckett was honored by the Holy See with Knighthood in Pontifical Equestrian Order of St. Gregory the Great. Attending the ceremony were Associate State Chaplain, Monsignor Michael Mannion, State Deputy Dan Rossi, Former Supreme Director Jim White, State Secretary Andy Lipenta, Master Chet Kulak, Former Master Steve Richardson and members of the Color Corps.

Mid-term Grand Knights Meeting



Also, on January 5, 2013 we held our Mid-term Grand Knights meeting at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center in Piscataway.



Trenton Diocese Eucharistic Congress



The photo was taken at the Trenton Diocese Eucharistic Congress held at the Garden State Arts Center on October 12, 13 and 14. Many Knights were present during the weekend. Pictured are Peter Luccarelli, Faithful Navigator of Msgr. John F Brady Assembly, 676 Scot Pampalino, PGK Council **8478** Parlin NJ, Ed Marks, PGK, PFN, FDD St. Bernadette Council, **8478** and his wife Anne. I believe this was the first Congress sponsored in the State of New Jersey. 

Toys for Tots Drive



Lawrenceville, New Jersey, December 19, 2012. The Knights of Columbus, Lawrence Council **7000**, based out of The Church of St. Ann, joined forces with the U. S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program to collect new, unwrapped toys and distribute those toys as Christmas gifts to less fortunate children in the community. Held on Sunday, December 16, 2012 at Captain Paul's in Lawrence the drive was organized and run by Council **7000** Knights Russ Scofield and Tim Hitzel.

Lawrence Council **7000** Grand Knight Jeff Bourne and Tim Hitzel join with Capitan Paul and representatives from the United States Navy and Marine Corps to accept a "Toy for Tots" donation from David Hitzel. The drive collected 10 boxes of toys for distribution. Tim explained that he used the occasion of his 50th birthday celebration as the catalyst for this year's drive, asking family and friends to make a donation to Toys for Tots in lieu of receiving individual gifts. 

H.A.M. Holiday Party



Aberdeen, NJ -- For the second consecutive year Christmas and Santa came a couple of weeks early for over 30 members of the Hazlet-Aberdeen-Matawan Therapeutic Rec Program, known locally as H.A.M. Rec Program when the Knights of Columbus of Matawan threw a holiday party for them on Sunday afternoon, December 9 at the organization's center located on Noble Road in Aberdeen.

Cardinal Newman Council #5324 annually adopts a local family for Christmas and once again decided to designate the H.A.M. organization, one of the charities that benefits from the group's Special Needs children collection drive each year. The Knights and their wives cooked the holiday lunch for attendees. Each partygoer received a special picture frame that they put together to house their picture with Santa, the special visitor to the party. Each H.A.M. participant got to visit with Santa and take their picture with him as he gave each a present. The Matawan Knights also presented Bernadette Hammond, H.A.M. Program Supervisor with a donation of \$750.00.



Grand Knight, Tim Poling, and Past Grand Knight, Joe Parisi, present Coats for Kids at the Ocean County Children's Shelter to Director Brenda Cohen and Her Assistant, Jenny Maguire. Our Council collected donations and purchased 60 coats for this worthy cause.

Tom Cosentino 

Saint John's Homeless Shelter



Brother Knights of Columbus ,NJ KOFCMM members, volunteers and Our Lady of Victory parishioners, doing the will of God, working together making a difference in people's lives preparing and serving meals, at St. John's Homeless Shelter in Newark, N J on Friday, January 4th and Saturday January 5, 2013.



Brother Knight,
J. Antonacci GK,

Vivat Jesus



Nativity Council



The Knights of Columbus Nativity Council **2976** in Lindenwold, NJ presented two Seminarians with checks for \$1500.00 each to help them defray some of the expenses they incur throughout the year while pursuing their studies for their religious vocation. This money was collected by the Council through the generosity of the parishioners of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish.



Men's Prostate Cancer Fundraising Weekend



The Knights of Columbus, Don Bosco Council **7784**, Newton, NJ, decided it was time to fund-raise for Prostate Cancer Research to "Keep Dad In The Game".



The Knights sponsored 2 events, Friday, October 19th & Saturday, October 20th.

The first event was a 2-day fund-raiser at Hayek's Market in downtown Newton and the second event was at their 2nd Annual Family Bowling at Sparta Lanes in Sparta, NJ. The 2nd Annual Family Bowling was attended by 70+ people.

Both events generated \$1,231. A check was provided in this amount to the Prostate Cancer Foundation (PCF). PCF is firmly committed to curing prostate cancer and is a leading philanthropic organization funding and accelerating research globally.

PCF has notified the Don Bosco Council that the Safeway Foundation has matched our donation dollar for dollar; therefore the total contribution for the Don Bosco Council's fundraising effort is \$2,462.



Santa Rosa de Lima Mass



Members of Council **6209** Santa Rosa de Lima of the Knights of Columbus in Union City, New Jersey celebrated a Solemn Mass on Jan. 2, 2013 for the Sandy Hook

Elementary School victims, their families, the first responders, teachers and the Newtown community. This Mass was offered in solidarity with the Prayer Drive sponsored by the Knights of Newtown, CT. The Mass took place at the Council's Hall where Chaplain Father Juan Luis Calderon was the celebrant.



Breast Cancer Awareness Fundraiser

On October 13, 2012 the newly reformed Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus, St. Joseph Council 3402 of Keyport, N.J. held a Fundraiser Barbecue during Breast Cancer Awareness Month at its council building.

The Auxiliary raised over \$8,000.00 that day and issued checks to four (4) breast cancer groups in the amount of \$8,100.00.



Picture is attached showing Grand Knight; John DiGregorio with Proclamations from: Both Houses of the State of New Jersey, Board of Freeholders from the County of Monmouth, and from the towns of Borough of Union Beach, Township of Aberdeen, Borough of Keyport, Township of Hazlet and Congressman Frank Pallone.

Acts of Charity



Pictured: Gina Testa, Mario Romeo, Lisa Testa

Knights of Columbus, Council 6513 Msgr. James A. Bulfin, Malaga, New Jersey proudly recognized three young people from Our Lady of The Blessed Sacrament Parish, Newfield, NJ for their outstanding acts of Charity. The three youngsters took it upon themselves to collect over 1000 pounds of food and essential items which helped to feed over 70 families during the past holiday season. The council has always facilitated the delivery of food and toys each year during the holidays, and it was with the help of these three that our mission of charity was made easier. Their actions do not go unnoticed and have provided an example to all in fulfilling our Lord's call to assist our neighbors.

Council 6735 Beef & Beer



On 19 January, members of Council 6735 held a Beef & Beer Social to aid one of their members who had been hospitalized with a serious illness. You might ask, why do all this for one member? The answer is simple – that is the main reason for the founding of the Knights of Columbus. In 1882, Father Michael J. McGivney invited a small group of parishioners to gather in the basement of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Connecticut. His goal was simple— to establish an Order that would unite men in their faith as well as help provide for Catholic families in times of need. Most of this need is indeed provided by insurance, and in that respect the Knights of Columbus has one of the foremost insurance companies in the world. There is no more highly rated insurer in North America than the Knights of Columbus. A.M. Best has bestowed on us their highest rating (A++, Superior) for 35 consecutive years. However, insurance does not always cover all costs. That is why the Council has stepped in to provide additional aid and comfort to our stricken member and his family. This aid was not just provided by a commercial entity, but by real people: men, women, and children that donated their time, money & effort to provide aid & comfort to a fellow Knight.



White board signed with well wishes from his many friends & relatives.

Past Grand Knights Dinner

On November 18, 2012, St. Joseph Council 3402 of The Knights of Columbus held its annual Past Grand Knights Dinner at its council building.



Pictures (left to right) Knight of the Year 2011-2012; Anthony Cooper; Past Grand Knight, William H. Horton, Jr. and Council Member of the Year; Declan French.

Fraternally yours,
William H. Horton, Jr.
Past Grand Knight



Hurricane Sandy Fundraiser



During the months of November and December 2012, St. Joseph Council **3402** of the Knights of Columbus, Keyport, NJ hosted two Breakfasts, sold 150 Christmas Trees and hosted a Spaghetti Dinner to help the residents of the Borough of Union Beach, NJ who saw massive destruction at the hands of Hurricane Sandy.

On December 20, 2012 members of the St. Joseph Council **3402** presented a check to the Mayor and Council payable to the "Union Beach Disaster Relief Fund" in the amount of \$6,135.00.



Christmas Toy Drive

The Benedict XV Council **2355**, Cliffside Park NJ under the Chairmanship of Doctor Bob Barricella and PGK Lou Barricella held their annual Christmas Toy drive for the University Hospital in Newark, New Jersey. Benedict XV Council has been having a toy drive for Christmas for over 20 years. The drive is held for the children and their siblings who are in the Hospital over the holidays.

Thank you for your help and support.

Vivat Jesus

Vincent deLhery

Grand Knight

Benedict XV Council **2355**

Cliffside Park, NJ



Fraternal Leaders

Please be on the look-out for someone who has the following qualities:

Honesty

High Energy Level

Financially Stable

Excellent Communication Skills

Hard Work Habits

Intelligent

Confident

Perhaps you already know this individual who may have a thread of discontent with his present employer?

Please forward his name to your New Jersey General Agent.



1,204 Christmas Cards will be delivered to SHU for distribution to Immaculate Conception Seminary and St. Andrew's Hall, our largest participation to date.

Those participating;

Queen of Peace, North Arlington, Grammar, CCD, High School

St. Mary's, Rutherford, Grammar, CCD, High School

KofC Bergen Chapter and Bergen Federation,

St. Stephen's, Kearny, CCD Program.

It should be noted that the administrators took this on as a Advent Project for the children. Most, if not all of the cards from the children contain inspirational messages to the seminarians.

The administrators have agreed to perform this project again in the Spring as a Lenten Project.

Special note of thanks to Msgr. Coleman for his continued assistance with this project.



Poor Clares Dinner

Over the Christmas Holiday, Bordentown Council **570** prepared and served dinner to the Poor Clares of Chesterfield, NJ. We Our Council has be serving dinner to the Poor Clares of Chesterfield, NJ for over 37 years now. Our team led by Yolanda Foley, PGK Jimmy Anderson, PGK Jimmy Connolly, Chancellor Anthony Maimone, and Grand Knight Paul Cutrupi is pictured here with the nuns. Our late Brother Earl Loretangeli is credited with starting this ministry back in 1975.

Thanks,

Paul Cutrupi Grand Knight
Council **570** Bordentown, NJ



Jimmy & Ferdinand



Bordentown Council **570** wishes to congratulate Ferdinand Loretangeli and James Conolly for 65 of years to this council as members of Knights of Columbus.

We ordered both Jimmy and Ferd at our Christmas party in December. In the picture left to right is James Conolly, Grand Knight Paul Cutrupi and Ferdinand Loretangeli.

Thanks,

Paul Cutrupi
Grand Knight Council
570 Bordentown, NJ



Ridgewood Christmas Party

Ridgewood-NJ-December 11, 2012: The Ridgewood Knights of Columbus Council **1736** held their annual senior citizens Christmas party in the Parish Center at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church on Sunday, December 9th. Guests were treated to a buffet lunch, entertainment, Christmas carols, and a surprise visit from Santa Claus.

The entertainment began with a selection of popular Broadway tunes performed by members of Ridgewood High School's New Players under the direction of John Judge, assistant musical director at Ridgewood High School. Bill and Jean Mueller then took turns performing a series of comedy skits. Afterward, Patrick Mullin took the microphone and lead the crowd in Christmas carols a cappella. Finally, Santa arrived and distributed gifts for all.

Doug Findlay, Grand Knight of the Ridgewood council, honored the Seniors by comparing them to Academy Award winners, football Pro-Bowlers, and baseball All-Stars, all wrapped into one. "It is an honor to throw this party for them every year", said Findlay.



7000 Free Throw

Lawrenceville, New Jersey, January 25, 2013. The Knights of Columbus, Lawrence Council **7000**, based out of The Church of St. Ann held its annual Free Throw Championship for all boys and girls ages 10 to 14 on Saturday, January 12. The local level of the competition was held at St. Ann School gymnasium.

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually, with winners progressing through local, district, and state competitions. The Knights of Columbus headquarters based on scores from the state-level competitions announces international champions. All boys and girls will compete in their respective age and gender divisions. Since its beginning in 1972, over 2.5 million youths have participated in the contest, explained Gary Rossi, chairman for Council **7000's** Free Throw Championship.

With more than 1.8 million members on three continents, the Knights of Columbus is the world's largest Catholic lay organization. It provides members and their families with volunteer opportunities in service to the Catholic Church, the community, families, and young people. In 2011, the Knights of Columbus at all levels of the organization raised and distributed more than \$154 million to charity and rendered 70 million hours of volunteer service. According to Independent Sector, which calculates the value of volunteer time each year, those 70 million hours are valued at \$1.5 billion.



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ANNUAL FR. WASHINGTON MASS



On February 3rd, the annual Fr. Washington Mass was held at St. Stephen's Church in Kearny. The principal Celebrant was Archbishop Timothy Broglio, the Ordinary of the Military Archdiocese of the United States. The Mass this year was particularly significant as it marked the 70th anniversary of the sinking of the U.S.A.T. Dorchester and the sacrifices made by the Four Chaplains including Father John Washington, a native of Newark and once assigned to St. Stephen's. Following the Mass, there was a dedication of a permanent memorial to the Four Chaplains. Father Joe Mancini, Pastor of St. Stephen's, led the effort to place the memorial.

Attending the Mass and dedication were State Chaplain Bishop Charles McDonnell, State Deputy Dan Rossi, State Treasurer Bruce DeMolli, State Advocate Tony Moskal and State Warden Bob Hatler. Also attending were Masters Pete Bartkowiak and Chet Kulak, Former Masters Joe Olivo and Mike Risoli, and a very good representation of Color Corps from the First NJ District.

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