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My Brother Knights and Sisters in Christ,

I pray that you and your families are healthy and able to cope with the isolation, complications, frustration, and anxiety associated with the current pandemic. Our prayers also go out to those in the medical field, first responders, and those in essential positions who are vulnerable to the COVID-19 virus. I ask that you pray daily to the Archangels St. Michael and St Raphael, Angel of health, to protect us and heal those afflicted with the virus.

Over the past few weeks, the priority of the Supreme and State Council has shifted to taking care of each other and our parishes and communities. I trust that someone in your council has been in contact with you to verify your well-being. I would hope that you, in turn, are checking on your fellow Knights, your family members, neighbors, and friends. The Supreme Council has produced a guide 'Leave No Knight or Neighbor Behind' which outlines our new initiative to Reach out to Members, Provide for our Parish, Care for our Community, Promote Blood Donations, and Support Local Food Banks. In times of crisis and disasters, Knights have always stepped "Into The Breach" to care for those in need and assist the needy. During this critical period, it is especially important that we remember the widows of our departed Brothers. I urge every council to reach out to these special ladies who need our support. We sometimes forget our Widows. Remember; our Order was founded to look after them.

It is also vital that we continue with the business of the Order. We can do that in new and creative ways. Now is the time to maximize the use of technology to communicate to our members, hold virtual meetings and degrees, and conduct some of our Faith In Action Programs, such as Rosary, Spiritual Reflection, Holy Hour. And Family Prayer Night. The bi-weekly emails of Knightline contains great suggestions and resources for your councils.



The 2 photographs to the left show our State Deputy Mark Jago diligently working on Knights of Columbus issues during the COVID-19 virus crisis at his home office!

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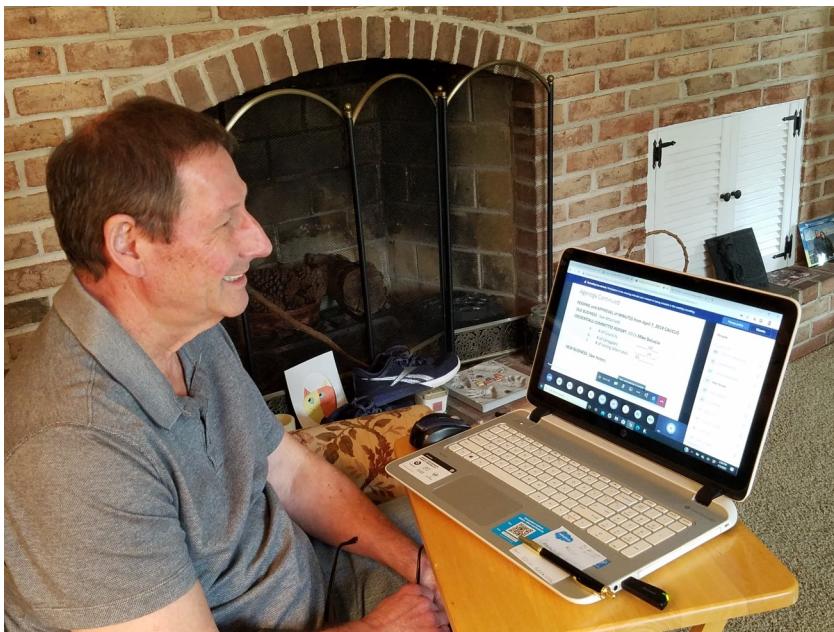
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Jim McCarthy, FST, State Finance Board Chairman, attends the virtual East Caucus meeting below. The State Secretary Nominee and delegates/alternate delegates to the Supreme Convention were elected. Resolutions that will be presented at the virtual state convention were presented and voted upon.



Brother Knights,

In this issue you will see how representatives of the State Council are conducting business for the Knights of Columbus. I urge you to send in pictures of Councils, Districts, Chapters and Assemblies working remotely. You can send in pictures if you are in your pajamas and bathrobes – we could use a laugh! Also send a short writeup of some of the business items you are doing. Thanks!

Rick Terroni, FSS, Keystone Knight Editor

ARTICLES AND PICTURES FOR THE MAY 2020 EDITION OF THE KEYSTONE KNIGHT ARE DUE MAY 1, 2020. SEND THEM TO: rickterroni@comcast.net LET'S SHOW EVERYONE WHAT THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS IN THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA ARE DOING! PLEASE TRY TO SEND A PICTURE WITH YOUR ARTICLE!

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STATE DEPUTY REPORT

MARK JAGO, FIC

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The State Council has adapted to the Pandemic in the following manner:

1. There will be an Online Exemplification of the Charity, Unity, Fraternity Degree on Thursday, April 16th. The Supreme Council will conduct a WEBINAR which will allow your candidates and First and Second Degree Members to become Third Degree Members. Consult your District Deputy for instructions and more information about this Webinar. Grand Knights will be receiving emails on this event.
2. The State Deputy has suspended the Spring State Council Per Capita Assessment. Council will NOT be receiving an April billing from the State Secretary. The Supreme Secretary has suspended the Supreme Per Capita Assessment for April and waived suspension of councils for non-payment.
- C 3. The 2020 Annual State Convention will be conducted telephonically on Saturday, May 16th at 11:30 AM. Council delegates will be called for an abbreviated business session to consider Resolutions, Approve the 2020-2021 Budget, and Elect State Officers and Delegates to the 138th Supreme Convention. All officer, committee, and chapter reports will be available online, prior to the convention.
4. The State Deputy will conduct a Webinar to summarize the business conducted during the State Convention and introduce the State Officers-Elect to the membership. This Webinar will take place after the convention and will be open to the public. More information will be on the state website and emailed.

As of this writing, the June District Deputy Organization Meeting in State College and the 138th Annual Supreme Convention in Washington, D.C. are still scheduled to take place.

Janis and I wish you and your families a Safe, Holy, and Happy Easter. May you find hope in the peace and joy of the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ. We pray that St. Michael protect you, especially during this pandemic.

St. Michael Protect Us.

Fr. McGivney Pray for Us.

Our Lady Help of the Persecuted Christians Pray for Us.

Vivat Jesus,
Mark L. Jago, FIC
State Deputy.



STATE CHAPLAIN REPORT

Rev. (COL) Gregary J. D'Emma WHAT IS GOING ON HERE?

Sometimes in life we go through very challenging times. Such times can make if difficult, if not impossible, to be hopeful. The current situation in which we find ourselves can really look hopeless. We are confined to our house, schools are closed, we feel very confined. We cannot do the things we do normally, like go to Mass or even go shopping without great difficulty.

The news is not much help either and so we sit at home and get more depressed and hopeless. What is going on in our world? What can we do about the way we feel and how can we feel better?

I'd like to tell you quickly two stories from the Gospel about two women, both in dep trouble, one clearly so, the other not so clearly. You know their stories so; I will tell them in outline to get to my point.

The first is about the woman caught in adultery. She is about to be stoned by the crowd. They encounter Jesus. He says, "Let the one without sin cast the first stone." Slowly the crowd departs. Then there is this exchange between Jesus and the woman, "Is there no one left to condemn you? No one? Then neither do I condemn you. Go and sin no more."

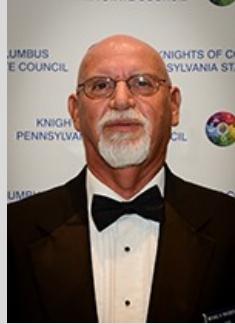
The second woman is the 'Woman at the well'. We all know the story – Jesus is at Jacob's Well. At mid-day a woman comes to get water. Jesus asks for a drink and the story of their discussion about the depth of the well, husbands, and living water. Finally, she goes to tell her fellow townspeople about her experience, and they come to believe.

So, what is my point? Simply this -What has changed? In the first story, the woman is still an adulteress though forgiven. The woman at the well was still a Samarian. Oh, and by the way, neither Jesus nor the Samarian woman got a drink from Jacob's Well, did you ever notice that before.

So, what did they all get? Well, Jesus got the faith of the two women and hope for a different future. Hope is the important thing here. These two women were caught and believed they had no hope – they were trapped, like we often have felt, in the past weeks, as schools and businesses closed. We are confined to our homes, our vision gets narrow, and our world closes in on us. Sometimes we can see no end as we listen to the news. We ask ourselves, "How long will this go on?" That is when things close in and we begin to lose hope that it will ever end. Some free advice – Turn off the news and do what these two women did – they focused on Jesus. Sometimes this is difficult, but we are members of Jesus' spiritual body. And he is the one who brings hope to our lives.

So, spend some quality time with your family and don't forget to pray to the One who by His Passion, Death, and Resurrection, gives all of us hope for the future.

Fr. Greg



From the Desk of
MICHAEL N. YAKUBICK
State Program Director
WOW!

Brothers,

ONLY word I can think of to describe since the last I wrote.

Last article, I was thinking of Lent, Holy Week, the Resurrection of Our Lord, prep for Awards, Regional meeting, State Convention and now only the safety of our family, our Brother Knight's families, the welfare of our Country and our fellow citizens. WOW! What a change. Being too young to have experienced the Great Depression or WWII, this is the only worldwide catastrophic event I have seen.

During all times of anxiety, apprehension, fear, distress, we, Catholics have a great source of comfort; Our Faith. Yet, for the first time in my lifetime, I cannot attend Mass and receive Our Lord, when I need Him the most. Those of us who, at one time or another, have preached the "evil of technology" now must embrace it to attend Mass, perform work, visit with family & friends, maintain some form of "normalcy". Based on the ongoing restrictions of gathering.

Our Clergy has become innovative in reaching out to the Faithful, the Celebration of Mass and words of inspiration via the internet, confessions, blessing, even Papal Blessings, being performed as never before.

All this due to a virus unable to be seen without a microscope; amazing and terrifying. This all relates to a single observation, my pride in being a Catholic & a Knight. Our Church hierarchy has made extremely difficult decisions to protect the "flock" and provide Spiritual direction. As a Knight, I take pride in the Supreme and State leadership which totally removed all requirements except those that assist our Brothers, their loved ones, our Parishes and communities.

PRAY! STAY SAFE! PRAY!

Vivat Jesus!

Mike



From the Desk of
ERIC JOHNSON, PSD
Regional Growth Director

My brother Knights I hope this article finds you and your families safe during this extremely difficult and unprecedented time in world history. I want each of you to know that the Supreme Office is available to assist any brother knight and his council during this period.

While there is no one physically in the office in New Haven all staff are working remotely from their homes. All forms are being processed as normal and anyone calling the help desk will receive any assistance that is needed. ~~Mc~~day as with all staff start early each morning with internal emails from the Supreme Knight and department heads on what items of importance we need to concentrate on each day. Three days a week I have conference calls with staff in New Haven. (see picture on next page). Steve Cohen, Regional Training Director and I talk each day about our goals for the week. I have regular meetings via Go-to-Meeting with each team of state officers in my region and for Ohio and Pennsylvania I have monthly meetings with each Diocesan or Regional Membership team. During these calls we discuss what our councils are doing and what ways either the State or Supreme Council can assist the councils. As you can see, even if we can't meet face to face the business of the Order has not stopped.

Steve Cohen is also busy working with the District Deputies and council officers, he has a regular schedule of training opportunities for everyone. Here is his schedule for training during April:

For District Deputies only:

District Deputy Check-In

April 14, 2020 at 6:30 PM

April 20, 2020 at 6:30 PM

April 27, 2020 at 6:30 PM



Eric Johnson, PSD—Regional Growth Director Report (Continued)



For Council Officers:

To register for any of the following courses, please send:

Your Name,
K of C member number,
Current K of C position
Council Number
To Steve Cohen at steve.cohen@kofc.org

Delta Church Drives

April 13, 2020 – 7:00 PM – GoToMeeting training

– Registration opened March 31, 2020.

May 4, 2020 – 7:00 PM – GoToMeeting training

– Registration opens April 20, 2020.

Council Experience Training

Designed to enhance the members experience, in the Council, and to create a Culture of Engagement amongst all members. This is open to any Council Officer and all are encouraged to attend.

Thursday, April 16 - 6:30 PM

Saturday, April 25 - 10:00 AM

Tuesday, May 12 – 6:30 PM

Saturday, May 23 – 10:00 AM

Finally, membership recruitment has not stopped. The Northeast Region continues to show gains each day. Many states are conducting the Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity via on-line means. Many states have a regular statewide exemplification each week. Having regular exemplifications allow more men to come into our Order, but also gives councils more “hands” to do the charitable work required during this very stressful time.

Between April 5 and April 15, 2020 prospective members can join on-line (www.kofc.org/join) and receive a 50% discount by using the code: **NEIGHBOR2020**

May God continue to keep you and your families safe.

Eric Johnson, PSD
Supreme Council, Fraternal Mission Department
Regional Growth Director

The picture to the right shows our Regional Growth Director Eric Johnson, PSD working on Knights of Columbus business, attending webinars and virtual meetings, etc. He is available to us if we need him!





From the Desk of
RON CUBBAGE, PSD, FM
Ceremonials Chairman

De La Salle Council # 590 hosts online degree

On Saturday April 4th, 2020 De La Salle council #590 conducted a virtual degree with myself and Tom Begley DD 14 and one candidate.

We did this on zoom. At first, I had trouble setting it up but our newest member (then candidate) help set it up and it was very successful.

I down load the degree from Supreme and showed it as a shared screen worked out really well.

Our new member was impressed with the video and had some very good thing to say. Then I went to officers online and submitted candidate's information put in the degree date and we were done.

One new member on the rolls of the Knights of Columbus. Tom Begley, DD 14 and myself plan to continue this process thought this pandemic.

Vivat Jesus,
Ron Cubbage, PSD, FM
Ceremonials Chairman



From the Desk of
JOHN MEENAN
Pa State Life Director

Hello, My Brothers,

Whenever I've had a time of crisis in my life, somebody never failed to say to me, "Have faith, no matter how bad it is, something good will come of it."

As I look back, I can see that during trying times in my life when things were particularly dark, it usually made me stronger, or wiser, or better equipped to deal with life - or something like that.

And then I thought, "what good can possible come from this virus? From all this pain? All this death? All this sorrow and fear? This is terrible! It's tragic! It's from the Devil, and I'm angry, and I'm frustrated, and I'm scared!!

And then I began to think about it, and more importantly, I began to pay attention:

People in Italy are standing on their balconies, singing to each other.

My son told me that he and his family (four teenagers) are taking time out every day to pray together.

My brother told me that he and his wife are streaming Mass every day.

There's a guy in Ohio who volunteered his drive-in movie and they say Mass there on Sundays and the place is packed with cars.

There's a priest in Maine who built an outdoor confessional and people are waiting in line in their cars to go to confession.

Adults and kids who live to constantly text each other are actually calling to talk to their loved ones every day.

People in Countries all over the world are taking the cue from Italy and fellowshipping from their balconies.

In this world of abortion, and no personal responsibility, and blame the other guy, and me, me, me, people are helping each other and calling each other and praying for each other. They're coming back to their Faith in droves. And it's growing, Brothers. It's growing faster than the virus itself.

Talk about "God works in mysterious ways." Talk about "when He closes a door, He opens a window."

This is incredible; no, not incredible – it's Miraculous!

Pray for me Brothers; I'm praying for you.



Chance Of A Lifetime

2020 COAL Drawing Fact Sheet

16 Great Prizes - \$65,000



Cash Equivalent Offered for All Prizes

Updated April 6, 2020

Payment Dates (Based on Postmarks) and Bonuses

March 1, 2020 - \$3.25 for each book paid (\$.50 per book discount)

All books paid for after April 1, 2020 cost \$3.50 per book (\$.25 discount)

June 1, 2020 - \$.25 rebate for each book of stubs received

July 23, 2020 - \$1.00 per book bonus rebated for all books sold over the 2018

Checks must accompany all books or stubs not paid for in advance. Checks must be postmarked on or before the Bonus Date to qualify.

Special Instructions

Checks should be drawn to "**State Council Charities**" and sent to one of the addresses below;

Fran O'Hara, 524 Lindsay Street, Ridley Park, PA 19078

Joe Caromano, 1906 Robinson Avenue, Havertown, PA 19083

Postage must be prepaid, Collect shipments will not be accepted. Sold books can also be delivered in person to Mater Dei Council Hall, 327 Newtown Street Road, Newtown Square, PA 19073 on dates to be announced

For questions or special delivery times, contact Fran O'Hara 610 733 1812 / fran@ridleypa.us or Joe Caromano 610 449 4778 / jocaromano@verizon.net.

Drawing July 23, 2020 – 8:00 PM

Mater Dei Hall, 327 Newtown Street Road,(Route 252)

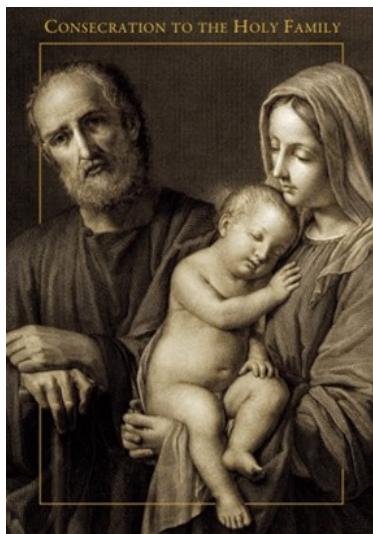
Newtown Square, PA

TICKET HOLDERS NEED NOT BE PRESENT

NO PURCHASE NECESSARY

Game of Chance License # 1762

Faith in Action – Family Programs



We are indeed living in troubling times, but we must keep Faith and do the best we can for our Families, Brother Knights and the Parish Community. Honoring a Catholic Family as Family of the Month is more important now than ever. Look at a Parish Family that is enduring some hard times or helping others and honor them. Family of the Month can be any Family in the Parish. They do not need to have to be a Knight in the Family. **Any Family in the Council or Parish is eligible!**

The [*Family of the Month Report Form \(#10668\)*](#) must be completed and sent to fraternalmission@kofc.org by the 15th day of the following month. Copies should be sent to statedeputy@pakofc.us and family@pakofc.us. The Council will present the Family with a [*Family of the Month Certificate \(#1843\)*](#) at a Council or Church event. Supreme Council will also randomly pick winning families for a special Holy Family gift.

If your Council is not participating in the Program, you should ask your Grand Knight to start. It is the right thing to do and it is easy.

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest

I am happy to report a surge in Councils participating. Please join me in congratulating this year's winners.



Age 5 to 7

Lilly Dibble, Council 1807

Brayden Antonelli, Council 6440

Rori Allen, Council 1481



Age 8 to 10

Noah Aubert, Council 12788

Eva Martin, Council 6440

Avery Butler, Council 14654



Age 11 to 14

William Haring, Council 14397

Evana Stoffel, Council 6693

Elizabeth Martinke, Council 14009

Submitted by Fran O'Hara, FSW Family Director



CENTRAL WEST REGION ELECTS KEN GRUGEL, FSA AS THEIR NOMINEE FOR STATE DEPUTY

The Central West Caucus was done via a virtual conference which was quite well attended on Saturday April 4, 2020. Brothers from other regions also watched it so they could plan for their own elections. Jim Bahm, State Secretary, set the meeting up and co-chaired it with CW Chairman Mike Schweichler.

At that time Ken Grugel FSA was elected as the State Deputy nominee and will be elected at the virtual State Convention which is currently scheduled for May 16th.

Ken is quite humbled to be presented with this honor to serve his fellow Knights in the Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania. Ken joined the Clarion Council #7549 in 1983 and served in most offices before reaching Grand Knight. He served two terms as a District Deputy, then joined State Council on the Educational Finance Board. Ken has held several chairman and directorships, and had the privilege of serving as State Advocate in the Stan Glowaski administration. In 2015 Ken moved to Erie and transferred to Our Lady of Peace Council, #11454 where he currently the Council Advocate.

Ken is a Fourth Degree Knight, member of the Color Corps, trustee of Archbishop John Mark Gannon Assembly, 0943, and was honored to be the fall 2019 honoree for the Exemplification held in Erie.

Ken is very excited to become the next State Deputy of the great jurisdiction of Pennsylvania and looks forward to working with his fellow Knights. Congratulations Ken!



EAST REGION ELECTS RAY McLAUGHLIN, DD AS THEIR NOMINEE FOR STATE SECRETARY

The East Region held their Caucus on Sunday, April 5, 2020 virtually and elected Ray McLaughlin as their nominee for State Secretary. Ray was born on June 24, 1950 he was the first child of William (a Fourth Degree Knight and Pearl (Austin) McLaughlin. He began his education at the Ascension School, transferred to St. Cecilia, in Fox Chase, when they moved to the Hollywood section of Abington Township. He completed his elementary education at the newly opened St. Hilary of Poitiers School in Rydal, PA. and graduated from Bishop McDevitt High School June 1968.

Ray joined the US Navy in September 1969 and graduated from Hospital Corps School in May 1970. After a one year's assignment to the Navy Hospital in Beaufort, South Carolina he was sent to Field Medical School in Camp Lejeune, NC. Upon completion he was assigned to the First Marine Brigade in Kaneohe, Hawaii. He was Honorably Discharged after two years in the Naval Reserve. Ray worked in Health Care his entire adult life, retiring in 2014.

While in the Navy Ray attended Chaminade College in Hawaii, returning home he completed his Associates Degree at Montgomery County Community College in 1975. He completed his undergraduate studies at Temple University, graduating in August 1978. He Continued his education earning fifteen credits towards his Masters at LaSalle University.

Ray joined the Knights of Columbus in October 1981 and was a charter member of Mother Anna Dengel Council #7925. He went through the chairs, serving as Grand Knight on two different occasions. He made his Fourth Degree in May 1982. Again, he went through the chairs of the Archbishop Wood Assembly #1680 serving as Navigator 2005-2006. Additionally, he served as State Program Director under State Deputy George Koch, Administrative Assistant under Master George Koch and has served as Regional Programs Promotion Chairman under State Deputies Eric Johnson, Stan Glowaski, Charlie Vagnarelli and Mark Jago. Ray has also served two terms as District Deputy for Districts 11 & 12. Currently is Chairman of the Board of District Deputies for the Delaware Valley.

In August 2009 Supreme Council honored the request to change the name of Mother Anna Dengel Council #7925 to St. Albert the Great Council #7925, where Ray currently serves as Financial Secretary.

Ray is a member of St. Albert the Great Parish and has served as a member of the Pastoral Council, Extraordinary Minster of the Holy Eucharist, President of the Parent's Association, coached CYO Soccer and is currently an usher and collection counter.

Ray also served his community by coaching Soccer for the Hunter Soccer Club, where he served as Vice President for two years. He was one of the founders of the Jack Walsh Memorial Tournament, held each year in October, hosting teams from the area and the entire East Coast. He was also a member of the Lower Moreland School District Strategic Planning Committee.

In September 1975 Ray married Donna Schlaich at St. Hilary of Poitiers Church. They have three children, two sons (Raymond & Ryan) and a daughter (Katie married to Rick Mamenko). They are Blessed and proud grandparents of two beautiful twin girls (Amelia & Veronica). They currently reside in the Bethayres section of Huntingdon Valley, PA.

Ray is enjoying retirement and Donna and he are traveling whenever the opportunity presents. The Knights have provided us with many great friendships, and we look forward to seeing what the Good Lord has in store!

Fr. Joseph D. Gallagher Council #3673 Raises Awareness of the Sacrament of Reconciliation During Lent

The Knights of Columbus, Father Joseph D. Gallagher Council #3673, of Holy Trinity Parish in Morrisville sought to raise awareness of the Sacrament of Reconciliation during this Lenten season. In coordination with Parish Pastor and Council Chaplain, Monsignor John C. Eckert., the Council formed a committee to identify the best ways to raise awareness of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

The Council co-chairs, Brothers Thomas Wallin and Bradley Stanton worked with Grand Knight Joseph Pargola and Deputy Grand Knight James King to execute an awareness campaign on the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The committee provided a letter to the Parishioners, which was inserted into the Mass bulletins the weekend prior to Ash Wednesday and were distributed to the families of Holy Trinity School. The letter informed Parishioners of their obligation to engage in the Sacrament of Reconciliation at least once per year and encourage Parishioners during this Season of Lent to bring themselves closer to God and to clean their mind, heart, and soul.



Brother Knight Bradley Stanton addresses the Congregation at the end of Mass.



Brother Knight Thomas Wallin displays the KOC Devotional Guide while addressing the Congregation.

Also included in the letter were Frequently Asked Questions about the Sacrament and a copy of the Ten Commandments to help Parishioners make a better Examination of Conscience. Parishioners were also provided a listing of local parishes within the Diocese of Philadelphia and the neighboring Diocese of Trenton. The listing included contact information and the times Confessions were available in that Parish.

Finally, the committee members delivered brief remarks at the end of all the weekend Masses prior to Ash Wednesday. Brother Knights were also stationed at the exits of church handing out the Knights of Columbus Guide to Confession Devotional Booklet ([PDF](#) [HTML](#)) as a resource for Parishioners to use during Confession.

This information and resources were also provided on the Council's [Facebook page](#) so Parishioners are able to conveniently access the information. The Brothers of Council #3673 took a multi-faceted approach to address a need in both the Parish and greater Church community. It is the Council's goal that during this Lenten Season, the Knights of Columbus demonstrate *Faith in Action* by providing needed resources and information to the Parish to help all Parishioners prepare their hearts, minds, and souls for Jesus' Resurrection at Easter.



Guide to Reconciliation

Brother Knights helped distribute the KOC Devotional Guide after all Parish Masses prior to Ash Wednesday.

SAINT PATRICK'S COUNCIL 13490

HELD NEW DEGREE



St. Patrick's Council 13490 in Malvern PA held a One Degree Exemplification on March 9, 2020 in the church. The Knights welcomed one new member and advanced three others to the Third Degree. The pictures show GK Tim Schuster presenting the rosary and pin to new member John Kelly.



The picture to the left shows from L to R: John Kelly (new member), Fran McGivnish, Deacon Louis Libby, Bill Roche, Tim Schuster GK. The picture below shows all the members of St. Patrick's Council that attended the degree with the new members and Grand Knight.





Mother of Divine Providence Council Holds Virtual Officers Meeting And Assists Parish During COVID-19 Crisis



Fellow Brothers,
Below is a proposed agenda for tonight's meeting - all thoughts and comments are welcomed.

Anthony

Officers Meeting Agenda

Date: Monday, April 6, 2020
Time: 7:00PM

Meeting Connection Details: Please join MDP Knights Officers meeting on GoToConnect from your computer using the Chrome browser. <https://my.jive.com/meet/83743995>

You can also dial in using your phone US: +1 (312) 757-3117, Access Code: 837-439-957

Call to Order – Anthony
Opening Prayer – Anthony to Lead
Discussion Point 1 – Health of our Council
Do we know of any Brothers in need of prayer?
Do we know of any Brothers in need of help?
Discussion Point 2 – How can we support MDP during the crisis.
Review Financial Obligations and Account Outstanding Balance – Nick & Steve
Shall we make another financial donation to MDP?
Is there other options or opportunities for the Knights to help the Parish during the crisis?
Discussion Point 3 – Establishing a Virtual Council
How can we continue to engage our brothers to maintain some connection or activity within the council?
I think another topic to summarize a lot of your suggestions is communication. Are we (Knights) doing enough to make certain our Brothers are aware of the services provided via the internet to continue our religious activities.
Close Meeting – Anthony

Mother of Divine Providence Council #14454 in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania held a virtual council officers meeting on Monday April 6, 2020. This was held via Goto Meeting. Mother of Divine Providence Council has held 2 blood drives recently and have another planned for the end of April. They are also proposing a large donation to their parish and another donation to help a local community food pantry. Brother Knights have installed new equipment (purchased by the parish) to be able to livestream their Holy Week masses.

The screen print above shows the faces of members that attended virtually and the agenda for the meeting! This is a fine example of how the Knights of Columbus continues to help our parish and community especially during crisis times! Thank you Mother of Divine Council!

Submitted by Carlos Medina, Hispanic/Ethnic Development Assistant Coordinator—East.



PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED BROTHER DISTRICT DEPUTY #98 R DAVID A. FREY

David A. Frey was from the Central West District. Dave was a member of Saint Mary's Council #567. He died from complications during back surgery on March 24, 2020. He was 68 years old.

Dave was an active member of the St. Mary's Catholic Church as an usher, stuffing bulletins, and helping with funeral dinners. He was an Eagle Scout and was a Scout leader for many years. Dave was active in the Knights of Columbus as a 4th Degree Knight, District Deputy, and Financial Secretary. Dave loved playing golf and helped out with many of the State Golf Tournaments.

He is survived by his wife Geraldine and his step-daughter Valerie Smith.

Online condolences may be offered at www.lynch-radkowski.com.

State Chaplain Father D'Emma offered Mass for the repose of his soul.

Please remember David and his family in your prayers and at your meetings!

ST. JUDE COUNCIL #6440 CONDUCTS NEW DEGREE FOR 11 NEW MEMBERS

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On March 15, 2020, St. Jude Council 6440 conducted its first Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity. The class of 11 was presented their Rosaries and Pins by District Deputy Jason Kowalski and Grand Knight Robert Murphy.

The Exemplification was held in honor of David Mannick, the first Grand Knight of Council 6440.

See photograph below!





From the Desk of

JAMES BAHM

State Secretary

**** VIRTUAL STATE CONVENTION ****

The PA Knights of Columbus State Convention that was scheduled to be held in Pittsburgh, PA on May 15th to May 17th has been changed to a virtual state convention. Anyone that has sent in their money for the Pittsburgh convention will get it refunded.

On Saturday May 16th the jurisdiction of Pennsylvania will conduct its Virtual State Council Meeting in accordance with the directions from Supreme. The meeting will be conducted via a conference call and the delegates will participate via telephone.

Prior to the meeting the following information will be made available:

- 2019 Annual Meeting Minutes & Reports of Committees
- Reports of Officers
- Resolutions and budget for the 2020-2021 fraternal year
- Special Rules of Order for the 2020 State Council Virtual Meeting
- Nominations for State Officers
- Nominations for Delegates to the Supreme Council Meeting

Due to the nature of this meeting, the State Secretary will notify the councils how to register their delegates for the meeting, in advance of the meeting. Further information will follow with formal notifications and instructions.

Please note if a Council has sent in their delegate/alternate delegate information, they will have to register again after they receive the information from the State Secretary. They require totally different information and the State Secretary is determining how he will gather the information.

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is
Risen!*

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**DURING THIS EASTER SEASON PLEASE
PRAY FOR ALL THOSE
THAT ARE AFFECTED BY THE COVID-19
VIRUS**

**ESPECIALLY OUR BROTHER KNIGHTS
AND THEIR FAMILIES!
HAVE A BLESSED EASTER
FROM**

**PA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE COUNCIL
AND
THE KEYSTONE KNIGHT!**