**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PIEDMONT COUNCIL 939** 



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## **GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE:**

Good day brother Knights!

As Summer begins to wind down and children and grandchildren start back to school, it is time for the Knights to start planning what we will accomplish this fraternal year. It was a welcome blessing to have a small reception of the brothers and their families at our installation of the officers two weeks ago and reminded me of why we all need socialization and time together. With that being said, we obviously need volunteers and ideas. We are thankful to be able to now have the OLG Parish Life Center nearly finished for our use once again and along with the Parish Hall at St. Benedict's we have great options for the year ahead. Let's roll up our sleeves and get back to work. Please be sure to make every effort to attend the Council meetings, because that's where the planning is accomplished. Bring a friend. The Council needs new members and fresh ideas. We are looking forward to having social time once again at our Council meetings at OLG, like we've had at St. Benedict's.

May God continue to bless each and every one of you.

**GK Josh Myers** 

# FIRMLY SETTING OUR FAITH

I am convinced people lose hope because they've first lost faith. They have heard many sermons and read many books, but they see examples all around of shipwrecked faith. Christians who once espoused the gospel are now giving up their trust in God. Where do people turn for hope? The Spirit once said to me, "You have to anchor your faith. Set your heart to trust God in everything, at all times."

To "set" our faith means to "stabilize, set down roots, lay a foundation." Scripture says it is within our power to do this. James writes, "But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord" (James 1:6-7, NKJV). In this passage, the Lord lays the whole responsibility on the believer.

God is telling us, in essence, "When the world looks at my people in these days of trembling and anxiety, they have to be able to see faith. While everything is shaking, faith is what must remain solid and stable. So anchor your faith. Christian, take a fixed position. Never give up that position." I'm convinced that the world doesn't need more sermons on faith. They need to see an illustration, the life of a man or woman who's living out their faith before the world. They need to see servants of God go through the same calamities they're facing and not be shaken. David described this when he spoke of "those who trust in you (the Lord) in the presence of the sons of men" (Psalm 31:19). He was talking about believers whose strong trust in Christ is a beam of hope to those in darkness.

When you determine to set your faith on Christ, you are going to be severely tested. Once, when I was in the process of laying my burdens on the Lord and setting an enduring faith, I received a phone call with news that shook me. For a moment, a flood of fear swept over me. Then the Holy Spirit gently whispered, "Don't give up your faith. I've got everything under control. Just stand steadfast." I will never forget the peace that flooded through me at that moment. By day's end, my heart was full of joy.

### July IN REVIEW:

The Council held an O&D meeting on 7/5/22 at OLG. The Council business meeting was held at OLG on July 18<sup>th</sup> in the church at OLG and the 2022-2023 new slate of officers were installed for the coming year by District Deputy John Joyce and Father Casey Coleman. Following the ceremony, a small reception was held in the Parish Life Center with fellow brothers and their families. The Knights also fed the alter servers training group at OLG on July 13<sup>th</sup>.

## **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:**

August 15<sup>th</sup>- Council Business Meeting, 7:30 pm, St. Benedict's Parish Hall

#### HAVE YOU RECENTLY RETIRED? OR ARE WORKING REMOTELY?

Are you bored being stuck in the house? Perhaps you are looking for some place to volunteer? Why not think about St. Francis Springs Prayer Center. Our Council has actively volunteered since the Prayer Center was built. We volunteer ONE DAY PER MONTH, the first Monday of each month. We start about 9 am and are normally done by 1 pm. We take a break with refreshments around 10:30 am, then you will be fed an amazing lunch at 12 Noon, prepared by a staff member,

We are looking for both men and women to volunteer.

Please consider volunteering with us. Any questions regarding this can be directed to PGK Marshall Perry (336) 676-3900 or to Cynthia Perry (336) 288-6091.

#### **RECRUITING OPPORTUNITIES:**

Whenever and wherever a Knights of Columbus meets a practicing Catholic man, eighteen years of age or older, there is an opportunity for recruiting a new Knights of Columbus. Wear your K of C nametag proudly, never reluctantly, and advertise for the Council.

#### **SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES:**

# Brother Knights Our council has open positions that need to be filled. Please investigate your hearts and ask the Lord if any of these opportunities would be right for you.

**COMMUNITY DIRECTOR:** Coordinates the "First Responders" Awards Presentation and Dinner program. Coordinates the management of the 3<sup>rd</sup> hole at the Wyndham Golf Championship. Along with other Community programs. Expert training will be available.

**ADVOCATE:** Become familiar with the councils by laws and keeps the council from going off script.

Please contact the GK.

For further information or to volunteer please contact me:

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#### WIDOWS PROGRAM:

We do not forget the widows of our fallen Brother Knights. Widows are invited to Council 939 social events as our guests.

# **PRAYERS REQUESTED**

IF YOU HAVE SPECIFIC PRAYER REQUESTS, PLEASE PASS PRAYER REQUESTS TO THE GRAND KNIGHT AT HIS NUMBERS BELOW. APOLOGIES TO ANYONE OVERLOOKED IN THIS COUNCIL 939 NEWSLETTER.

#### Please keep the following in your prayers

Roy Berninger Dan & Nancy Camia Fran Geoff Jack Kealey Ernie and Cynthia Pancsofar Brian Dubicki Gary Chapman Kathy Chapman Dick Morrison Jerry Byrd Bob Englert Kitty Heath Betty D'Amello Antionette Cerrito Marshall Perry's Father Eastwood Family Lura Lyle Lysiak Family Edwards Family Johnny Stuart Harrison Korzekwinski Fr. David Hyman Sylvia Byrd Marsicano Family Ben Malikowski Ray Eveland's Father Dominic Brunozzi Bob Grabasky