



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PIEDMONT COUNCIL 939

MAY 2021 NEWSLETTER

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE:

Great news: The dining hall and kitchen at the Parish Life Center is currently under evaluation to correct water issues that have kept it off limits for over a year now. A plan is being designed on how to make the areas safe and useable again, by the beginning of the new year. Perfect timing. All Covid restriction should be lifted by then and we can start having our social/fund raising events, just like we used to. It will be great to get back to normal. Please pray that we can return to normal.

Reminder: We will be voting on our new slate of officers at the next Council Business. **TUESDAY**, May 18th 7:30pm, Parish Life Center, 2nd floor.

PRAYER IN TROUBLED TIMES

In perilous times like these, is the church powerless to do anything? Are we to sit and wait for Christ to return? Or, are we called to take drastic action of some kind? When all around us the world is trembling, with men's hearts failing them for fear, are we called to take up spiritual weapons and do battle with the adversary?

The prophet Joel saw a similar day approaching Israel, one of “thick darkness and gloom.”

According to Joel, the day of darkness that was approaching Israel would be one such as never seen in their history. The prophet cried, “Alas for the day! For the day of the Lord is at hand; it shall come as destruction from the Almighty” (Joel 1:15). What was Joel's counsel to Israel in that dark hour? He brought this word: “Turn to Me with all your

heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning. So rend your heart, and not your garments; return to the Lord your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness; and He relents from doing harm. Who knows if He will turn and relent” (Joel 2:12-14). As I read this passage, I am struck by God's words. As gross darkness fell over Israel, God appealed to his people: “Even now, at the hour of my vengeance—when you've pushed me out of your society, when mercy seems impossible, when humankind has mocked my warnings, when fear and gloom are covering the land—even now, I urge you to come back to me. I am slow to anger, and I have been known to hold back my judgments for a season, as I did for Josiah. My people can pray and petition for my mercy. But the world won't repent if you say there is no mercy.”

Do you see God's message to us in this? As his people, we can plead in prayer and he will hear us. We can make requests of him and know he will answer the sincere, effectual, fervent prayers of his saints.

From (The Return)

APRIL IN REVIEW:

Street Cleanup: Knights met at McDonalds Saturday morning for breakfast, and then cleaned up Westridge Rd.

State Raffle Ticket Wrap Up: The State Raffle Ticket sales ended in April. Thank you to all the Knights who purchased tickets. We sold 284

tickets and were able increase our bank account by \$710.00

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

May 4th – TUESDAY - Officers and Directors Meeting, 7:00 pm in person at PLC , 2nd floor, OLG

MAY 3rd – Into the Breach A program to reinforce true masculinity, virtue sorely needed.

MAY 18th – TUESDAY -Council Business Meeting, 7:30 pm **in person** at the PLC, 2nd floor, OLG We will be voting on the Slate of Officers for Fraternal Year 2021-2022. Come out and support your new officers.

MAY 24th – Our Lady of Grace Men's Holy Hour. Last Monday of every month 7pm to 8pm in the Church. No sign-up necessary.

COUNCIL WEBSITE:

We now have a website thanks to Walter Kulla

Past Newsletters and the Prayer List and Council Activity Calendar are now on the Website.

www.koc939.com Check it out.

DISTRICT DEPUTY INPUT:

Who are the Knights of Columbus? We are Catholic men who lead, serve, protect and defend. We share a desire to be better husbands, fathers, sons, neighbors and role models, and to put charity and community first.

The Knights of Columbus were established in 1882 by Father Michael J. McGivney, assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, CT, and a group of parishioners. Their intent? To bring financial aid and assistance to widows, orphans, the sick, disabled and needy members and their families.

To live out our principles, our Faith In Action programs are in Faith, Family, Community, and Life. We act on them in a spirit of fraternity and brotherhood to live out Christ's commandments.

Love of neighbor starts at home, so trust Knights of Columbus Field Agents and Asset Advisors to help you and your family pursue your financial goals using a wealth of Investment and Insurance products that suit your life and your faith.

Since 1882, membership in the Knights of Columbus has been open to men 18 years of age or older who are "practical" (that is, practicing) Catholics in union with the Holy See. Since that time, the Knights of Columbus has understood "practical catholic" to mean a Catholic who accepts the teaching authority of the Catholic Church on matters of faith and morals, aspires to live in accordance with the Precepts of the Catholic Church, and is in good standing in the Catholic Church.

Our Brother Knights thrive in their faith with the guidance of our Chaplains and the assistance of their Deacons.

The Knights of Columbus have great faith formation resources. Through our web portal, knights.net, email newsletter, and the digital Catholic information service library, we get access to e-books, videos, and prayer guides to help us grow in our faith.

Our faith information resources cover topics from how to pray the rosary, to how to interact with media and technology as a Catholic. Wherever you are in your faith journey, you'll have the spiritual and personal weapons you need to live in today's world as a Catholic man. Taking up this challenge with your fraternal brothers, makes it so much easier.

God bless you and your family. Please help us bring new members into our Council, so we can help them too.

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FIELD AGENT COMMENTS:

Here is an article about how the govt is our partner in an IRA. It's not an Individual Retirement ACCOUNT but an ARRANGEMENT.

<https://www-dynamicadvancedwealth-com.cdn.ampproject.org/c/s/www.dynamicadvancedwealth.com/amp/will-your-advisor-pass-this-ira-test>

Now that tax day is behind us for most of us, I wanted to share with you a great article about the one investment vehicle that a lot of us have bought into, namely the "IRA". See if your investment advisor passes the test. It's an arrangement meaning the government is your partner. I have had several partners over my business career and every single one of them wanted their share (and rightfully so) when we cashed out. The government is no different.

Enjoy, Ray Eveland

RECRUITING OPPORTUNITIES:

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
Dominic Brunozzi
Dan Camia Mike Kennedy
Kitty Heath
Joe and Frances Coyle
Betty D'Amello
Polickoski Family
Bob Nutt's Mother In-Law, Pauline, who recently passed away.

Whenever and wherever a Knight of Columbus meets a practicing Catholic man, eighteen years of age or older, there is an opportunity for recruiting a new Knight 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 look into your hearts and ask the Lord if any of these opportunities would be right for you.

L.A.M.B: Piedmont Council 939 requires a volunteer to assume the mantle of Council LAMB Director. A complete LAMB Training Manual is available for the Brother who steps forward to take charge thereby providing the necessary leadership to get our Council program rolling again. 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.

Marshall Perry's Father Gordon Perry
O'Hanlon Family
Anonymous Knight (Special Prayer Request)

Jack Kealey
Kneidl Family
Tom O'Hanlon
Ernie and Cynthia Pancsofar
Brian Dubicki
Ronald S Saksa (Carol Stratton's Brother)
Gary Chapman
Kathy Chapman
Dick Morrison
Jacki Standen
Bob Englert
Pupello Family
Mike Kennedy
Joe and Frances Coyle
Fran Egloff

DECORUM:

**Always wear your nametag and carry your rosary.
Don't forget a mask!**

**Always stand, if physically able, to be recognized
by the grand Knight remembering to render the
hand salute at the beginning and at the end of the
exchange.**

If a name tag is needed, contact the Financial
Secretary, Brother Chris Frank, email:
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VIVAT JESUS:

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