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The Monthly Newsletter
of
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Council No. 6100
Budd Lake, NJ

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Merry Christmas



In those days Caesar Augustus published a decree ordering a census of the whole world. This first census took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria. Everyone went to register, each to his own town. And so Joseph went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to David's town of Bethlehem – because he was of the house and lineage of David – to register with Mary, his espoused wife, who was with child. While they were there the days of her confinement were

completed. She gave birth to her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the place where travelers lodged.

There were shepherds in the locality; living in the fields and keeping night watch by turns over their flocks. The angel of the Lord appeared to them as the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were very much afraid. The angel of the Lord said to them: "You have nothing to fear. I

come to proclaim good news to you – tidings of great joy to be shared by the whole people. This day in David's city a savior has been born to you, the Messiah and Lord. Let this be a sign to you: in a manger you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes." Suddenly, there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in high heaven, peace on earth to those on whom his favor rests." Luke 2:1-14

Calendar of Upcoming Events

December

4	Fri	Bingo	St. Jude Parish Center	7:30 pm
5	Sat	Free Throw Contest	Mt. Olive Middle School	4:00 pm
7	Mon	Officers' Meeting	St. Jude Parish Center	7:30 pm
9	Wed	Business Meeting	St. Jude Parish Center	8:30 pm
11	Fri	Bingo	St. Jude Parish Center	7:30 pm
12	Sat	Birthday Party for Jesus	St. Jude Parish Center	12 Noon
17	Thur	Christmas Dinner	Chili's – Mt. Olive	Evening
18	Fri	Bingo	St. Jude Parish Center	7:30 pm
25	Fri	Merry Christmas		

January

1	Fri	Happy New Year		
2/3	Sat/Sun	Rose Sale	Narthex – St. Jude	After All Masses
4	Mon	Officers' Meeting	St. Jude Parish Center	7:30 pm
8	Fri	Bingo	St. Jude Parish Center	7:30 pm
9/10	Sat/Sun	Rose Sale	Narthex – St. Jude	After All Masses
13	Wed	Business Meeting	St. Jude Parish Center	8:30 pm
15	Fri	Bingo	St. Jude Parish Center	7:30 pm
19	Tue	4 th Degree Meeting	St. Michael's, Netcong	8:00 pm
22	Fri	March on Washington	St. Jude Parking Lot	6:30 am
22	Fri	Bingo	St. Jude Parish Center	7:30 pm
23	Sat	Blood Drive	St. Jude Parish Center	8:00 am-2:00 pm
29	Fri	Bingo	St. Jude Parish Center	7:30 pm

Future Events and Contacts:

- December 5th – Free Throw Contest (Ernie DiCicco Jr.) phone (973-691-8711)**
- December 12th – Birthday Party for Jesus (Rich DiCicco) phone (908-813-9605)**
- December 17th – Christmas Cocktail Party/Dinner at Chili's (Joe Barrett) phone (973-691-1570) and (Dave Rose) phone (973-927-1816)**

January 22nd – March for Life (Gerry Kaufhold) phone (973-691-2887)
January 23rd – Blood Drive (Tim Goodhue) phone (973-252-4663)

Please Note:

Meetings during the months of October thru April will start at 8:30 PM. Meetings during the months of May, June, July, August and September will start at 7:30 PM. Arrive thirty minutes early and pray the rosary with us in the Reconciliation Area of the Church.

Grand Knight's Report

Brothers all,

I hope those of you who ventured out on Black Friday survived the hectic day! So officially, another Christmas season is upon us. Every year the Grand Knight reminds us to keep Christ in Christmas, and I will continue the tradition. In the Teller household these days, with the girls getting old (if you think 23 and 24 is old), it seems to be a little easier to take a step back and enjoy the little things; making cookies for our friends, sharing special time with people we've rushed past because of hectic schedules, and helping others who really need a friend.

Every year we read about people who get in fights over the last toy, or a parking space. I'm sure we've never stooped to this level, but we can get frustrated when we find ourselves in similar stressful situations. So as the pressure of the season start to get to you, take a deep breath and remember what is important. *Jesus.*

On behalf of the Teller family, I would like to wish all of my brothers and their families a very wondrous and holy Christmas.

Vivat Jesus,

Dave Teller, Grand Knight

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Thoughts from Our Chaplain

Dear Brother Knights,

As the church embarks into the Second Week of Advent and the new liturgical year that is highlighted by the Gospel of Luke, the year offers

the opportunity to comprehend some of the themes evident in Luke's Gospel that include priority to the poor, needy and the outcast. Luke also brings to light the importance of prayer in the life of Jesus as well as the presence of the Holy Spirit. It is a highly pastoral Gospel as Luke more than other gospel writers uses women in most of his parables to demonstrate their equality in the eyes of God and portrays Jesus as the Son of God who forgives, extends compassion, and shows mercy toward those that seek to make better their lives. This creates a foundation not only for the new liturgical year, but for the Season of Advent so that all Christians who anticipate the coming of a Messiah may do so with a magical sense of longing.

The Season of Advent is two fold in character in that it is a time to prepare for the coming of the Savior as well as ponder the second coming of Christ. Unfortunately, Advent fights for time as it jockeys for attention in competition with the secular world that promotes Christmas through shopping, cards, parties, and decorations for the home. These events easily distract people from the richness of the season, which may easily sweep people away from the graces of Advent; however, it is extremely difficult even for a priest to focus on the spiritual within the Advent Season knowing that so many things just have to get done. In an article titled, *A Season of Surprises*, Kathy Coffey states this so clearly, "Here comes another Advent and we aren't up to it. The thought of digging through boxes in the basement, finding the Advent wreath, mustering the energy to shop for gifts may leave us drained. We were numb and cozy in our safe routines; how will we ever find the time or the resources to do more?"

One way the church brings the Advent Season to light is through the Advent Wreath, which gets positioned in the sanctuary of our church. One candle is lighted by an individual, family, or group at each mass every Sunday for four weeks to bring focus in liturgy that there is something different about this time of year. The first candle that is lighted at mass this morning reminds those at worship that even as the darkness of the natural world closes in on us, the light of Christ grows even stronger as we proceed to the festival of his holy birth. In addition to the Advent Wreath, the church environment focuses on blue shades of violet colors that get expressed through vestments and altar cloths. There is also no Gloria sung or recited at mass other than on the feast days of the Immaculate Conception and Our Lady of Guadalupe. Church music is called to be more subdued in that Advent is a penitential season. Advent is truly a fast before the great feast of the Savior's birth; therefore, the church does not sing Christmas songs throughout Advent.

This Advent set a goal that takes the season seriously aware that it is a period of grace and self-growth. Although the tasks of December appear so weighty, most of them are long forgotten once the New Year begins. May the words of scripture found throughout the Season of Advent lead to a shift in priorities throughout this month aware that Advent engenders countless surprises to people so that we speak with exuberance, listen attentively, and reach out to someone in search for the newborn Savior.

In Christ's Love,
Fr. Bob
Rev. Robert J. Mitchell

Right to Life March

The Knights from St. Michael's Council 3665 in Netcong are sponsoring a bus to Washington, D.C. on **Friday, January 22nd**. There are 15 reserved seats for Knights of Council 6100, their family members and St. Jude parishioners on the bus. The proceeds from the Rose sale will help defray the cost of the bus. The bus will leave the parking lot of St. Michael's Council building at 6:30 am. Bring a bag lunch and warm clothing that can be layered and removed if the weather is warm or cold. This is your chance to show the nation that you care about our government and the judicial system. This is the year to let the world know that life is a precious gift from God. Signups are after Masses on Sundays, starting on January 3rd or please call Gerry Kaufhold (973-691-2887) to reserve your spot on the bus.

Blood Drive

Council 6100 will sponsor a Blood Drive on **Saturday, January 23rd**. It will be held in the Parish Center from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Besides the usual blood donors a few brothers may be needed to help to run this event. Call Tim Goodhue, chairman for this event and he can be reached at (973) 252-4663.



2010 Dues

Save the Council the postage to bill you. Send your 2010 dues in now and get your travel card and a car decal by return mail. Just cut out and use this form.

Also, please help us confirm your personal data by supplying the following:

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Address: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Wife's Name: _____

2010 Dues \$ 25.00

Send to:
Joseph Barrett (FS)
Knights of Columbus
Council 6100
PO Box 204
Budd Lake, NJ 07828

**Invitation to Pray
With Fellow Brothers and their Families**

BROTHERS All are invited to pray Evening Prayer in the DAILY CHAPEL at 7:00 p.m. each **Sunday**. This time of prayer and meditation is only for a half-hour. Evening Prayer is part of the Liturgy of the Hours, also known as the Divine Office. In the Liturgy of the Hours, the Church fulfills Jesus' command to "pray always" (Luke 18:1; see also 1 Thessalonians 5:17). Through this prayer, the people of God sanctify the day by continual praise of God and prayers of intercession for the needs of the world.

Insurance Message

Scrooge Didn't Believe

We can all remember the story of Scrooge and his failure to believe in the spirit of Christmas. To all but the Scrooges of the world, the celebration of the birth of Christ brings with it a warm feeling of family ties, a joy and pleasure that our faith brings to others.

That same warm feeling comes from owning life insurance. Just knowing that, because of what you have planned, your loved ones will have joys and comforts for years to come if something should happen to you.

I don't think Scrooge would have believed in life insurance either, but men of good will do. And the world is a better place because of them. Through life insurance, they know that comfort and security will not be for only one day, but, instead, a gift that will provide for their loved ones for years to come.

This Christmas, give a gift of security and protection. Happy and Holy Holidays to all of you!

Call me today at (973) 527-4904 for an appointment. I want to hear from you.

Chip Leiber - Insurance Agent



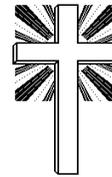
Editor's Corner

December Birthdays – Happy Birthday to the following brothers:

Frank Bucci (15th)
Thomas P. Ciborski (31st)
Josh D'Anna (24th)
Christopher P. Haley (24th)
Edward W. Katona, Sr. (22nd)
Barry Lippiello (16th)
Steven Pittigher (18th)
Thomas Rohe (17th)
Angel R. Torres (25th)

Joseph Byrnes (17th)
Gilbert Ciresa (12th)
James J. Guldner (27th)
Craig R. Howering (27th)
Michael A. Laracuente (2nd)
Steve Malec (14th)
Thomas Reynolds (9th)
Harry Russo (26th)
Bill Ware (20th)

Hope I have not missed recognizing anyone's birthday.



Please take a moment to pray to our Lord and Savior for our sick and departed Brothers and Sisters. Your thoughts and prayers are powerful gifts to God that can help those in need.

Pray for the Departed – Please remember in your prayers:

To all the victims of the September 11th terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, the passengers and crews aboard AA Flights 11 and 77 and UA Flights 93 and 175 and all the gallant rescue workers of the NYFD, NYPD and PA personnel who gave their lives trying to save others.

To the valiant members of our military and our coalition military who have lost their lives fighting against the Iraqi Regime and terrorism throughout the world. And to all the innocent lives lost due to war, terror, natural disasters and famine around the world.

To the soldiers and civilians killed at Fort Hood, Texas.

Council 6100 Grand Knights

George Byron	Mitsie Kruzel (Charter Member)
James Lewis	Roger McGuire (Charter Member)
Joseph F. O'Connor, FDD, PFN	Richard Phillips (Charter Member)
Francis P. Ruggiero, FDD (Charter Member)	

Council 6100 Charter Members

Nicholas Esposito	John Grimes
Patrick Murray Sr.	John F. O'Malley

Council 6100 Members

Gregory Alli	Moises Asaf	Angelo Baranello
Joe Bellacomo	Harvey Boyce	William P. Calvani
Rev. Joseph A. Cassidy	Charles F. Clines	Thomas C. DeLalla
Ernest A. DiCicco Sr.	Joseph Ferrucci Jr.	Robert T. Gilmartin
Joseph J. Gurrera	Bill Herles	James F. Kearney
Robert King Sr.	Joseph M. Peters	Richard F. Spitzer Sr.
Peter Volpe	Stanley Zagorski	

Pope John Paul II
Mother Teresa
Franciscan Father Raymond Beach, chaplain at St. Joseph's Home in Totowa
Sister Maria Angela Brady, Sister of Charity of St. Elizabeth
Sister Mary Catherine Brennan, Sister of Charity of St. Elizabeth
Monsignor Aloysius Busch, founding pastor of Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Highland Lakes

Mother Rose Cosenza, Sister of St. Elizabeth, teacher, principal and superior
Franciscan Sister Mary Martha DeMarzo, taught at several Diocesan schools
Sister Marita Joseph Finn, Sister of Charity of St. Elizabeth
Father William Freeswick, chaplain at St. Clare Hospital in Denville
Reverend Edward Hines, pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Chatham

Sister Margaret Maureen Hoffman, Sister of Charity of St. Elizabeth
Sister Mary Teresa Hart, Sister of Charity of St. Elizabeth
Filippini Sister Helen Ippoliti, teacher and former provincial supervisor of the Province of St. Lucy in Morristown

Deacon Andrew Kostic, brother knight who served at Annunciation Church in Wayne

Sister John Kerwin Lawler, Sister of St. Joseph of Peace and diocese's first female vice chancellor

Sister Marguerite MacLelland, Sister of Charity of St. Elizabeth and former Passaic principal

Sister Alma Virginia Maloney, Sister of Charity of St. Elizabeth

Filippini Sister Tomasina Moffo, taught at Blessed Sacrament School in Paterson

Sister Patrice Marie Moran, Sister of Charity of St. Elizabeth

Msgr. John E. Morris, pastor-emeritus of Holy Trinity Church, Passaic

Sister Aniceta Marie Redmond, Mission Sisters of the Immaculate Conception

Bishop Michael A. Saltarelli, Wilmington, DE and former Newark auxiliary

Sister Mary Xavier Sasnsevere, Franciscan Missionary Sister of the Sacred Heart

Sister Mary Elizabeth Shute, Sister of Charity of St. Elizabeth

Sister Miriam Anthony Stadler, Franciscan Missionary Sister

Father Joseph Tyminski, former director of Don Bosco Tech and Don Bosco College

Deacon Arthur VanVleet, served at St. Joseph parish in Newton

Dominick A. Calabrese, PSD, KSG

Joseph M. Cummings, Jr., PSD

Hugh DeFazio, PSD

Paul R. Heitman, Sr., PSD

William J. Kennedy, PSD

Jim Lowe, PSD

Ray O'Brien, PSD

Thomas Briscoe, Brother Knight of George Washington Council #359

Claude J. Carnali, Brother Joseph Hruby's father-in-law and St. Jude parishioner

Joseph Cialone, St. Jude parishioner

Mike Collins, friend of Brother Kevin Cunnion

William Heron, friend of Brother Kevin Cunnion

Robert Howering, father of Brother Bill and grandfather of Brother Chris

Senator Edward M. Kennedy of Massachusetts

Phil Leavitt, Brother Knight of Oak Ridge Council #5510

Larry Pribula, PGK, PFN, our District Warden

Muriel Rodgers, mother-in-law of Gregg Buckalew's son

William Rossi, Brother Carroll Gagnon's father-in-law

Ruth A. Rudloff, mother of Brother William Rudloff of Lange Assembly

Gabriel Sacco, Brother Bob Sacco's father

William Scioscia, husband of Brother Gregg Buckalew's cousin

William K. Wormann Sr., father of Brothers William and Warren

Please Note: Deceased Brothers of Council 6100 and past State Officer's will remain on the above list. All others will be removed after six months but they will always be remembered in our prayers.

Pray for the Recently Sick and Infirm – Please remember in your prayers:

Council 6100 Members		
John Abbott	Charles Andershonis	Rick Banchansky
Joe Barrett	Sal Bellacomo	Rich Biunno
Jim Byrne	Gil Ciresa	Reinaldo Colon
Lenny Ehrhardt	Anthony Fernandez	Felix (Phil) Graziano
Robert LaLonde	Joe Mitru	Bill Nolan
Gerard Petrocelli	Ray Perkins	George Petino
Stefan Poplawski	Steve Ruffini	Bob Sacco
	John P. Ulianiello	

Julie Allbritton **Charlie Andershonis**, Brother Charles Andershonis' grandson
Marie Andershonis **Ralph Apicella**

Gus Bakogiannis **Anthony Balalament** **Carolyn Barrett**
Arnold Berghorn **Noah Scott Biorkman** **Ray Bohnacher**
Alyssa Bray **Dave Brown** **Homer Buckalew**

Irene Buckalew
Kent Carson **John Ciborski** **Virginia Clark**
Lee Clowers **Meghan Collins** **Joe Collucci**
Billie Crino **Roselle Criscione** **Katlyn Cross**

Kaitlyn Cunnion
Jean Daoust **Agnes DeLalla** **Grace DeLalla**
Tom DeLalla Sr., Brother Tom DeLalla's father **Tricia DeLalla**
Tony Demaio **Betty Ann Devlin** **Kim Dillard**

Marlene Dillard **Louis DiPaolo**
Terry Farina **Florence Ferris** **Michael Fontneau**

John Fortunato **Deacon Tom Friel**
Chris Graziano **Denise Greiner** **Mildred Guider**
George Hansen **Kathleen Hogan** **Lily Hung**

Colin Hyland
Diane Johnson **Luther Johnson** **Lynn Johnson**
Mary Kaufhold **Gloria Kelchner** **Catherine King**
Marge Kiselyk **Martin Kiulehan** **Joan Kowalski**
Marie Kreseski **Cecelia Kurkewicz** **Helen Kurkewicz**
Charlie Lane **Joanne Lawler** **Antoinette Leland**

Micky LoPresti **Howard Lucas**
Chris Macklaughlin **Marion Maher** **Joseph Martin**
Jessica Martinez **Gina Maselli** **Mike McCann**
Richard McColligan **Robert McGomery** **Joe Miller**
Nicolas Anthony Mitru **Joe Moccio** **Ginny Moller**
John Monisteros **Allen Moss** **Sharon Moyer**

Jan Musgrave
Lisa Naomi **Maureen Negri** **Thomas Nierlich**
Katerie Nolan **Rudy Nordman**
Marie O'Connor **Charley O'Neal**

Dorothy Parente	Fierello Parente	Lynn Parente
Marion Peterson	Chris Phaneuf	Eleanor Post
	Theresa Puca	
John Raab	Joan Reid	Robert Rose
Sheryl Rosen	Amy Rudd	Lt. Colonel Jim Rudolf
Anthony Ruggiero	Marie Ruggiero	Don Ryan
Bob Sarlett	Nancy Sasso	Anne Marie Schlinck
Mary Schluensen	Fran Shandick	Steven Starri
Amy Storebeck	Eileen Stout	Shirley Strackey
	Tim Swaszek	Ann Sweltz
Mary Tessier	Maria Tetto	Maryjean Tonkavich
Silvia Torres	Frank Trotta	Mickie Truppo
	Scott Uhrman	Marge Vonderheide
Kathy Walters	Msgr. Jack Wherlan	Al Whetmore

Also pray for the men and women in the U.S. Armed Forces and our Allies fighting terrorism in Iraq and other terrorism throughout the world. Pray for their success and speedy return.

To all the survivors of natural disasters in the United States and throughout the world.

To our brother knights and their families in the Phillipine Islands who were affected by Typhoons Ketsana (Ondoy) and Parma (Pepeng).

**And lastly pray to the Blessed Mother for World peace.
A.S.A.P. - Always Say a Prayer**

Editor's Notes:

Get More Involved – As we enter the month of December the calendar shows that we are a Council with a hearty appetite for charitable and fraternal work. We have a wide range of activities, either in progress, or planned for the near future. Every activity needs chairmen and committee members. If you are not already as active as you should be, you can see where the opportunities are. Attend the next Business Meeting on **Wednesday, December 9th at 8:30 pm** to become more involved in the Council's good works.

Cost of Newsletters – Last month it cost the Council over \$160.00 to print and mail the November newsletter. Currently it costs \$0.40 to print and \$0.212 to mail each newsletter. With the Council's membership growing this cost can only go up. The Council's website (see below) has a link that shows the latest monthly newsletter. The newest newsletter will be posted on the website by the first weekend of the month. Last month 251 newsletters were mailed, 51 above the minimum needed for bulk mailing rates. Thus far twenty-one brothers have informed me that they will get their newsletter from our website. If any member would like to only receive their newsletter in this fashion please let me know and I

will remove you off the mailing list.

Dear Brother Knights – My wife Jackie and I wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Gregg Buckalew – editor

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Wanted – Tax Accountant

The Council is in need of a CPA knowledgeable in tax law pertaining to the operations of a non-profit organization. His or her services would be required to help us file all Federal and State Tax Forms as needed. Council would pay for these services. If any brother of Council 6100 is qualified and willing to perform these services or if he knows of any qualified CPA in the area please contact GK Dave Teller.

Knights of Columbus on the Internet

For those Knights who like to visit cyberspace here are the following web sites on the Internet to get information about the Knights of Columbus. They are:

Supreme Council Website - (<http://www.kofc-supreme-council.org>) Site consists of various webpages telling about who we are, how to join, up-to-date news of the Order, information, history, photographs and more.

Knightsite - (<http://www.knightsite.com/kofc.htm>) Site consists of a directory of over 120 individual web pages: a web page for each U.S. State and Canadian Province, The Vatican website and the Supreme Council Website; how to pray the rosary and various other pages of interest to Brother Knights.

New Jersey State Council – (<http://www.njkofc.org>)

Council 6100 - has it's own e-mail address. Among the things on the web page are the latest Council Newsletter, the Business Meeting highlights and the Council Calendar for the next two months. It can be found at kofc6100.org or

(<http://home.att.net/~dicicco-highfield/Kofc6100.htm>.) It can also be found as a link under the St. Jude Parish website: www.stjudeparish.org.

Other Interesting Websites:

The Paterson Diocese – <http://www.patersondiocese.org>

The Vatican – <http://vatican.va>

Eternal World Television Network – <http://www.ewtn.com>

NOTICE – As another means of relaying news about the Knights of Columbus, Council 6100, etc., it is requested that all knights having e-mail addresses provide them to me at my e-mail address listed here: (buckalew@ptd.net). Sometimes the telephone tree does not always work because members are not at home and do not have an answering machine. This way if any news has to get out fast, an urgent e-mail message can be sent to all those who have provided us with their e-mail addresses.

Sam's Club Membership Update

Brothers,

We have reached the limit of our current membership and are no longer able to add new members due to expired and invalid accounts. The council has authorized the creation of a new membership account to replace the existing one as per Sam's Club recommendations.

We opened a new account on August 1st, as our current membership expired on August 23, 2009. Current members will have first right to join until the current membership expiration date. Then, the new membership will be opened to other council members who wish to join. The maximum number of members per account is 100, which includes the council member and another person of the council member's household. If we reach the limit on our new membership, then a new 2nd membership account will have to be considered and authorized by the council before any other brothers may join.

Please contact me for the slip you will need to present to the Sam's Club membership desk to join under the new account number.

Richard DiCicco, PGK

(908) 320-0390 (Home), (908) 813-9605 (Cell), ricknj1956@comcast.net (e-mail)

Father Dan's Musical Concert Website

BIG NEWS - WE HAVE A WEBSITE - LOOK FOR FUTURE E-MAIL ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM SPLATTER CONCERTS - www.splatterconcerts.com. We're also on Facebook and My Space under Splatter Concerts - our new name!

It's been a VERY rough year for us financially, and we don't know how much longer we can continue without getting more people through the doors for the shows. It's been a GREAT year musically, with Ian McLagan, Donna Jean Godchaux, Ana Popovic, Smokin' Joe, Bill Kirchen, and The New Riders of the Purple Sage, but all of the above shows except Smokin' Joe have run in the red, so please come out if you want the music to continue!

Shows at the Ukrainian American Cultural Center, 60 North Jefferson Road Whippany, NJ 07981. Food Available - Have dinner with us!

Father Dan

Reverend Daniel D. Staniskis, phone (973-585-7175)

Business Meeting Highlights

The highlights of the Business Meeting of **November 11th** were as follows: (33 members present including DD Paul Walker)

It was announced at the meeting that Joe Barrett has been appointed by Supreme to be our new Financial Secretary and Gerard Petrocelli has been appointed by the Grand Knight as our new Recorder.

The following motions were presented to and voted upon by the Council during this Business Meeting:

1 – A motion was made by Stefan Poplawski to pay the vouchers waiting to be paid by the Council. Harry Russo seconded the motion and it passed by a unanimous voice vote.

2 – The second reading of the motion to spend up to \$1,350.00 (\$150.00 per month for October 2009 thru June 2010) to fund dinners to the PTSD Veterans at Lyons Hospital was made by Ernie DiCicco Jr. The motion was seconded by Gerry Kaufhold and passed by voice vote.

3 – John Watral made a motion for the Council to spend \$50.00 for a full page ad in the Mount Olive Robotics Team Ad Journal. The

motion was seconded by Rick Banchansky and passed by a unanimous voice vote.

4 – A motion to fund ½ of the expenses for the Birthday Party for Jesus up to \$300.00 was made by John Mania. The motion was seconded by Phil Graziano and passed by a unanimous voice vote.

5 – Tom DeLalla made a motion for the Council to fund 8 additional seats (\$256.00) to the Pride in Priests Dinner. The motion was seconded by Jim Sweeney and passed by a hand vote with 24 yeas and 9 nays.

6 – A motion was made by Stefan Poplawski to spend \$500.00 for Christmas gifts to the clergy, distribution amounts to be determined by the Council's officers. The motion was seconded by Gregg Buckalew and passed by a hand vote with 29 yeas and 4 nays.

7 – Tom DeLalla made a motion for the Council to spend \$200.00 for Christmas gifts to the St. Jude Parish staff, distribution amounts to be determined by the Council's officers. The motion was seconded by Joe Terreza and passed by a hand vote with 31 yeas and 2 nays.

8 – A motion to spend \$300.00 to purchase turkeys for St. Jude's Thanksgiving baskets was made by Joe D'Anna. The motion was seconded by Rick Banchansky and passed by a unanimous voice vote.

9 – Guy Taristano made a motion for the Council to spend up to \$200.00 for flashlights to the Advanced Housing of Sussex and Morris County to be given to the homeless. The motion was seconded by Joe Mitru and passed by a unanimous voice vote.

**Report by – Gerard Petrocelli Council
Recorder**

On the Lighter Side

Twas the month before Christmas
When all through our land...
Not a Christian was praying
Nor taking a stand.
See the PC Police had taken away,

The reason for Christmas – no one could say.
The children were told by their schools not to sing,
About Shepherds and Wise Men and Angels and things.
It might hurt people's feelings, the teachers would say
December 25th is just a 'Holiday'.
Yet the shoppers were ready with cash, checks and credit
Pushing folks down to the floor just to get it!
CDs from Madonna, an X BOX, an I-pod
Something was changing, something quite odd!
Retailers promoted Ramadan and Kwanzaa
In hopes to sell books by Franken & Fonda.
As Targets were hanging their trees upside down
At Lowe's the word Christmas - was nowhere to be found.
At K-Mart and Staples and Penny's and Sears
You won't hear the word Christmas; it won't touch your ears.
Exclusive, sensitive, Di-ver-si-ty
Are words that were used to intimidate me.
Now Daschle, Now Darden, Now Sharpton, Wolf Blitzen
On Boxer, on Rather, on Kerry, on Clinton!
At the top of the Senate, there arose such a clatter
To eliminate Jesus, in all public matter.
And we spoke not a word, as they took away our faith
Forbidden to speak of salvation and grace
The true Gift of Christmas was exchanged and discarded
The reason for the season, stopped before it started.
So as you celebrate 'Winter Break' under your 'Dream Tree'
Sipping your Starbucks, listen to me.
Choose your words carefully, choose what you say
Shout MERRY CHRISTMAS, not Happy Holiday!

Please, all Christians join together and wish everyone you meet during
the holidays a MERRY CHRISTMAS
Christ is The Reason for the Christmas Season!

(Submitted by William Lock, a friend of Brother Gregg Buckalew)

Other Council Activities

Bingo – Phil Graziano has become the new Bingo Chairman. The Council is still in dire need of a few 'Good Knights' to adequately staff our bingo teams. I hope the Council will help fill the voids now present on all bingo teams. If a few 'Good Knights' with nothing to do one Friday evening per month would volunteer their time between 6:30 PM and 11:30 PM (only five+ hours per month), we would be able to fully staff our four bingo teams. If you can not

volunteer four hours per month, perhaps you could volunteer your time. If you can volunteer in any way please call Phil at (908)979-3375 or e-mail: ricknj1956@comcast.net

Coffee N' – Is held on the first Sunday of every month after the 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Mass. *Council 6100 will host the Coffee N', in the months of February, May, August and November.* Brother Tom Rohe has agreed to run the next few Coffee N's but we will need to have a few brothers to step up and help Tom to run these Coffee N's. The job entails shopping for the needs of the day, organizing the work schedule for the day and just getting the job done. If you can help in any way please let Tom know, (973-426-9394).

Campbell Soup Label Collection – Brother Victor Farina is collecting Campbell Soup labels as a donation to acquire books from the Library of Congress for the Blind and Disabled. Bring your labels to the next Business Meeting for Victor.

Squires – The Thomas Christopher DeLalla Columbian Squires Circle 2192 is doing very well. The Circle conducted their elections at the June meeting and the elected officers for this Columbian Year (2009-2010) are: **The Chief Squire is Dan Petrocelli, the Deputy Chief Squire is Nick DeRienzo, Bursar is Ryan Watral and the Notary is Thomas Petrocelli.** The Circle held a State Squires meeting on Oct. 4th here at St. Jude. At the meeting, elections were held for the next Columbian Year's State Officers and members of 2192 stepped up to be nominated. The new slate of State Officers for 2009-2010 are: State Chief Squire: Dan Petrocelli, State Dep. Chief: Nick DiRienzo, State Bursar: Ryan Watral, State Notary: Chris Watral, State Marshall: George Rauh and State Sentry, Jon Rohe. Brother John Watral is the chief counselor. The circle now consists of approximately 20 young boys and is still looking for more new members. The Circle meets on the **2nd Tuesday** of the month in the **Parish Center at 7:30 PM.** Meetings for the Summer months of July and August will be held outside at Lou Nelson Park or similar location. The Squires hold gym nights on the **3rd Tuesdays** of the month at Sand Shore School from 6:00 – 7:30 PM. **Please call John Watral to confirm if gym night will be on as scheduled.** Any boy between the ages of 10 – 17 is eligible to join. John is also looking for a few Knights willing to volunteer their time as counselors. If interested please call John Watral (973-691-9189), email to jwatral@zeusinc.com or PGK Phil Graziano at (908-979-3375).

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