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BUSINESS MEETING EVERY 1ST THURSDAY ◆ 7:30PM ◆ VIA VIDEO/PHONE ONLY!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE THREE THURSDAYS! ZOOM ONLY!

Business Meeting and Officer Meeting, Dec 3; Home Meeting, Dec 10

ALL MEETINGS WILL TAKE PLACE ON ZOOM ONLY! BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR AN EMAIL FROM CHUCK KUHAR REGARDING ZOOM DIAL IN INFO.

December 2020

From the Desk of the Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

I hope all is well with my Brothers. There's been a few major changes and how we're going to be doing business until the rest of the year apparently. We are going to have to hold off meeting in person, so it looks like we're back to zoom meetings. I'm not thrilled about this, but also I have been dealing with the coronavirus personally so it's for the best. Our next meeting December 3 will start promptly at 7:00 with the officers on Zoom. The business meeting will start at 7:30. I'll send a reminder out. We are planning a home meeting December 10th and that will start at 7:30. We did have a few activities in the November that I wanted to mention.



On November 22, our Brother Knights collected a carload of food for people in need this holiday. Thanks from our Deputy Grand Knight Tony DiCicco.

On the November 15, we help the Sisters of Life move boxes thanks to the Boy Scouts Troop 290. The Sisters were incredibly grateful for that 120 cases of books that we brought into

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On November 15, our Brother Knights and Boy Scouts helped deliver books to the Sisters of Life.

their building. Good job Knights and Scouts! On November 22, we had a food drive at Resurrection. Thanks for all the Knights who helped with the food drive, and Tony DeCicco appreciated all your help. On November 19, we had a memorial Mass at St. Cecilia's. Outstanding job on showing up in force! Or Past Council members appreciated the thought and the prayers. We also received enough money through our Thanksgiving drive to give each of our three parishes ten \$40 gift cards each! Thanks to the effort of John McAleer, and our generous Brother Knights

Please stay tuned for more information on activities. Unfortunately, we're not going to be able to get together in December. If I don't see you personally, I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and we will be together as soon as I can. God bless.

Vivat Jesus Chuck Kuhar, Grand Knight



Meetings by Zoom only!

<u>December 3</u> is Officer's/Business Meeting <u>December 10</u> is Home Meeting



+-- From The Lecturer

We try to get the newsletter out as early as possible for each upcoming month, thus I'm writing our December Message the week before Thanksgiving in mid-November. The reason I mention that is because the month of November is dedicated to the Souls in Purgatory. However, we need to pray for them every month of the year, especially for Priests and also those Souls who have no one to pray for them.

Do you know you have the power to help free suffering souls from Purgatory through your prayer? Reflect on that for a moment. Say a prayer right now for them: *Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, especially those who have no one*

praying for them and priests; Let perpetual light shine upon them, O Lord, and may all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

You just helped send who knows how many souls to heaven. What do you think they will say to you when you meet them in heaven? Another powerful prayer is the Prayer of St. Gertrude. According to tradition, Our Lord promised her that 1000 souls would be released each time it is said devoutly. Whether or not this is actually the case, it is a great way to focus on helping the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.

I lived in New Mexico for a few years and it's a Latino tradition to pray your prayer requests during the consecration. I pray for my family of course, but I also add the Souls in Purgatory at the raising of the Body of Christ, and the raising of Christ's Blood. If the Celebrant raises the Host and Chalice a bit longer, I can adore Christ longer and add more prayers. The Souls in Purgatory cannot pray for themselves, but they can pray for us. I have at times asked for their prayers and have never been disappointed. We have so much to benefit by our prayers for them. They can help us right now and once they get to Heaven; they can help us again as Saints. The best part though, is helping them to eternal bliss!

Don't forget that Advent begins November 29 and is the beginning of the new Liturgical Year - A time of expectation and preparation for both the Nativity and Christ's second coming. Merry and Holy Christmas to Everyone!

Will Schmitt Lecturer Jesus Lives!

From the Deputy Grand Knight and Roundtable Chair at Resurrection

Many thanks to all those who helped with the recent food drive at Resurrection. We filled a carload of food for people in need.

Vivat Jesus, Tony DiCicco Deputy Grand Knight and Roundtable Chair at Resurrection

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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR BROTHER KNIGHTS & LADIES

Please pray for Chris Fyfe, cousin of Knights Luke and Paul Schragen and nephew of Bill Schragen Please call or email Chuck Kuhar with the names of all ill Brother Knights and Ladies.

Through "Prayers Unite the World" www.prayersunitetheworld.org, the following organizations are praying for the above (click on the name to visit their website):

- Knights of Columbus Father Ryan Council
- Franciscan Handmaids of the Most Pure Heart of Mary
- Padre Pio Prayer Center
- Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Philadelphia
- · Order of St. Clare

- · Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration
- Grey Nuns of the Sacred Heart
- Aid to the Church in Need
- Temple University Newman Center
- Mother of Mercy House



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL WHO WERE BORN IN DECEMBER!

Trevor J Berna William Derham John T McGrath
Rev Philip G Bochanski Edward K Kelly James D Meredith
Fred J Bosi Charles D McKeown Thomas E Merrick
Christopher J Breen John G Leconey Nwabunwanne A Okafor
Carmen J Calvanese Domenic A Marzullo Edwin E Scully

If we missed your birthday, our apologies. Please e-mail: tomhsims@gmail.com

PA KofC Newsletter: http://www.pakofc.us/newsletter/keystone_knight/index.html

Prospect Landing Page has been updated by Supreme.

Each council member should have this link readily available on your phone for obtaining new members. Especially if you are helping out at Church Membership Drives.

USA (English) Online Prospect Form: https://info.kofc.org/us.html

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