

# **THE BANNER**

# Unfurled For God And Country



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

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE THREE THURSDAYS! ZOOM ONLY! Officers and Business Meeting, Jan 7, Home Meeting, Jan 14; Officers Meeting, Jan 28

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

January 2021

*From the Desk of the* Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

I hope this message gets to all my Brother Knights healthy and well. I am so pleased to report that our Council made it through one of the toughest years of our lives. I was going to write a year review of all the activities that we have done in the last year, but if I did this letter would be three pages long. I'm very proud to announce that our council has been very active this year in the community, spreading good works and good word. I hope next year will be able to do even more.

A few upcoming events for January, just a reminder that we're going to be using Zoom for the meetings this month.



Knights helped deliver 2,000 donations from St. Cecilia to area charities.

Hopefully, things will settle down in February. But I don't want to take any chances. January 7th we will have an Officers Meeting at 7: 00 followed by a Business Meeting at 7:30. January 14th will have a Home Meeting at 7:30. And January 28th we will have a second Officers' meeting at 7:30.

I do want to report and thank the Knights who helped Saint Cecilia's giving tree for Christmas. We helped collect and deliver over 2,000 gifts to resident charities. You guys did an outstanding job as usual. It makes me very proud to be a Knight.

Just a friendly reminder that the March for Life is still going on in Washington DC this year starts on the January 29th. If anybody's interested in getting information or needs transportation, I would be glad to help get that information to you.

In closing I just want to put on paper my views of charity. You don't have to do everything --all you have to do is listen and God will tell you what he wants you to do. Stay safe hopefully we will see each other in person soon.

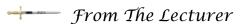
Vivat Jesus Chuck Kuhar, Grand Knight



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In December, Pope Francis announced the Year of Saint Joseph to run from December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021. On the same day, the Apostolic Penitentiary announced a special Plenary indulgence for the Year of St. Joseph.

What a fantastic opportunity to allow St. Joseph to bring us closer to God. I don't know about you, but I want to do everything possible to eliminate my time in Purgatory (assuming I am worthy enough to gain Purgatory).

Even though we are forgiven our sins in Confession there is still the temporal aspect that has to be accounted for. "Every sin, even venial, entails an unhealthy attachment to creatures, which

must be purified either here on earth, or after death in the state called Purgatory. This purification frees one from what is called the 'temporal punishment' of sin. (CCC 1472).

We can gain freedom from temporal punishment right now here on Earth, by obtaining Plenary Indulgences. The Enchiridion of Indulgences or Manual of Indulgences is a handbook that explains what indulgences are and gives many devotional prayers associated with them.

(http://so.404manual.com/search.php?utm\_source=manual%20of%20indulgences%20pdf)

But now we can add greater opportunity for Plenary Indulgences with Pope Francis' special gift to us of the Year of St. Joseph.

- Meditate for at least 30 minutes on the Lord's prayer or take part in a Spiritual Retreat with meditation on St. Joseph.
- Perform a spiritual or corporal act of mercy following St. Joseph's example.
- Families or engaged couples can recite the Rosary together. (Relevant Radio Family Rosary Across America, 8 P. M. daily 640AM or "Facebook Watch")
- Entrust your daily work to St. Joseph or ask St. Joseph's intercession for the unemployed to find dignifying work.
- Recite the Litany of St. Joseph or any other prayer to St. Joseph for the persecuted church and relief of all Christians suffering from persecution.

you can learn all the details of the plenary indulgence by reading the full Decree from the Vatican: <a href="https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2020-12/pope-francis-proclaims-year-of-st-joseph.html">https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2020-12/pope-francis-proclaims-year-of-st-joseph.html</a>

God bless you with a most holy and happy New Year, Will Schmitt

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

Upcoming Activities by ZOOM ONLINE ONLY!

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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" <a href="www.prayersunitetheworld.org">www.prayersunitetheworld.org</a>, 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
- · Grev 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 JANUARY!

Mark Dillon Frank Geiger George W. Smith, III Domenic DiMarco William Keane William Schmitt **Timothy Durkin** John Lehane William Schragren **Thomas Durkin Thomas Voisard** John Marnell Thomas Frank **Edwin Santana** Joseph Micucci **Daniel Small** 

If we missed your birthday, our apologies. Please e-mail: <a href="mailto:tomhsims@gmail.com">tomhsims@gmail.com</a>

PA KofC Newsletter: <a href="http://www.pakofc.us/newsletter/keystone">http://www.pakofc.us/newsletter/keystone</a> knight/index.html

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

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