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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, Feb 4, Home Meeting, Feb 11; Officers Meeting, Feb 25

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February 2021

✠ *From the Desk of the
Grand Knight*

Greetings, Brothers hope all is well. Looks like we got through January with no hiccups--thank God. We did a few notable service projects in January. One of them being the special service for the Sisters of Life. With the help of our Brother Knights, our council helped deliver a professional grade printer that was donated by one of our Brothers. The Sisters were extremely grateful for this generous gift. This is one of our primary missions is to help the Sisters take care of the people in their community.

The other good work we did in January was the Philadelphia March for Life. The Knights showed up in the bitter cold to help keep the pro-life people safe. The pro-life organization was very grateful to the Knights of Columbus for their presence during the march. Good job, I'm proud of you guys! Talking about work, I want to remind everybody that 40 days for Life starts February 17, and the pro-life organization is looking for people to pray in front of the abortion clinics in



The Sisters of Life were very thankful for a copier donated by one of our Brother Knights.



March for Life, January 2021

Philadelphia. Father Ryan council has volunteered to cover the abortion clinic on February 20 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. If you are available come out to show the community what the Knights of Columbus can do please contact me, and I'll let you know where you are needed.

Once again, I want to thank you guys for participating in the activities that keep the Knights in the public eye. I have faith that we will grow as a Council even through this pandemic. I pray that everyone is healthy and stay safe until we can be with each other in person.

Vivat Jesus
Chuck Kuhar,
Grand Knight

**SAVE
THE DATES!**

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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 is interested in getting information or needs transportation, we would be glad to help get that information to you.

✠ *From The Lecturer*

I started this month's message during a break while attending our yearly Malvern Retreat via ZOOM on Saturday, January 23, 2021.

It is now that time during Retreat when those physically attending can go to Confession. We at home on Zoom were suggested to reflect during this time. I've been keeping notes and would like to share them with you as my reflection.

At the opening of the retreat, Father Jim McQuinn, Rector, said that our emotions are not right or wrong – It's what you do with them. I don't know if it was intended, but this beautifully leads us to the next part.

Father Dan Arechabala (St. Agnes, West Chester) our Retreat Master posed this: Did you ever get a "God-high" then come down to "reality" (supposed reality)? We need daily scripture to let God speak to us and to learn more about him to love him.



Deacon Pat Diamond turned me on to an excellent way to experience daily scripture. It's a daily podcast from Father Mike Schmitz and Ascension Press called "The Bible in a Year". If you are unfamiliar with podcasts, just download any podcast app (I use Google podcasts from the Google Play Store and subscribe to Father Schmitz's podcast. We need Scripture for TRUTH and reflection.

Father Dan reminded us that people in today's culture value Money more than life. We idolize money, honor, power, and pleasure over God. How many hours in a day do we spend doing what we want to do rather than what God wants? We forget that Jesus gives us far more than we can perceive. For our own happiness and fulfillment, we are encouraged

to spend time with God in a quiet place to hear His voice and discern what it is that He wants us to do.

St. Thomas Aquinas said that four typical substitutes for God are wealth, honor, power, and pleasure. Sensing the void within, we attempt to fill it up with some combination of these four things. Something to ponder before Confession.

There was a question-and-answer session and I asked how do we "Pray always" in a typical day in today's world? The answer was long, but I will summarize: it is striving to live each day with Christ as our Center. Take Him from the periphery of our circle of life and bring him to the center.

If it's hard or you are not sure how, start each morning with just a few seconds of prayer "Jesus I trust in you, Jesus I trust in you." Bring Christ to mind often. Add more prayer and actions as you grow. I like using the 'Pray' section of the Relevant Radio App. There's also "The Bible in a Year" podcast and/or maybe a rosary. Come back to prayer throughout the day. Think how Jesus would handle each task of the day. Soon your life will be Christ-centered with much joy and satisfaction as God opens many doors and ways to be a loving Christian.

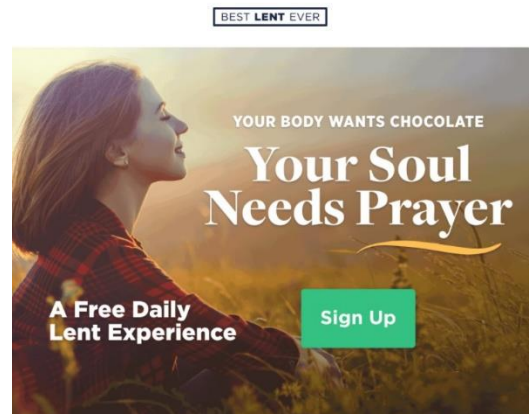
Vivat Jesus,
Will Schmitt

 *From the Deputy Grand Knight and Roundtable Chair at Resurrection*

Brothers: The season of Lent is upon us in a couple of weeks. I've included a link to a spiritual journey you can take if interested. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your families during this holy season.

Visit www.dynamiccatholic.com/lent for details.

Vivat Jesus,
Tony DiCicco



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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 FEBRUARY!

Robert J Cunningham
Richard L Girkin
Rev. Joseph E Howarth
Charles P Kuhar Sr

Charles P Kuhar Jr
George J Popskyj
James P Rigney IV
Nicholas J Sciarra

Angelo Sciarra
Anthony T Stamato
Rev Joel F Szydowski
Paul J Wuestkamp

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

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

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