



THE KNIGHTLY NEWS

Roanoke Council #562 Newsletter

January, 2020

Upcoming Events

1/1/20 (Wednesday) New Year's Day, Solemnity of Mary

1/6 (Monday) January Council Business Meeting, 7:30. Dinner served at 6:30.

1/20 (Monday) Admissions (First Degree Roanoke Council Home 7:30. Dinner served at 6:30.

1/24 (Friday) March for Life Washington, D.C

1/27 (Monday) Fourth Degree Monthly Meeting Fincastle 7:30. Dinner served at 6:30.

2/2 (Sunday) Super Bowl 54

2/3 (Monday) February Council Business Meeting, 7:30. Dinner served at 6:30.

Grand Knight's Report

Brother Knights,

I hope everyone had a blessed Christmas and a great start to the new year. A few dates to remember this month include our first business meeting of the year on Monday 1/6/2020 and the annual March for Life on Friday 1/24/2020. Please continue to pray for all victims of abortion.

As we reach the mid-year point of this fraternal year, I would like to thank all our officers and program chairmen for their support on the many activities we participated in so far. I look forward to working with all council members over the next few months to complete another successful fraternal year.

Vivat Jesus,
James Valenzuela, Grand Knight



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Chaplain's Report



Brother Knights,

A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of you!

The birth of our Lord did not happen in the most ideal conditions. Matthew's gospel shares the account of St. Joseph wanting to divorce Mary quietly and not bring her to shame because she was found with child outside of marital norms. Fortunately, the angel appeared to St. Joseph and encouraged him support the Blessed Mother and raise the baby Jesus.

St. Joseph's courage to support Mary in this difficult moment is a great reminder of the Pro-Life cause that the Knights of Columbus support. Let us ask for St. Joseph's intercession as many of our brother Knights prepare to participate in the March for Life in Washington in late January.

The March for Life on the national and state level are very public ways to stand up for the right to life. We must also be supportive St. Joseph figures in our spiritual lives by offering prayers and fasting for the unborn and their parents. Standing up for life is not just an event in January but a cause that is brought into our spiritual lives and in our conversations with other men to be supportive St. Joseph figures.

In Christ,

Fr. O'Reilly

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Financial Secretary's Report



You should have received your notice for dues payments if you are a regular or Honorary member of Council 562. If you have not gotten your 2020 dues notice, please contact Michael Lazzuri, our Financial Secretary at pgk562@aol.com. If you have your dues notice, we ask for your prompt payment of your dues to prevent additional cost and time in sending out reminder letters.

If you are an Honorary Life Member, you no longer have a dues obligation. You should have received a letter concerning voluntary contributions to the Council programs and activities along with your 2020 membership card. If you have not gotten your membership card, please contact the Financial Secretary.



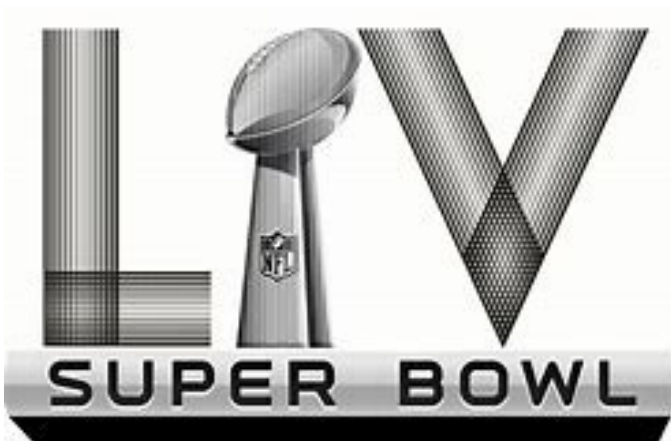
January Birthdays

Birthday wishes to the following Brother Knights with birthdays in January:

John Thibeault	3-Jan
Roddy Hiduskey	3-Jan
Chester Kkalinoski	4-Jan
Jeffrey Stump	4-Jan
Bruce Joy	7-Jan
Robert Dickard	9-Jan
Mark Chorba	9-Jan
Karl Kleinhenz	9-Jan
Fredrick Dunn	10-Jan
Thomas Cadden	12-Jan
Thomas Huck	13-Jan
Gary Griswald	13-Jan
Richard McGarry	14-Jan
Michael Ochalek	14-Jan
John Zacharias	15-Jan
Derek Laliberte	16-Jan
Harold Hall	18-Jan
Thomas Clark	19-Jan
Roger Vest	19-Jan
Noah DeWeese	19-Jan
Tim Shelton	20-Jan
Brian DeWeese	20-Jan
Stephen Boisvert	22-Jan
Richard Barnello	24-Jan
Frank Leonardo	24-Jan
Glen Waldis	25-Jan
Johan Lazaga	25-Jan
Mark Huff	29-Jan
Ralph Migliarese	29-Jan
Chuma Osuoorah	30-Jan

December Business Meeting Highlights

- The Grand Knight thanked those who helped with the Second/Third Degrees on 11/16 and those who helped with the annual Memorial Mass on 11/18.
- Readmission applications were approved for three members
- The Financial Secretary announced that dues notices will be mailed the week of December 9; members are asked to pay dues promptly.
- Several requests for manpower help have been received:
 - Serve dinner to youth group at OLN on Sunday, 12/18
 - Help set up chairs for overflow Christmas masses at OLN.
 - Help decorate St. Andrew's Church for Christmas
- Council KCIC sales are proceeding well, with sales to date of \$1179. The State KCIC program is going well, with a few styles of cards out of stock.
- The District Deputy thanked members who participated in the Second/Third Degrees on 11/16. The next First Degree is Monday, January 20. A video First Degree will be given at St. Gerard on Wednesday, December 4.
- The Lecturer reminded the members that Christmas is more than gift-giving, it is remembering our Christian heritage. Advent is a time of anticipation for the second coming of Christ. Christmas doesn't end on December 25, but lasts until the Epiphany on January 8.



Keep Christ in Christmas

Our annual Keep Christ in Christmas card sales has completed another successful year. Profits are used to fund college scholarships, support seminarians, and contribute to critical right-to-life endeavors. The final sales total was \$1948.60.

Thanks to volunteers assisting in this year's campaign:

- St Andrew's: David Bowers, Tom Huck, Rod Hidaskey, Clyde Moak, Mike Herron, Shawn Marshall, Mike Lazurri and Brian Ripple
- OLN: Val Bernys, Dave and Trish Chopski, Stephen Ratliff, Karl Kleinhenz
- St. Elias: Richard Waddell, Joe Moses



Upcoming Degree Ceremonials

1st Degree: Roanoke 1/20
(Monday) 7:30

1st Degree: Salem 2/18
(Tuesday) 7:00

2nd Degree: Lynchburg 3/11
(Wednesday) 7:00

3rd Degree: TBA

4th Degree: Virginia Beach 4/18
(Saturday) 12:00



2020 Scholarships

As we look to the New Year, it is time to think about our Council's Scholarship Program.

Our local Canfield Scholarship applications are due by April 1st and application forms are available on the website.

In addition, there are 2 other scholarship opportunities through the Knights of Columbus. They include the national organization (Supreme) and the Virginia Knights as well. Both are now available and are processed separately through those offices (with different deadline dates).

In coordinating the upcoming year's program and review process, the Council's Scholarship Committee has been meeting regularly. Any member of the Committee can be contacted for additional information.

March for Life

Council 562 Sponsors St. Andrew's Bus to March for Life

The St. Andrew's bus to Washington DC for the **Friday JAN 24** March for Life will depart at 6:45 am from the Jefferson Street parking lot opposite the Church..

The cost is \$25 per person. An identifying scarf is included. Contact frances@jammin.com to sign up. Deadline **Jan 5**.

The March is a long day - weather can be tough - one need not do the walk in entirety or at all - numerous speakers - many enthusiastic young people attend from all over the USA. It is an uplifting experience to witness so much passion for the sanctity of Life. Christ's church is alive and on the March for Life.

The generosity of Council 562 is highly appreciated. Let's get some Knights on the bus.



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