



THE KNIGHTLY NEWS

Roanoke Council #562 Newsletter

April, 2023

Upcoming Events

4/3 (Monday) April Council Business Meeting. Dinner served at 6:30. Meeting at 7:30.

4/9 (Sunday) Easter - Resurrection of the Lord

4/24 (Monday) April 4th Degree Assembly Meeting. Dinner served at 6:30. Meeting at 7:30.

5/1 (Monday) May Council Business Meeting. Dinner served at 6:30. Meeting at 7:30.

5/5 (Friday) Knights of Columbus State Golf Tournament - Virginia Beach

5/5-7 (Friday-Sunday) Knights of Columbus Virginia State Convention - Virginia Beach

Please also refer to our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/RoanokeKnights/> for additional announcements

Grand Knight's Report

Worthy Brothers,



This Lent I have been thinking about lessons that I have learned from a Wednesday morning program that I participate in called TMIY (That man is you). It goes over what being a Catholic Man living in God's way really means and what I really should be doing. This semester we are going over the fight for the bride and how Catholic men are called to act in marriage. And with all these thoughts in my head my wife and I had the opportunity to take a pilgrimage through Franciscan University and visit my oldest son overseas. There they took us to many beautiful places. One of them was on top of this hill on a clear day. The sun was shining bright and you could look down and see the town of Mauthausen on the banks of the Danube. It was a gorgeous town and a pretty sight – until you turned around and there I was at the Mauthausen Concentration Camp where over 90,000 died over seven years.

The reason I am bringing this up is that it reminded me of the part we all have to play in the world around us. You see everyone in the town knew what happened there. The camp had an area winning soccer team made up of guards and games

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April Birthdays

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

Douglas Vinci	April 1
Dennis Carr	April 3
Terrence Hauck	April 4
Rev. James O'Reilly	April 5
Arturo Ybanez	April 6
Daryl Doyle	April 8
Daniel Zipfel	April 8
Michael Downs	April 9
Frank Santoroski	April 9
Valentine Bernys Jr	April 11
James Chewning Jr	April 11
Terrance O'Shaughnessy	April 11
Ronald Pritchard Sr	April 13
William Howard	April 15
Larry Fisher	April 16
Nathaniel Griffith	April 16
Richard Vitolo	April 17
Thomas Mcgrath	April 24
Peter Voorhis	April 24
Pedro Escamilla	April 29

Grand Knight's Report (Continued)

were played at the entrance of the camp with opposing teams. This camp was not hidden in the hills or placed in the woods far away – it was up on the heights over the town – everyone could see it easily from the river and town. Prisoners had to walk through the town to reach the camp (Over 190,000 of them). No one stopped it. No one said a thing. No one did a thing.

In the world today we see a lot of things happening around us. As Catholic Men we are called to stand up and stand firm against the darkness we see. We are called to be the voice crying out in the desert. Remember my brothers we are not alone. In our council we have over 260 other like minded Brothers and many more at our parishes. As a group we can make a difference in this world. Be it making collections for those in need or helping run a truck on Thursday morning to gather food to be given out at a food bank. We can and do make a difference in people's lives. Thank you for what you do and I look forward to everything we can accomplish in the future.

Vivat Jesus!

Clyde Moak, Grand Knight



March Business Meeting Highlights

- Fr. George reflected on the season of Lent, stressing fasting as a weapon against sin. It is a time to reflect on our relationship with God and to restore relationships with others.
- The Grand Knight thanked Brothers for help with the very successful fish fries. He also announced the Silver Rose will be in District 33 March 21-24.
- Brothers Joe Devlin and Wayne Parker have achieved Honorary Life status.
- The 4th Degree Renewal of Commitments will be held Wednesday, March 22 at OLPH. The Exemplification of the 4th Degree will be held Saturday, May 20 at St. Elias (the ceremony is open to families and guests.)
- Commonwealth Catholic Charities has asked for help with Easter Baskets for underprivileged children. A \$200 donation was approved.
- Applications for Canfield and Fr. Bader Scholarships close April 1.
- The Grand Knight requested input for nomination of Young Man/Woman of the Year. Nominations are due the end of March.
- The District Deputy announced the beginning of the National Eucharistic Revival on the Feast of Corpus Christi, June 19. The National Eucharistic Revival is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States.
- Prayers were offered for family members in distress:
 - Andrew Ripple, brother of Brian Ripple
 - Joe Devlin's daughter-in-law.
 - Paul Miller's sister.
 - Bob Bates (deceased).

Possible Eucharistic Miracle at Connecticut Church

A local television station is reporting that the Archdiocese of Hartford is investigating a possible Eucharistic miracle that may have taken place during the celebration of Mass on March 5, 2023 at St. Thomas Catholic Church in Thomaston, CT where Blessed Father Michael McGivney once served as pastor.

At the conclusion of Mass, Father Joseph Crowley announced that a Eucharistic minister witnessed something unexplainable as he was distributing Communion. "One of our Eucharistic ministers was running out of Hosts and, suddenly, there were more Hosts in the ciborium. God just duplicated himself in the ciborium," an emotional Father Crowley told the faithful. "It's really, really cool when God does these things, and it's really, really cool when we realize what he's done, and it just happened today," the priest said

The Archdiocese of Hartford is looking into this possible miracle. Throughout Church history, documentary evidence exists of 152 such Eucharistic miracles. In the 21st century, there have been four Eucharistic miracles recognized by the Catholic Church. One additional documented miracle is required for the canonization of Blessed Fr. McGivney.

Upcoming Degree Ceremonials

- Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity - Roanoke - TBA
- Exemplification of Patriotism - Saturday, May 20, 2023 - St. Elias, Roanoke. Further details TBA.



Saint of the Month

Mark the Evangelist

Little is known of the early life of Mark, the author of the second Gospel. Much of what we know comes from the Acts of the Apostles and early Christian traditions. Mark the Evangelist is believed to be the 'John Mark' referred to in the Acts of the Apostles. He was the son of Mary of Jerusalem and also the cousin of St. Barnabas. Mark was not one of the 12 Apostles, and probably did not know Jesus firsthand. But he is recognized as one of the Seventy Disciples sent out by Christ. Some believe that he may have been at the Marriage of Cana and was the man who "ran off naked" at the Garden of Gethsemane. Coptic tradition holds that Mark the Evangelist hosted the disciples in his house after Jesus' death, that the resurrected Jesus Christ came to Mark's house (John 20), and that the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples at Pentecost in his house.

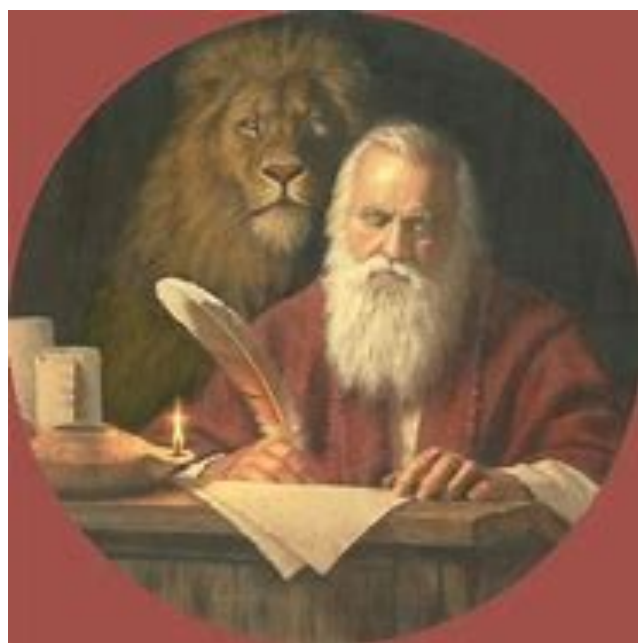
Mark was a follower of St. Paul, and joined St. Paul and St. Barnabas on their first missionary journey to Antioch in 44 A.D. Mark also held a close relationship with St. Peter, who referred to Mark as 'his son' in his letter addressed to a number of churches in Asia Minor. Several early church authors indicate that Mark was an interpreter for Peter.

Mark's Gospel was probably written between 55 and 70AD, and was based on the sermons of Peter. It was the earliest of the Gospels, and was used by Matthew and Luke in composing their Gospels.

According to tradition, in AD 49 (about 19 years after the Ascension of Jesus) Mark travelled to Alexandria and founded the Church of Alexandria. He became the

first bishop of Alexandria and he is honored as the founder of Christianity in Africa. In AD 68, the pagans in Alexandria, displeased with his efforts to turn them away from their pagan gods, placed a rope around his neck and dragged him through the streets until he was dead.

Mark was canonized Pre-congregation. In AD 828, Venetian merchants transported the body and relics of St. Mark from Alexandria to Venice because Muslims were plundering Christian churches in North Africa.



Prayer Requests

Please keep Brother Knights and their family members in your prayers:

- Ed Malinowski
- Jane Wills, mother of BK Steve Wills
- Al and Lynn Bertolacci
- Glen Waldis
- Andrew Fornecker
- Andrew Ripple, brother of Brian /Ripple
- Joe Devlin's daughter-in-law.
- Paul Miller's sister.
- Bob Bates (deceased).

Fraternal Benefits Opportunity

Hello Brother Knights & Your Families,

Now more than ever, Catholic families are looking to make informed financial decisions while supporting an organization that contributes to charities that align with the Catholic faith.

For more than 140 years, the Knights of Columbus has been protecting Catholic families, proclaiming the faith, and helping those most in need in local communities and across the world. As a member of the Knights, you have the opportunity to help protect your family's financial security while working with an organization that shares your faith and conducts itself in accordance with Catholic principles. That is the Order's commitment to you.

I would like to invite you and your spouse to join us for a Fraternal Benefit Event, during which you can learn more about the financial services that you and your family can take advantage of.

Jim Effner "Importance of Whole Life as part of Retirement Plan" on April 26th at 7:30 PM EST
Register here...Link: <https://tinyurl.com/>



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State Golf Tournament May 5

The second annual Knights of Columbus Virginia State Charity Golf Tournament will be held at Hell's Point Golf Club in Virginia Beach on Friday, May 5. Registration is \$100 per player; format is 4-ball captain's choice. Registration is on-line at <https://golf.abbatekofc.com>. This year's event also features "Lunch With the Bishops" for \$25 per player.

All of the proceeds benefit the following charities:

Catholic Diocese of Richmond
Catholic Diocese of Arlington
Archdiocese of the Military Services
Fr Michael Bader Scholarship Fund
Special Olympics
KOVAR
VKCCI
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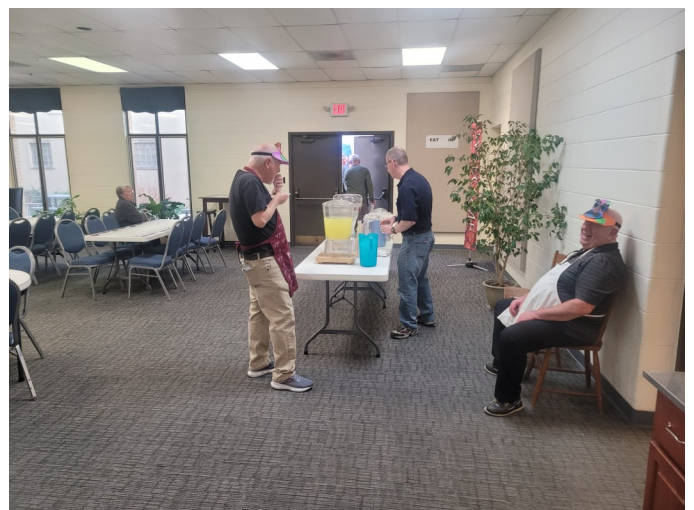
Lenten Fish Fries

We resumed our Lenten fish fries this year with three events at OLN on March 3, 10, and 31. These events always take a lot of manpower, and the response was fantastic. Plenty of help for all three events.



The fish fries are a significant fundraiser for the Council, and provide a good opportunity for good food and fellowship for the community. Despite stormy weather, attendance was great at all 3 events; between all three events this year, we served over 1000 meals!

Special thanks. to all Brother Knights, wives, friends, and family members who helped out. See pictures below.



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