



THE KNIGHTLY NEWS

Roanoke Council #562 Newsletter

March, 2021

Upcoming Events

3/1 (Monday) March Council Business Meeting in person and virtual by Zoom

3/9 (Tuesday) Virginia state Virtual Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity - details TBA

3/15 (Monday) Memorial Mass at OLN 7:00

3/22 (Monday) March 4th Degree Assembly meeting - renewal of obligations to be conducted; further details TBA

3/25 (Thursday) Virginia state Virtual Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity - details TBA

3/28 (Sunday) Palm Sunday, Holy Week begins

4/1 (Thursday) Canfield Scholarship applications due

4/4 (Sunday) Easter

4/5 (Monday) April Council Business Meeting in person and virtual by Zoom

4/17 (Saturday) Virtual Exemplification of Patriotism (4th Degree) 12:00 - details TBA

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

Grand Knight's Report



Brother Knights:

As we are now in this holy season of Lent, I am thankful for the opportunity to participate in the Consecration to St. Joseph. I am also encouraged to see several of our brother knights participating in the 33-day preparation. Whether you were able to participate in this consecration, I suggest all brother knights should try to include the Litany of St. Joseph in their prayer life especially during this Year of St. Joseph. An online prayer card is available at <https://www.litanyofstjoseph.com/>.

Vivat Jesus,

James Valenzuela, Grand Knight



Upcoming Degree Ceremonials

- Exemplifications of Charity, Fraternity, and Unity (virtual): March 9, 7:00 (Tuesday) and March 25, 7:00 (Thursday). Further details TBA. Ceremonials to be conducted the 2nd Tuesdays and 4th Thursdays of each month for the remainder of the fraternal year.
- Exemplification of Patriotism (virtual): April 17, 12:00. Further details TBA.



Fraternal Benefits Night March 9

The Abbate Agency will sponsor a state-wide fraternal benefit night on Tuesday, March 9th at 7 pm: "Living a Life of Significance". All Brother Knights, friends, and family are invited to this free webinar given live by Catholic author and speaker, Joseph Jordan. He is a Brother Knight, a best-selling author, Legatus member, past Senior VP at MetLife, Founder of the Insured Retirement Institute, is a Top 50 Irish Americans on Wall Street, in the Fordham Football Hall of Fame, and an avid rugby player. He will speak based on his award-winning book, *Living a Life of Significance*, and focus on the four pillars he has identified: belonging, purpose, storytelling, and transcendence. He will also speak about building intergenerational wealth, from a Catholic perspective. This zoom webinar is free thanks to sponsorship by the Knights of Columbus: The Abbate Agency. Pre-registration is available for the first 1,000 people at www.webinarJC.AbbateKofC.com.

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Prayer Requests

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

- Mike Lazzuri - cancer
- Glen Waldis - cancer
- Kathie Feick - melanoma, Parkinson's disease and additional health issues.
- Lynn Bertolacci - continuing health issues.
- Jack Clarke - dental surgery
- Michelle Clarke
- James Valenzuela's brother-in-law
- Stephen Ratliff's father Donnie
- Ed Malinowski - heart surgery
- Roger Vest brother-in-law deceased
- Bob Canfield family
- All those affected by COVID19

February Business Meeting Highlights

- The February business meeting was held virtually due to COVID restrictions and adverse weather.
- The Grand Knight announced “Consecration to St. Joseph” at St. Andrew’s and OLN starting 2/16. Members are strongly encouraged to participate.
- The Financial Secretary announced that the audit has been completed and needs signatures of the Trustees.
- The Memorial Mass will be held 7:00 on Monday, March 15 at OLN.
- The corporation has received official forgiveness of the \$33,000 PPP loan.
- The Canfield Scholarship Committee has an opening due to the passing of Bob Canfield. Applications are due April 1.
- Brother Knights are asked to promote the scholarship program.
- Fr. Anthony Ferguson (St. Andrews) will be holding “Fridays with Fr. Ferg” starting in lent.
- The District Deputy asked Brother Knights to promote membership in the coming months.
- Prayer requests:
 - Jack Clarke - dental surgery
 - Michelle Clarke
 - James Valenzuela’s brother-in-law
 - State Deputy from NJ - deceased from COVID
 - Son of State Deputy from MA - killed in fire.
 - Stephen Ratliff’s father Donnie
 - Ed Malinowski - heart surgery
 - Roger Vest brother-in-law deceased
 - Bob Canfield family

Virginia Bishops Record Recruitment Videos

Bishop Burbidge and Bishop Knestout each recorded a recruitment video inviting Catholic gentlemen to join the Knights of Columbus. Following are the links for each:

- <https://youtu.be/CdbpuSWP51M>
- <https://youtube/9Gf4j3YhLuc>

Please share these videos with potential new members and use them in your recruitment efforts. We are blessed that both Virginia’s bishops are brother Knights who are very supportive of the Knights of Columbus.

March Birthdays

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

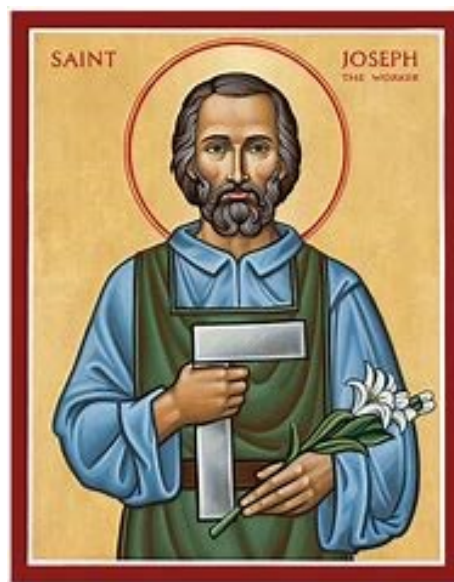
Robert Van	2-Mar
Thomas O Meara	2-Mar
J Bentley	3-Mar
William Stack	4-Mar
William Asbell	5-Mar
Joseph Ellingson	10-Mar
Timothy Heffron	10-Mar
Tristan Thorum	10-Mar
Peter Houhoulis	17-Mar
Donald Doyle	18-Mar
Stephen Bernys	18-Mar
Dumitru Branisteanu	20-Mar
David Chopski	20-Mar
Ted Leneski	22-Mar
Stephen Harnack	24-Mar
Roger Malouf	25-Mar
Easter Moses	25-Mar
Antonio Donato	29-Mar
Michael Schiavoni	29-Mar
Gregory Jakubowski	29-Mar
David Osterhaus	29-Mar
Frank Scherrep	30-Mar
David Keeley	30-Mar
Christopher Nelson	31-Mar

Saint of the Month Joseph

Joseph was the husband of Mary and the earthly father of Jesus. Most of what we know of him is from the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. According to the Gospels, Joseph was a descendant of King David. After his betrothal to Mary, he found her already pregnant, so he planned to divorce her quietly. But an angel told him that the child was the Son of God and was conceived by the Holy Spirit. Obeying the angel, Joseph took Mary as his wife. Joseph, Mary, and Jesus settled in Galilee, where Joseph taught his craft of carpentry to Jesus. Joseph is last mentioned in the Gospels when he and Mary anxiously searched for the lost young Jesus in Jerusalem, where they found him in the Temple.

Some early authors present Joseph as a widower with children at the time of his betrothal to Mary. The circumstances of Joseph's death are unknown, except that he probably died before Jesus' public ministry began. Many traditions hold that Jesus died in the arms or presence of Joseph and Mary. This image has led the Church to proclaim Joseph the patron saint of a "happy death." The Gospels describe Joseph as a "righteous man"; images confirm that he faithfully cared for Mary and Jesus. He is revered for his willingness to accept and remain faithful to God's will.

The Feast of St Joseph has been celebrated on March 19 since the 10th century. In 1870, Pope Pius IX declared Joseph patron of the Universal Church, and his patronage is invoked for numerous professions and places. In 1955, Pope Pius XII established the Feast of "St. Joseph the Worker" to be celebrated on May 1. On December 8, 2020 Pope Francis declared a *Year of Saint Joseph*, from December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021.



2021 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.

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