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January 2024

Grand Knight's Message

James "Jim" Beauchamp, Grand Knight



Brother Knights, I hope that all of you, your families and friends had a Blessed Christmas. Even though life has its ups and downs, I think we have a lot to be thankful for as we come to the end of 2023. Looking forward to the New Year, I pray that it will be a good one for you, your families, our Council, our parish, and our nation. Let's all of us strive to make it better in our little corner of the world.

This past December was again a busy month for our Council. We had another successful effort with our top fundraiser – Christmas tree sales. Thanks so much to **Tim Tilson** and **Steve Rodgers** for coordinating everything. Great jobs by all those who helped set up, unload trees, and clean up the lot afterwards. Of course, thanks to all the team captains (Team 10 is the best) and all the Knights who came out, sometimes in cold, rainy weather, to sell trees. I am impressed by how organized it was and by how many of you came out to help. Another Council tradition is the annual creche set up and lighting ceremony. Thanks to **Mark Woznak** and his crew who brought out the creche and statues and set them up. What a marvelous tradition and service to St. Leo's parish. We also had wonderful, festive Council party to celebrate the season. Special thanks to **Tony Pierno** for setting this up and let's not forget **Pat McGuire** and **Gib Flodine** for pitching in, as they so often do, to make this a big success. A good time was had by all. Of course, at Christmas time we think of those who are less fortunate. So once again, **Thelma** and **George Billy** led our efforts to provide for the homeless in Washington, DC. In addition to preparing dinners and lunches, shoebox gifts of various toiletries were given out. Thanks also to **Joe Gesker** and the **Hogan** and **Morrison** families for helping. The next opportunity to provide for the homeless will be Easter Saturday. Another Council tradition, spearheaded by **Julie Clinch** and the Ladies of the Knights, is the purchase, wrapping, and distribution of Christmas gifts for local toddlers. Thanks and kudos to all those who participated in this worthy, charitable tradition. And lastly, thanks to **Gib Flodine** and all of those who gave out Tootsie rolls and collected money for KOVAR on New Year's Eve. This spring there will be another chance to collect for KOVAR and don't forget the Chicken Pot Pie Fundraiser in late January.



William (truck driver from Tennessee), Larry Cook, Francisco Klein, Randy Bordelon, Joe Gesker (Truck Crew Chief), Matias Klein (Francisco Klein's son), Phil Coletti, Nathan Roehrig, Mrs. Melanie Kiernan (Joe Gesker's daughter), Tom Slear (Joe Gesker's brother-in-law), Maddie Kiernan (Joe Gesker's granddaughter), Vincent Kiernan (Joe Gesker's grandson) and Jason Johnsrud.



Deputy Grand Knight's Report

James Hogan, Deputy Grand Knight

Brothers,

Happy New Year! We start our new year off with a running start. I hope one resolution you will all pray for is coming to a Knights event that you have not come to before. There are many events and we would love to see you there.

With that, to start off we have our monthly Eucharistic Adoration from 1-2am this coming Saturday, Jan 6. Our annual Bowling league starts up again Sunday Jan. 7, read more in email blast or see article on pg. 6.

The second week we begin with our Business meeting, Jan. 9, at 8pm with Rosary at 7:30pm. Then that weekend we have the State mid-year meeting all day Saturday. That morning we have the rosary to end abortion at 8am in front of the church. Finally, to wrap the weekend up we have a fundraiser for the Heroes mass in Sept in the form of a wine tasting at 6:30pm in the Knights Hall.

The third week we have the Gray Gost Luncheon, Jan. 17 at the hall at 11am. Friday, we have the March for Life on Jan. 19. See Mark Cameron's article for more information.

Rounding out the month we have our second meeting. Dinner is at 6:45pm for this meeting, see Tim Hogan's article on next page for meal details and meeting at 8pm. On Jan. 25 we have a Fraternal Benefits Night. See article on pg. 4. RSVP here <http://Jan25Fairfax.abbatekofc.com>.

Looking ahead we have the Men's Retreat on Feb. 24 8-3pm. Look for more info coming soon.

Treasurer's Report – 11/1-30/2023

INCOME for Nov \$ 17,531.83

EXPENSES for Nov \$ 7,211.42

Operating Fund Net \$ 10,320.41

United Checking	\$39,120.91
United Checking (2)	\$ 507.49
Invest Fund	\$24,344.62
RTL Fun	\$ 4,546.20
Building Fund	\$36,740.14
Member Asst Fund	\$ 1,000.00
Outstanding Scrip	\$ 2,230.00
KOVAR Collections	\$ (323.05)
PKD Collections	\$ (277.50)
VKCCI Collections	\$ (19.00)

Net Assets \$107,869.81

Chancellor's Report

Patrick "Pat" Murray, Chancellor



I would like to begin my note by wishing each and every one of you a very Blessed Christmas season. We had a very successful Fall Campaign and will try to maintain the momentum in 2024. Now is the time to reach out to that fellow Catholic you've been thinking about asking to join our ranks. Invite him to come see what we're all about. There are tri-folds in the council hall listing all of the services and activities we support throughout the year to help you explain the benefits and rewards of becoming a Knight of Columbus. Feel free to pick some up next time you're at the hall. Thank you, in advance, for your continuing support with this effort.

Wine-Tasting Fundraiser for Mass Honoring Military & First Responders



WHEN: Saturday, January 13, 2024, 6:30 PM

WHERE: Providence Hall
3702 Blenheim Blvd
Fairfax, VA 22030

(Knights of Columbus hall behind St. Leo the Great Catholic Church)

COST: \$25 per person/\$50 per couple

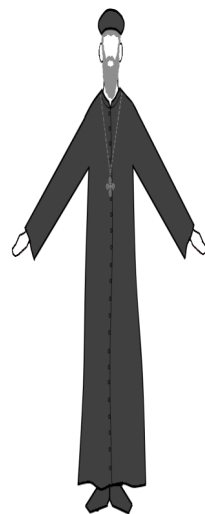
RSVP: Dave Todd, Jr. (ditoddjr@gmail.com) by January 7, 2024

(RSVP's are REQUIRED!!! No entry for those without a Reservation!)

RSVP

Brothers we are sponsoring Alfredo Tuesta's on becoming a priest through the Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP). Alfredo was here this past year. If you wish to send him letters, here is his address

**100 E Wynnewood Rd.
Wynnewood PA 19096**



Knight of the Month – Dec.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH When December rolls around each year, Christmas tree sales and the Creche set up are two of the Council activities that come to mind quickly. **Victor Young** played a large role in both the Christmas tree lot set up and clean up. These are both key stages in the overall Christmas tree sales fundraiser. He was also a key member of Team 11. When it came time to set up the Creche, he was right there to pitch in and help. He well exemplifies the Knights of our Council that may not get the 'big headlines' but are always willing to lend a hand. For this and all that he has done for our Council, Victor is our **Knight of the Month for December 2023**.

FAMILY of the MONTH

Family of the Month—Dec.

Tony and Amy Pierno have been selected for last month's Family of the Month. With time running short and no one to coordinate our Annual 'Advent' party, Tony stepped forward to get things rolling so that Knights and their spouses could get together for a wonderful party. Tony was ably assisted by his wife, **Amy**, and **Pat McGuire** and **Gib Flodine** to make this a big success. For the past 2 ½ years Tony has been our **Recorder**, keeping detailed, accurate notes for all of our meetings which helps things run smoothly. He has also been responsible for updating Council events in the parish bulletin. Tony and Amy can always be counted on to lend a hand, whether it wrapping presents for toddlers, helping at a reception for a deceased Knight, or bringing a light breakfast for the Council's Men's retreat. For all these reasons and more, they are our **Family of the Month**.

January Birthday Wishes

Name	Day	Name	Day	Name	Day	Name	Day
Dylan F Cate	1	Edward F Rodriguez Jr	5	Nicholas P Cirillo	16	Sipatela Sikaulu	24
Pranas V Ciziunas	1	Marvin J Muhat	6	Michael J De Marco	17	James M Essig	25
Scot R Lunsford	1	Steven T Zust	6	Thomas J Zink	17	James M Connelly	27
David A Ferry	2	Lawrence D Lebahn	8	George H Billy	18	Jeffrey J Neigh	27
Daniel C Perugini	2	George P Rosenkranz	9	John G Judge	18	Loren A Smith Jr	28
Jeff W Schenkel	2	Carmine C Carullo	10	Ramon F Madan	19	John Paul Balserak	29
David J Todd Jr	2	William F Murray	10	Freddy A Martinez	20	Mark E Cameron	29
Patrick D Purtill Jr	4	Patrick C Kelliher	11	Carlos A Cristi	22	Christopher J Sebulna	29
Christopher B Robertello	5	Sean H Wilson	11	David J Todd	23		

Warden Report

Worthy Brother Knights,

Welcome to 2024 !! I hope this coming year is filled with Many Blessings and Joy for you and your Families. I would like to Challenge you all to try to come out On the 2nd or 4th Tuesday of the month between January and June to attend a meeting of our Council. On the 4th Tuesday of each month; I, will prepare a meal for the Council. On Tuesday January 23rd at 6:30 get together and 6:45 pm meal served of Chicken and Rice, Salad and Dessert. Please make a effort this 2nd half of our Council Year to come out and get to know us.

Tim Hogan



PGK Bernie Kowalski and his wife Millie with Ann and PGK Dave Todd Sr.

Obituaries 2023



[John J. Downey](#) Oct. 5, 1928 - May 20, 2023



[John J. Cotner](#) April 4, 1936 - Dec. 8, 2023



[Anthony T. Febbo](#) Oct. 13, 1964 - June 3, 2023



[Ignatius Paul Grano](#) Sept. 18, 1932 - Dec. 19, 2023



[John R. Berg](#) April 24, 1932 - July 16, 2023



[Paul F. Cooke](#) June 8 1935 - Dec. 24, 2023

March For Life 2024

The March for Life gets underway this year on Friday, January 19, 2024. The Virginia Knights offer support services as marshals who help with everything from crowd control, assisting the participants, and logistics.

Since 1994, Father Diamond Council has collected money for the March. All the collected money goes to the National Right to Life Committee to help defray the cost of the March. We've been asked to help again in this effort and are looking for volunteers to collect money at the March and to count the money once it is returned to Providence Hall after the March.

Volunteers who wish to assist in collecting donations need to meet at Providence Hall at 10:00 AM on Friday, January 19th. We will pack our gear and leave Providence Hall in a chartered bus as a group at 10:30 AM. We ask for a \$10 donation for the bus transportation. Students ride free. We also ask for a \$2 tip for the driver from each bus rider.

The bus will arrive in DC before noon as DC police will close the area off before the march. Everyone will have some time to eat lunch and begin collecting at 1:00 PM. After the last of the marchers pass through our area, we will pick up our gear and return to Providence Hall by 4:00 PM for some post march snacks and fellowship.

We've had many family participants over the years so if you have wives, teenage kids, or grandkids bring them along. Whenever you march yourself or help collect money with our council. As March for Life president Jeanne Mancini said about the Knights of Columbus' participation, without the K of C "there would be no March for Life."

To volunteer, contact brother Mark Cameron by phone or text at 703-475-3516 or email him at markecameron@gmail.com.





Creche Crew 2023: Mark, Tom, Victor, Joe, Charlie, Al, Scott, and Jim

Scholarship 2024 Program

Father Diamond Scholarship. Council 6292 will award a 4 year \$500 scholarship to a Catholic student entering 9th grade in a Catholic HS starting in the Fall '23. The application is on the council website at www.6292.kofcva.org in the News Headlines section. For further information contact Tim Tilson at 703-273-9436 or via

email at
HMSLYD-
IA@msn.com.

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Chicken Pot Pie Fundraiser

The Knights of Columbus will be selling
homemade Chicken Pot Pies!

Take and bake and/or Frozen

Cost \$20.00 for a 9 in deep dish (feeds 4) or \$6.00 for a single-serve pie.

When you place your order please indicate
How many pies you would like and what
size (Family or Single)

How many you would like ready to bake,
how many frozen?

To order please email
kofckitchen6292@gmail.com

This is an RSVP and Pick Up ONLY event,
please order by Tuesday January 30, 2023
Pies will be picked up on Saturday February
10, 2024, from 5:00 – 7:00 PM

at Providence Hall 3702 Blenheim Blvd. Fairfax VA 22030

For more information about KOVAR please visit the website at <http://kovarva.org/>

January 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 KOVAR Collection	1 Mary, Mother of God New Year's	2 7:30PM Officer's Mtg	3	4	5	6 Eucharistic Adoration 1-2 AM
7 Bowling Starts	8	9 7:30PM Rosary 8 PM Business Mtg	10	11	12	13 7 AM Holy Hour for Men 8 AM Rosary to End Abortion Wine Tasting, 6 PM State mid-year meeting
14	15 MLK Holiday	16 11 AM Gray Gost Luncheon	17 7:30 PM 4th De- gree Mtg	18	19 March for Life	20
21	22	23 7:30PM Rosary 8 PM Business Mtg	24	25 7PM Fraternal Benefits Night	26	27
28	29 Council audit 7pm	30 Pot Pie Forms Due	31	1	2	3 Eucharistic Adoration 1-2 AM Pot Pie Prep

February 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29 Audit, 7 PM	30 Pot Pie Forms Due	31	1	2	3 Eucharistic Adora- tion 1-2 AM Pot Pie Prep
4	5	6 7:30PM Officer's Mtg	7	8	9	10 8 AM Rosary to End Abortion Pot Pie sales and delivery
11	12	13 7:30PM Rosary 8 PM Business Mtg	14 Ash Wednesday	15	16 Soup supper in gym, 4:30pm	17
18	19 President's Day	20 11 AM Gray Gost Luncheon	21 7:30 PM 4th De- gree Mtg	22	23 soup supper in gym, 4:30PM	24 8AM - 3PM Men's Retreat
25	26	27 7:30PM Rosary 8 PM Business Mtg	28	29	1 Soup supper in gym, 4:30pm	2 Eucharistic Adora- tion 1-2 AM State Quarterly Meeting



Advent Party 2023
MaryAnne, Charlie,
Herb, George, and
Thelma

Sunday Night Bowling League

Looking for bowlers! Any level ~men/women

This is a fun league so no experience necessary!

starts January 7th 2024 6pm

Short Season!

at Bowl America Fairfax

Get your team together or just show up and be placed on a team!

Questions???

Contact: Keith Morrison (703) 304-8540

MWCRKM@aol.com or

Tim Hogan (703) 926-4347 TimHogan@yahoo.com

Officers, Directors, and Program Chairmen—2023-24

Officers

Grand Knight	James Beauchamp	703-915-3504
Chaplain	Fr. Jonathan Fioramonti	
Deputy GK	James Hogan	703-731-7164
Chancellor	Pat Murray	703-383-3436
Financial Sec.	Phil Coletti	703-945-2544
Treasurer	Bill Lane	703-585-4634
Recorder	Tony Pierno	516-445-3613
Advocate	Keith Morrison	703-304-8540
Warden	Tim Hogan	703-926-4347
Inside Guard	Jason Johnsrud	
Inside Guard	Charlie Kraiger	
Outside Guard	Nathan T. Rasmussen	703-385-2991
3yr Trustee	Nelson Clinch	703-209-8505
2yr Trustee	Mark Walther	703-766-5054
1yr Trustee	Gib Flodine	703-201-0477

Program Directors

Programs	James Hogan	703-731-7164
Faith	Herb Zimmerman	703-623-6299
Family	Pat McGuire	703-209-5288
Community	Dan O'Malley	703-385-2010
Life	Mark Cameron	703-475-3516


Committee Chairmen

Charity	Pat Murray	703-383-3436
Admissions		
Retention	Dan O'Malley	703-385-2010
Vocations	Pat Murray	703-383-3436
Budget & Finance	James Beauchamp	703-915-3504
Hall Scheduler	Mark Woznak	703-280-4124

Hall Manager	Charlie Kraiger	703-667-0241
Frat. Benefits	Max Abbate	866-868-1492
Ins. Promotion	Max Abbate	866-868-1492
Providence Hall	Kitchen or Office	703-385-8007

Project Chairmen

Combined Deg. Team		
Bowling Team	Keith Morrison	703-304-8540
Christmas Trees	Tim Tilson	703-273-9436
Car Raffle	Mark Walther	703-766-5054
Comedy Knight	Herb Zimmerman	703-623-6299
Email Updates	Nelson Clinch	703-209-8505
Fall Festival	Tim Hogan	703-926-4347
Family Breakfast	Pat McGuire	703-209-5288
	Tim Tilson	703-273-9436
Food Baskets	Pat McGuire	703-209-5288
Fourth Deg.	George Billy	
Fraternal Prayer		
Gray GOSTs	Al Leightley	703-273-2089
KCIC	James Hogan	703-731-7164
KOVAR	Gib Flodine	703-201-0477
Newsletter	James Hogan	703-731-7164
Parish Picnic	Tim Tilson	703-273-9436
March-for-Life	Mark Cameron	703-475-3516
Scout Troop	Roger Rosenberger	703-591-7750
Scrip Sales	Tim Hogan	703-926-4347
St. Patrick's Party	Pat Murray	703-383-3436



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Blessed Michael McGivney Guild

Benefits:

- quarterly newsletter (updates on the canonization cause)
- a weekly Mass offered



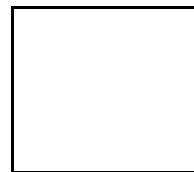
Giant and Safeway Food Cards Buy Food - Buy Gift Cards — Support the Knights

Food Gift Cards (AKA scrip) for Giant, and Safeway is sold by our council. Profits go toward the Scholarship funds and St. Leo's PTO. Call Tim Hogan at 703-926-4347 for information. Available at Providence Hall before or after meetings.

How does it work? Father Diamond council buys food gift cards at a discount (5% for Giant and Safeway). We sell them to anyone at face value. If you, your family, friends or neighbors shop at any of these stores you can help the Council raise money for our scholarship funds.

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