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June 2024

Grand Knight's Message

James "Jim" Beauchamp, Grand Knight



Brother Knights, Meteorological summer has arrived, which is a little different than astronomical summer. So please enjoy some time at the pools, the beach, or summer vacations with loved ones. Things are beginning to slow down a little bit in the Council but let's not forget the Fairfax City Picnic on June 5 and Steak Night on June 25. Both these events will be well worth attending. During this past month officer nominations were finalized and elections successfully held. Congratulations to our nominating committee of **PGK Mark Woznak**, **PGK Timothy Hogan**, and **PGK Donald Kehoe**. Also kudos to all of our newly elected officers, especially those never before elected as Council officers. These include **Douglas Fehrer** (Chancellor), **Sipatela 'Sipa' Sikaulu** (Advocate), **Daniel C. Perugini** (Warden), and **Michael Kaylor** (Outside Guard). Also, let me thank long time member and **PGK Joseph Gesker** for stepping up and assuming the position of Lecturer for the Council. Our business meetings will be much better with his reflections.

This has been a good year for us to attract new members. A successful Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity or Combined Degree was held recently where **David Mueller**, **Stephen Issing**, **Michael Roskind**, and **Paul Gianoli** all received the Third Degree.

Our annual Grand Knight's Ball was just held at the Army Navy Country Club. It was very well attended and a splendid time was had by all. Let me especially thank **PGK Tim Hogan** for making all of the arrangements with the Country Club, taking in the RSVPs and running the 50/50. Also, thanks to his mother **Flo** and his wife **Pricilla** for helping make this a success. The tables were all nicely decorated with lovely floral arrangements from **Lynne Morrison** and **PGK Pat McGuire** donated the wine and did a marvelous job as Master of Ceremonies. A big thanks to all these individuals. And lastly let me mention those individuals who were recognized at the dinner. Our scholarship winners were **Phylicia Coletti** (Fr. Diamond Scholarship), **Seanna Downs** (Corporal Nicholas C. Kirven Scholarship), and **Lily E. Salva** (Past Grand Knight Gerald L. Broyles Memorial Scholarship). Or Fr. McGivney Finalist was our very own Worthy Chaplain **Fr. Jonathan Fioramonti**. Our Outstanding Young Man is **Kevin Murray**, who is attending Fairfax High School and our Outstanding Young Woman is **Theresa Joan Hambleton**, who will be starting at Christendom College next fall. Our Knight of the Year, recognized for all that he has done for the Knights and the Community is **PGK Timothy T. Tilson** and finally for all they have done for the Council, Assembly, and feeding the homeless is **PGK George Billy** and his wife **Thelma**.

One more thing, as many of you **Fr. Fioramonti** will sadly be leaving us this month for his new assignment as Chaplain at Paul VI High School. It has certainly been a pleasure having him as our Chaplain these last 3 years and we wish him well in his new assignment.





Deputy Grand Knight's Report

James Hogan, Deputy Grand Knight

Brothers,

Thank you for voting me to be the Grand Knight for the '24-'25 fraternal year. I am honored to continue the legacy of my predecessors and the mantle that our council is known for.

Our regular scheduled events this month are our Officers meeting 6/04, Rosary to End Abortion 6/08, Eucharistic Adoration 6/01, and our two meetings 6/11 and 6/25.

See the calendar for times of events.

This month our 2nd meeting is our annual Steak Night, \$25 a person. Please [RSVP](#) by the June 21th .

The Grand Knight's Ball will be this 6/01. We will be celebrating the exceptional year by Jim Beauchamp as well as our council. We will be giving out awards and reminiscing over the year. Please come out if you can.

We have been asked again to feed the Fairfax City Government employees on 06/05 for their annual picnic. This is a great source of income for our council. We will need volunteers from 9-2pm. If you can help out, please contact [Pat McGuire](#).

Looking ahead we will be hosting the State Organizational Meeting at St. Leo's 12-14 July. More information will be provided as we get closer to this.



KOVAR collections in May. Pictured Keith and Mark.

Treasurer's Report – 4/1-30/2024

INCOME for Apr. \$ **8,124.39**

EXPENSES for Apr. \$ **10,606.30**

Operating Fund Net \$ **(2,841.91)**

United Checking	\$35,926.15
United Checking (2)	\$ 2,197.81
Investment Fund	\$43,553.96
RTL Fun	\$ 4,621.89
Building Fund	\$37,351.63
Member Asst Fund	\$ 1,000.00
Outstanding Scrip	\$ 1,300.00
KOVAR Collections	\$ 0.00
PKD Collections	\$ 0.00
VKCCI Collections	\$ 0.00

Net Assets \$125,951.44



Chancellor's Report

Patrick "Pat" Murray, Chancellor

Brothers,

As we enter the final month of our Fraternal Year, I want to thank you for all your efforts in supporting our many recruitment efforts over the year. However, we cannot rest, we must continue to identify and invite Faithful Catholic Men to be part of our Council and Brotherhood. In these uncertain times for our Country, the principles of our order Unity and Charity become critical to identify like-minded Men not only in service to our Parish and our Priests but also united in our efforts to preserve our Country and Freedoms afforded to us through the Providence of Almighty God.

Please remember to invite Men you may see at Mass, at School, or at Parish events to consider becoming a Knight. In June we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. True devotion to the Sacred Heart is full of human and supernatural meaning. As St. Paul presents to us in his letter to the Ephesians (3:14-19), "a program of knowledge and love, prayer and life, all beginning with devotion to the Heart of Jesus, the root and foundation of all love."

Continue to Pray for our Priests and our Parish.



Knight of the Month – May

This month’s recipient seemed to be involved in just about every major event that our Council had this past month. He was a member of this **Nominating Committee** which did a splendid job of selecting candidates for the next Fraternal year. He was coordinating a major fundraiser, the **Antique Car Show**, which unfortunately was rained out. Better luck next year. In his capacity as Warden, he has been providing us with delicious meals at the second business meeting each month. This month’s chicken and rice with fresh salad was particularly good. He was a key player in setting up and helping to run this month’s **Combined Degree** ceremony. Finally, he has made all of the arrangements for this year’s Grand Knight’s Ball. Things seem to be really falling into shape for the ball and we anticipate a fabulous evening. For this and all that he has done for our Council, **Tim Hogan** is our **Knight of the Month**.



Family of the Month—May

Tom and Mary Lou Gross have been selected for last month’s **Family of the Month**. Tom is a past Treasurer of the Council and pushed for and did much of the initial research to find where the Council’s non-operational monies could get a nice interest rate. This was finally implemented and has worked out very well for us. Tom is one of our stalwarts in the monthly **Rosary to End Abortion** and can always be counted on to help collect money at the **March For Life** in DC. Even if it’s cold and snowing. About one year ago Tom and Mary Lou were instrumental in starting up a new ministry at St. Leo’s. That is ‘Date Night’ which has been very well attended and successful. For many years, Mary Lou has worked for St. Leo’s school. For all these reasons and more, they are our **Family of the Month**.

June Birthday Wishes

Name	Day	Name	Day	Name	Day
Michael S Furey	1	Joseph D Drozd	15	Thomas J Paratore	21
Paul M Gianoli	2	Antoine F Elachkar	15	Joseph A Burg	22
Timothy J Mc Carthy	2	Edward H Cummings Jr	16	Humberto Mercado Iii	22
William J Garity	3	Mr Jeff Danforth	16	James F Engelhardt	25
Albert L Leightley II	3	Brian J Gormley	16	John V Greer	25
Timothy J Holleran	5	Quinley Y Johnson	16	James Beauchamp	26
Almirante C Trapal	8	Andrew J Mc Grail	16	Daniel P Short	29
Michael A Gundling	11	Benjamin M West	18	Edward P Crnkovich	30
Dennis W Mc Naughton	11	Joseph F Paratore Jr	21	John F Hogan III	30



Parish Breakfast (Pictured L to R) Tony, Jamie, Doug, and Father Juan

***** Council Shirt Sale*****

Brother Knights, we volunteer for many Parish and Community events, Let us represent our council and wear our shirts at said events.

We are working on obtaining a new vendor and getting pricing, this notice is to ascertain who and how many shirts we will need to order. The new shirts will be in a Maroon color and again be made of a moisture wicking material, you will be able to order a shirt with or without personalization.

If you're interested in purchasing one or more shirts, please contact Brother Knight Tony Pierno via email at Tonyp28840@yahoo.com.

We will need to know what size, what name you want on shirt If personalized and quantity.



Warden Report

Worthy Brother Knights,

We are down to our last month of this Fraternal Year. Please come out to our last two meetings in June and see what we do and meet other Brother Knights of our Council. The meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of June starting with The Rosary at 7:30 followed by the meeting at 8pm. On the 4th Tuesday June 25, we will be having our annual **Steak Night Dinner** prepared by Patrick McGuire. Time of this event starts at 7pm with The Rosary followed by dinner at 7:30. Please join us for this Fraternal Event.

Fraternally,
Tim Hogan

Work Camp 2024

The St. Leo's Youth Ministry, under the direction of Katherine Piraino, will be having a work camp at St. Leo's entitled "SERVE 2024" on July 7 -10, 2024. Our youth will have an opportunity to learn more about the works of mercy. The tentative schedule is June 27 (6:30 – 8:00 PM), July 7 (5:30 – 8:00 PM), July 8 (8 AM – 6 PM), July 9 (8 AM – 6 PM), and July 10 (8 AM – 7 PM). If anyone is interested in working with our youth (grades 6, 7, and 8), especially some of our retired brother Knights, please contact Katherine at ymdirector@stleofairfax.com. VIRTUS training is strongly recommended.



Chaplain's Message

Father Jonathan Fioramonti, Council Chaplain

Dear Brother Knights,

I am so grateful for receiving the Michael McGivney Award at the Grand Knight's Dinner this past Saturday. It was a great honor for me to receive the award and it has been an even greater honor being your chaplain these past three years.

As my parting word to you and your families I leave you with the two most important persons in my life. Jesus and Mary. Last month in May we celebrated the Mother of God, Mary. And this month of June we celebrate The Sacred Heart of Jesus. We can find Jesus' Heart truly and really present in every Catholic church, in the Tabernacle. Mary and Jesus. My two pillars, and undoubtedly the pillars of the Knights of Columbus.

Please continue to Pray your Rosary for our world, Our country, Our Catholic Church especially St. Leo the Great, and for your families. It was also so beautiful to see so many Knights at our Corpus Christi Procession yesterday, as the honor guard and taking on other roles to makes the procession go smoothly! Thank you for your devotion to Our Eucharistic Lord! Stay close to Him and He will never fail you. And lastly I do ask you to pray for me as I depart to Paul VI High School and for your priests here at St. Leo. Father Juan, Father Thomas, Father Thomas, and soon for Father James and Father Walter as well as our Deacons! Please support them, love them and pray for them. You are of course in our prayers.

May Our Eucharistic Lord richly bless you and your families through the intercession of Our Blessed Mother and Queen of Heaven and Earth.

Blessed Michael McGivney, Pray for us!

St. Leo the Great, Pray for us!

Peace in Christ,



May Degree (L to R) GK Jim, David?? ,Paul, Michael??., Stephen, Chancellor Pat, and DD Ryan.

June 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27 Memorial Day	28 7:30PM Rosary 8 PM Business Mtg Election of Officers	29	30	31	1 Grand Knight's Ball
2 Feast of Corpus Christi	3	4 7:30PM Officer's Mtg	5 Fairfax City Picnic, 9:30-2PM	6	7	8 Eucharistic Adoration 1-2 AM 8:30 AM Rosary to End Abortion
9	10	11 7:30PM Rosary 8 PM Business Mtg	12	13	14	15 St. Leo Family Fest
16 Father's Day	17	18 11 AM Gray Gost Luncheon	19 7:30 PM 4th Degree Mtg	20	21	22
23	24	25 7:30PM Steak Night 7:00PM Rosary	26	27	28	29
30	1	2	3	4	5	6

July 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	1	2 Officers Mtg 7:30PM	3	4 Independence Day	5	6
7	8	9 Rosary 7:30PM Business Mtg 8PM	10	11	12 State Organizational Mtg	13 State Organizational Mtg
14 State Organizational Mtg	15 Council Audit 7:30PM	16	17	18	19	20 Installation of Officers 6PM
21	22	23	24	25 Altar Servers Picnic	26	27 Take a Bite out of Cancer
28	29	30	31	1	2	3

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	202-577-7100
Inside Guard	Charlie Kraiger	703-667-0241
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
Lecturer	Joe Gesker	571-606-3317

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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