

# THE LOOKOUT

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# Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights and Families, As you receive this newsletter Lent will only be a few days away. Lent

for me is a time that I can truly take focus on what is truly important, my love for Jesus. We Knights express our love for Christ in many ways. As we all know our Church is going through some difficult times. Many of our Bishops have met in Rome at the end of February to pray and ask God to help them find ways to make sure the Church and all its members are always acting as Jesus has taught us to act. To this end, to support our Church we will embark on a Lenten Novena for Repentance, Renewal, and Rebuilding. As most of us have seen recently in our emails our Supreme Council has led this effort. In the last days of February, Supreme emailed out each day prayers that Knights can say each day in support of the Church. In our first three meetings in Lent, we as a council will pray those prayers that our Supreme Council has distributed. The Novena for Repentance, Renewal, and Rebuilding is broken into nine separate prayers. We will pray the first three at the March 12th meeting, then the next three at the March 26th meeting and we will pray the final three at the April 9th meeting. At each meeting, these prayers will only take approximately ten minutes, we all pray that through the Grace of God our prayers for Repentance, Renewal, and Rebuilding will be answered as our Church moves forward.

Vivat Jesus! Dan O'Malley Grand Knight



# Deputy Grand Knight's Report

Brother Knights,
This March is an extremely busy
month for our council.

Saturday March 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:00AM we will have the Rosary to End Abortion at the church. All members of the church are invited to participate.

Sunday March 10th, we have our Family Breakfast in Providence Hall after the 7:30 AM and 9:00 AM masses. Help is always needed to setup, cook, serve and cleanup at the end of the meals, please contact Pat McGuire (ffxmacman@gmail.com) if you are willing to help out. You don't have to stay for the whole time. Whatever you can give it will be appreciated. Any students making their Confirmation can volunteer at this activity to receive credit service hours. Table set-up usually begins around 6:00AM, clean-up commences around 10:30AM.

Saturday March 16<sup>th</sup>, it is our yearly St. Patrick's Day Party. Contact **Pat Murray** (pjmurray@att.net) for prices and reservations. Any help given to Pat would be appreciated.

Due to Easter being in late April this year, our Tootsie Roll KOVAR drive will take place on Thursday March 28<sup>th</sup> through Sunday March 31<sup>st</sup>. Contact **Joe Gesker** (jgesker@verizon.net) to volunteer.

Any knight wishing to volunteer to work for an activity that children are present must take **Viratus training and complete a background check.** Please contact Dan O'Malley if you need the training and background check.

Your friend in Christ, Gib Flodine, Deputy Grand Knight

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## 2019 Yard Sale Coming up on June 1

This year's Giant Yard Sale will be on Saturday, June 1. It is time to do spring cleaning. If your unwanted stuff still has some good life in it, put it aside for our yard sale. You can bring your treasures to the KofC Hall May 29, 30 and 31.



#### Chancellor's Corner

We will be holding a **Formation** (2<sup>nd</sup>) **Degree Celebration** at Providence Hall on Tuesday, March 26 @ 8:00 PM (Rosary/candidate registration 7:30 PM). A short business meeting and a dinner will follow in that order. Candidates wishing to participate in the degree are advised to contact Grand Knight **Dan O'Malley** (omalley1017@gmail.com) and me (markwalther7@yahoo.com) to allow for appropriate planning. Attire for all degree celebrations is coat and tie.

Brothers, as we continue to strive towards our goal of 30 new members, please remember to remain open to possible recruitment opportunities each day. Thank you for your continued efforts.

Vivat Jesus,

Mark Walther

Chancellor, Father Diamond Council 6292

### **Catholic Charities, Diocese of Arlington**

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington is looking for volunteers to help offer hope and healing to those in recovery by becoming a mentor. Volunteers will aid returning citizens in finding and following a path to a new life after prison. As a member of their mentor team you will:

- ♦ Have the potential to change someone's life
- ♦ Expand your views on the world and your comfort zone
- ♦ Help build a more stable and peaceful society
- ◆ Fulfill your calling to serve those in need in your immediate community

Your life may become the one that is totally changed! Volunteer at <a href="www.ccda.net">www.ccda.net</a> or email Sally O'Dwyer, SOdwyer@ccda.net.

### Father Diamond Council, 6292, Spring 2019 KOVAR Collection Campaign



Brother Knights, and families, come join us in our support of Virginians with Intellectual Disabilities by participating in our annual, "Spring" KOVAR fund raising campaign from Thursday, 28 March thru Sunday, 31 March. You may volunteer by registering on the "sign up" board in Providence Hall, completing our council KOVAR Online Sign-up (https://kofc6292.regfox.com/2019-kovar-campaign), or simply informing our KOVAR Chairman, PGK Joe Gesker: jgesker@verizon.net, (cell) 571-606-3317, or (H) 703-435-4811. Collection shifts will be for two hours at one of the following locations: "Road Runners," Safeway (Courthouse and Fairfax Town Center), Shoppers Food Warehouse (Pickett), IHOP, or VABC Stores (Courthouse, Lee Plaza and Fair Lakes). We will also collect after Masses on 30 and 31 March.

**Remember**, KOVAR is a Virginia Knights of Columbus 501© (3) tax exempt charity established in 1971 to serve Virginians with Intellectual Disabilities (ID). Since 1971, KOVAR has distributed more than \$14,000,000 in grants and issued more than \$3,500,000 in interest free loans to assist with the purchase of group homes for Virginians with IC.

Note: If you contributed to KOVAR this year via "work place" payroll deductions (#42569 Combined Federal Campaign, 3735 Virginia Combined Campaign, #8838 United Way or other) proofs of donations must be provided to our Father Diamond KOVAR Chairman asap.

"And what is the humanity that Jesus reveals? Who are we? We are not congealed stardust, an accidental by-product of cosmic chemistry. We are not just something, we are someone. Moreover, we are "someones" going somewhere. As human beings possessed of an innate, God-given dignity, we have a divine destiny, revealed and made possible by Jesus Christ." George Weigel, The Truth of Catholicism; New

Dues notices for 2019 have been mailed to members of the council. Membership cards are being sent shortly after payments are received. Members are reminded to make payments and avoid further notice. If you have a question, please contact the Financial Secretary, **David Todd, Sr.** at <a href="mailto:datodd@verizon.net">datodd@verizon.net</a> or (703) 352-2724. This information is also printed on the back of your membership card and should be shared with your family members. They should contact me whenever something happens to you that may affect your membership.

**JL Tree Service** once again "policed" up our Christmas tree debris at no cost. Please consider them when deciding on a tree service. They can be reached at (703) 359-4444.



## **March Birthday Wishes**

We want to wish all of our Brother Knights born in the month of March a very Happy Birthday:

Jose Mendoza	1	Geoffrey Okelo	П
Michael Passey	- 1	Daniel Conway	12
Rene Gutierrez	2	John Alexander	13
Christopher Botticelli	3	Daniel Fleming	13
Connor Cuevo	3	Donald Kehoe	14
Luis Roa	3	William Lane	14
Joseph Daniel	5	Jose Lopez	14
Kenneth Flood	5	Joseph Underwood	16
Leopoldo Leyendecker	6	Ronald Thornton	21
Mark Marple	6	Patrick Martin	22
Jose Trujillo	6	Yerko Baptista-Garvizu	23
Patrick Mcguire	7	Richard Worthington	24
Joe Paratore, Sr.	7	Christopher Yablonski	27
Edward Cuccias	9	Paul Hartley	29
Darin Jablonski	9	James Hogan	30
Karl Reiner	9	Mark Walther	30
Gerard Pepin	10	Charles Buchanan	31
Patrick Dunne	11		

# **2019 CAR RAFFLE**

If you are a St Leo the Great parishioner, by now you should have received your 10 tickets for the 2019 Car Raffle. Although the letter asks you to return the money and stubs for 20 tickets, we decided to only ask you to sell/buy ten tickets. Please forgive our mistake in the letter. Return the 10 tickets/stubs in the enclosed envelope.

The Father Diamond Council Knights of Columbus, is the volunteer organization coordinating all the 2019 Car Raffle activities. Look forward to seeing one of the five cars you can win outside the church on March 2/3 (Honda CRV Sports Utility), March 30/31 (Honda Civic), and April 20/21 (Honda Odyssey Van – yes, the Easter Bunny will arrive in the van).

If you did not receive tickets, have any questions or want more tickets to sell, please contact Herb Zimmerman at 703-623-6299 or via email at Herb2777@yahoo.com.





## February 2019 Knight of the Month

This past month the Arlington Catholic Herald had an article that introduced men that have become diaconate candidates. We as a council are blessed that one of our members is part of this class. In

the paper he was quoted as saying, "This has just been a wonderful day to be officially welcomed in to the program. I just feel blessed to be in fellowship with others who are on a similar path as I am

on." We share in his excitement and we will all be praying for him and his family over the next few years. This brother has been very active in our Church for several years. He is a regular lecture at Mass as well is he is an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. He and is family also regularly participate in many of our council family activities. It is my honor to therefore recognize **Marvin Muhat** is the Knight of the Month for February 2019. Please take time to both congratulate Marvin and pray for him as he works towards this important Ministry.

## February 2019 Family of the Month

This entire family has blessed our parish with many hours of self-less devotion and support. In the month of February, we had several events where this family all came together to provide loving support. At the Scout Breakfast, this Brother had the scouts and some leaders assist in the set-up of all the tables and the chairs. And even decorating the tables. The best part his oldest daughter helped with the serving to the families and the scouts. At the end of the breakfast this family along with the leaders and other scouts took down all the tables and chair, put them away and then proceeded to mop

the entire floor of the gym. He also took leadership for the basketball free throw competition. He and his family planned every little detail and did a wonderful job as



always. We are truly blessed to have this family in our council and parish. When you can please congratulate **Pat and Janice Murray** as the Family of the Month for February 2019.

#### KAIROS Update

Hello All.

I wanted to pass along a Christmas card that I received from Jay, one of the prisoners who sat at my table during our Kairos weekend this past fall. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry!

As is evident in Jay's card, a cookie and a prayer make a profound difference in the lives of those that are incarcerated. Jay had to work many hours at the prison to earn enough money to buy this Christmas card through the prison commissary system! Many of the men I visit are in prison for life, but they have hope and your charity gives them encouragement. Please consider including prisoners in your daily prayer. I hope you'll consider supporting our Kairos team again and to pass this invitation on to a friend. Our next weekend is 24-28 April 2019.

How could something as small as a cookie or a Child in a manger make such as difference? It has! As foretold by the prophet Isaiah:

This is what God the LORD says—the Creator of the heavens, who stretches them out, who spreads out the earth with all that springs from it, who gives breath to its people, and life to those who walk on it:

"I, the LORD, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand. I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles, to open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness.

(Isaiah 42:5)

God bless to all, Tom Kelly





# 6th Annual Take a Bite Out of Breast Cancer Fundraiser Dinner

Join Chef Kevin & his friends for a night of INCREDIBLE Food & Wine What you get: 5 Course Meal (5 Star) and 2 Drink Tickets

# Saturday, May 18, 6 - 9 pm

Providence Hall (behind St. Leo's) 3702 Old Lee Highway Fairfax City, Virginia 22030

Tickets \$50 per person

Must be purchased in advance (Seating is Limited) For tickets, email:

team squirrel@yahoo.com or call (703) 868-6464

Reduced tickets available for Knights and their guests only \$40 until May 11

#### March 2019

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
24	25	7:30 Rosary 8:00 1st Degree & Meeting	27	28	1	Quarterly State Meeting 9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts Car Raffle Honda CRV SUV
3 Car Raffle Honda CRV SUV	4	7:30 PM Officers Meeting	Ash Wednesday	7	8	8 AM Rosary to End Abortion 9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts
Family Breakfast after 7:30 and 9 AM masses	7:15 Bingo@Fairfax Nursing Ctr	7:30 Rosary - 8:00 Meeting	13	14	6PM Parish Soup Supper in Guadalupe Room	6-9PM St. Patrick's Day Party 9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts
17	18	11:00AM Grey GOSTs Luncheon 7:00PM Ladies Meeting	7:30PM 4th Degree Mtg	21	6PM Parish Soup Supper in Guadalupe Room	9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts
24	25	7:30 Rosary 8:00 - 2nd Degree & Meeting	27	28 KOVAR	KOVAR 6PM Parish Soup Supper in Guadalupe Room	KOVAR 9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts Car Raffle Honda Civic
31 11:00AM Corporate Communion KOVAR Car Raffle Honda Civic	1	7:30 PM Officers Meeting	3	4	5 6PM Parish Soup Supper in Guadalupe Room	9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts

### **April 2019**

April 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 11:00AM Corporate Communion KOVAR Car Raffle Honda Civic		7:30 PM Officers Meeting	3	4	5 6PM Parish Soup Supper in Guadalupe Room	9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts
7 Family Breakfast after 7:30 and 9 AM masses	8 7:15 Bingo@Fairfax Nursing Ctr	7:30 Rosary - 8:00 Meeting	10	11	6PM Parish Soup Supper in Guadalupe Room (KofC Sponsored)	8 AM Rosary to End Abortion 9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts
PALM SUNDAY	15	16 11 AM Gray GOSTs Luncheon 7:00PM Ladies Meeting	7:30PM 4th Degree Mtg	18	19	9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts Car Raffle Honda Odyseey Van
EASTER! Car Raffle Honda Odyseey Van	22	7:30 Rosary 8:00 1st Degree & Meeting	7:30PM 4th Degree Officers Mtg	25	26	6 PM Night of Magic 9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts Fairfax History Day
28	29	30	1	2	3 State Annual Meeting	Annual Meeting 9:30-11AM Coffee/Donuts

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Community	TBD		KOVAR	loe Gesker	703-435-4811
Life	Joe Gesker	703-435-4811	Newsletter	Joe Paratore	703-283-4515
Committee Chairm	en		Night of Magic	Pat Leffas	703-436-2717
Charity	Joe Burg	484-883-9537	Parish Picnic	Tim Tilson + deputy	703-273-9436
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#### Giant, Safeway and Shoppers Food Warehouse Food Cards Buy Food - Buy Gift Cards — Support the Knights

Food Gift Cards (AKA scrip) for Giant, Safeway and Shoppers Food Warehouse is sold by our council.

Profits go toward the Scholarship funds and St. Leo's PTO. Call Tom Gross at 703-273-0631 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 Shoppers Food Warehouse 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.

#### How you can save even more by using Safeway food Gift Cards?

Safeway sells gift cards for many stores (Home Depot, Kohls, Toys-R-Us, Bed Bath & Beyond, I-Tunes, Marriott, Best Buy, Barnes & Noble, Nordstrom, Sears, Macy's, Old Navy, Southwest, etc.). They can be purchased using Safeway Scrip. Win – Win

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