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## Grand Knight's Message

*Nelson Clinch, Grand Knight*



Brothers and families,

May is dedicated to Mary, mother of Jesus, and I plan to spend time in prayer this month. I encourage each of you to do the same.

May typically brings the State Council's annual meeting, and this year is no exception. Please pray that the Delegates make appropriate decisions on State Officers and Resolutions, as well as for the repose of the souls of deceased members of the Knights of Columbus from the past year. The mass after the annual meeting will include a reading of the members who passed away in the past 12 months, so we will be praying for them there, too.

April has been a joyous and active month given our celebration of the Lord's resurrection at Easter. My favorite hymn at Easter sums it all up: Alleluia! Love is Alive! I hope you all celebrate the sentiment in that title throughout the Easter season.

In addition, the Council had numerous activities. Many thanks to those who took part in spiritual events, especially those who worshipped during the overnight adoration from Holy Thursday to Good Friday. Likewise, thank you to all who joined us for the Corporate Communion at St. Leo the Great's 11:00 mass on April 16 or took part in the Holy Hour for Men or the Rosary to end abortion on April 15. I would love to see ALL my brothers attend these events, so please consider if you can fit in any of the adoration, holy hour, or rosary on May 6 in the case of the former and May 13 in the case of the last two events.

I wish to also thank all who helped with the Easter egg hunts after the 9:00 and 11:00 masses at St. Leo the Great Church, with the family breakfast on April 16, or in any way during our KOVAR drive to assist people with intellectual disabilities throughout Virginia. Our council is blessed in that so many parishioners of St. Leo the Great parish are generous with their KOVAR contributions.

Since KOVAR is such an important fund-raising event, both our Knight of the Month and a member of the Family of the Month played important roles in the collections. The efforts, in KOVAR and other events, that earned PGK Mark Walther and the family of Kim and PGK Gib Flodine recognition as Knight and Family of the Month are chronicled elsewhere in this newsletter.

During this month of May, let me implore Our Lady of Providence to Pray for Us!

Faternally,  
Nelson Clinch



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## Deputy Grand Knight's Report

*James (Jim) Beauchamp, Deputy Grand Knight*

May is that special month where we show our devotion to our Blessed Mother, Mary. It is also an opportunity to get outside, get some sunshine, and join your brother Knights in serving our parish and community.

Once again, we have an opportunity to spend one hour with Our Lord during St. Leo's monthly **Eucharistic Adoration**, which will be held Friday evening (May 5) into Saturday morning (May 6). As before, our Council has been asked to cover 1 AM to 2 AM. Our monthly **Rosary to End Abortion** will be held on the second Saturday of the month (May 13), from 8 AM to 9 AM. With the nice May weather, we will likely be praying outside in front of church. Otherwise, we will be inside near the statue of Mary. **Remember, your prayers matter.** There are lots of hearts to change and babies to save. Also, immediately before our Rosary, (7 AM – 8 AM), there is a **Holy Hour for Men**. Please consider joining other men of the parish for this important time of prayer.

Not only is it important for our council to support events at St. Leo's, but we should also do the same for local community – that is the City of Fairfax. One of our town's most popular events is the annual **Antique Car Show**, which will be held from 10 AM to 3 PM on Saturday, May 20 near Fairfax City Hall. We will be preparing and selling food to raise money for the many charities we support. Plus, everybody loves seeing the old cars and trucks. For more information on how you can help, please contact Tim Hogan at 703-926-4347 or via email at [timlhogan@yahoo.com](mailto:timlhogan@yahoo.com).

The **Family Breakfast** continues this month. Consider coming out and testing your cooking or serving talents. Or maybe just your talent for eating a delicious breakfast. And perhaps bring a friend or your family. This month, it will be held on Sunday, May 21 after the 7:30 AM and 9:00 AM Masses. For more information, please contact Pat McGuire at [ffxmacman@gmail.com](mailto:ffxmacman@gmail.com) or 703-209-5288 or Gib Flodine at [giblbkim@yahoo.com](mailto:giblbkim@yahoo.com) or 703-201-0477.

Looking for an opportunity to help the school kids at St. Leo's and get a little sun at the same time. Then consider helping to give out drinking water at the school Fun Run on Thursday, May 18. Look for further details concerning this event as they become available.

The **Fr. Francis Diamond Council** Officer's meeting will be on Tuesday, May 2 at 7:30 pm and our two Rosary (7:30 PM)/ Business Meetings (8:00 PM) will both be on Tuesday, May 9 and May 23. The **Gray Gosts** luncheon is scheduled for Tuesday, May 16 at 11 AM as well as the **Ladies Meeting**, also on May 16, at 7:30 PM.

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Looking ahead to the month of June, please mark Saturday, June 10 and Thursday, June 15 on your calendars. The very first **FamilyFest, A Food, Craft and Music Festival**, at St. Leo's will be held on June 10 and will feature a variety of foods and treats from different St. Leo's ministry groups. It should be a good time for all. The **Fairfax City Picnic** will be held on June 15, and we have once again been asked to provide food. This is a good opportunity for our Council to raise a little money, necessary for all our charitable giving, and to serve the local community. More details about these two events will be forthcoming.



## Chancellor's Report

*James Hogan, Chancellor*

Brother Knights,

If you know of anyone interested in joining our organization contact me by email [ithlogan3@gmail.com](mailto:ithlogan3@gmail.com) or by text/call 703-731-7164.

Thanks to all that came out to our annual recruitment drive this past week. I especially want to thank Tim Hogan, Mark Woznak, Ryan Baker, Ryan Kehoe, Pat McGuire, Dan O'Malley, Gib Flodine, Mark Walther, George Billy, Jim Buachamp, Tim Tilson, Ernesto Lopez, Bill Gariety, and Herb Zimmerman,

Our next degree will be on May 11th, if you are interested in moving up, please contact me, email and phone listed above.

## Treasurer's Report – 3/1-31/2023

INCOME for **March \$7,253.30**

EXPENSES for **March \$7,259.4**

Operating Fund Net **\$(6.04)**

United Checking	\$ 49,789.64
United Checking (2)	\$ 2,451.87
Invest Fund	\$ 42,787.00
RTL Fun	\$ 4,544.11
Building Fund	\$ 49,112.68
Member Asst Fund	\$ 1,000.00
Outstanding Scrip	\$ 2,730.00
KOVAR Collections	\$ (3,365.09)
PKD Collections	\$ (1,161.60)
VKCCI Collections	\$ (351.17)

**Net Assets \$147,537.44**

### May Birthday Wishes

Name	Day	Name	Day	Name	Day	Name	Day	Name	Day
Marques Silva	1	Gerard Tumelty	3	Fr Christensen	7	Gib Flodine	11	Jeremy Gandy	22
Mark La Croix Sr	2	John Curtin	5	Joe Janiak	8	Douglas Hazelgrove	11	Gerald Kelso	25
Tony Rizzuto	2	Anthony Simon	5	Michael Dolan Jr	9	Rich Markus	11	Ben Gomez	26
Roger Rosenberger	2	Al Ugaz	5	Michael Reisz	9	Rafa Velez	12	Howard Pierce	26
Fr Tipton	2	Dale Allen	6	William Schouviller	9	Pat Leffas	17	Wenceslao Cerezo III	28
		Dennis Lamb	6	Todd Badolato	9	Joseph Ceschini	18	Joseph Lukas Jr	29



### Knight of the Month – April

April's Knight of the Month has had two large, important tasks helping the Council, the state, and the community. Brother Walther has served as the council's KOVAR chairman this fraternal year, and the most intense portion of the KOVAR efforts took place in April. In addition, Mark has served as the Nominating Committee chairman, coordinating efforts to ensure a slate of officers can be presented for the Council's election. Many thanks for all the help you have provided and continue to provide!



### Family of the Month - April

The Family of the Month for April serves the council, the parish, and the community. In particular, PGK Gib Flodine was a consistent help during the KOVAR drive, coordinating efforts from Providence Hall during much of the extended weekend collection activities. On a monthly basis, Gib also has provided day-before preparations as well as event-specific labors related to providing the family breakfast. Meanwhile, his wife Kim offers assistance to feeding the homeless and other less fortunate individuals. May God bless you both!



### April approved expenditures

- \$250 donation expense to St. John Paul the Great school for financial assistance for students in need,
- \$ 500 advance for the Upcoming Antique Car Show on 5/20/23
- \$200 donation expense for outstanding male and female youth (\$100 each)
- \$200 donation expense to the Parish Work Camp
- \$200 donation expense to St. Paul the VI school's all night grad. Party



### Antique Car Show May 20th.

Fairfax City's Antique Car Show will be held Saturday, May 20th from 10am to 3pm. Our council will be selling the food for this event. We will be loading the trailer Friday evening,

5pm, at the knights hall. Then beginning Saturday we will start setting up and cooking around 9am. Help will be needed all day until 4pm, please if you can give an hour or two.

Please contact Tim Hogan at (703)-926-4347 or email at [timlhogan@yahoo.com](mailto:timlhogan@yahoo.com). Remember many hands make work light and fun.



### Slate of Officers 2023-2024

The Nominating Committee (Pat McGuire, Tim Hogan, and Mark Walther) has prepared the following slate of officer candidates for the upcoming Fraternal Year 2023-24. The slate will be officially presented to the council at the business meeting of May 9, with the election of officers scheduled for the business meeting of May 23.

Grand Knight	<b>James G. Beauchamp</b>
Deputy Grand Knight	<b>James T. Hogan</b>
Chancellor	<b>Patrick J Murray</b>
Recorder	<b>Anthony Pierno</b>
Treasurer	<b>William P. "Bill" Lane, Jr.</b>
Advocate	<b>Timothy J. Hogan, Sr., PGK</b>
Warden	<u>          (TBD)          </u>
Inside Guard	<b>Nathan T. Rasmussen</b>
Outside Guards	<b>Charles A. Kraiger and Jason C. Johnsrud</b>
3-Year Trustee	<b>Nelson R. Clinch, PGK</b>
2-Year Trustee	<b>Mark D. Walther, PGK</b>
1-Year Trustee	<b>Gilbert J. Flodine, PGK /</b>
Grand Knight Delegate	<b>James G. Beauchamp</b>
PGK Delegate	<b>Nelson R. Clinch, PGK</b>
Alternate GK Delegate	<b>James T. Hogan</b>
Alternate PGK Delegate	<b>Mark D. Walther, PGK</b>





## Chaplain's Message

*Father Jonathan Fioramonti, Council Chaplain*

**"Peace be with you"** (John 20:19) with these words our Blessed Lord announced His resurrection to His Apostles who in their fearful uncertainty were locked in the upper room after the crucifixion. But into this fearful uncertainty our Lord speaks his word of peace... The one who is peace! **"Peace be with you"** my brother Knights and to your families! I hope you and your families have had a blessed Easter Season thus far, as we continue to celebrate our only true hope, the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, as we look forward to Pentecost and the celebration of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

As we journey through this beautiful month of May, our Church looks towards Mary. May is Mary's month! She is the perfect, and model disciple of her Son Jesus Christ. She is the one who says in all things and in all circumstances: **"My soul rejoices in God my savior"** (Luke 1:47) Why can she "rejoice" always? Joy seems hard to come by in our world! How easy it is to get bogged down in our problems at work, or with that one person who makes our life difficult, or in complicated family issues. But for the saint (which we are all called to be!) Joy is possible not in spite of these trials, but even in these trials! Mary was able to remain joyful always because she always followed her own advice to the servants at the Wedding Feast at Cana: **"Do whatever he tells you."** Essentially following God's will in all things. And as we hear St Paul say, **"This is God's will for you, your sanctification"** (1 Thes. 4:3).

My brother knights as we enter Mary's Month, let us strive for joy, let us strive to Do God's will in all things, and to become Holy as He is Holy... to not allow the troubles of this life to penetrate our hearts and make them bitter.... But to find joy in the cross and resurrection. My invitation for this month is to deepen your devotion to Mary. A few suggestions. Perhaps Praying the daily rosary in the car or on a walk or with your family. Praying the Angelus at noon every day to consecrate the middle of the workday to Mary. Or even to look into St Louis de Montfort's 33-day total consecration to Mary.

May God bless you and your families through the intercession of Mary Mother of God. I pray that your Joy might be complete in her!

- Father Jonathan



## Spring Collection Campaign Report

### THANK YOU!

Through the support of our members and their families who both collected donations on behalf of KOVAR and provided their own pass-through donations to our Council during the period April 20<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>, we were able to raise just over **\$6,000** (inclusive of \$3,441 collected after Masses from generous St. Leo the Great Church parishioners) for KOVAR for the assistance of intellectually disabled Virginians! When added to previous amounts, our Council's total pass-through for the current fraternal year to-date will be approximately \$9,100. Our members have donated additional amounts directly to KOVAR Corp., including through their workplaces and Amazon Smile (which Amazon closed down as of 2/20/23).

A special thanks goes to all our energetic volunteers for a job well done:

Bill Mundy, Dale Allen, Ernesto Lopez, Gib Flodine, Herb Zimmerman, James Beauchamp, James Hogan, Jim Essig, Joe Burg, Joe Schrama, Keith Morrison, Leone Monticone, Mark Woznak, Mike McKinley, Nate Rasmussen, Nelson Clinch, Pat McGuire, Phil Coletti, Ryan Kehoe, Sean Wilson, Tim Hogan, Tim Tilson, Tom Gross, Tony & Amy Pierno, and Victor Young.

Please remember that although the Spring Collection Campaign has concluded, continued donations to KOVAR are always welcome.

Vivat Jesus! Mark Walther, KOVAR Chairman

## May 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	1	2 7:30PM Officers Meeting	3 Feast of St. Philip Feast of St. James the Less	4	5 State Annual Meeting in Virginia Beach	6 1-2AM Adoration State Annual Meeting in Virginia Beach
7 State Annual Meeting in Virginia Beach	8	9 7:30PM Rosary 8PM Business Meeting	10	11 Combined Degree 7pm	12	13 7AM Holy Hour for Men 8AM Rosary to End Abortion
14	15	16 11AM Gray Gost Luncheon 7:30PM Ladies Meeting	17 7:30PM 4th Degree Meeting	18 Ascension Thursday\ School fun run (TBD)	19	20 Antique Car Show 10-4pm
21 Family Breakfast after 7:30 & 9 AM masses	22	23 7:30 PM Rosary 8PM Business Meeting Election of Officers	24	25	26	27
28	29 Memorial Day	30	31	1	2	3 Eucharistic Adoration 1 - 2 AM

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4	5	6 7:30PM Officers Meeting	7	8	9	10 7AM Holy Hour for Men 8AM Rosary to End Abortion Parish Festival, 10am - 4pm
11 Corpus Christi	12	13 7:30PM Rosary 8PM Business Meeting	14	15 Fairfax City Picnic 10-4pm	16	17
18 Family Breakfast after 7:30 & 9AM masses	19	20 11AM Gray Gost Luncheon 7:30 PM Ladies Meeting	21 7:00PM 4th Degree Mtg (Pass in Review Dinner)	22	23	24
25	26	27 7 PM Rosary 7:30PM Steak Night	28	29	30	1 Eucharistic Adoration 1-2 AM

## Officers, Directors, and Program Chairmen—2022-23

### Officers

Grand Knight	Nelson Clinch	703-209-8505
Chaplain	Fr. Jonathan Fioramonti	
Deputy GK	James Beauchamp	703-915-3504
Chancellor	James Hogan	703-731-7164
Financial Sec.	Herb Zimmerman	703-623-6299
Treasurer	Bill Lane	703-585-4634
Recorder	Tony Pierno	516-445-3613
Lecturer	Keith Morrison	703-304-8540
Advocate	Tim Hogan	703-926-4347
Warden	Phil Coletti	703-945-2544
Inside Guard	Charlie Kraiger	703-667-0241
Outside Guard	Nathan T. Rasmussen	703-385-2991
3yr Trustee	Mark Walther	703-766-5054
2yr Trustee	Gib Flodine	703-201-0477
1yr Trustee	Dan O'Malley	703-385-2010

### Program Directors

Programs	James Beauchamp	703-915-3504
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

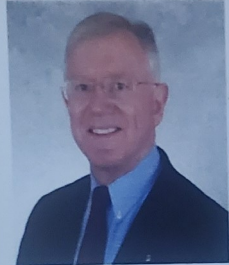
Charity		
Admissions	James Hogan	703-731-7164
Retention	Dan O'Malley	703-385-2010
Vocations	James Hogan	703-731-7164
Budget & Finance	Nelson Clinch	703-209-8505
Hall Scheduler	Mark Woznak	703-280-4124

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	Dave Whitcomb	703-591-7739
Christmas Trees	Tim Tilson	703-273-9436
Car Raffle	Gib Flodine	703-201-0477
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		
Fourth Deg.	David Todd, Jr	703-463-1499
Fraternal Prayer	Jack Cotner	703-323-5785
Gray GOSTs	Al Leightley	703-273-2089
KCIC	James Hogan	703-731-7164
KOVAR	Mark Walther	703-766-5054
Newsletter	James Hogan	703-731-7164
Night of Magic	Pat Leffas	703-436-2717
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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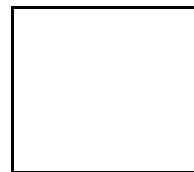
### Giant and Safeway Food Cards Buy Food - Buy Gift Cards — Support the Knights

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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