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# THE LOOKOUT



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October 2024

## Grand Knight's Message

*James Hogan, Grand Knight*



My Brother Knights,

As the leaves and weather changes to reflect the changing of the seasons, I always find myself bewildered with fall time and it seems I am not the only one. A thought for you from Archbishop Jerome E. ListECKI from his article in the Milwaukee [Catholic Herald](#) on this.

“Each season of the year has its own special characteristics. Spring possesses a sense of new birth, summer a sense of the fullness of life, winter embraces a deadly slumber, but fall (autumn) seems to anticipate the mystery of life as we approach the stillness of winter. “

To start off we had the honor of our State Deputy Bob Jones, came to our meeting in September to thank our council personally for the work we did at the State Organizational Meeting. To show his appreciation he brought a cake (and quite a substantial one). Though we could not have our cake and eat it but nonetheless it was delicious. We got a fantastic picture of the PSD Don and Steve Kehoe with SD Bob at the meeting, see pg. 3. I also wanted to thank all that helped at the Hero's Mass this year. Please read PGK Dave Todd Jr. about the event on pg 4.

I wanted to thank all that helped this year for the Parish Picnic. From walking around talking with parishioners and then seeing Father Juan on Sunday, everyone was very thankful for the work that we did. Thank the Lord for the weather, the help, and the food. On another note, I want to thank Tim Tilson for all his hard work in running this event, and I am happy to say that after MANY successful Parish Picnics, Tim has retired from this event. Tim will be working with Tom Coyle who has volunteered to head this event in the future. We thank Tim for his many years of service and look forward to what Tom will accomplish in his footsteps.

Looking back on the past month I want to recognize two brother knights who I have elected as our Knight of the Month for September, Kevin McGuire and our Family of the Month is our Treasurer Bill Lane. Please read their articles on the next page for all the details.

Looking ahead Isabel the leader of Social Ministry (formerly St. Vincent De Paul) is looking for volunteers to help this ministry at the newly found event on October 26th 9AM-3PM. - We need people to guide the traffic in the parish hall to park properly and guide people towards the different areas. - I need some people who can assist physicians translating English to Spanish.

## Military and First Responders Mass 2024





## Deputy Grand Knight's Report

*Patrick "Pat" Murray, Deputy Grand Knight*

Brother Knights,  
How fortunate we are as a Council to have had such a great start to our year. As noted in the Grand Knights message, the Heroes Mass celebrating the sacrifice and commitment of those who serve our Nation was tremendous. Special Thanks to SK Dave Todd Jr. for his continued dedication to make this event happen. It truly is a credit to himself, to our Council, to the Assembly and to our Parish. Many thanks to all helped at the Parish Picnic. As Tim passes the torch of Picnic leadership to Tom Coyle, let us recognize Tim's many years of continued service to our Council and to our Parish, his example and dedication is inspiring. Additionally, at the Picnic, our Council held our annual Soccer Challenge with over 20 kids participating. Special thanks to Sean Healey, Kevin Murray, and Coi Lee from the Parish Altar Server Corps for helping run the event. Looking forward to October, We have are annual Fundraiser at the Fairfax Fall Festival on October 12. This is a significant event for our Parish and Tim Hogan could use all of the help you could provide in supporting this most important event. Additionally on October 12<sup>th</sup> is the Rosary to End Abortion at 8AM in front of the Church. Please come out and Pray for Life. October 18 is the St. Leo the Great Run 4 Education. The Knights support the Race by providing water stations for the students. Help is needed – please come and support the Students. St. Leo's is hosting a Parish Sunday on October 13<sup>th</sup> after the 9, 11, and 1PM Masses. Please come and enjoy fellowship and support our Chancellor in attracting new members to our Council. Join clergy and parishioners in the 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory following Matthew Kelly's book. The informational meeting will be on Saturday, October 19 at 9:45am in the Church. The Consecration will happen after the Eucharistic Procession on Christ the King, Sunday November 24. Registration is necessary. Please, register and buy the book in the parish office.

**100 Man Initiative** – SAVE the DATE. On Tuesday Dec 10<sup>th</sup> The Council will be having a formal portrait taken. We have over 300 Men in our Council – our Goal is to get a picture of at least 100 MEN. Please set aside 1 hour to join our fellow Brothers for a formal portrait. The portrait will be representative of Men at St. Leo's standing for the ideals of our Order – Unity, Charity, and Faith.

### Treasurer's Report – 8/1-31/2024

INCOME for August \$	287.51
EXPENSES for August. \$	4,876.07
Operating Fund Net \$	(4,588.99)
United Checking	\$ 37,546.27
United Checking (2)	\$ 723.89
Investment Fund	\$ 44,131.59
RTL Fun	\$ 4,668.30
Contingency Fund	\$ 37,847.79
Member Asst Fund	\$ 1,000.00
Outstanding Scrip	\$ 1,950.00
KOVAR Collections	\$ (141.51)
PKD Collections	\$ (248.13)
VKCCI Collections	\$ (69.00)
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>\$127,424.20</b>



Scott, DGK Pat, Charlie, and Doug serving at the Parish Picnic



Doug, Fr. Joseph, GK James, and Derek at SNL BBQ post Capture the Flag game

## Chaplain's Message

Father James Joseph, Council Chaplain

### ST. THERESE AND PATIENCE

Dear Knights, October is noteworthy for beginning on the 1st with the feast of St. Therese, the Little Flower. She is often misunderstood. Many – particularly many men – have heard something about her great autobiography *Story of a Soul* and assumed her to be too saccharine-sweet, too feminine in a negative sense, for them. But this impression is deceiving. St. Therese had an iron will and a flaming desire to give herself to God. She is especially admirable for her patience. The word comes from the Latin *patior*, 'to suffer.' To suffer well especially is a quality we men would do well to imitate.

Nowhere was this on better display than at the end of her life. The book *Last Conversations* records the last few months of her life on earth. In August of 1897, as tuberculosis was slowly racking her entire body, she exercised a truly extraordinary patience. She said to her sister, Mother Agnes, "I have never before had such a bad night. Oh, how good the good God must be, since He enables me to bear all I suffer! Never would I have believed it possible to suffer so much. And even yet I do not believe I am at the end of my suffering, but He will never abandon me!"

When she was near the end, she was resolute in her desire to accept whatever God gave her. "I do not repent of having delivered myself up to Love," she insisted. "I am very willing to suffer more!"

Sister Therese died on September 30 and was buried on October 4, 1897. And her fame spread astoundingly quickly for an obscure Carmelite nun from Lisieux, in large part due to her ability to suffer patiently, her knowledge that God allows suffering for our good, in order to redeem us and others from sin.

For most of us, God does not send us such dramatic trials. The occasions on which patience is demanded of us are more prosaic – when we are stuck in traffic, when we disagree with our spouses, when our children are difficult. But we can all use a bit of St. Therese's help to suffer well, a bit of her iron resolution to stay faithful in the midst of trial.

## Chancellor's Report

Douglas "Doug" Fehrer, Chancellor



First I want to say thank you for your help and support in our recruiting efforts! We want to grow and expand our Council, and all of you are the key for making that happen.

Last month I mentioned my hope to build a threefold mentoring program for all our brother knights, new and old alike.

The first element of the program will be helping new knights become the best knight they can be. This would entail serving as a mentor; helping new knights grow as a knight and within the Council; helping them get involved in and navigate the organization while 'learning the ropes' from those of you have made our Council what it is today. *If helping out, encouraging and mentoring new knights sounds of interest to you, please contact me by phone or text at: 703-772-8261.*

The second element will be fraternally helping each other professionally and personally with career, work life, and even family life advice and insights. All of you have so much to offer, both professional and personal advice and insights based on lifetimes of experience. *To that end, if you're interested in serving as a guide and mentor in this capacity for knights interested in seeking such assistance, please contact me by phone or text at: 703-772-8261.*

The third element will be to provide spiritual guidance and growth for your personal, and your family's Faith journey. We hope to begin implementing this element within the Council through the Knight's COR program, and look forward to your participation.

Finally, as mentioned in our prior message, as soon as we can pull it together we'll be sending out a short, two minute video, along with a registration link and instructions that you can share / forward to any men you feel are worthy of becoming a knight. Think of it, if we each bring just one new knight to the council we will double our size!

AMDG

"Start by doing what is necessary, then what is possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible." – St. Francis of Assisi



PSD Steve, Current SD Bob, and PSD Don at our meeting in September

## 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](mailto:Tonyp28840@yahoo.com). We will need to know what size, what name you want on shirt If personalized and quantity.

## Knights of Columbus Sunday Night Mixed Bowling League

Calling all bowlers! The Knights will host their annual bowling season at the newly updated Bowlero in Fairfax. Our league begins Sunday January 5<sup>th</sup> after a short meeting at 6pm. This is a short season of only 14 weeks with April 13<sup>th</sup> (Palm Sunday) being the final night of bowling. No Bowling on Superbowl Sunday. This is a fun league with bowlers of all levels and provides a great opportunity to socialize with fellow Knights, families, and friends. You do not need to have a team put together-just show up the first evening and we can place you on a team. If you plan on bowling or have any questions, contact Keith Morrison [MWCRKM@aol.com](mailto:MWCRKM@aol.com) 703 304-8539.

## Heroes Mass

*David J. Todd, Jr., PGK*

On Sunday, September 8, 2024, Fr. Francis J. Diamond Council #6292, and Fr. Walter F. Malloy Assembly #1894 cohosted the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Mass Honoring Military and First Responders at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church. We were honored to have the Most Reverend Paul S. Loverde, Bishop-Emeritus of the Diocese of Arlington and State Chaplain, to Preside over the Mass, and the Reverend Robert J. Wagner, Pastor of St. Timothy Catholic Church and Dean for Deanery VI as the Main Celebrant. Additionally, Concelebrants included: Reverend Monsignor John C. Cregan, Associate State Chaplain and retired U.S. Marine Corps Colonel; US Navy Captain Reverend Daniel L. Mode; and Reverend Juan A. Puigbó, Pastor of St. Leo the Great Catholic Church. Among those in attendance were: State Deputy Robert T. "Bob" Jones, Jr., and Lady Lisa, Past President of Ladies of Virginia; Supreme Director Stephen J. Kehoe, PSD, and Lady Wendy, Past President of Ladies of Virginia; State Secretary Hampton H. "Trey" Hart III; State Treasurer SK John H. Knox III; State Advocate SK Ernest J. Piro III, and Lady Ellen; State Vocations Chairman for the Diocese of Arlington David J. Todd, Sr., and Lady Ann, Past President of Ladies of Virginia; and District Deputy #16 Ryan Z. Kehoe. Regional Marshal SK Kelly J. Niernberger, and Lady Marie, Current President of Ladies of Virginia were also present, as well as SK James P. "J.P." McCusker, PSD, FM. Following the Mass, a picture was taken in front of the church. The picture included the Clergy who participated in the Mass, our "heroes" who were present in uniform, Columbian Dignitaries, our Honor Guard, and 11 Sir Knights, most of whom are veterans of the military, serving as honorary flag bearers standing with the US, Vatican, MIA/POW, each of the service, Virginia, and Knights of Columbus flags. All were then welcomed to a reception luncheon in the school gym, where they were able to enjoy baked ziti, garlic bread, salad, cake... and camaraderie. Many people assisted in making this event a huge success, and each of them deserves an abundance of gratitude! Thanks goes out to:

Set-Up: Philip E. Coletti; Miss Phylicia Coletti; and SK José R. Olivero, FN, and David J. Todd, Jr.  
Saturday Food Prep: Mr. Brian J. Sharkey (LEAD!); Philip E. Coletti; Miss Phylicia Coletti; and Miss Meara Sharkey

Sunday Food Prep & Service: Mr. Brian J. Sharkey (LEAD!); Philip E. Coletti; Douglas G. Fehrer; Mr. Mark A. Marple; SK Patrick J. Murray; Gregory J. Skorupski; and Mark D. Walther  
Transportation for Bishop Loverde & Msgr. Cregan: Thomas J. Gross  
Risers Set-Up: James T. Hogan, GK; Timothy J. Hogan; Mr. Mark A. Marple; and Mark D. Walther  
Reader at Mass: Edward P. Cuccias  
Honor Guard: SK Keith Amburgey, PFN; SK F. Randy Bordelon, PFN; SK Dennis A. Brown, PFN; SK Hoai-Thu "Henry" Cao, PFN; SK Joseph M. Gesker, PFN; SK Carroll D. Glass, PFN; SK Thomas J. "Thom" Harrington, PFN; SK James D. Milosavich; SK Mark E. Mitchell; SK Kelly J. Niernberger, PFN; SK Patrick K. Okoronkwo, GK, PFN; SK José R. Olivero, FN; SK Luu-Bich "Hien" Nguyen; SK R. Franklin Mendoza, PFN; SK Nathan A. Roehrig; SK Richard J. Sacra; SK David J. Todd, Sr., PFN  
Honorary Flag Bearers: SK Daniel C. Perugini (MAJ, US Army Retired); SK Francisco Klein; SK Philip C. Krebs (LCOL, US Army Retired); SK Timothy T. Tilton, PGK (LCOL, US Army Retired); SK William J. Schouville (MAJ, US Marine Corps Retired); SK Thomas J. Gross (RADM, US Navy Retired); SK Keith Amburgey, PFN (COL, US Air Force Retired); SK Anthony P. Rizzuto (LCOL, US Space Force); SK Philip E. Coletti (CDR, US Coast Guard Retired); SK Mark E. Mitchell (COL, US Army Retired); and SK Paul F. Cataldo (RM2, US Coast Guard Veteran)  
Banner Bearers: James T. Hogan, GK; and José R. Olivero, FN  
Clean-Up: Hampton H. "Trey" Hart, (State Secretary); James T. Hogan, GK; Timothy J. Hogan; Robert T. Jones, Jr., (State Deputy); SK José R. Olivero, FN; David J. Todd, Jr.; and Mark D. Walther

Many thanks to all those listed above, and to anyone who was inadvertently left off the lists. Sadly, except for the Faithful Navigator, as well as the State Deputy and State Secretary, ALL of the physical work was born on the shoulders of the members of Fr. Diamond Council. While we are grateful for their determination, this should not have been the case. We are working with the other Councils affiliated with the Assembly to have them lend a hand (two or three members each!) in the future!!!  
The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Mass Honoring Military and First Responders is already scheduled for Sunday, September 14, 2025, 11AM, at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church. The Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge, Bishop of Arlington, has committed himself to being the Main Celebrant for this Mass, and Bishop Loverde intends to return for it. Be sure to mark your calendar and plan on joining us!

### KNIGHT OF THE MONTH Knight of the Month – Sept.

If you've been to any event within the past year that involves food and mostly wine, you've met **Kevin McGuire**. For the past several years Kevin has been the go-to brother knight for food events. This past month, Kevin was asked to assist with Hero's Mass Wind Fundraiser an event sponsored by Father Diamond Council. Kevin is a world class Sommelier and chef. For the wine tasting Kevin and his team prepared five wines, each prepared with a food pairing that was out of this world. If you haven't attended one of these yet, I highly recommend it. Kevin not only guides you through a wine tasting, but is almost an MC for the evening, taking each of us on a journey through whatever region the wine is from and giving a splendid background on said wine. A lot of these events are in tandem with fundraisers to support Breast Cancer research (something very close to Kevin's heart). For this and all that he has done for our Council, **Kevin McGuire** is our **Knight of the Month for September 2024**.

### FAMILY of the MONTH Family of the Month—Sept.

**William (Bill) Lane and family** have been selected for **September's Family of the Month**. Bill has been our Treasurer of our council for several years. He diligently watches over the councils' finances and prepares an excellent report for each meeting and for the newsletter. Under his watchful eye he advised us to switch our council funds to an option that allows our savings to make quite a substantial amount of growth each month in a Super Money Markey Savings Account, gaining roughly \$200 a month in interest. Bill is always advising us on our finances and is always looking for ideas on how the council can grow financially. When there is a council event, Bill and his two sons make them available to help whenever possible. Whether it is for the Parish Picnic, the Fall Festival, etc. they give a few hours of service to our council. For all these reasons and more, they are our **Family of the Month for September 2024**.

### October Birthday Wishes

Name	Day	Name	Day
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Kenneth H Miller	1	Michael V Purtill	15	Arie Y Budhinata	24
John A Anzalone	2	Daniel J O'Malley	17	Thomas W Lynch	24
Paul E Kiechlin	3	David V Bacungan	18	John F Trujillo	25
Mr Wilfred C Gagnon Sr	8	Timothy T Tilson	18	Evan Tyler Frejo	28
Barrington O. Jefferson	9	Mazen G Baroudi	21	Peter Kiburi	29
Adam J Gruendl	10	Jose A Ramos	21	John J Murray	29
John A Johnson	11	Brian J Hogan	22	Victor J Young	29
Michael A Prutsok	14				



### Fall Festival 2024

Calling are Knights, their Wife and older Children,

Help is needed on Saturday October 12<sup>th</sup> to run our food booth at the Fairfax City Fall Festival. This is a major source of our Charitable Funds. Please come out and help any time Between 9am and 5pm to grill Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Kielbasa, wrap food, sell food items, Set up event and tear down event and give support in some form. Please contact Tim Hogan At 703-926-4347 or email [tim.l.hogan@yahoo.com](mailto:tim.l.hogan@yahoo.com).



Fraternally,  
Tim Hogan

## October 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	1 7:30PM Officer's Mtg	2	3	4	5 1-2AM Eucharistic Adoration
6	7	8 7:30PM Rosary 8PM Business Mtg	9	10	11	12 8:30AM Rosary to end Abortion Fall Festival
13	14	15 11 AM Gray Gost Luncheon	16 7:30PM 4th Degree Mtg	17 Tentative Exemption 7:30PM	18 Run For Education	19
20	21	22 7:30PM Rosary 8PM Business Mtg	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2 1-2AM Eucharistic Adoration

## November 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	31	1	2 1-2AM Eucharistic Adoration
3	4	5 7:30PM Officer's Mtg	6	7	8	9 Scouting for Food 8:30AM Rosary to end Abortion
10 Feast of St. Leo the Great	11	12 7:30PM Rosary 8PM Business Mtg	13	14	15	16
17	18	19 11 AM Gray Gost Luncheon	20 7:30PM 4th Degree Mtg	21	22	23
24	25	26 7:30PM Rosary 8PM Business Mtg	27	28 Thanksgiving	29	30

## Officers, Directors, and Program Chairmen—2023-24

### Officers

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2yr Trustee	Nelson Clinch	703-209-8505
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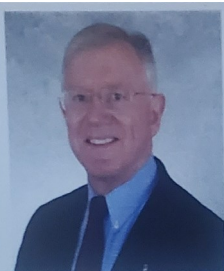
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How does it work? Father Diamond council buys food gift cards at a discount (5% for Giant and Safeway). We sell them to anyone at face value. If you, your family, friends or neighbors shop at any of these stores you can help the Council raise money for our scholarship funds.

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