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Brothers, Ocean City Lady Knights Auxiliary members, and Friends of the Knights: Cheerios, Goldfish, Storybooks & Updates



As I ushered at the 4pm Christmas Vigil Mass at St. Luke, I had some throw-back moments relating to children, cheerios, gold-fish and story books. These were the tools of choice to keep the little ones pre-occupied and somewhat quiet before and during Mass. As my mind fast-forwarded to real time, I noticed there were no crumbs from cheerios or gold-fish and there were no torn pieces of story book pages visible on or under the pews.

What I did see was mini-people (kids) with the help of their adult parents or grandparents, using state of the art electronic equipment silenced but doing the job that the cheerios and gold-fish and storybooks performed in my throw-back memories. That would not have been so bad, but the adults and teen-agers, themselves were also clicking away the minutes until the start of Mass by reading emails, texting and even playing games. Well, at least they were present at Mass, or were they?

Updates of the 2023 Christmas Season:

Dee and I were honored and humbled to personally deliver Knights of Columbus charity checks to organizations that assist so many needy individuals and families this Christmas Season.

We started our travels to Worcester County Developmental Center, the premier center for assistance for those with intellectual disability. The check in the amount of \$5,786.00 was most graciously accepted by the Financial Administrator. The next stop with a \$1000.00 check was the Village of Hope, which provides transitional housing and meals for at risk women and their children. We then proceeded with another \$1,000.00 check to replenish the food pantry at Joseph House, administered by the Little Sisters of Jesus and Mary. The next check was \$1000.00 given to the Seton Center in Princess Anne County to replenish their food pantry. We finished our rounds with a \$500.00 check to Grace Center for Maternal and Women’s Health, a \$500.00 check to St. Vincent DePaul, and \$500.00 to St. Peter’s Lutheran Church for their “Out of the Cold” shelter. Two large boxes of new socks were included in this donation, as well.

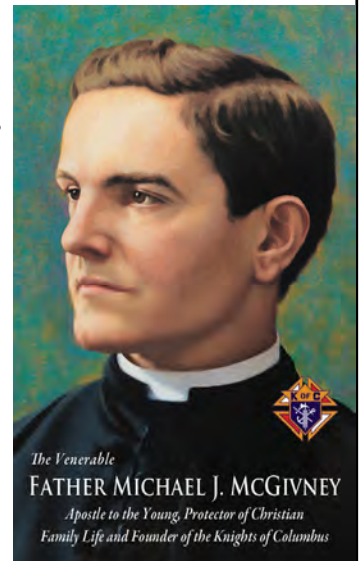
How blessed Dee and I were to be able to hand-deliver these monetary donations that will help so many who are not as fortunate as we are. We were only too happy to be the liaison between the generous Knights, Ladies and friends and those in need.

We thank all our members and those who contributed in any way to make these donations. Your time and effort are what generated the funds that helped so many have a better Christmas and perhaps a better quality of life.

Keep in touch with all the events by reading my Weekly Updates that are sent on most Sundays.

Dee and I wish you a most Happy, Healthy, Safe & Blessed New Year.

Jim Matthews, GK
“Step Up And Make A Difference”



The Venerable
FATHER MICHAEL J. MCGIVNEY
Apostle to the Young, Protector of Christian
Family Life and Founder of the Knights of Columbus

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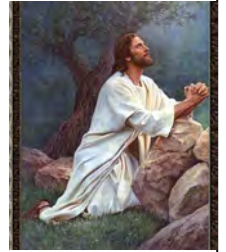
Faith In Action

Chaplain's Message

Dear Brothers. Lady Knights, and friends of the Knights,

January 1st — Spiritual Resolutions

We may remember or have forgotten - past - New Year Resolutions. How about - past - Spiritual Resolutions? Have we never made a New Year - **Spiritual Resolution**? If not, how about we start this year. Here are some ideas ...



Daily or Weekly - Rosary
Friday - Meatless
End of Day - Exam of Conscience
Monthly - Watch Biography of Saint

Weekly - Stations of the Cross
Daily - Read or Pray with Bible
Daily - Pray with Devotional Book

For a Real Adventure, How about a Once a Quarter - Pilgrimage

Padre Pio Shrine, Barto, PA
National Shrine Saint Rita Cascia, Philadelphia, PA
National Shrine of Saint Gerard / St Lucy, Newark, NJ
Fr. McGivney Pilgrimage Sites, New Haven, CT
National Shrine of St. Elisabeth Ann Seton, Emmitsburg, MD

National Shrine of St John Neumann Shrine, Philadelphia, PA
St. Anthony Chapel, Pittsburgh, PA
St. Edmund's, Stonington, CT
National Shrine of the Divine Mercy, Stockbridge, MA

If you decide to choose one of these examples, or choose your own, remember - this is about creating something special - in your relationship with the Lord. **Happy New Year everyone!**

Blessings in Christ,
Fr. L. Martin, Knight's Chaplain, Council 9053, Ocean City

From our Faithful Navigator, SK Tom Herwig

Sir Knights, Brothers and friends, I hope your Christmas was full of happiness, peace and love. Let us all pray to the Lord for all those who are on our prayer list, and those brothers and sisters that we lost in 2023.

Our first meeting of the calendar year is scheduled for Thursday, January the 11th at 630 PM. Food will be served after the meeting. Our agenda includes a discussion of a 4th degree, the Patriotic degree, exemplification in our area later in 2024. We need to communicate with all 3rd degree Knights who have not joined the 4th degree Assembly and 1st and 2nd degree Knights who have not completed their full 3rd Degree and full Knighthood. We will also discuss Senior Knights' involvement in encouraging these Full Knights to join our Assembly 2454.

The other main topic for this meeting is a discussion and identification of programs for the 2454 Assembly including speakers, visits to military memorials and bases, identifying patriotic books that we might read and discuss, and special events like St Patrick's Day including the parade and the corned beef luncheon at the hall. Please bring your ideas to the meeting.

9053 Council events coming up include a Breakfast at the Hall on January 14th from 830-1130. Charitable contributions from the event will support the Grace Center for Maternal and Women's Health. There will be a Community supper on Thursday, January 18th from 5-630PM. Pot Roast will be the main course. Bingo 4 Babies kicks off on Friday, January 5th at the Hall. Charitable proceeds support The Grace Center. Bingo 4 Babies continues through the month of January on Friday nights. The Lady Knights Bingo luncheon is scheduled for Wednesday, January 17th. All proceeds go to Grace Center, watch for details in the Lady Knights and GK communications.

I wish each of you and your families a Happy and Holy New Year! Vivat Jesus!

Brother Tom Herwig, Faithful Navigator Assembly 2454
God Bless America and our Military

Brothers and Ladies,

As we go into the New Year, I am happy to report, the hall is in terrific shape. All required inspections are done, and with very successful outcomes. There will always be a few repairs to be completed, but all of them are minor in nature and the Board Of Directors is on top of all of them.

We are looking forward to a very successful year hosting; Council and Assembly meetings and, Condominium Association meetings, Weddings Receptions, Birthday Parties and Bereavement Reposts. Plus, the Council's Breakfasts, Seafood Dinners, and Community Suppers.

So, if you are looking, please remember Columbus Hall, if you are looking for a venue for your next party, wedding, or meeting. We have a beautiful building with **the best view in Ocean City**. For availability and pricing Contact Richard Thomas at (410) 524-7994 or at our new Columbus Club e-mail address: ccckoc@gmail.com.

Susan and I wish you a Happy, Prosperous and Blessed New Year.

Thank You and God Bless, Tom

LIFE Report from the Director of Council 9053's LIFE Program... Here are a few notes:

Life Headlines from around the Country...

Ohio Supreme court Decision means Babies will be killed up to Birth.

Big Abortion Gets \$592 MILLION in taxpayer funding Every Year.

Pro-Life Advocates will run ads on NBC to exposing Horror of How Abortions kill Babies.

The Biden Administration Ditched Safety Regulation results in Abortions Pills Injuring Thousands of Women.

Good News 65 Abortion Centers closed since Dobbs Bill.

Births Have Increased 2.3 % in Pro-Life States.

Pro-Life Pregnancy Centers have helped 1 Million more women since Roe V. Wade Overturned.

Unmarried have 87 % of the Abortions which is 10 X Higher than Married.

This years MARCH FOR LIFE in Washington Dc, will be on Friday January 19th
watch your church Bulletins to see what going on Locally .

Please continue your Daily Rosary for LIFE from conception until natural death.

KEVIN HUGHES 410-726-8946

Welcome with a ROAR—2024!

Special Note from the Editor: 1) If you see an error, please call or e-mail me with the information.
2) The due date for all articles for the **February 2024 edition** of the *KNIGHT TIMES* is **January 25th, 2024**. Of course, I'll be groveling and nagging before that. Please submit articles in MS "Word" or plain text via e-mail. **No PDF's.**

Brother Tom Foglesong, Knight Times Editor, Email: tomfoglesong@gmail.com, or Call at 240-353-0681
Also, Navigate to Facebook and Search for #9053. You should find our FaceBook Page—be sure to "like" that page.



Next Gathering: Annual Baby Bingo Luncheon

January 17th A Short Meeting Will Follow Bingo

It's January –Let's Get Better!

To me, January is always a time for re-thinking or re-solving or re-evaluating, in other words, it is a time to consider where I've been, and where I'm going. How stale it would be to just continue the status quo without thinking of ways to make things better or easier or happier or something "er". But is there a time limit to great expectations or even just better expectations? My experience with most of my acquaintances is: relax, (don't do it?), take it easy, don't fret...in other words, as they sing in Frozen: Let it go. Granted, I have been pretty exhausted lately. We do have an organization of retired ladies of whom I have said, it would be easier to corral the wild horses at Assateague than to corral these fine little ladies! In fairness, our attendance at meetings is not really too bad, maybe 20-30 Ladies out of 39 paid members. The hard part is the Eats and Treats concession that we do for Friday Night Bingo. This summer Jim, Bernadette and/or I had to fill in for at least one member of a team practically every week. One week (or was it 2 weeks?), the whole team did not show up.

Believe it or not, I identify as a Happy Person, but many times my happiness goes out the window when I walk into a situation where the rules have seemed to go out the window. I am writing this because I DO want to make things better, but I have to figure into that equation that things may be better if I am not involved. Ladies have gotten upset with me because I have an agenda/rules and sometimes, ladies think the agenda/rules are not important. When we all worked, we had to go by the rules. Is working to help others any less important than what we all did in our careers? Please do not belittle our charity by making up your own rules. However, if you would like to be president, I am happy to step aside. In the meantime, forgive me as I forgive you.

Why I do what I do:

Not for glory, not for praise, not even for thanks...We do all that we do because there is a need to help people. Helping folks is bigger than me or you. Helping folks takes a TEAM and as you know, there is no you or me in team.

What we've done this year:

We have donated the following: \$1200.00 St. Vincent DePaul; \$4700.00 Joseph House; \$3500.00 Grace Center; \$3347.00 Most Blessed Sacrament School; \$400.00 Diakonia; \$200.00 Coats for Kids; \$258.00 Alzheimers; \$200.00 Focus; \$200.00 Andy Maggio's Scapulars and Rosaries (plus approx. put together 70 bags); \$600.00 Fr. Martin (Retreat & Investiture); \$100.00 LAOH; \$500.00 Seton Center & \$200.00 St. Luke for the Christmas Bazaar. **Total Funds Donated = \$15,405.00**

In addition we donated over 300 baby items and over \$3,000 in value of school supplies.

The Next Big Thing:

I hope you have gotten your ticket for our next fund-raiser. Our 2nd Annual Baby Bingo Luncheon Shower will be held on January 17th at Columbus Hall. All proceeds will be donated to Grace Center for Maternal and Women's Health. Doors open at 10:30, Lunch at 11:30 and bingo begins at 12:30. If you would like to sponsor a game, please let me know. The sponsorships are \$50.00 and \$75.00. We will have door prizes and a raffle for other prizes, and also a 50/50 raffle. Baked Ziti or Chicken Salad are the luncheon choices. Please let me know which you would prefer. There will be a short meeting immediately following bingo (between 2:30 & 3 pm).

May we all carry PEACE, LOVE, JOY & PATIENCE with us throughout the New Year, and may God bless us and our work.

**Blessings,
Dee**

Special Note from the Membership Director (Open position)

Regarding Membership, we have been busy with our Fall membership drives, now we need hand-to-hand combat to line up new Brothers. Imagine If we can add three Knights a month... just imagine...

Important Calendar Highlights for January 2024

Council 9053 Business Meeting: January 3, 2024 @ 6:30 // Officer's Meeting @ 5:30pm

Charity Committee Meeting: January 9, 2024 @ 10:00am

Columbus Club Board of Directors Meeting: January 10, 2024 @ 10:00am

Assembly 2454 Business Meeting: January 11, 2024 @ 6:30

Novena 4 Life: January 16 through January 24—watch your email.

Ladies Luncheon and Bingo 4 Babies: January 17, 2024 10:30—til about 3:00pm—Brief business meeting after BINGO.

Community Supper: January 18, 2024 @ 5:00pm

Breakfast 4 Babies: January 21, 2024 @ 8:30 -> 11:30am

Ways & Means Zoom Meeting: January 31 @ 10:00am

BINGO 4 Babies—All I Month: BINSO is supported by four teams — Join a team and work every fourth week. Tom Anderson is always building teams... call him today and get signed up. As GK Jim always says, "Step up and Make a difference!"

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

FOR JANUARY 2024

ST LUKE CATHOLIC PARISH

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

St. Luke Church will be under construction beginning Monday, January 8th. During construction, **Daily Mass** (Monday through Saturday) will begin at **8:30AM** and the church will be closed immediately following Mass during the week. Thank you in advance for your patience during the construction process.

St. Luke

Saturday (Vigil): 4:00pm, 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am and 5:00pm

Daily Mass: 8:30am (Monday-Saturday)*

*During Construction

Holy Days: As listed in the bulletin.

Confessions: 6:00pm-7:00pm Wednesday and
Saturdays following 8:30am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration: 6:00pm Wednesday

Read our bulletin or check our website www.stlukeoc.com to find general information, Mass Schedules, as well as what is happening at St. Luke's & other groups in our church Community.

SAINT JOHN NEUMANN

Masses are being celebrated on Saturday afternoon at 4:00 PM, Sunday at 9:00 and 11:00 and on Monday, Tuesday, and Friday at 9:00 AM. *Contact us at 410-208-2956.*

Church is open for prayer Monday thru Friday 9:30 AM until 2:30 PM.

Theology on Tap Eastern Shore jameysturgill@gmail.com

ST MARY STAR OF THE SEA - HOLY SAVIOR PARISH

Masses Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday 8:30am - Saturday, Confessions 4:00pm - 5:00
Saturday Mass at 5:15pm - Mass on Sunday 7am at St Mary Star of the Sea, 10 am at Holy Savior
Daily Mass at St Mary 's at 8:30, Monday-Thursday, Contact us at 410-289-0652

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Prior to December, our Council started the Annual 'Keep Christ in Christmas' contest by distributing guidelines for this year's contest to participating organizations. In December, we collected the posters which provided us the opportunity to witness the creativity and optimism of the young people in our community -- approximately 200 young artists. At the beginning of January, we'll judge all of the posters on slogan, visuals, spelling and overall impact. Then on 07 January (Sunday) at the 5 p.m. Mass at St. Luke's, we will announce the winners in each age group and present them with an award.

On 04 December, we had a good group of Knights and Ladies decorate for the Christmas Dinner/Dance held on 06 December. We had a nice attendance at the dinner/dance with Mio's serving delicious appetizers, dinner and dessert; Richard Thomas' son and girl friend doing an excellent job bartending; and the DJ playing good music to which everyone danced. (See the collage of pictures).

During the week of 17 December, our Treasurer, Tom Foglesong, wrote several checks to local charities, and GK Jim Matthews hand-delivered a few of the donation checks (See the attached pictures).

January is usually a busy month in terms of programs, and at this time we have several events scheduled:

- ▣ 04, 11, 18, and 25 January (Thursdays) at 10 a.m. the Rosary Group will meet in Columbus Hall followed by Fr. Martin's Book Club;
- ▣ 05, 12, 19 and 26 January (Fridays), we will have 'Bingo for Babies' with the bingo profits going to the Grace Center for Maternal and Women's Health;
- ▣ 06 and 07 January at all Masses at St. Luke's, we will recite the prayer for the Consecration to the Holy Family;
- ▣ 07 January at the 5 p.m. Mass at St. Luke's, we will announce the winners in the KCIC Contest and present awards;
- ▣ 16 - 24 January, we will have the Novena for Life -- you will receive email links each day;
- ▣ 18 January from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., our Council will host a Community Supper (Pot Roast) at Columbus Hall;
- ▣ 19 January in DC, the annual March for Life (with a new route in DC) will occur;
- ▣ 21 January, our Council will have a Breakfast for Babies from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in Columbus Hall, and we will donate the profits to the Grace Center for Maternal and Women's Health.

Traditionally Holy Savior Church would hold a Rite to Life Mass/Knights Mass at 8:30 a.m. in conjunction with the National Rite to Life March in DC, but as of the printing deadline for the January Knight Times, we are unable to confirm either the date or event. Watch for special email blast for any updates.



Happy New Year

Tom Pergola
Council Program Director

And, a special note from a long time and active Knight, Roland Murray. He asked me to share his location and his phone number to ensure that we knew how to reach him. Call or Visit anytime (but call first...)

Roland Murray
Peragrine Health
1110 Healthway Drive, Apartment 212
Salisbury, MD 20804
410-572-2857

Happy New Year! I hope all of you had a joyous and Merry Christmas.

All of us start the new year afresh. We make resolutions. Let's plan now to look back at the end of 2024 and be able to say, "I kept those resolutions to improve myself, to improve my relationship with my family and friends, and my relationship with God!" An improved prayer life is the goal of many. I know I've made that resolution almost every year. Some years I do better than others.

But here are few things I've found about making resolutions that helped me. First, I don't want to make a resolution that is not possible to keep. I've got to be realistic. I can't go to an extreme. For example, to improve my prayer life, I can't go from praying for 15 minutes in the morning to reading a chapter of the Bible, attending daily Mass, reciting the rosary, and saying the Liturgy of the Hours each day. For me, that's too much of a jump. I'm going to follow that for a day or two and then something will get me off track. Myself, I need to take baby steps. Maybe start with saying the rosary each day. I've got to make my resolution achievable.

The same is true of all those other resolutions we make.

I can't go from being a couch potato to running six miles a day...but I could start by walking a mile each day as an achievable step in that direction.

I can't starve myself trying to lose weight...but I could cut out snacks between meals as a start. Again, an achievable step.

I might want to read more, so I can start by reading a chapter a day in a book.

You get the idea. The resolution has to be reasonable, achievable, and specific.

Now here is one resolution that is reasonable, achievable, and specific: Resolve to meet with me to update the information on your family's financial needs analysis. (Or maybe you need to complete a financial needs analysis.) Let's see where you stand. Your financial health is critical to your family's future security. As your field agent I'm charged to meet with each of my members each year. We can take a look at your goals and aspirations and make sure you're on track to keep your family appropriately protected.

I'll contact you soon to see if an appointment should be our next step.

Vivat Jesus!

Tom Strassner, FICF, MDRT thomas.strassner@kofc.org 410-258-0308

Important Calendar Highlights for Next Month, February 2024

Council Business Meeting: February 7, 2024 @ 6:30 (Officers @ 5:30)

Lent 2024 Begins: February 14, 2024

Assembly Business Meeting: February 15, 2024 @ 6:30

Ladies' Meeting : February 21, 2024 @ 1:00pm

Ways and Means Meeting: February 28, 2024 @ 10:00

Community Supper: February 28, 2024 @ 5:00pm

CONGRATULATIONS



Happy Birthday

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to all Brother Knights born in January...

<u>Knight</u>	<u>B'Date</u>
Joseph Carraro	1
Henry Rybka	1
Earle Moore	2
Dustin Berkey	3
Richard Lamarre	4
Paul Marzullo	5
Jeffrey Mathias	6
Allan Mills	9
James Hall	10
Leo Winterling	11
Mark Broderick	14
Stephen Kolarik	15
Paul Myers	15
Louis Aprigliano	17
Dennis Moore	17
James Moeller	19
Dennis Ruggeri	20
Martin Kaeufer	21
Michael O Malley	21
Fred Dixon	22
Jonathan Kiral	22
Donald McMullen	22
Brian Dougherty	25
Nicholas Bartolomeo	30
Robert Sullivan	30
Bill Williams	30
Michael Moore	31



Happy Anniversary

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to all Brother Knights and their wives who are celebrating an anniversary in January....

<u>Brother Knight & Bride</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Years</u>
Vernon & Marge Becker	2	22
Robert & Anne Simpson	3	29
GK James & Dee Matthews	7	57
William & Nancy McCullough	13	63
William & Deborah Sass III	13	28
Christopher & Lorraine Kolarik	14	29
Donald & Paulette Matthews	21	57
Robert & Elaine (Ruby) Dillon	28	34



Champagne For Anniversary Celebrations.

Prayer List— that special intention list you have while saying your morning and evening prayers.

Jane Bartolomeo, wife of Brother Nick
 Brother Nick Bartolomeo
 Brother Ron Briggs
 Brother Chuck Burnett and G'Daughter Lori
 Brother Tony Carozza and wife Mary Pat
 Adrienne Celeste's nephew and two nieces
 Robert Gentzel, father-in-law of Frank Celeste, Jr.
 Brother Lou David
 Brother Neil and Kathy's Daughter-in-Law Lisa
 Brother Lou Guido
 Robert Hally
 Susan Irwin, wife of Brother Tom
 Father John Lunness
 Sylvia Shepard, daughter of Brother Dale Shepard
 Son of Brother Dale Shepard
 Family of Brother Dale Shepard: Kaitlyn
 Deacon Bob
 Denise Kennard, daughter of Deacon Bob and Barbara and Michelle and Matthew
 Brother Mike Jacobs and wife Ethel
 Mrs. Keith, Bryan's Mom
 Carolyn Kress, wife of Brother Ray
 Brother Rich Lamarre
 Ann McDermott's G'son, and Julie, Daughter and Ann
 Chuck McCready's Son Nick
 Brother Charlie O'brien
 John O'Brien, son of Brother Charlie & wife Maureen
 Brother Vincent Omundson's wife
 Brother Al Pilarski
 Brother Ed Rodier
 Brother John Rubino and John's wife Anna
 Teresa Gaul, Cousin of Brother John Sharkey
 Eddie Stephens, son of Cheryl
 Granddaughter of Cheryl Stephens, Amanda Decker
 Deborah Straight, sister of Brother Wayne
 Sister Dottie Tumminello
 Brother Carl Windmiller

DGK John Sharkey's brother-in-law passed away this month.

Announcement: If you have updates on the prayer list, while the position is open, please email Tom Foglesong accordingly. (tomfoglesong@gmail.com)



**Here are this month's Calendar Winners:
 Calendar Winners November 16, 2023
 Through December 15, 2023**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Pick #</u>	<u>Name</u>
11/16/2023	436	Sal Castorina
11/17/2023	799	No Winner
11/18/2023	565	Brecken B Hughes
11/19/2023	39	Sal Castorina
11/20/2023	229	Pat Gielner
11/21/2023	193	No Winner
11/22/2023	441	Vince Sanzone
11/23/2023	807	Terry Baker
11/24/2023	004	Jennie Ruff
11/25/2023	940	No Winner
11/26/2023	278	Philip A Denhardt
11/27/2023	538	No Winner
11/28/2023	30	Brian Curran
11/29/2023	637	No Winner
11/30/2023	358	Kelly Hughes
12/1/2023	560	Kevin Hughes
12/2/2023	883	No Winner
12/3/2023	353	No Winner
12/4/2023	144	Mark McDermott
12/5/2023	863	No Winner
12/6/2023	617	No Winner
12/7/2023	427	No Winner
12/8/2023	699	Joe Smith
12/9/2023	962	Andrew DeStefano
12/10/2023	350	No Winner
12/11/2023	437	No Winner
12/12/2023	140	No Winner
12/13/2023	425	Peter Celeste
12/14/2023	072	No Winner
12/15/2023	227	No Winner

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to all Ladies celebrating birthdays in January:

<u>Lady</u>	<u>B'Date</u>
Diane Sparzak	1
Donna D. Potenza	14
Rosemary Gear	31

Past Members...

Kathy Foote	6
Ellen Cooke	9
Anna Rubino	20
Judy Wyllie	20
Theresa Hill	21
Dorothy Tumminello	21

Ocean City Council #9053 Officers 2023-2024

Chaplain, Father and SK L Martin.....	410-250-0300
Grand Knight, SK Jim Matthews.....	410-409-0508
Deputy Grand Knight, SK John Sharkey.....	610-329-5651
Chancellor, Open.....	
Warden, SK Edward Mardaga.....	443-220-5286
Recorder, SK Bob Pellenbarg.....	240-274-4384
Financial Secretary, SK Dale Shepard.....	952-807-3239
Treasurer, SK Tom Foglesong.....	240-353-0681
Lecturer, David Dancer.....	240-506-7857
Advocate, SK Thomas Irwin, PGK, PFN, FDD.....	240-888-6293
Inside Guard, SK Richard Thomas.....	610-304-9773
Outside Guard, David Dancer.....	240-506-7857
Outside Guard, Open.....	

Trustees:

1 Yr—SK Bruce Coons.....	302-436-0245
2 Yr—SK Charles O'Brien.....	302-988-1498
3 Yr—SK Tom Herwig.....	410-960-9019

Convention Delegates:

SK Jim Matthews, GK.....	410-409-0508
SK Thomas Herwig, FN, PGK.....	410-960-9019
Alternate Delegate: SK Wayne Straight, PGK, PFN.....	302-988-1863
Alternate Delegate: SK Joseph Gangi, PGK, PFN.....	973-600-0775

1st Degree Team Captain:

Open.....	
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Pope John Paul II Assembly #2454 4th Degree Officers 2023-2024

Faithful Friar, Father and SK L Martin.....	410-250-0300
Faithful Navigator, SK Thomas Herwig.....	410-960-9019
Faithful Captain, SK Thomas Foglesong.....	240-353-0681
Faithful Pilot, SK Charlie Bell.....	410-465-0445
Faithful Admiral, SK Joe Kostelac, PGK, PFN.....	410-250-5665
Faithful Scribe, SK Tom Pergola.....	302-541-4737
Faithful Purser, SK Richard Thomas.....	610-304-9773
Faithful Comptroller, SK Thomas Anderson.....	410-641-5752
Inner Sentinel, SK Richard Fox.....	443-966-2200
Outer Sentinel, SK Charles McCready.....	443-944-2931

Trustees:

3 Yr—SK Joe Lazzari.....	410-980-7208
2 Yr—SK Jim Stone, PGK, PFN.....	302-436-7866
1 Yr—SK Joe Gangi, PGK, PFN.....	973-600-0775

Color Corps Commander:

SK Neil Foote, PFN.....	302-436-0128
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Deputy Color Corp Commander:

SK Richard Thomas.....	610-304-9773
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Chalice Chairman:

SK Tom Foglesong.....	240-353-0681
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MASTER:

SK Fritz Leach.....	443-691-4408
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District Officers 2023-2024

District Deputy, SK Joseph Gangi, PGK, PFN.....	973-600-0775
District Warden, SK Howard Pusey, PGK, PFN.....	410-603-8186

Chairmen/Directors/Managers 2023-2024

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Bingo, SK Tom Anderson.....	410-641-5752
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Community Director, SK Tom Herwig.....	410-960-9019
Computer Specialist, John Rubino.....	301-938-9239
Family Director, SK John Sharkey.....	610-329-5651
Hall Rental Manager, SK Richard Thomas.....	610-304-9773
Kitchen Manager, SK Kevin Hughes.....	410-726-8946
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Membership Director, Open.....	
Life Director, SK Kevin Hughes.....	410-726-8956
Program Director, SK Thomas Pergola.....	302-541-4737
Public Relations, SK Thomas Foglesong.....	240-353-0681
Retention Director, Open.....	
Sick and Distressed, Open.....	
Ways & Means Chair, SK Tom Foglesong.....	240-353-0681
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SK Richard Fox.....	443-966-2200
SK Ken Hidenfelter.....	410-703-2623
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Corresponding Secretary, Kathy Mihalisin.....	410-241-7848
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Membership Chair, Elaine Hubbard.....	410-703-1262

Insurance Representative

Thomas Strassner.....	410-258-0308
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Chaplain.....	Rev. Fr. Donald Grzynski
Deputy.....	Christopher L. Powers
Secretary.....	Anthony N. Salvemini
Treasurer.....	John F. Winfrey
Advocate.....	Ronald Hassan
Warden.....	Thomas Greul
Immediate PSD.....	Vince Grauso

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
New Year's Eve... Be careful everyone!	January 1 2024 Happy New Year!	2) Judging Posters @ C'Hall @ 10:00	3) Officers @ 5:30 Council 9053 6:30p @ Columbus Hall	4) Rosary @ 10:00a Father Martin Book Club, 11a Sons of Italy, 5p	5) BINGO, T2 "Bingo 4 Babies"	6) Consecration of the Holy Family.
7) Consecration of the Holy Family. 5:00 Mass (St. Luke's) : Awards for Keep Christ in Christmas.	8)	9) Charity Committee 10:00am <i>(Tom F Knee Replacement)</i>	10) Columbus Club Board Meeting 10:00a Polish Americans 2:00	11) Rosary @ 10:00a Father Martin Book Club, 11a Assembly 2454, 6:30p	12) BINGO, T3 "Bingo 4 Babies"	13) <i>District Officer Meeting at C'Hall @ 10:00</i>
14)	15) Martin Luther King Birthday	16) Lady AOH 9:30am "Novena 4 Life"	17) Bingo 4 Babies BINGO Luncheon 10:30 Lunch (til 3) Mtg @ 3:00pm "Novena 4 Life"	18) Rosary @ 10:00a Father Martin Book Club, 11a Community Supper, 5:00pm "Novena 4 Life"	19) <i>Right to Life Mass @ Holy Savior ???</i> BINGO, T4 "Bingo 4 Babies" "Novena 4 Life"	20) "Novena 4 Life"
21) Breakfast for Babies, 8:30-11:30 "Novena 4 Life"	22) "Novena 4 Life"	23) "Novena 4 Life"	24) "Novena 4 Life"	25) Rosary @ 10:00a Father Martin Book Club, 11a Rosary, 10	26) BINGO, T1 "Bingo 4 Babies"	27)
28)	29)	30)	31) Ways & Means @ 10am ZOOM			
				February 1) Rosary @ 10:00a Father Martin Book Club, 11a Sons of Italy, 5p	2) BINGO, T2	3)
4)	5)	6)	7) Officers @ 5:30 Council 9053 6:30p @ Columbus Hall	8) Rosary @ 10:00a Father Martin Book Club, 11a	9) BINGO—T3	10)
11)	12)	13) <i>Shrove Tuesday</i>	14) Columbus Club Board Meeting 10:00a <i>Valentines Day</i> <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	15) Rosary @ 10:00a Father Martin Book Club, 11a Assembly 2454, 6:30p	16) BINGO—T4	17)
18)	19)	20) LAOH 9:30 -> 12:30	21) Lady Knights' Meeting, 1:00pm	22) Rosary @ 10:00a Father Martin Book Club, 11a	23) BINGO T1	24)
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BINGO at 9053

SK Tom Anderson, Director

Brothers All, good day! Are you proud to be a part of our Catholic Men's organization with all of our charitable contributions and successes?

Well, let me tell you how **BINGO** helps us. Year after year, **BINGO** is the largest revenue generator we have. Charitable Contributions exceeded \$20,000 this past year—just from BINGO. Our Council could not do what we do without **BINGO**.

You are probably wondering how you can help. We organize **BINGO** services into 4 teams, and each team works one Friday night every four weeks. For two hours, from 5:15p.m. until 7:00p.m., we need 6 guys. Then, we need three guys to stay until 10:00p.m. ONE NIGHT out of each 4-WEEK period. Call today.

Please call me, Tom A., at 410-641-5752, for answers to your questions and to join one of our four teams.

KITCHEN CORNER

Community Supper
January 18 2024 Dinner Menu

Tossed Salad w/Choice of Dressings
Pot Roast slowly cooked
Mashed Potatoes
Broccoli Spears Or Green Beans
Roll & Butter
Apple or Peach Cobbler



Christmas Party Preparation!





The Party Collage #1!

Our Head chef— Thank you!



In Memoriam
 John E. McDermott
 Brother and Sir Knight
 Council 9053 and Assembly 2454



The Party
 Collage #2!



The Party
Collage #3!



Recent Charity Donations



**Bill Turner (WCDC)
GK Jim Matthews**



**Sister Jennifer (Joseph House)
GK Jim Matthews**



**Curtis Paul (Village of Hope)
GK Jim Matthews**

Sharing money with
those in need... is what
we do!