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Christmas Party: 1st Wednesday of Month— December 4, 2024

December 2024

Worthy Brothers, Ladies and Friends,



I hope you had a Happy and joyous Thanksgiving. It is always a nice holiday with family, friends and good food. I have been blessed with the gifts God has given me, hope the same for you.

Merry Christmas to each of you and your family. There is always a celebration at the birth of a new baby, and Christmas is no different. Jesus was born, Son of God, and our Redeemer. That is what makes Christmas so joyful. Celebrating a new birth is also a time to celebrate life.

Things are happening at the OC Knights. We continue to have a wide range of activities and charitable fund-raising events. High lights from the month of November. We had one of our most successful Parish Breakfast in a long time, 99 people enjoyed the great food, prepared, served, and cleaned up by over 20 people. The Veterans celebration after Mass was a beautiful tribute to our past and current veterans. We helped at the St. Luke's and Holy Savior's bazaars this year; each group had a great fund raiser for their parish, over 95 manhours of effort. The Knights' Memorial Mass was a truly special celebration for the Brothers to remember their friends and Brothers. Also to give comfort to the families of our deceased Brothers. The food drive to help Saint Vencent DePaul Society and local charity Diakonia was highly successful, supported by countless Knights and Lady Knights at all the Masses including packing and delivery. We held a Blood Drive at the Hall to make it easy for the brothers to give blood – a tangible gift of charity. As part of the Knights' Coats for Kids program, we purchased 12 cases of coats, for just over \$3,300. Our team delivered cases to Blessed Sacrament School, St. Luke's, Holy Savior, Fire Department, St. John Neumann and others. Read the list again and see if you have a place, time to give, and skills to add to these types of activities. Each activity can always use another helping hand.

Check out the calendar of events in this issue with an open mind and heart and find your place of giving in "your" Knights of Columbus. Don't forget to check the web site often for updates and additional activities. Also, relax and enjoy the Facebook page, lots of material to reflect on.

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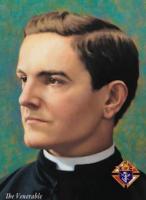
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Vivat Jesus,

Ken Hidenfelter, Grand Knight

Lord, what can WE do today!

Knights' motto: Make a difference in someone's life



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

Faith In Action

Advent is Here

Since the ninth century, the First Sunday of Advent has not only marked the beginning of the Advent Season, but also the start of a New Liturgical Year.

The earliest written evidence to the concept of this season is from the fourth century in Saragossa, Spain. It was originally a time to prepare converts for baptism and lead into Christmas and Epiphany. Over the centuries an understanding of the Advent season was gradually formalized in our Church.



The word Advent comes from the Latin adventus, meaning "coming." Our Catechism presents the two -fold meaning of this "coming." It states, "When the Church celebrates the liturgy of Advent each year, she makes present this ancient expectancy of the Messiah, for by sharing in the long preparation for the Savior's first coming, the faithful renew their ardent desire for His second coming" (#524).

To unpack that, we are to prepare our hearts with a hopefully joy in Christ's coming into this world on Christmas Day. We do this by reflecting on the need to be spiritually alert and ready to receive God's gift of salvation. Much like Lent we are to do this by making penance, sacrifice and doing spiritual reflection.

Some possible reflection questions for this First Sunday of Advent:

- \Rightarrow How can I cultivate a deeper sense of hope in my life, even during challenging times?
- \Rightarrow What areas in my life do I need to prepare for the coming of Christ?
- \Rightarrow How can I actively share the message of hope with those around me?

God Bless,

Fr. L. Martin

Special Note from the Membership Director (Jack Kelly)

Brother Knights, recruiting new membership for October, November and December appears to be very slow. I have only one new member to be read in next Wednesday. As always, I am asking for your assistance. A 100 form would be great; if not, send me a name and phone number and I will do the rest.

By now you should all be aware that we are planning a 4th Degree exemplification at Ocean City. This is open to all 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Degree members. This is a rare opportunity to become 4th Degree in Ocean City. I have been told the last time was over 10 years ago. Please do not miss out on this as we are looking for a large turnout for this ceremony.

For more information please contact Tom Herwig, Tom Anderson or Jack Kelly.

Jack Kelly, Director of Membership

jakelly10@aol.com

Columbus Club Report, December 2024

Submitted by President R. "DOC" Peters



Brothers and Ladies, we have accomplished a number of items this past month:

1. The Parking Lot sink hole work has been completed.

2. The tall brush behind Columbus Hall has been trimmed. Additional cleanup is required.

3. Replacement of the parking lot lights are under contract with Beacon Electric. Work will be completed within two (2) weeks.

- 4. Effective December 1, 2024, Richard Thomas will be designated as an Independent contractor providing services for the Columbus Club Corporation. Richard's new title will be "CCC Manager" and will be compensated for his services.
- 5. The Ladies Auxiliary will be decorating Columbus Hall for the Christmas Holiday on December 2, 2024 @ 10:00 am. CCC members are encouraged to help with the décor as well as retrieving Christmas items from the attic and the shed.

Thank you all for the continued effort keeping the office, mail room, and serving area neat and orderly. "If you use something, please return it to its original location."

If you are looking for a venue for your next party, wedding or meeting please keep Columbus Hall in mind. We have a beautiful building with THE BEST VIEW IN OCEAN CITY. For availability and pricing contact our CCC Manager, Richard Thomas at **410-524-7994 or the contact tab of our new web site: KOC9053.com**

There will be <u>NO</u>CCC meeting this month. Our next meeting will be Januray 8, 2025 @ 10:00 am. All are welcome.

Betty Ann and I wish you and yours a Blessed and Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

May God Bless you and keep you in the Palm of His Hand.

Ron "Doc" Peters President CCC

LIFE Report from the Director of Council 9053's LIFE Program... Here are headlines:

Trump Picks Pro-Life Senator Marco Rubio as Secretary of State. Pro - Life Senator John Thune will be the Next Majority Leader. Republicans Take Control of the Senate as Pro-Life Candidates Win Multiple States. Pro-Life Americans Defeat Radical Abortion Amendments in Florida, Nebraska and South Dakota. Minneso-ta Democrats Lose Control of State House where Tim Walz legalized infanticide. Pro-Life Congresswoman Lisa McClain Becomes Highest Ranking Republican Woman In Congress. Pro-life Republican Dave McCormick Wins over Bob Casey Pro Abortion as Pennsylvania Senator. Robert F, Kennedy " It's a Calamity when Millions of Abortions Take Place A Year". Harris Campaigned On Abortion Up To Birth, But 40 % of Gen Z (born 1997 -2012) Voted for Trump.

Please Pray your Daily Rosary for life every day. Also consider attending Eucharistic Adoration On Wednesday At St. Mary's Star of the Sea and at St Luke's after First Friday Masses.

Prayer and Sacrifice can change the World!

KEVIN HUGHES 410-726-8946

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 January 2025 edition of the KNIGHT TIMES is December 27th, 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.

Ocean City Lady Knights Auxiliary



November was once again a very busy month for our Auxiliary. We helped the Knights deliver 13,000 lbs. of food to St. Joseph House. We helped the Knights at their Parish Breakfast for Veterans. We filled twenty-two Boxes of Joy with Christmas gifts for children who would otherwise receive no Christmas gifts. We worked at St Luke's and Holy Savior's Christmas bazaars. We attended the Knight's and Lady's Memorial Mass to honor our brothers and sisters who passed away this year and to help bring comfort to their families. We helped with a very successful food drive for St. Vincent De Paul and Diakonia. A special thank you to Ceil and Richard Fox for coordinating this effort. And of course,

the Eats and Treats teams who work so hard every Friday at the Knight's bingo. Thank you to everyone who helped.

Our next big fundraising event will be Bingo for Babies. Please get busy finding prizes and sponsors. We need everyone's help with this effort. Thank you to Dee and Bernadette for coordinating this event.

Christmas is coming. This is a very busy time of the year but try to slow down and reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. God gave His only begotten son to us. What a beautiful Christmas gift. Let our Christmas gift be to be kind, loving, helpful and forgiving in what we say and do.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Knights' Christmas Party on December 4th and our luncheon on December 9th. There will be no business meeting in December. The next meeting will be on January 20th.

Wishing you a very Blessed and Merry Christmas.

May God Bless and Keep you.

Adrienne

President Ocean City Lady Knights Auxiliary

Important Calendar Highlights for December 2024 —

Council 9053 Business Meeting: Replaced by Council Christmas Gala—December 4, 2024 Assemble 2454 Business Meeting: No meeting in December Bi-Monthly Charity Committee Meeting: No meeting in December—Next meeting in January Monthly Columbus Club Meetings are back: No meeting in December Lady Knights: Meeting replaced by Ladies Christmas Luncheon: December 9, 2024 Ways and Means Meeting (ZOOM): December 30, 2024 @ 10:00am Merry Christmas—Happy Birthday Jesus: December 25, 2024—All Day BINGO: BINGO is supported by four teams — Join a team and work every fourth week. Tom Anderson is always building teams.

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

FOR DECEMBER 2024

ST LUKE CATHOLIC PARISH

St. Luke Parish 2024/2025 Advent/Christmas/New Year Schedule

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Every Wednesday Evening from 6:00pm - 7:00pm Every Saturday Morning following 9:00am Mass

Immaculate Conception Celebrated on Monday, December 9 - 7:00am, 9:00am, & 5:00pm

Advent Penance Service: Wednesday, December 18 - 6:00pm

Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord/Christmas Eve: Tuesday, December 24 (NO 9am Mass) Youth Choir, Prelude of Carols 3:15pm - 4:00pm Mass Contemporary Choir, Christmas Anthems 5:45pm - 6:00pm Mass

The Nativity of the Lord/Christmas Day: Wednesday, December 25 - 9:00am & 11:00am

Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary/New Year's Eve: Tuesday, December 31 - 5:00pm

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God/New Year's Day: Wednesday, January 1, 2025 - 9:00am & 11:00am

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

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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



Christmas Party Sponsoned by the local Multi-parish Wilchwed Support Group All are welcome!



comprised of 9-12th graders who love to sing. The ensemble features SATB (4-part) advanced a cappella in various music genres. In addition to the Upper School Chorus, students in the Ensemble perform in concert venues, including WPS Open House events and multiple off-campus locations throughout the school year. 1st ~ ADVENT STARTS No Classes 8 th~6:15 to 8PM Teen classes TOP CHRISTMAS COOKIE BAKE! Hall Donations still being requested! 9th The Feast of the Immaculate Conception ~ because the 8th falls on a Sunday the feast is celebrated on Monday, the 9th ~ Holy Day of Obligation-Mass time Vigil Mass (Dec 8th) 5:15 PM 9th~ 8:30 AM 14th ~ Christmas Pageant 3:30 Before the 4PM Mass for All age Children!

Faith in Action Programs

From the Desk of our Council Program Director... John-Paolo Celozzi

Reflections on November and Looking Ahead to December:

As November draws to a close, we reflect on a month filled with generosity, gratitude, and brotherhood within our Council. Our Food Drive, held at St. Luke's, was a tremendous success, with contributions benefiting the Joseph House in Salisbury. Thanks to the dedication of our members and community, we collected approximately \$22,250 worth of food (12,000 pounds), helping those in need as we continue to live out our mission of

charity. A heartfelt thank-you to Richard and Ceil Fox, and all the volunteers who made this possible. Additionally, the Veterans Day Breakfast on November 11 was a wonderful celebration. We served 99 people and raised \$850 for the Tunnels to Towers Foundation, a testament to our commitment to honoring those who served. Special thanks to Wayne and the Fourth Degree Assembly for their efforts in organizing this memorable event.

The Memorial Mass on November 21 allowed us to honor the Knights and Lady Knights we've lost over the past year. Although attendance was lower than hoped, it was a moving ceremony led by Father Martin. Thank you to Chuck Lutz, Wayne Straight, and everyone who helped make this event meaningful for the families who attended.

As we transition into December, our calendar is full of opportunities to come together and make an impact: 1-Toys for Tots Campaign: Let's continue to support this worthy cause. Donate new, unwrapped toys for children, especially those aged 8–10 and 11+. Our drop-off box is ready, and every toy helps bring joy to a child this Christmas. Thank you to Ron and Sharon Ruest for spearheading this program.

2-Christmas Ball: Join us on December 4 for a night of fellowship and celebration. Brother Joe Gangi has been working tirelessly to ensure this event will be a festive and joyful occasion. Bring a new toy for the Toys for Tots and receive a bonus drink ticket. 3-Rosary and Prayers: While there will be no live rosary on Thanksgiving, we encourage everyone to pray for our brothers, Lady Knights, and families in need of support. Join the call-in rosary each Thursday at 10:10 AM by dialing 848-220-3100 (ID: 905300#).

4-Recruitment Challenge: Help us meet our goal of welcoming 10 new members before Christmas. Reach out to Catholic friends who would make great Knights, and let them know how simple the online registration process is.

As we prepare for the Advent season, let us continue to reflect on the blessings in our lives and extend our hearts and hands to those in need. Thank you, Brother Knights, for your dedication and service. May God bless you and your families this holiday season.

Have a great month, everyone. God Bless you!

John Paolo

Insurance Report, December 2024

Dear Council Brothers and friends of Council 9053, as Knights, we emphasize the importance of keeping Christ in Christmas. In fact, keeping Christ at the center of everything we do is a year-round mission. Whenever we serve our parish or community, we serve Christ. I also see my service to families as a way to honor him. When I sit down with a family and help them ensure their financial protection, I am serving his Church. I think about this often, and as I look back on the year – reminiscing on all of the relationships I have made with Knights and the security I have helped provide them and their families, I am incredibly grateful. Now, I ask you – as we close out 2024 and as you spend additional time with your family, consider how any changes from the past year might affect your life insurance portfolio. Even joyous occasions like buying a new house or sending a kid to college this fall can impact your insurance needs. Are you certain your current coverage is adequate and up to date? What would your family's financial situation be this time next year if the unimaginable happened to you or your spouse? If your answers to these questions are not certain, I encourage you to set up time to meet with me. Let's work together to create a plan that would not only help protect your family but give you the peace of mind and security you all deserve. Meanwhile, may you each have a holy and peaceful Christmas season with

your loved ones. Let's continue to focus on Jesus through the end of this year. And let's pray for one another — especially for those who may be struggling in any way during the holidays. If there is any way I can offer help, please reach out to me.

Thank you and Merry Christmas!

Vivat Jesus!

Robert (Bob) Marlowe III





COUNCII 9053 Knight TimeS

From our Faithful Navigator, SK Tom Herwig

Sir Knights, Brother Knights, Lady Knights and Friends

I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving! Now we can prepare for the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ! Please continue your prayers for all on our sick list as well as all of our deceased members. Jim Stone is walking every day in Arizona and on his way to full recovery. We all look forward to seeing him in the New Year!

There will not be an Assembly meeting in December. We will be working on a Veterans luncheon to be held after the first of the year. Let us know if you would like to help. Also, Our 4th degree "exemplification" is scheduled for January 11th. Start time will be late morning. We have 20+ candidates including some from Salisbury and Pocomoke City. Jack Kelly (410-258-5663) and I (Tom Herwig-410-960-9019) have registration forms that will need to be completed by the candidates over the next couple of weeks. We will be in touch with you by phone. If you do not hear from us by Tuesday, December 3rd, then call us and we will get you a form. More information will follow.

Our Knights Christmas party is scheduled for Wednesday, December 4th at the Hall from 530-930. There will be dinner, music, dancing, a men's tie contest, and another surprise or two! In addition, On December the 14th we will be participating in 'Wreaths Across America' at the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Millsboro, DE. You can meet us at the Harris Teeter shopping center by 9AM and we will carpool from there, or meet us at The Cemetery, 26669 Patriots Way, Millsboro Delaware just off of Rt 113. There will be a ceremony and then all the participants will place wreaths. We usually stop for lunch on the way home. It is a very rewarding Assembly project.

There is a 'Toys for Tots' bin at the Hall. Please bring an unwrapped toy next time you come to the Hall. The Christmas party is a perfect opportunity.

Remember Wayne is completing his 4,000 mile Charity Bike ride this month. If you haven't made a pledge, give it to him at the Thursday Rosary or place it in Ken Hidenfelter's mailbox or in mine. All proceeds go to 'Tunnels to Towers'. Donations from \$.01/mile and up will be appreciated. Checks should be made out to KOC 9053. You can give it to Wayne after the 1st of the year once his mileage is official.

Don't forget the donation bins for Operation We Care for active-duty military (incidentals) and for Ukraine (warm clothing, hats and socks or a check. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Our Next Assembly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 9th at 630PM at the Hall.

May you have a Holy and Joyful Christmas!

Vivat Jesus

Tom Herwig, Faithful Navigator, Assembly 2454 Pope John Paul II God Bless America and our Military

Important Calendar Highlights for Next Month, January 2024

Council 9053 Business Meeting: January 2, 2025 @ 6:30pm (Officers @ 5:30pm) - Stay tuned for announcement of revised date. Assembly 2454: January 9, 2025 @ 6:30pm 4th Degree Exemplification: January 11, 2025—Stay tuned for details

Columbus Club: January 8, 2025 @ 10:00am Council Charity Meeting: January 14, 2025 @ 10:30am

Ladies' Auxiliary: January 20, 2025

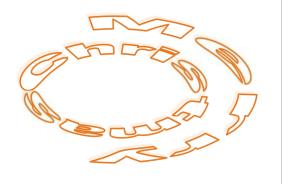
Ways and Means Meeting: December 30, 2024 @ 10:00 via ZOOM





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

Knight	B'Date
Albert Pilarski	1
Tristan Winterling	1
Donald O Grince	4
Russell Oathout	4
William Ponton	5
Anthony Criscuola	6
Joseph Zanetti	6
Brandon Mall	9
Frank Del Piano	13
James Stone	17
Louis Guido	18
Gerald Kananen	18
John Cummings	19
Vernon Becker	20
Christian Haddad	20
Robert O Neill	20
William Jester	21
Gerry Furst	23
Ronald Pichini	23
Michael Hook	26
Ronald Briggs	29
Sean King	29
James Gaffney	31
William Mathesius	31
Gary Murray	31





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

Brother Knight & Bride	<u>Date</u>	<u>Years</u>
Eugene & Kitty Lou Cleary	3	68
James & Bernadine Salembene Sr	6	65
Charles & Cecile Ciekawy	7	23
James & Martha Stone. PGK	10	64
Michael & Wanda Holson	21	17
Christopher & Michelle Peeples	21	31
Deacon Robert & Barbara McNult	y 23	66
Edward & Margaret Gardner	25	69
Martin & Carol Baer	28	56
David & Valarie Gaskill	28	33
Robert & Marjorie Pellenbarg	28	51
Egidio & Giuditta Durastanti	29	68
Richard & Gerrie Jansen	30	57



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Prayer List— that special intention list you have while saying

your morning and evening prayers.

Jane Bartolomeo, wife of Brother Nick Brother Nick Bartolomeo Kimberly Bean Brother Charlie Bell **Brother Ron Briggs** Brother Chuck Burnett and G'Daughter Lori Brother Tony Carozza and wife Mary Pat Brother Sal Castorina Adrienne Celeste's nephew and two nieces Logan, Great Grandson of Evelyn Coons Bryan Coons, Son of Evelyn Coons Robert Gentzel, father-in-law of Frank Celeste, Jr. Brother Neil and Kathy's Daughter-in-Law Lisa Glen and Delores Gorden, friends of Brother Joe Lazzari Brother Lou Guido Robert Hally Carol Horelick 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** Glen and Delores Gorden, friends of Brother Joe Lazzari 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 Brother Jim Stone Deborah Straight, sister of Brother Wayne Sister Dottie Tumminello Brother George Ward Brother Carl Windmiller



This month we lost Brother and Sir Knight Roland Murray. Please keep Roland and the family in your prayers.

Announcement: If you have updates on the prayer list, please email Chuck Lutz @ klutziop26@gmail.com



HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Ladies of the Auxiliary celebrating birthdays in December:

Lady Me	embers	B'Date
		22000

Barbara McCoy	11
Robin Pilkerton	16
Erin Reilly	16

Ocean City Council #9053 Officers 2024-2025

Chaplain, Father and SK Lance Martin	410-289-0652
Grand Knight, SK Ken Hidenfelter	410-703-2623
Deputy Grand Knight, SK John Sharkey	610-329-5651
Chancellor, SK Chuck Lutz	410-208-3065
Warden, SK Wayne Straight	
Recorder, Chris Bean	
Financial Secretary, SK Dale Shepard	952-807-3239
Treasurer, SK Tom Foglesong	
Lecturer, David Dancer	
Advocate, SK Bill Van Horn	
Inside Guard, SK Richard Thomas	
Outside Guard, SK Richard Fox	
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Trustees:

3 Yr—SK Tom Herwig	
2 Yr—SK Charles O'Brien	
1 Yr—SK Joe Carraro	

Convention Delegates:

SK Ken Hidenfelter, GK	410-703-2623
SK Thomas Herwig, FN, PGK	410-960-9019
Alternate Delegate: SK Wayne Straight, PGK, PFN	
Alternate Delegate: SK Joseph Gangi, PGK, PFN	973-600-0775

Exemplification Team Captain:

SK John Sharkey, DGK610-	-329-5651
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Pope John Paul II Assembly #2454 4th Degree Officers 2024-2025

Faithful Friar, Father and SK Lance Martin	410-289-0652
Faithful Navigator, SK Thomas Herwig	
Faithful Captain, SK Thomas Foglesong	
Faithful Pilot, SK Charlie Bell	
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	
Inner Sentinel, SK Richard Fox	
Outer Sentinel, SK Charles McCready	

Trustees:

3 Yr—SK Richard Hubbard	
2 Yr—SK Joe Lazzari	
1 Yr—SK Jim Stone, PGK, PFN	

Color Corps Commander: SK Neil Foote, PFN	
SK Richard Thomas	
MASTER: SK Jim Duryee	0-320-6780

District Officers 2024-2025

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

Chairmen/Directors/Managers 2024-2025

Bar Manager, SK Richard Thomas	610-304-9773
Bingo, SK Tom Anderson	410-641-5752
Charity Committee Chairman, SK Joe Kostelac	410-250-5665
Faith Director, SK Steve Mastbrook	
Community Director, SK Tom Herwig	
Computer Specialist, John Rubino	
Family Director, SK John Sharkey	
Hall Rental Manager, SK Richard Thomas	
Kitchen Manager, SK Kevin Hughes	
Knight Times Editor, SK Tom Foglesong	
Membership Director, Jack Kelly	
Life Director, SK Kevin Hughes	
Program Director, John-Paolo Celozzi	
Public Relations, SK Thomas Foglesong	
Retention Director, Jack Kelly	
Sick and Distressed, SK Chuck Lutz	
Ways & Means Chair, SK Tom Foglesong	
Youth Director, SK Eddie Mardaga	
Youth Director, SK John Sharkey	

Columbus Club Corporation Officers 2024-2025

President — Ron Peters Vice President— Richard Thomas Treasurer—Jerry Connolly Secretary— Richard Fox	610-304-9773 443-693-3233
Directors: John Reese Lou Guido Paul Myers Don Mihalisin Jim Stone Pat Hennessy	410-378-4782 443-928-8648 302-448-5321 302-436-7866
Managers: House/ Rental/ Bar Manager, Richard Thomas Kitchen Manager, Kevin Hughes Physical Plant Manager	410-726-8946
Ex Officio Members: Grand Knight, Ken Hidenfelter Faithful Navigator, Tom Herwig	410-703-2623 410-960-9019

Ocean City Lady Knights Auxiliary

President, Adrienne Celeste	
Vice President, Barbara McCoy	
Corresponding Secretary, Donna Kiniry	
Recording Secretary, Deborah Guido	
Treasurer, Ceil Fox	
Membership Chair, Open	

Insurance Representative

State Officers 2024-2025

Chaplain	Rev. Fr. Donald Grzymski
Deputy,	
Secretary	
Treasurer	Ronald Hassan
Advocate	Thomas Greul
Warden	Mike Lynch
Immediate Past State Deputy	

COUNCII 9053 Knight Times

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
December 1, 2024	2)	3)	4)	5)	6)	7)
1st Sunday of Advent			Council Christmas Party 5:30—9:30	Rosary, 10a Sons of Italy, 5p	Bingo, Tm1	
8)	9)	10)	11)	12)	13)	14)
2nd Sunday of Advent	Lady Knights 12:00 Christmas Luncheon		Polish American Club, 2pm	Rosary, 10a	Bingo, Tm2	Wreaths Across America!
15)	16)	17)	18)	19)	20)	21)
3rd Sunday of Advent		Ladies AOH Meeting, 9:30a		Rosary, 10a	Bingo, Tm3	
22)	23)	24)	25)	26)	27)	28)
4th Sunday of Advent		Christmas Eve	Christmas 2024 Happy Birth- day Jesus!	Rosary, 10a	Bingo, Tm4	
29)	30) Ways & Means, 10a, ZOOM	31) New Year's Eve—2024	January 1, 2025 Happy New Year!			
			January 1 2025	2)	3)	4)
			Officers @ 5:30 Council 9053: Business Meeting 6:30p	Sons of Italy 5:00 Springfest 2-5	BINGO—Tm1	
5)	6)	7)	8)	9) Rosary @ 9:30a	10)	11)
			Columbus Club, BOD Mtg; 10am Polish American Club @ 2:00pm	Assembly 2454 Business Meeting 6:30	BINGO—Tm2	4th Degree Exemplification
12)	13)	14)	15)	16)	17)	18)
		Charity Commit- tee Meeting @ 10:30am		Rosary @ 9:30a	BINGO—Tm3	
19)	20)	21)	22)	23)	24)	25)
,	Lady Knights Officers @ Noon; Business Meeting @ 1:00pm,	Ladies AOH Meeting 9:30a.m.		Rosary @ 9:30a	BINGO—Tm4	
26)	27)	28)	29)	30)	31)	
		Ways & Means Meeting 10:00a		Rosary @ 9:30a	BINGO—Tm1	



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.

CHARITY COMMITTEE MEETING CHAIRMAN: SK Joe Kostelac MEMBER: SK Richard Thomas MEMBER: SK Wayne Straight MEMBER: SK George Ward GUEST: Richard Donnelly

Charity Committee met on 11/12/2024. Members present designated the following organizations to receive a donation from 50% of the net profit from Bingo and Slots.

ORGANIZATIONS

The Joseph House (The Little Sisters of Jesus and Mary) The Little Sisters of the Poor	\$500 \$500
Noel Community (St. Paul's by the Sea Episcopal Church)	\$500
Diakonia	\$500
Blood Bank of Delmarva	\$500
4step Program	\$500
Holy Savior Capital Campaign	\$500
Village of hope	\$500
MAINTAINING ACTIVE CITIZENS (Local area Agency on Aging)	\$500
MBS School	\$500
St. Luke's	\$500
St. John Neumann	\$500
St. Mary's/Holy Savior	\$500
Total Donations	\$6,500

The Charity Committee also approved \$160 (funds from other Charity monies) for the weekly BINGO sponsored by our Council at Brandywine Assisted Living.

The NEXT MEETING is January 14, 2025 at 10:30. ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE INVITED.