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Worthy Brothers, Ladies and Friends,

I hope each of you had a wonderful and relaxing Christmas with friends and family. It is a special time to spend some quiet time and reflect on why we have Christmas. The gift God gave us, his Son, is difficult for me to comprehend. I am a sinner, and yet he shows his love for me and his forgiveness through his Sacred Heart of Mercy. That thought alone gives me hope and courage to walk in faith toward Him to become a part of the Mystical Body of Christ.

New Year 2025, so many thoughts and things to say. We all dread the new years resolution “game”, and we all know the outcome year after year. I plan on taking some quiet time over a few days to reflect on where I am as an individual, where I am in my Faith journey, and my relationships with family and friends. Joe Gangi’s final life lesson to me, remember you never know the day or the hour when I will be called to face God. There is always a segment of my prayer life of asking Jesus what I can do to be a better Catholic. It’s a 2000-year-old question: In the Bible, the story of a rich man asking Jesus how to become a better follower (Matthew 19:16-30), where a wealthy young man approaches Jesus and asks what good deeds he must do to inherit eternal life. I will share with you some advice a Priest gave me when I asked that question on a retreat: Go back and slowly read the Beatitudes, (Matthew 5:3-12 and Luke 6:20-26) which are the heart of Jesus’ teaching. Maybe you can’t do them all, but God gave me the tools and wisdom to do what I can do. I just need the strength and courage to follow his guidelines.

I also ask each of you, myself included, to reflect on and take stock of your life as a Knight of Columbus. Our Council has a great heritage of Charity work within the Ocean City community. We are driven because it is one of the pivotal aspects of our mission: Knights are called to serve others. Our first principle is Charity – at home with our families and in our communities. When Knights of Columbus members come together, they accomplish great things. Spend some time and reflect, where do I fit in with this first principle of Charity. Our charity work dovetails nicely with the Beatitudes. Maybe make some resolutions this year to attend more meetings, help in a charity activity, join in fellowship with Brother Knights at meals, help where you can. If you are a 4th degree Knight, reflect how you can actively participate in the Veterans Memorial Mass and ceremony, Wreaths Across America, Veterans breakfast, and other activities. Lastly, check out the web site (koc9053.com), attend or call into the Rosary, and have some fun – play BINGO.

NOTE WELL: Due to the new years on the first Wednesday of the month we are going to have a joint Council and Assembly meeting on January 9th, the start times will be different. The abbreviated Officers’ meeting will be at 5:15, and the general meeting will start promptly at 5:30. The Assembly meeting will begin at 6:25. There is a special talk presented by Captain Sharon Ruest, USN retired, on Life in the Military as a woman. Tom Herwig FN has invited all the wives and Lady Knights to the presentation. They should arrive NLT 6:45 to hear Sharon. Lite fare to follow.

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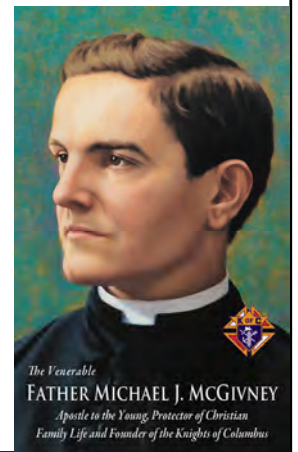
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A 4th Degree Exemplification will be held on Jan 11th. Complete information will be provided by Tom Herwig, FN.

**Vivat Jesus, Ken Hidenfelter,
Grand Knight —**

Lord, what can WE do today! —

**Knights’ motto: Make a difference in
someone’s life**



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

**Sir Knight Joseph R Gangi
Memorial Mass and Celebration of Life — Feb. 25, 2025**



A few pictures of Brother Joe Gangi. There are a couple of photos of Joe with his fiancée Barbara McCoy. When I asked them if they had a date, Joe always said it was “tomorrow”. From the funeral, the Navy showed up for “Taps” & the flag ceremony.

A highlight of the Eulogy presented by Joe’s son was the reading of Chapter 13 of 1st Corinthians. It was a poignant moment and I thought it worthy of our tribute.

1 Corinthians, Chapter 13: Love

1: If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a ringing gong or a clanging cymbal. 2-If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have absolute faith so as to move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. 3-If I give all I possess to the poor and exult in the surrender of my body, but have not love, I gain nothing.

4: Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. 5-It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no account of wrongs. 6- Love takes no pleasure in evil, but rejoices in the truth. 7-It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

8: Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be restrained; where there is knowledge, it will be dismissed. 9-For we know in part and we prophesy in part, 10-but when the perfect comes, the partial passes away.

11: When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I set aside childish ways. 12-Now we see but a dim reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

13: And now these three remain: faith, hope, and love; but the greatest of these is love.

Faith In Action

From our Chaplain, Father Lance Martin... Catholic New Year Resolutions...

Read the Bible: Put the Bible somewhere convenient and open it up once a day.

Pray more: Pray for others throughout the day. You can also visit Jesus in the tabernacle weekly.

Be kind: Look for ways to do good without being noticed.

Renew your devotion: Although New Year's is a secular holiday, it can be a good time to renew your devotion to God.

Choose a saintly intercessor: Make a point to pray for a particular saint's intercession throughout the year. Learn more about them by reading about their life.

Keep a gratitude journal: Write down things you are grateful for.

Abstain from meat every Friday: Abstaining from meat is only required on Fridays during Lent, but it is encouraged throughout the year. Observing meatless Fridays is a great way to increase in spiritual discipline and frequently recall Jesus' Passion.

Do an Examination of Conscience before you go to sleep: This is often done before Confession, but it's a good practice to get into at the end of your day. Not only do we recall the sins we may have committed, we also recall how God was with us throughout the day and we ask for His grace to be better the next day.

Seek spiritual guidance: Consider finding an accountability partner.

Bless your house: Ask a priest to perform a blessing on your house and then, make a habit of sprinkling your home with Holy Water daily.

God Bless,

Fr. L. Martin

Special Note from the Membership Director (Jack Kelly)

Brother Knights, Happy New Years... our motto for recruiting this year is "Thrive in '25"!

By now you should all be aware that we are planning a 4th Degree exemplification at Ocean City. It is on the calendar for January 11, 2025, here in Ocean City at our own Columbus Hall. We have 17 men who will join the 4th degree, and Assembly 2454... it is a very exciting time.

If you want to join the exemplification and the Patriotic degree, please contact Tom Herwig, Tom Anderson or Jack Kelly. For our membership, Knights only, the exemplification will begin promptly at 12:30pm. Stay tuned for additional details—via email and in Tom Herwig's Knight Times article—this month, page 8/

Jack Kelly, Director of Membership

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**Brothers and Ladies, another year has come and gone, welcome to 2025.
I am happy to report the Columbus Hall is in great shape.**

We are looking for a very successful year serving Council and Assembly meetings, various Association meetings, Wedding Receptions, Birthday Parties, Bereavement repasts, Council Breakfasts, Seafood Dinners and Community Dinners.

If you are looking for a venue for your next party, wedding, or meeting, remember COLUMBUS HALL. 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 on the website KOC9053.com.

All inspections and licenses are up to date. Our Federal and State taxes are in the hands of the CPA firm.

We still have the following projects to complete this month, weather permitting:

- Parking lot lights
- Front doorstep lighting
- Pull down-steps in kitchen storage area
- Bar alcohol security
- Shed storage cleanup
- Purging office file cabinets

Our next Columbus Club meeting will be January 8, 2025, at 10:00 am. All are welcome.

Heaven welcomed one of our finest KOC Brothers we all knew and loved. Rest in peace Joe Gangi. You will be missed.

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:

- ⇒ RFK Jr, says there are 'too many Abortions' during meeting with Republican Senators.
- ⇒ 76 Abortion Businesses have closed since Dobbs, Saving Countless Babies. 2 out of 3 Abortion Facilities have closed since 1990.
- ⇒ Biden Threatens an African Country: "We Will Deny \$480 Million in Aid if it Doesn't Legalize Abortion."
- ⇒ Supreme Court will hear case upholding States Rights to Defund Planned Parenthood.
- ⇒ Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis will win National Pro-Life Award,
- ⇒ Reminder: January is Bingo for Babies fund raiser for The Grace Center.
- ⇒ National March for Life will be held January 24 in Washington DC—Stay tuned for further information

Please Pray your Daily Rosary for life every day. Also consider attending Eucharistic Adoration On Wednesday At St. Mary's Star of the Sea following the 8:30am Mass, 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 **February 2025 edition** of the *KNIGHT TIMES* is **January 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.**

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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



The next meeting will be on January 20th. (Inauguration Day)

Dear Ladies, December: Advent/Christmas, a time of great hope and a time of great joy. I hope that you had a joyful Christmas season and were able to spend good times with family and friends.

Here in Ocean City, December was also a month of great sadness with the passing of Richie Thomas, the son of our dear friend Richard Thomas. Richard, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. And the passing of PGK, PFN, DD and dear friend, Joe Gangi. Joe was our rock and anchor. He was able to hold things together when everything seemed to be falling apart. Joe's gentle persuasion encouraged Ken and I to volunteer to seek leadership positions in the Council and Auxiliary. Thank you, Joe. Joe was always there to help in every way possible. He was always able to get things done, even when the task seemed impossible. He leaves a huge gap that may never be filled. Barbara, our thoughts and prayers are with you. Know that we love you and will be there for you.

January, the New Year, a time of hope and anticipation. Ladies, this will be a very busy time as we get ready for one of our biggest fundraisers, "Bingo for Babies". Please consider attending, sponsoring, donating and helping. Please contact Dee Matthews redmatthews@comcast.net 410-409-5660. Thank you, Dee and Bernadette, for putting this together.

On January 9th the Knights and Assembly both have meetings. After the Assembly meeting, NLT 7:00, a guest speaker will begin. All wives and Auxiliary members are invited to attend and should arrive NLT 6:45. The speaker is Captain Sharon Ruest, USN retired. The topic is "The Life of a Woman in the Military".

Our next meeting will be on Monday, January 20th at 1:00 in the Knight's Hall. Officers will meet @ 12:30. We will discuss how to fill the pockets of the beautiful adult bibs that Diane made for nursing home residents.

Thank you and a Happy New Year filled with God's blessings.

Adrienne, President Ocean City Lady Knights Auxiliary

Important Calendar Highlights for January 2025 —

New Year's Eve—December 31, 2024

New Year's Day—2025—January 1, 2025

Solemnity of the Epiphany: January 5, 2025

Monthly Columbus Club Meetings are back: January 8, 2025 @ 10:00—All Knights are invited

35th President Jimmy Carter funeral and National Holiday: January 9, 2025

Council 9053 Business Meeting: Combined with Assembly 2nd Thursday: January 9, 2025 (5:15 officers; 5:30 Council Business Meeting)

Assembly 2454 Business Meeting: January 9, 2025, Abbreviated Business Meeting will begin at 6:25 followed by a guest speaker at 7:00p (Guests are invited for the guest speaker—Sharon Ruest, Retired Naval Captain)

4th Degree Exemplification: January 11, 2025—Stay tuned for full details

Bi-Monthly Charity Committee Meeting: January 14, 2025 @ 10:30—All Knights are invited

Ladies' BINGO FOR BABIES Luncheon: January 15, 2025

Breakfast commemorating MLK and Inauguration Day: January 19, 2025

Lady Knights: January 20, 2025

MLK Day and Presidential Inauguration Day: January 20, 2025

Community Supper: January 28, 2025, 5:00p -> 6:30 — Pot Roast Dinner to be served

Ways and Means Meeting (ZOOM): January 28, 2025 @ 10:00am

BINGO: BINGO is supported by four teams — Join a team and work every fourth week. Tom Anderson is always building teams. Proceeds from the January BINGO nights will be donated to the Grace Center. We call these evenings "BINGO 4 BABIES"!

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

FOR JANUARY 2025

ST LUKE CATHOLIC PARISH

St. Luke Schedule

Daily Mass: 9:00am (Mon-Sat)

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

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

Holy Days: As listed in the bulletin & our website.

Confession: Wednesday 6:00pm-7:00pm and Saturday following 9am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration: 6:00pm Wednesday

First Friday: Following 9am Mass until 11am

Rosary: 8:25am (Monday-Saturday)

Rosary Conference Call: 8:00am daily by phone

(call 425-436-6363 at 7:50am, enter access code 642083 to join)

Scripture Discussions: Tuesday following 9am Mass

St. Peregrine Society: First Sunday of the Month 6pm (Healing Service)

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



Join us
Sunday, January 5th
at 3:00 p.m.
For
Cookies & Carols
in the Parish Hall

We will supply the hot
cocoa and other
beverages and ask you
to bring 12 of your
favorite cookies to
share with others.

Faith in Action Programs

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

WOW, you guys really came through for the Toys-for-Tots program at our Christmas Gala on December 4th. Very impressive participation. We also participated in Wreaths Across America on December 14th.

As we transition into the new year, January 2025, our calendar is full of opportunities to come together and make an impact:

1-Rosary and Prayers: Weekly Rosary and Gospel discussion starts right up on January 2, 2025 at 10:00am. We encourage everyone to pray for our brothers, Lady Knights, and families in need of support. If you can't participate live at Columbus Hall, please join the call-in rosary each Thursday at 10:10 AM by dialing 848-220-3100 (ID: 905300#).

2-Recruitment Challenge: Help us meet our goal of welcoming 10 new members by April 1, 2025. Reach out to Catholic friends who would make great Knights, and let them know how simple the online registration process is.

3-4th Degree Exemplification is scheduled at Columbus Hall on January 11, 2025 to begin at 12:30pm. Participants in the exemplification should plan on arriving by 11:30 and audience of the ceremony should be seated before 12:25pm to enable an on-time start. If interested, please contact Tom Herwig at thomascherwig@gmail.com or Jack Kelly at jakelly10@aol.com.

As we prepare for 2025, 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 during the new year.

Have a great month, everyone.

God Bless you!

John Paolo



Insurance Report, January 2025

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 have 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.

Thank you and here's to an exciting New Year—2025!

Vivat Jesus!

Robert (Bob) Marlowe III

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From our Faithful Navigator, SK Tom Herwig

Sir Knights, Brother Knights, Lady Knights and Friends

A week and a half ago we lost our friend and Brother Knight SK Joe Gangi. Please pray to Mary and Jesus for the repose of his soul. Also, pray for his entire family and his friend and fiancée Lady Knight Barbara McCoy. SK Joe will be greatly missed.

Our next meeting is a joint meeting with the Council and Assembly on January 9th. The council meeting will begin promptly at 5:30pm, and the Assembly meeting will start no-later-than 6:25pm. The Assembly Meeting will be brief in support of welcoming our very special guest speaker. Retired Navy Captain Sharon Ruest will talk about her service in the US Navy; Sharon's talk will begin no-later-than 7:00pm. Brothers, Lady Knights and Friends are invited and should arrive by 6:45pm. Light fare will be served after Sharon's presentation.

We are fast approaching 20 3rd Degree Knights, from our Council and others in District 22, who will enter the 4th degree at the 'Exemplification' on Saturday, January 11th at the Columbus Hall in Ocean City. The ceremony will begin promptly at 12:30pm. *I regret to tell you that the exemplification is not open to guests.* This is a legacy ceremonial and ours will be one of the last under the current rules. A new Ceremonial will be introduced in February, 2025. I apologize to spouses, friends and the Lady Knights who planned to attend.

Schedule

- Candidates joining the 4th Degree, arrive no later than 11:30am
- Any 2454 person with a job to do, arrive by 11:00am
- Audience arrive by 12:15pm so that you can be seated for a prompt 12:30pm start
- Coat and tie please

We are planning several events for the first half of 2025: A visit to the Worcester County Veterans' Memorial in Ocean Pines, Maryland with a Docent led review; a veteran's luncheon; a veteran's focused documentary on WW2; a Memorial Day service beginning with Mass at 9AM at St Luke's Church with a ceremony to follow. If you have an idea for another activity involving our veterans, patriotism or the flag, please call me or Charlie Bell. A visit to a local armed services base would also be an adventure! We may even have a flag burning service this year.

Please continue your prayers for all on our sick list. I wish you and your families a very Happy New Year.

Vivat Jesus

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

Important Calendar Highlights for Next Month, February 2025

Council 9053 Business Meeting: February 5, 2025 @ 6:30pm (Officers @ 5:30pm)

Columbus Club: February 12, 2025 @ 10:00am

Assembly 2454: February 13, 2025 @ 6:30pm

Valentine's Day 2025: February 14, 2025—

Celebration of Life for Richard Thomas' son Richie Thomas: February 15, 2025— Mass @ noon // followed by Columbus Hall

Ladies' Auxiliary: February 17, 2025

President's Day 2025: February 17, 2025

Memorial Mass and Celebration of Life for Sir Knight Joe Gangi: February 22, 2025— Mass @ 1:00p // followed by Columbus Hall

Ways and Means Meeting: February 25, 2025 @ 10:00 via ZOOM

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
Ralph Kemp	7
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
William Wood	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
Edward Kneavel	31
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	23
James & Dee Matthews	7	58
William & Debora Sass III	13	29
Donald & Paulette Matthews	21	58



Champagne For Anniversary Celebrations.

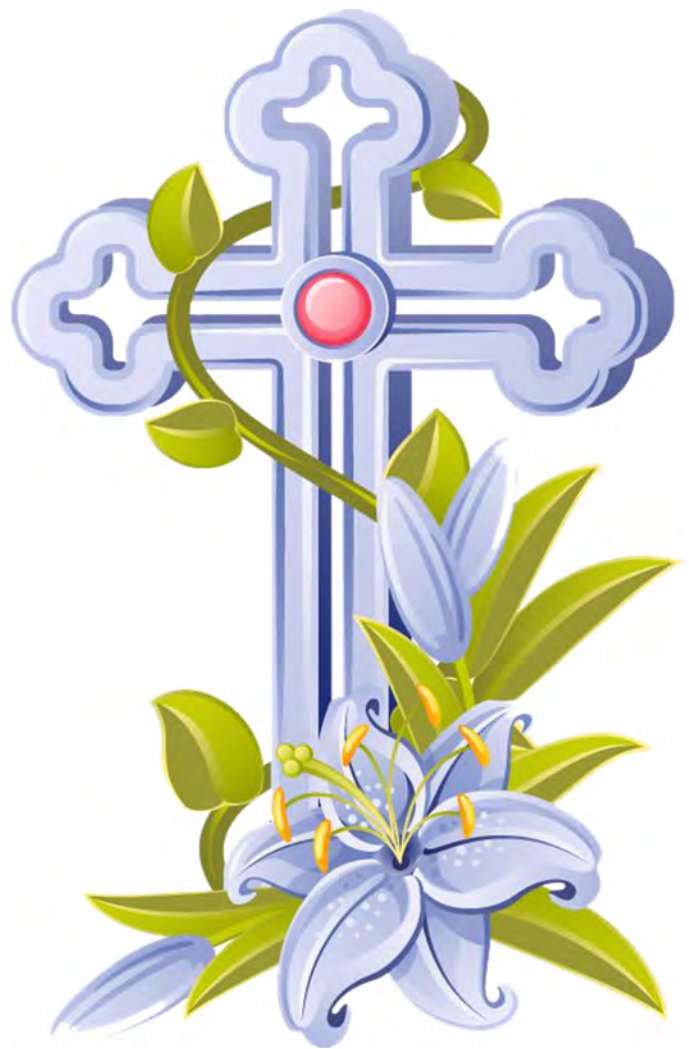
Prayer List— that special intention list you have while saying your morning and evening prayers.

Jane Bartolomeo, wife of Brother Nick
 Brother Nick Bartolomeo
 Kimberly Bean
 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
 Evelyn Coons, wife of Bruce 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
 Brother Jack Kelly's sister, Lee
 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, on December 19, we lost Brother and Sir Knight Joseph Gangi. On December 5, Richie Thomas—son of Brother Richard Thomas died. Please keep Joe, Richie and their families and friends in your prayers.

Announcement: If you have updates on the prayer list, please email Chuck Lutz @ klutzio26@gmail.com



HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Ladies of the Auxiliary celebrating birthdays in January

<u>Lady Members</u>	<u>B'Date</u>
Diane Sparzak	1
Donna Potenza	14
Ellen McLane	23
Sandy Donnelly	29
Rosemary Gear	31

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.....	302-988-1683
Recorder, Chris Bean.....	301-440-0865
Financial Secretary, SK Dale Shepard.....	952-807-3239
Treasurer, SK Tom Foglesong.....	240-353-0681
Lecturer, David Dancer	240-506-7857
Advocate, SK Bill Van Horn.....	301-461-3660
Inside Guard, SK Richard Thomas	610-304-9773
Outside Guard, SK Richard Fox.....	443-966-2200

Trustees:

3 Yr—SK Tom Herwig	410-960-9019
2 Yr—SK Charles O'Brien.....	302-988-1498
1 Yr—SK Joe Carraro	410-250-8237

Convention Delegates:

SK Ken Hidenfelter, GK	410-703-2623
SK Thomas Herwig, FN, PGK	410-960-9019
Alternate Delegate: SK Wayne Straight, PGK, PFN	302-988-1863
Alternate Delegate: Open	

Exemplification Team Captain:

SK John Sharkey, DGK.....	610-329-5651
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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.....	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 Richard Hubbard	410-271-3299
2 Yr—SK Joe Lazzari.....	410-980-7208
1 Yr—SK Jim Stone, PGK, PFN.....	302-436-7866

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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District Officers 2024-2025

District Deputy, SK Howard Pusey, PGK, PFN	410-603-8186
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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	302-604-2694
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
Knight Times Editor, SK Tom Foglesong.....	240-353-0681
Membership Director, Jack Kelly.....	410-258-5663
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Program Director, John-Paolo Celozzi.....	443-859-7666
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Youth Director, SK John Sharkey	610-329-5651

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Paul Myers	443-928-8648
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Jim Stone.....	302-436-7866
Pat Hennessy	302-542-4054

Managers:

House/ Rental/ Bar Manager, Richard Thomas.....	610-304-9773
Kitchen Manager, Kevin Hughes	410-726-8946
Physical Plant Manager.....	703-509-9084

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Ocean City Lady Knights Auxiliary

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Membership Chair, Open	

Insurance Representative

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State Officers 2024-2025

Chaplain	Rev. Fr. Donald Grzynski
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Secretary	John F. Winfrey
Treasurer	Ronald Hassan
Advocate	Thomas Greul
Warden	Mike Lynch
Immediate Past State Deputy	Christopher Powers

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		New Year's Eve—2024	January 1, 2025 Happy New Year!	2) Rosary @ 10:00a Sons of Italy 5:00	3) BINGO for Babies—Tm1	4)
5) Solemnity of the Epiphany	6)	7)	8) Columbus Club, BOD Mtg; 10am Polish American Club @ 2:00pm	9) Jimmy Carter Holiday -Rosary @ 10:00a - 9053 Officers 5:15p—Business Mtg @ 5:30 -Assembly 2454 Business Meeting 6:25	10) BINGO for Babies—Tm2	11) 4th Degree Exemplification @ Columbus Hall On time start @ 12:30pm
12)	13) Ladies set up for B4B Luncheon	14) Ladies set up for B4B Luncheon Charity Committee Meeting @ 10:30am	15) Bingo for Babies Luncheon	16) Rosary @ 10:00a	17) BINGO for Babies—Tm3	18)
19) MLK & Inauguration Day Breakfast... 8:30 -> 11:30	20) 2025 MLK & Inauguration Day Lady Knights Officers @ 12:30; Business Meeting @ 1:00pm,	21) Ladies AOH Meeting 9:30a.m.	22) Trustee semi-annual Financial Audit.	23) Rosary @ 10:00a	24) 2025 March for Life BINGO for Babies—Tm4	25)
26)	27)	28) Ways & Means Meeting 10:00a via ZOOM Community Supper, 5:00—6:30	29)	30) Rosary @ 10:00a	31) BINGO for Babies—Tm1	
						February 1)
2)	3)	4)	5) Officer Meeting @ 5:30pm Business Meeting 6:30p	6) Rosary, 10:00a Sons of Italy, 5p	7) BINGO—T2	8)
9)	10)	11)	12) Columbus Club, 10:00am Polish American Club @ 2:00pm	13) Rosary, 10:00a Assembly 2454 Business Meeting 6:30pm	14) Valentine's Day 2025 BINGO—T3	15) Richie Thomas Celebration of Life: Mass @ noon, followed by Columbus Hall
16)	17) President's Day—2025 Lady Knights Officers @ 12:30; Business Meeting @ 1:00pm,	18) Ladies AOH Meeting 9:30a.m.	19)	20) Rosary, 10:00a	21) BINGO—T4	22) Sir Knight Joe Gangi Celebration of Life: Mass @ 1:00pm, followed by Columbus Hall
23)	24)	25) Ways & Means Meeting 10:00a via ZOOM	26)	27) Rosary, 10:00a	28) BINGO—T1	March 1) Rental // Condo Meeting 10:00a -> 12:00pm

KNIGHT TIMES

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Ocean City Council #9053**



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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.

Three Brothers in Arms...
Pictures taken at the December 14 Wreaths Across America.

Viet Nam



Korea



**World
War II**

