KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Volume 29 # 2

Meetings 1st Wednesday of Month— Next Meeting is February 5, 2025

February 2025



Worthy Brothers, Ladies and Friends,

Another month brings us closer to Spring, I can't wait. We had a nice turnout at the Community Dinner last Tuesday. We had 73 people, mostly Knights. I would like to thank the brothers that did come out and support the event. That said, it was pretty much the same folks that come to each event. It would be nice to see a few new faces at these events. Congratulations to all new 4th degree Sir Knights. The ceremony was inspirational, I can't wait to see what good things will happen in the Assembly. The calendar for the next three months can be found in the newsletter as well as on the

web site (koc9053.com). A reminder of two special upcoming events:

Feb 15, Richie Thomas Celebration of Life Mass at 12:00 followed by a Celebration at the Hall.

Feb 22, Joe Gangi Celebration of Life Mass at 12:00 followed by a Celebration at the Hall.

As we prepare for Lent, Tom Foglesong (live) and myself (on demand) attended a KOC presentation webcast on getting ready for Lent. There was one program that I reviewed that I thought could work for our Council/Assembly: The Cor Program.

The mission of Cor is to refocus Catholic men on Jesus Christ and to form and strengthen them in faith and virtue through a brotherhood committed to prayer, formation, and fraternity. The goal of each Cor gathering is to provide the opportunity for men to encounter Christ, to pray together, to be formed in their faith, and to strengthen their bonds of brotherhood, preparing them for courageous leadership and the mission of evangelization for their families and communities.

Please take a look at the web site (KofC.org/cor), and navigate to some of the areas on the right side. Let's have a dialog on this program as well as ideas from the floor on what we as a Council are going to do for spiritual growth during lent.

Comment worth repeating from last month's newsletter:

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.

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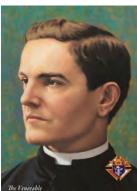
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Our Charity events are many, don't forget the meals, when you attend you are contributing to our charity fund and enjoying a great meal along with fellowship.

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

From our Chaplain, Father Lance Martin... February: Feasts & Memorials

A few years ago, I had given a presentation to the Sodality at St. Ann's Church in Bethany Beach. At the end of the presentation, the ladies were sharing how their parents had chosen their name. Some women said they had received the name of a deceased relative. Other women said they were given the name of their parent's favorite saint, or the saint of the day they were born or the saint their parent's prayed to - for a healthy child. This reminded me of something a teacher told us in seminary; how, in the past, people believed there was a power to the name of a saint or a deceased relative. Then, in the 1950's-60's, this practice changed with people picking random names for their children. One example, I recently read about, was a girl named ABCDE (pronounced Ab-Ced-E). What does this change in naming - communicate about our current culture? I don't know about you, but I love sending out a text to a friend on their first or middle name's saint day. During this month of February, let us remember to ex-



- 2nd: Presentation of the Lord .
- 22nd: Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle

Memorials

- 1st: St. Brigid of Ireland and Bl. Benedict Daswa .
- 3rd: St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, and St. Ansgar, Bishop

tend a happy feast day for someone we know with that name.

- 5th: St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr •
- 6th: Saints Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs .
- -8th: St. Jerome Emiliani and St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin
- 10th: St. Scholastica, Virgin
- 11th: Our Lady of Lourdes •
- 14th: Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop
- 21st: St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- 23: St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr .

P.S. Don't forget 16 Oct, which is the feast day of St. Longinus (the diminutive of Longinus is Lance)... wink-wink!

God Bless,

Fr. L. Martin

Special Note from the Membership Director (Jack Kelly)



Worthy Brothers

I have said it before now I am saying it again without your recruiting assistance we cannot grow. We have to look to the future. There are prospects for the Knights everywhere, but we have to approach them with information and if possible ask them to join. Lets make 2025 a banner year!

Thank you for wanting to help!

Jack Kelly, Director of Membership

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Columbus Club Report, February 2025

Submitted by President R. "DOC" Peters

Brothers and Ladies,



The parking lot lighting project has been completed and the lighting is a big improvement using LED bulbs. The contractor gave us an additional discount via the power company energy purchase plan.

The recent SNOW storm resulted in having the parking lot plowed, which added an unexpected expense. Thanks to Lou Guido who contacted a contractor to have the parking lot salted after the initial snow storm. Also, Thanks to Lou Guido, a \$450.00 cost was bartered as a donation.

In addition, there were a number of items which were resolved this past month:

Thanks to all the brother Knights' that used shovels, brooms, and even a pick up truck to remove snow. Two floor outlets located in the service area had to be replaced due to wear and tear. The Columbus Club Federal Tax Form 990 has been filed electronically by our CPA firm.

We still have the following projects to be complete as time and weather permits:

Front door step lighting improvement; Grease trap pumped out; Pull down stairs have been temporally repaired, but replacement is still required; Shed storage clean up, both Lady's and Men's; Tree stumps, Saw grass and Debris behind the building and sheds need cleaned and removed.

As always, please remember our 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 using the contact link on our website, www.KOC9053.com.

Our next Columbus Club meeting will be February 12, 2025 at 10: am. All are welcome.

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY to all our ladies.

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:

- \Rightarrow 204 House Dems vote against bill to give lifesaving treatments to infants who SURVIVE ABORTIONS 1/23/25.
- \Rightarrow 13 Catholic Missionaries and a Pastoral worker reportedly killed worldwide in 2024,
- \Rightarrow Trump withdraws America for PRO-ABORTION World Health Organization.
- \Rightarrow Trump Pardoned Pro-Life Advocate Bevelyn Williams.
- ⇒ Pam Bondi, newly confirmed DOJ Secretary quote: "I will stop DOJ from Prosecuting Pro-Life Americans."
- \Rightarrow Biden Broke Federal Law by Funding Abortions in Africa.
- \Rightarrow Abortion Pill Sales Spike by 966 %.
- \Rightarrow Abortion was the leading cause of Death Worldwide in 2024, killing 73 Million people.
- \Rightarrow Tim Walz signed A Bill allowing Abortion up to birth has increased by 16 % in Minnesota.
- \Rightarrow Catholic Doctors File Lawsuit Against Abortion Mandate.

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 March 2025 edition of the KNIGHT TIMES is February 24, 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.

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Ocean City Lady Knights Auxiliary



The next meeting will be on February 17th. (President's Day)

Although some events had to be cancelled because January was a very cold, snowy and icy month so much was accomplished by our Auxiliary. We helped Sir Knight, John Sharkey, DGK, Barbara McCoy and Debbie Guido judge the Knight's **Keep Christ in Christmas** poster contest. We helped serve and cashier at the Knights **Breakfast for Babies** and we held what may turn out to be our most successful **Bingo for Babies Luncheon/Baby Shower** ever. At this time, with some donations still outstanding, we will be able to present a check of over \$6,600.00 to The Grace Center for Women's and Maternal Health. And in addition, thanks to the generosity of the bingo

attendees over two hundred shower gifts of clothing, toys, baby necessities and diapers were given to the Grace Center. Wow! A very special thank you to Dee Matthews and Bernadette Shon, the cochairwomen of this event for your hard work and amazing success.

Also, a big thank you to all the Ladies and Knights who helped make this event so successful. And of course, a very big and special thank you to **Mio Fratellos** for donating a delicious meal of baked ziti, meatballs and salad, and **A Touch of Italy** for donating the scrumptious Italian cookies for dessert. And as always thank you to Bernadette Sohn, our kitchen manager, Shirley Gorwick, teams and staffing and the Eats and Treats teams for their hard work at the Knights' bingo each week.

As always, if you know of any ladies who would be interested in joining our Auxiliary, or former members who would like to come back, please offer encouragement and possibly a ride to a meeting. Remember, some ladies help with all of our activities, some help with some things and some are only able to stay at home and pray for us, but you are all welcomed and cherished by all of us. Thank you.

Upcoming Events

- ⇒ Decorating the hall for Valentines Day Monday February 3^{rd} at 1:00(Please come and help if you are able).
- \Rightarrow Memorial Mass at 12:00 and Celebration of Life for Richie Thomas, **Saturday February 15th**.
- \Rightarrow Memorial Mass 12:00 and Celebration of Life for Joe Gangi (PGK, DD) Saturday, February 22nd.

Next Auxiliary Meeting Monday February 17th at 1:00

May God bless and keep you. Happy Valentines Day,

Adrienne, President, Ocean City Lady Knights Auxiliary

Important Calendar Highlights for February 2025 — Assembly 2454, normally on the 2nd Thursday—but NOT in February: February 4, 2025 @ 6:30pm Council 9053 Business Meeting: February 5, 2025 @ 6:30pm—Officers meeting is at 5:30pm Columbus Club: February 12, 2025 @ 10:00am Valentine's Day: February 14, 2025 Celebration of Life for Richard Thomas' son Richie Thomas: February 15, 2025—Mass @ noon // followed by Celebration President's Day Holiday: February 17, 2025 Lady Knights: February 17, 2025 Memorial Mass and Celebration of Life for Sir Knight Joe Gangi: February 22, 2025—Mass @ 12:00p // followed by Celebration Ways and Means Meeting (ZOOM): February 25, 2025 @ 10:00am Community Supper: February 25, 2025, 5:00p -> 6:30 — BINGO: BINGO is supported by four teams — Join a team and work every fourth week. Tom Anderson is always building teams.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

FOR FEBRUARY 2025

ST LUKE CATHOLIC PARISH

Blessing of Throats After Masses February 1st & 2nd

Evening Confession/Adoration <u>CANCELLED</u> Wednesday, February 5th

First Friday CANCELLED Friday, February 7th

Ash Wednesday Schedule Wednesday, March 5th 7:30am, 9:00am, & 5:00pm

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: <u>Wednesday</u> 5:00pm-7:00pm & <u>Saturday</u> 9:30am 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, 9 am at Holy Savior Daily Mass at St Mary 's at 8:30, Monday-Thursday, Contact us at 410-289-0652

> As you know, your Kitchen Crew enjoys hosting Dinners, Breakfasts and other events for the parish.

Unfortunately, we have had some of our team move away or be unable to help due to health situations, so we need your help! If you would like to join our merry band of men and women by helping serve in this ministry, please contact Donna at 410-289-0652 or email her at office@stmaryholysavior.com.

Faith in Action Programs

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

A lot has happened this past month in and out of the council. From New Year's and late Christmas parties, to the inauguration and all the news surrounding it, to our assembly exemplifying 14 new Knights to the 4th degree. It really feels like a new year!

It has been a great month for life as well. Our council did over \$600 worth of sales for the Breakfast for the Grace Center, and not to be outdone, the Ladies grossed over \$6000 with their Bingo for Babies luncheon! A big thank you to everyone who volunteered, donated, and offered their prayers (especially during our novena for life). As we continue to pray for the right to life for all, let us also ask for the intercession of the Holy Innocents as well, whose feast day we celebrate on the 28th of January (as well as a feast for a newly canonized Saint, Issac the Syrian, which will be the first time he is venerated in the Roman calendar.)

February will be less eventful, but no less important. Other than our Rosaries on Thursdays and Bingo on Fridays, we will be holding a celebration of life at Columbus Hall on Saturday the 15th for Richie Thomas and another on Saturday the 22nd for Joe Gangi. Both gatherings will be held after mass at St. Luke's at 12:00pm. Thank you brother Knights for your service and for your prayers, let's keep them working.

God Bless you!

Have a great month, everyone.

Insurance Report, February 2025

Brothers, It feels like the new year just began, and yet we're already here in February! Maybe you've set resolutions and goals for the year. Are financial goals on that list? Every year, at a minimum, I recommend reviewing your finances. There are four things to include in your review. First, have you experienced any major life events in the last year? Things like getting married, welcoming a baby, changing careers or purchasing a home are good reasons to consider life insurance. If you already have insurance, make sure your policy matches your current financial goals and responsibilities. Consider, too, that if your policy is dependent on your current employer, you could be underinsured. Second, review your retirement goals. Do you know how much money you'll need to retire comfortably? And if so, are you on track? Third, the new year is a good time to review your will or trust. Have you experienced a recent life event that would make you want or need to make adjustments? Now is the time to check.

Finally, consider if you're missing an opportunity to grow your assets. With faith-based investment options through our affiliate, Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors ("KoCAA"), you can pursue your financial goals with products that adhere to Catholic investment guidelines. Our Agency can connect you with one of our team members that is registered to offer you investment options through KoCAA. It's not too late to make a resolution to review your finances! I'd love to sit down with you, discuss your goals and conduct a complimentary needs analysis. If you have any questions, please come chat with me and we can schedule a time to meet.

Vivat Jesus!

Robert (Bob) Marlowe III



John Paolo



COUNCII 9053 Knight TiMeS

From our Faithful Navigator, SK Tom Herwig

Sir Knights, Brother Knights, Lady Knights and Friends

Let us pray for all of our Knights and Ocean City Lady Knights with a special prayer for Chuck and Peggy Burnett as they prepare to move to their new home in Arkansas close to family. Pray also for all on our sick list and those Knights and Lady Knights that have gone before us.

We had a very successful 4th degree exemplification on Saturday, January the 18th. 14 of our 3rd degree Knights, including Fr. Sylvester, were exemplified into our Patriotic degree. Our new Sir Knights include: Fr. Sylvester Obumneme, Jeff Facello, Ted Pikulsky, Patrick Hennessy, Bill Barry, Richard Donnelly, David Dancer, Frank Baldwin, Jack Kelly, John Paolo Celozzi, Ron Pichini, Gerry Truman, Chuck Ziethen, and Bo Skalstad. Three Brother Knights from Pocomoke and Salisbury were also exemplified into the Patriotic Degree. Our New District Deputy, Howard Pusey, sponsored his son, Nick, from Salisbury, at the exemplification. Congratulations again to all of our new Sir Knights. We encourage all 3rd Degree Brother Knights who would like to take their Knighthood to the highest level to consider joining us.

New Sir Knights, please send the name that you want printed on your new 4th degree badge to Tom Anderson. Once he has the names, he will place the badge order. If you did not pick up your 4th degree certificate after the exemplification, they will be available at the February 4th business meeting.

Our next 4th degree business meeting has been rescheduled for Tuesday, February 4th at 630 PM at the Hall. We will review our plans for the remainder of the Fiscal Year 2025 which ends on June 30th. The March business meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 13th at 630 PM. Following the meeting Retired Navy Captain Sharon Ruest will do a presentation on her life experiences leading up to and including her very successful Navy career. The presentation is open to all Knights, Ocean City Lady Knights and family and friends.

On March 15 the Knights will participate in the St Patrick's Day parade in Ocean City. There will be a St Patrick's day luncheon at the hall from 12-3 PM. Kevin is putting the final touches on the menu which includes corned beef and cabbage dinner and dessert, or a 1/4 lb corned beef sandwich with chips. pickle and dessert. Irish coffee with whipped cream, beer and other alcoholic beverages will also be available including water, soda and coffee. The luncheon will require some manpower for set-up as well as clean-up. At minimum we will need 6-8 volunteers to bus the tables and clean up the hall. We will also need a dishwasher. This can be a shared position. We won't need everybody at the same time , so we will put together a schedule that allows all the volunteers to enjoy the luncheon. Richard Thomas and Wayne Straight are leading the parade planning. Talk to them if you want to participate with the Knights. There will be at least 3 cars. You can walk or ride .

We are currently working to arrange for a special presentation and a new World War II documentary film for Saturday, March 29th. As soon as the details are clear, I will share the information.

We are planning a Memorial Mass and ceremony on Saturday, May 24th. We are also making plans to visit the Ocean Pines War Memorial celebration on May 26th. Again, details will follow.

The Memorial Masses are scheduled for Joe Gangi on Saturday February 22nd and for Ritchie Thomas on Saturday February 15th. Each begins with Mass at 12 noon @ St. Luke's and will be followed by a celebration of life at Columbus Hall. We pray to Mary and Jesus for the graces that will help us in our work and to model our savior each and every day.

Vivat Jesus

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

Important Calendar Highlights for Next Month, March 2025

Pancake Supper: Shrove Tuesday... March 4, 2025—4:00 -> 6:30 Council 9053 Business Meeting: March 5, 2025 @ 6:30pm (Officers @ 5:30pm) Columbus Club: March 12, 2025 @ 10:00am Assembly 2454 Business Meeting: March 13, 2025 @ 6:30pm St. Patrick's Day: March 15, 2025 Parade AND Corned Beef & Cabbage event

Ocean City Lady Knights: March 17, 2025 St. Joseph's Festival @ St. Andrews: March 22, 2025 Ways and Means Meeting: March 25, 2025 @ 10:00 via ZOOM

Palm Sunday: April 13, 2025 // Easter Sunday: April 20, 2025 // Holy Triduum: Good Friday through Easter Sunday

CHARITY COMMITTEE MEETING

CHAIRMAN: SK Joe Kostelac MEMBER: SK Richard Thomas MEMBER: SK Wayne Straight FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR: SK Tom Herwig MEMBER: SK Jim Stone MEMBER: Vito Potenza

Charity Committee met on 1/14/2025. 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)	\$750
The Seton Center (Princess Anne, MD)	\$500
Noel Community (St. Paul's by the Sea Episcopal Church)	\$500
Diakonia	\$750
ST. Peter's Lutheran Church OC (Cold Weather Shelter)	\$750
St. Vincent de Paul (Ocean City)	\$750
St. Vincent de Paul (Ocean Pines)	\$750
Atlantic General Hospital	\$500
MBS School	\$500
St. Luke's	\$500
St. Mary's/Holy Savior	\$500
St. John Neumann	\$500
Total Donations	\$7,250

The NEXT MEETING is March 11, 2025 at 10:30. ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE INVITED.

From our Youth Director... Eddie Mardaga...

The Knights annual Basketball Free Throw Competition will take place at Most Blessed Sacrament School on Monday, February 10th. This year it runs from 7:45 am until 1:00 pm. Importantly, it is an indoor event. More details will be forthcoming. We usually have a good number of Knights attending and helping out (and, yes, we will have coffee and doughnuts). Thank you for considering. Let me know... that is Eddie Mardaga... know of your interest and plans at 443-220-5286, or eddiemardaga@yahoo.com.

Thank you everyone... see you at our meetings next week...

Eddie

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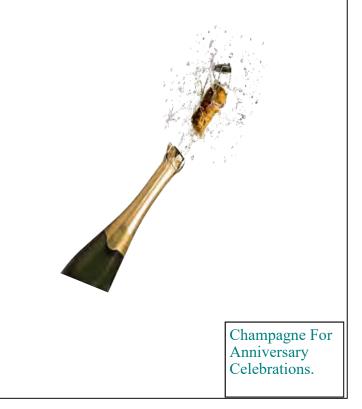
HAPPY BIRTHDAY to all Brother Knights born in February...

Knight	B'Date
Anthony Mariani	1
Edward Rohe	1
George Wayson	1
Robert Brinkman	
Gregory Martini	2
Andrew Rowland	2
Edward Colbert	3
Robert Pellenbarg	5
Christopher Cikanovich	2 2 3 5 9
Raymond Kress	12
Joseph Bove	13
Anthony Cardone	14
Richard Mlynski	14
Marty Presley	15
Thomas McCollum	17
Charles Burnett	18
Joseph Colgan	18
Raymond Daly	18
Paul Harman	18
Richard Donnelly	21
Jonathan Kissel	21
David Kolesky	21
Sal Castorina	22
Joseph McLaughlin	22
Tom Delahanty	23
Kenneth Gulledge	23
Stephen Lind	23
Roger Morgan	23
Richard Sugden	26
Jerome Denk	27
William Franey	27
William Vollmer	28



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

Brother Knight & Bride	Date	<u>Years</u>
Thomas & Karolyn Pergola	1	56
Harold & Helen Spafford	3	79
John & Nelsie Jameson	13	62
Fred & Cindi Dixon	14	48
Robert & Jessica Hammond	14	21
Tom and Anne Foglesong	14	44
John & Christine Calanna	15	33
Milton & Susan Ewing	19	48



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 @ klutziop26@gmail.com



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

Lady Members	B'Date
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Kimberly Bean	09
Gloria Hanna	10
Jeannie Nedwick	10
Beverly(Bev) Crabill	18

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	301-461-3660
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	302-988-1863
Alternate Delegate: Open	

Exemplification Team Captain:

Pope John Paul II Assembly #2454 4th Degree Officers 2024-2025

Faithful Friar, Father and SK Lance Martin	
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	
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	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 Deputy Color Corp Commander:	302-436-0128
SK Richard Thomas	. 610-304-9773
Chalice Chairman: SK Tom Foglesong	. 240-353-0681
MASTER: SK Jim Duryee	. 410-320-6780

District Officers 2024-2025

District Deputy, SK Howard Pusey, PGK, PFN410-603-8186 District Warden, SK Charles Doherty, PGK, PFN, PDD

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	410-258-5663
Life Director, SK Kevin Hughes	410-726-8956
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	
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COUNCII 9053 Knight Times

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						February 1)
2)	3) Ladies decorating	4) Date Change:	5) Officer Meeting @	6) Rosary, 10:00a	7)	8)
	for Valentine's Day, 1:00pm	Assembly 2454 Business Meeting 6:30pm	5:30pm Business Meeting 6:30p	Sons of Italy, 5p	BINGO—T2	
9)	10)	11)	12)	13)	14) Velentine's Dev	15)
	Basketball Shootout @ MBS 7:45a -> 1:00p		Columbus Club, 10:00am	Rosary, 10:00a	Valentine's Day 2025 BINGO—T3	Richie Thomas Celebration of Life: Mass @
			Polish American Club @ 2:00pm		BINGO-15	12:00p, followed by Celebration
16)	17 President's Day—2025	18)	19)	20)	21)	22)
	Lady Knights Officers @ 12:30; Business Meeting @ 1:00pm,	Ladies AOH Meeting 9:30a.m.		Rosary, 10:00a	BINGO—T4	Sir Knight Joe Gangi Celebration of Life: Mass @ 12:00p, followed by Celebration
23)	24)	25) Ways & Means	26)	27)	28)	
		Meeting 10:00a via ZOOM		Rosary, 10:00a	BINGO—T1	
		Community Din- ner 5:00-6:30				
30)	31) Items to Consider:					March 1
4th Sunday of Lent	Lenten Events (April 20, 2025) St. Patrick's Day Future Meals					Rental // Condo Meeting 10:00a -> 12:00pm
2)	3)	4)	5)	6)	7)	8)
		Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner @ C'Hall	Officer Meeting @ 5:30pm Business Meeting 6:30p	Rosary, 10:00a	BINGO—T2	Rental // Condo Meeting 8:45a -> 12:00pm
		4:00 -> 6:30 w/ Prayer Service	ASH Wednesday	Sons of Italy, 5p		
9)	10)	11)	12)	13) Rosary, 10:00a	14)	15)
1st Sunday of Lent		Charity Committee Meeting @ 10:30am	Columbus Club, 10:00am Polish American	Assembly 2454 Guest Presenta- tion—Retired Cap-	BINGO—T3	St. Patrick's Day Parade AND Corned Beef Day @ C'Hall
·			Club @ 2:00pm	tain Sharon Ruest		\sim
16)	17)	18)	19)	20)	21)	22)
	Lady Knights Officers @ 12:30; Business Meeting @ 1:00pm,	Ladies AOH Meeting 9:30a.m.		Rosary, 10:00a	BINGO—T4	St. Joseph's Festival @ St. Andrews 11-6
2nd Sunday of Lent						
23)	24)	25) Ways & Means @	26)	27) Rosary, 10:00a	28) BINGO—T1	29)
3rd Sunday of Lent		10am, ZOOM		• • • • • • •		
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		April 1)	2) Council 9053 Officer Meeting @ 5:30pm Business Meet- ing, 6:30pm	3) Rosary, 10am Sons of Italy, 5:00pm	4) BINGO 5:00pm Team 2	5)
6) 5th Sunday of Lent	7)	8) LAOH 9:30am	9) Polish Club 2:00pm	10) <u>Rental: Party 10-2</u> Rosary, 10am Assembly 2454 Meeting@ 6:30p	11) <u>Rental: Party 10-2</u> BINGO, 5:00pm Team 3	12) <u>Rental: Party 10-2</u> Condo Mtg 8:30-> 11:30
13) 5th Sunday of Lent Palm Sunday	14)	15) Ladies AOH Meeting 9:30a.m.	16) Columbus Club Meeting—10:00a	17) Rosary, 10am Holy Thursday	18) Good Friday 2025 NO BINGO	19) Condo Mtg 1:30-> 3:30
20) Easter Sunday 2025 "He Is Risen"	21) Lady Knights 12:30 Officers 1:00 Business Meeting—	22) Community Supper, 5:00-6:30	23)	24) Rosary, 10am	25)	26) Condo Mtg 8:30-> 12:00
27)	28)	29)	30) Ways & Means Meeting, 10:00a via Zoom	May 1)		

From the Editor... Christian Challenge for Lent, 2025!

Do you know the Fruits of the Holy Spirit? My first thought is that you should... but since I don't, I can't ask or expect you to know them.

That said, I'll list them for you... and your challenge for Lent (and then forever) is to look for these attributes in yourself AND in others.

Then, when you see them—in action, recognize that the Holy Spirit is there. Say a little prayer of Thanks... and move along. You will be amazed how often you see these Fruits of the Holy Spirit in your Life. See how many you will recognize... in yourself and in others!

Charity, Joy, Peace, Patience, Benignity (Kindness to others), Goodness, Generosity, Mildness, Faith, Modesty, Self-control and Chastity

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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.