

**UPCOMING
EVENTS**

October 4,5,6,11,12,13,&14
Tootsie Roll Drive

October 7
Soldiers home
Officers Meeting

October 8
Living Rosary

October 9
Spaghetti Dinner
4th Degree Meeting

October 14
Council Meeting

October 21
Board Meeting

October 23
Sisters of St Joseph

October 25
Beer & Wine Tasting

October 27
Children's Hay Ride

October 28
Council Meeting

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ROBERT LELIEVRE-GRAND KNIGHT

My Brother Knights,

On September 11th there will be a Memorial Mass at St. Anne's Church in Fairview at 7:00 pm. This will allow us to have our Spaghetti Dinner and attend Mass afterwards. The 4th Degree meeting will be held the following week. We will be having a Clam Bake in the lounge on September 14th (see flyer) and of course every Thursday is our Bingo. Please, if you do not work in the kitchen during Bingo we are asking all other volunteers to come to the snack bar window to ask for food. We do not want anyone to get hurt being back there. Thank you for your cooperation. Our Living Rosary is scheduled for Tuesday, October 8th. I encourage all members to attend.

With the poor attendance at our Council meetings, we are going to change the start time of the meetings to see if that helps bring up attendance. Starting on November 11th the meetings will begin at 6:30 instead of 7:30. If you have not been to a meeting in a while please consider coming to at least one a month.

After 7 years as our Treasurer, Ed Stawarz is stepping down to enjoy his retirement years. If anyone is interested in putting their name in the running for the Treasure position please let me know. We will be voting on this at the meeting on September 23rd. Thank you Ed.

I'd like to thank our Deputy Grand Knight Matt Cooke for his work on the Family Picnic on August 11th. Thanks to all that helped cook the food, ran the games and helped get everything to the park and back to the Council afterwards. I hope everyone had a good time. I know my family and I did. Great job Matt, thank you.

On July 22nd at our social meeting I said I wanted to do something new/different. About twenty years ago Jen and I were lucky enough to go to Medjugorje for ten days. If you follow any or have heard about any of the messages from our Lady, one of the things she asks for is to spread the messages, to hopefully plant the seed that will later bloom. There are two messages that come out every month, one on the first of the month and on the original apparition date of the 25th. The one on the 25th is for the world. So I would like to add the monthly message to the Grand Knights column every month. So August's message is as follows:

"Dear children, My call for you is prayer. May prayer be a joy for you and a wreath which binds you to God. Little children, trials will come and you will not be strong, and sin will reign but, if you are mine, you will win, because your refuge will be the heart of my son Jesus. Therefore, little children, return to prayer until prayer becomes life for you in the day and the night. I pray for you Shepards. Thank you for having responded to my call."

VIVAT JESU!

Robert Lelievre, Grand Knight

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COUNCIL CHAPLAIN

My Brother Knights,

We now find ourselves in the month of September, which begins with the celebration of Labor Day. While most see this day as the unofficial end to summer ... one last chance for a BBQ or trip to the beach ... it is a good opportunity to reflect on the beauty of work and the dignity of the worker; two things that our faith takes very seriously.

In 1891, Pope Leo XIII issued an encyclical letter called *Rerum novarum*, in English “of the new things”, on the subject of the rights and duties of capital and labor and is considered the foundational text of modern Catholic social teaching. The letter dealt with such subjects as the dangers of both socialism and unrestricted capitalism as well as the right of labors to form unions.

Pope Leo summed up the purpose of the letter himself: “Therefore, venerable brethren, as on former occasions when it seemed opportune to refute false teaching, we have addressed you in the interests of the Church and of the common wealth, and have issued letters bearing on political power, human liberty, the Christian constitution of the State, and like matters, so have we thought it expedient now to speak on the condition of the working classes. It is a subject on which we have already touched more than once, incidentally. But in the present letter, the responsibility of the apostolic office urges us to treat the question of set purpose and in detail, in order that no misapprehension may exist as to the principles which truth and justice dictate for its settlement. The discussion is not easy, nor is it void of danger. It is no easy matter to define the relative rights and mutual duties of the rich and of the poor, of capital and of labor. And the danger lies in this, that crafty agitators are intent on making use of these differences of opinion to pervert men's judgments and to stir up the people to revolt.” (RN,2.)

In 1991, on the occasion of the hundredth anniversary of *Rerum novarum*, St. Pope John Paul issued his own encyclical on labor entitled, *Centesimus annus*, in English “the hundredth year”. While picking up on the themes of Leo’s letter, John Paul added his own emphasis that the human person cannot be understood on the basis of economics alone but must be understood within a culture. What also made John Paul’s document unique is that he could write from his own experience as a worker, having known hard manual labor in the salt mines of Poland during World War II.

Pope Jon Paul summed up the purpose of his letter himself: “I now wish to propose a "re-reading" of Pope Leo's Encyclical by issuing an invitation to "look back" at the text itself in order to discover anew the richness of the fundamental principles which it formulated for dealing with the question of the condition of workers. But this is also an invitation to "look around" at the "new things" which surround us and in which we find ourselves caught up, very different from the "new things" which characterized the final decade of the last century. Finally, it is an invitation to "look to the future" at a time when we can already glimpse the third Millennium of the Christian era, so filled with uncertainties but also with promises — uncertainties and promises which appeal to our imagination and creativity, and which reawaken our responsibility, as disciples of the "one teacher" (cf. Mt 23:8), to show the way, to proclaim the truth and to communicate the life which is Christ (cf. Jn 14:6).” (CA,3.)

Perhaps one way we can truly celebrate Labor Day this month and better understand our faith (and how to live it out in the process), we can spend some time studying the social teachings of our Church. A good place to begin is with *Rerum novarum* or *Centesimus annus*.

Fr. Michael



REPOSE OF THE SOUL

Please remember to keep in your prayers all of the Brother Knights and members of their families who have passed away, those who are sick and elderly, for all priests and religious vocations, for the life of the unborn, and remember to keep the men and women serving in our military safe, so they may return home to their loved ones.

We ask that you pray for the repose of the soul of Brother Knight Robert Fournier who leaves behind his wife Patricia, and Brother Knight Raymond Gagnon, MD who leaves behind his wife Jeannine.

Robert Lelievre, Grand Knight

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

The volunteer of the month for September is Sue “Suzie Q” Poulin. You can find her volunteering at our weekly Bingo and or monthly Spaghetti Dinner. She also volunteers during the week of Thanksgiving and the Children’s Christmas Party. I believe you can find Suzie Q volunteering at almost every function the Council has. Lastly, she is very active in her community and at St. Anne’s Church in Fairview.

Congratulations,
Robert Lelievre, Grand Knight

BISHOP JOSEPH F. MAGUIRE ASSEMBLY 2670

ROBERT WILLIAMS FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR

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The 4th Degree Installation of the Bishop Joseph F. Maguire Assembly 2670 by Invitation will be on Sunday, September 8th. Mass will be held in the Council Chambers at 1:30 pm. The Installation and dinner will be after the Installation at the Castle of Knights.

Note: The Officers and Regular Meeting will be held on September 18th. This will allow members to attend the 911 Mass at St. Anne’s Parish after the Spaghetti Dinner.

VIVAT JESU

Robert D. Williams Sr. Faithful Navigator, PGK, FDD

CLAM BAKE

1st Annual Clambake

Saturday, September 14th 5-8 pm

The event will be held in the Members Lounge and seating is limited so get your tickets early. Tickets can be purchased from the bartender during normal business hours.

The price is \$25.00 per person

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Music will be provided



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 Music Starts at 7:30-11:00
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 Cash Bar—Snack Bar also available



BEER & WINE TASTING NIGHT



Join us at the Castle of Knights, 1599 Memorial Drive Chicopee for a Wine and Beer Tasting Night on **Friday October 25th** 2019 from **6:30 pm to 8:30 pm**. All the proceeds from this event will support our 29th annual Thanksgiving Day Feast benefiting over 3,000 hungry, needy or lonely people from our surrounding communities no questions asked. Meals are even delivered to homebound people. Several local beer and wine vendors have joined us in our endeavor! Complimentary hors d'oeuvres, a Cash Wheel game, Raffle Prizes and live entertainment by Dave Colucci will be provided. A suggested \$25.00 donation can be made at the door. We appreciate your support of this event and we are hoping to see you there! If you can't join us, please consider a monetary donation (checks payable to Knights of Columbus Council 4044), donating a raffle prize or gift basket.

Don Darcy 221-1490

TREASURER

Thank you Brother Edward Stawarz!

After over seven years of service to our Council as Treasurer, Brother Edward Stawarz is stepping down. We thank Ed for the thousands of hours of his time and talent in serving Fairview Council 4044. In addition to this, Ed has been very instrumental helping with many of our Council functions, including our Candlelight Rosary Services, Memorial Masses, and of course, our weekly Bingo. We sincerely wish Ed and his wife Mary the best and hope we continue to see them at our many Council activities.

Good night, Ed!

Daniel Mashia, Past Grand knight



INSURANCE

The Order has set a new record in the amount of money we donated to charities and the number of hours volunteered. Our insurance program had another record year ending in December 2018-18 consecutive years of growth! (And congratulations to the many of you who protected your families last year and helped set that record!

We have given a substantial amount of money to Pope Francis from the Vicarious Christi Fund. Our Asset Advisors have more dollars under management, managed according to the investment guidelines from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

We have added to our surplus, improving our strength to pay claims and weather poor economic times.

This year the Supreme Knight reported that the Order has provided more money to rebuild homes for persecuted Christians in the Middle East.

Congratulations on another record-breaking fraternal year! I look forward to helping protect your families and reaching Star Council this next fraternal year!

VIVAT JESU!

Daniel O'Sullivan, Field Agent

2018 saw outstanding results for Knights of Columbus giving with **\$185.7 million** in donations and **76.7 million** volunteer hours.



K of C in the Community

Physical & Intellectual Disabilities	\$14.8M
Food Drives	\$9.6M
Special Olympics	\$4.9M
Disaster Relief	\$5M
Coats for Kids	\$3M
Global Wheelchair Mission	\$1.6M

WESTERN NIGHT

Save the date Saturday November 2nd for Western Night.

A fun filled evening with our barbeque buffet and country music.

We have two dance floors to accommodate all types of line, swing or freestyle dancing.

Tickets going on sale October 1st.

More information to come in the October newsletter.

Anyone able to help sell tickets, help the night of the event, or donate a raffle prize please contact

Chairman PGK David Saraiva 413-244-9697 or Jill Saraiva 413-348-3313.

Thank you

David Saraiva PGK

TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE

I want to remind everyone that the Annual Tootsie Roll Drive is fast approaching. This year the first weekend will be on October 4th, 5th, and 6th. Columbus weekend is October 11th, 12th, 13th, and 14th. Please remember these dates and try to put a couple of hours aside on one or two of them. I will be calling you in September looking for your help in aiding the physically and mentally challenged that benefit from the monies raised. I thank you in advance for your consideration in helping. Feel free to call me at (413) 533-3620 or my cell at (413) 530-9594.

Elaine V. Boucher-Bogart Tootsie Roll Drive Coordinator

GRAND KNIGHTS CHALLENGE

This past March I took part in the Leprechaun Plunge and with the help of many of you was able to raise \$400 that went to the Shriners Hospital. Much to my disappointment the Leprechaun Plunge is not being held anymore. This is where you come in. I would like to come up with a new “CHALLENGE “ for the Council Officers to do to raise money, something that we don’t already do, something out of the “norm”. If you have an idea please pass it along to one of us. We’ll take them and put them in a hat and pick one to do. Money raised this year I’d like to see go to the USO.

Robert Lelievre, Grand Knight

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

Last month we had a Prime Rib Dinner in the lounge. Thank you to everyone that helped make it a success.



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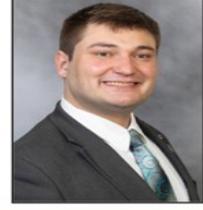
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September 2019

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1	2 Officers Mtg. 7:00pm	3	4	5 Bingo 6:15pm	6 Aquanett 6:30pm Color Guard 7:00pm	7
8 4th Degree Installation 1:30pm	9 Soldiers Home Bingo 1:30pm Council Mtg. 7:30pm	10	11 Spaghetti 4:30-6:30pm St. Anne's 911 Mass 7:00pm	12 Bingo 6:15pm	13 Newsletter Deadline	14 Clam Bake
15	16 Board Mtg. 7:00pm	17	18 4th Degree Officers 6:30 4th Degree Mtg. 7:00pm	19 Bingo 6:15pm	20	21
22	23 Council Mtg. 1st Degree 7:30pm	24	25	26 Bingo 6:15pm	27	28
29	30 Past Grand Knights Mtg. 7:00pm					