

**UPCOMING
EVENTS**

June 4
Officers Meeting

June 11
Soldiers Home
Council Meeting

June 13
Spaghetti Dinner
4th Degree Meeting

June 17
Father's Day

June 18
Board Meeting

June 25
Council Meeting

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GRAND KNIGHT - THOMAS CHARETTE

We had a very productive month for the Council with the help of many people. French Night was a great success once again, thanks to Ron Grenier, his wife Carole, and Elaine Bogart. The banquet staff did another great job with the food and service. We also had a great Friendship Dinner for our outgoing District Deputy Don Darcy. Thank you to Kevin and Roxanne Godek for coordinating the event as well as all that attended in support of Don, who has been an outstanding District Deputy, a good friend and counselor.

We admitted 9 Brother Knights to the order this month. I thank our Admission Degree team for assisting. This month we have our Living Rosary Service scheduled for May 8th in the banquet hall. I encourage all to attend as it is a beautiful and moving service to honor our Blessed Mother.

The Cornhole Games are up and running in the lounge for anyone interested in playing. We have been doing open tournaments on Saturday nights and I thank our Council Warden/Lounge Manager Matt Cooke for organizing that. Come on in and give it a shot. We are trying to plan a Friday night Fish Fry next month in the lounge. If anyone wants to help out with any of our events please feel free to contact me anytime; your assistance is always welcome and needed. If you are interested in running an event at the Council let me know and we will get it going.

The incoming Council Officers are listed in the newsletter. Anyone seeking nomination must be in attendance at the May 14th Council Meeting. Their names will be read that night and voted upon at the June 11th Council Meeting. There is no meeting scheduled on May 28th which is Memorial Day.

May 15th we will be hosting the kickoff event for the New England Service Team, a new regional service organization to assist our neighbors in the aftermath of natural disasters. I hope many of our members that are contractors or just interested in helping out or getting involved will attend and join the organization.

See our calendar of events for other activities upcoming in both the lounge and banquet facility. Lastly, please consider attending a council meeting at least quarterly and take an active role in our council. You can enjoy a nice dinner, a few drinks and fraternity with your brother Knights.

VIVAT JESU! Thomas Charette, Grand Knight

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.

Father Joe

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COUNCIL CHAPLAIN

Dear Brother Knights:

"Standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary of Magdala. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple there whom he loved, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his home." (John 19: 25-27)

The practice of dedicating the Month of May to honor Mary can be traced back as far as the 13th century and very clearly to the 18th century in Rome where the practice gained traction through the efforts of the Jesuits. In 1965 Pope Paul VI wrote a very short encyclical entitled *Mense Maio*, the Month of May. In the first paragraph he wrote: "The month of May is . . . a month which the piety of the faithful has long [been] dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God. Our heart rejoices at the thought of the moving tribute of faith and love which will soon be paid to the Queen of Heaven in every corner of the earth. For this is the month during which Christians, in their churches and their homes, offer the Virgin Mother more fervent and loving acts of homage and veneration; and it is the month in which a greater abundance of God's merciful gifts comes down to us from our Mother's throne."

When Jesus entrusted his mother to the care of St. John, he also entrusted him and all of us to his mother's care. We go to Mary so that we can come closer to her Son. Hear Blessed Pope Paul VI again. "We are delighted and consoled by this pious custom associated with the month of May, which pays honor to the Blessed Virgin and brings such rich benefits to the Christian people. Since Mary is rightly to be regarded as the way by which we are led to Christ, the person who encounters Mary cannot help but encounter Christ likewise. For what other reason do we continually turn to Mary except to seek the Christ in her arms, to seek our Savior in her, through her, and with her? . . . May she who experienced the cares and hardships of earthly life, the weariness of daily toil, the hardships and trials of poverty, and the sorrows of Calvary, come to aid the needs of the Church and the human race." So whether at home, in church or in our Council let us invoke our Mother Mary in a special way this Month of May. **I encourage you to come for the Living Rosary at the Council on May 8th at 7 p.m. and bring a few family and friends with you.** May the Risen Lord fill you with his peace and may his mother lead you to her Son. - Fr. Joe

CANDLELIGHT LIVING ROSARY

Honor our Lady of the Rosary by joining us with family, friends and neighbors for our Candlelight Living Rosary Service, Tuesday May 8, 2018 at 7:00PM in our Banquet Facility. This short but meaningful ceremony, led by Council Chaplain Rev. Joseph Benicewicz, features a live music program. Light Refreshments will be served afterward.

Edward Stawarz, Treasurer

FOURTH DEGREE BAKE SALE

The Fourth Degree will be having their Annual Bake Sale at the June 13th Spaghetti Supper. Please remember to bake or purchase some sweet goodies to sell and make this year's bake sale the wonderful success that it always has been. Baked goods can be dropped off before 4 p.m. if possible. Contact Louise King at 413-313-3685 if you are able to bake and/or help sell at the table.

Thank you for your support!

SLATE OF COUNCIL OFFICERS

Grand Knight _____ Daniel Mashia
 Chaplain _____ Father Joseph Benicewicz
 Deputy Grand Knight _____ Robert LeLievre
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 Trustee (three years) _____ Thomas Charette, IPGK
 Trustee (two years) _____ Norman Fleury, PGK, FDD
 Trustee (one year) _____ Edward LeBlanc, PGK
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We will be having elections in May and I am looking for a few 4th Degree members to fill in the vacant chairs.

Honor Guard Rehearsal **is scheduled for Wednesday, May 2nd at 7:00 pm.**

The Officers Planning Meeting **is scheduled for Wednesday, May 9th at 6:45 pm.**

The Regular Meeting of the Assembly **is scheduled for Wednesday, May 9th at 7:30pm.**

There is a Pizza Party scheduled at the Soldiers Home for **Monday, May 14th at 1:30 pm.**

VIVAT JESU

Norm Fleury, Faithful Navigator, Past Grand Knight

Faithful Navigator	Donald Darcy, PGK, DD	Three Year Trustee	Richard Butler, PFN
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VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

This month's Volunteer of the Month is Joe Chimelewski. Joe works very hard at our weekly Bingo helping set up the snack bar at lunch time and working the grill or fry-a-later during Bingo. He also stays and helps clean up and break down the kitchen/snack bar and pretty much runs the bingo kitchen. He also helps out at our Council Breakfasts, attends many of our functions and is willing to do anything we ask of him. Thank you Joe for your help; it is greatly appreciated.

Thomas Charette, Grand Knight

DONATIONS

Donations this past month were made to the Chalice of Salvation for Mother's Day \$100, Greek Orthodox Church \$35 for an ad, American Cancer Society \$100, District Deputy Donald Darcy's Friendship Dinner \$200, and Lorraine's Soup Kitchen and Pantry in Chicopee as a Golf Sponsor for there fundraising Tournament \$250. If anyone is interested in playing or donating the tournament is being held on Wednesday, May 30th.

Edward LeBlanc, Trustee

NEWSLETTER

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May 2018

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6	7 Officers Mtg. 7:00pm	8 Living Rosary 7:00pm	9 Spaghetti 4:30-6:30pm 4th Degree Officers 6:45pm RegMtg.7:30pm	10Bingo 6:15pm	11	12
13Mother's Day	14 Pizza Party Soldiers Home 1:30pm Council Mtg. 7:30pm	15	16	17Bingo 6:15pm	18	19
20 Newsletter Deadline	21 Board Mtg. 7:00pm Insurance Night 6:30pm	22	23	24Bingo 6:15pm	25	26
27	28Council Mtg. Cancelled Memorial Day	29	30	31Bingo 6:15pm		