



# Edition

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## **Grand Knights Message**

I hope everyone had a Blessed Christmas Season. The Council New Year got off to a slow start with the closing of the Adoration Chapel due to inclement weather on First Saturday January 6 keeping us from reciting the Rosary in the presence of the Holy Eucharist. Did you know that our First Saturday Rosary can be part of a devotion for The Five First Saturdays given to us by the Blessed Virgin at Fatima, promising to "help at the hour of death, with the graces needed for salvation, whoever on the First Saturday of five consecutive months shall;" 1. Confess and receive Communion...Confession and



Mass are offered on First Saturday mornings; 2. Recite five decades of the Rosary...our Council recites the Rosary at 10:00AM at the PEA Chapel on First Saturdays; and 3. Meditate on the Mysteries of the Rosary for 15 minutes...self-guided. I invite you to start your devotion by attending our next First Saturday Rosary February 3 at 10:00AM!.

Holy Spirit Guide Us! St. Joseph Pray for Us!

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## **Deputy Grand Knights Message**

Brother Knights of 8891,

You continue to make a difference in support of our Church through the four pillars of Faith, Family, Community, and Life. Our next big event, the Lenten Dinners, could be classified



as Community and Family. The Lenten Dinners are one of our most successful events of the year. If you've never worked at a Lenten Dinner, come out and give it try, or at least come out with your family, bring a bottle of wine, sit down and enjoy a fish, crab cake, or shrimp dinner. Please see the KofC8891.com website for more information. The Sign up Link is under Upcoming Events. Only the first Lenten dinner is available for sign up right now. The other two are coming soon. The Dates for the Dinners are February 23, March 8, and March 22. These dinners also need many hands to make them successful. For the first dinner as of January 21st, 18 of 37 total slots have been filled, so that's almost 50%, and for this early is pretty good....we tend to be an organization that likes to sign up at the last minute, so I feel confident that we will fill up those slots for the first dinner. Please don't delay, sign up today. I will even use the magic words: Please and Thank You!

Peace and All Good Things, Joe Mazziott – DGK - 717-858-6004 - themazz@verizon.net

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## **Food for Families Report**

Our donations to the SYC Food Pantry as of the end of December are 2,891.2 pounds of food, \$2,506, and 99 man hours.



#### Save the date!

I have set up a food drive at Walmart on April 20, 2024. The SYC pantry has provided me with a list of the items that they will need at that time. You will receive more information closer to the date of the event.

**James2:15-16** Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes or daily food. If one of you says to them; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about their needs what good is it?

Thanks for your food donations after the meetings. Keep It Coming! Please remember that it is extremely important that each of you donate at least one food item for each meeting that you attend!

Please check the weekly Parish bulletin for items that are currently most needed.

Remember that donations can be taken directly to the pantry Monday-Saturday 9:00-11:30 AM. Let the pantry know that your donations are from the Knight of Columbus so that our efforts will get recorded. Financial donations must go through our Financial Secretary, otherwise the Council will not get credit from Supreme.

If you cannot get to the Pantry, please contact me @ (717-424-4567) and we will work out a way to get your donations there. No food items or financial donations will be refused. Plastic/Cans/Boxed products preferred..

For Pantry assistance call 717-235-6370.

Thank you and God Bless you! Think Spring!

Bowen Gifford, Food for Families Chair, PGK, & PFN - 717-424-4567 - boknows@nfdc.net

# **Dues Message from the Financial Secretary**

Brothers.

We sent out dues notices/invoices this year via email AND as a paper invoice in the January Knight Edition with the COAL tickets. Thus, you are NOT getting billed twice - just two different methods of receiving the dues notice.



If you have any issues, please contact Greg at kocgering@yahoo.com or call his cell at (717) 552-8173 to discuss. Please make your check out to Knights of Columbus #8891 and mail it to Greg's home address (95 Smokebox Circle, Stewartstown, PA. 17363) or drop it off in the Council's box outside of the Parish office. If you pay using the email invoice, then ignore that paper one next month.

We are collecting from all member types (including no-dues paying members) any additional donations we get from the members and forwarding them to the Southern York County Food Pantry in a lump sum.

Please consider contributing extra to your check to donate towards the Southern York County Food Pantry. Any additional funds above the \$32.00 will be given to the Food Pantry. They are in most need of our Council's help. Thank you.

Vivat Jesus,

Greg Gering - Financial Secretary - kocgering@yahoo.com

# St. John's Talent Show - April 20, 2024

Brothers, unfortunately we had to cancel the April 20<sup>th</sup> Talent Show, because we only received two applications with audition videos.



## **Pro Life Report**

Brothers,

The 51<sup>st</sup> National Right to Life March in Washington D.C., on January 19, had some challenging weather to contend with. Nonetheless, at least 30,000 marchers were able to get to D.C. I did not drive, I watched it on EWTN. They provided excellent coverage all day long.



The kickoff of their coverage was a special prayer for the day presented by Fr. John Paul Mary of the Missionary Franciscans of the Eternal Word. Father, as many of you know, is from St. John the Baptist Parish and is a card carrying member of our K of C Council #8891.

During the program we heard from the Speaker of the House, Rep. Michael Johnson and Rep. Chris Smith, who has chaired the House Pro-Life Caucus for decades. Hillary Davis told us that she did not abort her baby because someone reached out with help and support for her. Today she runs a Pregnancy Resource Center in Brattleboro, Vermont. Dominic Tolentino, who heads up Penn State Students for Life, boasted that they are "unapologetically Pro-Life". We heard from Roger Severino on the life of Mother Cabrini, Michigan Coach Jim Harbaugh and former NFL'er Ben Watson. All were inspiring and well received by the crowd.

Jeanne Mancini spoke about state Right to Life Marches nationwide. Currently there are Marches in 8 states (Pennsylvania has participated for the last 3 years and will continue to do so in the future). She expects that 2024 will see 16 state marches and in the not too distant future, every state will have a Right to Life March annually. The issue isn't going away. Nor will we go away. because, "the greatest destroyer of peace today is abortion....please don't kill the child." (Mother Teresa, 1994 National Prayer Breakfast)

- Feb 18, the 3rd Sunday of the month, we will meet in Our Lady's Chapel right after the 9:00 Mass for a Pro-Life Rosary.
- Coins for Babies the last two weekends in Feb (17-18 and 24-25), the Pro-Life Committee will conduct their annual Coins for Babies campaign after all Masses. Proceeds will go to Women's Care Center, York and Undefeated Courage (Mobile Ultrasound vehicle)
- .Real Alternatives was a program that provided some state funding to support the needs of expectant mothers. For over 30 years, the program provided comprehensive support to moms in need. In December, Governor Shipiro cancelled the contract for that support.

God Bless,

Tom Evans - tomevans54@comcast.net - 717 235 8833

# **Community Report**

**The Lord's Lunch**: On January 20th the Knights participated in preparation for The Lords's Lunch at St. John's Lutheran Church. A big thanks goes out to Robert Banasiak and Rob Galante who helped prepare and bag the meals. Your help was greatly appreciated. We had a good time for a great cause. The next Saturday for the Knights to help will be February 17th.



**The Shroud Presentation**: The shroud presentation was a terrific success. The old church was filled to capacity, and Bill Wingard gave an inspiring presentation. Bill explained how the shroud gives us amazing insights into the suffering that Jesus endured.

**Talent Show**: Unfortunately, we only had two responses for talent. Therefore, we will not be able to proceed with the talent show. The committee will meet to discuss how we can improve our request for talent for a future talent show.

**Prison Ministry**: My experience with prison ministry continues to be very positive. The inmates' participation in the discussion questions have been quite active with good input from them. I have also been impressed with their belief in prayer and their reading of the bible on their own time. I encourage Knights to join the prison ministry with St. Joseph's Church in York. It is a good way of fulfilling one of the beatitudes. Let me know if you would like to join the prison ministry. My email address is trodowsky@hotmail.com. Carmel has recently joined the prison ministry. My thanks go out to him.

May God be with you, Tom Rodowsky

## **PVK**, Supreme, & State Scholarships + Grant Information

Just a short reminder to our brother Knights that have high school senior children heading off to college, that Supreme, State, and council 8891 offer scholarship opportunities to the children of brothers in good standing, or children of deceased members who were in good standing at their death. A list of those opportunities follows:



- **1. Supreme** offers scholarships to qualifying entering freshmen who will be attending Catholic colleges and universities in the U.S. Applications will be available around March 1, 2024, and must be submitted no later than April 28, 2024. The applicant must be a member or the son or daughter of a member in good standing. Visit <a href="https://www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/scholarships/index.html">https://www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/scholarships/index.html</a> for more information.
- **2. PA State Council** will award one scholarship to a student in the Harrisburg Diocese who is a member or whose father is a member in good standing. This is a 4-year award amounting to \$1,000 per year. The deadline for application was December 31, 2023
- **3.** Council 8891 will award the annual PVK scholarship to a graduating senior from St. John the Baptist parish. Applications will be available from the parish office or school guidance offices no later than December 1, 2023, and must be submitted by January 31, 2024. For this award, the recipient need not be the child of a council member, but the parents must be registered parishioners.
- **4. State Grants** The PA State Education Foundation will award a minimum of 50 grants to the children of members in good standing. The grants are to help offset tuition and **attendance at a Catholic elementary or high school**. Applications will be posted on the state website on or shortly after October 1<sup>st</sup> and must be postmarked no earlier than January 1, 2024, or after January 31, 2024. The grants will be for the 2024-2025 school year. (NOTE: Last year there were about 350 applicants, of whom 100 received a grant...pretty good odds.) Visit <a href="https://kofcpennsylvania.org/catholic-school-grant">https://kofcpennsylvania.org/catholic-school-grant</a> for more information.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Rick Corriveau, PVK Chairman/Member, Education Foundation Board/ Member, State Education Foundation Board <a href="mailto:rickkorivo@verizon.net">rickkorivo@verizon.net</a> - 717-227-2728

# St. John's Parish Job Opportunity

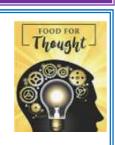
JOB OPPORTUNITY

Job Opportunity - Parish Manager - St. John the Baptist Parish has an opening for a Parish Manager. Visit <a href="https://www.sjbnf.org/jobs">https://www.sjbnf.org/jobs</a> for a full job description. All employees are required to have/obtain clearances as required by the State of Pennsylvania and the Diocese of Harrisburg prior to the start of employment. Interested candidates should email a cover letter and resume to Randy at <a href="mailto:rmentzell@sjbnf.org">rmentzell@sjbnf.org</a>.

This is a great opportunity for a retired parishioner.

# **Food for Thought**

Kindness, merely as such, cares not whether its object becomes good or bad, provided only that it escapes suffering. ... It is for people whom we care nothing about that we demand happiness on any terms. ...If God is love, He is, by definition, something more than kindness. ...He has never regarded us with contempt. He has paid us the intolerable compliment of loving us in the deepest, most tragic, most inexorable sense.



(C. S. Lewis, The Problem of Pain, 1940)

# 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly Report

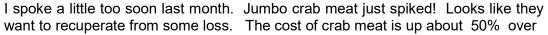
By now each of you should have received your dues assessment for 2024. If you have not, please let me know. Please remember that the assembly meetings start with a Rosary at 7:45pm, and the meeting beginning at 8:00pm. Remember we are still looking for someone to step up and serve as Pilot. Hope to see you there! All 3rd Degree members are invited to consider joining the 4th Degree. If you are interested, contact one of your brothers for more information.



Rick Corriveau, Faithful Comptroller

## **Lenten Dinners "24"**

LENTEN FISH DINNERS





last year. I refuse to diminish any quality; therefore, it necessitates a price increase for the meal \*. I don't know about other items increase, but I am sure they are greater than last year. I have a tentative cost for the menu. As I have heard many times; it is not written in stone.

The most important concern is getting help and getting customers, not to mention, repeat customers who bring their friends and family. Sign-up to help or bring family, friends, and neighbors for a quality meal.

Thank, Don

#### Tentative Lenten menu 2024

Crab cake dinner- \$20.00 (Philips Jumbo Mozzarella sticks- \$3.00 Lump) French fries- \$3.00 Fried Fish dinner- \$14.00\* Mac-n-cheese \$4.00 Fried Shrimp dinner- \$13.00\*

Baked potato - \$3.00

Small pasta w/marinara or butter \$3.00

## All dinners will include coleslaw, green beans, and a dinner roll.

Free drinks will be available for all eat-in orders (Coffee -regular & decaf, Tea-hot, Sweet and unsweetened ice tea, Lemonade, Ice water) Bottled water is available for an additional fee.

BYOB: As always this is your choice, and wine glasses are available upon request.

\*increases in product cost may necessitate an increase in dinner prices. We are doing all we can to try and maintain reasonable meal prices. The price increase for the jumbo lump crab meat is almost 50%.

## 2024 Chance Of A Lifetime Raffle (C.O.A.L) Campaign

Brother Knights of Council #8891,

We are now a month into the 2024 Chance Of A Lifetime (C.O.A.L.) raffle fundraiser and ticket sales are going well. This very important fundraiser funds the State Council Scholarship Program, in addition to being a very important fundraiser for our Council 8891 charitable projects. Additionally, you have the chance to win 16 Cash Prizes from \$1,000 to \$15,000 for a total of \$65,000 in cash prizes. Similar to last year, there are individual tickets for \$5 each and all the prizes are Cash \$\$\$

Thank you to the 38 brother knights that have already sold and/or purchased COAL tickets!

Also similar to last year, we are sending five (5) COAL raffle tickets to each member and friend of Council #8891. We are asking that you sell these tickets to family, friends, co-workers, and others, or buy them yourself. It is not mandatory that you purchase and/or sell the tickets, but this is a very easy way for you to support Council #8891 and add money to our coffers so we can continue to provide charitable support to the Church, Youth, and Community..... not to mention, you have 16 chances to win \$1,000, \$2,000, \$2,500, \$5,000, \$7,500, \$10,000, or \$15,000.

A little different than last year, the cost of an individual ticket is \$5.00 per ticket, or you can purchase 5 tickets for \$20.00 (a \$5.00 savings). Since this is a state campaign, please remember to fill out your name, address, and phone number; and also our Council number (8891) on the stub(s).

Ticket stubs of all sold books and money from the sale (and any unsold tickets) should be returned in the enclosed pre-addressed envelope to me, or can be dropped off at our General Meeting, or can be put in the KofC cedar box on the table outside the Parish Office. Extra tickets are also available by request and are also in envelopes in the pouch on the back of the cedar box on the table outside the Parish Office. Some envelopes contain 5 tickets and some contain 10 tickets. The ticket count is written on the front lower corner of the envelope. If you need additional tickets,

## **C.O.A.L Campaign** (continued from page 5)

just let me know how many additional tickets you would like and I will send them to you or make arrangements to get them to you. Checks for the COAL tickets can be made out to "K of C Council #8891".

If you have any questions or need additional tickets, please contact me by e-mail <a href="mailto:bapent@comcast.net">bapent@comcast.net</a> or cell 717.793.0217. Thank you for supporting our Council with this important fund-raising project!

Barry A Price, Council #8891 C.O.A.L. 2024 Campaign Chairman



## **Faith Report**

#### Brothers,

As we continue into a new liturgical year, I wanted to share these challenges with you every month from Archbishop Lori, Supreme Chaplain. (His letter included below) They consist of a challenge or call to action as well as a reflection. January's challenge is to attend Mass and receive holy Communion, more than just on Sundays, to grow in awareness of the presence and power of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. The February challenge is focused on prayerful silence and a great way to prepare and enter into the upcoming Lenten Season. There are lots of opportunities to expand on this month's challenge within our Parish. I hope that you will join me in taking up this challenge in the coming month.

"Frequently, only silence can express my prayer." ~St. Therese of Lisieux

Humbly in Christ,

Rob Bushman robert bushman@yahoo.com

## February 2024 Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge:

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; then from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." (Gospel for Feb. 25, Mk 9:7)

In last month's challenge, we talked about recognizing Jesus' presence and power in our lives. Here, at his baptism, we hear the voice of God instructing us very simply: "Listen to him." It is not enough to acknowledge Jesus as the Christ, the Son of God. We must also be attentive to his teachings — communicated through sacred Scripture and sacred tradition — and respond by following him faithfully. This is the path of the true disciple who understands his own baptismal mission. May we follow this path faithfully throughout our lives.

## Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to spend 10 minutes each day in prayerful silence, contemplating the presence of Jesus and listening for his voice.

#### **Questions for Reflection:**

How do you listen for the voice of Jesus? What steps can you take in your prayer life, your spiritual reading, your pious practices and your religious study to hear his voice more clearly? What dispositions and virtues should you foster within yourself in order to become more open and response to what Christ is telling you?

https://www.kofc.org/en/who-we-are/our-faith/february-2024.html



LENT 2024 BEGINS ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 14th



#### FTGOTO: Please keep the following in your prayers:

**Our Religious & The Catholic Church** Our Troops & Law Enforcement | Fire Fighters & First Responders

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as the January 2023

**FAMILY OF THE MONTH** 



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**Greg Gering** 

as the January 2023

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Knights of Columbus Council #8891 February 2024 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Don't forget to attend Mass & Rosary after the 9am Mass	29 January	30 January	31 January	1 Pick Spring!	Spring or Not!	Knights Rosary 10AM Perpetual Adoration Chapel
4 True Don't forget to attend Mass	5	6	7	8 Council Meeting Rosary 7:40pm Meeting 8pm Neumann Hall	9	10
11 True Don't forget to attend Mass	12	Mardi Gras	ASH WEDNESDAY Fast & Abstinence	4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting Meeting 8:00pm Rosary 7:45pm	16	Lord's Lunch St. John's Lutheran & Coins for Babies After 5pm mass & March 2024 Knight Edition Articles Due bapent@comcast.net
Don't forget to attend Mass & Pro-Life Rosary after the 9am Mass & Coins for Babies After all masses	19	20	21	Officer Planning Meeting (OPM) 7:30pm Neumann Hall	Fish Dinner 4 – 7pm Eat In or Carry-Out	24 Coins for Babies After 5pm mass
Don't forget to attend Mass & Coins for Babies After all masses	26	<b>27</b> FC	28	29	1 March	2 March

The 2024 Friday Lenten dinners will be February 23, March 8, and March 22.

Palm Sunday - March 24

Good Friday – March 29

Easter – March 31