

“The Chatter”

The Monthly Newsletter of St. Mary’s Council

#2346 of the Knights of Columbus

January 2020

The Grand Knight’s Message

Brothers,

A new year has arrived and much needs to be done. We continue to strive for new members to join, and we were very fortunate to have four new members join this past year. Our current goal is to add four more before the Columbian year ends on June 30th, 2020. There is a monthly formation 1st degree at Queen of Peace in North Arlington to install a candidate without delay each month.

January is a big event month for us. We are all familiar with “German Knight” that brother Kevin Mauro coordinates. Let’s show our support and tribute to our veterans; please contact Kevin to confirm your reservation so we can book a table for all of us to sit together!

Our Council Christmas party is also in January, and it is a great opportunity to

get together with family and celebrate the year with our brother Knights.
Please try to attend and we can kick off the New Year with brotherhood.

Happy New Year!

Vivat Jesus!

Phil Urso

Upcoming Meeting / Event Dates

Saturday, January 11, 2020 @ 6:30 PM
Party

Council Christmas

Monday, January 13, 2020 @ 7:30 PM

Thursday, January 16, 2020 @7:30 PM **Formation Degree (2nd) @**
Teaneck #2586

Friday, January 17, 2020 @ 8:00 PM **Knighthood Degree (3rd) @ Fair**
Lawn Council

Monday, January 20, 2020 @ 7:00 PM
of Peace

Admission Degree @ Queen

Saturday, January 25, 2020 **6th Annual O. Allen Beyer Memorial**
"German Knight"

Monday, January 27, 2020 @ 7:30 PM

Monday, February 10, 2020 @ 7:30 PM

Monday, February 17, 2020 @7:00 PM
Peace

Admission Degree @ Queen of

Monday, February 24, 2020 @7:30 PM

Friday, February 21, 2020 @ 7:30 PM **Knighthood (3rd) @Rochelle Park #2842**

Saturday February 29, 2020 @8:00 AM **Catholic Men's Conference@ Seton Hall**

Thursday, March 5, 2020 @ 7:30 PM **Formation Degree (2nd) @ Queen of Peace**

Monday, March 9, 2020 @7:30 PM

Monday, March 16, 2020 @7:00 PM **Admission Degree @ Queen of Peace**

Sick List

Please pray a Hail Mary for our Brothers John Coffey, Bob Bigley, Lance Zaremba, Jim Doyle, Rob Davies and Gerry Ferraro.

If you would like to add or remove a name, please reply back to “The Chatter”.

Membership

If you are looking through our newsletter and considering joining the Knights of Columbus, we ask you to look at the special section that deals with a new and exciting membership opportunity for men over the age of 18 and who are practical Catholics, as defined by the Roman Catholic Church.

It's called “**E-Membership**”! It gives men who would like to join the Knights and take advantage of the many charitable, social, and fraternal benefits we offer the opportunity to join electronically. This is a new way for us to reach out to men interested in joining a Catholic charitable organization. Visit www.kofc.org today and see how easy it will be to join or bring in a new member! More importantly, invite a friend, relative, or someone you believe wants more, and will do more to serve our Order, to visit the site today.

Please make it your and our Council's mission to remain a sustainable organization, to be able to serve our parish and community for years to come, directly with the support of a fraternity of brothers who share your faith, your values, and your desire to live with purpose. The only way this will happen is if you invite your brother, father, cousin, neighbor, friend, or guy that sits in your pew to join. Gentlemen, please be informed of **upcoming degree dates listed above** for the new member you recruit.

Christmas Party

Due to scheduling conflicts, this year's Christmas Party will be held on **January 11, 2020 @ 6:30 PM**. All guests must RSVP so we can prepare the proper amount of food. **Please respond and leave a message, on the council phone, 973-667-0104** to reserve a spot. The final deadline **to confirm your reservation is January 4th**. Please include your name and how many will be attending.

Another New Member in December

On Monday December 16th, St. Mary's Council added a new member! It is with great joy we welcome **Deacon Ron Ronacher** to our Council. Ron has been a Deacon for over thirty years, serving In Brooklyn NY and here at St. Mary's Church.



Mrs. Ronacher, Deacon Ron, Brother Knight John Saar, and a St. Mary's parishioner

German Knight 2020

A fundraiser dinner for the VFW Veterans & Military Support Program will take place at the **Sixth Annual O. Allen Beyer Memorial "German Knight"** on Saturday, January 25, 2020 from 7 to 11 PM at the Council Beer Garden, located at 150 Chestnut Street, Nutley, NJ.

There will be tasty German food such as kassler-rippchen (smoked pork chops), wiener schnitzel, frankfurters, knockwurst, bratwurst, sauerbraten, sauerkraut, red cabbage, German potato salad, potato pancakes, and, for those who have other tastes, we also offer a traditional pasta and 2 chicken choices. Three types of draught beer, wine, water, and soda are included.

The Band Horizon, a live 4-piece band, will perform, plus recorded music for your enjoyment! This year we have a guest speaker from our local Nutley Toastmasters International Club: Mr. Roy Jensen, a former United States Marine.

Ticket donations are \$40. **Please don't wait to order tickets; this event sells out quickly!**

Who was O. Allen Beyer?

Otto Allen Beyer, who was a lifelong resident of Nutley, passed away on June 4, 2014. Mr. Beyer served proudly in the United States Army during the Korean War and was a member of the VFW Post #493. He was an active parishioner of St. Mary's Church, a Past Grand Knight of Council #2346, and during his single year as the GK, he achieved The Star Council Award, Activities Columbian Award and the Founders Award. Allen was the president of the Columbian Club at the time of his death. Allen served the council and the community for over 4 decades and hosted German Knight for over 25 years. The tradition continues in his name.

The Council has donated over \$12,500 to this worthy cause. All proceeds after expenses will be donated to the VFW Veterans & Military Support Program.

This is our biggest fundraiser of the year; be part of it!

For more information, purchase tickets, or to help with this fundraiser, contact **Kevin Mauro (862-220-9609)** or email at kevinmauro856@gmail.com by **January 17, 2020**.



Volunteers Katie and Joseph Mauro, both were KofC scholarship recipients.

If you cannot attend, but like to make a donation, mail a check to 150 Chestnut St., Nutley, NJ 07110 and put "Vets" in the memo. Please make checks payable to **Knights of Columbus Council #2346**.

2020 Catholic Men's Conference

SAVE THE DATE

A day of reflection, prayer, confession and fellowship!

Saturday, February 29, 2020 from 8 AM to 4PM

Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ

Mass @ 4PM with Joseph W. Cardinal Tobin

Online registration will be available in mid-January at www.rcan.org.

God's Special Children Fund Drive 2020

Save the dates! This year we will be collecting at the Nutley Park ShopRite on Saturday, April 25th, May 30th, and Sunday June 7th. More information will follow, along with sign-up sheets.



Brother Lou Garbarino collecting at Nutley Park ShopRite (5/11/2019)

Insurance

As a member of the Knights of Columbus, you have access to a professionally trained field agent who can help you and your family plan for life's eventualities.

Our field agent is: **Kevin Cox** (973) 785-8567 or kevin.cox@kofc.org