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UPCOMING EVENTS:



NOVEMBER 1 –
ALL SAINTS
DAY – HOLY
D A Y O F
OBLIGATION



FAMILY OF THE MONTH FORM DUE ON NOVEMBER 15!!



PITTSBURGH
C H A P T E R
MEETING —
T U E S D A Y,
NOVEMBER 5
AT HOLY CHILD COUNCIL
#12043 (BRIDGEVILLE)AT
7:30 PM

DECEMBER 13 – MEMORIAL MASS AND DINNER AT BELLEVUE COUNCIL #1400.



A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAPTER PRESIDENT...

Brother Knights of the Pittsburgh Chapter,



Thank you to Council 2555 for hosting the October Chapter Meeting. I apologize for not being in attendance, but I was in Philadelphia for a mandatory work trip.

The Pittsburgh Chapter Memorial Mass and Dinner will be held on Friday, December 13th. Information about the dinner is in this newsletter. Please RSVP early to help the host council! It will be a fun evening and I hope for a large attendance from our member councils.

A note to all brother Knights that have ordered shirts – they are in and I will have them at the November Meeting. If you have not paid for the shirt yet, please bring it with you or mail a check or cash to me at 165 Dinwiddie Dr. New Kensington PA 15068. The shirts are very nice!

Council leaders, please continue to work on the **Faith and Action** program! This program is a great way to recruit and to do the work that the Supreme Council asks us to do. There was a large drop in the number of Columbian Awards this year (programs) due to the changes in the programs. Please plan early and make sure you do the mandatory programs in each of the four program areas (Faith, Community, Family, Life)

Vivat Jesu!

Andrew Smith, President, Pittsburgh Chapter of the K of C



NOVEMBER 5TH IS VOTING DAY IN PENNSYLVANIA! EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE!



DIRECTIONS TO HOLY CHILD COUNCIL #12043 Set your GPS units to: 212 Station Street, Bridgeville PA 15017

From Route 28 South:

- ♦ Merge onto PA-28 S
- Use the right lane to take exit 1A for Interstate 279 S/Interstate 376
- ♦ Merge onto I-279 S
- ◆ Use the 2nd from the right lane to stay on I-279 S
- ◆ Use the middle lane to merge onto I-376 W/Fort Pitt Bridge
- ♦ Keep left to continue on I-376 W
- ◆ Use the right 2 lanes to take exit 64A to merge onto I-79 S toward Washington
- ◆ Take exit 54 for PA-50 toward Bridgeville
- Use the right 2 lanes to turn right onto PA-50 E (signs for Bridgeville)
- ◆ Use the left 2 lanes to turn left onto PA-50 E/Washington Ave/ Washington Pike
- Pass by Midas (on the right)
- ♦ Turn left onto Hickman St
- ♦ Turn right onto Coulter St
- Coulter St turns right and becomes Station St
- Destination will be on the right

From other areas, access route I-79 and take exit 54 and follow directions above.





SEMINARIAN UPDATE

We now have twenty-nine men studying for "His" Holy Priesthood in the Diocese of Pittsburgh, including six new seminarians. These men need our support, both spiritually and financially. The councils in the Pittsburgh Chapter have been outstanding supporters of our seminarians in the past, and we need for that support to continue or increase.



Information on the seminarians has been posted to the Pittsburgh Chapter web-site. We encourage you to share this information with your members and consider supporting as many of our seminarians as you can afford. Our "goal" again this year is to have 3 units support each man with \$1,500.00 total per seminarian. Please complete the Council Vocations Questionnaire and return it to Frank Peduto & Mike Lynch. Remember, the Seminarian you support today may be the Pastor you deal with tomorrow!

Mike Lynch Vocations Support Coordinator

HAPPY THANKSGIVING !!!!!



PITTSBURGH CHAPTER MASS AND DINNER INFORMATION!

WHAT: The Pittsburgh Chapter Memorial Mass and Dinner

WHEN: Friday, December 13..., 5:30 pm. Social, 6:30 pm.

Mass, immediately followed by Dinner

WHERE: Bellevue Council #1400, 450 Lincoln Ave. ,Bellevue, PA 15202

COST: \$15.00 per person, \$25.00 for husband and wife,

Any ticket sold at door will be an additional \$2.00

HOW: Please RSVP BY DECEMBER 7th, by calling 412-761-6663,

or Email the council at KofC1400@yahoo.com

Make out and mail checks to KofC Council #1400,

450 Lincoln Ave. Bellevue, PA 15202



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS
TIME ENDS ON
NOVEMBER 3rd!

SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR!!!!!



REAL LIFE STORIES

A field agent like me who is lucky enough to be doing this great work for even a few years, undoubtedly has a personal story of the chaos and disorder that a devastated family stares at when there is a sudden loss. I have several stories of my own. If our goal is to protect Catholic families from the near devastation that our Venerable founder faced, then I must tell the story of how I can help my brother knights. The process of making sure one has adequate protection for the family is not painful; in fact, since we are brother knights serving brother knights, it is often a time of not only helping to protect all that is important to a family, but also a shared experience that leads to an abiding friendship.

There are two stories I read about recently that I'd like to relate.

The first is about a young boy named Julius. When Julius was 7 years old his mother, Irene, who was 37, died of cancer. His father, Norman, had two teenage girls along with 7-year-old Julius to support and raise. The family was forced to rely on the help and generosity of friends and relatives because Irene died without life insurance. Norman had a three-hour commute to his job, but always supported his children's activities. Julius excelled at sports, especially football and his dad spent what little free time he had fostering Julius and his talent. Julius later admitted that he "was handed a life lesson early, growing up with one parent. It wasn't the easiest life—my dad sacrificed a lot."

Fast forward to Julius some 30 years later and he is married, has a wife and two children. He's done quite well for himself both professionally and financially. He has had a distinguished career and he has a considerable amount of life insurance to protect his family. Julius understands protection quite well after the early life he experienced. He understands the hardships of a family that loses a parent and what the children must go through. In his professional life he enjoyed considerable success because of those that protected him. For 13 years he was protected in his career. You see that protection for Julius came in the form of 300-pound offensive linemen...nobody called him Julius. His nickname was "Boomer"...Boomer Esiason—a four-time Pro Bowler, an NFL Most Valuable Player and a Walter Peyton NFL Man of the Year. Most importantly, a husband to Cheryl and a father to Sydney and Gunnar.

"Life happens at the most unexpected of times, and life insurance is about protecting the future and the people you love," Boomer says. "Remember, if something happens and you haven't done the planning, the people you leave behind will feel the brunt of your mistakes." That story comes from LifeHappens.org.

The other story is not similar at all. It's about a member of the Knights of Columbus. He passed away recently and like in Boomer's family, left behind a spouse and several young children. There were no whispered worries at the funeral home. There was no GoFundMe page to raise money. There is no concern that the children will not go to college or that the wedding he promised his daughter will not take place. No, their home and future are secure. Who was that knight? I don't know; you don't hear about those men. Because the council didn't have to have a spaghetti dinner or pass the hat. But I assure you he was out there. But you'll never know it...because he planned.

Let's sit down and do some planning and put your mind at ease.

Vivat Jesus!

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Discover a World of Good Things in the Knights of Columbus



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| ***Family of Month Form Due | | | | | 1 ALL SAINTS DAY | 2 ALL SOULS DAY |
| 3 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS! | 4 | 5 ELECTION DAY; Pgh Chapter Mtg. | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
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| Januar (mma Conce | 8 culate eption | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 Pgh Chapter Mtg. At Bellevue #1400 | 14 |
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| Januari, | 22 | 23 | 24 Christmas Eve | 25 CHRISTMAS | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| | 29 | 30 | 31 New Year's Eve | | | | ***Family of Month Form Due |