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UPCOMING EVENTS:



FEBRUARY MEETING ON FEBRUARY 1 AT 7:30 PM AT ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH ; ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE CHURCH HALL, 363 E. ELEVENTH AVE EXT., HOMESTEAD PA



FAMILY OF THE MONTH FORM DUE ON FEBRUARY 15!!



ANNUAL THREE RIVERS MASS – ST. ANTHONY’S CHAPEL; TROY HILL (1704 HARPSTER STREET, PITTSBURGH PA 15212) - SATURDAY, APRIL 23 AT 10 AM.



A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAPTER PRESIDENT...

Worthy Brothers,

I am not as big an advocate of cold weather as I was back in my sledding days, and I am not a fan of life-disrupting snowstorms, but I do like a fresh covering of snow on non-paved surfaces. It is a window into a nature and an opportunity to slow down and reflect. Winter is also a time to stay indoors to complete some year-end paperwork. So, while you are reflecting on the past year, take some time to tally up the good works of your Council and its Members, and complete and submit the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (if you haven't done so already). The form was due on January 31. After that is submitted, be sure to turn your attention to the Semiannual Audit Report for July-December 2021, which is due on February 15.



Now is also a great time to start preparing for the 124th Annual PA State Convention. This year's Convention is May 13-15 at Kalahari Resort in the Poconos. Information is available on the State website, including forms for submitting Council Credentials, Necrology, and placing Ads in the Convention booklet. Watch the website for more information.

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

Brother Knights:

February and March bring us into a time of preparation in the Church's liturgical calendar. On February 2nd we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. This has also in times past been known as Candlemas Mass. This celebration occurs 40 days after Christmas. Traditionally there is a ritual of blessing all the candles that will be used during the liturgies at each parish. Some parishes have continued this tradition throughout the years and others are bringing back this beautiful tradition. This feast is a reminder that Jesus Christ is the Light of the world. We reflect at this Mass on the proclamation of Simeon the prophet, "Lord now you let your servant go in peace... my own eyes have seen the salvation of all the peoples." (Luke 2:29 ff) This feast calls us to prepare our hearts for the Light of the world.



In March we will begin the penitential season of Lent. This is the great season of preparation. We take 40 more days to prepare for Easter season, the greatest season in the Church. Between the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord and Ash Wednesday begin to reflect on what you will make as a sacrifice (fasting) for Lent. But this year attach to it a purpose, that is to say, Lord I will make this fast for... When we add a purpose to our fasting it allows us to step out of our complacency and comfort zones to grow in holiness of the Lord.

May these times of preparation remind us that we are always preparing for that day when we will meet the Lord and give an account of our faithfulness to him. May this feast and season of preparation be a time of renewal and purification for each of you and for the Church.

Father Will Wuenschel
Saint Aidan Parish
St Alphonsus & St. Alexis Churches

CATHOLIC NEWS...

The Supreme Court is set to rule on whether the city of Boston was right to stop a Christian Flag from flying over City Hall.

For years, the city rotates dozens of flags on a pole outside City Hall, some flags have celebrated Veterans, LGBTQ pride, paramedics and more, to promote diversity.

However in 2017 when a conservative activist Harold Shurtleff applied to hoist a "Christian flag" city officials wouldn't let it fly. City Hall originally stated: "The blue and white flag, with a red Latin cross in one corner, would violate the long-held principle of separation of church and state."

The Supreme Court heard oral arguments on Tuesday in a case that has united unlikely parties, posing the question, "Is it religious discrimination if the city of Boston prevents a man from flying a "Christian" flag on a flagpole outside City Hall where other groups have displayed banners of their own?"

by Alex Collett – Premier Christian News

According to 'La Stampa,' Pope Francis went to a newly renovated record shop to bless it. During his 12 minutes inside the shop near the Pantheon, he received a disc of classical music from the shopkeepers. The paper reported that the owner, named Letizia, together with her daughter and son-in-law, are old friends with the Pontiff, who was a customer long before he became pope. He promised to return one day and visit them as pope, according to the report. On Tuesday, he appeared to do just that.



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When you do venture out into the cold, do not forget to take the opportunity to recruit. Your Council can partner with your parish pastors to offer Council Knights to check on the parishioners' wellbeing. These check-in phone calls are a great tool for inviting men to join the council. Not only can you check on the needs of fellow parishioners, but you can also have a conversation with them about membership in the Knights. What better way is there to introduce them to the Knights, then by showing them how this one program – the Leave No Neighbor Behind Program - works to connect with each other during these times of physical separation.

In closing, I just wanted to say that I hope all of you are doing well and staying safe. There is some hope on the horizon as infection rates appear to be decreasing. Let us pray that the trend continues and that those afflicted with the virus have a speedy recovery.

Vivat Jesus!

**Tim Richards, President, Pittsburgh Chapter
Pittsburgh Chapter of the K of C**



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FEBRUARY 2022



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**Family of Month Form Due		1	2 Groundhog Day	3	4	5
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13 Super Bowl	 14	15 **	16	17	18	19
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MARCH 2022



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