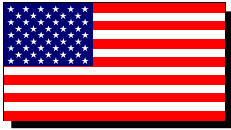


KNIGHTLY NEWS

Knights of Columbus, Joseph M. Johnson Council #7538

"Proud to serve the catholic parish communities of Saint Ann and Saint Mary of the Annunciation by living the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism as Honorable Men, Knights of Columbus, and Catholic Gentlemen!"



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The Rosary Group in the St. Ann's Chapel

CALENDAR

If you would like to attend any of the Council's activities please let any of your brother knights know so that transportation arrangements can be made

Date	Time	Event (Contact)
12/12/19	8:30am	Mass on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
12/17/19	7:00pm	Rosary (Dalla Valle)
12/24/19	2:00pm	Christmas Eve Dinner at McGuire VA Hospital (Wisniewski)
01/06/20	6:30pm	Officers meeting (Montag)
01/12/20	2:00pm	Council Christmas Dinner (Lasser)
01/24/20	noon	March for Life Rally, Washington DC (Brim)

If you have any questions, corrections, or would like to add an event to the calendar please contact John Curtis at fs7538@vakofc.org or Jim Hartigan at kojc@hartiganconsulting.com.

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Prayers for the Sick and Distressed

Please pray the rosary daily and remember in your prayers those that are sick, in distress or in need of the Lord's Graces, especially:

The Holy Father,
Pope Francis I,

Pope Emeritus,
Benedict XVI

Our Bishop,
Barry Knestout,

Our Pastors,
Fr. Chris Haydinger,
Fr. Alexander Muddu,

Our Deacons,
BK Dave Geary,
BK Frank Leaming,
Chuck Kamper,

State Deputy,
Robert J. Szerszynski,

BK Levie Edmonds,

And please remember our
troops deployed
throughout the world.

If anyone knows of a Brother Knight that is sick, in need, or distress please contact the Council or a fellow Brother Knight Immediately!

Tabled motions

The following motions were brought up at the December council meeting and are planned to be voted upon at the January council meeting.

Whereas the Virgil S. Hicks, Jr. scholarship was established to encourage young parishioners to expand their intellectual pursuits (or something from the tri-fold or application form), and

Whereas the costs of education are ever increasing,

Be it resolved that the Joseph M. Johnson council will increase the annual amount available for the scholarship from \$1,000 to \$2,000.

Whereas the Scholarship committee should be entrusted to return the best value to the parishes for the monies entrusted to their care,

Be it resolved that the Virgil S. Hicks scholarship will change its awards to be one-time awards -- not spread over four years. Additionally, be it resolved that the amount (not to exceed \$2,000) may be split among one or more recipients at the discretion of the Scholarship committee.

Note: All previous Scholarship awards will be honored per our previous methodology (i.e. 250.00 per year for four years).

January's Business Meeting

Please plan on attending January's business meeting on Monday the 13th. The meal will begin at 6:30pm, Rosary at 7:00, and the council business meeting to follow. Several motions will be voted on.

Charity

Five cases of Coats for Kids were purchased by the council and individual Knights this fall and will be donated to local schools and ACES.



Grand Knight, Don Montag will be Polar Plunging for Special Olympics on February 8th. Consider donating at <https://impact.specialolympicsva.org/fundraiser/2497916>.

Unity

Our council raised over \$3,000 at our Scholarship Dinner and Stew sales that will go directly to our scholarship fund and our many charities.

Fraternity

Our Council's Christmas dinner will be held on Sunday January 12th at 2pm. Please plan on attending and contact Tom Lasser, Dave DePuy, or Jim Hartigan for more information.

We came together in late October to clean our section of Route 1 during our bi-annual road clean-up

Patriotism

The state council will provide a Christmas Eve dinner at the McGuire Veterans Affairs Hospital at 2pm on December 24th. Our council will provide meat, drinks and desserts.