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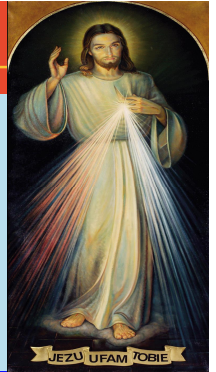
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Important Dates

Monday, December 25, 2017

The Nativity of the Lord .
Holy Day of Obligation

February 9 –11, 2018: Retreat at
Saint Paul's Retreat Center, cost \$215.00
143 Monastery Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15203

Committee Directors and Chairmen

Please send any information, or article you would like to see in the Knight Light Newsletter to
kofc4242_newsletter@yahoo.com. Try to submit your information at least one week before the monthly business meeting. If possible, use Notepad or Word Pad without formatting or columns to make things easier.

Business Meeting

Tuesday, December 19, 2017
Saint Joe's Activity Center
7:30 PM



Grand Knight Report

Brothers,

I would like to start my report by wishing all of you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a very happy upcoming New Year.

It is hard to believe this year is going so fast. Christmas will soon be here, hope Santa brings you and your family many nice things.

During this busy time of the year let us not forget that Christmas is a time to receive and accept the greatest Gift from God . %Jesus Christ.+ Take some time out of this busy season and give thanks for our savior who was born on Christmas Day.

Please keep our departed brothers and their families in your prayers during this holiday season and all year long.

God Bless

Have a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year!

Frank Opice
Grand Knight

Annual Retreat at St. Paul Retreat Center

K of C Council 4242's weekend retreat is scheduled for February 9th, 10th & 11th and is rapidly approaching. If you are planning to attend, use the Retreat Center web page www.stpaulsretreatcenter-pittsburgh.org/ to process online registration and payment for your retreat through PayPal or credit cards. If you prefer you can register and pay your deposit of \$50.00, then the remainder of the stipend at the retreat. If you experience any difficulties or have any questions, please call St. Paul's office at 412-381-7676 and have your credit card information ready. You can still mail your registration directly along with your deposit or stipend to the retreat center. Also, please remember students attend for half price and they may also attend Saturday only if that is what their schedule permits. If you have never attended a retreat and want more information, click the above link, see page 4 of the newsletter or call John Kralik 412-795-9417. You will meet people just like yourself who were moved by the Holy Spirit and have made numerous retreats since then. You will soon see why they return year after year.

Prayer Page

A Christmas Prayer

Dear Lord,

We come before you to celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. We celebrate the miracle of God coming as a baby - coming to live among us, coming to love us, and coming to show us the way to eternal life.

During this Christmas season, help us to experience the story of the birth of Christ as though it were the first time we ever heard it. Bring to our thoughts a sense of wonder and awe at what took place two thousand years ago.

Allow us to watch, as wise men who daily commanded great respect, humbly traveled to a stable and knelt with gifts in hand before a baby who was

Christ the King. Let our imagination hear the rustling animals and see the young couple who lovingly take turns holding our promise in their arms.

Help us to remember to live our life proclaiming the loving message of that night in our words and most importantly in our actions. We magnify your holy name this day.

Amen

2004 Beth McLendon of Inspirational - Prayers.com

Special Intentions of Brother Knights Living All Brother Knights, especially:

Larry Conte
Geoff Crowe
Dan Pietrogallo
Tony Sciotti

Special Intentions of Knights Deceased All Deceased Brother Knights, especially:

PGK Guy Caranfa
Sam Cariati
Tom Colosmo
Blaine Curran
Leo Duman
Guy Ingagliato
PGK William Galvin
Fred Heinz
John Loftus
Bob Merten
PGK Bob Mineo
Mel Norton
Guy Pugliese
Stephen Schuda Jr.
PGK Larry Scott
Nick Trivisano

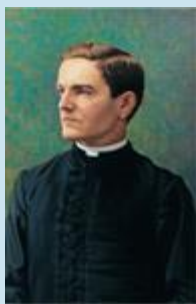
Special Intentions of Living All Living Persons, especially:

Eileen Doheny
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Henry Gonzowski
Judy Gratz
Chris La Bertew
Ann Lynch
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Janet Mackey
Gail Mertens
Jim Pistella
Rick Speck
Victims of recent natural disasters

Special Intentions of Deceased All Deceased Persons, especially:

William Crowe IV
Mary Haluck
Tom McQuaide
Paul Miller
Virginia Opice
Rev. Peter Pilarski
Chuck & Edith Tappe
Lee Toth
Victims of recent natural disasters

Prayer for the Canonization of Father Michael J. McGivney



God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen. (Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be.)



Santa Breakfast December 3rd, 2017



I wish to thank all who participated in the Santa Breakfast held at St. Gerard's Church. Special thanks go out to the brothers and helpers who cooked up the great food and served in other ways: Frank & Liz Opice=Jack Koehler=Ed Senge=Michael Senge=Dom Trivisano=Jerry Donovan=Bill Sterf=Bill & Karen Sydell=Dan Miller=Leo Grady=John Kralik=Reuben & Regina Obiekiezie=Nick Sullivan=Ian Ramsey (squire)=Samuel Ramsey (squire)=Mariannen Ramsey (elf)=Ray (the Special Guy) & Marianne Labetew and especially my wife Juliann Crowe. If I missed any one please accept my apologies. In addition, my gratitude goes out to the fabulous parishioners of Saint Gerard Church, all the workers at the breakfast, numerous donors-known and anonymous. It's wonderful when the Knights work with our churches in events such as this project for such a worthy cause and have fun doing it. We earned over \$949.00 for the Knights and the same amount for St. Gerard's Church. We served over 150 breakfasts. It's a great pleasure to have such a great team working on this project. I can't thank everyone enough. It really makes the Knights look great! And I wish to extend a Blessed Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all!

Vivat Jesus,
Geoff Crowe

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The mass can be viewed by accessing the parish website at www.stjohnthebaptistparish.net



ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS Passionist Retreat Center

The Importance of a Retreat Experience on the Spirituality of Saint Paul of the Cross

Saint Paul of the Cross, the founder of the Passionist community, believed strongly in the potential of a retreat experience to help people to become more centered in Jesus. He especially wanted them to understand the Passion of Jesus is the most profound expression of God's love for us. And so he directed that all of his communities provide an opportunity for people to make retreats.

Saint Paul of the Cross also saw the Passion of Jesus continues in the lives of the who suffer among us today.

In making a retreat, Saint Paul of the Cross wanted certain opportunities to be present:

- ◆ The experience of quiet and solitude, so as to step away from the busyness of daily living
- ◆ The opportunity to meditate prayerfully, especially on the Scriptures, so as to be able to have an interior conversation with God.
- ◆ The opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, so as to be spiritually renewed in our life with God and the others.
- ◆ The opportunity to pray in communion with other as one.
- ◆ The opportunity for faith sharing, especially through spiritual direction.
- ◆ The opportunity to be strengthened inwardly and spiritually so as to be able to evangelize: to proclaim the Gospel by living a life centered in Jesus.

At Saint Paul of the Cross, they try to make all of these opportunities present in a welcoming and peaceful environment. Their hope and prayer is above all the in the spirit of Saint Paul of the Cross, these who come will find renewal and peace in their life with God and the others centered in the life that Jesus offers to us.

<http://stpaulsretreatcenter-pittsburgh.org/>

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The goal of WAOB is, as Bishop Lawrence Brandt has said, "to help listeners to delve more deeply into their faith, to be informed about the teachings of the Church, to come to a deeper understanding of the connection between faith and life, and to be drawn closer to God our Father, Who abides with us."

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- WPGR-AM 1510 AM** - Covers the Greater Pittsburgh, PA area.
- WJVM-FM 90.3 FM** - Bellfonte, PA area (link to coverage map).
- WEJO 104.7 LPFM** - State College, PA



BISHOP'S PROJECT
Knights of Columbus Bishop of Pittsburgh Diocese Project – Pittsburgh, PA
Serving intellectually disabled and/or physically challenged youth and adults in the Saint Anthony Schools and McGuire Memorial Homes and School.

The Bishop's Project

This project is supported by the council's tootsie roll drives, and by donations from our members and area parishioners for Christmas seals. The project serves

intellectually disabled and/or physically challenged youth and adults in the Saint Anthony Schools and McGuire Memorial Homes and School.

For the last 15 years, 86% (+/- 1%) of donations are provided to the programs. Nominally, 14% of donations went to expenses. (Note, none of the Knights of Columbus are compensated ó all expenses are for material costs, postal expenses, and the like.) Use of the website may increase that percentage which goes to the programs.

Through its 57th year (February 2016), the project has raised \$7.54+ Million and \$6,270,000 (82.6%) has been provided to the beneficiary organizations.

You'll find lots of good information on the Knights of Columbus Bishop of Pittsburgh Diocese Project at their website: www.bishopsprojectkofc.org

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2018

