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Brother Knights,



Advent and prepare our hearts for the Coming of our Lord, I wish to share a prayer with you! "Dear God, thank you for bringing us to the last month of the year. Please keep my loved ones safe this month. Watch over us and cover us with your love. Shower us with dood health. blessings and happiness. Remove any worry, fear, stress and doubt in our hearts. Comfort anyone who is hurting today and make them well again. In Jesus' name, Amen.

In 2020 Pope Francis declared the year of St Joseph. At Christmas time, I am reflecting especially this year on St Joseph. The church has never really emphasized his importance until now.

Were it not for St Joseph's YES, Jesus would not have been born in Bethlehem. Then unfortunately, He wouldn't have survived the purge of the innocents. He would never have been taken to Egypt, and thus the Bread of Life would never have been brought out of Egypt back to Israel, to feed his people eternally. Thus, no Mass, no Eucharist, no Christmas, no Knights of Columbus! We owe more to St Joseph than we realize!!



First, I would like to announce our newest member, Jordan Hunt! Please congratulate Jordan on becoming a Knight. To date we have added 3 new members since July to our membership. Please continue to ask men to join our ranks.

Secondly, the Knights recently participated in the food drive, here at OLP, which was sponsored by the Boy Scouts. We helped them load their trailer as Parish members dropped off food donations to be made to the St Stephen's Food Bank. This participation is one of our projects towards the Family Group, Food for Families.

Thirdly, Deacon Jeffrey is asking us to participate in the Consecration of the Holy Family. This Event will be held on **Sunday December 26**. This is an event through our Faith Program in which we will ask the participation of everyone at Sunday Mass. Simply, Deacon Jeffrey will have a homily on the Holy Family, and we have prayer cards to hand out to everyone attending Mass. I am asking if you are available that day to please distribute the cards to Parishioners entering the church.

Fourth, as part of our Life program, we have purchased Solidarity Crosses. These are specially made crosses of wood from the Holy Land, of which we have available at Donut Sunday for а donation: proceeds benefit persecuted Christians throughout the world. We still have these available, consider a donation, they would make a lovely Christmas gift!

Fifth, our Keep Christ In Christmas Card contest is coming to a close. The winners will have printed up their cards and distributed to the homebound again this year, special thanks to Jim Davoli for handling this event and especially Steve Gauntner who established printing and distribution the of cards last year. Also special thanks to Jerry Ulibarri taking the time and expense to have these cards printed off.

One more thina concerning Keep Christ in Christmas - as a Council we sponsored a Billboard, featuring the theme to Keep Christ in Christmas, which was a little south of the Parish on N High St. Please look for that billboard and BE PROUD OUR COUNCIL SPONSORED IT!

Finally, I want to again announce, beginning January we will have tickets available for the Valentine Dinner to be held at Mozarts February 10th. The price of the ticket is **\$45**. This event will fund Coats for Kids in the coming vear. The success of this event has a great impact on us being able to continue to support Coats for Kids! This event is open to the Parish. We invite each Knight and his spouse and I encourage you to invite your adult children or parents. We are also celebrating World Marriage Day. Fr McGivney's vision was to protect and strengthen our Families. What better way than to promote the importance of Family Life, then to celebrate our marriages together?

I want to wish each and every one of you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! May God bless you abundantly in the New Year!

> Vivat Jesus, Grand Knight Dave Heilman



St. Nicholas of Myra Bishop C 280-343 AD December 6

Saint Nicholas



was born circa 280 in Patara, Lycia, an area that is part of present-day Turkey. He lost both of his parents as a young man and reportedly used his inheritance to help the poor and sick. A devout Christian, he later served as bishop of Myra.

There are many legends about Saint Nicholas. One story tells how he helped three poor sisters. Their father did not have enough money to pay their dowries and thought of selling them into servitude. Three times, Saint Nicholas secretly went to their house at night and put a bag of money inside. The man used the money so that his daughters could marry.

Several sources state Saint Nicholas is believed to have died on December 6, 343. Over the years, stories of his miracles and work for the poor spread to other parts of the world. He became known as the protector of children and sailors and was associated with gift-giving. He was a popular saint in Europe until the time of the Reformation in the 1500s.

St. Nicholas' Feast Day is **December 6.** The most common St. Nicholas Day tradition is for children to leave their shoes out in the entryway or by the fireplace hoping that St. Nicholas may leave them a small present..



2021 OLP Knights Christmas Party!

Pizza Santa has returned to announce the 2021 OLP Knights



Christmas Party.

There will not be a Council Meeting in December – Instead, we will gather at the Pizza House Restaurant on Tuesday, December 14 at 6:00 pm.

All members and their spouses are invited to attend. The Pizza House is located at 747 E Lincoln Ave, Columbus, OH 43229, near the intersection of Lincoln and Sinclair Rds.

The event includes a cash bar – the Council will pick up the cost for the pizza.

It's Almost Here!



Mark your calendar and make your reservation! Plans are underway for the annual **OLP Knight's Valentine Day Dance.** It will be held <u>Thursday, February</u> <u>10, 2022</u> at Mozart's Cafe from 5:00 pm until 8:00 pm. We will also be celebrating World Marriage Day.

Mozart's is providing their banquet hall for our event at no cost. A tasty buffet dinner, cash bar and D.J. will be part of the evening. Cost will be **\$45** per person. Proceeds from the dinner will benefit Coats for Kids. This event is open to all. Encourage your fellow parishioners and neighbors to attend for a fun evening. Tickets for the event will be available in January.

Jim Silcott is handling the arrangements. More details will be forthcoming.

Editor's Desk

The deadline for submitting items for the newsletter is



d the **3rd of each month**. Let me know if there is something you wish publicized. You can reach me by email at <u>FCoolavin@aol.com</u> or by phone at **614-268-4166**.

Announcements!

Brothers, Please Join Us!

Please try



to attend the monthly meetings. We do need your ideas to help us grow. <u>Please join us at the</u> <u>monthly meeting and share your</u> <u>ideas</u>. Meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at <u>7:00</u> <u>PM</u>, in the Ave Maria Room (formerly the Old Rectory). <u>Mark</u> your calendar or log the dates in your smarty phone! The dates for future OLP Council meetings are:

No Council Meeting in December

January 18, 2022 February 15, 2002

Help Wanted: Our current Financial Secretary, Greg Taylor will be giving up his appointed position in June 2022. The OLP Council is currently looking for someone to fill this position. If you are interested, or have questions, please contact Grand Knight Dave Heilman.



Please pray for the sick and deceased members of our Council and for any members of the OLP Parish community who may be ill.

Please pray for our retired priests and religious. They need our prayers and support.

Pray the Rosary for an end to the great evil that is abortion.

Wanted – New Members

The Grand Knight has asked each member to bring in one new member this year! Ask a friend to join The Knights of Columbus!



On line registration for new members is now available at <u>www.KofC.org</u>.

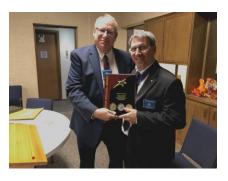
Help us continue to grow our Council. We currently have <u>94</u> members. If you need recruiting information, please contact Trustee Bob Brehm at bbrehm5859@gmail.com



Merry Chrístmas and a Happy New Year to All

OLP Star Council Award

As we announced previously, the OLP Knights received the prestigious Star Council Award for the 2020-2021 Fraternal Year. Below is Grand Knight Dave Heilman and Deputy Grand Knight Mark Warren showing the award at the November meeting:



Columbus Special Olympics Presentation

OLP Knight Tom Brennen (right) presents a check for **\$2074.24** to John Esson of **Columbus City Schools Special Olympics** from the proceeds of the OLP Knights Measure-Up collection held in May 2021.



"Pray, hope, and don't worry. Worry is useless. God is merciful and will hear your prayer."

- Saint Padre Pio

