

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

St. James Council 7450  
Concord, NC

January 2022

Charity \* Unity \*  
Fraternity \* Patriotism

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## Council 7450 Meeting Tuesday January 11, 2022



### Knights Blood Drive

Next drive is Sunday, March 6th. Come give the gift of life! Tell your friends and neighbors, all are welcome! 29 units were donated in December.



LAMB charitable Giving Days at **Garofola's**



Wednesday, December 22nd, 4-9 PM.

The Knights of Columbus places a special importance on honoring the Blessed Mother. Every



man who joins a K of C council receives a rosary and is encouraged to **seek Mary's**

intercession by praying it regularly. In addition, many join Council 7450, 6:00 PM as we lead the

rosary before the Monday night Novena on the 2nd Monday of the month. Pope Francis launched a rosary marathon at the beginning of May, encouraging the faithful around the world to pray daily for an end to the pandemic. And there is no better time to honor the Blessed Mother.



Council 7450 will hold a Spiritual Day of Reflection on Saturday January

22nd in Geiger Hall. Knights and their Spouse are encouraged to attend this rewarding event. It will be from 8 AM until 1 PM. Lunch will be served, Brother Knights Deacon Todd LaBonte and Gustavo Gallo will facilitate.



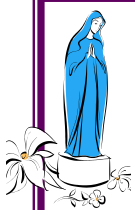
Please volunteer for one of our standing committees for service programs. See the committee names to the right. YOUR HELP IS NEEDED if we are to help in our parish and community!. **"In service to one, In service to all"**



## Next Knights Breakfast January 16

Please come and help us serve the parish. Bring the family and friends and enjoy the best breakfast in town for the price!

## Knights of Faith



Knights have always been dedicated to Our Lady. Pray the **Rosary daily..... Select your intention**. Pray as a family or by yourself. Attend the Monday Novena, Rosary 6:30

In Memory of Knights Mass for departed Brothers:

All deceased:  
Saturday, 12/11 2021 - 5 p.m.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament occurs EVERY Monday between 9:00 AM and 6:30 PM in the Church. What a wonderful gift you can give to yourself to spend time with Jesus!



Join us Saturday, February 19– Geiger Hall Classroom 6:00 PM  
Trip Presentation & Video with Q & A!

GRAND EXPEDITION

WITH JOHN & SUE GREEN

Amsterdam,  
Luxembourg,  
Brussels

WITH EXTENSION TO BRUGES

April 8-17, 2023

EXTENSION APRIL 17-19, 2023

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Amsterdam's canals  
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Van Gogh Museum  
Maastricht  
Luxembourg's Old Town  
Bastogne War Museum  
Grand-Place in Brussels



Brothers,

I hope all is well with you and your families...

**\*\*Please note our upcoming events and activities and a brief report on the most recent events:**

- **Council # 7450 Christmas Partner Assistance Plan- Update:** the partner organizations below were very appreciative of our Council's generosity. We were honored & blessed to disburse over \$ 5,000 in December!!

Our Council typically donates to charitable organizations that we partner with and assist annually. This year, we decided to give our Brothers the opportunity to personally donate funds through our Council once again to assist our partner organizations any way we can, especially in this challenging time we are in.

The following partners/charities were graciously supported by our Council's donations & sponsorship:

Miravia, Cabarrus Cty Children's Home, Salvation Army Homeless Shelter- Concord, Michael J. Memorial Foundation Fund / Mikes' Bikes, St. James Parish & our parish priests, LAMB (Cabarrus Cty Special Ed.), Coats for Veterans, Big Brothers/Big Sisters (Cabarrus Cty), Holy Angels, Jeff Gordon Children's Hospital (donation for blankets for children), Cooperative Christian Ministry (CCM), RSVP Council sponsorship

- **Council # 7450 Breakfast-** Dec. 19- our parishioners joined us for another successful Council Breakfast! Also, our Brothers and Columbiettes assisted- great comradery! We thank all who joined us & look forward to our next Council Breakfast on January 16th ! Please save the date & join us!

- **Council Spiritual Reflection Day-** Jan. 22- Brothers Gustavo and Deacon Todd will be presenting for our Spiritual Reflection Day (Faith service program) with our spouses or significant others and also our single Brothers.

Please consider joining us to enjoy a day of spirituality - to bring us closer as Brothers in our Council Family and also to our Lord Jesus. All are welcome!

**Note:** all Council events/activities are subject to change due to / in conjunction with changing community conditions...

Brothers, Thank you to all of you for being a part of our Council Family and doing your part to make our Council the best it can be. Please feel free to contact me anytime.

I hope that you and your families have a blessed, safe, and healthy New Year.

God Bless you and your families.

Respectfully,

Joe Amodeo

GK K of C # 7450

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# Epiphany



The Epiphany is the high point of Christmas and the fulfillment of Advent. It is the ancient Feast of Christ the King.

The feast of manifestation, or Epiphany, is traditionally celebrated the 12th day after Christmas, January 6th. In the dioceses of the United States this feast has been moved to the Sunday between January 2 and January 8. Here is a wonderful explanation of this beautiful feast.

The Epiphany is the feast of the manifestation of the majesty and divinity of the newborn Savior. As early as the third century, the Eastern Church, in celebrating the birth of the Redeemer, viewed it primarily as the manifestation of God to man. Hence the name Epiphany, which means manifestation, was given to the feast. Toward the end of the fourth century, as the feast gradually came to be known and celebrated in the West, the adoration of the Christ-Child by the Magi or Wise Men was stressed. Soon these sages were looked upon as the Three Kings.

In the West Christ's birthday had already been celebrated for some time on December 25. But with this feast was associated all the poverty and helplessness of the cave of Bethlehem; Mary and Joseph watched beside the crib in poverty, and the shepherds that came to offer their humble worship were equally poor. This aspect was lost sight of in the Feast of the Epiphany. It is true that the Magi found a poor, weak child, attended by poor parents. But through their faith they recognized and acknowledged the helpless Infant as the Redeemer and King of the world, and as such they adored Him, In the Feast of Christmas Christ is shown as man to a few of His chosen souls; in the Feast of the Epiphany, on the other hand, He appears to the whole world as God.

In order to strengthen and reinforce this divine manifestation to the Magi, the Church commemo-

rates on this feast two other incidents, both of which strongly testify to the divinity of Christ: His baptism in the Jordan and the first miracle at the marriage feast in Cana. In this way, the Redeemer, whose coming was known imperfectly at Christmas, is made known to the whole world.

While the Mass of the feast concentrates entirely on the coming of the Magi and their adoration of their new-found King, the Breviary abounds in references to the two other "manifestations." The antiphon for the *Magnificat* of second Vespers summarizes the threefold significance of the day in words that are unmistakable: "Three miracles glorify this sacred day: today the star led the Magi to the crib; today at the wedding feast water was changed into wine; today Christ willed that John baptize Him in the Jordan so that He might become our Redeemer, Alleluia." Thus we have three supernatural interventions: the star that guided the Magi from the East, the wine miraculously brought into being from water, and the voice of the Father ringing out from the heavens, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased" (Matt. 3:17).

Various interpretations have been given for the gifts which the Magi offered the Christ-Child. In the responses at Matins the Church says that the gold represents kingly power, incense the great High Priest, and myrrh the burial of the Lord; and so she depicts the Wise Men offering their gifts to Christ is His threefold character of King, High Priest, and Man. In his homily for the third day within the octave, St. Gregory looks at the gifts from the viewpoint of the givers, and so sees in the gold, wisdom; in the incense, the power of prayer; and in the myrrh, the mortification of the flesh. Both

interpretations are worthy of consideration, and some little reflection on them should prompt us to bring all the powers of our intellect to our King, the incense of our prayers to our great High Priest, and the myrrh of our sufferings and labors to our Man-God.

The Epiphany is the high point of Christmas and the fulfillment of Advent. It is the ancient Feast of Christ the King. Its dignity in the liturgy is superior to that of Christmas. Because the feast commemorates the baptism of Jesus, its vigil has long been a day for solemn Baptism. In the present division of the Church year, the baptism of our Lord in the Jordan is commemorated on the octave day of the Epiphany.

If the Feast of Epiphany is to be fully understood as the Church sees it, it will have to be viewed from two aspects: that of God who manifested Himself to man, and that of man, typified in the Magi, who responded with wholehearted faith and love. It is, therefore, a day of faith and grace on which no other prayer ought to take precedence over that petition of the Our Father, "Thy Kingdom Come!" — Excerpted from *With Christ Through the Year*, Rev. Bernard Strasser, O.S.B.





**PERSON**

**WE ARE IN PRAYER**

<b><u>FOR</u></b>	<b><u>RELATION</u></b>	<b><u>COMMENTS</u></b>	<b><u>DATE ADDED</u></b>
Bob Connor	Brother Knight	Passed away	12/2021
John Fox	Brother Knight	Passed away	2/2021
Bill Suhy	Brother Knight	Passed away	2/2021
Tim Chase	Brother Knight	Illness	9/2021
S/K Jeff Mathews	Brother Knight	Illness	10/2021
Connie Bertolette	Wife of Brother Barry	Illness	10/21
Amy Bertolette	Daughter of Brother Barry	Cancer	10/2021
Mary Lehman	Wife of Brother Steve	Illness	01/2022
Kristen Bray	Columbiette	Illness	10/2021
Don Belofski	Brother Don	Illness	9/2017
Keven Casey	Brother Knight	Illness	9/2021
Linda Cawa	Wife-Brother Knight	Illness	8/2020
Sal Cawa	Brother Knight	Illness	8/2020
Clivia Chin	Sister-in-law -Bob Wheeler	Illness	3/2021
Mark Cormier	Son-Ted Cormier	Illness	6/2020
George Coyle	Brother Knight	Illness	
David Crispi	Brother Ken Johnson req.	Illness	
Richard Glass	Brother Knight	Detached Retina	
Ellen Guttridge	Wife-Bill Guttridge	Illness	7/2016
Vic Haugen	Brother Knight	Illness	3/2021
Karen Hopper	Sister of Brother John Green	Cancer	8/2016
Jan Johnson	Wife-Ken Johnson	Illness	3/2020
Beverly Kachmarik	Wife-S/K Bob Kachmarik	Cancer	5/2018
Mrs. McEachern	Mother of S/K Eddie	Illness	5/2021
S/K Eddie McEachern	Brother Knight	Illness	3/2020
Doug McEachern	Brother of S/K Eddie	Surgery	5/2021
Ron Mikesh	Brother Knight	Parkinsons	8/2016
Lake Speed (family)	Family of Brother Knight	Illness	3/3021
Bill Waterson	Brother Knight	Cancer	3/2017
Michelle Belofski	Br. Don Belofski Daughter	Illness	3/2021
Hyacinth Wheeler	Wife of Bro. Bob	Illness	5/2021
Regina Morris	Daughter of Bro Art Eberhardt	Heart Attack	7/2021
Mike Connor		illness	10/2021



Oppressed Christians  
All Affected by COVID-19

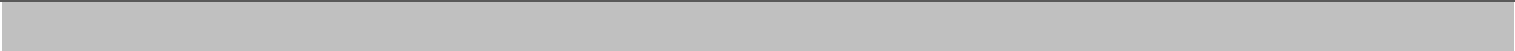
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# January 2022



Month of the Holy Name

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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						Happy New Year!
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Donate to St. James		Officers Meeting Guadalupe Hall				
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Donate to LAMB	Knights lead Rosary 6:00 PM	Business Meeting - Guadalupe Hall			March for Life Charlotte	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Knights Breakfast HELP 7-12:30						
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Donate to LAMB						
30	31					



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## **March for Life Charlotte**

**16th annual march**

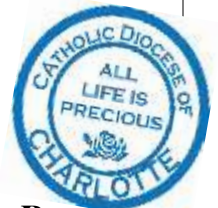
**Friday, January 14, 2022**

**9:00 AM—Mass for the Unborn, St Vincent De Paul**

**11:00 AM Gather across from the Pastoral Center**

**11:30 AM Instruction and Prayer**

**12 Noon Begin March to Uptown Charlotte**



**Guest Speaker Dr. Matthew Harrison, Pioneer of the abortion pill reversal process**



# Knights In Action



**Mike's Bikes**



**Children's Home**



Night Shelter



Gift Baskets



Breakfast

