

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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Knights of Columbus, Council
7450, Concord, NC

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January 2021

Council 7450 Meeting Tuesday January 12, 2021



Knights Blood Drive

Next drive is Sunday, March 7. Come give the gift of life! Tell your friends and neighbors, all are welcome! 37 units were donated in December!



You can still support LAMB. During this time

You may write a check to LAMB Foundation. Mail the check to St. James c/o KofC 139 Manor Av. Concord

28025.

If you, a brother Knight or parishoner of St. James are in need of help picking up groceries or medications, please call DGK Jeff Mathews 704-890-4237 and he will arrange

assistance during these unusual times.



The 2021 Knights of Columbus Raffle tickets are now available. The first prize is \$5,000; 2nd prize is \$4,000 with many more prizes thereafter. Please contact Bob Wheeler for more information at cell # 732-241-7994. This is a major fundraiser for the Council. Your support is essential for success of future Council efforts.



Council 7450 would like to form a Bereavement Committee.

This committee would reach out to Brother Knights and/or their families who are ill, or have experienced loss. If you would like to assist in this effort please contact Grand Knight Joe Amodeo (845)234-8361



Next Knights Breakfast
PENDING

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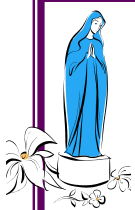
Joe Ernst 314-368-2853

Retention

Ted Cormier 704-608-4357

Lecturer — Matt Telera

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, 3/13 2021 - 5 p.m.
Saturday, 6/262021 - 5 p.m.
Saturday, 9/11 2021 - 5 p.m.
Saturday, 12/11 2021 - 5 p.m.



A Mass for Respect Life will be held on Monday, January 18th during the 7:00 p.m. Novena. Father Jerome Chavarria will say the Mass.



January—Baptism of Jesus



In the Old Testament, people were anointed with a special type of perfumed olive oil called “chrism” which was stored in a bull’s horn, a symbol of strength.



At first glance, the scene makes little sense. John’s strident call to repentance provokes an overwhelming response. People of all shapes and sizes flock to him in the wilderness. They are baptized in the Jordan as a sign of repentance and cleansing.

Suddenly, out of the crowd steps John’s cousin Jesus.

Wait a minute. What’s Jesus, the sinless one, doing in a crowd of repenting sinners? What’s he doing coming forward to be baptized by John, who is by John’s own admission, inferior to his cousin?

Jesus does not enter the water to be sanctified. No, the Holy One enters the water to sanctify. He makes this humble, ordinary element extraordinary, empowering it to become a channel of the Holy Spirit bringing inner cleansing, rebirth, and transformation to those who will be bathed in it. Here Jesus institutes the sacrament of Christian baptism, something essentially different and greater than the baptism of John, which foreshadowed it.

Immediately after coming out of the water, the Spirit descends upon him in the form of a dove. Now another sacrament is instituted by Christ, the sacrament of confirmation or, as the Eastern churches call it, chrismation.

Notice that as the Spirit de-

scends upon Jesus, the Father announces from heaven that this is His beloved Son. Here we have a majestic revelation of the Most Holy Trinity, one God in three persons. Then notice that Peter, speaking of this event in Acts 10:37, calls it Jesus’ “anointing.”

In the Old Testament, people were anointed with a special type of perfumed olive oil called “chrism” which was stored in a bull’s horn, a symbol of strength. The first people to be so anointed in the Old Testament were priests, authorized to offer sacrifice on behalf of the people. Then came prophets, anointed to proclaim God’s challenging, energizing word. Finally kings were anointed by God to save their people from their enemies. Actually, the reigning king of Judah was called “the anointed one,” “messiah” in Hebrew or in Greek, “Christ.”

So this feast is Jesus’ “name day.” Of course he is the Word made flesh, full of the Spirit, and savior of Israel from the moment of conception. But on this day, the Spirit anoints his human nature in a new way, empowering and equipping him for battle, for his mission to smash the oppressing powers of sin, Satan, and death, and to lead his people into freedom. He is anointed or “christened” not just as savior-king, but as perfect prophet who speaks God’s final word, and perfect priest who offers the perfect sacri-

fice taking away all sin.

Some wonder why we need the sacrament of confirmation. To some it appears to be an afterthought, as anticlimactic. After all, we receive the Spirit in baptism and receive Christ bodily in the Eucharist. So what else do we get when we are confirmed?

Simple. We receive our mission and the power to carry it out. For being a “Christian” is not about just “getting saved.” It’s about sharing in Christ’s anointing to transform the world. The mission is an essential part of the package, not an option. That’s why we are called “Christians” or anointed ones. It is not just priests and religious who are supposed to make it happen. Every single one of us is called and anointed. And that’s why confirmation is one of the essential sacraments of initiation. Without it, one is not fully incorporated into the Church, which is a missionary community.

The question for those of us who have received this power-packed sacrament is this—what are we doing with it?

By [Marcellino D’Ambrosio, Ph.D.](#)



Council 7450 graciously thanks these establishments for their past support of OPERATION L.A.M.B. Charitable Giving Days. We look forward to working with them in the future. Brothers, now it is our turn to support them during these uncertain times for small business. Please dine-in or order take out from our generous sponsors!

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January 2021



Respect Life

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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					NEW YEARS DAY 2021	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Donate to St. James		Officers Meeting				
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Donate to LAMB		Business Meeting -TELE				
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Donate to St. James	Mass for Re- spect Life 7 PM					
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Donate to St. James						
31						

For The Good Of The Order



Person In Need	Relation	Comment	Added By
S/K Bill Waterson	Brother Knight	cancer	3/2017
Jan Johnson	Wife of Brother Ken Johnson	illness	3/2020
Bill Suhy	Brother Knight	illness	8/2016
Dorothy Mathews	Brother Jeff Mathews Mother	Passed away	22/2020
Mark Cormier	Son of Brother Ted	Serious illness	6/2020
Val Demarco	Brpther Knight	Passed away	12/2020
Oppressed Christians			Supreme
S/K Eddie McEachern	Brother Knight	illness	8/2020
Eileen Guttridge	Wife of Bill	illness	7/2016
George McElroy	Brother of G/K Gerard	illness	10/16
Beverly Kachmarik	Wife of S/K Bob	cancer	5/18
Karen Hopper	Sister of Brother John Green	Cancer	8/2016
Jenaire Grannum	Brother Bob Wheeler's neice	illness	10/2020
George Coyle	Brother Knight	Illness	Council
Ron Mikesh	Brother Knight	Parkinsons	8/2016
David Crespi			Ken Johnson
Don Belofski	Brother Knight	Illness	9/17
Helen Servicky	Mother of S/K Al Servicky	Passed away	12/2020
Linda Cawa	Wife of S/K Sal	illness	8/2020
S/K Sal Cawa	Brother Knight	illness	8/2020
S/K Richard Glass II	Brother Knight	Detached retina	
Ted Cormier's sister		Broken leg	6/2020
Ted Comier's daughter in law		Auto accident	6/2020
Clivia Chinn	Brother Bob Wheeler's sister-in-law	illness	10/2020
All those affected by Covid 19			



The Grand Knights Corner

Brothers, I hope all is well with you and your families.... I would like to share how proud I am of our Brothers and our Council. Our brothers have stepped up this year to assist at our various events / activities, donated funds to our partners, assisted our Parish at respective Masses in various ways, helped fundraise for our Council, assisted our community in various ways, and helped support our Council in any way they could. I would like to thank each and every one of you that assisted our Council in any way. We are blessed to be able to make a difference in our Parish, our local community and in the lives of many in our community. Pictures are attached for the presentations we made to our respective partners and also recent events we held.

I would like to take this time to thank all of you for your generosity in donating funds to assist our partners. 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 to assist our partner organizations any way we can, especially in this challenging time we are in.

I would like to outline some of the Councils' recent accomplishments / contributions:

MiraVia- the Council has generously donated \$ 650 to our partner for their Outreach Program this year; their gratitude was truly inspirational. Our contact person at the MiraVia was very grateful to our Council for our donation; the funds were delivered personally by a small group of brothers; we wanted to emphasize the personal touch. MiraVia is a Catholic non-profit local organization that serves pregnant women regardless of their economic, social, religious, racial or ethnic background. The organization respects and affirms life from the moment of conception. In the past, our Council has provided support by selling roses after Masses on Mothers' Day weekend.

Church of God Children's Home / Orphanage (Kannapolis)- our Council has generously donated \$ 700 to our partner for their respective program of assisting children. This worthwhile organization is a private, non-profit, Christian agency that provides a positive and safe environment for hurting, abused, neglected, and at risk children (4-21 years of age) placed privately by the NC Dept of Social Services (DSS). They are committed to meeting the physical, mental, social, and spiritual needs of these children.

Our contact person at the Orphanage was very grateful to our Council for our donation and the donation of 7 turkeys as well from our Thanksgiving Food Drive. The funds and turkeys were delivered personally by a group of brothers; we wanted to emphasize the personal touch.

The Salvation Army Homeless Shelter (Concord)- our Council has generously donated \$ 450 to our partner for their respective program of assisting homeless men and women. The Shelter is committed to using funds locally to support vital programs to help those that need it. Our contact person at the Shelter was very grateful to our Council for our donation; the funds were delivered personally by a group of brothers; we wanted to emphasize the personal touch.

St. James Parish- our Council donated \$ 400 to our parish and gifts to our parish priests (Fr. Jerome, Fr. Glenn, Fr. Fabio, Fr. Charlie). We are honored to be able to show our appreciation and love to our parish family, our parish office staff for their support, and to our parish priests.

LAMB- our Council has fundraised a considerable amount for this worthwhile program to assist our local Cabarrus County Special Education program on an annual basis. We will hopefully be able to donate a generous amount this year; considering the various challenges we have had this year. Our contacts at the Cabarrus County Special Ed. program very extremely grateful to our Council for our donation; we are honored to be able to assist.

Michael J. Memorial Foundation Fund / Mikes' Bikes- our Council has generously donated \$ 150 to our partner for their respective program of providing bikes to local children for Christmas. We also provided transportation assistance for the bikes from the local Walmart to our Parish for distribution to local children at Christmas. We are honored to be able to assist the organization every year; Mike is grateful for our Councils' assistance.

Thanksgiving Food Drive- our annual Food Drive helped collect 150 turkeys, hams, and all of the trimmings. The generosity of our Brothers and fellow parishioners was gratifying; also many Brothers assisted in the collection and distribution of food for respective families. We also held a Christmas distribution on Dec. 21st.

Council Blood Drives- our Council conducted 4 successful Blood Drives, saving lives in our community and assisting local blood banks. Our Blood Drives typically had 30- 40 donors per Drive; we are grateful to be helping our community in this way.

Gift baskets to widows of Deceased Brothers / Brothers that are ill or hospitalized- our Council purchased and personally delivered gift / fruit baskets to widows of our Deceased Brothers and Brothers that are ill or hospitalized (started this year). We want to show them we care and think about them, and are there for them.



Christ in Christmas cards- our campaign for selling our Christ in Christmas cards has gone well this year. We want to ensure we always keep our Lord Jesus Christ in our hearts during Christmas and always in our lives.

Council Outreach to our Brothers and parishioners- our Council has initiated a groceries and meds pick up for our Brothers and fellow parishioners since the Pandemic started, to assist any families in need or families that would like to use this service our Council is providing.

Honorary members- our Council would like to honor our Honorary and Honorary Life members with a fellowship luncheon in the near future.

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions, concerns, suggestions you may have. Our Council has had an active start of the fraternal year and is looking forward to continuing our good works to our fellow Brothers, our Parish, and our community in the upcoming year.

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

God Bless you and your families.

Respectfully,

Joe Amodeo
Grand Knight
K of C # 7450



7450 Knights In Action



Food Drive



Church of God Children's Home



Mira Via



Mike's Bikes



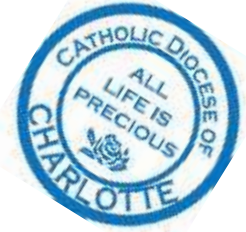
Mike's Bikes



Salvation Army Homeless Shelter



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January Respect Life Events Charlotte Mass for the Unborn Friday, January 15, 2021 9 A.M. – St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church 6828 Old Reid Road, Charlotte, NC stvincentdepaulchurch.com
 March for Life Charlotte Friday, January 8, 2021 11 A.M. – Assemble at Pastoral Center 1123 S. Church St., Charlotte, NC 12 P.M. – March marchforlifecharlotte.org
 Mass & March for Life Raleigh, NC Saturday, January 16, 2021 11 A.M. Mass – Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral 715 Nazareth St, Raleigh, NC 27606 1:00 PM – Rally & March Halifax Mall on Lane St. ncrtl.org/rally-and-march-for-life
 North Carolina Mass for Life Washington, D.C. Friday, January 29, 2021 Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception 400 Michigan Ave NE Washington, D.C. 10 A.M. – Mass nationalshrine.org
 March for Life 2020 Washington, D.C. Friday, January 29, 2021 12th St. and National Mall 12 P.M.- Rally 1 P.M.- March for Life marchforlife.org
 Please note - check websites listed for updates and restrictions at respective Masses and events. Restrictions in the various cities/ dioceses/ parishes are subject to change, so please check regularly and plan accordingly. There could be limited to no attendance to the Mass in DC pending capacity restrictions. Updates on these marches and pro-life Masses can also be found at: ccdoc.org/respectlife

Insurance Corner

Securing their Future with Term Insurance from the Knights of Columbus



No matter where you are in life, you want to ensure that your family will always be provided for.

Knights of Columbus Term Life Insurance is intended to give you needed protection for a specific period of time. Coverage options include:

- Annual renewable term policies that are guaranteed renewable to age 70.
- Accelerator Term policies with 10, 15 or 20 year initial term periods that have a guaranteed death benefit to age 85. Accelerator policies fea-

ture premium rates that are guaranteed to remain level for the initial coverage period.

- Term Insurance through the Young Adult Insurance Program for those ages 18 to 29.
- Lower rates are available for larger coverage amounts.

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Knights of Columbus

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