



Knights of Columbus, Council 7450, Concord, NC

> Charity * Unity * Fraternity * Patriotism

> > March 2021

Council 7450 Meeting Tuesday March 9, 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 ets are now availa-



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.

er Knight or parishioner 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 tick-

ble. 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 .If you, a broth- 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-

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Next Knights Breakfast PFNDING

2020-2021 Officers

Worthy Grand Knight

Joseph Amodeo, Sr.

Worthy Chaplain

Fr. Jerome Chavarria, C.Ss.R.

Worthy Deputy Grand Knight

Jeff Mathews

Worthy Chancellor

Jos Ernst

Worthy Recorder

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Worthy Financial Secretary

Bob Wheeler

Worthy Treasurer

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Worthy Warden

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Joe Amodeo 980-781-4428

Family Director Tim Chase (608)695-6678

Life Director Joe Andruzzi 704-796-0075

Membership Joe Ernst 314-368-2853

Retention

Ted Cormier 704-608-4357 <u>Lecturer — Matt Telera</u> Bereavement

Ken Woodhall 631-327-0487

Knights of Faith



vena, 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.





March-The month of St. Joseph



The Church encourages us to be devoted to Joseph because he was a model in the heroic practice of all the virtues.

The month of March is dedicated to St. Joseph. We don't know much about him except what is mentioned in the Gospels. Joseph was the husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the foster-father of Jesus. Holy Scripture proclaims him as a "just man," and the Church has turned to Joseph for his patronage and protection. Pope Leo XIII in his encyclical Quamquam Pluries (On the Devotion to St. Joseph) in 1889 explains why we place so much trust in this saint).

"Thus in giving Joseph the Blessed

Virgin as spouse, God appointed him to be not only her life's companion, the witness of her maidenhood, the protector of her honor, but also, by virtue of the conjugal tie, a participator in her sublime dignity. And Joseph shines among all mankind by the most august dignity, since by divine will, he was the guardian of the Son of God and reputed as His father among men. Hence it came about that the Word of God was humbly subject to Joseph, that He obeyed him, and that He rendered to him all those offices that children are bound to render to their parents. From this two-fold dignity flowed the obligation which nature lays upon the head of families, so that Joseph became the guardian, the administrator, and the legal defender of the divine house whose chief he was. And during the whole course of his life he fulfilled those charges and those duties. ...It is, then, natural and worthy that as the Blessed Joseph ministered to all the needs of the family at Nazareth and girt it about with his protection, he should now cover with the cloak of his heavenly patronage and defend the Church of Jesus Christ." One hundred years later John Paul Il echoes his predecessor in his 1989 Apostolic Exhorta-

tion Redemptoris Custos (Guardian of the Redemeemer), hoping "that all may grow in devotion to the Patron of the Universal Church and in love for the Savior whom he served in such an exemplary manner ... In this way the whole Christian people not only will turn the love of God. Time and again to St. Joseph with greater fervor and invoke his patronage with trust, but also will always keep before their eyes his humble, mature way of serving and of "taking part" in the plan of salvation." St. Joseph is invoked as patron for many causes. He is the patron of the Universal Church. He is the patron of the dying because Jesus and Mary were at his death-bed. He is also the patron of fathers, of carpenters, and of social justice. Many religious orders and communities are placed under his patronage.— Jennifer Gregory Miller Joseph the Just Man

The Church encourages us to be devoted to Joseph because he was a model in the heroic practice of all the virtues. The example of virtuous living that he gave in the exact fulfillment of the duties of his state of life is worthy of our reflection. Read the gospel and you will see his faith, hope and charity practiced under trying circumstances. He was prudent in caring for his wife and the child; he showed great leadership in protecting them and assisting them. He was religious in every sense, with that delicacy and sincerity of conscience that is proper to the saints of God. He was just in his dealings with God and man. He was conspicuous for his fortitude and courage. He was truly outstanding in the practice of virginal chastity. More:

he protected and defended Mary's virtue in the time of courtship and all during their life together. They had made a promise of chastity, and because they were resolved

to live it for God they were blessed above all others. While Mary inspired him to practice this virtue perfectly, he, as a real man, understood the profound meaning of her inspiration and how it came from a heart that was steeped in the Church has made it clear that Joseph is not a saint for only a certain number of souls, but that he can help all men. Excepted from St. Joseph: a Theological Introduction by Michael D. Griffin, O.C.D.

St. Joseph Model of Fathers In the litany of St. Joseph, we say, "St. Joseph, Head of the Holy Family, pray for us." There is more hidden behind this invocation than meets the eye. We know, of course, that Mary is the Virgin Mother of Jesus Christ. We know that the Savior was not conceived of a human father. Yet the Church has never tired insisting on the fatherhood of St. Joseph in the Holy Family. It is crucially important to understand that there are two levels to fatherhood. There is the physical level of providing for the conception of a human body. In this sense, Christ did not have a human father. But a father is not only to cooperate with his wife in generating a child. He is also to cooperate with her in rearing the offspring which his spouse brings into the world. From all eternity, Joseph was destined to be the spouse of the Blessed Virgin. They were truly married. Joseph was Mary's husband, and she was his wife. Marriage is the most intimate of all unions between two human beings. It imparts a community of gifts between those joined together in matrimony. Consequently, in giving Joseph the Blessed Virgin as his spouse, God appointed him to be not only her life's companion, but also the witness of her virginity, the protector of her honor.





Grand Knights Corner





I hope all is well with you and your families... I would like to take this time to let you know what activities and events our Council has completed, is currently planning, or hosting in the near future.

I would also 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.

Our Council is planning to have a ZOOM exemplification on Charity, Unity, and Fraternity on March 13 @ 11:00 for our Brothers and a family member to join in the ceremony. We hope to have a celebration for our Brothers that have completed the exemplification in the Summer. We have approximately 15-20 Brothers that have committed to complete the exemplification (our Chancellor Joe Ernst) and I will meet separately with our candidates on March 6. We have invited all Brothers to attend the ZOOM ceremony to support our Brothers if they wish and have asked and invited our Brothers that would like to be 3rd degree Knights to join us in the exemplification. We hope to have future Council exemplifications in person.

We are re-launching our Bereavement Service Program to provide assistance to the widowed ladies of our Deceased Brothers; we will also extend the program to any Brother that may be ill and may need our assistance. Ken Woodhall, a new Brother to our Council, has graciously and humbly agreed to coordinate assistance to our widowed ladies with availability of our Brothers. Also, as part of our Bereavement Service Program, our Council has recently built a ramp for a parish couple that was requested to the Council by Fr. Jerome. Brothers Gerard McElroy & Al Servicky coordinated this effort; we are appreciative of their efforts.

I would also like to mention that Brother Gustavo Gallo has graciously agreed to be the Council's Program Director. As mentioned to our Brothers in our meetings, etc, I will work closely with both Brothers Gustavo & Ken to make sure they are comfortable in their respective positions. The State Convention will be May 14-16 in Concord, NC. Brother Barry will join me as

delegates to represent our Council (Brother Dennis is our alternate); all Brothers are invited to attend the Convention. Please note that I have arranged to have a posting in the Parish bulletin inviting and welcoming all practical Catholic men in our Parish to join our Council family. I am currently receiving phone calls from men in our parish expressing interest and a desire to join our Council Family.

Our Council is currently supporting the State Raffle fundraiser which will allow us to receive roughly half of the proceeds collected (Bob Wheeler, our Financial Secretary, is coordinating our Council's efforts for this fundraiser).

Our Brothers are also assisting in fundraising for our LAMB program for Cabarrus County Special Ed children for this worthwhile program. We feel blessed that we are able to assist since our fundraising efforts have been limited this fraternal year.

Thank you to our Brothers who are involved in assisting us in our fundraiser activities. Please note that all proceeds received from our fundraising efforts are provided to local charities we support (LAMB, Special Olympics, Childrens' Hospital (provide blankets, etc for children), Children's Home (Cabarrus Cty.), Mira Via (pregnancy support program), Wheelchairs for Veterans, Second Harvest Food Truck, Boy Scouts, etc.). 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.

I hope you and your families have a blessed, safe, and healthy Easter.

God Bless you and your families.

Respectfully,

Joe Amodeo GK K of C # 7450 # 845-234-8631

March 2021



Month of St. Joseph

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
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		Officers Meeting			Stations of the Cross 7PM		
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Donate to St. James BLOOD DRIVE		Business Meeting - TELE			Stations of the Cross 7PM	Virtual Exemolification 11:00 AM	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
Donate to LAMB Valentines			St Patrick's Day		Stations of the Cross 7PM		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
Donate to St. James					Stations of the Cross 7PM		
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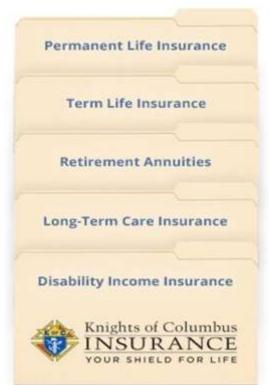
For The Good Of The Order

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	Passed away	8/2016
Dorothy Mathews	Brother Jeff Mathews Mother	Passed away	22/2020
Mark Cormier	Son of Brother Ted	Serious illness	6/2020
Oppressed Christians		All	Supreme
S/K Eddie McEachern	Brother Knight	illness	8/2020
		43/7	
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
Jennaire 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
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			



Knights Of Columbus Fraternal Benefits

The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal benefit society, which means we can provide financial security to members and their families, while turning premiums into charitable impact.



AFFORDABLE PROTECTION FOR CATHOLIC FAMILIES

The Knights of Columbus offers a complete portfolio of top-quality products to our members and their eligible family members.

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Term Life Insurance – Affordable Protection for Temporary Needs

Retirement Annuities – Give Yourself a Paycheck for the Rest of Your Life. Guaranteed.

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VALUABLE ASSISTANCE AND PROGRAMS FOR CATHOLIC FAMILIES

In addition to our line of products, the Knights of Columbus provides extensive services to members and their families:

Survivor Benefits Our agents are therefor members and their families to help them in the aftermath of the loss of a loved one.

Fraternal Benefits in addition to our products, the Knights of Colum-

bus offers Family Fraternal Benefits that can help our members facing unique needs. Many of these benefits are unique to the Knights of Columbus and some are free. These benefits include: guaranteed life insurance benefits for uninsurable children; death benefits available for stillborn or miscarried children; orphan benefits; and member/spouse accidental death benefits.

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A Comprehensive, Complimentary Financial Analysis

The Knights of Columbus provides members a complimentary insurance and retirement needs analysis through their local field agent. Our agents – who are also brother Knights – use "Profiles & Forecaster," a proven industry analytical tool that helps our members identify their risks and goals.

End-of-Life Planning

The *Knights of Columbus Personal Planning Workbook* is a no-cost tool available exclusively through your Knights of Columbus field agent. The 34-page book is a comprehensive planning guide that will enable you to record personal information, identify personal wishes, and supplement legal documents.



Welcome our NEW Field Agent Bob Gordon. Contact him for all your insyrance needs. He will be happy to review your current situation with you!





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!

EL AMIGO MEXICAN RESTAURANT



1776 S. Cannon Boulevard

Kannapolis, North Carolina 28083

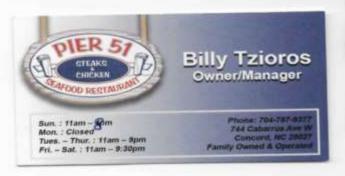
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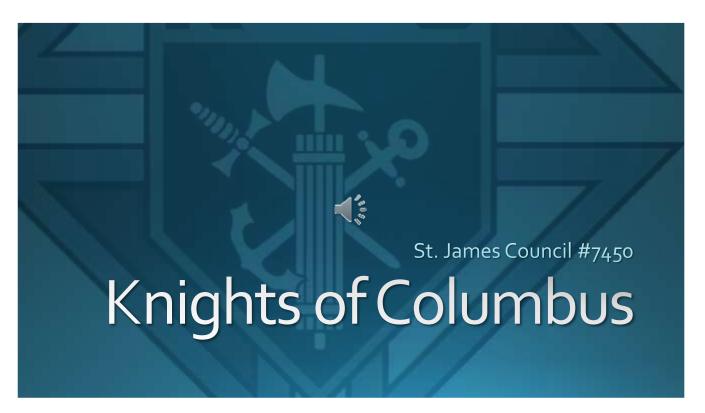




Parkway House Restaurant

Parkway House Family Restauran 834 South Union Street Concord, NC Ph. 704-786-6200 mon-Fri- 6Am-9:30pm sat+sun - 7Am-9:30pm Open 7 Days A week





Do You Know a Catholic Male over the age of 18 who is not a Knight?

Do him a favor and ask him to join us as we share a desire to be better husbands, fathers, sons, neighbors and role models and to put charity and community first.

Contact Joe Amodeo (845)234-8631

Fraternal Benefits Corner

Disability Income Insurance

What if your last paycheck was your last paycheck?

Statistics tell us that 10% of North Americans between ages 18 and 64 have a disability and that there is a 33% chance of a person entering the work force today being disabled before they retire. As people earn more, the financial risk posed by a disability becomes more significant. Unfortunately, very few people have insured this risk. Seventy percent of employees in the private sector are not covered by any type of long-term disability insurance.

Ask yourself: "What is my largest asset?" Most people will say it's their home. But, the fact is that, it's usually their ability to earn a paycheck. Without this, all other assets are in jeopardy. If you lose your ability to work, what would you do?

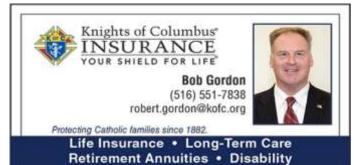
Income Armor® from the Knights of Columbus can pick up where your paycheck leaves off.

Our Income Armor product is offered to members and their wives ages 18-61 (subject to un-

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