



St. Francis of Assisi Council 10698

11 Jabish Street, P.O. Box 1343
Belchertown, MA 01007-1343

FEBRUARY 2017 NEWSLETTER

*Please share this with
your family & friends*

Tempus Fugit, Memento Mori

- The Knights of Columbus was founded in 1882 by Father Michael J. McGivney, in New Haven, CT.
- It is a strong supporter of the Catholic Church, both in deeds and financially, from the parish level to the Vatican.
- Is a strong defender of the Culture of Life against abortion and assisted suicide.
- It has an international membership of over 1.8 million devoted Catholic men.
- It is a family oriented fraternal organization based on the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism open to all practicing Catholic men eighteen years older.
- Its benefits, services, insurance and programs are available to every member in good standing and their family.
- The members of Knights of Columbus St. Francis of Assisi Council 10698 devote themselves to their parish, their community, their families, their fellow members and their families.

K of C COUNCIL 10698's **FEBRUARY, 2017**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
						Council Recruitment weekend
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Council Recruitment weekend						
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Valentines Day Council 10698 Dinner 6pm Meeting 7pm	Scholarship Committee Meeting			
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Presidents Day		Newsletter deadline			
26	27	28				
Beer & Wine Tasting @ Villa Rose		Council 10698 Meeting 7pm Admission Degree				

2016-2017 Officers of Knights of Columbus Council 10698

<i>Office</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Phone #</i>	<i>Email address</i>
Grand Knight	Will LeBrun	413.345.8042	wlebrun1@charter.net
Chaplain	Fr. Jack Sheaffer	323.6272	frjack1963@gmail.com
Dep. Grd Knight	Brian O'Leary	323.9111	shorttenor@gmail.com
Chancellor	Stephen Corbin	413.364.8152	gmsteve512@gmail.com
Warden	Jeff Pronovost	518.229.1488	pronovost@alum.rpi.edu
Recorder	PGK Mike Griffin	323.8001	griffin1358@charter.net
Treasurer	Tim Haley	413.575.7388	tfhaleyii@gmail.com
Advocate	PGK Paul Vanasse	813.8442	pvanasse77@gmail.com
Inside Guard	Kevin Bowen	413.335.2762	bowenkevin@charter.net
Outside Guard	Victor Tetreault	323.4178	june@acad.umass.edu
Trustee 1 year	PGK Everett Hume	323.8781	hume@charter.net
Trustee 2 years	Tom Curto	413.537.3031	T0623@AOL.COM
Trustee 3 years	Robert Christ	323.8892	rbtr_chrst@yahoo.com
Financial Secretary	Norm Gousy	323.7959	ngousy@admin.umass.edu
Lecturer	PGK Terry Carney	323.5537	tmcinc@yahoo.com
Communications	PGK Bill Bowen	323.7080	btowncoordinator@charter.net
District III Deputy	PGK Rob Krafchuk	413.244.3682	rkrafchuk@aol.com



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI COUNCIL 10698 February 2016 Newsletter

“Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.”

~ Grand Knight's Message ~

Brother Knights and Families,

On Martin Luther King Day, the council conducted its annual “Basketball Free Throw” lead by Youth Director, Richard Poissant and many Brother Knights supported this cause. All the boys and girls had a great time with the winners now moving on to the District finals. Hopefully, many will go on to the regional and state finals.

The council is conducting a weekend Church Recruitment Drive February 4 and 5 after each mass. This is our council's best chance to reach out to fellow Catholic men and extend the gift of membership in the Knights of Columbus. Please come show your support of unity and solidarity by standing together in the Tovet room for refreshments and helping with any interested men in joining our Order. Brother Stephen Corbin, Membership Director and myself need all brothers to help in this worthy event.

There are several activities happening in the next few months and the council could use anytime you have available. The Beer and Wine tasting is scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 26 at the Villa Rose, and help is still needed to sell tickets after mass. Please contact Rob Krafchuk, committee chair, if you can help.

On March 19, also at the Villa Rose, will be the annual Irish Dinner from 5:00pm to 8:30pm. Help will also be needed to sell tickets. We are asking for donations from brother knights and families members for the raffle prizes. This year, ticket prices will be sold to cover the meal charge and keep costs lower for families. Details of the Irish Dinner are in the flier. If you can help, please contact me, the committee chairman.

With many more activities planned in the upcoming months, please stay tuned and most importantly, stay healthy and safe. This is peak flu season and advice from those in the medical field is to get plenty of rest, take your vitamins, eat healthy and wash your hands frequently.

Fraternally yours,

Will LeBrun, Grand Knight/DD

Vivat Jesus

~ Your Prayers are requested ~

- † For repose of the souls of: Fr. Vern Decoteau, Charles Lydon, Sr. and Joan Gay
Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and may Your perpetual light shine upon them and may their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen
- † For healing and comfort for; PGK Terry Carney, PGK Tom Grady, PGK Tom Barry, PGK Bill Bowen, Ivan LeBrun, Wayne Griffin, Barb Hume, Vic Tetreault, Thomas Bowen, Vis Tetrault, Armand Como. Kelly Wilson, Noah Jubb.
- † For all those suffering in solitude in need of the healing power of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- † For all to learn and practice our lord Jesus Christ's *Compassion, Understanding and Patience*.
- † For the comfort, safety and well-being of all that protect our safety and freedoms by serving in our military, police, fire fighters, and EMTs.

~ *A Call to Serve* ~

- **HELPERS NEEDED** on *every* Sunday to assist Holyoke Soldiers Home residents in wheelchairs between the elevator and the chapel. Volunteers are asked to check in with the receptionist at 9:15am.
- **HELPERS WILL BE NEEDED** to support KofC buying and selling tickets for the Beer and Wine tasting event.
- **HELPERS NEEDED TO SUPPORT THE IRISH DINNER** BUYING/SELLING TICKETS. ALSO, DONATING TO THE RAFFLE PRIZES.

~ *Hats Off & Thank You to:*

- 👍 To Brother Jeff Pronovost, Warden, for his commitment to maintain the hall and work on the second floor.
- 👍 To Richard Poissant, all Brother Knights and family members who participated in the annual Basketball Free Throw contest
- 👍 To Mike Griffin excellent ability to manage the meals in the past several months.
- 👍 To all Brother Knights and families who kept Christ in the Christmas season.
- 👍 To Brother PGK Paul Vanesse, Advocate, and his commitment to engage the Fourth Degree Honor Guard.

~ *K of C Council 10698's Activity 3 MONTH Agenda* ~ *Mark your calendars!*

Council meetings (every month): **2nd Tuesday**- Dinner 6p, meeting 7p. **4th Tuesday**, meeting 7p

<i>DATE/TIME:</i>	<i>EVENT / ACTIVITY:</i>
Sun. Feb 26, 3-6p	6TH ANNUAL BEER & WINE TASTING at The Villa Rose, Ludlow, MA
Wed. Mar 1	ASH WEDNESDAY
Sun. Mar 19	Council's St. Patrick's Irish Dinner Villa Rose, 5p-8:30p adults \$15pp; children 4-12 \$10pp, under 3 free.
Fri, Mar 14	GOOD FRIDAY
Sun, Mar 16	EASTER

~ **Council 10698 Basketball free-throw competition '17~**



"Beer or Wine?
What's YOUR Contention?"



Knights of Columbus Council 10698
& The Village Package Store
Invite you to join us for

Our 6th annual

BEER & WINE TASTING

Sunday, February 26th

at The Villa Rose Restaurant, Ludlow, MA

Tasting 3p-5p, Raffles 5p-6p (cash bar)

Includes: Luncheon buffet & appetizers, 'Silent Auction' and a 50/50 raffle

only 100 tickets will be sold

Ticket price: \$25 pp

(must be over 21 years of age, proof req'd)

For tickets, to donate or information, contact:

The Village Package Store

16 Federal St., Belchertown, MA, phone 413.323.7096

Rob Krafchuk: 413-244-3682

Chuck Lydon: 413-364-4854

Ray Fontaine: 413-537-4086

Please support these businesses that help our council!

Men of St. Joseph

St. Francis of Assisi Chapter

"Put the family in the hands of the Father"

Parish Social Center/ Pine Room

Every Wednesday from 7:30-8:30

For additional information contact:

Steve Corbin gmsteve512@gmail.com

John Rakouskas john5star@hotmail.com



THE MEN OF
ST. JOSEPH



PHONE: (413) 824-1315
john.peters@kofc.org

JOHN M. PETERS, JR.
FIELD AGENT

AGENCY DEPARTMENT
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

167 S. SHELBURNE ROAD
GREENFIELD, MA 01301

Doing You Right Since 1988



C.J.L. MECHANICAL
Plumber & Gasfitter

Charles J. Lydon Jr.
Fully Insured
MA Lic # 27106

Belchertown, MA 01007
Office - (413) 283-8710
Cell - (413) 364-4854



31 Federal Street

Belchertown, MA 01007

Phone: 413-323-6844

Full-kitchen & Bar, Dining Room, Online Ordering,
Pick-up, Fundraising, Slice Counter, Outdoor patio

The Village Package Store
16 Federal St., Belchertown, MA 01007
413.323.7096

Email: villagepackage@yahoo.com

Visit them on Facebook

Come in and check out their variety of foreign &
domestic beers, wines and spirits available from
this friendly family-run business.

SPECIAL ORDERS WELCOME

The Villa Rose

Fine Dining ~ Banquets ~ Catering
1428 Center St. (Rte 21), Ludlow, MA
413-547-6667

Celebrate Life's greatest moments at the Villa
Rose. Nestled across from the Ludlow reservoir,
the Villa Rose offers fine dining in a relaxed &
intimate atmosphere.

Offsite catering anywhere in New England
for 30 or more people!



The strength of TEAMWORK... the reputation for RESULTS

The Poissant & Neveu Real Estate Team
413-813-4479

"Selling Belchertown And Beyond"

Stadler ACE Hardware

3 Stadler Street, Belchertown, MA 01007
413-323-4521

<http://acestadler.com/>

We take great pride in being interactive with the local Belchertown
community. Our friendly and knowledgeable staff is here to serve you.

"Start first with **First Start** and together we can save lives"

John E. Hawley
Instructor Trainer

Tel: 413.575.0800
Fax: 413.253.1508
john@firststartmedical.com
www.firststartmedical.com



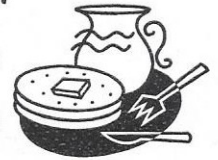
Kristina's Kafe & Bakery

9 North Main Street (Rt. 202)
Belchertown, MA 01007



Tues. - Sun 6am-2pm

(413) 323-5733



McCarthy's Pub

5 E. Walnut St., Belchertown, MA 01007

(413) 323-6420

Open 11:00 AM - 11:30 PM

Look for them on Facebook.

Twitter: @McCarthysPubMA

Come to McCarthy's Pub and enjoy all the pleasures of delicious food, yummy libations, Western Massachusetts vibe and entertainment! This locally owned business, located adjacent to Belchertown Common, is within short miles of the idyllic Quabbin reservoir, the five college area and the MA turnpike. A stop at this shop is sure to please. Come on in for an excellent treat in a comfy and welcoming atmosphere.



Advertising in Council 10698's monthly newsletter is FREE to all members of K of C Council 10698 and for businesses that help Council 10698 in fund-raising efforts. Contact the editor if you would like to advertise your business/service.

K of C Council 10698 Newsletter Editor~ PGK Bill Bowen, phone: 413.323.7080

Email your contributions to: btowncoordinator@charter.net.

Deadline to submit is no later than 6pm on the 4th Wednesday each month.

Every effort is made to ensure the content and information in this newsletter is accurate and informative.

Comments and corrections are welcome.

Be sure to "LIKE" & follow us on Facebook: "Belchertown Knights of Columbus Council 10698"

KofC Council 10698 newsletter may be opened and read on the St. Francis web-site by going to:

- St. Francis of Assisi website: www.stfrancisbtown.org,
- Click on "KofC Council #10698" link in the top section and clicking on the newsletter you would like to view

or

by going directly to <http://stfrancisbtown.org/KofC.html>.

Note: ADOBE READER is required to open and view the newsletter on-line. Download is free.

Printed copies of this newsletter may be mailed via the USPS to Council 10698 members and others upon request to the editor. A fee of \$6.00 to cover postage may apply.

Widows of members = no charge