



## St. Francis of Assisi Council 10698

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### JULY 2017 NEWSLETTER

*Please share this with your family & friends*

## ~ Meet our new Grand Knight ~

At our meeting on June 27<sup>th</sup> our outgoing Grand Knight Will LeBrun passed the gavel of leadership to our incoming Grand Knight Steve Corbin who was elected by the membership on June 11<sup>th</sup>. Since joining our order in 2015, Sir Corbin quickly moved up the degrees and became very active in council activities, including serving as our 2016/17 Chancellor. We look forward to his leadership and must give him the support he needs to keep our council great.



# K of C COUNCIL 10698's **JULY, 2017**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b><i>Happy 241<sup>st</sup> Birthday America!</i></b>						<b>1</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
		Independence Day				
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
		Council 10698 Dinner 6p Meeting 7p				
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
						Council Family event Blue Sox game
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
		Council 10698 Meeting 7p	Newsletter contribution deadline	Concert on the Common		
<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>Be smart!</b> <b>Use a designated driver if you “party” too much.</b>				

<b>2017-2018 Officers of Knights of Columbus Council 10698</b>			
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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI COUNCIL 10698**  
**July 2017 Newsletter**

*"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace."*

*~ A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN ~*

Dear Brother Knights,

As summer gets into full swing, I hope that you will have an opportunity to take some time relaxing and enjoying being with family and friends as well as enjoying in God's beautiful Creation. Our lives are so busy in so many ways that we need to remind ourselves of the need for some slow time to rejuvenate not only our bodies but also our souls and to more fully experience our relationships with God and one another. So kick back a bit without the guilt that our culture seems to put on us if we're not busy enough. Remember, even God rested on the seventh day!

Peace,

Fr. Jack Sheaffer, Chaplain

*~ A MESSAGE FROM OUR GRAND KNIGHT ~*

Brothers,

First and foremost, I would like to thank all my Brother Knights for having enough confidence in me to nominate and elect me as your Grand Knight. I know I speak for all the newly elected and reelected officers when I say, this is going to be a great year for our council!! But before I go any further, I would like to thank PGK Wil Lebrun and all of the outgoing officers for all the hard work that they put into the council last year. I am sure that leading the council is a daunting task at times and I am positive that I am soon to experience this first hand.

As I was thinking about how I could best serve the Council and thoughts for the upcoming year, the song "Do Something" by Matthew West came on the radio. If you have not heard the song, take a few minutes to do so. However, below is a bit of an excerpt:

"I woke up this morning saw a world full of trouble now, thought how'd we ever get so far down, and how's it ever gonna turn around...So, I shook my fist at Heaven Said, "God, why don't You do something?" He said, "I did, yeah, I created you"

The song goes on further to ask, "If not us, then who". So, this is where I begin my term as Grand Knight of Council #10698. I ask you, if not us, then who? In the short time, I have been a Brother Knight I have seen great things done by few and I wonder how much more can we accomplish if that few turns to many!! I ask that in this upcoming year you ask yourselves, "How can I best serve my council, my parish and my community? How can I best do something!

God Bless,

Grand Knight Steve Corbin

Cell #: 413.364.8152, email: [gmsteve512@gmail.com](mailto:gmsteve512@gmail.com)

## ~ A MESSAGE FROM OUR DISTRICT DEPUTY ~

I would like to congratulate all the incoming officers and thank the outgoing officers for stepping up and for doing what you have done. Our council has its ups and downs but when things need to happen we all pull together and get it done. I really would like all brothers to try to attend a meeting in July or August to welcome our new officers. We have a lot of fun things planned this year. I'm excited to be celebrating our 25 Anniversary, our 7th Annual Golf tournament for our scholarship fund, our 7th annual beer and wine tasting event, Irish night, Rosary on the common, seminary and breakfast, Breakfast with Father Jack in December, Easter egg hunt for the kids, concert on the common, tootsie roll drive, Parades we do, and the fair. I ask you as your brother knight and your District Deputy for you guys to step up and help out at least 1-2 activities this year as well as helping our church as many of you do already or even if its just donating a Raffle basket or helping sell tickets, or working whatever time you can. You are all needed and welcomed so please reach out to us and let's have a great 25th Anniversary year. Bring your ideas and thoughts on how to better events or us doing another fundraiser to donate money to a cause you may have.

Last thing I will be forming a Knights of Columbus Relay for Life team for next year we have a lot of brothers that have been battling Cancer or lost the battle to cancer. Let's give back. Walkers and help getting donations will be needed for relay for life.

Please reach out to any officer or myself with your thoughts.

Let's all keep ideas coming for family ideas, couples ideas, or just brothers.

THANK YOU FOR WHAT YOU DO!

District Deputy Rob Krafchuk, 413-244-3682, email: rkrafchuk@aol.com

## ~ Your Prayers are requested ~

† For repose of the souls of Pat Akin, Robert Choquette and all departed Knights of our council.

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and may Your perpetual light shine upon them.*

*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 Barry, DD Rob Krafchuk, Ivan LeBrun, Wayne Griffin, Thomas Bowen, Teri Terzi, Debby Bowen, Robert Womboldt, Laurie O'Shea, Noah Jubb, Cindy Wyman.

† 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.

## ~ Hats Off & Thank You to:

👍 PGK Wil Lebrun- for all that you did for the council this past year. Thank you very much for all you and your family did for us.

👍 Bob Christ for stepping up in a time of need for our council last year.

👍 All Brother Knights of our council that stepped up to "Do Something" during the last Fraternal Year.

## ~ A Call to Serve ~

➤ **HELP IS 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.

➤ **HELP WILL BE NEEDED** to assist in our refreshment stand at the Concerts on the Common Thursdays; July 27, Aug 3, 10, 17. [http://www.belchertowncommunityband.org/upcoming\\_concerts/default.html](http://www.belchertowncommunityband.org/upcoming_concerts/default.html)

➤ All Council 10698 Knights are asked to support and attend activities/functions sponsored by our council, especially events we offer open to parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi and our community.





### ~ *Council 10698 Family Event* ~ Limited Tickets available

Have a night out for the family! Join in this Belchertown Knights of Columbus sponsored event. Your hard work pays off for what you do for our council so here's a little thank you.

The St. Francis of Assisi Knights of Columbus Council 10698 is paying for an outing at the UMass Athletic Night at the New England College Baseball League baseball game when the Valley Blue Sox take on The Plymouth Pilgrims on Saturday, July 22nd, 2017 at Mackenzie Stadium in Holyoke. Game time starts at 6:25pm.

**Free** tickets are available only to Council 10698 members in good standing and their immediate family members living in the same household. Ticket not required for children 3 and under.

Additional tickets available for friends or other family members for \$8.95 per ticket.

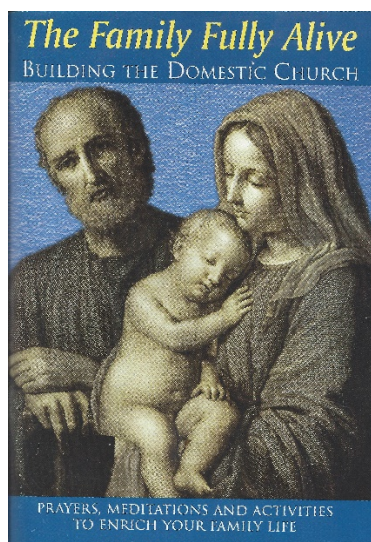
Each ticket includes; 1 admission to the game, 1 hotdog, 1 bag of chips, 1 soda or water. Free parking.

Tickets are limited so get back to me ASAP.

District Deputy/PGK Rob Krafchuk, 413-244-3683, email: [rkrafchuk@aol.com](mailto:rkrafchuk@aol.com)

### ~ *“Faith in Fire” Rally* ~

Thursday, August 18th & Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, from 6p-9p, at Sacred Heart Parish in Feeding Hills. This is a great event for the whole family. There are great speakers, a Eucharistic procession, music, food. Bishop Rozanski will be the keynote speaker. For more information contact GK Steve Corbin, 413.364.8152.



### The Knights of Columbus

### *The Family Fully Alive*

### Building the Domestic Church

is a booklet of meditations and activities to enrich your family life.

It is available to all knights of our council at no charge.

You may get yours at council meetings, activities and functions.

Distributed on a *first come, first served* basis.

Extra copies will be offered to parishioners of our parish.

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St. Francis of Assisi Council 10698

# 7th annual Golf Tournament

50% of the profits go into our council's  
**Scholarship Fund**

**Sunday, September 17th, at  
Cold Spring Country Club  
336 Chauncey Walker Rd. (Rte 21)  
Belchertown, MA**

Door Prizes! Closest to the Pin contest! Putting contest!  
and a "hole-in-one" could win you a **Brand New Car** (model TBD)!

\$125.00 pp (\$100.00 pp if paid in full by August 17th)  
includes: green fee, cart, coffee, pastries and a buffet dinner.  
optional guests: \$20.00pp for the buffet only

8am Registration, 9am Shotgun Start  
No jeans or cargo shorts, wear of a collared shirt is required

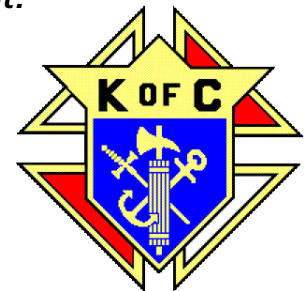
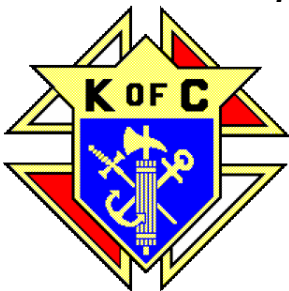
*For tickets or further info, please contact:*

Rob Krafchuk, 244-3682

Chuck Lydon, 364-4854

Ray Fontaine, 537-4086

*Any donations for raffles will  
be greatly appreciated.*





# Knights of Columbus

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI COUNCIL, No. 10698

11 Jabish Street P.O. Box 1343  
Belchertown, Massachusetts 01007

From the moment of our founding in 1882, charity has been the first principle of the Knights of Columbus. Our charitable activities encompass an almost infinite variety of local, national and international projects. Our Belchertown Council continues this tradition by rendering assistance to the sick, needy and disabled members of our community as well as promoting and supporting our youth in various activities.

On September 17th the Council will be hosting our seventh annual golf tournament here in Belchertown at the Cold Spring Country Club. The funds raised will be made available to those in need and for local activities that promote good Christian values. There are numerous possibilities for business partner participation ranging from sponsorship levels ranging from Diamond to Bronze. Would you please help us to make the tournament a successful event by selecting one of the sponsorships below?

## Sponsorship Levels

**Diamond** **\$1,000.00 (Only one at this level)**  
*Hole in One Challenge Sponsorship, Full Page Ad in the program and registration for a team of four*

**Platinum** **\$600.00**  
*Hole Sponsorship, Full Page Ad in program and registration for a team of four*

**Gold** **\$250.00**  
*Hole Sponsorship & Full Page Ad in program*

**Silver** **\$100.00**  
*Half Page Ad in program*

**Bronze** **\$50.00**  
*Business Card in program*

*So that we can add your organization to our program please respond by September 1st.*

If a sponsorship is not possible would you please consider a contribution from your organization of a raffle item such as a gift certificate, merchandise or service? Any donation would make it possible for us to do more in our community and ensure that this event will be an enjoyable outing that will continue for many years to come.

You can be sure that your gift will be acknowledged during the event, and we will encourage the participants patronize your organization.

Sincerely,

Robert Krafchuk  
Chair, Golf Tournament Committee  
St. Francis of Assisi Knights of Columbus, Council 10698  
Belchertown, MA  
[rKrafchuk@aol.com](mailto:rKrafchuk@aol.com)



# ~ K of C Council 10698's 3-month Activity Agenda ~

**Mark your calendars!**

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

<b>DATE/TIME:</b>	<b>EVENT / ACTIVITY:</b>
Tue., July 4	<b>INDEPENDENCE DAY</b>
Sat. July 22	Council Family Event at the Blue Sox baseball game.
Wed. July 26	Deadline for newsletter contributions
Thu. July 27, 7p	B'town Community Band Concert on the Common.
Thu. Aug 3, 10, 17	B'town Community Band Concert on the Common.
Tue, Aug 22	Admission degree ceremony at Council 10698
Sat. Aug 26	St. Francis Tag Sale, B'town Common, rain or shine
Mon. Sept 4	Labor Day
Sun. Sept 17	Council 10698 7 <sup>th</sup> annual golf tournament
Sept 22-24	Belchertown Fair

**Deadline to submit articles and/or pictures to this newsletter  
is no later than 6pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday each month.**

K of C Council 10698 Newsletter Editor~ PGK Bill Bowen, phone: 413.687.7962

Email your contributions to: [btowncoordinator@charter.net](mailto:btowncoordinator@charter.net).

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 found at [www.stfrancisbelchertown.com/knights-of-columbus](http://www.stfrancisbelchertown.com/knights-of-columbus)

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

**Advertising in Council 10698's monthly newsletter is FREE to all members of Council 10698  
and for businesses that help our council in our fund-raising efforts.**

**Contact the editor via email (addr above)**

**if you have would like to advertise something to sell or your business/service.**

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

Widows of members = no charge

*The second day of July 1776, will be the most memorable epoch in the history of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forever more.*

*Letter from John Adams to Abigail Adams, 3 July 1776, 'Had a Declaration...''.*

*Adams Family Papers. Massachusetts Historical Society. Retrieved June 28, 2009.*

**Happy Birthday America**



## 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:

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John Rakouskas john5star@hotmail.com



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