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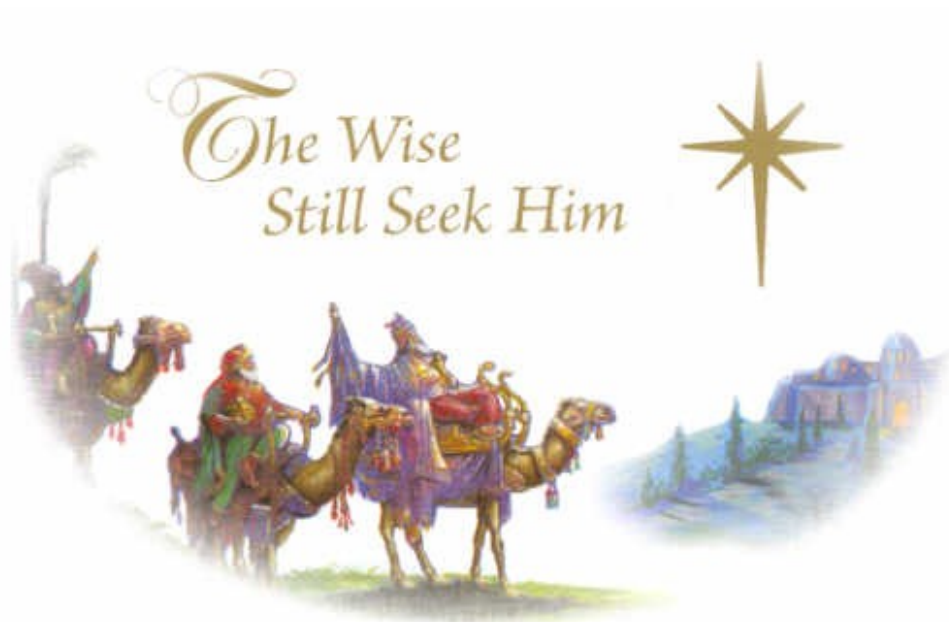
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JANUARY 2019 NEWSLETTER

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Lecturer	PGK Terry Carney
District III Deputy	PGK Will LeBrun

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K of C COUNCIL 10698's JANUARY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		<i>Happy New Year!!</i>				
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Epiphany of the Lord		Council 10698 Dinner 6p Meeting 7p				
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Baptism of the Lord						
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	<i>MLK federal holiday</i>	Council 10698 Meeting 7p				
27	28	29	30	31		

~ *Message from our Grand Knight* ~

Brothers,

Special thanks to District Deputy Lebrun and PGK Krafchuck for attending our Wreaths Across America event in Agawam, Chancellor Tom Curto for doing a great job as Santa at our Meet With Santa event, PGK Bowen for its coordination and all the brothers that attended. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas celebrating the birth of our lord Jesus.

It's hard to believe that 2018 is coming to an end. I'd like you all to concentrate the meaning of the terms fraternity and charity and support our fellow brothers by volunteering in our council's activities and fund raisers as we look to start off 2019. Always keep in mind that we need to be looking for new potential members looking to make a positive impact in our community. I hope to see you all at our next meeting.

Kevin Bowen
Grand Knight
Council 10698

~ *Message from our District Deputy* ~

"The men who have guided the destiny of the United States have found the strength for their tasks by going to their knees. This private unity of public men and their God is an enduring source of reassurance for the people of America" ~ Lyndon B Johnson

Hello brother knights;

January is upon us and so is another calendar year for your council. Please join me in congratulating your newly elected Grand Knight Kevin Bowen in this new endeavor. Many great accomplishments can be made when brothers stand together in unity with our God towards helping others in the principle of charity. Please support your new Grand Knight for the common good by helping him and the council in generosity of a few moments of your time. So often it is from only a few that good things happen but when many come together, remarkable things happen. Please support your council and officers in any way you can. I'm sure you will reap the benefits tenfold.

As your district deputy, I look forward to assisting this council and wish the good Lord blessings to you and yours.

Vivat Jesus, and Happy New Year!

Will LeBrun, PGK

District Deputy

The Community Options Christmas luncheon was held on December 11th, it was a beautiful day with a turnout of over 65 attendees.

Much appreciation goes to the following brother knights and spouses who helped to make this occasion a success; PGK Paul Vanasse, PGK Bill Bowen and wife Deb, PGK Mike Griffin, PGK Tony Ricchiazzi and wife Diane, Don Cuomo and wife Jackie, PGK Terry Carney, Bob Christ, Tom Curto, Jeff Pronovost, Pat Hegarty, and PGK Richard Poissant. A special thanks to Fr. Jack for helping and making this day of Advent, a wonderful day for all.

Fraternally Yours,

Will LeBrun, PGK/District Deputy

Event Co-coordinator



**Children and grandchildren of our council family welcomed a special visitor and shared an afternoon of treats and joy.
Thank you to all that attended or helped make this day great.**



RESERVE THE DATE!!

**Saturday, February 16th
6pm-9pm**

For our council's annual

Sweetheart Dinner

Tickets will soon be available at council meetings,
following St. Francis of Assisi weekend Masses
or by calling PGK Bill Bowen, 323.7080.

Seating is limited.

~ *Your Prayers are requested* ~

- † For repose of the soul of President George H.W. Bush, all our loved ones, our brother Knights and unborn children.
- † For healing and comfort for; PGK/PFN Tom Barry, Coleen Barry, PGK Mike Griffin and members of his family, Barb Hume, Brett Hume, Therese Rakouskas, Judy Trickey, Caroline Groves.
- † 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 and our First Responders.

~ *Hats off and thank you to...* ~

- 👍 Tom Curto for his excellent job as Santa for our children's Visit with Santa.
- 👍 Debby Bowen for being "Santa's elf" at our children's visit with Santa.
- 👍 PGK/DD Will LeBrun for his dedication and service to our Community Options luncheon and to all those that gave of their time to make the day special.
- 👍 All that answer the call to volunteer and help with our council's activities.

~ *A Call to Serve* ~

- **HELPERS NEEDED** on every Saturday at 5:30pm to assist Holyoke Soldiers Home residents in wheelchairs between the elevator and the chapel. Volunteers are asked to check in with the receptionist at 5:15pm.

~ *K of C Council 10698's Activities next 3 months~*

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>
Mon., Jan 21	MLK federal holiday
Wed., Jan 23	Newsletter deadline
Sat. Feb 16	Sweetheart dinner, Pine Room
Wed., Mar 6	Ash Wednesday
Sat. Mar 9	Irish Family dinner, Pine Room

**At this time there are no firm plans for
our annual Beer & Wine tasting event.
Stay tuned for a future announcement.**



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