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St. Francis of Assisi Council 10698

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APRIL 2015 NEWSLETTER

*Alleluia He is Risen
Happy Easter*

Tempus Fugit, Memento Mori

~ What do the Knights of Columbus do? ~

Here are a few things we want to brag about our council for what we do for our members, their families, the parish of St. Francis of Assisi and our community:

- ❖ Assist members and their families in time of need.
- ❖ Donate funds to provide services and equipment to the physically challenged.
- ❖ Support and participate in the 'Right to Life' Anti-Abortion programs and demonstrations for the unborn.
- ❖ Participate as a group in civic ceremonies and activities.
- ❖ Sponsor seminarians through the KofC RSVP program.
- ❖ Provide high school graduate scholarships.
- ❖ Donate funds in support Belchertown Little League baseball and St. Francis Cub Scout Pack 507.
- ❖ Provide assistance and activities for the residents of the Soldiers Home in Holyoke, MA.
- ❖ Sponsor and support the annual K of C Youth Basketball Free-throw contest.
- ❖ Perform Usher duties at St. Francis of Assisi Masses.
- ❖ Support our Catholic way of life through prayer and devotion.
- ❖ We just have fun with our friends and families.

K of C COUNCIL 10698's **APRIL 2015**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
website: www.stfrancisbtown.org/KofC.html and Facebook: "Knights of Columbus Council 10698"			1	2 Holy Thursday	3 Good Friday	4
5 EASTER	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 Council 10698 Dinner 6pm Meeting 7pm	15 <u>Council 10698</u> <u>Scholarship</u> <u>application</u> <u>deadline</u>	16	17	18
19	20 Patriot's Day (observed)	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 Council 10698 Meeting 7pm	29	30		

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

~ Grand Knight's Message ~

Our Irish night was a great success and I'm certain everyone enjoyed themselves. This is one of our best annual events we all enjoy and look forward to each year. Thank you to everyone that chipped in to make it a wonderful evening.

Please join me to keep the Boulais and Phaneuf families in our prayers that suffered the loss of their loved ones. Easter Sunday is a reminder we are renewed in our love of Jesus and each other. Join me in your thoughts of His sacrifice and love for each and every one of us. If I don't see you have a great Easter!

Sincerely,

Grand Knight Chuck Lydon Jr.

~ Chaplain's Message ~

Dear Brother Knights,

Indeed it has been a long, hard and cold winter and we are all so look forward to the warmth of spring! How well these experiences of nature mirror our journey of faith. Sometimes we can become hard and cold to those around us, giving them "the cold shoulder." Sometimes, we do this with God; we occupy our lives with our own business and our time with God becomes a long way off. Easter with its promise of new life is an opportunity to "defrost" our relationship with God if it has become somewhat cold and warm up to His great love for us. Remember, if there was no resurrection there is no basis for our Faith and for our hope in eternal life. This Easter, rise with Christ and live His new life every day. A Blessed Easter, Fr. Vern

~ Council Director's Message ~

The more members involved - the stronger the St. Francis of Assisi Belchertown Knights of Columbus will become. If you're a member you have a voice to chair new officers that will be opening up. Please contact a member if you like to get more involved. We are working on our 4th annual Golf tournament from which 50% of the profits will go to our scholarship fund. Contact me at 413-244-3682 if you like to be involved or if you have a idea to make us united.

Sincerely, PGK Rob Krafchuk

Your Prayers are Requested ~

- † For repose of the souls of Evelyn M. Phaneuf and Caroline A. Coderre.
Eternal rest grant unto them oh Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them
- † For improved health and comfort for; Al Roccanti, Ann LeBrun, Michael DaCosta, Barbara Hume, Richard Audette, Pamela Hilber, Mary Rose Hurley, Teri Terzi, Noah Jubb.
- † For all those suffering in solitude in need of the healing power of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- † For all to practice Christ's *Compassion, Understanding and Patience*.
- † For our government officials to maintain our rights, freedoms, safety and happiness.
- † For all serving in our military, police, fire fighters, and EMTs to be safe from danger and injury.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 10698 BROTHER FRAN FOX
IS 'SHAVING' TO CURE CHILDHOOD CANCERS WITH THE



St. Baldrick's Foundation

Did you know that every 3 minutes a child is diagnosed with cancer?

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or

donate by visiting the website at: <https://www.stbaldricks.org/participants/mypage/744679/2015>

or by phoning: (888)-899-2253

~ High School Scholarship ~

Are you aware

St. Francis of Assisi K of C Council 10698 has a scholarship program available to
all high school graduates residing in Belchertown?

Applications are available from the guidance office of area high schools or
by request by emailing btowncoordinator@charter.net.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED (POSTMARKED) NO LATER THAN APRIL 15, 2015

~ *Special Thanks and 'Hats Off'* ~

- Thank you to all who came out to our 4th annual beer and wine tasting it was a honor for us to be able to help Christopher Drewniak on his way to the Special Olympics. A big thank you to PGK Rob and his wife Trish for their dedication and involvement. Thank you to Ray Fontaine for doing all the printing fliers, tickets, and the wine checklists. Thank you to all our vendors, Deb at Village Package store and her daughter Samantha, also everyone who donated for our raffles. We raised \$870.00 in raffles alone thanks to Belchertown Knights of Columbus, GK Chuck, PGK Terry, OSG Steve, ISG Stan, Chancellor Dave, DGK Will, Ray, Villa Rose, Grapevine, and my wife and I for the raffle donations. Also a big thank you to the friends who helped out; Norm and Michelle, Laura Anderman, Dale Long, Joe, PGK Fred and Lisa LaBlanc and GK Chuck and Hannah Lydon. The final profit numbers available at our business meeting.
Sincerely, PGK Rob Krafchuk
- To all brother Knights that come to our meetings and that help with our activities. You make our council stronger.

~ *A Call to Serve* ~

- **HELPERS NEEDED** on *every* Sunday to assist Holyoke Soldiers Home residents in wheelchairs between the elevator and the chapel. Helpers are asked to check in with the receptionist at 9:15am.
- **USHERS NEEDED** during the St. Francis of Assisi weekend Masses. If you can help please let Deacon Bill know prior to the beginning of services in the gathering space.

~ *K of C Council 10698's Activity Agenda* **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

COUNCIL MEETINGS: **2nd Tuesday** each month; DINNER~ 6pm, MEETING~ 7pm
 4th Tuesday each month; MEETING~ 7pm.

DATE:	ACTIVITY:
Fri., Apr 3	Good Friday
Sun., Apr 5	EASTER
Wed. Apr 15	Deadline to submit applications for Council 10698 High School Scholarship

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N	S	M	Q	A	Z	W	S	X	H	E	D	C	R	F	V	T	H	N	O	CENTURION
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V	B	C	N	R	E	S	U	R	R	E	C	T	I	O	N	S	M	A	S	EASTER
C	H	R	W	E	S	T	R	Y	U	I	O	P	A	S	D	F	G	H	J	FORGIVENESS
C	Z	O	C	V	U	B	G	O	L	G	O	T	H	A	N	M	P	L	K	GOLGOTHA
E	A	S	D	F	S	G	H	J	K	N	P	R	I	U	Y	E	T	T	R	JESUS
N	A	S	D	L	F	G	E	M	O	T	O	H	J	K	A	L	Q	W	E	LIVING
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R	M	O	J	Y	N	A	E	T	B	G	R	V	F	E	C	V	R	C	R	PEACE
I	D	I	D	F	V	H	J	K	L	Q	A	Z	W	S	X	I	E	D	E	PETER
O	S	V	A	L	L	M	A	R	Y	O	K	M	I	J	S	N	U	H	T	REBIRTH
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FREE advertising in this newsletter for Council 10698 members!

Do you have an invitation, something to sell or a business to advertise?

All you need to do is phone 323-7080 or email your information to btowncoordinator@charter.net.



John M. Peters, Jr.
Council 10698's insurance field agent.

John's contact information:

Phone #: 413-824-1315

Email addr: john.peters@kofc.org

Mailing address: 167 S. Shelburne Rd., Greenfield, MA 01301

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SPECIAL ORDERS WELCOME.

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

Email your contributions to: btowncoordinator@charter.net.

Deadline 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.

Our newsletter is also available ON-LINE at: www.stfrancisbtown.org/KofC.html

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"It has been said there are only two kinds of people in the world; Those who wake up in the morning and say, "Good morning, Lord" and those who wake up in the morning and say, "Good Lord, it's morning!"