



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PIEDMONT COUNCIL 939

## FEBRUARY 2021 NEWSLETTER

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### GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE:

I hope all our Knights and their families are staying safe and healthy. It's been a year now since we found ourselves trying to move forward and stay positive during these difficult circumstances. Fortunately, we have been able to keep in touch and complete a good number of featured projects by participating through electronic media. I can report that our Council is in great shape and continue to stay strong.

Please try to attend our online meetings, also read the newsletters, and look for email communications. With Gods help we will overcome the circumstance that are keeping us from a normal life. Lord hear our prayers.

### TRUE FAITH IS WHERE YOU FIND REST

Jan 22, 2021

It is always good to take a step of faith when we have placed our trust in Christ. This kind of faith is to be applauded. Yet the Bible shows us there is great danger if we don't follow up on that first step with increased faith.

**1.** "The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life and that they may have it more abundantly" (John 10:10).

**2.** When we are in a deep struggle, things can come at us "fast and furious" and at such times we may think, "Lord, I don't know if I can handle this. I don't see how I can ever make it through." At such times the enemy takes advantage,

moving in with principalities and powers to try to rob, steal and shipwreck our faith.

**3.** Dear believer, this happens to every true servant of God. Peter lovingly warns us that it would happen, saying, "Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial, which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you; but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy" (1 Peter 4:12-13).

**4.** No matter how long you serve the Lord, you can always be trained in this area of following his clear direction, especially in the hard places. We should never say, "That's it, Lord, I've had enough." Instead, we should say, "Lord, I don't see the way ahead and I don't know where I'll find the grace to get through this, but you promised to provide it and I know you will be my strength."

**5.** This place of true faith is the place where you find your rest — by fully trusting in the Lord's love. God is going to bring you through and take you to a place of incredible blessing. You may have to be willing to do insignificant things and you may face tests and trials that will be hard, yet the training ground God has set apart for multitudes of his most beloved ones is where we learn his nature, his character, his blessing, and his goodness.

**6.** We are cherished by a holy God and he has a holy purpose for us, just as he did for his own Son. Therefore, we have a peace that passes all understanding, and we rest knowing his blessing lies ahead for us. Thank you, Lord!

Daily Devotional from "The Return".

([www.thereturn.org](http://www.thereturn.org))



## DISTRICT DEPUTY INPUT:

See attached file:

## JANUARY IN REVIEW:

**State Raffle Tickets mailed out:** If you need more tickets, let me know.

**New Feature Begins:** Men's Holy Hour at OLG. Last Monday of each month

**Coats for Kids Distribution:** Coats were delivered to 2 different charities. "Family Room" – Helping foster children and foster families with clothing needs..... "BackPack Beginnings" – Providing clothing needs to more than 50 Guilford County Schools and over 20 Child Service Agencies. Distribution is based on evaluated need.

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:

**Feb 1st** – Officers and Directors **ZOOM** meeting, 7:00 pm

**Feb 13th** – Can food drive thru pickup for Urban Ministries. OLG Tremont Dr. parking lot.

**Feb 15th** – Council Business Meeting. **ZOOM** meeting, 7:30 pm

**Feb 22nd** – Our Lady of Grace Men's Holy Hour. Last Monday of every month 7pm to 8pm in the Church. No signup necessary.

**Mar 5th** – Fish Fry at OLG - This will be a **drive thru** pickup. Tickets to go on sale soon.

## COUNCIL WEBSITE:

We now have a website thanks to Walter Kulla

**Past Newsletters and the Prayer List and Council Activity Calendar are now on the Website**

[www.koc939.com](http://www.koc939.com) Check it out.

## FIELD AGENT COMMENTS:

Council Meeting Remarks (February)

Love is in the air! We spend a lot of time thinking about our loved ones during the month of February and especially around Valentine's Day. Technically, it's St. Valentine's Day, originally the feast day of a Roman saint from the third century. There is much speculation about the origins of the feast and even some discussion about the identity of the saint. We do know that this St. Valentine was martyred on February 14, 269 and the feast day was instituted by Pope Gelasius I in 496. But how did St. Valentine, a martyr, come to be associated with love and romance? Again, there is much speculation, and one popular story is that he cured the blind daughter of his jailer. Before he was led off to his death, he wrote her a note and signed it "Your Valentine."

Unlike St. Valentine, most of us are not called to martyrdom, but we do think about our loved ones...and we write love notes and greeting cards. Gifts are commonly given to the ones we love. But have you ever considered some special gifts for the ones you love?

That's really what insurance is all about. People buy insurance because they love someone. I bought life insurance because I love my wife and children. If I'm not here to provide for them I want to make sure they can stay in the same home, we love I want to make sure that all the debt that I helped accumulate is paid; my children/grandchildren will have the college education they will need; I want my family to continue to live the lifestyle I've been so fortunate to be able to provide. My policy even has living benefits like and emergency fund! Is your protection where you want it to be for your loved ones?

At this Valentine's Day, let's sit down; you, me and your wife and see where you stand. Make sure you have insured your future. Go ahead and buy that greeting card, write her a love note...maybe even get a beautiful arrangement of flowers or a dozen roses. But remember, the gift of protection will be there when it's needed most.....it's your legacy!

Vivat Jesus!

## **RECRUITING OPPORTUNITIES:**

Whenever and wherever a Knight of Columbus meets a practicing Catholic man, eighteen years of age or older, there is an opportunity for recruiting a new Knight of Columbus. Wear your K of C nametag proudly, never reluctantly, and advertise for the Council.

## **SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES:**

Brother Knights Our council has open positions that need to be filled. Please investigate your hearts and ask the Lord if any of these opportunities would be right for you.

**L.A.M.B:** Piedmont Council 939 requires a volunteer to assume the mantle of Council LAMB Director. A complete LAMB Training Manual is available for the Brother who steps forward to take charge thereby providing the necessary leadership to get our Council program rolling again. Please contact the GK.

For further information or to volunteer please contact me:

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## **WIDOWS PROGRAM:**

We do not forget the widows of our fallen Brother Knights. Widows are invited to Council 939 social events as our guests.

## **PRAYERS REQUESTED**

IF YOU HAVE SPECIFIC PRAYER REQUESTS PLEASE PASS PRAYER REQUESTS TO THE GRAND KNIGHT AT HIS NUMBERS BELOW. APOLOGIES TO ANYONE OVERLOOKED IN THIS COUNCIL 939 NEWSLETTER.

Please keep the following in your prayers

Roy Berninger  
Dominic Brunoizzi  
Dan Camia  
Fran Egloff  
Jack Kealey  
Kneidl Family  
Tom O'Hanlon

Ernie and Cynthia Pancsofar  
Brian Dubicki  
Ronald S Saks (Carol Stratton's Brother) who has passed away.  
Gary Chapman  
Kathy Chapman  
Dick Morrison  
Jackie Standen  
Bob Englert  
Pupello Family  
Mike Kenney  
Kitty Heath  
Joe and Frances Coyle  
Betty D'Amello  
Marianne Polickoski

## **DECORUM:**

Always wear your nametag and carry your rosary.  
Don't forget a mask

Always stand, if physically able, to be recognized by the grand Knight remembering to render the hand salute at the beginning and at the end of the exchange.

If a name tag is needed, contact the Financial Secretary, Brother Chris Frank, email: [frankchrisj@aol.com](mailto:frankchrisj@aol.com).

**VIVAT JESUS:**

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## PICKUPANDROPOFF

By Jim Furman

By the Grace of God and the well meaning actions of Catholic Action efforts of the *Knights Of Columbus* and the *Ancient Order of Hibernians*, we have had *PICKUPANDROPOFF* working here for the past year. It started last January when St. Pius X had a Right to Life meeting. I met Marianne Donadio, VP with *Room at the Inn*, Greensboro and asked her for a project that our two groups could get involved in on a very regular basis. She said her custodian, Jason, was spending too much time picking up food for the *Maternity Home* on Park Ave.

It started with me picking up a box donated by *Sheetz* on Wendover three times a week. It was wraps and things that were going out of date but still good. Soon the *Second Harvest Food Bank* added others to be picked up. We went to the Deli at *Harris Teeter* three times a week and *Chipotle* twice a week. The *Hibernians* gave us Mike Doyle to go to *Chipotle* and Mike Wachter for Wednesday at *Sheetz* and *Harris Teeter*, and Charlie Connolly for Friday at those two. We then added another *Sheetz* three times a week, and *St. Paul's Council*, Rick Anderson for the other *Chipotle* and a newly acquired *Papa John's Pizza*, who gave us between 5 and 12 large cooked, frozen pizzas on Thursdays. *Greensboro Day School* asked us to stop by on Fridays, and they have been most generous. My *St. Pius X K of C* Grandson, Bobby Lamothe took that on. *Kentucky Fried Chicken* added two locations seen each week by Mike Wachter and Ned Croghan.

This fall opened three major pickups and we got considerable help from *Council 11101*. *Food Lion* on Meadowview wanted us to stop by three times a week and go to three different departments there: Deli, Produce and Meat. The three to six large grocery carts full they gave us each time, had us bring on five more dedicated workers. Monday was Neil Rochette and Bryan Sutton. Wednesday was Steve Rockwood and Friday was Bryan Harvey and Walt Edwards.

The food all goes to a kitchen at the maternity home, an originally Diocesan sponsored home that houses 30 women a year, who are expecting or already had their babies. It is a true Right to Life activity because it provides a safe haven for women who have nowhere else to turn for help. They are helped medically and physically and spiritually with what they need to bring a child into this world. They are helped after birth with child-care, clothes, what they need to set up their new home, education and a job. That answers the question—after we talk and pray someone out of doing an abortion—what now?? Do we dump them and move on?

Thank you my brother Knights and Hibernians. For the ones participating, it seems like the kind of project we can sink our teeth into.