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DEDICATED TO SAINT JOSEPH

GRAND KNIGHT Message Worthy Brothers All,

In February, we hosted a recruitment event and signed six new prospects. On the 17th, we welcomed five of

them into our council with an Exemplification, followed by a Fraternal Benefits event. This combined event was executed flawlessly thanks to our dedicated team. We have achieved 10 new members this fraternal year, with a goal of 12 as set by State Leadership.

On March 7th, we will host the first of six Lenten Fish Frys. Lent inspires many of our Brothers to step up and help. We are also introducing new elements to our Fish Frys this season:

- The Federation of North American Explorers will provide a dessert table with baked goods. Donations to this youth group are appreciated. Contributions from individuals willing to bring their favorite baked goods are also welcome to support this effort.
- The Prison Ministry will provide a table with art supplies for children to create Easter cards at the Fish Fry. These cards will be given to local inmates, sharing the joy of Easter.
- Several of our Hispanic Knights will be "renovating" the fish tacos. I am sure this will become a "fan favorite" and hopefully lead to greater attendance by families from our Hispanic Community.
- Also, we are working to involve our Holy Family high school youth. More details to follow.

March 7: Saint Perpetua - Faith and Bravery

In the early years of Christianity, many individuals faced persecution for their beliefs. Among these early martyrs, Saint Perpetua stands out as a beacon of faith, courage, and dedication. Born around 182 AD, Perpetua's life and martyrdom have inspired countless Christians through the ages. Born into a noble family in Carthage, a Roman province in North Africa, she was well-educated and belonged to the upper echelons of society. Despite her privileged upbringing, Perpetua chose to embrace Christianity, a religion that was still illegal in the Roman Empire.

In 203 AD, during Emperor Septimius Severus' reign, Perpetua, along with a group of fellow Christians, was arrested for her faith. She was only 22 years old and was a new mother at the time. Her father, a pagan, pleaded with her to renounce her faith to save her life, but Perpetua remained steadfast.

While in prison, Perpetua kept a diary that documented her experiences and

visions. This diary, known as "The Passion of Saints Perpetua and Felicity," provides a rare and personal insight into the mindset of early Christian martyrs. It is one of the earliest and most detailed accounts of a Christian woman's life and martyrdom.

Perpetua and her companions, including her slave, Felicity, who was also a devout Christian, were condemned to death in the arena. On March 7, 203 AD, they faced wild beasts and ultimately met their end by the sword. Perpetua's calm and dignified demeanor during her final moments left a profound impact on those who witnessed her martyrdom.

Saint Perpetua's story has resonated with Christians throughout the centuries. Her diary, preserved through the ages, continues to be a source of inspiration and reflection. Perpetua and Felicity are commemorated on March 7th each year in the liturgical calendar of various Christian denominations.

Saint Perpetua's unwavering faith and bravery in the face of persecution serve as a powerful testament to the strength of the human spirit and the enduring power of belief. Her story reminds us that true courage comes from within, and that faith can provide the strength to overcome even the most daunting challenges.

Today, our Catholic beliefs face societal pressures, yet we do not have to choose between faith and martyrdom. However, many Christians around the world are still martyred for their faith, making the ultimate "leap of faith" just like in the early Church. We must steadfastly defend our beliefs and rely on inner strength through prayer.

VIVAT JESUS! Ed Udell, Grand Knight

MARCH SCHEDULE

Mar 3rd MONDAY • Saint Joseph & Saint

- Josephs' Altar Presentation @ 6:30pm in Columbus Hall.
- Mar 3rd MONDAY Rosary @ 7:10pm, & Council Meeting @ 7:30pm in Columbus Hall.
- Mar 7th, 14th, 21st, & 28th FRIDAYS Fish Fry @ 5:00 7:00pm in Parish Center

 Mar 12th WEDNESDAY 4th Degree
- (Assembly 2161) at Holy Family Meal @ 7:00pm followed by the meeting.

- Mar 24th MONDAY Officers' Meeting @ 7:00pm in Columbus Hall.
- Mar 31st MONDAY Social Night @ 7:00pm in Columbus Hall.

VIVAT JESUS! Joseph Farrell, Deputy Grand Knight





- Brother Knights, Relatives, & Friends
- Brother John Heeran
- Brother Moises Zuniga
- Brother Dick Kennel's brother, Carl
- Brother Ariel Medrano's friend, Tony Dickerburger
- Brother Rick Cavallo's wife, Jackie
- Brother Rick Cavallo's brother-in-law, Clay McCommon
- Brother David Bartnicki's fellow Federal workers
- Brother David Bartnicki's colleague, Danny Castellano
- Stan Niemczyk
- Brother Alan Wind's wife's family
- Jodie and Thomas Giardino
- Brother Jose Hernandez's grandfather
- Brother Joe Cregan
- Brother Brian Wilson
- Brother Keith Gaupp
- Brother Peter Badolato's grandson
- District Deputy Tony Annarelli's father
- Brother David Bartnicki's brother, Kevin
- Brother Jim Hoene's daughter, Patti Myers
- Brother Rick Cavallo's brother-in-law, Clay McCommon
- Brother Carl Swanson's wife, Joy
- Repose of the soul of Kim Lehman
- Repose of the soul of Charlie Burke, wife of John Burke
- Brother John Heeran's relative. Jodie Giordano
- Brother Peter Badolato's son, David
- Brother Jim Hoene
- Brother Robert Morelos' wife, Carmen
- Brother Mike Rapp
- Phil Mooney
- For peace and the people in Middle East & Ukraine.
- For the victims of ALL natural disasters.
- For our country, that we may return to civil discourse and unite to support our democracy.
- For our leaders and politicians that they responsibly govern with wisdom, integrity, respect, and compassion.
- For vocations and the clergy, religious, and laypersons serving the Church.

- For Law enforcement Cobb Precinct #4
- For the safe return of service personnel deployed throughout the world.

VIVAT JESUS! George Thomas, Recorder



40 Days for Life Current Statistics:

- √ 25,308 Lives saved since 2007
- √ 159 Abortion centers closed
- ✓ 268 Abortion workers quit
- ✓ Marietta 40 Days for Life / 365 has already saved ONE life so far this year.

The kickoff for the Spring Campaign is Sunday, March 2, 2025, and it will be held at Woodstock Baptist Church at 11905 Highway 92, Woodstock, GA 30188. Then the Spring Campaign will start on Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2025.

A Story about Paula

Paula was getting up in age, she was in her 60s, and although she claimed to be pro-life she had done nothing in the pro-life area. She learned that her sister had an abortion and she was just devastated thinking about all the Thanksgivings, Easters and Christmases she wasn't able to share them with that niece or nephew, so she wanted to do something about it. She decided to participate in a 40 Days for Life campaign. One day as she was praying in front of the Planned Parenthood a woman pulled up kind of frantically parked her car, came out and said Planned Parenthood saved my life. How dare you be out here, how dare you judge these women, you have no idea what they have gone through, you have no idea what it's like walking in their shoes. How dare you, Planned Parenthood saved my life and she just berated Paula right there on the street. Paula was calm and just took it and let this woman get everything off her chest and then Paula asked her a question, how did Planned Parenthood save your life? The woman said that she had been raped when was a teenager and her parents brought her here to have an abortion and without that abortion I would never have gone to college; I would not have had a career, I would have never grown up the way that I did and had the life that I have had – they saved my life – but you don't know what you are talking about. Paula took a risk and said something that was very risky to say but she looked at her and said, didn't save your life, they killed your baby. The woman looked at her and said how dare you say that to me and stormed off. About an hour goes by and the woman comes back. Paula thought here we go again, she is coming after me. But, Paula realized that her demeanor was a little broken and her head was down. She looked up at Paula and said in a very low voice, where were you? Paula said excuse me. She repeated, where were you, where were you the day that I had my abortion? I've driven to and from work so many times down this road and I've seen you, you are always out here. But where were you, where were you the day of my abortion? Where were you on the day that I needed you? I was raped and my parents forced me to have an abortion. I didn't want to be here! No woman wants to be here, but nobody was here for me. It seemed like nobody cared and you're always out here, where were you? Paula looked at her and said, I'm sorry that you went through that and I'm sorry that I wasn't here because I didn't pay attention to this issue for most of my life until recently when it affected me and my family. I'm sorry I should have been here and I wasn't and she hugged the woman and they embraced and they talked and Paula let her get everything off her chest.

Don't miss the opportunity! Don't miss the opportunity!! Don't have someone come up to you years from now and ask you, where were you when I came here and needed someone but there was no one. This is why it is imperative to have coverage in front of Planned Parenthood every hour that they are open.

If you are willing to take the challenge to spend an hour praying for the conversion of the workers and the innocent unborn babies living in their mother's womb whose mother is considering abortion. Contact me (678) 641-8694 and I will spend the hour with you.

VIVAT JESUS! Dave Snyder



Brother Knights,

Before the March 3rd business meeting, Mrs. Linda

Harrison will deliver a presentation on Saint Joseph and Saint Josephs' Altar at **6:30pm**. Later during the meeting, Brother Charlie Crawford will give a short talk on President and General George Washington. I trust we will have a great showing of Brothers and I look forward to seeing all of you and hearing their talks.

VIVAT JESUS, Brother Carl Swanson & Keith Gaupp



Plan on attending our **28TH ANNUAL CARPENTER OPEN** on **MAY 5th** at Indian Hills Country Club. This is our Council's largest fundraiser of the year, which has the greatest direct impact on our charities in Marietta and the surrounding areas. Event cost includes green fees, golf cart, continental breakfast, buffet lunch, & cash bar.

SUPERBOWL PARTY













THURSDAY March 13th 7:00am

CLEAN UP CREW









William Schreiner	2 nd
Timothy Neja	3 rd
Greg Howe	7^{th}
Charles Hicks	8 th
Carl Steiger	10 th
Felipe Aguilera	10 th

Phillip Smith	19 th
Manuel Rivas	21 st
Michael Pavuk	22 nd
Paul McQuaid	22 nd
Peter Badolato	25 th
Gary Beitz	27 th
Jose de la Cruz	30 th
Scott Stieber	31 st



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16th

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I recommend reviewing your finances every year. There are four things to include in your review.

- 1. Have you experienced any major life events in the last year? Things like getting married, welcoming a baby, changing careers or purchasing a home are good reasons to consider life insurance. If you already have insurance, make sure your policy matches your current financial goals and responsibilities. Consider, too, that if your policy is dependent on your current employer, you could be underinsured.
- 2. Review your retirement goals. Do you know

how much money you'll need to retire comfortably? And if so, are you on track?

- **3.** The new year is a good time to review your will or trust. Have you experienced a recent life event that would make you want or need to make adjustments? Now is the time to check.
- 4. Consider if you're missing an opportunity to grow your assets. With faith-based investment options through our affiliate, Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors ("KoCAA"), you can pursue your financial goals with products that adhere to Catholic investment guidelines. Our Agency can connect you with one of our team members that is registered to offer you investment options through KoCAA.

It's not too late to make a resolution to review your finances! I'd love to sit down with you, discuss your goals and conduct a complimentary needs analysis. If you have any questions, please come chat with me and we can schedule a time to meet

VIVAT JESUS! Chuck Altimari



Please bring your donations of canned meats, fish, soup, vegetables, and fruit; pasta, rice, and beans; cereal, peanut butter and jelly, and other non-perishable goods as we are restocking

our pantry. Also, please consider using the Holy Family Online Giving program to make a donation to St Vincent de Paul. Or mail checks, payable to St Vincent de Paul, to Holy Family's address.

"We should assist the poor in every way and do it both by ourselves and by enlisting the help of others...to do this is to preach the gospel by word and by work." • St. Vincent de Paul



I'VE TRIED TO EXPLAIN THAT HE'S GOING TO BE WITH ME FOREVER. BUT HE JUST DOESN'T GET IT