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### **DEDICATED TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**



Worthy Brothers All,

In this Lenten season, so central to our Catholic faith, I trust each of you has dedicated yourselves to step away from the temptation of sin, prayerfully asking for our

Lord's forgiveness and strength in your struggles.

Our council's signature event of the year is our Lenten Fish Fry. With "all hands on deck" we have achieved 3 of the 4 highest attended Fish Frys in the council's history! This does not happen in a vacuum my brothers, and I am awestruck by the dedication, and commitment by a countless number of volunteers. We are halfway through the season, and I am confident of a strong finish.

I wish you a Happy Easter! Enjoy the time with your families!

As a young boy our family attended Mass at St. Stanislaus parish in the Polish section of town. I remember a "bartering" market that my parents attended after Mass, where farmers, bakers, and other artisans would sell or barter for their goods with members of the parish community. My father owned a family shoe store and would barter for produce, baked goods and services, offering shoes for the children of the families he traded with. This is a cherished memory from my youth and the reason I chose St. Stanislaus as the subject for my letter this month.

#### St Stanislaus is celebrated on April 11

Mieszko I of Poland's conversion in 966 wasn't just a change of religious labels, but it marked the beginning of a profound cultural and national rebirth. This act remembered as "the baptism of Poland" set the country on a course toward unification under the banner of Catholicism, creating a common identity and moral framework that would resonate through the ages.

Poland's gradual transformation under the influence of dedicated missionaries, including Saint Adalbert, helped to strengthen bonds among its people. In this light, the religious conversion can be understood as both a personal and communal embrace of a new way of life, where shared beliefs could transform ordinary events into moments of national significance.

Saint Stanislaus's journey, from a privileged, yet charitable youth to a steadfast ecclesiastical leader, is a narrative brimming with moral declaration. His willingness to renounce personal gain (donating his inheritance) in favor of serving the poor illustrates a deep commitment to the gospel of charity and

3401 Lower Roswell Road • Marietta, Georgia 30068 • (770) 973-0038 www.kofc9792holyfamily.com • www.facebook.com/KofC9792 • Page 1 of 5 humility. His studies in Paris and early reluctance to accept high office show that true leadership, in his eyes, was not about power but about servitude and virtue.

The story of his conflict with King Bolesław II reveals a classic struggle: spiritual integrity versus temporal authority. When confronted with an immoral use of power and the corruption that can seep into secular rule, Stanislaus did not shy away from speaking truth to power. His willingness to publicly excommunicate the king, and his subsequent martyrdom, underscore the ultimate cost sometimes demanded by a life devoted to principle.

John Paul II's evocative declaration of Stanislaus' martyrdom as "Poland's Confirmation" ties the past to the present in a continuous narrative of reaffirmation of identity and faith. His death, 100 years after the conversion in 966 was a brutal yet sanctifying moment, provided a rallying point for the nation. A moment where suffering transcended the personal to become a beacon of hope and an emblem of national and spiritual resilience.

VIVAT JESUS! Ed Udell, Grand Knight

## APRIL SCHEDULE

- April 4th & 11th FRIDAYS Fish Fry @ 5:00 -7:00pm in Parish Center
- April 7th, 14th, 21st. & 28th MONDAY Golf
   Committee Meeting @ 6:30pm in Columbus
- Hall.
   April 7th MONDAY Rosary @ 7:10pm, & Council Meeting @ 7:30pm in Columbus Hall.
   April 9th WEDNESDAY • 4th Degree
- (Assembly 2161) at St. Joseph's Council Home. Meal @ 7 pm followed by meeting.
- <u>April 10th</u> *THURSDAY* Men's Morning Mass @ 7:00am
- <u>April 14th</u> *MONDAY* Social Night @ 7:00 pm in Columbus Hall (Stuffing of Easter Eggs).
- April 17th THURSDAY Holy Thursday Prayer Hour 11:00pm – Midnight in Parish Hall. April 27th SUNDAY Memorial Mass and
- Breakfast @ 8:30am Mass, Breakfast to follow Mass.
- April 28th MONDAY Officers' Meeting @ 7:00pm in Columbus Hall.

VIVAT JESUS! Joseph Farrell, Deputy Grand Knight



- Brother John Heeran
- Brother Moises Zuniga
- Brother Larry Bolterstein
- Brother John Brenner
- Brother Carl Swanson's wife, Joy
- Brother Jim Hoene's daughter, Patti Myers
- Brother Edgar Leon's sister and brother-in-law
- Brother Jose Hernandez's friend's mother, Maria Perez
- Jodie and Thomas Giardino
- Brother Al Meyer's mother-in-law, Lucia Serrato
- Brother Keith Gaupp
- Brother Alan Wind's wife Patrice
- Pope Francis
- Repose of the soul of Brother Carl Swamson's brother, Bill.
- Brother Robert Morales' wife, Carmen
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- 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 Peter Badolato's grandson
- District Deputy Tony Annarelli's father
- Brother David Bartnicki's brother, Kevin
- Brother Rick Cavallo's brother-in-law, Clay McCommon
- Repose of the soul of Kim Lehman
- Repose of the soul of Charlie Burke, wife of John Burke
- Strother John Heeran's relative, Jodie Giordano
- Brother Peter Badolato's son, David
- Brother Jim Hoene
- Brother Mike Rapp
- Brother Rod Moore
- Brother Ted Colebeck
- 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



It is difficult to see ourselves in situations where we have the opportunity to help someone out of a jam. If we read the gospels we are given some guidelines: "when I was hungry you gave me something to eat...", etc. Sometimes it involves taking a risk. Other times it is a temptation to just do something for personal satisfaction or When we help someone else we recognition. should always do so out of charity and with the motive of doing God's will even if the person being helped may not appreciate the help or may not be worthy of our assistance. Trust in God at all times and do not look for any reward. Remember, "God comes to us at times in the most distressing of disguises."

VIVAT JESUS! Peter Badolato, Pro Life Director



40 Days for Life Current Statistics:

- ✓ 25, 386 Lives saved since 2007
- 162 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, which started on Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2025, was held Sunday March 2, 2025. The keynote speaker was Dr. Abby Johnson who was a director on one of the largest Planned Parenthood clinics in the country, where she was once selected as the Director of the Year. One day when the abortion doctor needed assistance performing an abortion he called on Abby to assist him. After seeing the abortion procedure and all that was involved, Abby made the decision to leave Planned Parenthood. She became very out spoken for pro-life, exposed Planned Parenthood for all the lies and deceit that they tell their clients. Planned Parenthood tried to sue her but was not successful. Dr. Abby started a pro-life campaign called "And Then There Were None" which helps Planned Parenthood employees see all the evil in the abortion industry and inspires them to leave and become pro-life. She even helps them find new employment. Currently she has helped more than 700 abortion clinic employees leave the industry and join the pro-life movement.

Then on March 16, 2025 Holy Family was honored to host a speaker from 40 Days for Life Headquarters, Ramona Trevino Outreach Director. She also was a former Planned Parenthood director and she told her story of why she left Planned Parenthood, her conversion to pro-life and her return to the Catholic faith. Her testimony brought tears to many eyes.

WOW! What an exciting month March turned out to be with such personal heart touching testimonies.

I honestly didn't think the reputations of the proabortion media could get any more tainted. But then I saw this article from The New York Times, and my jaw dropped . . .

A Blessing for an Abortion Clinic

Text by Isabelle Taft - Dec. 27, 2024

The article is about "a Baptist minister, a Presbyterian pastor, and a Jewish cantor" who pranced around an abortion facility with burning incense, "blessing" everything from the operating tables to the tools used to rip apart preborn babies.

### This is not only a mockery of Christianity, but the New York Times is treating the violence of abortion like it's some kind of sacrament!

Though, while this article is infuriating, it isn't surprising. You see, the Abortion Goliath knows if they can convince even a fraction of Christians to make peace with abortion, it will NEVER be abolished in the United States. As ridiculous as that goal sounds, you'll be SHOCKED to learn how effective Planned Parenthood's schemes to co-opt

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VIVAT JESUS! Dave Snyder























**THANK YOU !** 

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# **WEECURER**

### Brother Knights,

A blessed Lent! Our April talk will be given by Brother Keith Gaupp on a subject of his choice. If time Permits, I also have a secondary talk on a topic suggested by our WGK Edward, if not at another time.

Thank everyone for all your prayers for my Brother Bill's passing. They mean a lot to me.

VIVAT JESUS, Brother Carl Swanson & Keith Gaupp



**<u>CARPENTER OPEN</u>** on <u>MAY 20th</u> 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.



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Fr. Neil Herlihy	6	Raymond Hopkins	16
Todd Hughes	6	Alberto Perico	16
Steven Cavallo	8	Ronald Tran	17
Juan Melendez- Perez	8	Earnet MacRae	19
Jose Arantes	10	David Miller	20
Patrick Burns	12	Joseph Schneider	20
Jeffrey Telford	12	Steven Goodall	23
Donald Pyburn	13	William Polakowski	23
John Esparza	14	Matthew Sawyer	26
Rod Moore	14	Frank Willenbring	28
David Raudabaugh	14	Jim Hoene	30
Nelson Rolon- Velez	14		





Please bring your donations of canned meats, fish, soup, vegetables, and fruit; pasta, rice, and beans; cereal, peanut butter and jelly, and other nonperishable 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* 





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