

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
ARTHUR J. O'NEIL COUNCIL #5112
GOFFSTOWN NEW HAMPSHIRE**



March, 2014

Dear Brother Knights,

Our next business meeting will be this coming Wednesday, March 12, 7pm at St. Raphael Parish Hall. (Entrance on Ferry Street.) At this meeting we will be holding elections to fill the positions of Inside Guard and Outside Guard.

Some of our members still have not paid their annual dues. The Council has obligations to meet such as Liability Insurance, State and Supreme Per Capita payments, etc. We are taxed on the number of members in the Council. Your dues are what pays for these obligations. If you have problems paying your dues, please contact F.S. Lionel Coulon, 668-1039. Information is kept confidential and is only shared with the Council Chaplain Fr. Bernie. Please don't let your membership lapse.

Mark Your Calendars

Wednesday, March 5 - Ash Wednesday
Lent begins (Day of Fast and Abstinence)

Saturday, March 8 - State Granite Award at Matthew Brady Council, Hampton.

Wednesday, March 12, - 7:00pm Business meeting at St. Raphael Parish Hall.

Monday, March 17 – St. Patrick's Day

Wednesday, March 19 – Feast of St. Joseph,

Tuesday, March 25 – The Annunciation

Saturday, March 29 - Founder's Day - Bus trip to Divine Mercy Shrine in Stockbridge MA. \$40pp from St. Joseph Parish, Nashua 8am and return by 5pm. For more information call Ron DiStasio at 595-7837 or email him at rddistasio@comcast.net

Sunday March 30 - Annual Pro-Life Seminar at St. Joseph Cathedral Church Hall, Pine Street, Manchester - 12noon to 4PM. (Flyer enclosed.)

Plan Ahead Now

NH State Convention Weekend - **May 2-3-4, 2014** to be held at the Radisson in Nashua.

Friday, May 2 - Opening Mass at 6:30pm with celebrant Bishop Peter Libasci. Mass is open to all Knights and their family.

Saturday, May 3 - Business meetings, Memorial Mass and Evening Banquet.

We will need to know by the middle of April who will be attending Saturday's banquet.

Tickets for the banquet are: \$39.pp. (filet mignon) or \$33.pp. (chicken). It would be nice to have a table (10 people) attend from our Council.

Even non-delegate members may attend the convention and there are activities planned for the wives or guests while the business meetings are in session.

For complete information with room and various meal costs, contact GK Jim Finn, 497-3773 or FS Lionel Coulon, 668-1039.

Voluntary donations to help defray the cost for seminarians and religious attending the Saturday, May 3 banquet may be sent to Vocation Chairman PSD Ed Mele, 9 Walnut Hill Road, Derry NH 03038. Make check out to the NH State Council Knights of Columbus (notation: meal donation.)

Sunday, May 4 - Closing Mass (8am) followed by breakfast.

Save the Date - 2014 K of C State Retreat -
Friday to Sunday, Sept. 12, 13, 14 at
Camp Bernadette (So. Wolfeboro, NH)
Topic: The Writings of "St. John Paul the Great"
(Pope John Paul II)

Presenter:

Assistant State Chaplain Rev. Robert Smolley
Cost: \$75.00 includes meals, snack and retreat
material. For reservations please call
Fr. Smolley at 603-622-0034.

Thanksgiving Meal - New member Christopher
Sweeney has asked the Council to help him and his
family with a "meal" next Thanksgiving at St.
Lawrence in Goffstown. It would be for anyone in
need or who is alone on this day that we give thanks
to God for all our blessings. More on what type of
help needed will be in our future bulletins.

Knights of Columbus Insurance: For all
your insurance needs contact our Field
Agent Rafael Peschiera at 603-703-6780
or Email: rafael.peschiera@KofC.org



Any 3rd Degree member who wishes to join the
ranks of the 4th Degree, contact G.K. Jim Finn,
497-3773 or F.S. Lionel Coulon, 668-1039. The
next 4th Degree Exemplification is scheduled for
June 14, 2014.



With *Sympathy* and *prayers* to PGK Kevin
Tucker and his family on the recent death of his
brother John M. Tucker.
May John's soul rest in God's peace.

Let Us Pray

- for all our deceased brother knights,
our family and friends, God grant them
eternal rest.
- for those who are sick that they will feel God's
healing touch.
- for all priests and religious that God will bless
their ministry
- for all servicemen and women that God will
protect them and bring them safely home.
- pray the rosary to end abortion

Last month's winner for the Council's 50/50 was
Walter Barbeau.

Lenten Season Meditations

- These are things to reflect on every day during Lent:
- **Forgive others.** Don't hold a grudge and be bitter,
but forgive them. If Jesus can forgive us, we can
forgive anyone.
 - **You don't need to boast about your good deeds.**
They should speak for themselves.
 - **It's easy to love and help others we love back.**
However, we need to love those we don't know or
those who are a little harder to love. Loving others is
the whole point of living.
 - **Jesus lives in each of us each second.** He was killed,
but now He is alive. Do not forget that. Build a
relationship with Jesus today by talking and being
with Him.
 - **Compassion is very important** Have compassion
towards other as God does to you.
 - **Jesus has emphasized forgiveness.** We should
forgive no matter what. When we forgive others,
God is more likely to forgive us and our faults,
Forgive someone today and ask for forgiveness.

**Each day, but especially during Lent, set
aside time for God. He is our Father, and
He deserves our attention. Schedule time
with God.**

Fraternally yours,

James Finn

James Finn, GK - 497-3773

ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY



May God give you...
For every storm, a rainbow,
For every tear, a smile,
For every care, a promise
and a blessing in each trial.
For every problem life sends,
a faithful friend to share,
For every sigh, a sweet song,
and an answer
for each prayer.