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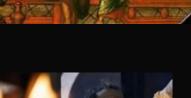


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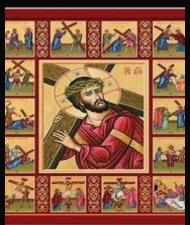




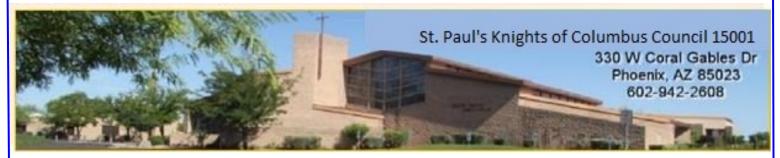








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# <u>Council 15001</u>

Your Officers for 2022-2023

Grand Knight.....Francis Abijaoude Chaplain.....Fr. Dindo "Bruno" Cuario Asst. Chaplain.....Fr. Ishaya Samaila Deputy Grand Knight......Dan McGinn Chancellor......Charley Billingsley Financial Secretary.....Kirk LaPlante, PGK Treasurer.....Jim Cairo Trustee 3 yr.....Al Gillis, PGK Trustee 2 yr......Richard Diefendorf, PGK Trustee 1 yr.....John Blome, PGK Advocate......Gary Schulte, PGK Recorder.....Ed Fischer Warden.....Artie Hauer Inside Guard......Don Kolb Outside Guard (1).....Fred Cosme Outside Guard (2).....Nathan Duncan

### **Appointed Officers**

Lecturer.......Gary DeGregorio
Info. Technical Director.....Nelson Mayo
Communications.....Jim Gentner
Newsletter Editor/Publisher..Tom Karl, PGK
Editorial Staff.....Ted Cherekos
Knights Website.....John Blome, PGK

Remember—One new member, per Council, per month.

This is the desire
of the Supreme Knight.
Can you help us make it happen?

Lent is nearly over—or is it? The Lenten Season is just a part of the Liturgical Year, but its importance remains throughout the year. Why is this? Well, when we try to remember some of the lessons taught us during Lent, some of them remind us that we are all human and we have not necessarily done what is right.

So how do I make things right? Well, that is an idea or a thought that is between each of us and God. We know when we do something that is wrong, but so many times we "blow it off" as not important. Lent is here to help remind us that we are mostly some type of sinners as we break a commandment or two during our daily lives. When is the last time you looked at someone's new car and had a yearning to be the owner of that car? Coveting thy neighbor's goods? How about when you talk about someone when they are not around and you make disparaging remarks about them. That would be against the 9th commandment of "thou shall not bear false witness against they neighbor". I think you catch the general drift of Lent. It is not just a short period of our lives to live more modest and holier lives. It is about learning to incorporate the idea of Lent into our daily lives.

But if I put all this holy stuff into my life, when am I going to have fun? Who said that fun and holy don't mix? When you learn to live by the bible as well as all the commandments, you will already find that your life is full of graces to help you enjoy each day. Some of the "fun" is seeing others gain confidence through your help or assistance. We already see this when we do some of our Works done on Donut Sundays, helping out with the Nun Run or assisting the Soccer League with their Kite Day each Spring. The fun is the sheer enjoyment we all experience as we see other grow with love and longing to be a normal part of the world. All of our running around like kids on Kite Day also lets the youth see that it is a normal part of life to enjoy sports and maybe fail to get a kite to go up the first time, but with perseverance, we and they get the kite to fly!

So think of "Lent" as our sacrifice that allows us to enjoy life. We sacrifice a little of our time, talent and treasure to help others accomplish their goals. Annual trips to Tonopah to visit with the Poor Clare Sisters or helping with blood drives and so many other things that we as Knights and their families do that make the lessons of Lent more meaningful. Remember that when we think we are bearing a weight of a cross by ourselves that our Lord is there with us to take most of the burden of the task that is presented to us. We are never alone—God is with us .... always!

For Fraternal Year 2022-2023
The State Theme is:
Protector of Life





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### **Grand Knight's Column**



Grand Knight
Francis Abijaoude

Brother Knights,

The month of March was another month filled with activities for Council 15001. At 5:30 am on March 4<sup>th</sup> thirty Knights, including members of their families, showed up at the Kiwanis Park to volunteer for the annual Nun Run. Council 15001 is the largest source of volunteers for the event. They are involved in much of the organizing of registration of the racers, distribution of racers' numbers and shirts, parking of cars, water stations and distribution of snacks. This year we had the pleasure of having both of our nuns, Sr. Georgina and Sr. Rose with us. In addition to volunteering, our Council has been a corporate sponsor for over ten years. This year's run was a sellout with 875 runners. Many thanks to Al Gillis PGK for organizing this great event.

The first Sunday of March brought Donut Sunday which was a success and enjoyed by all. Again, my heartfelt thanks to PGK Dief and the entire team.

On Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup> the Knights led the Stations of the Cross and sponsored the Lenten Mission Speaker and Soup and Bread which followed. Artie Hauer and Jim Soderlund carried the candles, Frank Dzielak carried the cross, Charley Billingsley and John Van Cuyk were the Lectors. PGK Dief and his team of Andy Picard, Jo and Tom Karl, Rich Rael and Tom Roggenkamp prepared and ladled and handed out the food. Fr. John Patrick Riley, of the Inner Healing Ministry, spoke of his personal experience with vocations. His talk was enjoyable and motivating.

On Sunday, March 12th we had our annual Corporate Mass under the leadership of PGK Tom Russell assisted by PGK All Gillis, SK Ted Cherekos and Sue Moravec in commemoration of the thirteenth anniversary of the founding of our Council. 58 Knights were at the 9:30 Mass followed by a Pancake Breakfast put on by the Men's Club. It was a great turnout and a great day.

On March 26<sup>th</sup> we had a quarterly Blood drive led by Jim Soderlund and Tom Van Buren. Also, PGK/Fin Sec Kirk LaPlante was selling tickets for the upcoming popular Bingo Knight scheduled for April 15<sup>th</sup>, and Michael Aguilar and the raffle team were enticing parishioners to buy their lucky tickets.

We are truly blessed to be entering the Holy Easter Season.

Vivat Jesus!

Francis Abijaoude - GK (602)418-0898 (Cell) (602)279-7200 (Home) francis@amertradeinc.com

### Information About Jack Swartz, PGK

Several members requested to know where the cremains of PGK Jack Swartz are located. He is interned in a columbarium at the National Memorial Cemetery, located at 3029 N Cave Creek Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85024. The columbarium is at site G-1, Site 26.

Also, Council 15001 has selected the following dates to have Masses offered up for the repose of the soul and eternal rest for Brother Jack Swartz, PGK.









May 07, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

May 21, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

June 04, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

June 11, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

June 25, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

### **Nun Run 2023**







Council 15001 stepped up once again this year with 29 of the 37 individuals who signed up for the Nun Run. The main event coordinator, 4 Peak Racing, said that he had never seen such a well organized and coordinated group taking care of registration, parking, handing out t-shirts and making water available to any who needed it.

### Here is what happened:

- Saturday, March 4th 2023, 5:30 a.m. meet up at Kiwanis Park in Tempe.
- Knights and family members volunteered to help with either the parking or the check-in.
- ◆ This is the 12th year that the Knights have provided volunteers. We are the largest single group in the Diocese to volunteer for the event.
- Council 15001 is a Core Sponsor of the Run made possible by the annual raffle.
- We were done by 9:30 a.m.
- This has been a "Marquee" event for the Council and a Lenten tradition.

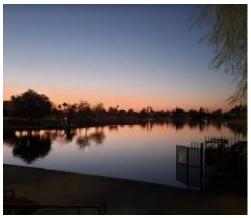


Some of the Poor Clare Sisters at Tonopah



# **Nun Run 2023**



























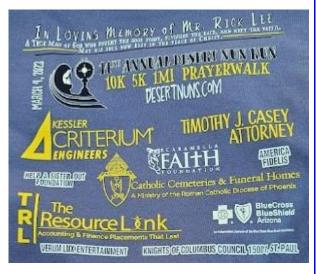


















### **Fourth Degree News**



# Bishop William Z Gomes Assembly 1805



### **News and Notes**

By: SK Ted Cherekos

- Reminder: Final notices are being sent out to members who have not paid their 2023-2024 membership dues. If you have not received your membership dues invoice, please contact our comptroller, John McNulty, PFN, DD. His email address is jmrealty1@gmail.com.
- The 4<sup>th</sup> Degree fundraiser scheduled for April 1, 2023 has been postponed. A new date and time will hopefully be soon announced. However, the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree raffle is still ongoing. Please contact Gary Schulte, PFN for more information. His email address is <a href="mailto:knight15001@cox.net">knight15001@cox.net</a>.
- Our Assembly is in need of more 4th Degree uniformed members. If you are interested in joining our Assembly's Color Corps, the website for uniform packages is <a href="www.kofcuniform.com">www.kofcuniform.com</a>. The Assembly has a financing plan available for monthly payments. For more information, please contact SK Ted Cherekos. My e-mail address is <a href="techerekos1@gmail.com">techerekos1@gmail.com</a>

### RCIA/OCIA—Did You Know?

The Second Vatican Council reinstated what was referred to in the early Church as the "catechumenate," which is a process of initiation for adults that culminates in baptism. However, that name has since been changed. Here is the meaning of those two acronyms:

- \*RCIA—Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
- \*\*OCIA—the "Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Now you know!



Saturday April 15th at 6:00 p.m.

Are you ready for another exciting evening of fun and entertainment? Now is the time to start selling advance tickets to your friends and neighbors, who may wish to attend our next BINGO!



We already have our team set up and ready to go. Ticket sales are being done after Masses each weekend until Bingo night!

Are you ready to come and participate with us in Unity as a group of Knights and their families working towards a goal of Charity for the Church!

### Soup and Bread/Stations of the Cross hosted by Council 15001

On Friday evening, March 10<sup>th</sup>, following the Stations of the Cross, a Soup and Bread meal was hosted by Council 15001 of the Knights of Columbus and was deemed a huge success. Attending were 61 parishioners and many Knights and their families.

Starting off with the Stations of the Cross we had the candle bearers Artie Hauer and Jim Soderlund, along with the cross being carried by Frank Dzielak. The readings were done by Charley Billingsley and John VanCuyk.

Set-up and prep work in the kitchen were handled by Tom and Jo Karl along with the event co-captain Andy Picard, who also purchased all the soup, bread and fixings. Andy also decided to have 3 different soups and they were a tasty success.

Soups consisted of: Clam Chowder, Cheddar Broccoli and minestrone.







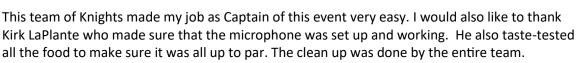






Andy purchased these soups at a restaurant supply house, the same supply house that provides soup to area restaurants. It was a "No Can Stuff for us" type of preparation, as all soups have the basic ingredients and we only just had to add cream, milk and or water along with seasoning and they were ready to cook. Soups were served with oyster crackers, saltine crackers and three kinds of bread. Andy also had two different kinds of cheeses and several fresh herbs to top off each bowl of soup, if the patron wished. As a pleasant ending to the meal, there was also fresh fruit available.

Andy was assisted in the kitchen by fellow Knights Tom Roggenkamp and Richard Rael (who was the chief chef). Tom Roggenkamp set up our banner and our flags which are flown at all of our events.



The speaker was arranged by our Grand Knight Francis Abijaoude. Also, a sincere thank you to our resident photographers Tom/Jo Karl and Mary Hauer!

A big THANK YOU to all for a job well done!

Richard "Dief" Diefendorf, PGK Event Captain

















### Corporate Mass Sunday March 10, 2023

Council 15001's annual Corporate Mass, honoring all Brother Knights and their families was held at St. Paul's Church on a bright Sunday morning with PGK Kirk LaPlante starting things off with the Rosary before Mass. There were approximately 71 of our Knights and family members attending the Mass. Nearly every position was filled by a Knight or family member for the Lectors, Ushers, Priest (Fr. Bruno, our Chaplain), Choir, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers and Greeter.

Following Mass, many of the attendees walked over to O'Carroll Hall to eat a hearty breakfast which was cooked by many of our Knights who are also members of the Men's Club of the parish. On the following pages, you will see some of the photos with the highlights of our day.

We thank Mary Hauer, Kirk LaPlante and Tom and Jo Karl for the photos that can be seen on the following pages.











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### Saint Paul Roman Catholic Parish Phoenix

Pastor, K of C Council Chaplain, Rev. Dindo "Bruno" Cuario Parochial Vicar, K of C Asst. Chaplain, Rev. Ishaya Samaila Director of Liturgy, Sister Georgina Victor, SHS Grand Knight Francis Abijaoude

### Liturgical Team

Colobrant: Chaplain Fr. Bruno Cuario Lectors: PGK Richard Diefendorf and PGK Gary Schulte

Servers: Eric Moreno

Eucharistic Ministers: PGK Tom Russell, Charley Billingsley, John

Ushers: Ted Cherekos, Wayne Granger, Rita & Joe Sandschaffer

Cantor: Frank Dzielak

Musicians: Artic Hauer, Mary Hauer, Nadine Swartz, Janell Adams

Ziebarth



# **Holy Sacrifice of Mass** Third Sunday of Lent

### St. Paul's Knights of Columbus Council 15001 Corporate Mass



Sunday March 12th 2023

9:00am Rosary 9:30am Third Sunday of Lent 10:30am Men's Club Breakfast O'Carroll Hall

### Saint Paul Roman Catholic Parish

Fr. Dindo "Bruno" Cuarlo, Pastor Fr. Ishaya Samalla, Parochial Vicar

### Deceased Knights of Council 15001, Inception March 17th, 2010

2013

Jim Cassidy

Mike Replogle 2014

Amando Trillo 2014



2016

Pat McDonald



Andrew Patti 2022

No Photo

Dick Kuehn 2016 Jon Weaver 2016 Bill Porter 2020 Robert Kerrigan 2021 Roger Madrid 2021 John Connery 2021



Andrew Patti 2022



Jack Swartz 2023



2017















St. Paul's Knights of Columbus Council 15001 Celebrant: Fr. Bruno Cuario

Rosary

Rosary: PGK Kirk LaPlante, PGK Al Gillis, PGK Tom Nash, Andy Picard, DGK Dan McGinn

Introductory Rites

K of C Members Chair Gathering Song

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading Exodus 17:3-7 PGK Gary Schulte

Psalm 95 If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts Frank Dzielak

PGK Rich Diefendorf Second Reading Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

Gospel John 4:5-42

PGK Gary Schulte Prayers of the Faithful

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation Song K of C Member Choir

GK Francis and Cindy Abijaoude Presentation of Gifts

Communion Song K of C Member Choir

Concluding Rite

Post Communion Prayer

Fr. Bruno Cuario

Announcements

PGK Rich Diefendorf

Sending Forth

K of C Member Choir



### **Annual KofC Raffle Sale Continues**

The 2023 Arizona State Knights of Columbus Charity Raffle has begun.

### All raffle winners will receive cash prizes.

◆ 1st prize: \$10,000

◆ 2nd prize: \$7,000

♦ 3rd prize: \$5,000

◆ 4th prize: \$3,000

◆ 5th prize: \$2,000

♦ 6th prize: \$1,000

7th through 10th prize: \$500 each

All of the cash prizes total \$30,000!

Our 2023 St Paul's Council raffle sales goal is \$14,000.

Our charities will receive half of the proceeds from the sales of the raffle tickets.

Last year, our Council contributed \$6,081 to local charities.

### Those charities included:

- ◆ the Women's Life Choice Clinic
- ◆ Sunshine Soccer League
- ◆ Poor Claire Nuns
- ◆ The Newman Center @ Grand Canyon University
- Phoenix Diocesan Seminary
- ◆ the Boy Scout Troop #916
- St. Vincent de Paul

Per guidelines established by Supreme, the charity raffle tickets will not be mailed to members or anyone.

Ticket packets should either be picked up at the parish office or at our monthly meetings. The Parish office hours are Monday 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Tuesday thru Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Already having started on March 18, ticket sales will be made available after all weekend Masses and the sales will end on Sunday May 14, 2023 at the 12:00 pm Mass. We will need 4 volunteers for each Mass.

The deadline for returning your tickets and money is May 15, 2023.

Mike Aguilar 2023 Council 15001 Charity Raffle Chairman







# Support Local Charities May 20, 2023

We're Giving Awa. \$30,000! \$10,000.00 \$7,000.00 \$5,000.00 \$3,000.00 \$2,000.00 \$1,000.00 \$500.00 (4)

\$20.00 per ticket \$20.00 per book of 5 \$100.00 for 30 tickets



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Winner need not be present at drawing. Must be 21 years or older to participate.

## **Blood Drives March 26th Benefits Many**

Once again, the Vitalant Blood Drive at St. Paul's Church met with outstanding success. Many of our Knight, parishioners and wives once again came forth to provide life saving blood for future use. We can't thank these individuals enough for their thought of Charity by giving of their time and essentially a source of life saving substance that others can use.













Well, it's that time of year when we need remind those who have not to complete our Safe Environment training course for 2022-2023 as soon as possible.

With your help, I'm hoping that you will be able to send me your certificate ASAP (meaning As Soon As Possible or yesterday)

Should you have any questions or need help, please feel free to contact Joseph Castellarin at <a href="IT@stpaulsphoenix.org">IT@stpaulsphoenix.org</a> or you can contact the diocese directly using their phone number 602-354-2000 during business hours.

Thank you for everything that you do for the Knight of Columbus at St. Paul's. It is because of you that Council 15001 is one of the best, if not the best, Council in Arizona!

**VIVAT Jesus** 

### John Van Cuyk

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# **2023 Raffle Tickets Available To Be Picked Up**



What? You didn't realize that the 2023 Arizona Knights' State Charity raffle ticket sales are in progress! Well, now is the time to contact our Raffle Chairman Michael Aguilar and get some from him. I hope that you know that the funds received from these sales help our Council to support the Nun Run, local soccer league, women's shelter, FOCUS and many others as we have done for the past 12 years. It is important that we all work together in Unity Brothers so that part of the Charity that we like to brag about is realized. It is through your efforts that this event becomes a reality and these groups are supported. Don't sit back and think that some else will take your place or that you are not up to selling tickets.

Every member of Council 1500 has the ability, the desire and the need to help the Council succeed in its goals.

### KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS—YOUR SHIELD FOR INSURANCE FOR LIFE

Disability Insurance—Why Does No One Wants To Talk About It!

It's frightening to even think about it, but a disability can change one's life in so many ways. So what can we do about it? First, let's think about what it is!

#### What is it?

Disability income insurance helps replace lost income when you are unable to work due to a disability resulting from an illness or accident.

### Who needs it?

Disability income insurance helps protect your most important financial asset – your paycheck – so it should be an important part of every family's planning. Long-term disability is much more common than other unfortunate circumstances that are commonly covered by insurance. Consider the fact that you:

- [1] face a 1 in 100 risk of losing your home to a fire but
- [2] a 1 in 4 risk of suffering a long-term disability.
- [3] Despite the odds and the prevalence of long-term disability nearly 11 million Americans are receiving federal disability benefits more than 100 million Americans are without private disability income insurance.
- [4] In addition, any disability income insurance you may have through your employer may very well be insufficient or contingent on certain circumstances (like worker's compensation).

#### How does it work?

Knights of Columbus disability income insurance policies provide a monthly benefit amount over the course of a maximum benefit period (see below) designed to help replace the income that you would have otherwise received if you were able to work. You are free to use your disability income benefits in whatever way you see fit – just like you would with your own paycheck. Knights of Columbus Disability Income policies also come with special features, such as the total, partial, or presumptive disability income benefits, which help protect against special circumstances. As an added bonus, our disability income insurance policies come with a waiver of premium provision, which waives your policy's premiums while you're suffering from a disability.

### What options do I have?

**Benefit Period** 

The maximum benefit period is the longest period for which monthly disability benefits are payable for any one period of a disability. The benefit resets once the disability concludes. You may choose from:

2-Year – Protect your paycheck with two years of disability income payments.

5-Year – Protect your paycheck with five years of disability income payments.

To Age 67 – Protect all your working years with disability income payments until you reach retirement age.

Monthly Benefit

Working with your Knights of Columbus field agent, you establish the monthly benefit amount that the policy provides, based on your income and subject to certain limits.

Elimination Period - Disability income insurance policies come with an elimination period, which serves as your deductible or out-of-pocket amount. You can select a 30, 90, or 180-day elimination period, after which time your benefits will begin to be paid.





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Retirement Annuities • Disability Insurance

### **Additional Features and Benefits**

A number of special features and benefits – often called riders – are available on Knights of Columbus disability income insurance products. For instance, the catastrophic disability rider provides an additional monthly benefit in the event of a catastrophic disability, and the cost of living adjustment rider helps your monthly benefit keep pace with inflation during a long-term disability.

Contact your Knights of Columbus field agent today to learn more about our disability income insurance products, and about the safety and security that we can help provide.

God Bless, Vivat Jesus Wes Casaus, Sr.



### Birthdays—April 2023

April 03	Daniel Weege	A A A	April 02	Ana Bertha Terminel
April 11	Edward Fischer		April 02	Elizabeth McCormick
April 11	Brian Laspisa			
April 14	Gary DeGregorio			
April 18	Fr. Ishaya Samaila		i i	
April 19	Michael Murphy			
April 20	Greg Vanek	-		
April 23	Tom Adamson			
April 24	Jerry Surdakowski			
April 27	Ruperto Salina	1,1,1,110		
April 30	Donald Reiter			

<u>NOTE:</u> Wives' birthday list was taken from the Council Membership Survey which was turned in by members of the Council.

We would really like every member to complete this survey

so that we can have the most complete and accurate birthday listing available

### **Our Knights In Action**

During the past Fraternal Year, PGK Richard Diefendorf sent a full year listing of the types of volunteer service hours, in a form format, to each member. We will try to continue that by providing a two-month list for you to fill out and give to the Financial Secretary. You may also include any ministries that your wife and family participate in. This means that you may include time for any and all parish ministries: EM, Adorer, Usher, Lector, Altar Server, Dusting Angels, RCIA, teaching or assisting at Catechesis, prayer shawls, decorating the Church at Christmas and Easter, attending Degree ceremonies, and of course the picnic and Campus cleanup. These are only a few of the things we and our Families do.

### **Monthly Record of Volunteer Service Hours for Council 15001**

<u>March</u>					
Nun Run Parking					
Raffle Ticket Sales					
Stations of the Cross Dinner					
2nd Sunday P.P. Rosary					
Donut Sunday					
Corporate Mass					
Servers					
EM					
Lector					
Adoration					
Other:					

<u>April</u>						
Bishop's Good Friday Rosary						
Raffle Ticket sales						
2nd Sunday P.P. Rosary						
Servers						
EM						
Lector						
Adoration						
Bingo						
Kite Day						
Other:						



# **April 2023**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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PALM SUNDAY	3	4	5 General Meeting Conference Room 7:00 p.m.	6	7 Good Friday	8 Holy Saturday
9 P/P Rosary	10	11	12	13	14	6:00 p.m.
Kite Day with the Sunshine Soccer League	17 Officers' Meeting 7:00 p.m. Conference Room	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29/30



# **Upcoming Events For March/April 2023**

### **April 2023**

Apr. 05 Membership Meeting, 7 p.m. Conf. Center

Apr. 09 Rosary at Planned Parenthood

Apr. 09 Easter Sunday

Apr. 15 BINGO in O'Carroll Hall 6:00 p.m.

Apr. 16 Kite Day with Sunshine Soccer League

Apr. 17 Officers' meeting, 7 p.m., Conf. Center

### **May 2023**

May 03 Membership Meeting, 7 p.m. Conf. Center

May 07 Donut Sunday

May 13 Ladies Tea in O'Carroll Hall

May 14 Rosary at Planned Parenthood

May 15 Officer's Meeting 7 p.m. in Conference Room

May 19-20 KofC State Convention Off Campus

May 21 Donut Sunday







This applies to the Flu, RSV Virus and Covid!

Remember: Hot water and soap
will shorten the life of a virus.
Also, wearing a mask may also
make a difference.

<u>Attention All Event Chairmen</u>: After your event, please ensure that photos are sent to your Newsletter Editor for inclusion in the next newsletter.

### **Prayer to End Abortion**



We often discuss in the newsletters and during General Meetings the need to have Rosary Saturday which is the second Saturday of each month. While many of you are able to take some time out of your valuable day, it would be a great example to yourselves, your family and your parish to make an appearance as often as possible. Every prayer is valuable to you and to our Blessed Mother Mary. It is through Her that we ask for God's intercession to stop the needless killing of convenience that is occurring. So once again, we ask you to try to come to as many of the Rosary Saturdays as possible during each year.

Lord God, I thank you today for the gift of my life, And for the lives of all my Brothers and sisters. I know there is nothing that destroys more life than abortion, Yet I rejoice that you have conquered death

Yet I rejoice that you have conquered death by the Resurrection of Your Son.
I am ready to do my part in ending abortion.
Today I commit myself
Never to be silent,
Never to be passive,

Never to be forgetful of the unborn.

I commit myself to be active in the pro-life movement,

And never to stop defending life
Until all my Brothers and sisters are protected,
And our nation once again becomes
A nation with liberty and justice
Not just for some, but for all.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen!

### For Those Who Are Sick & Distressed

Father, your Son accepted our sufferings to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness.

Hear the prayers we offer for our sick of distressed Brothers or their relatives:

PGK Sean Cronkite (Cousin of PGK John Blome), Terra Billingsley, Mike & Chris Murphy, Rick Razzano, Bill Hintze, Cecile Calderon, Ave Marie Leonard, Diane Russell, Rebecca Cairo, Chuck Kime, Don Kolb, Manny Flores, Grae Fischer (young daughter of Brother Knight Ed Fischer), Lila Van Cuyk, Gary Parsons, Friend of Gary DeGregorio, Jackie LaPlante (daughter of Janet and PGK Kirk LaPlante), Bill O'Connell, Mike Godwin and Jonathan Hauer.



May all who suffer pain, illness or disease realize that
they are chosen to be saints and know that
they are joined to Christ in his suffering
for the salvation of the world,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, Amen.
Always keep in mind the unborn who were never given a chance of life.

### Catholic Prayer for those who have passed

"Loving God our Father, Your power brings us to life.

Your care guides our lives,
and by Your command we return to the dust from which we came.

Father, those who pass on still live in Your presence, their lives are changed but do not end. I plead in hope for my family, relatives and friends, and for all the dead known only to You.

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