



### March 2013

## From everyone in the Long Valley Council 10419 have a happy and blessed Easter!

### A Note from Our Grand Knight

Brothers - Here we are in March 2013. There are many activities and events in our council and around our community to discuss. In particular I am reviewing the online calendar on our website, http://www.lvkofc.org/. With the help of brother John Groel and his son-in-law, Rob Adolina, we now have a website where we can effectively communicate our message to the council and the community at larger. Worthy Deputy Grand Knight Lou Monteforte has moved the customization and updating of the site to the next level. We will be looking for a LV K of C webmaster shortly.

Looking at the events from January and February I see a good list: Rally for Life activities at the council, state and national level. Patrick Koba, Dan Flaherty and I participated in the LIFE Runners March for Life Run. We raised several hundreds of dollars for the cause. Thank you to all that donated.

The Valentine's Day Family Dance and the Basketball Free Throw contests were held. Bobby Scanga along with a team of brothers did a great job in bringing these Youth Activities to fruition. While we may have mixed reviewed as to the success and participation of the public in these events, there is never a shortage of effort on the behalf of the council. Everyone deserves a big "THANK YOU"!

For our Veterans, Walt Lublanecki continues to schedule and run our Lyons visits. In his role as Community Committee Chairman Walter is always seeking new ways to support our community. I know that he very much appreciates your support with the Lyons, with his proposed efforts with supporting Deacon Bob Head and the Father English Community Center (see Walter for details) and with his proposed plan to work with OLM and Father Joe to develop an emergency response capability, details sure to follow in upcoming business meetings.

Now let's look forward - are Easter approaches we have the March Madness Raffle in progress. Patrick Gibbons as Church Committee Chairman has picked up the ball and is running with this program. Please support him in his efforts as all proceeds go directly to the three parishes. We are gearing up for the Spring Food Drive. Brother Art Catalusci is back in the driver's seat and is ready to make our Palm Sunday weekend drive another success in supporting the needy in the greater Long Valley community. And for Easter, Deacon John Meyer, our Chaplain, will be recording an Easter message for presentation on WRNJ. In addition to the messages that Deacon John has developed for Christmas and Easter, he is considering ways to broaden the message to other times of year to communicate the message of God and the Catholic Church. As always we are blessed to have Deacon John spearhead this initiative and support him in every way possible.

Last but not least, God bless those Cardinals responsible for selecting our new Pope.

To all, have a blessed and joyous Easter and Vivat Jesus...

### Who We Are ...

Our council was chartered June 27, 1990 and currently includes over 130 members. We are a three-parish based council. We are affiliated with the Long Valley parishes of Saint Luke, Saint Mark, and Our Lady of The Mountain.

The Knights in our council are active in their parish ministries and volunteer their time in support of programs and activities serving the Church, the community, and those in need. As Knights we are guided not only by our belief in God and the Catholic Church, but by our belief in each other, and in ourselves. We believe that a man is defined by his actions as a follower of God, the Catholic Church, and as a leader in his community.

Our Council meets twice monthly at 8:00 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month at Our Lady of The Mountain Parish.

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# Knights of Columbus Long Valley Council 10419

Long Valley, New Jersey 07853

## Membership and Recruiting

We will be hosting an Open House at Our Lady of the Mountain Parish Center on Tuesday, April 9th at 8 pm. All men 18 and over are welcome to attend to learn more about becoming a member. Food and refreshments will be served. Come out and join us.

Our fall recruiting drive was a success. So far in this Columbian year we have had five new additions to our council. Congratulations especially to three new members who joined our ranks: Mario Antonacci, John Notte, and Chris Thomas, plus two transfers: Brian Cox and Lew Waxmonsky.

We are always looking for good candidates to join our ranks, be sure to have a form 100 with you and always be prepared to explain to a potential candidate what we do as Knights and how we support our local parishes and the community. Be proud of who we are, who you are, what we do and share that with others!

For more information contact Brother John Clary, 908-852-5779 or johnclary205@comcast.net

### **Blood Drive**

We will be holding a blood drive will on Saturday May 19th, 2013 from 7:00AM to 2:00PM at Our Lady of the Mountain. Please consider making the donation.

For additional information contact Brother Bill Conover.

## **Adoration**

Typically Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament is held at 7PM at St. Mark's before our business meetings. Adoration has been put on hold for the winter however Deacon John plans on having the Adoration start back up in May.

For more information, please contact Deacon John.

### March Madness Raffle

March Madness is upon us once again! The Knights of Columbus Long Valley Council 10419 is sponsoring a "March Madness Raffle" for a chance to win one of three prizes:

- First Prize is an Apple iPad with a Smart Cover
- Second Prize is a Kindle Fire HD with a leather cover
- Third Prize is a \$100 Amazon.com gift card

Ticket price is \$10.00. This is one of the councils' major fundraising events and all proceeds benefit the Long Valley parishes. Tickets will be sold after mass at St Luke, St Mark, and OLM on 3/9, 3/10, 3/16 and 3/17. The drawing will be held in the OLM Gathering Room at 5pm on Sunday, March 17th.

For additional information, please contact Brother Pat Gibbons at 9008-414-0963 or patgibb@gmail.com

# **Kevin Young**

The Seminarian our council has sponsored for the past few years, Kevin Young, is being ordained into the Catholic Priesthood on Saturday June 1, 2013. The ceremony will take place in Lincoln Nebraska. Once Kevin becomes a priest, he will be returning to our area and celebrating several masses. The local masses being celebrated are:

- o June 6, 2013 in Boonton, NJ at 7PM at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
- o June 7, 2013 in Boonton, NJ at 7PM at St. Cyril & Methodius
- o June 8, 2013 in Morristown at 6:25AM at the Carmelite Monastery
- o June 9, 2013 in Pequannock at 11AM at Our Lady of Fatima Chapel
- o June 10, 2013 in Boonton at 6PM at St. Cyril & Methodius

Our council is very proud of Kevin for his accomplishments and we hope as many Brothers as possible will be able to attend a few of the local masses being celebrated by Kevin upon becoming a priest.

### **Easter Food Drive**

As most of you know, Council 10419 has been holding food drives twice a year for over 20 years. These would not have been possible without the many Brothers whose efforts make the food drives a success. This spring, the Easter Food Drive is scheduled for Saturday March 23rd and Sunday March 24th at the Shop-Rite of Chester. The times are 9:00am to 3:00pm for Saturday and 9:00am to 3:00pm for Sunday. Your help to needed again to make this Easter food drive a success.

In addition, several Brothers are needed to help with delivering food to the Robert Cole Center in Chester. We will load cars at St. Luke after the food drive on Sunday, March 24th, and will meet at the Rite-Aid in Chester on Monday March 25th at 7:00am to drive over to the RCC to make the delivery.

### Lyons Visit

Our council's next visit to the Lyons Campus of the VA NJ Health Care System is scheduled for May 26, 2013. During the visit, our council will be assisting at mass in the Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) building and serving coffee and donuts to the residents in many of the wards in that building prior to mass.

For more information, please contact Brother Walt Lublanecki.

## **Intellectually Challenged Drive**

Each spring, Knights solicit donations within the community to help fund programs and services directed towards enriching the lives of these special citizens. This year the drive will take place:

- Friday, April 19th 6:00 am to 9:00 am and 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm
- Saturday, April 20th 7:00 am to 3:00 pm
- Sunday, April 21st 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

For more information, please contact Brother Walt Lublanecki.

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For the 2012-2013 Columbian Year, we would like to provide to you a complete list of the officers of Council 10419.

#### 2012-2013 Officer Slate, Council 10419 Program Directors

Grand Knight: Michael Leyden Treasurer: John Creamer

Deputy Grand Knight: Louis Monteforte Chaplain: Deacon John P. Meyer

Chancellor: John Clary 1st Year Trustee: Thomas Sanders

Advocate: Grover Cribb 2nd Year Trustee: John Arrambide

Recorder: Kevin Daily 3rd Year Trustee: Porfirio Bracero, Jr.

Warden: John Larkin Youth: **Bob Scanga Outside Guard: Edward Sommerkorn** Church: Pat Gibbons **Inside Guard:** Richard Wagner Family: Ed Sommerkorn Lecturer: Community: **Armand Catalusci** Walter Lublanecki

Financial Secretary: Alan McGrath Council: Bill Conover

# **Fund Raising**

As you may know, our annual auction is a key event in our fundraising goals. Additional events throughout the year are required in order to meet our charitable plans each year. Your help at these events are crucial and we also need new chair people and ideas for new fundraisers.

Please come to our business meetings and propose new ideas or volunteer current events.

#### Calendar—Meetings and Events

Please note that Council meetings are the 2nd and 4th Monday of most months. When those days conflict with holidays or other events, changes to the schedule will be decided on published. Location of Council meetings will be Our Lady of the Mountain unless otherwise indicated.

#### March 2013

17th — March Madness Raffle Drawing

24th — Palm Sunday

24th — Food Drive

26th — Council Business Meeting 8:00 PM

28th — Holy Thursday

29th — Good Friday

31st — Easter Sunday

### April 2013

9th — Open House 8:00 PM OLM

**19**<sup>th</sup> **to the 21**<sup>st</sup> — Intellectually Challenged Drive

23rd — Council Business Meeting 8:00 PM

27th — Antioch Breakfast 8:00 AM

**28<sup>th</sup>** — St. Mark's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass 11:00 AM **St. Marks** 

#### May 2013

12th — Mother's Day

14th — Council Business Meeting 8:00 PM

**19**th — Blood Drive 7:00AM to 2:00PM

OLM

26th - Lyons Visit 8:00 AM

27th — Memorial Day

28th — Council Business Meeting 8:00 PM

#### June 2013

6<sup>th</sup> — Kevin Young's first mass 7:00PM **Boonton** 

8th to the 9th — Special Olympics

16th — Father's Day

11th — Council Business Meeting 8:00 PM

25th — Council Business Meeting 8:00 PM



# **Annual Programs**

Our Recent Events outline only a few of the special fundraising events or causes we support throughout the Columbian year. If you have any special talents you could contribute by leading and/or planning an event, please attend a meeting and suggest the event for consideration during the "new business" segment of the business meeting. Your time, talents and leadership are not only welcomed but greatly appreciated. Event coordinators and support are always needed and appreciated.

**Editor's Notes:** Please direct any articles or event notifications and announcements you wish to have inserted into the newsletter to our email or postal addresses, attention of Kevin Daily, telephone #908-452-5467or email at kevinjdaily@gmail.com.