

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

APRIL 2018

In service to one.



COUNCIL 13977

In service to all.

Next Meeting: Wed. April 11, 2018

RIDES FOR MEETINGS

Do you know of a brother knight that is disabled or cannot drive and is unable to attend the monthly meetings? If you would like to volunteer to help pick up a fellow brother knight for future meetings please contact GK Doug Styka in person, by phone (330-717-4957), or email (djstyka@sbcglobal.net) for more information.



ST. JOSEPH BIBLE STUDY

Beginning Tuesday, February 6th, and ending on April 24th, our pastoral associate, Tom Sauline, will lead a Bible Study Program in the Blue Room following 9:00 a.m. Mass. Continuing Education Credit is available to those who participate in the program.



4TH ANNUAL QUARTER AUCTION

The 4th annual Quarter Auction will take place on Friday, April 20th. Doors will open at 6 p.m. and the auction begins at 7 p.m. This event is ONLY for adults who are ages 21 or over. Tickets are \$10 each, which includes admission and a bidding paddle. The auction will feature 50/50 and lottery tree raffles. Tickets can be purchased in advance or at the door. Proceeds from this event will benefit our Parish. For more information on the event and to purchase tickets please contact Betty Fox at (330) 792-3751 or Joyce Whited at (330) 792-7904.



3RD ANNUAL JOHN R. ROZZO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP BENEFIT DINNER

The 3rd Annual John R. Rozzo Memorial

Scholarship Dinner will be held on Saturday April 14, 2018 at the Maronite Center with



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catering provided by Blue Wolf Catering. Tickets are currently on sale and the proceeds will benefit students attending local Catholic Elementary Schools. The doors will open at 6:00 p.m. and the buffet dinner will be from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Once again, our council has generously donated a flat screen television for the event's Chinese Auction this year. John was a longtime member of St. Joseph Parish and a local educator that was active in both Mahoning and Trumbull Counties for almost 50 years. In addition, he was a Fourth Degree Knight who was very active in our Council until his passing in June of 2015. Please contact Brother Knight John A. Rozzo (John's son) at (330) 531-2325 for tickets.

KNIGHT of the MONTH

The Knight of the Month article is a great way for our Council to get to know different members a little better. If you are interested and would like to be featured as a Knight of the Month for a future newsletter, please feel free to contact Brother Knight Dominic Mattiussi at drmrocks@yahoo.com or Brother Knight Rich Mattiussi at mattiussi52001@yahoo.com (Bios are optional). This month's Knight of the Month is Brother Knight Deacon Gerry Savo.



Gerry was born on April 1, 1945 in Youngstown, Ohio. He has been married to his lovely wife Delores (Dee) for 52 years and has three grown children; Christine Pavlak, Gerald Jr. and David, along with nine grandchildren. Growing up, Gerry attended McCartney Grade School and graduated from Campbell Memorial High School in 1963. He attended YSU before enlisting in the U.S. Army Reserves from 1964 to 1971. From 1963 to 1966, Gerry worked at Campbell Sheet & Tube and then worked 35 years (1966-2001) at GM Lordstown. Over the years, Gerry has attended a few parishes including St. Lucy's (Campbell), St. Dominic's (Youngstown), St. Luke's (Boardman), and since 2001, St. Joseph's.

In 1979, Gerry made a renewal weekend at St. Luke's Parish and started to become more involved in parish life. After talking with his pastor, Fr. Klinger, and discerning in prayer with him, Gerry enrolled in the diocesan deacon program for four years. He was ordained a deacon on January 2, 1988 and would serve as a deacon for 30 years, recently retiring in January 2018. His advice to men seeking vocations is "To search your

heart, speak with your family, and lots of prayer”.

Gerry became a Knight at St. Joe’s around 2006 and is currently a Fourth Degree Knight. In the past, he has held the Chaplain position and is always willing to help where ever needed. He says that “Becoming a Knight has been a very rewarding experience”.

Gerry’s hobbies consist of golf, bowling, fishing with his brother Randy, riding his bike, and being with family and friends. Reading is his great passion because his mother used to say that, “It opens the window to your soul”. His favorite foods are his wife’s spaghetti & meatballs and lasagna and his favorite sports teams are the Cleveland Browns and Indians. Over the years, Gerry has enjoyed traveling all over the U.S., and has visited many states including Maine, Florida, Texas, New Mexico, Kentucky, California, and about 40 others in which he has learned a great deal from all these experiences. He says that he has had “A wonderful life full of great experiences and I thank God for all of these wonderful opportunities”.

THANK YOU

Thank you to those who served breakfast, lunch, and dinner at the Celebrate Weekend on March 10th and 11th (Special thanks to Brother Knight Steve Reda for once again donating the chips for the weekend

courtesy of his employer, Shearer’s). Thanks to those who also helped out with the St. Joseph Feast Day dinner on March 18th and the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday, March 25th (Special thanks to Brother Knight George Zokle for once again taking on this event). Also, continued thanks to our dedicated Bingo Volunteers. Your hard work and your service are greatly appreciated!

LOOKING AHEAD

3rd Annual John Rozzo Memorial Scholarship Dinner–April 14th

4th Annual Quarter Auction–April 20th



Kyrie eleison – Lord have mercy.

FAITH CORNER

Let us continue to pray for the canonization of our founder, Father Michael J. McGivney



IMPORTANT FEAST DAYS- APRIL 2018

ST. JOHN BAPTIST de le SALLE- APRIL 7TH



THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD- APRIL 9TH



ST. STANISLAUS-APRIL 11TH



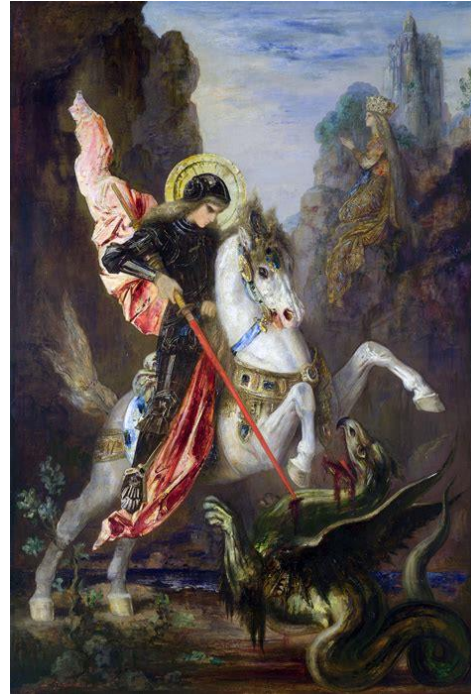
POPE ST. MARTIN I - APRIL 13TH



ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA- APRIL 17TH



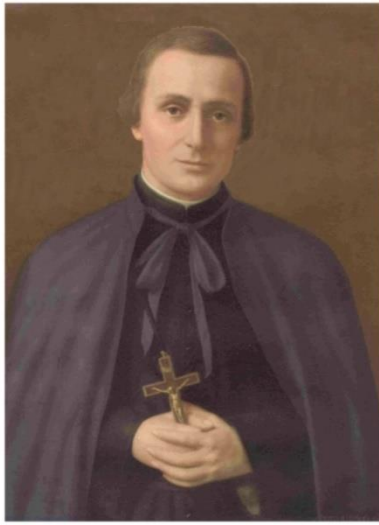
ST. GEORGE- APRIL 23RD



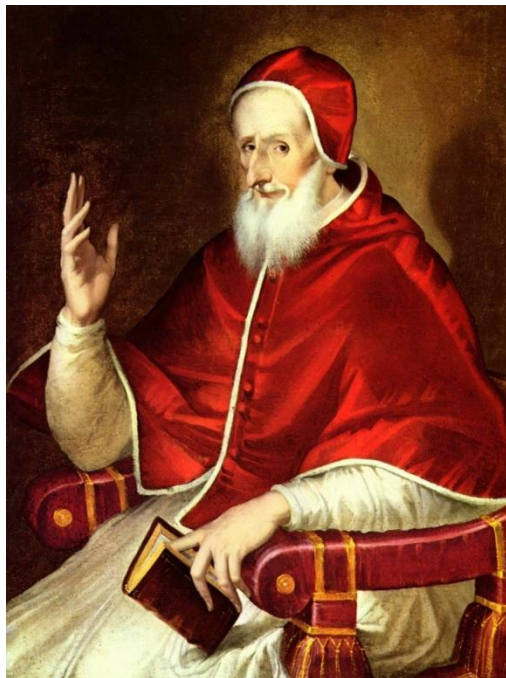
ST. MARK, EVANGELEST-APRIL 25TH



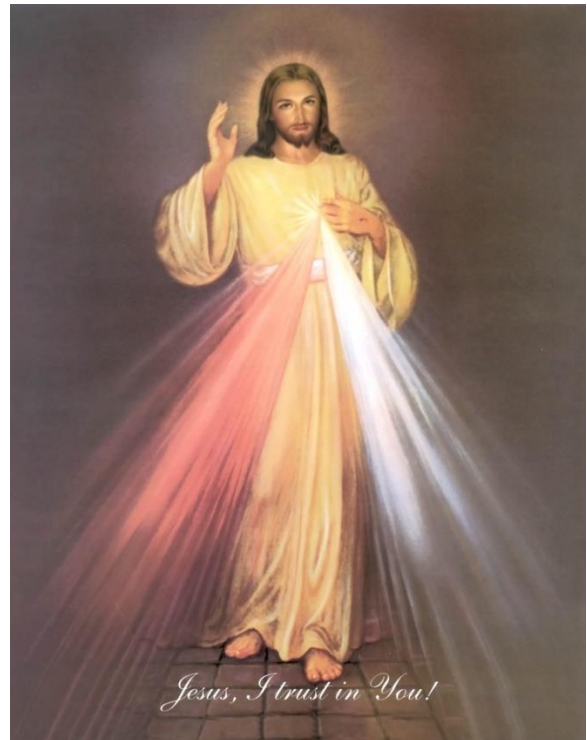
ST. PETER CHANEL-APRIL 28TH



POPE SAINT PIUS V- APRIL 30TH



*PRAYER FOR DIVINE MERCY
SUNDAY-APRIL 8, 2018*



Eternal God,
in whom mercy is endless
and the treasury of compassion
- inexhaustible,
look kindly upon us
and increase Your mercy in us,
that in difficult moments
we might not **despair**
nor become despondent,
but with great confidence
submit ourselves to Your holy will,
which is Love and Mercy itself.

Amen.

LET US CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR OUR LOVED ONES THAT ARE SUFFERING FROM ILLNESS OR CURRENTLY IN THE HOSPITAL, ESPECIALLY FOR BROTHER KNIGHT RICH DIMARINO AS HE CONTINUES TO RECOVER IN THE HOSPITAL.

POPE FRANCIS MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION-APRIL 2018



For Those Who Have Responsibility in Economic Matters- That economists have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

Christian Persecution



FAITH IN A TIME OF PERSECUTION

PLEASE DONATE TO HELP OUR PERSECUTED BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST (LINK):

<http://www.kofc.org/en/charities/christian-relief/index.html>

Follow up articles (links) about our Christian brothers and sisters suffering in the Middle East:

[Knights in small Nebraska town join push to save persecuted Christians](#)

[An Easter Plea to Persecuted Christians](#)

[Pope Francis remembers Christians persecuted for Faith](#)

[Good Friday: Prince of Wales supports persecuted Christians](#)

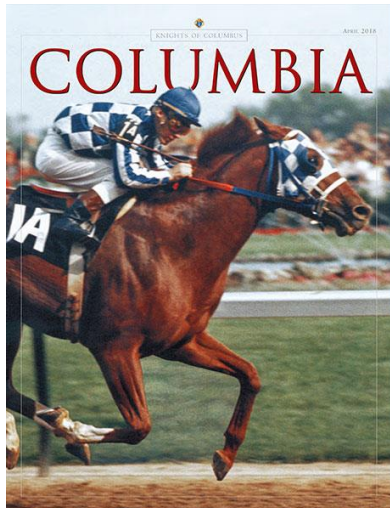
[Knights give more than \\$1 million to Iraqi, Syrian Christians for Easter](#)

[The Ongoing Christian Genocide](#)

PRAYER SUGESTIONS If anyone has a specific prayer in honor of a Catholic Saint or prayer intention that you would like to be inserted in future newsletters, please feel free to email Brother Knight Dominic Mattiussi at drmrocks@yahoo.com. I would be happy to receive and post any special prayer requests.

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Don't forget to Read:



You may also read Columbia Magazine online or on your tablet or Ipad.

Also feel free to Read:



<http://www.cnewa.org/home.aspx?ID=26&pagetypeID=12&sitecode=HQ>

Pro-life Magazine



<http://www.clmagazine.org/>

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

CHURCH

1. Faith Fiesta-Approved
2. Anointing of the Sick Mass and Dinner-Approved
3. Chaplain of the Year-Pending
4. Support Our Seminarians- Pending
- 5.

COMMUNITY

1. Patriotic Activity (July 4th Parade)-Approved
2. St. Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen-Approved
3. Habitat for Humanity-Approved
- 4.
- 5.

COUNCIL

1. Newsletter-Approved
2. Volunteer of the Year-Pending
3. State Cash Bonanza-Pending
4. Knight of the Year-Pending
5. Lady of the Year-Pending

FAMILY

1. State Matching Funds-Approved
2. October Fest-Approved
3. Memorial Mass-Approved
4. Keep Christ in Christmas-Approved
5. Chili Cook-off-Approved
6. Family of the Year-Pending

CULTURE OF LIFE

1. Car Pool-Approved
2. World Marriage or Unborn-Approved
3. Fall/Spring Rosary-Approved
4. Baby Bottles-Approved
5. Pro-life Memorial Donation-Approved
6. Mass for Life-Approved

YOUTH

1. Trunk or Treat-Approved
2. All Saints Day Parade-Approved
3. Coats for Kids-Approved
4. Free Throw Contest-Approved
5. Youth of the Year-Pending
6. Easter Egg Hunt-Approved

MEMBERSHIP

1. Knight of the Month Recruitment-Approved
2. K of C Letter Recruitment-Pending
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

May 9, 2018

June 13, 2018

July 11, 2018

August 8, 2018

OFFICERS

Grand Knight	Doug Styka
Deputy Grand Knight	Ernie Ramhoff III
Chaplain	Rev. Mel Rusnak
Chancellor	Bill Bakos
Recorder	Bob Gugliotti
Treasurer	Paul Rarick
Advocate	Ernie Ramhoff II
Warden	William Potkanowicz
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Outside Guard	Rich DiMarino
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Trustee for Two Years	Joe Iwasky
Trustee for Three Years	Dominic Mattiussi
Lecturer	Rich Mattiussi
Financial Secretary	Bob Pesa

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Check out our official Diocesan
Newspaper for the Diocese of
Youngstown:

THE CATHOLIC Exponent



<https://www.facebook.com/kofccouncil13977-stjosephaustintown>

IMPORTANT WEBSITES

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<https://www.kofcoho.org>

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