

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

NOVEMBER 2018

In service to one.



COUNCIL 13977

In service to all.

Next Meeting: Wed. Nov. 14, 2018

FIRST STEPS FOR CHANGE (BABY BOTTLES)



Thank you to all of the Brother Knights, their families, and the many parishioners who have donated money to Catholic Charities this year. Although the drive finished up on Sunday, November 4th, we ask that all late baby bottles, whether full of loose change or empty, be returned by Sunday, November 18th in the boxes placed near the school office or in the vestibule. For more information, please see Brother Knights Dominic and Richard Mattiussi.

NATIVITY SCENE WEEKEND

Our annual Nativity Scene Weekend will take place after both 4:30 p.m. and 9:30 a.m. Masses on December 1st and 2nd. Everyone is encouraged to bring their own Nativity Scene to be displayed in the Social Hall. For



more information, please contact Brother Knights Ken Balzic ((330) 550-8590 or at kenkustum@gmail.com) or Bill Bakos ((330) 774-4903 or at wbbakos@gmail.com) about this event.

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 Ernie Ramhoff III in person, by phone (330-842-1544), or email (ecr@zoominternet.net) for more information.



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

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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 Jim Itts.



Jim was born on March 2, 1937 in Youngstown, Ohio. Growing up, he belonged to St. Brendan's Church and then became a charter member of St. Joseph Parish when it opened in the late 1960's. He married his wife Mary Ann (Conway) Itts on June 25, 1983 and they have four children; Jeanne Wolfe, Michelle Wilkes, James Jr., and Jennifer Davis. They also have four grandchildren; Hannah and Julia Wilkes and Noah and Emily Davis.

Jim taught for many years in the Youngstown City School District until retiring in 1993. He taught English at West Junior High School and at Chaney High School where he also served as an assistant principal.

Over the years at St. Joe's, Jim served in many capacities by running Bingo for 17 years, was on the Parish Council, was a money counter, and also served as a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Leader of Prayer, Adult Server, and as an Usher. He also served on the Diocesan Pastoral Council as well.

Jim is a charter member of our council from when it was founded in 2006, and was asked by Father Trimbur to join the K of C. He knew that the Knights are a leading organization of Catholic men in our Church and he knew that he wanted to be part of it. Jim also says that the many activities and charities that the Knights are a part of are important to him as well. For those who are interested in becoming knights, Jim encourages them to join so they can be with like minded men and also as way to strengthen and deepen their Catholic faith. Over the years, he has served our council as Deputy Grand Knight and all three Trustee positions. He also was a Faithful Navigator for the 4th Degree.

Jim likes Italian food and his favorite hobby for about 60 years is model toy trains. He was a member of the Youngstown Model Railroad Association and at one time served

as President. He currently is a member of the TCA (Train Collectors Association) and goes every year to York, Pennsylvania for their annual train show. In addition to the K of C, Jim is also a member of the Youngstown Vocation Support Society (formerly called the Serra Club).

THANK YOU

Thank you to those who helped set and cleaned up the social hall before and after the Octoberfest on October 13th. Thanks also to those who helped serve doughnuts and juice to the CCD kids at the All Saints Day Parade and to those who served hot dogs for the Trunk or Treat on October 28th. Very special thanks to those who helped out with the Family Memorial Service on November 3rd. And as always, continued thanks to our dedicated Bingo Volunteers. Your hard work and service are greatly appreciated!

LOOKING AHEAD

Leaf Blower Raffle– November

Thanksgiving–November 22nd

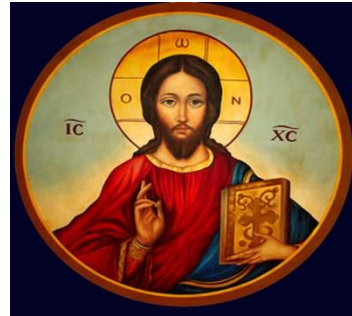
Nativity Scene Weekend–December 1st and 2nd

First Day of Advent–December 2nd

Feast of Immaculate Conception–December 8th

Christmas–December 25th

Parish Chilli Cookoff–January 26th



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-
NOVEMBER 2018*

ALL SAINTS-NOVEMBER 1ST



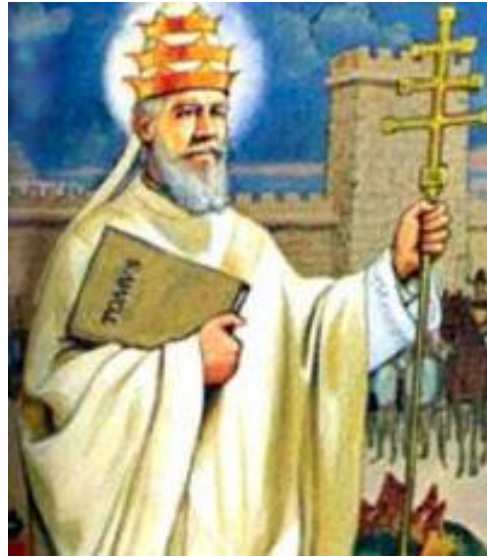
*ST. MARTIN DE PORES-NOVEMBER
3RD*



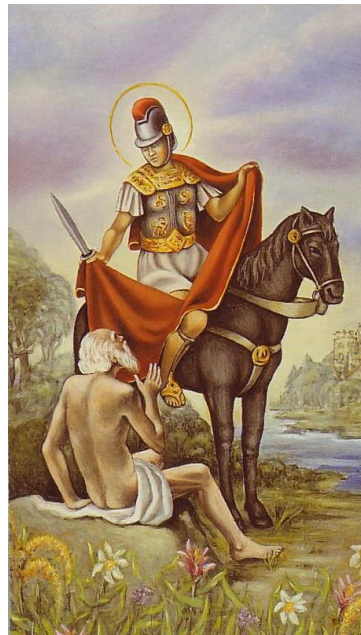
*ST. CHARLES BORROMEO-
NOVEMBER 4TH*



*ST. LEO THE GREAT-NOVEMBER
10TH*



*ST. MARTIN OF TOURS-NOVEMBER
11TH*



*ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI-
NOVEMBER 13TH*



*ST. ALBERT THE GREAT-
NOVEMBER 15TH*



ST. GERTRUDE-NOVEMBER 16TH



*ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY-
NOVEMBER 17TH*



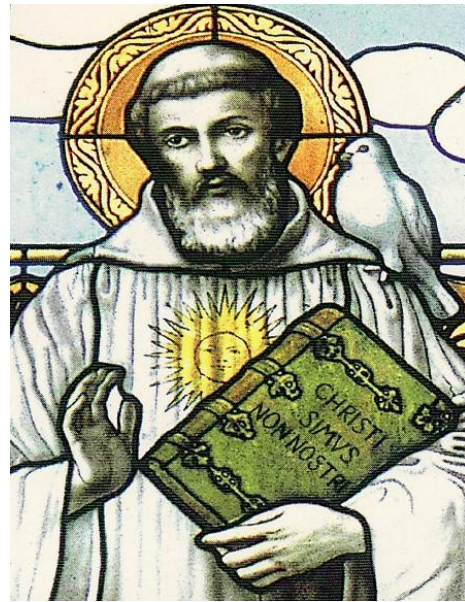
ST. CECILIA-NOVEMBER 22ND



ST. CLEMENT I-NOVEMBER 23RD



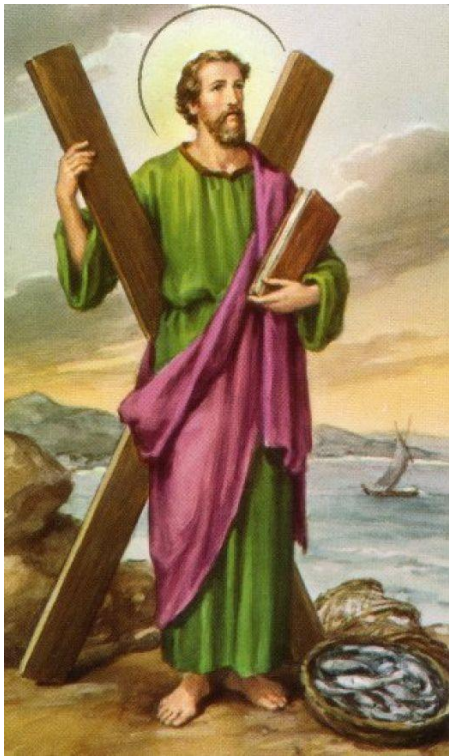
*ST. COLUMBAN, ABBOT-
NOVEMBER 23RD*



*ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA-
NOVEMBER 25TH*



*ST ANDREW, APOSTLE-NOVEMBER
30TH*



PRAYER CORNER

***PRAYER TO ALL SAINTS-
NOVEMBER 1ST***



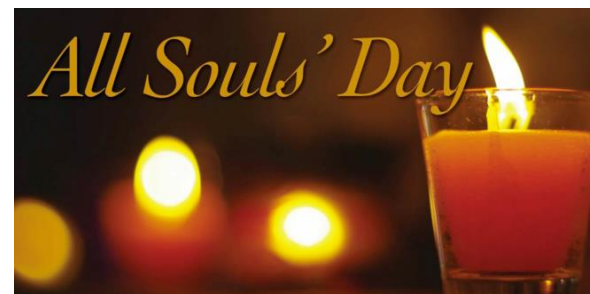
Dear holy saints of God, we join our prayers of praise to yours this day. With you, we sing of God's goodness, rejoice in God's

mercy and celebrate God's incredible love. Teach us to live as you lived, always think of others, always recognizing our weaknesses, always rejoicing in God's gifts, always closely following Jesus. Blessed are you, happy are you, all your holy saints of God. Pray for us that we, too, may someday be among God's Holy Ones.

AMEN

PRAYER TO ALL SOULS-NOVEMBER

2ND



Jesus, dear Savor, on this day we prayerfully remember all our loved ones who have died. Please give them comfort and hope and may they be at peace, knowing that they will rest in God's arms eternally. Thank You for our memories of them and for the good times we shared. We ask You, please, through their intercession, to deepen our faith, strengthen our hope and increase our love that we, too, may someday stand before You, ready to enter Your Holy Kingdom.

AMEN

*A PRAYER FOR OUR NATION'S
ELECTION-NOVEMBER 6, 2018*



O God, we acknowledge You today as Lord,
not only of individuals, but of nations and governments.

We thank You for the privilege of being able to organize ourselves politically and of knowing that political loyalty does not have to mean disloyalty to You.

We thank You for Your law, which our Founding Fathers acknowledged and recognized as higher than any human law.

We thank You for the opportunity that this election year puts before us,
To exercise our solemn duty not only to vote, but to influence countless others to vote, and to vote correctly.

Lord, we pray that Your people may be awakened.
Let them realize that while politics is not their salvation, their response to You requires that they be politically active.

Awaken Your people to know that they are not called to be a sect fleeing the world, but rather a community of faith renewing the world.

Awaken them that the same hands lifted up to You in prayer are the hands that pull the lever in the voting booth;
that the same eyes that read Your Word are the eyes that read the names on the

ballot,
and that they do not cease to be Christians when they enter the voting booth.

Awaken Your people to a commitment to justice,
to the sanctity of marriage and the family,
to the dignity of each individual human life,
and to the truth that human rights begin when Human Life Begins at conception, and not one moment later.

Lord, we rejoice today
that we are citizens of Your kingdom.

May that make us all the more committed to being faithful citizens on earth.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

*A PRAYER FOR VETERANS DAY-
NOVEMBER 11, 2017*



We ask for blessings on all those who have served their country in the armed forces. We ask for healing for the veterans who have been wounded, in body and soul, in conflicts around the globe. We pray especially for the young men and women, in the thousands, who are coming home from Iraq and Afghanistan with injured bodies and traumatized spirits. Bring solace to them, O Lord; may we pray for them when they cannot pray. We ask for, echoing John Paul II, an end to

wars and the dawning of a new era of peace, As a way to honor all the veterans of past wars.

Have mercy on all our veterans from World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Iraq, Bring peace to their hearts and peace to the regions they fought in. Bless all the soldiers who served in non-combatative posts; May their calling to service continue in their lives in many positive ways.

Give us all the creative vision to see a world which, grown weary with fighting, Moves to affirming the life of every human being and so moves beyond war. Hear our prayer, O Prince of Peace, hear our prayer. Amen.

*THANKSGIVING PRAYER-NOVEMBER
22ND*



Father in Heaven, Creator of all and source of all goodness and love, please look kindly upon us and receive our heartfelt gratitude in this **time** of giving thanks.

Thank you for all the graces and blessings. You have betowed upon us, spiritual and temporal: our **faith** and religious heritage. Our food and shelter, our health, the loves we have for one another, our **family** and friends.

Dear Father, in Your infinite generosity, please grant us continued graces and **blessing** throughout the coming year.

This we ask in the Name of Jesus, Your Son and our Brother.

Amen.

*PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR THE
VICTIMS OF HURICANES FLORENCE
AND MICHAEL*





PRAYER FOR PROTECTION AGAINST STORMS AND HURRICANES

Our Father in Heaven through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, spare us

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during this Hurricane season from all harm. Protect us and our homes from all disasters of nature. Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR HEALING VICTIMS OF ABUSE

God of endless love,
ever caring, ever strong,
always present, always just:
You gave your only Son
to save us by the blood of his cross.

Gentle Jesus, shepherd of peace,
join to your own suffering
the pain of all who have been hurt
in body, mind, and spirit
by those who betrayed the trust placed in them.

Hear our cries as we agonize
over the harm done to our brothers and sisters.
Breathe wisdom into our prayers,
soothe restless hearts with hope,
steady shaken spirits with faith:
Show us the way to justice and wholeness,
enlightened by truth and enfolded in your mercy.

Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts,
heal your people's wounds
and transform our brokenness.
Grant us courage and wisdom, humility and grace,
so that we may act with justice
and find peace in you.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

*PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO WERE
AFFECTED BY THE TRAGEDIES IN
PITTSBURGH.*



[Pope voices 'closeness' to Pittsburgh
Jewish community after shooting](#)

*LET US CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR
OUR LOVED ONES THAT ARE
SUFFERING FROM ILLNESS OR
CURRENTLY IN THE HOSPITAL.*

*LET US ALSO PRAY FOR BISHOP
GEORGE MURRY AFTER BATTLING
LUKEMIA FOR THE PAST FEW
MONTHS.*

*POPE FRANCIS MONTHLY PRAYER
INTENTION-NOVEMBER 2018*



Universal – In Service of Peace

That the language of love and dialogue may
always prevail over the language of conflict

From “Rejoice and Be Glad” by Pope
Francis:

89. It is not easy to “make” this evangelical peace, which excludes no one but embraces even those who are a bit odd, troublesome or difficult, demanding different, beaten down by life or simply uninterested. It is hard work; it calls for great openness of mind and heart, since it is not about creating “a consensus on paper or a transient peace for a contented minority,” or a project “by a few for the few.” Nor can it attempt to ignore or disregard conflict; instead, it must “face conflict head on, resolve it and make it a link in the chain of a new process.” We need to be artisans of peace, for building peace is a craft that demands serenity, creativity, sensitivity and skill.

Sowing peace all around us: that is
holiness.

MONTHLY CATECHISM PASSAGE- NOVEMBER 2018

2304 Respect for and development of human life require peace. Peace is not merely the absence of war, and it is not limited to maintaining a balance of powers between adversaries. Peace cannot be attained on earth without safeguarding the goods of persons, free communication among men, respect for the dignity of persons and peoples, and the assiduous practice of fraternity. Peace is "the tranquillity of order."⁹⁷ Peace is the work of justice and the effect of charity.⁹⁸

MONTHLY SCRIPTURE PASSAGE- NOVEMBER 2018

Psalm 29:11

The LORD gives strength to his people; the LORD blesses his people with peace.

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:

[The Annihilation of Iraq's Christian Minority](#)

[Persecuted Christian Youth Share Harrowing Stories](#)

[Pope wraps bishops' summit saying Church need defense from 'great accuser'](#)

[Egypt's Christians bury victims of militant attack](#)

[Knights of Columbus, USAID collaborate to aid minorities in Middle East](#)

Articles (Links) on current immigration crisis in our country. Please continue to keep the poor children who are separated from their families in your prayers.

<http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/immigration/catholic-teaching-on-immigration-and-the-movement-of-peoples.cfm>

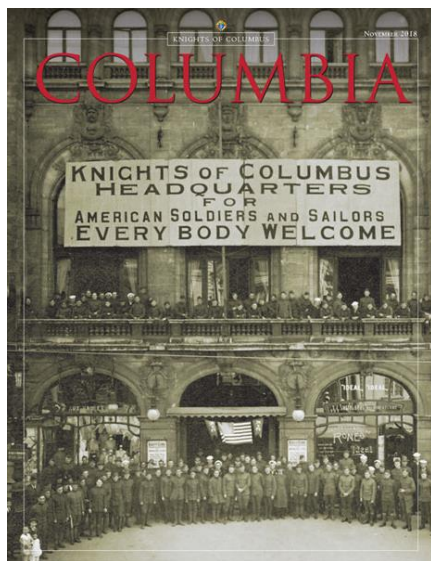
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<https://cruxnow.com/church-in-the-usa/2018/06/13/usccb-head-condemns-trump-administrations-recent-moves-on-immigration-policy/>

Monsignor Pope's take on Death Penalty Blog

PRAYER SUGGESTIONS 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.

Don't forget to Read:



November Columbia Link



November Knightline Link

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

DISCLAIMER: Please note that in the interest of inquiry and dialogue, our newsletter sometimes presents articles with points of views with which we do not necessarily agree.

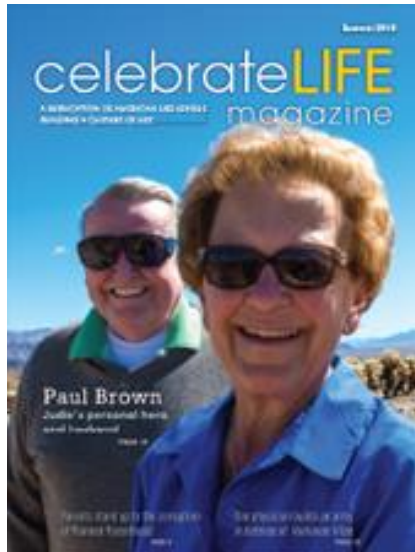
If you have ideas or suggestions for upcoming issues of this newsletter, please send the information to the editor at drmrocks@yahoo.com.

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-Pending
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COMMUNITY

1. Fourth of July Parade-Pending
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FAMILY

1. Parish Picnic-Pending
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LIFE

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

December 12, 2018

January 9, 2019

February 13, 2019

March 13, 2019

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Exponent



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