



# KNIGHT COURIER

## Knights of Columbus

### Our Lady of Hope Council 8086

January 2019

#### From the Desk of Grand Knight Jim Waggoner

Brothers in Christ:

I Trust all of you had a Wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year!

We have completed the first half of the 2018-2019 Colombian Year, and we have accomplished much. Your Council leadership is thankful for your dedicated efforts and support of our Council, Parish and community projects.

All Council Committees continue to perform in an exemplary manner. The Coats for Kids, Tootsie Roll Campaign, Habitat for Humanity, Keep Christ in Christmas, Pancake Breakfast and all of our other service projects have functioned magnificently due to wonderful committee leadership.

This year, we added two major events that we plan to make annual: the Veterans Dinner in support of Assembly 2794, chaired by Brother Ernie Jackson and the Christmas Party chaired by Brother Mike Miglioranzi. Each event was a huge success. Approximately 325 Knights, Veterans and their guests attended the Veteran's Dinner and approximately 100 Knights and guests attended the Christmas Party. Brothers Ernie and Mike are recent transfers to our Council, we could not thank them enough for their dedication.

The Ultra Sound Initiative Laps for Life Campaign is up and running under the able leadership of Brothers Vito Benedetto and Tim Walters. We will be announcing the annual baby bottle distribution at OLOH Masses in January; Brothers Vito and Tim are new Knights and we are extremely pleased with their commitment to the success of this annual Council project.

Our District Deputy Brother Terry Cassidy and Florida State Council Ultra Sound Initiative Director Paul Gloekler have assisted us greatly with requesting other Coastal Councils join this Coastal Laps for Life effort.

Ten Brothers of your Council leadership attended the Regional Mid-Year Meeting December 29<sup>th</sup> at Prince of Peace, giving our Council the largest contingent at this conference.

Finally, another first for our Council; under the leadership of Program Director Brother Tim Mell and Faith Chair Brother Phil Callea, we will have our first Council retreat February 16<sup>th</sup>, more details at our next Council meeting at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 10.

Please feel free to join us at one or more of our January activities, that include: Laps for Life meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 8 at the Parish Office; Pass our baby bottles after all Masses on Jan. 12-13; our monthly pancake breakfast, any time between 6:30 a.m.-1 p.m.; and our first Novena for Life, for nine days starting on Saturday, Jan. 19.



Vivat Jesus!

Jim Waggoner, Grand Knight Council #8086



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### Chaplain's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

Divorce is a sad reality in our church and world. It affects even Catholic families, as I'm sure you can attest. Many of us have someone in our family that has gotten divorced. We have seen the pain this causes to everyone involved. There are probably dozens of reasons why we are where we are today, but we can't change the past. We can only work on the present.

Many couples, I believe, don't have the right order in their priorities. God must be first, and men need to be strong in leading their children to a closer relationship with God. Weekly church attendance, prayer before meals, bedtime prayer with the children, and a family atmosphere that places faith in God first is missing in many families. Secondly, couples need to place their spousal relationship next in importance. Too many families end in divorce because work, pursuit of money, or outside interests have become more important than working on their relationship with each other. Thirdly, children are a gift from God. They are not a burden or an inconvenience. Yet, how often are they treated that way.

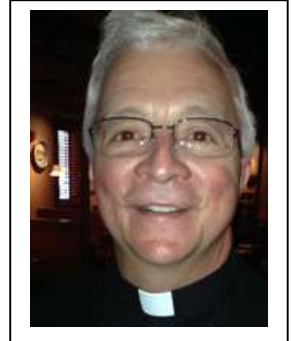
I have found many parents choose not to have more than one or two children because that will cramp their lifestyle. Too often I have heard on the radio or television the "cost of raising a child." Usually the amount of money stated is astronomical. Yet, that is backwards thinking. What do children provide for parents? They help parents become more generous. They teach them its okay to play. They challenge them to be authentic. They are a gift from God.

In my ministry of Marriage Encounter we help couples reorganize their priorities to make their relationship the best that it can be. God wants marriages to be successful. When they are, families are stronger, communities are happier, and the world is a better place.

Peace,

*Fr. Chris*

Father Chris Hoffmann, Chaplain



Grand Knight Jim Waggoner welcomes new Brother Knights Jerry Cotto (center) and Robert Brock (right) following their First Degree Exemplification at our December Council meeting.

Also please welcome new Brother Knight Dave Vaden, who became the first from our Council to complete the new video option for the First Degree Exemplification.

## January Calendar of Events

- 1-8 Laps for Life meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 1-10 Council meeting
- 1-12 Third Degree, Prince of Peace
- 1-12/13 Pass out Baby Bottles
- 1-13 Pancake Sunday, 6:30 a.m.
- 1-19/27 Novena for Life
- 1-24 Assembly meeting

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## Happy Birthday!

Come to our January 10 meeting and enjoy cake with your brother Knights

- 1-1 James Annunziata
- 1-1 Richard Burns
- 1-6 Steven Thumbeck
- 1-8 Clifford Alliot
- 1-8 Egon Gantner III
- 1-8 Michael Peterson
- 1-10 Dominic Salamida
- 1-11 Sean Zebrowski
- 1-14 Brian Clark

- 1-14 Mike Miglioranzi
- 1-14 Arnold Sevcik
- 1-16 Michael Raymer
- 1-17 James Kaspert
- 1-17 Gerard Machuga
- 1-18 Robert Krelevich
- 1-18 Paul Palma
- 1-19 Eric Marsh

- 1-20 Stephen Martino
- 1-21 John Reilly
- 1-22 Nolan Archer
- 1-23 Bob Dytkowski
- 1-23 Chris Hadzewycz
- 1-23 Ken Weaver
- 1-28 Joseph Hochdoerfer
- 1-31 Pat Santovasi

### Please pray for our ill and distressed Brothers, parishioners, their family members and caregivers

Bob Barker	Charles Cheshire	Nancy Nevins
Michelle Baskin	June Lavallee	Angelina Messino
Crystal Hall	Teri Roberts	Gracie Mae Seymour
Hank Nolan	Rick Lorenzo	Mario Locascio
Frances Pettit	Milo Clark	Dwight Van Duyne

Council 8086 Program Director SK Tim Mell oversees the MASH 4077-themed Punch Bowl ceremony, a highlight of our first Veterans Dinner. Brothers John O'Conner and Rick Donnelly assist with the pouring of the libations. Brother Pat Everley was the guest speaker for the sold-out affair.



## Please consider bringing a can of food to our Council meeting as a donation to the Outreach Ministry food pantry. Remember, the first order of the Knights is Charity!

If you haven't emailed it, please bring your **Monthly Activity Report** to the Council Meeting. List all your volunteer hours for both you and your wife/family. Please send your email to [t.manzolillo58@gmail.com](mailto:t.manzolillo58@gmail.com) or John Hoag so that Tony can run the numbers for us.

### **Life Insurance as a Gift?**

The initial reaction for many people when you mention life insurance as a gift is a quick step back and a questioning stare. "How morbid," they think. While it may seem that way when you first mention it, life insurance is really a thoughtful gift that can be a financial life preserver in tough times.

The problem with life insurance is the general perception. Many think of death instead of the great benefits it provides, and the security that it offers – even while you're alive. Life insurance should be thought of as a precautionary protective measure for a family unit. The purchase of this product can mean saving your home, sending your children to college, and preserving your spouse's quality of life in the event of your death.

One of the times you may want to purchase life insurance for someone is when a family has a new baby. It's a great, low-cost way to set money aside for the future (i.e. college tuition, housing, business start-up, etc.). Of greater importance, it ensures these children will have insurance as adults, in case an illness later in life makes him or her uninsurable.

Newlyweds are also ideal recipients for life insurance. As they join their lives and financial responsibilities, young couples need to make sure that their early investments are fully protected. If something were to happen to one of them, the other may be faced with serious financial hardship. A life insurance policy is an ideal way to ensure their future and protect their assets.

As nontraditional as it may be, life insurance is a wise and caring gift to purchase for many people.

Stanley Hetrick



Brother Knights participated in our Habitat for Humanity program in December.



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