

Brother Knights,

New Chaplain: It was with great anticipation and now with greater enthusiasm for me to announce that this past February the Bishop Edward Malesic appointed Reverend Timothy Kruthaupt as our new chaplain of the K of C Uniontown Council 1275. Father Tim, the new Pastor of St. Peter's in Brownsville, has been attending our council meetings since Father Micah Kozoil retired as our chaplain this past summer. Anyone who knows Father Tim can describe him as a vibrant priest dedicated to the church and community. He gives us many opportunities to help him in doing God's work involving the poor, the infirmed and aged, and the pro-life movement. Let us show our sincerity as a true Knight and offer our assistance to him as he performs the work he dearly loves.

First and Third Saturdays: Each first and third Saturday of the month, Father Tim gives those who are interested an opportunity to join him on the front lines in the pro-life movement. He makes it convenient for those who accompany him by driving a van that easily holds 10 to 12 people to Pittsburgh and back. The schedule is as follows: Van leaves St. Peter's parking lot in Brownsville at **7:15 a.m.** Participants attend Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral at **8:30 a.m.** followed by pro-life prayers/songs at the abortion clinic from **9:30 to 11 a.m.** Return to Brownsville at approximately 12 noon. For arrangements and availability call Father Tim at 724-972-9446.

Pro-Life Ad: The powerful pro-life ad in the Herald Standard on April 4 initially started with a donation by Mrs. Helen Nypaver in remembrance on her son Thomas, a brother Knight, who passed away in September 2013. When asked how she would like the money to be used, she requested for it to be done locally and towards the pro-life movement. With joint efforts of our Council and Assembly 926, the decision and remaining cost for the ad was finalized. Many thanks and recognition to Faithful Navigator Joe Korelko III, Marty Gasparatz, and Chuck Kosco along with members of Council 1275 and Assembly 926 for having this done. Thanks also to Joe Gentilcore from the Herald Standard. My Aunt Helen was very much pleased with us doing this.

Catholic Men's Fellowship: The Catholic Men's Fellowship of Uniontown is a lay ministry organization made up of Catholic men from parishes in and around the Uniontown area. They meet the last Saturday of every month (with the exception of one or two months out of the year) at St. Joseph Church, Blue Room from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. They are Catholic men who seek to become better men of faith through greater individual accountability guided by Christian principles and values as espoused by the Holy Father and the doctrines of Roman Catholic Church. All Catholic men ages 18 and older are urged and welcome to attend. You may contact Timothy Kirsch, who leads the group, at 724-322-8205 or tkirsch@atlanticbb.net.

New Members: Our Council held a 1st and 2nd degree at the Uniontown Columbian Hall this past April 3. We now have 3 new members who are Rich D'Auria, Frank Mutnansky, and Michael Helms.

3rd Degree: Our Council hosted a 3rd degree this past April 10 where 30 some candidates from around the diocese experienced this special occasion. Our council's new 3rd degree members are Chris J. Boucher, John C. Davidson, and Michael Helms.

4th Degree: Exemplification of the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus will be held Sunday, June 5, 2016, at St. Paul Seminary, 2900 Noblestown Road, Pittsburgh, PA. For those candidates interested in obtaining the 4th degree, <u>Master PA West District must receive applications and assembly check by May 15</u>. Please contact Marty Gasparatz at 724-438-6828 if you have not already done so.

Insurance Agent: Our Knights of Columbus general agent is Michael F Burkitt. Please contact him for all your insurance needs; he may be reached at (office) 304-212-5573, (mobile) 919-272-7794 or michael.burkitt@kofc.org. *Career opportunities are available; please contact Michael to learn more.*

Deceased Knights: Bob Tajc Sr. passed away February 1 2016. Bob was a member of St. Mary Nativity Church, Uniontown, and a 1st degree Knight who joined our Council in August 1983.

Father Matthew Brozovic, OFM, passed away January 31, 2016. He joined our Council in November 1959 and was a former chaplain prior to Father Micah Kozoil. Father Matthew was a 4th degree of Assembly 926 since November 1960. His simple answer to a problem that once occurred: "God will provide." Thanks for the reminder, Father Matthew.

Lawrence V. Doolittle passed away April 13, 2016, and was a member of St. Mary Nativity Church, Uniontown. Larry was a 4th degree with Assembly 926 and a member of Uniontown Council 1275 since May 1, 1960.

May God grant them eternal rest and peace.

Nursing Homes: There are two brother Knights in nursing homes that we are aware of. They are:

Robert Cerjanec Dwain Monahan (and wife Lois)
Golden Living Center (304) 599-9480 Golden Living Center (724) 439-5700

1379 VanVoorhis Rd. 129 Franklin Ave.

Morgantown, WV 26505 Uniontown, PA 15401

If you know of any other Brother Knights that are in assisted living and may want an occasional visit, please call Tom Palya 724-366-0933 or Tom House 724-366-6970.

Eucharistic Adoration/Program for Priests: As previously described in January's newsletter (past newsletters can be viewed online at www.kofc1275.org), an adoration/cenacle was formed for the increase in vocations and the continued holiness of priests and seminarians. Ladies may call Denise Reilly at (724) 438-2698 and the men may call Tom Palya at (724) 366-0933. Eucharistic Adoration at the following churches is: St. Therese, Mondays, 1:30 to 5:30 p.m.; St. Joseph, Wednesdays, 2:30 to 6 p.m.; and St. John the Evangelist, Thursdays, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Newsletters: Our current and past newsletters can be viewed on our website, www.kofc1275.org. The newsletter can also be sent to your email if you register at usmra.rob@gmail.com. For those without computer access, copies of the newsletter will be available at the Columbian Hall along with a copy posted in the vestibule (hours: weekdays 5 p.m. to 10 p.m., weekends 4 p.m. to 10 p.m.). Members can add their names to a postal mailing list by calling 724-366-0933. The newsletter will continue to be mailed to a random selection of brother Knights. Many thanks to Mike Aesoph and Rob McGee (Mr. Mine Rescue) for their continued efforts and support. The next newsletter will be announced through church bulletins sometime in July/August 2016.

Rosary/Meetings: Prior to our council meetings at the Columbian Hall on the first Wednesday of every month, we will recite the rosary at 6:45 p.m. The meeting will start shortly afterwards, at approximately 7:05 p.m.

Reflection: "One sees clearly only with the heart. What is essential is invisible to the eye." The Little Prince, Antoine de Saint Exupery

Respectfully,

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Grand Knight Council 1275

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