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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN ...



Watch your chapter emails for Reverend William D. Wuenchel's upcoming column!

COLUMBUS DAY DINNER REMINDER...

A reminder for Pittsburgh Chapter Councils that if you haven't yet made reservations or placed Program Ads for upcoming 2017 Columbus Day Dinner at Greentree Doubletree, THERE IS STILL TIME!! THIS IS KEY EVENT OF THE YEAR FOR PITTSBURGH AND GREENSBURG DIOCESE K OF C CHAPTERS AND KEY SOURCE OF FUNDS FOR OUR CHAPTERS! AS PITTSBURGH CHAPTER IS HOSTING THE DINNER THIS YEAR, WE NEED TO ENSURE MAXIMUM PARTICIPATION FROM OUR PITTSBURGH CHAPTER COUNCILS!

Dinner will take place on Sunday, October 8, 2017 at Greentree Doubletree, cocktails at 5:00 PM, dinner and program at 6:00 pm

Dinner reservations will be accepted up to 10/2/17

PROGRAM ADS ARE SIGNIFICANTLY BEHIND PREVIOUS YEARS AT THIS POINT! THE DATE FOR PLACING PROGRAM ADS HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO 9/26/17.

Fraternally,

Jim Maochi
2017 Columbus Day
Dinner Chairman

A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPTER PRESIDENT...

Brother Knights of the Pittsburgh Chapter,

IN DEFENSE OF CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS...

* **THE SPREAD OF CATHOLICISM**: Christopher Columbus's devotion to God and His Church is without question. He was, without a doubt, the driving force behind the rooting of the Catholic Church is what was then called the New World.

* **THE COURAGE OF HIS CONVICTION**: That the world was as a globe, and there had to exist a new continent with unfathomable opportunity just over the horizon. His courage to tackle the unknown, against all odds, is comparable to the pioneers of today's Space Astronauts.

* **IN TIME OF STEADFASTNESS OF TRIAL**: In spite of all odds, financing, ridicule, mutiny, and persecution among them, he never wavered in God nor his mission of destiny.

* **GREAT MEN AND THEIR FLAWS**: The history of the world is rife with men we cite as great, and we pay homage to some of them with honorarium, that being with script or statuary. To suggest that any historical statue, or script, including that of Christopher Columbus should be removed from the public view because of what some believe to be a flaw of individual character, can only be viewed as an attempt to re-write the History of Mankind. To deny our history is a crime against our fellow man and those who follow us.

Even God's favorite, King David, one of history's most celebrated leaders of Good versus Evil, had very serious flaws that often plague ordinary men. We are all human after all, but hopefully our good deeds outweigh the bad. Let us not, then, let the bad conquer the good, by denying us of our rightful history to know the difference.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,

Joseph Ferruzza
President, Pittsburgh Chapter Knights of Columbus



CHAPTER MEETING
OCTOBER 3 - 7:30 PM
NORTH HILLS COUNCIL #5029
(MILLVALE)

DIRECTIONS TO CHAPTER MEETING:

For those of you with a GPS unit, St. Nicholas Church is located at **24 Maryland Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15209.**

For others.... follow these directions!

From the East: Use Route 28



South to the Millvale Exit #3. At the bottom of the ramp, go straight ahead through the traffic light at Lincoln and stay left around island at Grant St. Just beyond that intersection go toward Route 28 again. In a very short distance, you will see a road on the right going up the hill. At the top St. Nicholas Church will be on the right (limited parking there) and the Convent is on the left. Use the convent parking lot and cross the street to the church. Street parking is permitted but limited.

From the South: Use Route 28 North to the Millvale exit #3 ramp and at the bottom of the ramp at light turn left and follow instructions above past island.

From the North (if not using Route 28): From McKnight Rd, use Babcock Blvd. into Millvale at Hardees, stay straight on North Avenue to Grant Street (One block past Lincoln Drug). Go left and proceed down Grant to Sheridan Avenue and turn right, go up to top of the hill 2 blocks to top) and turn left to church.

From the City of Pittsburgh: Use 40th Street bridge, turn right and go down ramp to intersection. Go left up Grant to Sheridan and turn left.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS AND UPDATES:

- ◆ Local Knights are working to provide food, shelter and other immediate relief, as well as helping with clean up and recovery to Hurricane Harvey and Irma victims. Since these hurricanes, local Knights have been at the forefront or bringing assistance to victims of the disaster, especially those displaced by destructive winds and flooding. <from www.kofc.org>
- ◆ Knights from Msgr. A. L. O'Connell Council 3700 in Pasadena, Texas, distributed food and other supplies in a quick and efficient manner by having people drive up and the Knights load the items into their vehicle. The council also provide meals and unload a trailer of disaster relief items from New Orleans. . <from www.kofc.org.>
- ◆ If your council is looking to donate to help those affected by Hurricanes Harvey and Irma? Make checks payable to: ***“Knights of Columbus Charities”*** and specify ***“Hurricane Relief”*** on the memo line of your check. Send the check to: KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHARITIES, ONE COLUMBUS PLAZA, P.O. BOX 1966, NEW HAVEN CONNECTICUT 06509-1966



ON MISSION RECOMMENDATIONS ANNOUNCED – HOW WILL THEY AFFECT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCILS?

Now that the proposed groupings for the *On Mission for the Church Alive!* have been announced by the On Mission Commission, the question arises of how these groupings will affect individual Knights of Columbus councils in the Diocese of Pittsburgh.

Unfortunately, the answer is still not known. It is important that councils and their members keep aware of the final groupings when announced by Bishop Zubik in April 2018 – a short seven months away. When the parish groupings first take effect there will be no immediate parish mergers and no church building closings according to the recent announcement.

However, some councils are affiliated with one specific parish now but in the future that particular parish may cease to exist and of course, changes in the mission of councils will be necessary. Council officers should follow the *On Mission for the Church Alive!* announcements and press releases to ensure that plans may be made in the future for your council in the Diocese of Pittsburgh's new groupings.

UPCOMING EVENTS:



**OCTOBER CHAPTER
MEETING** – North Hills
Council #5029 – Millvale –
October 3

COLUMBUS DAY DINNER –
October 8th – Greentree
Doubletree

**NOVEMBER 1 – ALL
SAINTS' DAY – HOLY DAY
OF OBLIGATION**

**NOVEMBER CHAPTER
MEETING** – <TO BE
DETERMINED SINCE
NOVEMBER 7 IS ELECTION
DAY>

**DECEMBER 8 – Feast of the
Immaculate Conception –
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

**DECEMBER CHAPTER
MEETING** – Bellevue Council
#1400 – more information at the
October Chapter meeting.

**JANUARY CHAPTER
MEETING** – St. Joseph
(Verona) Council #4242

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A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPREME KNIGHT, CARL ANDERSON...

As you know, many areas in the southern United States, as well as the Caribbean, have been devastated by the back-to-back hurricanes, Harvey and Irma.

Since Hurricane Harvey struck the Texas Gulf Coast brother Knights, their families and others have contributed \$2.3 million for victims of the recent hurricanes and natural disasters. The Knights of Columbus also has taken a leadership role in assisting those affected by these storms, including the immediate distribution of more than \$720,000 for food, water and other necessities with more funds being distributed every day.

The outpouring of generosity to our appeal has been magnificent, and I personally thank each of you who have contributed. This level of service by our brother Knights is reflective of the work done last year by our Knights in Louisiana in response to the flooding there.

Charity has always been a defining characteristic of the Knights of Columbus. Pope Francis has said, “To Love God and neighbor is not something abstract, but profoundly concrete. It means seeing in every person the face of the Lord to be served, and serve him concretely.” Our brother Knights continue to be examples of just such concrete service to their neighbors.

Many of these volunteer Knights are men whose own homes and property have been destroyed and yet are putting the needs of others in front of their own. These are the kind of men who show just how deeply our members believe in the Knights of Columbus’ first principle of charity.

Charity is the Knights of Columbus’ first principle and the basis for all we do as Knights. In other words, to be a Knight of Columbus is to be a man for others. And this is what our brother Knights in Texas, Florida and other locations have shown themselves to be.

Again, my thanks to all of you who have and are volunteering and to those of you who have contributed to our relief effort. Your efforts are making a difference.

And I encourage any of you who have not contributed to the Knights of Columbus relief effort, or who wish to give more, to please do so immediately. The need is great, and the need continues.



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in the Knights of Columbus

OCTOBER 2017



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NOVEMBER 2017



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