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ONLINE MEMBERSHIP

At the March Chapter meeting, PSD **Eric Johnson** announced that online membership registration will be made available in the state of Pennsylvania.

The Supreme Council has conducted numerous listening sessions and surveys with both members and non-members over the last few years. Among the many findings was a strong indication that the Supreme Council should develop a new, online way to recruit potential members and form those men for committed, lifelong membership in the Knights of Columbus.

This new fraternal program seeks to help the Order maintain sustainable long-term membership growth by providing the opportunity for membership throughout the modern man's life cycle. This streamlined alternative helps acclimate men to the Order. Once a man has joined online, we will then work to incorporate him into a council and get him fully integrated with its activities.

What Online Membership Does

This initiative is an important step for our Order, and presents a tremendous opportunity for membership growth and engagement. The initiative allows for:

A Faster Way to Join – One of the most common objections to joining the Knights of Columbus is “I don't have time.” Through Online Membership, a join process that can take as many as two months now takes five minutes.

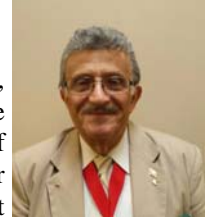
A Digital Experience – This initiative provides a new membership experience that is tailored to younger men and busier men who may not yet be ready for council-based membership. This low-pressure, low-commitment and digital

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPTER PRESIDENT...

Brother Knights of the Pittsburgh Chapter,

April is the month of new beginnings, but first and foremost, this year, it is the month of the Easter message of salvation, the pinnacle of our Christian Catholic faith. It is also the month of Divine Mercy, The Annunciation, and the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Generally the beginnings of Spring weather put our members in the mood to renew, to make new efforts to forward the tenets of our Order, Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.



This 110 Anniversary year of our Chapter will be a challenging year, what with the new beginnings coming forth this month, in the Church Alive restructuring. If we concentrate on our Order's precepts of Charity, Unity and Fraternity, it will make renewal happen as smoothly as only God's Grace can allow.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,

Joseph Ferruzza, President, Pittsburgh Chapter Knights of Columbus



THE OFFICERS OF THE PITTSBURGH CHAPTER WISH A HAPPY EASTER TO ALL BROTHERS AND FRIENDS OF THE CHAPTER!

CHAPTER MEETING

APRIL 3, 2018

7:30 PM

CHARTIERS COUNCIL #875

DIRECTIONS TO CHAPTER MEETING : Set your GPS unit to 10 West Crafton Ave, Pittsburgh PA:

FROM NORTHEAST OF PITTSBURGH (ALLEGHENY VALLEY AREA):



Merge onto PA-28 S toward Pittsburgh.

Take the I-279 S exit toward I-376 W/Ft Pitt Br/Airport.

Merge onto US-19 Trk S.

Take I-376 W/US-30 W/US-22 W/Parkway West/Penn Lincoln Pkwy W toward Carnegie/Airport.

Take the PA-121 N exit, EXIT 67, toward Crafton.

Keep left to take the MANSFIELD AVE ramp toward Crafton/QUALITY SUITES DR/HAMPTON INN DR/EZ MINI STOR DR/TRUMBULL DR/HOLIDAY DR.

Turn left onto Mansfield Ave/PA-121.

Take the 1st right onto PA-121/Poplar St.

Take the 3rd left onto Noblestown Rd/PA-50.

Take the 1st right onto Baldwick Rd.

Turn sharp right onto Crafton Blvd.

Take the 2nd left onto Bradford Ave/PA-60. Continue to follow Bradford Ave.

Turn right onto Stotz Ave.

Enter next roundabout and take the 4th exit onto Crennell Ave.

Turn right onto W Crafton Ave.

Arrive at 10 W Crafton Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15205-2825, 10 W CRAFTON AVE is on the left.

FROM WEXFORD AREA:

Travel on I-79 S toward Pittsburgh.

Keep right to take I-79 S toward Washington, PA.

Merge onto PA-60 S via EXIT 60A toward Crafton.

Turn right onto W Crafton Ave.

Take the 1st left to stay on W Crafton Ave.

Arrive at 10 W Crafton Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15205-2825, 10 W CRAFTON AVE is on the left.



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experience meets men where they are, helps to form them as Catholic men, and enables us to bring more men into the fold. An Amplified Message – The Online Membership initiative is backed by a substantial marketing campaign that will find and work to convert prospective members.

What Online Membership Does Not Do

The Online Membership Initiative:

Does not change requirements for membership. Membership in the Knights of Columbus remains open to practical Catholic men. Does not eliminate degrees. Men who join online are non-degreed members. Once they are ready to convert to a local council, they are required to take the first degree.

Does not eliminate councils. The goal of online membership is to form men for committed, lifelong and council- based membership in the Knights of Columbus. In fact, Online Membership creates a pool of recruits for local councils to engage with.

Does not eliminate dues. Online Members are required to pay \$30 annual dues.

<more info on www.kofc.org>

UPCOMING EVENTS:



[EASTER – April 1, 2018.](#)

[MARCH CHAPTER MEETING – April 3, 2018 - Chartiers Council #875](#)

[BISHOPS' PROJECT APPRECIATION DINNER – Thursday, April 19, 2018](#)

[ON MISSION FOR THE CHURCH ALIVE! ANNOUNCEMENT DAY – April 26, 2018 – Final Parish Groupings/Clergy Assignments/ Maximum Number of Masses will be announced by Bishop Zubik](#)

[ASCENSION THURSDAY – MAY 10, 2018 – HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION](#)

[MOTHER'S DAY – MAY 13, 2018](#)

[PENTECOST – MAY 20, 2018](#)

[STATE WARDEN DINNER – Sunday, May 20, 2018](#)

[MEMORIAL DAY – MAY 28, 2018](#)



DISABILITY INCOME

What is it?

Disability income insurance helps replace lost income when you are unable to work due to a disability resulting from an illness or accident.

Who needs it?

Disability income insurance helps protect your most important financial asset – your paycheck – so it should be an important part of every family's planning. Long-term disability is much more common than other unfortunate circumstances that are commonly covered by insurance. Consider the fact that you face a 1 in 100 risk of losing your home to a fire, but a 1 in 4 risk of suffering a long-term disability.



Despite the odds and the prevalence of long-term disability – nearly 11 million Americans are receiving federal disability benefits – more than 100 million Americans are without private disability income insurance. In addition, any disability income insurance you may have through your employer may very well be insufficient or contingent on certain circumstances (like worker's compensation).

How does it work?

Knights of Columbus disability income insurance policies provide a monthly benefit amount over the course of a maximum benefit period (see below) designed to help replace the income that you would have otherwise received if you were able to work. You are free to use your disability income benefits in whatever way you see fit – just like you would with your own paycheck.

CONTACT YOUR FIELD AGENT
FOR MORE INFORMATION
ON KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE!

Grand Knight's Checklist – April

- ◆ **April 1** — Submission date for the *Application for Refund Support Vocations Program (#2863)*.
- ◆ **April 10** — Suspension date for councils failing to submit the Per Capita Tax, Catholic Advertising Fund and Culture of Life Fund assessments to the Supreme Council
- ◆ Set up a recurring meeting with your pastor to ensure your council is supporting the mission of the parish.
- ◆ Confirm that your council and jurisdiction remain compliant with the Office of Youth Protection's requirements for all activities.
- ◆ Schedule admissions degrees to take place in April, May and June.

APRIL 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Divine Mercy Sunday	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 ***	16	17 Income Tax Due	18	19	20	21
22 Earth Day	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					*** Family of the Month Report for March Due

MAY 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10 Ascension Thursday – Holy Day of Obligation	11	12
 13	14	15 ***	16	17	18	19
 20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 Trinity Sunday	 28	29	30	31		*** Family of the Month Report for April Due