



KNIGHT LIFE



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FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT Vivat Jesus

Dear Brother Knights:

THE HISTORY OF THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD

In the early centuries of the Church, once Christmas began to be celebrated as its own feast on December 25 (having originally been celebrated with the [Feast of the Epiphany](#), on January 6), the Octave (eighth day) of Christmas, January 1, took on a special meaning. In the East, and throughout much of the West, it became common to celebrate a feast of Mary, the Mother of God, on this day. This feast was never established in the universal calendar of the Church, however, and a separate feast, celebrating the Circumcision of Our Lord Jesus Christ (which would have taken place a week after His birth), eventually took hold of January 1.

With the revision of the liturgical calendar at the time of the introduction of the [Novus Ordo](#), the Feast of the Circumcision was set aside, and the ancient practice of dedicating January 1 to the Mother of God was revived – this time, as a universal feast.



Thanks to everyone who helped put on the December 17th Children's Christmas Party.

Here are the upcoming events:

Jan. 7 – Wild Game dinner rehearsal in club room at 2:00 pm for all volunteers.
Jan. 14 – Wild Game dinner rehearsal in club room at 2:00 pm for all volunteers.
Jan. 14 – Corporate Communion – 10:00 am MASS – with color corps.
Jan. 21 – Knights Hall Breakfast.
Feb. 10 – Wild Game dinner at the Hall. Doors open at 5:00 pm. To benefit four charities:

1. Mary's Mantle (they work with troubled young women).
2. Mary's Children (they work with adults with brain injuries).
3. FAR (they work with autistic children).
4. Challenger baseball (one of our MI Drive charities).

Feb. 17 – Major Degree. First Degree exemplification. Afterwards, all First Degree Knights invited to become 2nd and 3rd Degree Knights. I urge all First Degree Knights to further your commitment.

In January, the Church celebrates some truly awesome Catholics/events:

1. Jan. 1 – Mary, Mother of God (**Holy Day of Obligation**).
2. Jan. 2 – Sts. Gregory of Nazianzus and Basil the Great – both 4th century doctors of the church.
3. Jan. 5 – St. John Neumann – 19th century Czech born American – Body incorrupt in Philadelphia parish.
4. Jan. 6 – St. Andre Bessette – 19th century Holy Cross brother.
5. Jan. 21 – St. Anges – 4th century martyr at 12 years old – listed in Canon of the Mass.
6. Jan. 23 – St. Marianne Cope – died 1918. Served lepers in Hawaii with St. Damian – interred in New York.
7. Jan. 24 – St. Francis De Sales – Doctor of the Church – wrote [Introduction to the Devout Life](#).
8. Jan. 28 – St. Thomas Aquinas - 13th century Dominican – considered greatest mind produced by the Church.

Just a reminder, go to [NewAdvent.org](#) for a wonderful web site for all things Catholic.

Viva Jesus,

Steve Salter
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FAMILY OF THE MONTH

For the month of January we are honoring Brother Knight Joe Lograsso and his wife Laura. They have lived on Kathleen in Macomb for 19 years. They have been married 27 years. They have three children: Maria (25 Yrs. old), Tony (23 Yrs. old) and Vincent (20 Yrs. Old).

The family belongs to St. Lawrence Parish. Joe is part of the

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNCIL
KNIGHT LIFE**

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**COUNCIL ACTIVITIES FOR
JANUARY - FEBRUARY**

January 3, 2018 - Knights Corp Meeting 7:30 pm. (This meeting is open to all members.) **Attendance of Knights Corp Members is MANDATORY.**

January 7, 2018 - Diocesan Spelling Bee.

January 7, 2018 – Wild Game dinner rehearsal in club room at 2:00 pm for all volunteers.

January 11, 2018 - First meeting of the month at our Hall at 8:00 pm.

January 14, 2018 – Wild Game dinner rehearsal in club room at 2:00 pm for all volunteers.

January 14, 2018 – Corporate Communion – 10:00 Mass – with Color Corps.

January 21, 2018 – Knights Hall Breakfast

January 25, 2018 – 2nd Meeting of the month at our Hall at 8:00 pm.

February 10, 2017 – Wild Game Dinner.at the Hall. Doors open at 5:00 pm.

February 17, 2018 – Major Degree. First Degree Exemplification.

Fraternally,
Joe Manuszak
Council Activities Director



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EUCHRE PARTY

Hope to see you on Saturday, January 27, 2018, at the St. Lawrence K of C Hall #2950, 44425 Utica Road in Utica for an evening of fun and fellowship at the 11th Annual Dr. Jim Euchre Party. Dr. Jim who was a Doctor at Wm. Beaumont Hospital died at the age of 30 due to Cancer. He was the son of Jim and Stephanie Langeveld.

There is a Tax Deductible Fund in Jim's name at U of M Cancer Center in Ann Arbor. This fund helps adult cancer patients and their families pay for personal expenses that are incurred due to the time that they have to spend in Ann Arbor at the Cancer Center.

Since inception over \$240,000 has been donated. One hundred percent (100%) of the proceeds from this Euchre Party go to this fund.

Check in time is 6:00 pm. The games start at 7:00 pm. The cost is \$25.00 per person. Door prizes, cash prizes, pizza, beer, wine and pop included.

Hope to see you there. Please contact Jim Langeveld if you have any questions at (586) 739-8119 or (810) 499-9055 or email jimlang122@gmail.com. Walk-ins welcome at the door.



EMPTY BOWLS DETROIT

They are looking for some volunteers on **February 19th** to assist with the set up and clean up for the painting of the bowls at our K of C Hall. I would suggest about 6 – 8 volunteers to be safe. The start time will have to be confirmed. If you can volunteer your time to paint bowls please contact Scott Morgan, Deputy Grand Knight at either his email address smorgan905@gmail.com or his phone (586) 201-5738. Please see flyer for additional information.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

All articles for the KnightLife should be sent to my new email address which is – lindanardeccchia@gmail.com.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING ST. LAWRENCE SCHOOL

If you need to be at our hall during school pick-up or drop-off times, please note the following information:

St. Lawrence School uses our Back lot and driveway (exit side) as a means of routing traffic before and after school.

The following are the approximate times that the school uses our lot. Parking behind the hall will **NOT** be available during these times.

DROP OFF – 8:15 AM – 9:15 AM
PICK UP – 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM

****MOST IMPORTANT** - please note that there are **NO LEFT TURNS** out of our parking lot during the afternoon pickup.

SORRY

I am so sorry that this edition of the KnightLife is getting out late. I had some medical issues which necessitated a brief hospital stay.

Linda Nardecchia

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

For the month of January we are honoring Brother Knight Anthony Quagliato. He and his wife Amanda have lived on Independence Avenue in Shelby Township for 16 years.

Anthony and Amanda have been married for 24 years. They have two children: Anthony Christian – (22 yrs. old) and Sydney Marie (18 yrs. old).

The family belongs to St. Lawrence Parish.

Anthony has worked with Delphi for 27 years and Amanda has worked with La Saj Restaurant for 8 years.

Anthony joined St. Lawrence Council in 2013. He has held the office of Recording Secretary.

In their spare time Anthony and Amanda enjoy spending time with friends and family, attending local theater and theater productions at Western Michigan University where their son Anthony is a theater major. They also enjoy spoiling their dog, Rocky, a yorkie.

Congratulations Anthony and being chosen January Knight of the Month by your Brother Knights.



FUTURE TEXAS HOLD'EM DATES

January 17, 18, 19 and 20, 2018

Please contact Don Heydens at dheydens@gmail.com for additional details and for volunteering your time.



Monday, January 15, 2018

OUR SICK MEMBERS

Our prayers are required for the Brother Knights and family members who are sick and recovering: Lillian Sparks, Megan Singer, Beverly Bebee, Jim Langeveld, Stan Singer, Terry Donovan, Ann Marie Badke, Mary Ann Campbell, John Manuszak, Jeremy Yorke, Kenneth Mulka, Richard Bino, Ron Wiegand, Joshua Walz, Mike Hoste, Marion Lelito, Richard Wisniewski, Sharon Dillaway, Ed Campbell, Bonnie Attard, Joseph Kone, Linda Picio, Sharon Gill, Griffen Davies, Ray Phillips, Olivia Kelly Tsvetkoff, Sue Vittorini, Brett Matyunas, Coralie Kone, Crystal Gittens, Ray Phillips, Richard Bino, Richard Gitter, David Kennedy, Kelly Gill, Sharon Winkler, Don Heydens Jr., Barb Zientek, Homer Solomon, Linda Nardecchia and MaryLu DeFauw.

Also please remember in your prayers our deceased members and their families: Tony Vittorini

If you know of anyone who should be on the list please call us at (586) 978-0579 or email us at: lindanardecchia@gmail.com. Any names that are underlined will come off the list next month unless we hear from you.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

We would like to wish all those people who are celebrating birthdays and/or anniversaries during the month of January a Happy Birthday or a Happy Anniversary.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH CONTINUED

Evangelical Committee. Both Laura and Joe participate on the Alpha Course. Laura is a Lector at St. Lawrence.

Joe has been employed at General Dynamics for 27 years and Laura has worked for the Macomb County Community College for 18 years.

Joe joined St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus in 2003. He has held the office of Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight and Trustee. Chairmanships include Program Director, Membership Director, Halloween and St. Pat's Parties and Wine Tasting.

In their spare time Joe and Laura enjoy going to concerts, reading, going to the movies, trying new recipes, hanging out with friends.

Congratulations Joe and Laura Lograsso on being chosen the January Family of the Month by your Brother Knights.



FRIDAY JAN. 19

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Empty Bowls Detroit hosts our annual fund raiser in March to raise funds and awareness for Cass Community Social Services' (CCSS) food program. Last year's event drew over 600 people and raised over \$35,000 for CCSS. The event, held in Eastern Market, offers a simple meal of soup, bread, cheese, fruit, beer, wine and entertainment...*ALL donated by local restaurants, organizations and individuals.*

PLEASE CONSIDER A SPONSORSHIP to help fill the bowls of hungry people in our community.

No bowl should go empty, but too often they do.

FACTS ABOUT HUNGER & CCSS

In southeast Michigan, **more than 670,000 people** are food insecure; 200,000 of them are children.

Nearly **300,000 children in SE Michigan** receive school meals. *On the weekends, they often go without food.*

Cass Community Social Services (CCSS) food program **serves 700,000 meals** to hungry people in Detroit annually. *The agency also provides housing, health care, job training and jobs to Detroiters in need.*

The CCSS kitchen is under the direction of Matt Prentice, a well-known and respected restaurateur who trains staff, supervises volunteers, and prepares food.



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In 2016, 92% of CCSS' income was applied to its programs. Only 8% went to administrative and fundraising costs.

CCSS was established as a nonprofit 501(c)(3) in 2002.
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CONTACT:

Sue Como
(586) 242-2782
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Please make checks payable to:

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11745 Rosa Parks Blvd, Detroit, MI 48206

All personnel are volunteers. We are proud to declare that 100% of all net proceeds are passed on to CCSS for the purpose of feeding others

Golden Ladle Sponsorship - \$5,000

- Name prominently displayed on the Empty Bowl Detroit website landing page as premier 2018 sponsor with link to your website.
- Name or Logo on the Golden Ladle Sponsors banner at Event
- Private dinner for 8 with Award winning Chef, Matt Prentice
- 10 tickets and 1 reserved tables to the 2018 Empty Bowls Detroit event on March 9, 2018
- Mention in all Empty Bowls Detroit press releases and eblasts sent for the 2018 event
- Mention on our social media pages

Silver Spoon Sponsorship - \$2,500

- Name or Logo on the Silver Spoon Sponsors banner at the Event
- logo on Empty Bowls Detroit website sponsors page and link to your website
- 6 tickets to the 2018 Empty Bowls Detroit event on March 9, 2018
- Mention in all Empty Bowls Detroit press releases and eblasts for the 2018 event
- Mention on our social media pages

Bronze Bowl Sponsorship - \$1,000

- Name on the Bronze Bowl Sponsors banner at the Event
- Name on Empty Bowls Detroit website sponsor page and a link to your website
- 4 tickets to the 2018 Empty Bowls Detroit event on March 9, 2018
- Mention in press releases, eblasts and on our social media pages

Copper Cup Sponsorship - \$500

- Name on the Copper Cup Sponsors banner at the Event and on Empty Bowls Detroit website sponsor page
- 2 tickets to the 2018 Empty Bowls Detroit event on March 9, 2018

Pewter Partners- Under \$500

- As a partner to Empty Bowls Detroit, your name will be listed on Empty Bowls Detroit website as a symbol of our gratitude for helping us fill those empty bowls in our community.

February 11-12, 2018

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- (3) You should receive a confirmation/reminder postcard 1-2 weeks before the departure date.

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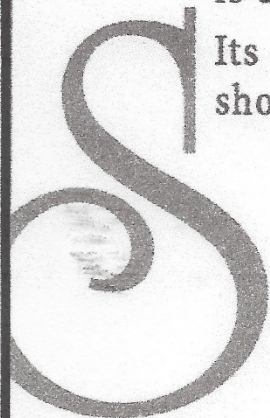
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