



St Elizabeth Ann Seton Council 11187

Happy St. Patrick's Day!!

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Dear Brother Knights,

The Lenten season is upon us. Lent is a time of preparation, over the next 40 days, for the resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Prayer, repentance, fasting and alms giving are the key components in this time of preparation. Please make a conscious effort to take time for your personal spiritual preparation. Our Parish has made available many tools to aid us in preparation: the Little Black Books, a book by Matthew Kelly "Resisting Happiness", the website Formed and BestLentEver.com, our Parish Mission next month and tours of the newly renovated church. Take advantage of these opportunities to grow ever closer to Jesus Christ. When we allow GOD to enter our hearts, GOD truly becomes a part of our lives.

March is our busiest month of the whole year!! Fish fries are happening every Friday for the next six weeks with a St. Patrick party in the middle. A lot of help is needed over the next six weeks. Please volunteer whenever and wherever you can. No amount of time is too small to volunteer!!

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!!

Congratulations to our newest Brother Knight, Bill Richards, on receiving his 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degree last month along with Jason McCarley, receiving his 2nd and 3rd Degree also last month!! Please congratulate these Brother Knights on their advancement towards full knighthood.

Winners of the "of the Year" awards will be announced next month

Your Brother in Christ,

Michael Sillings,

Grand Knight



Dates to Remember:

- March 1:** Ash Wednesday
- March 4-5:** March Membership Blitz while hosting Hospitality (Donut) Sunday
- March 5:** Knight's Mass
- March 7:** Officers' Planning Meeting- 7:30p
- March 8:** Business Meeting - 7:30p
Rosary - 7:00p
- March 3:** 1st Fish Fry
- March 10:** 2nd Fish Fry
- March 17:** 3rd Fish Fry
- March 18:** St. Patrick's Party
- March 24:** 4th Fish Fry
- March 31:** 5th Fish Fry

Business Meeting Notes - February 28th, 2017

Grand Knight Mike Sillings called the official meeting to order at 7:35

Roll Call of Officers: Missing were our Chaplain and Lecturer, both were excused. Brother Wayne motioned to approve the minutes from last month's meeting, Brother George 2nd. Voted upon and passed.

Chaplains Report: Absent, no report.

Membership and Reading of Applications: Brother Shawn Roberts had one new application who was Brian Smith of Pickerington. Voted upon and passed.

Grand Knight's Report: "Of The Year" nominations are due soon so please get them turned in! Super Cash Bonanza ticket distribution meeting will be held on February 19th at 2:00 in the PAC.

Treasurer Report: Brother Dan Murphy reported that we are financially solvent with a total balance of \$XXX.

Financial Secretary Report: Brother Frank Hare reported that we have collected dues from 197 members, if you haven't yet please pay your dues! We have collected \$XXX so far for the Gimee Five program. We have had the following expenses: pancake supplies, administrative supplies, per capita, confirmation retreat expenses, dodgeball dinner expenses, annual clergy dinner, and men's and women's catholic conferences. Brother Mike motioned to send the bills to the trustees for payment, Brother Wayne 2nd. Voted upon and passed.

Report of the Trustees: Audit has been filed and everything went great!

Chancellors Report: Brother Mike Croyle had no report.

Report on Programs and Committees:

Membership Director: Brother Shawn reported on the 1st Degree ceremony coming up on February 22nd at 7:00. On Sunday, February 26th, a 2nd and 3rd Degree ceremony will be held in Upper Arlington. On March 4th and 5th, we will be having a membership drive during doughnut Sunday. We currently have 278 members with 85 insurance members.

Program Director: Absent, no report.

Church Director: Brother Wayne reported on an article from Cardinal Timothy Dolan that explains what the Knight's mean to him. Lee Brock's wife passed away last week so express your sympathy when you see him. Special thanks to those who helped with the Honor Guard at the funeral. Confirmation and First Communion are fast approaching so Fourth Degree Knights will be needed at both of these special events.

Community Director: Brother Thom Laughery reported that the fish fries will be coming up soon as Lent approaches. This is our largest fundraiser of the year, so lots of help is needed. We will be doing a Father's day raffle in April with a City Barbeque gift card being raffled off. Blue Coat dinner planning is in the works.

Council Director: No report

Family Director: St. Patrick's Day festival is coming up soon.

Youth Director: Brother Jesus Garcia reported that the Confirmation retreat was once again a huge success!

Squires Report: Brother Gene reported that we are still taking applications for our scholarship. Brother Frank reported that 10 Squires were present for the dodgeball event.

Right to Life Director: Brother Dave reported on the candlelight mass that was held. The Diocesan mass was held on January 23rd. March for Life was also held recently. Forty days for

Life starts soon which we will be participating in. Greater Columbus Right to Life is also fast approaching! Baby and maternity clothing will be collected all throughout Lent.

Committees: Brother Frank spoke about the pancake breakfast this coming Sunday. Please come and stay late to help tear down the pancake breakfast area and move to the PAC to get ready for the fish fries that are soon approaching. A signup sheet will be available soon for those wanting to help at the fish fries, however all are welcome to show up and lend a helping hand! We will be starting the fish fries at 5:00 starting March 3rd. Our annual Bluecoat dinner will be coming up in April. Wives appreciation dinner is being planned for May. Free throw contest was held recently, thanks to those who helped. Brother Frank mentioned that the measure up campaign will be held on April 29th from 8:00 to 11:00, and on April 30th after all masses.

New Business:

MOTION: Brother Frank motioned to spend \$XXX of the Squires budget to help send some of the Squires to the Catholic Men's Conference, 2nd by Brother Wayne. Voted upon and passed.

MOTION: Brother Shawn motioned to spend up to \$XXX for doughnuts on our membership drive during hospitality Sunday, 2nd by Brother Mike Croyle. Voted upon and passed.

PUBLISHED MOTION: Brother Rick motioned to spend up to \$XXX for the St. Patrick's Day party, 2nd by Brother Rick.

Report of the Fourth Degree: Brother Mike reported that the chili cook off will held at our next Fourth Degree meeting.

Field Agent Report: Brother Mike spoke about the growth of the Knights insurance program and all the products that are offered.

District Deputy Report: Absent, no report.

Brothers in Need: Lucretia Garcia, Maureen Patterson, Jim and Margie Patterson, Danna Noreva, Carrie Ebert, Stephanie Stevens, Sandra Blamer, Frank Hare, Scott Mucha, Dominc and Dana Nocera, Lee Brock Family.

Lecturer Report: Absent, no report

Grand Knight Mike Sillings then officially closed the meeting at 8:37 pm.

Jimmy Smithberger,

Recorder

Lecturer's Corner

The Amazing Oscars - Alfred Hitchcock

I watched the 2017 Oscars even down to the last award Sunday nite. When it was over I still wasn't sure who won! So much confusion for modern technology!

I watched the movie VERTIGO for the first time last night. Of course, it was a film produced years ago. But it was a film also that was nominated for an Oscar. But it was also nominated for an Oscar along with several other Hitchcock films produced over the years.

Along with the other Hitchcock productions that were nominated, none; I mean none; ever received an Oscar. The list includes such films such as; REAR WINDOW, PSYCO; SHADOW OF A DOUBT; etc. To have all the Hitchcock movies shunned over the years it is amazing in itself! That was a fact that I did not know until a couple days ago.

Respectfully submitted:

Francis Joos,

Lecturer

Culture of Life: Amniocentesis and abortion

Amniocentesis is an invasive test that prospective parents can have performed to determine if specific genetic disorders may be present in the baby. The test is performed at 14-20 weeks of pregnancy and consists of securing amniotic fluid from the mother's womb via needle. The fluid contains cells shed from the fetus which is then sent to the lab for analysis. The analysis can detect fetal anemia, assess lung maturity as well as detect chromosome abnormalities, neural tube defects, Down Syndrome, cystic fibrosis and spinal bifida not to mention paternity. The test does not determine the severity of any of the aforementioned disorders and carries with it a certain amount of risk. There is a 1-200 to 1-400 chance of a miscarriage (1-400 where the test is done regularly and 1-200 where not done regularly) due to infection in the uterus, water breaking or premature birth. While the test can provide valuable information to the future parents on the health of their baby all too often it is used to determine if the parents want to carry the baby to term or, sadly, abort the baby.

While researching for this letter I came across an article at PubMed.gov which I found enlightening and disheartening at the same time.

"The ethical issues surrounding amniocentesis are seen as centering on 4 focal points. First is the policy of the diagnostic treatment center. Here, 2 questions arise: Is the client involved in a high-risk pregnancy? And, if a positive diagnosis is made, will the parent's consent to an abortion? Second is the role of the genetic counselor, which is seen as supportive rather than leading. He should assist the prospective parents in reaching a decision to undergo amniocentesis and possible abortion that is mutually acceptable. The prospective parents, the third focal point, may face the question of deciding what is normal. The clients must also realize the terrible strains that are put on a marriage into which a severely defective child has been born. The fourth focal point is public policy. While amniocentesis may appear to threaten some values held important in our society, the author regards the procedure as an interim solution on the road to an understanding of and ability to treat genetic defects."

I saw in that article a heavy emphasis on abortion. "Will the parent's consent to an abortion?" The counselor "should assist the prospective parents in reaching a decision to undergo amniocentesis and possible abortion", "what is normal", "terrible strains that are put on a marriage" etc. I found the last sentence particularly disturbing, it became clear to me that the author needed the aborted fetus to reach "an understanding of and ability to treat genetic defects." While that may be a laudable goal it can't be reached at the expense of another human being's life.

It is not my intent to discourage any prospective parents from having this test performed because as mentioned previously it can provide valuable information on the health of the baby and give the parents time to make arrangements to care for the child after it is born. This is more of a cautionary tale to not let the results of the test deter the parents from bringing the child to term and to be aware that there may be some pressure brought to bear to abort the child. Speaking of tales, let me relay a story that played out in my life.

My Godparents were also the parents of Down Syndrome twins. It was a heavy burden that God gave them to carry and they carried that burden stoically. The twins, boys, always made me feel uncomfortable. They looked funny, talked and acted funny and I wasn't sure how to behave around them. What I found amazing was how happy they always seemed to be, I just couldn't understand it. As I got older I began to feel more comfortable around them and with the help of my parents I got a greater understanding of the disease. Little by little, year by year the twins became more functional and I enjoyed their company more and more. As is often the case the families grew apart until I saw very little of the twins. The last I heard, and that was decades ago, they had secured

employment at a local restaurant and had gotten an apartment of their own and now live happy productive lives. I often have wondered why my parents would have chosen them to be my Godparents and have come to the conclusion that my parents didn't do it for me, they did it for the parents of those twins. They wanted them to know that their life was not defined by their burden but rather their compassion. There is no doubt in my mind that if something happened to my parents these people would take care of me no matter the cost.

I guess the moral to my story is that God will never give us a burden we cannot bear and that every life has something to teach us. We should resist the temptation to take the easy way out and carry the burden that God has placed on our shoulders as stoically as my Godparents carried theirs. God has a purpose for every life and it is not our place to decide that which has already been decided by God.

Dave Bushnell and Edd Chinnock,

Culture of Life Chairman

Fry News

Brother Knights (long time and new),

Friday March 3rd is our first of six Fish Fries. These popular Lenten events are Seton Council's largest fundraiser. As you know a great deal of help is needed.

[Brother Knights \(long time and new\):](#)

Our fish fries have begun! These popular Lenten events draw 500+ guests per and are Seton Council's largest fundraiser. As you know a great deal of help is needed. Please drop by between 4:30 and 8:30 to assist. As always, we are in great need of volunteers to assist with cleaning at the end of the event (7:00pm or so). Many of the help arrive around noon on Fridays. By the end of the night they are pretty spent and some fresh hard working folks arriving late would be a huge help

[FISH FRY MENTION IN CATHOLIC TIMES:](#)

From J.K. Mendenhall, the Catholic Times' traveling fish fry expert:

"Pickerington St. Elizabeth Seton - "Five stars. Always a favorite, plus it's David's home parish. The pollock is good, but the salmon option is the highlight. It's the same as you get at Bob Evans, but twice the size. It's almost as good as my mom's. Nothing's as good as hers was. You know it's a good meal when the firefighters eat there, and we had firefighters from Violet Township on hand."

[APPEAL FOR DESSERTS:](#)

Desserts are needed for the fish fries. These traditionally are donated by our member's families. Please consider showing off some of your favorites, dropping them off from noon to 5:00 in the PAC.

WE ESPECIALLY NEED DESSERTS FROM OUR MEMBERS - 3/10 - 3/24 - 4/7.

Thanks in advance for your support,

The Fish Fry Guys



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
•IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Information Update: Council 11187 is always trying to improve the communications aspect of our group. We rely on email to get the message out quickly, but we also need your address and phone number. Please fill out the form and either email it to me or place it in my church mailbox. My email is jvlag3@ameritech.net

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

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Alt Email: _____

For more information on Pro-Life Activities

Email us at prolife@uscgb.org
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Magnets,

We have new "He Is Risen" magnets in and can sell them at the same price as our Christmas magnets. Let me know if you have any questions.

Mark Newhouse



Knights of Columbus Council Shirts

Are you envious of the nice embroidered Council 11187 shirts worn by many of the members? No need to fret, fill out this form and return it to Frank Piper at 496 Hillview Street, Pickerington Ohio 43147 with a check for the shirts and you too will look fashionable at all of the council functions.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **E&L EMBROIDERY**

NAME: _____ (Please Print)

Polo Shirt _____ X \$25.00 = _____

Oxford Dress Shirt: _____ X \$30.00 = _____

Short Sleeve:

Long Sleeve:

(Oxford Only)

Shirt Size MED

LRG

XL

2X*

3X*

4X*

* \$5.00 Extra



St. Patrick's Day Party

When: March 18, 2017
Where: The PAC Center
Doors Open at 6 pm for Dinner
Entertainment starts at 7:00 pm

DINNER MENU

Corned Beef or Fish
Colcannon Potatoes or Chips
Cabbage
Hot dogs for the kids
Applesauce
Desserts
Guinness, Harp, Cold and Hot Drinks

ENTERTAINMENT TO INCLUDE:
The Richen-Timms Irish Dance School,
The ML Dance Academy
Bag Piper, Irish Music and
Sing-a-Longs

Adults - \$8.00
Children under 10 - \$4.00
4 and Under - FREE



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2017 FISH FRIES

at the Seton Parish Activity Center

Fish Fry Dates

Mar 3 – Mar 10 – Mar 17

Mar 24 – Mar 31 – Apr 7

5:00 to 7:00



Here is what's on the menu:

- ❖ **Our Secret Recipe Baked or Batter Dipped Fried Fish** (\$9.00 adult \$5.00 child)
- ❖ **Specially Seasoned and Baked Salmon** (\$10.00)
- ❖ **Super Cheesy Macaroni and Cheese!** (\$6.00)
- ❖ **Specialty Potatoes or Rice and Vegetable**
- ❖ **Cole Slaw and Apple Sauce**
- ❖ **Beverages**
- ❖ **Wonderful Desserts**

CARRYOUT WINDOW!!

Includes Baked or Fried Fish,
Mac & Cheese, Cole Slaw and
Applesauce
\$8.00

Credit Cards accepted



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2016/2017 Council 11187 Calendar (Tentative)

July	
3	Knight's Mass
5	Officers Meeting
13	Business Meeting
20	Assembly Meeting*
27	1st Degree/Social
31	Squires Meeting
4	Independence Day
October	
2	Knight's Mass
4	Officers Meeting
12	Business Meeting
19	Assembly Meeting*
26	1st Degree/Social
30	Squires Meeting
12	Council Anniversary
10	Columbus Day
22	Family Fun Festival
30	2nd/3rd Degree
January	
1	Knight's Mass
3	Officers Meeting
11	Business Meeting
18	Assembly Meeting
25	1st Degree/Social
26	Squires Meeting
1	New Year's Day
16	MLK Birthday
8	3rd Pancake Breakfast*
21	Free Throw Contest
29	Dodge Ball Tournament
April	
2	Knight's Mass
4	Officers Meeting
15	Business Meeting
19	Assembly Meeting
26	1st Degree/Social
30	Squires Meeting
15	Tax Day
9	Palm Sunday
13	Holy Thursday
14	Good Friday
16	Easter
7	6th Fish Fry
21	Blue Coats Dinner

August	
2	Officers Meeting
7	Knight's Mass
10	Business Meeting
17	Assembly Meeting*
24	1st Degree/Social
28	Squires Meeting
16	School Starts
	Seton Open
November	
1	Officers Meeting
6	Knight's Mass
9	Business Meeting
16	Assembly Meeting*
23	1st Degree/Social
27	Squires Meeting
11	Veterans Day
24	Thanksgiving
13	1st Pancake Breakfast*
February	
5	Knight's Mass
7	Officers Meeting
8	Business Meeting
15	Assembly Meeting
22	1st Degree/Social
26	Squires Meeting
14	Valentine's Day
20	President's Day
12	4th Pancake Breakfast
May	
2	Officers Meeting
7	Knight's Mass
10	Business Meeting
17	Assembly Meeting
24	1st Degree/Social
28	Squires Meeting
14	Mother's Day
29	Memorial Day
13	Wives Appreciation Dinner
28-29	Convention Weekend
	Measure UP

September	
4	Knight's Mass
6	Officers Meeting
14	Business Meeting
24	Assembly Meeting*
25	Squires Meeting
28	1st Degree/Social
5	Labor Day
5	Labor Day Parade
9	Seton Festival
11	Seton Festival
December	
4	Knight's Mass
6	Officers Meeting
14	Business Meeting
21	Assembly Meeting*
25	Squires Meeting
28	1st Degree/Social
25	Christmas Day
31	New Year's Eve
11	2nd Pancake Breakfast*
March	
5	Knight's Mass
7	Officers Meeting
8	Business Meeting
15	Assembly Meeting
22	1st Degree/Social
26	Squires Meeting
1	Ash Wednesday
3	1st Fish Fry
10	2nd Fish Fry
17	3rd Fish Fry
18	St Patty's Party
24	4th Fish Fry
31	5th Fish Fry
June	
4	Knight's Mass
6	Officers Meeting
14	Business Meeting
21	Assembly Meeting
25	Squires Meeting
28	1st Degree/Social
14	Flag Day
18	Father's Day
	Car Show
	Car Show (Rain Date)

March 2017	
5	Knight's Mass: 9:30 am
7	Officers Meeting: 7:30 pm
8	Business Meeting: 7:30 pm Rosary at 7:00 pm
15	Assembly Meeting: 6:30 Social/7:30 Meeting
22	1st Degree/Social: TBA
26	Squires Meeting: 12:30 pm
1 Ash Wednesday	
3	1st Fish Fry
10	2nd Fish Fry
17	3rd Fish Fry
18	St Patty's Party
24	4th Fish Fry
31	5th Fish Fry

April 2017	
2	Knight's Mass: 9:30
4	Officers Meeting: 7:30 pm
15	Business Meeting: 7:30 pm Rosary at 7:00 pm
19	Assembly Meeting: 6:30 Social/7:30 Meeting
26	1st Degree/Social: TBA
30	Squires Meeting: 12:30 pm
15 Tax Day	
9	Palm Sunday
13	Holy Thursday
14	Good Friday
16	Easter
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Prayer Corner

Lucretia Garcia, Maureen Patterson, Jim and Margie Patterson, Danna Noreva, Carrie Ebert, Stephanie Stevens, Sandra Blamer, Frank Hare, Scott Mucha, Dominc and Dana Nocera, Lee Brock Family.

We also pray for our first responders (Police and Fire), our Military and Priests and religious.

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