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November

Calendar

Nov 7 —Beaumont Meeting

Nov 13— Council Business Meeting

Nov 27 — Lecturer Night

Grand Knight Report—Warren Norris

Brothers All

Vivat Jesus!

Wayne Norris Grand Knight

Food For the Needy

Please be generous and support the council's John J. Faggio Christmas Food For the Needy Program by selling or purchasing the raffle tickets sent to you. Also, the distribution of the food to the poor will be held on Thursday, December 12. We will need lots of volunteers to package the food and to distribute it. Mark your calendars and plan to help us. We start at 8:00 am and finish by noon. For more information, contact: Tom Slifker, 410-465-3485; Mike Blair, 410-744-8754; Ken Horvitz, 410-218-8527; Gary Warren, 410-480-1424, or Pat Young, Jr., 410-206-5415.

Patapsco Travel Club News – If you made reservations for the December 4 Sights and Sounds trip to see "The Miracle of Christmas"/Shady Maple Smorgasbord, full payment is due now. We need to give Sights & Sounds a final count by November 1. Please send your full payments to: Patapsco Travel Club, Attention: Mike Blair, 1010 Frederick Rd., Catonsville, MD 21228. Bus committee: Tom Slifker 410-465-3485; Mike Blair 410-744-8754; Ken Horvitz 410-218-8527; or Peggy Baldwin 410-299-8586 (after 6:00 pm).

Prayerful Thoughts

Medjugorje Message – September 23, 2013 –Message to Marija. "Dear children! Also today I call you to prayer. May your relationship with prayer be a daily one. Prayer works miracles in you and through you, there-

fore, little children, may prayer be a joy for you. Then your relationship with life will be deeper and more open and you will comprehend that life is a gift for each of you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

2nd Annual Catonsville Couples Night Out

Saturday, November 9th. Please mark your calendars for another fun adult night out with friends from our neighborhood. This year in addition to our favorite local DJ Alfie, we will also be entertained by a local band called the Acoustic Limit. Tickets cost \$20 in advance per person and an additional \$5 at the door. For more information, contact Bernie Wrisk at 443-604-8372 or bwrisk@verizon.net.

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NOVEMBER SPECIALS

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November 1 - Shrimp Scampi

November 8 - Baked Ham w/pineapple raisin sauce

November 15 - Stuffed Flounder

November 22 - Chicken Pot Pies

November 29 - KOI Closed

In addition to our specials, we serve a regular menu of crab cakes, chicken tenders, shrimp salad, fried shrimp, cheese steak subs and rib eye steaks. All meals are served with delicious sides and salads. Please come and join us for a great evening of fraternity and family fun.

### A Month for Remembrance—Fr. Gene Nikol

November is the month of remembering and giving thanks. There are two very special days for remembering. First is All Souls Day, when we pray for all our deceased dear ones, whom we miss because of the important role they had in our lives. Parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins, friends and classmates. They all showed us the face of God by their love, caring, and dedication. We pray that day for their eternal salvation; may God reward their goodness to us! We pray that Jesus look on them with mercy and compassion and wipe away their sins, cleansing them and bringing them into His loving embrace in heaven. This is why Jesus came—to show us all the way to the Father's House where we can dwell with God in His Glory (John 14:1-7) forever. The "way" Jesus shows us is the way of fidelity and love. Because our deceased dear ones followed that way and shared God's love with us, we can be confident they have come to the fullness of God's life in heaven.

The other group we reverently remember in November are all veterans; those who served our nation and God in the armed forces and gave their lives so that we can enjoy the freedom and blessings of this great country. Veterans Day reminds us all that we are blessed because others made the ultimate sacrifice for our nation. Jesus said: "There is no greater love then to lay down one's life for another" (John 16:13) I saw those words etched in stone in a monument to the veterans of WWII in New Zealand, and in another monument in Pearl Harbor, and again at Normandy in France.

Around the world, people remember those who gone before us and helped us build the world we have now. All of this is one of countless reasons for us to GIVE THANKS also in this month of November. These brave soldiers and these loving family members are all gifts from God – treasures beyond price – but the

even greater treasure – the purest gold – is the gift God gives us in Jesus our Savior – the one who laid down His life for us on the cross and rose from the dead – conquering sin and death and opening for these, our beloved dead, and for us when our time comes, the way to heaven.

Faith is such a wonderfully meaningful gift at this time of the year; it enables us to see the countless blessings God has showered upon us. Never let the government's foolishness and ineptness blind you to the wonders that surround us each and every day of our lives. Enjoy them; share them with one another and the poor, and always and everywhere be grateful for them. God is Good, all the time; all the time, God is Good!!! Amen



### **Beaumont News**

In need of a place to hold your next party, consider using the Council Home.

The Council Office (410-744-8754).



#### Patapsco's Annual Men's Retreat at Loyola Retreat

*House*: Mark your calendars now for the weekend of March 7-9, 2014, for our annual retreat. This year's theme is "Rivers of Living Water". Think about joining your Brother Knights and friends for a weekend away to recharge your spiritual needs. For more information, contact PGK Tom Slifker at 410-465-3485 or Tim McCarthy at 443-610-7584.

Please remember the following people in your prayers.

PGK Bob Carhardt; PGK Reggie DiSante; Rita Eberling; Robert Hoffman; Tom Slifker; Rosemary Bennett; PGK Ed Canter; John Lackey; Peggy Baldwin; Robert Middlecamp

### Council Programs — PGK Barry Casanova, Program Director

Brothers and Patapsco Council family: We are off to a fast start for the Fall season with many and varied Council events planned this month and next. It is hard to believe that Thanksgiving has rolled around so quickly and the Christmas season is fast approaching. I am pleased to report that all of the Surge for Service reports were submitted timely, and I actually have a draft for one for this guarter. We could have used a few more pictures, but, overall, I think they were good. Thanks brothers. Looking forward, doing them as soon as possible after an event will make things so much easier for all concerned. A good report should aim for about 600 words.

A major method of communication is for Brothers to attend the Council Business Meeting. Twice this Columbian year we have just made quorum. Council brothers, will I see you at 8:00 pm for our next meeting? Without your interest and input, how strong can our Council be?

Which brings up another point—our Council Home needs your support. Beaumont has seen a drop off in bookings ("It's the economy" is often used), so if you have the opportunity, talk up Hall rentals!

Please remember our veterans on the 11th. Thankfully, the Memorials have been reopened.

Anyway, have a great Thanksgiving at the end of the month. Mary, Queen of the Knights, pray for us.

> PGK Barry Casanova, Program Director

CHURCH – PGK Mike Doetzer, Chairman: Thanks to all of the brothers who helped with the annual Council – St. Joseph Monastery Parish Crab feast September 29. The event was a great success. The proceeds will be evenly divided between the Council Charity Fund and the church, which will use its share to support parish activities.

COMMUNITY – Mike Blair: We've been de-Flea'd, Shredded and Recycled. What's next? A Catonsville Christmas—maybe look for Santa in town. COUNCIL – DGK Scott Luco: The Heart of Maryland Chorus event will take place the second Wednesday in December. A memorial mass is coming up November 6 for deceased brothers and families. Mass will be at St. Mark's Chapel with a reception at the Council hall afterward.

CULTURE OF LIFE – Tim McCarthy: The 40 Days program is here. Continue your prayers.

FAMILY — Chancellor Bernie Wrisk: Results of the October 15 Dine Out and Raise Funds at the Greene Turtle, Hanover, MD may have raised us well over \$600. Thanks to all that helped to make this a success. We may have another event in December. Family fun was had at the Demolition Derby in Arcadia, MD, on October 5.

YOUTH – David Slade: Christmas party will be held on December 20 at 9:00.

CHARITY – The 2nd Annual Catonsville Couples Night Out will be held on November 9.

VOCATIONS – Chancellor Bernie Wrisk: Brother Edmund McCullough reported in that he is doing well, although this semester is academically very intense. He enjoys reading our newsletter and sends his greetings to all his Brother

Knights. If possible, we will try to arrange a meeting time with him during his brief visit home December 26 and into first few days of January.

FOURTH DEGREE – Ernie Schaefer: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Knights of Columbus Assembly will hold a Christmas Party on December 15, 2013 from 5:00 to 9:00 pm at the St. Agnes Council Hall. We will have music, dinner, dessert, beer, and wine. Cost is "Free Will" (usually \$20.00 per person). If interested, please call (410) 744-3560.

SUPREME COUNCIL – The Knights of Columbus donated \$100,000 to St. Rose of Lima Catholic Parish in Newtown, Conn., to support ongoing parish programs related to last December's elementary school shooting.

STATE COUNCIL – The Maryland State Council Knights of Columbus will hold the Annual Memorial Mass on November 17, at 2:30 pm at St. Clement Mary Hofbauer Church, Baltimore.

Baltimore Chapter of Grand Knights – Baltimore Chapter Memorial Mass will be held on Thursday, November 14, at 7:00 pm at St. Joseph Monastery, 3801 Frederick Rd.; Baltimore.

share with your Brother Knights, please submit your contribution by the 20th of the month! Send your items to rickounc@gmail.com or call 410-207-0939.

If you have news to

#### **FAMILY OF THE MONTH**

Our council recognizes our Deputy Grand Knight Scott Luco and his family as our Family of the Month. Scott and his wife Anne have five children—Stephen, Jacob, Emily, William, and David. They are parishioners of St. Mark Church. Family time is important to them, and they go through life as strong Christian Soldiers. More recently our council has been getting to know Jacob and William as they have started to take more active roles in our council activities.

Additionally, we would like to recognize a previous Family of the Month that was not mentioned in the newsletter: The Bateman family. Mark, his wife Carol, and their four children—Caroline, Casey, Ellen, and Gavin—are parishioners of St. Mark. The children also attend St. Mark School. The family makes a habit of praying together and always tries to bring into their prayer another family that they know is going through some sort of crisis.

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### BRINGING GOOD FROM EVIL—Co-Editor Tim McCarthy

St. Thomas Aquinas tells us, "Evil exists so that good can come out of it." In order for this to happen, there must be forgiveness—for others, but especially for ourselves. As a drug counselor, I see this work well in the Twelve Steps of Recovery. The fifth step, for example, is, "To acknowledge to God, yourself, and another human being the exact nature of your wrongs." Recovery comes through a series of behavior changes with a supporting peer group.

The strength of the program depends on the willingness of the recovering person to reach out to those still suffering. The power of the approach is that we can convert the vice of addiction into the virtue of altruism. Through a series of self-realizations, the evils we endured become a resource to help others.

Most of us have heard about the expense of inpatient rehab. But let us not forget that Bill Wilson and Dr. Bob, the founders of Alcoholics Anonymous, had no such opportunity for themselves. Yes, there are times when rehab is the only way to go. But the resources these rehabs are built upon are based on the book Alcoholics Anonymous. That book is available from Amazon.com for \$12.

**Remembering All Souls**: Brothers, in this month of All Souls, please remember our council members who have died this past year: Rudolph V Depaola; Dennis Guerin; Timothy Hoffman; Raymond F. Lowman; John A. Bruns; James K. Langan. A memorial Mass will be celebrated by our Chaplain, Father Gene Nickol, on November 6 at St. Mark's Chapel, 30 Melvin Ave. in Catonsville. All members and their families are encouraged to attend.

Consider going Green and get your Patapsco Knight online! Contact Brother Mike Blair via email kc1529@verizon.net to be added to the list.

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# Knights of Columbus Patapsco Travel Club Presents



#### **Miracle of Christmas**

Sight & Sound Theatre-Lancaster County, Pa.

Followed by

### Shady Maple Smorgasbord December 4, 2013



A family tradition that follows the biblical account of the birth of Jesus. We have reserved excellent seating for this show. If you love to eat — after the show we travel to Shady Maple Smorgasbord that has over 200 feet of buffet lines. Cost: Adults \$115, Teens (13—18) \$100 & Children (12 & under \$85).

For reservations, contact one of the trip coordinators:

Tom Slifker at 410-465-3485

Mike Blair at 410-744-8754

Ken Horvitz at 410-218-8527

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### BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW

If you were part of this last year, you know you don't want to miss this year's event!





Hosted by Knights of Columbus Patapsco Council

## Saturday, November 9th 7:00 pm to Midnight

DJ Alfie Aldave 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm Live local band "Acoustic Limit" 9:00 pm to Midnight

Tickets are \$20 per person or \$40 per couple in advance (\$25/\$45 at the door)

Location: Patapsco Council Knights of Columbus Hall, 1010 Frederick Road, Catonsville

Come and enjoy a casual social gathering with neighborhood friends!

Proceeds will fund Knights of Columbus Patapsco Council community charities

Price includes entertainment, heavy hors d'oeuv res, tap beer, w ine, and soda.

Additional costs for liquor, specialty beers, raffles, prize wheel, and money wheel.

For more information, contact Bernie Wrisk at bwrisk@verizon.net