

GOOD KNIGHT NEWS

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Knights of Columbus

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“As Knights We Come Together in Prayer and Service”



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Message from our Grand Knight Andre Basmajian:

Greetings and hope everyone is enjoying this especially Winter season of Snow in Richmond, Virginia and the Mid-Atlantic. Have we set records or HAVE WE SET RECORDS!!!!

I am also especially hopeful that Brother Knights celebrate Valentine's Day with special love and devotion to family and community. This year, Valentine's Day adds to our special liturgical celebrations falling on Sunday. So please celebrate, enjoy and as we know from Scriptures, "love one another as I have loved you."

The Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Sunday, February 14, 2010, provides that wonderful opportunity to hear Luke and the extraordinary message from our Lord about who is Blessed.

Luke writes that Jesus came down with the twelve and stood on a stretch of level ground with a great crowd of his disciples and others and raising his eyes toward his disciples he said:

"Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours.

Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied.

COUNCIL CHARTER PARISH

Cathedral of the Sacred Heart
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Rev. Patrick Golden – Rector
Rev. Mr. Marshall Banks, MD, Deacon
Rev. Mr. J. Brian Bergen, Deacon
Andre Basmajian – Grand Knight 2009-2010
Ken Oriole, Deputy Grand Knight 2009-2010
Mike Ribakov – Past Grand Knight 2008-09

ROUNDTABLE PARISH

Saint Peter Church
800 East Grace Street
Richmond, VA 23219
Rev. Robert A. Brownell, Pastor

COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE REPRESENTATIVE

Clarence Vaughan 2009-2010

Blessed are you who are now weeping, for you will laugh.

Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude and insult you, and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of Man.

Rejoice and leap for joy on that day! Behold, your reward will be great in heaven. For their ancestors treated the prophets in the same way.

But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

Woe to you who are filled now, for you will be hungry.

Woe to you who laugh now, for you will grieve and weep.

Woe to you when all speak well of you, for their ancestors treated the false prophets in this way.”

Quite a powerful message at these challenging times as many of us step forward and participate in relief efforts and contributions – donations on behalf of the people of Haiti and the effects of the severe earthquake affecting that part of the globe.

Much to Love and much to serve in God's name.

I also ask Brother Knights to celebrate Presidents' Day and its special meaning remembering Presidents Washington and Lincoln in particular. Many people have contributed to the quality of life we are able to enjoy in this country. Please express your sincere appreciation for those who continue to make this journey so remarkable.

Please be on the lookout for information regarding an April program to honor Black History Month. We will hopefully have one of our own [Brother Clarence Vaughan] speak about serving and loving God as a member of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond.

Look especially to serve and love during this special season of Lent.

As to State functions, please remember to visit the site of the Knights of Columbus Virginia State Council (VSC) to be aware of the activities within our Commonwealth.



OTHER NEWS:

Please remember those Brother Knights sick and in recovery and those born to eternal life.

Again, please keep the following in your prayers as well as their health care providers, as they journey to improved health and recovery: Joyce Baird; Rev. Deacon Marshall Banks, M.D.; brother of Morgan Johnson; Goldie Philips; and Melvin Spurlock.

Service, Fundraising and Fellowship

Please welcome the service opportunity of preparing and staffing meals during Lent [possible "Fish Fry" nights]. I would very much like to know that we could hold at least one meal at Cathedral and one meal at St. Peter during Lent. Also, please remember to get back to me on whether you can assist one of the former Parish staff [Robin White Mundle] in a move on Saturday, February 20, 2010. Please consider service opportunities dealing with KOVAR; Year of the Priest; Fellowship possibilities involving Bowling, Putt Putt Golf, and Sunday Brunch - Luncheon with family members. Please also

consider possible repeat fundraising opportunities involving Brunswick Stew and Bingo. The participation of the entire Council membership is vital for the success of any of these venues. I ask you to participate wholeheartedly in service opportunities and to also recognize that fundraising enables us to contribute to worthwhile activities.

Birthday greetings to those brother knights who celebrate a great occasion in this lovely month of February.

Dues Update: We are announcing and collecting dues for calendar year 2010. Thank you to those Knights who have helped us get started. Dues for our Council are \$37.00. Please remit your payments to me and I will see that they get into our account and ready for the Worthy Financial Secretary to issue current membership cards for this year.

On a personal note, I want to share updated news about our third son, Alden and his wife Kimberly, as proud parents of their baptized daughter, Addison Jane Basmajian, Baptized on Saturday, February 13, 2010, Sts Peter and Paul Church, Hoboken, NJ.

Regarding St. Peter Church, our Roundtable Parish – Please try to attend Noon Service at St. Peter during the week. This is an especially appropriate time as Lent begins on Wednesday, February 17, 2010 and Fr. Bob will be holding his special Noon Lenten Service. Please take the time to take a deep breath and enjoy the presence of God as brought to us by Father Bob Brownell. Continue to remember this year as the 175th Anniversary celebration year of St. Peter Church, the first Cathedral in this Diocese.

Recognizing the many contributions of our Brother Knights and family members to Cathedral and St. Peter. Please remember to extend your hand to Brother Knights who so gladly accept the responsibilities associated with the many ministries for which we volunteer and serve. You contribute to the spirituality of our parish at Cathedral and our Roundtable Parish, St. Peter. You enrich the community as a whole. Each of you is commended! You are gifts to all of us. Thanks to you & your families for such

wonderful examples of God With Us. It is beautiful!

Also remember to respond as to whether you can help Robin Mundle who is trying to move to her new residence on February 20, 2010.

Thank you for the support you have given me as your Grand Knight in this first month plus of Fraternal Year of 2009-2010.

HAPPY LENT!

VIVAT JESUS.

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Past and Upcoming dates for Officers Meetings and Council Meetings

M-08/10/09	M-08/17/09
M-09/14/09	M-09/21/09
T-10/13/09*	M-10/19/09
M-11/09/09	M-11/16/09
M-12/07/09*	S-12/13/09*
M-01/11/10	T-01/19/10*
T-02/09/10*	T-02/15/10
M-03/08/10	M-03/22/10
M-04/12/10	M-04/19/10
T-05/11/10*	T-05/18/10*
M-06/14/10	M-06/21/10

Editors Note: Please forward any news you would like to see in the Newsletter, prior to the 10th of the month and I will make every attempt to include it. Family news is especially welcome.

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