

# KC Quote

## February 2024



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March for Life 1/19/2024—9am Prolife Mass, Bus GS to DC, March to Congress,  
4pm Chili Dinner at KofC Lounge p 19

Prolife Corner— Prolife Rosary every Saturday at Womens Clinic, Free Pregnancy Test and  
Free Ultrasound p 18

### ***Mount Vernon Council 5998***

**Council Meetings - First and Third Thursday of the Month  
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be subject to cancellation at  
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**Council Calendar** – The Council  
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up to date on our Council web-  
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## February 2024 The Holy Family

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sponsor Mike and Margot Argo for Polar Plunge:	<a href="https://im-pact.specialolympicsva.org/fundraiser/5141094">https://im-pact.specialolympicsva.org/fundraiser/5141094</a>			<b>1</b> Officer's Meeting 630 pm, Rosary 7:30 pm, Business Meeting 8 pm	<b>2</b> Bingo 7 pm 1st Friday Nocturnal Adoration 11pm Basilica St Mary	<b>3</b> POLAR PLUNGE Va Beach Patriotic Rosary 1045am. (in person / or Zoom).
<b>4</b> First Sunday (bingo)	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Winter/ Spring events planning meeting 7 pm	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Ladies Night 630pm	<b>9</b> Bingo 7 pm	<b>10</b> Prolife Rosary at Sherwood 8am -noon
<b>11</b> SL Pancake Bfst  Superbowl Party 630pm	<b>12</b> Corporation monthly meeting 7pm	<b>13</b> Shrove Tuesday school Lunch SL 11am, 6pm Dinner SL and GS	<b>14</b> Ash Wednesday  Valentine's Day	<b>15</b> Pot Luck Social Pro Life Speaker Angela Clark 630pm	<b>16</b> Bingo 7pm	<b>17</b> Prolife Rosary at Sherwood 8am -noon  Council Free Throw Contest at SL Gym 1-3pm
<b>18</b> GS Pancake Bfst,	<b>19</b> District Free Throw Challenge 8am SL Gym	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Virginia Pro-Life Day and state March for Life on February 21, 2024	<b>22</b> <i>Newsletter articles are due now for March KC Quote</i>	<b>23</b> Bingo 7pm	<b>24</b> Prolife Rosary at Sherwood 8am -noon
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Potomac Assembly 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree 7pm Rosary, 730 Meeting	<b>27</b> Adoration with the GK 6-6:45pm GS	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Polish Night Planning Meeting 7pm		

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# *CHAPLAIN'S COMPASS*

## *From Our Chaplain*

### *Fr. Thomas Ferguson*



#### The Consecrated Life

The month of February begins with our celebration of the feast of the Presentation of the Lord, which is also the annual World Day for Consecrated Life (February 2).

In our parishes, we easily recognize those who are living their particular vocations in the Church as married people and as single people, as priests and as deacons, but we do not these days see as many people living the Consecrated Life.

The Consecrated Life includes life in a religious community of sisters, whether cloistered or in active apostolates in the world. It also includes life in a religious community of brothers and/or priests, and life as a consecrated virgin or in the silence of a hermitage.

Every baptized person participates in the universal call to holiness.

Though perhaps in ways not as numerous as in the past, God is still calling men and women to live their particular calling to holiness in the Consecrated Life.

Let us pray for those now living these vocations, and for those whom God is calling today and will call in the future to this holy way of life.

#### The McGivney Prayer

**God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Father Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Blessed Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (**here make your request**). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**



## Grand Knight SK John Michals



Worthy Brothers:

Many of my articles as Grand Knight have been focused on encouraging people to become more involved in the Knights or thanking people who have given their time to make our Council one of the best in the state. This article is going to go in a different direction, I am going to discuss one of the Corporal Works of Mercy, visiting the sick and imprisoned.

I always appreciate the email requests to send out prayers and ask all 400+ people on our mailing list to do the same. This is especially true for our older Knights in particular those who contributed so much to our Council. I think of those who gave a lot to our Council, and for whatever reason are no longer able to actively serve as much as they used to. How often do we visit or talk to those men (and their spouses) for those of us who know them?

I wonder if COVID or the fear of infectious diseases keep us from visiting those who could use a visitor. Of course, there may be very good reason why someone would not want a visitor so we should always ask before showing up unannounced. But I wonder how can we (including myself) make the time to be with someone when they are at the hospital, retirement facility, hospice, or rehabilitation facility. Time can often be more valuable than money when all of us have so much to do, but we please the Lord when we spend time with those who are unable to make themselves active or “busy.”

The other aspect of this Corporal Work of Mercy is visiting the imprisoned. I would imagine that most of us know more people who are sick than imprisoned. But I am reminded of the time that Richard Hayden has come to us to ask us to write letters for those unjustly imprisoned for speaking out against abortion in Washington DC. These people need our prayers, even if we don't know their names. When Rich offered me the opportunity to write a letter or two for one of these people, I jumped at the chance. But I confess it took me a couple of weeks to “find the time” to actually write the letter. I didn't even need to go to the jail, but I felt really selfish for not writing to them quickly. Rich did all the work. He got the addresses and affixed the stamp, I just needed to write. But even if someone is not imprisoned unjustly, would we go out of our way to do something? I hope I can reach the level of faith, where I can say yes.

Lastly, I want to conclude my article by stating the good things we do for those in need. I have been told by a number of people affiliated with our Council who bring meals to those who are sick or in crisis, those who offer prayers and Masses for those in need. I say thank you to those who have gone the extra mile for the sick, the distressed, the imprisoned. I hope that in some small way my “blast emails” to all the Knights help motivate us to care for those in need.

Vivat Jesus

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# **Mount Vernon Columbus Club, Inc.**

SK PGK Robert “Rob” K. Reynolds  
President of Mt Vernon Columbus Club



Brothers, Families, and Friends,

from the Board of Directors of the Mount Vernon Columbus Club.

Now we get started trying to repeat this success in 2024. We will have completed one of our biggest fund-raising events of the year, New Year's Day Bingo. Larry and Debbie Dietrick and the amazing crew of Bingo volunteers will have sold tens of thousands of pull tabs and hundreds of bingo books to jump start the funds we will distribute in 2025. The kitchen corps led by Marvin Spychaj and Jim McCracken prepared a delicious meal for our Bingo patrons and volunteers. Moving forward we need Knights and their families and friends to continue to volunteer and give the gift of their time to support the charitable work of Bingo. If you have a spare hour or two, we could always use some help on Fridays for Bingo or on Thursdays for Bingo prep.

Come to the next Corporation Board meeting to hear more about each of these activities and more about what goes into making it all possible. The next Board meeting is Monday, February 12 at 7pm at the hall. There will be a virtual option for the meeting using a Google Meeting. For those who wish to attend virtually, use the meeting link:  
<https://meet.google.com/zsx-rthq-qwz>

Either way, I hope to see you then. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,  
Rob Reynolds,  
President





## District Deputy Fred Beata

Brothers Knights,

I bring you greetings from State Deputy Pat Roland and Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly.

During the month of February, there are 2 District-13 exemplifications of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity: Mt. Vernon Council will host a live degree on Tuesday, February 20 at 7:00 pm (candidate showtime – 6:30). Later in the month, on Wednesday, February 28, Springfield Council 6153 (Address: 7600 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield, VA 22152) will host a live degree in the school cafeteria starting at 7:00 pm (candidate showtime – 6:30). As you face the church, drive to the left of St. Bernadette and past the school; park near the outdoor basketball court and playground to enter back door to the kitchen and cafeteria. First and second -degree members are encouraged to attend along with family members as we honor and exemplify Blessed McGivney's legacy as Third-Degree members in the Order.

The District Free Throw is scheduled on Monday, February 19 from 8:00 am through 1:00 pm at St. Louis Catholic School. I am asking you to pass the word to all young fathers and mothers to bring their children ages 9 through 14 to participate in a family fun event. Also, requesting Brother Knights and parents, even if it is for 1 hour, to help during registration or as scorers, judges, rebounders, and organizers.

Past State Deputy and Nomination Committee Chairman Steve Burnley is inviting all members to a Virtual Townhall Meeting with the 2024-2025 State Leadership candidates on February 6 and 12 at 7:00 pm EST (click [here](#) Zoom – Meeting ID: 814 8408 0623 / PC: 954572).

The Virginia State Council is inviting Councils to the Knights of Columbus Handicap Bowling Tournament on Saturday, February 24 at AMF Williamsburg Lanes 5544 Olde Towne Rd, Williamsburg VA 23188 to unseat last year's champion George Brent Council 5332. Check in time, 11:15 am, start 12 noon. Team registration required, entries close on February 18, see GK John Michals for more details.

Father Badr scholarship nominations are taking place now, deadline for application (3 Forms – click [here](#)), March 31, 2024. A one-time scholarship to members' children and grandchildren who are high school seniors or rising college freshman.

Remember Blessed Michael McGivney's principles of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,  
Fred Beata

District Deputy 13

Click QR Code and select "Join"



## KNIGHT OF THE MONTH – February 2024

The Knight of the Month is **Carl Eifert**

For February 2024, I was “just thinking” that Carl Eifert is Knight of the Month. Carl is an editor and has been writing articles for both *The Quote* and for, NavLog, the monthly newsletter for the Fourth Degree. Carl has been a member of our Council for nearly 24 years. He has helped with Bingo and done a variety of activities with our Council over that time. Carl was a regular attendee at our business meetings for years.

Carl spent his early childhood years in St. Louis, Missouri. The street he grew up on was the same street I lived on when I lived in St. Louis in the 1990's. Carl worked as an editor for newspapers across the Midwest, including the Milwaukee Journal. Currently, Carl is at Woodbine Rehabilitation and Health Care Center on King Street in Alexandria. He would love to have visitors. Congratulations Carl on being Knight of the Month for your lengthy service to our Council.

## FAMILY OF THE MONTH – February 2024

The Family of the Month is **Betsy & Robert K. Reynolds**

For Family of the Month, we have selected Betsy and Robert K. Reynolds. Sadly, we are losing this couple to Hawaii. Betsy, who has always supported Rob with our family events such as Oktoberfest, has gotten a promotion taking her to Hawaii. Thankfully, Rob has a job that he can work from an alternate location, and there are very few alternate locations that are better than Hawaii. PGK Reynolds does so many things for this Council, from being head Chef for our big social events to being President of the Corporation, that we will have to found multiple people to serve in the many roles Rob does for our Council. We will be sad to see them go but wish them well in their future adventures. Congratulations Betsy and Rob for being Family of the Month for February.

## ***Upcoming Exemplifications***

Each month the District will take turns with our local councils to host an exemplification for the District. The Next Exemplification is at our Council meeting room on Feb 20 at 630pm. The State may also host a virtual Exemplification in February tbd in the Lounge. Please stay tuned to invite all those who are still 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree members to attend which will advance them to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree. Also, all the families of the candidates are invited to attend as well. Refreshments will be served.

If you are interested and want to participate, please send Finance Secretary William McGuirk an email ([williammcguirk25@gmail.com](mailto:williammcguirk25@gmail.com)) and he will send you the information to register, participate and become a full third degree Knight of our Order.



**FEBRUARY 2024 BIRTHDAYS**

<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>
Maurice W Chau	02-01	Al Johnson	02-18
Steven G Leschnik	02-01	Richard A Duffy	02-19
Lawrence D Miller	02-01	Joseph G Graf	02-19
Dr Brian J Bodnar	02-02	Dennis J Mahafkey	02-20
Precious J Andam	02-03	Britt T Manor	02-20
David P Noon	02-04	Barry J Robella	02-20
Patrick T Conron	02-08	Liam B McCormack	02-21
Barry R Mcdonough	02-12	Wayne M Johnson	02-22
Peter W Webb	02-13	Kenneth P Boenisch li	02-23
Richard Ziants	02-14	Joseph P Ferguson	02-23
James G McDonald	02-15	J Barry Hutchison	02-23
Enrique Ramirez	02-16	Rev Keith M O'Hare	02-25
Juan C Vargas	02-17	Dr James J Krebs	02-28



Ladies Corner February 2024

## Ladies Corner

### Ladies

We have a few activities coming up. As always, many hands make light work. If you can be a part of any of these, please let me know.

Feb 4 we will host a kovar bake sale. Please bring your goodies to the knights hall by noon on the 4th. Also, please let me know if you can help man the baked goods table on the fourth. Email at [djpiscitelli@gmail.com](mailto:djpiscitelli@gmail.com). Or text at 703-732-5157.

We will hold our Ladies evening on Feb 8. Andy has said he will have a bartender present. But he also asked if there are any ladies who would like to be trained as a bartender. If you are interested, will you reach out to him at [Andy.b.rogers@gmail.com](mailto:Andy.b.rogers@gmail.com). For our Ladies Night, let's plan to meet at 6:30 at the hall. Each of us should plan to bring an appetizer - enough to share. For this first event, let's plan to spend time together, get to know each other, and talk about events you would like at future gatherings. I hope to see you all there. Our usual ladies lunch, scheduled for Feb 10th is cancelled in lieu of our evening gathering.

1. We will make Shepherd's Pie for the K of C Irish night all day at the hall on March 12. If you can help, please let me know.

We will make the Irish Bread at the K of C hall on March 7. Both of these events will begin at 9:30 and go until we are done. Probably mid afternoon. Please let me know if you can help.

Questions, suggestions? Please reach out to me at [djpiscitelli@gmail.com](mailto:djpiscitelli@gmail.com). Or text at 703-732-5157

***Just thinking . . .*****The Rope Relic**

According to some sayings, a part of the rope that had tied Jesus to on [sic] the cross is kept in a Greek Orthodox monastery in Pyrga, Cyprus. An article in a Brigham Young University publication provides that information.

Much has been written about the nails used for Jesus crucifixion, but this rope relic is not common knowledge among Catholics.

St. Helena, the mother of Byzantine Emperor Constantine I, is said to have left the nails and the rope at the Stavrovouni Monastery around AD 326-329 upon her return from the Holy Land. A piece of what is claimed to be the true cross is also kept there in a four-foot-long silver cross-shaped reliquary.

A 2018 National Catholic Register article and one on Wikipedia mention the rope. Neither, however, provides details.

Some Christian writers have speculated that because of the bone structure of human hands, nails through Jesus' palms would not hold his body weight, requiring his wrists to be tied to the horizontal piece of the cross. No Catholic commentary regarding that point was found in researching this piece.

EWTN's the Way of the Cross cablecast each Friday shows an actor playing Jesus on the cross with his wrists tied to the lateral cross-member together with nails through his palms. It's a 2002 Argentina production.

Blessed Anna Catherine Emmerick (1774-1824), a German stigmatic, writes about ropes used to raise Christ's cross from the ground and stand it upright in an earthen hole. But she does not mention his being tied to the cross in The Dolorous Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Her book is cited as the inspiration for Mel Gibson's 2004 film, The Passion of the Christ.

Thomas L. McDonald wrote about the authenticity of the nails kept at some Italian sites. Thirty-six nails with claims to be true relics are found in various churches. Too many for all to be real, he writes. He states that those in Rome, Siena, and Milan have fair claims to being the nails found by Helena.

Catholic match Institute's website has photos of five relics associated with the crucifixion. The wooden sign (Titulum) that Pilate had placed above Jesus' head is in Rome's Basilica of the Holy Cross. His seamless robe is in the Cathedral of Trier, Germany. A part of the lance that pierced his side is in the main altar of St. Peter's in Rome, and another piece in the Habsburg Imperial Treasury in Vienna. The holy stairs, (marble, now encased in wood) climbed by Jesus to the praetorium of Pilate, are in the Basilica of Saint John Lateran, Rome. And his Shroud is in the Cathedral of Turin.

A 28-page article about the cross and its depictions on The New Advent website does not mention any rope binding Jesus for his execution. It does assert four nails were used. Various theories are cited about the current locations of those relics.

Credence is given to St. Helena finding the cross. She was told it was buried to hide it from Christian followers. A Jew, ironically named Judas, pointed to the spot from which it was excavated. He converted to Christianity and became a saint called Cyriacus. Three crosses were found, which were taken to where a woman lay dying. She regained health when touched by one of them. Another version was that St. Helena had a man's corpse removed from its grave; he sprung to life when touched by the real cross.

Like so many other pious stories, the Church apparently takes no official stand on this one. It is worth noting that nearly all canonizations in modern times are based on miracles involving inexplicable healing.

**Carl Eifert**





## Prayer List



The following Brothers, relatives and

**Pray for Brothers and their families who are sick or in need:**

SK Michael and Margaret Argo  
 Nora Bolger Barry and Anne Bolger's daughter  
 Susana Bottcher, SK Bruno Bottcher's mom  
 Aurora & Ramon Cara, widow SK David  
 Patrick Conron  
 SK PGK John Dougherty  
 Johanna Dietrick, SK Larry Dietrick's mother  
 Larry Detrick  
 SK Ray Duff and Renee Duff  
 Edd and Pat Dzanis  
 SK Carl Eifert, and Bette Jo Eifert  
 Joe Emrico  
 Father Wilhelm Ettner  
 Susan Fecher  
 Pat Finn  
 Prayers for Father Tom and Joe Ferguson's father  
 SK Freddie Flowers  
 Brother Bishop Gassis  
 SK PGK Ernie's wife Connie Graves  
 Dr Fred Grello, Steve Smith's Uncle  
 SK Reyes Guerra  
 Fr Mike Hann, resident of GS  
 Field Agent Ralph Heinze  
 Ken Hrechka  
 Becky Hsu wife of SK David—for her parents  
 Magda Holmes, and SK David Holmes  
 SK Paul Kayanan  
 Marty Kelly and niece Ashley  
 Tim Kelly's wife Debra broken ribs  
 SK Kerry McCabe Family  
 Marilyn Kempton, grandmother to PGK Robert K Reynolds  
 Rich Koslow and Carol Koslow  
 Jim Krebs

Fr Stanley Krempa, Retired, Falls Church, VA  
 CWO4 Shane Leipertz, nephew of SK John Dougherty  
 Barbara Lovell wife of Brother Hugs Lovell  
 Matulich family  
 Carol O'shea friend of SK Paul Sonosky/pancreatic cancer  
 Carol McCracken, sister-in-law of Jim McCracken  
 Jim & Joann McCracken  
 Shelly Myers sister to Marti Kelly (09/20/20)  
 Art McCormick  
 SK 2PGK Leo & Tanti McCormick & Family  
 William McGuirk  
 Hannah Michals  
 Mike Michell  
 Harriett and SK Christopher Moore  
 Kevin and Patricia Moran & mother Helen  
 SK David Noone and wife Pat  
 SK Vic Perez  
 SK Jeff Petrino  
 Padama Reilly, 7, granddaughter PGK Jim Reilly & Janis (tumor of eye)  
 Brother Alfie Rodriguez rehab  
 Pam Rubin, wife of SK PGK Larry Clark  
 SK PGK Donald Rogan & Cassie Rogan & Son Donald Rogan Jr  
 DGK Andy & Katie Rogers  
 Gretchen Reilly, daughter of Janice Reilly  
 SK Fred "Fritz" Scheuren  
 SK Randy Schlosser  
 Sean Sansbury, grandson of SK John Dougherty  
 Bob Schwenk's niece, (Name?) and her daughter Ariel  
 Patty Shanahan of GSCC and friend of Paul Sonosky  
 Amy Snyder, Larry Dietrick's niece  
 Cheryl Masaitis-Spychaj, & children Kristin, Charity, & Joseph  
 John and Dorothy Thibeau  
 Philip Twumasi  
 Nelly Verdosoto, mother of Brother Orly Verdosoto  
 Robert Vermont, father of Dave Vermont, son-in-law of SK Bud Powers  
 Christine Zuniga, wife of GK Fred Zuniga, Ft. Belvoir Council

**Pray for repose of the souls of our beloved deceased:**

SK Dutch Anderson (2021)  
 Jaina Anonuevo, Father Sal's Mother (2021)  
 Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI (12/2022)  
Joe Bavaria (1/2024)  
 Bruno Bottcher (2022)  
 Lois Bowman (2023)  
 Frank Carey (7/2021)  
 Henry Chau brother of PGK Maurice Chau (9/2023)  
 Maria Ciociola, Jim Batchelder's sister  
 Leonard Cuddy (10/2021)  
 Fr Jerome R Daly (2023)  
 PGK Joe Deem, friend of PNK Kevin Moran  
 Paul Doucette (2021)  
 John Karpovich (10/2021)  
 SK PGK Don Logeais Maj Gen Ret (11/2023)

Richard Knapp (6/2023) St Louis friend to KofC and Vets  
 Jerome L. Knittle (2022)  
 SK Robert Kopasz (2023)  
 Stephanie Koslow and for Koslow family (2021)  
 Melinda Kramer, wife of Steven Kramer (2021)  
 Edna Lenz, grandmother to Betty Lowman (2018)  
 Mary Mag  
 Graham Martin Mike Argo's Cousin (2022)  
 Jennifer Masaitis daughter of Cheryl & Marvin Spychaj (2022)  
 Fr. Philip Majka (6/2023)  
 Joan Murphy, SK 2PGK Michael Murphy's mother (11/2023)  
 Connie Moore  
 Tofi Owen (11/2023)  
 SK PFN Robert T. Reynolds (12/2021)  
 Eleanor Wood (11/2023)

May

their souls and all the souls of the faithful de-

To be placed on or taken off of the Prayer List, please contact the editor of the KC Quote—Philip Twumasi ,  
 ptwumasi\_1@netzero.com Thank you



**Pancake Breakfast at St Louis—1-14-24**



**Pancake Breakfast at GS 1-21-2024**





### Pro Life Corner



Our Pro Life Rosary at Sherwood Hall Avenue next to the Shell Gas Station is featured every Saturday from 8am to 12pm.. Often we have Fr Ferguson from Good Shepherd, Fr OHare from St Louis, or Bishop Burbidge of our Arlington Diocese to lead us in prayer. We offer free pregnancy tests and we have a mobile ultrasound unit available to help women with free ultrasounds to see their babies. For any questions please contact Council 5998 Life Director, SK Richard Hayden at 703-967-8147.

**Point of Contact: Richard Hayden 703-967-8147 (text is best) or [richardhayden91@gmail.com](mailto:richardhayden91@gmail.com) Thank you and God Bless!**

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## March for Life

### National March For Life 2024

Join Knights of Columbus Council 5998, Good Shepherd Catholic Church and Saint Louis Catholic Church for the National March For Life in Washington, DC on Friday, January 19, 2024.

Schedule: 9:00 a.m. Mass at Good Shepherd Catholic Church 9:30 a.m. Light breakfast following Mass 10:15 a.m. Bus loads and departs for DC 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. March For Life Rally in DC 1:00 pm to 4:00 p.m. March For Life 4:00 p.m. Board bus at Saint Peter's Catholic Church (313 2nd Street, SE) to return to Good Shepherd 5:00 p.m.

Dinner at Knights of Columbus Lounge at 4pm with "Marvin's Famous Chili"





Prolife Awards to Kevin Moran and Steve Piscitelli.



Marvin's great Chili Dinner for those who returned from National March for Life and staff at 4pm. We served it in the KofC Lounge because Good Shepherd was closed due to the county closing of all extra curricular activities due to weather.

Meet the Knights



Lounge Wall Renovation:



Please donate what you can to pay for the Lounge Wall Renovations which was provided gratis by DGK Andy Rogers. We may optionally do a 50/50 at Meet the Knights to cover expenses of renovating the Lounge. Thank you.;



**Knights of Columbus**  
**FOURTH**  
**DEGREE**  
*Patriotic degree of the Order.*



Worthy Sir Knights, Knights, and Brothers of Mt Vernon Council 5998,  
Our Web site is <https://assembly2204.org>—Please See our website for more details.

Fraternally and Patriotically,

SK PGK Joe Graf

Faithful Navigator, Potomac Assembly 2204

Email: [FN@assembly2204.org](mailto:FN@assembly2204.org) Phone: 703-473-0372

**FEBRUARY**

3 — Patriotic Rosary, Saturday 11 a.m.

19 — Presidents Day/George Washington's Birthday Parade in Alexandria, VA , Monday

22 – 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Fourth Degree, Thursday

26 — Assembly Meeting (Hybrid), 7:30 pm. (Patriotic Rosary preceding at 7 pm), Monday

**MARCH**

2- St. Patrick's Day Parade in Alexandria City 11 am, Saturday

9- Patriotic Rosary at 11:00 am at 5998 and Virtually on Zoom, Saturday

19- Presidents Day/George Washington's Birthday Parade in Alexandria, VA @ 1:00 PM

23- Biennial Virginia District Business Meeting at St. Peter & Paul in Palmyra, VA, Saturday

25-Patriotic Rosary 7:00pm, Assembly Business Meeting, 7:30 pm Hybrid—In-Person & Zoom at 5998,  
Monday

26- Deadline for Fourth Degree Exemplification Application, Tuesday

**APRIL**

6 — Patriotic Rosary, 11 a.m.

13 – Fourth Degree Exemplification at St. Edward the Confessor Parish (Bon Air) in Richmond

16 — Officers Meeting (Zoom), 7 p.m.

20 – Visit to the US Marine Corps Museum, 10 a.m.

22 — Assembly Meeting (Hybrid), 7:30 p.m. (Patriotic Rosary preceding at 7 p.m.) –

Present Slate of Officers

# A LOOK AHEAD AT THE ACTIVITIES OF MARCH 2024

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Mt Vernon Council # 5998

March 2024	St Joseph			
1	First Friday	6pm	Bingo	Bingo Chairman
		11pm	Nocturnal Adoration at Basilica St Mary	Faith Chairman
2	First Saturday	11am	Patriotic Rosary at Basilica St Mary Alex	2204
3	First Sunday	Noon	Bingo	
6	Tuesday	7pm	Irish Night Planning Meeting	
7	First Thursday	6:30pm	Officers Meeting	5998 Officers Faith Director GK and officers
		7:30pm	Rosary	
		8:00pm	Council Meeting	
8,15,22,29	Friday	6pm	Bingo	Bingo Chairman
9,16,23,30	Saturday	8am to Noon	ProLife Rosary at Women's Clinic	Life Director
10	Sunday	DST	Daylight Savings Time Begins	
10	Sunday	7am	SL Pancake Breakfast	
11	Monday	7pm	Corporation Meeting	GK, MVCC
17	Sunday	All day	St Patrick 's Day	
17	Sunday	7—11am	GSCC Pancake Breakfast	GS RT
19	Tuesday	All day	Feast of St Joseph	
20	Tuesday	6-645pm	Adoration w/GK at GS	
23	Saturday	7pm	Irish Night	Council
24	Sunday	All day	Palm Sunday	
25	Monday	All day	Feast of Annunciation	
25	Monday	7pm	Assembly Meeting (Hybrid), 7:30 p.m. (Patriotic Rosary preceding at 7 p.m.)	2204
29	Friday	All day	Good Friday	
31	Sunday	All day	Easter Sunday	

**PLEASE NOTE—Events above are subject to change.**

Knights of Columbus

# FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

Boys and Girls, Ages 9-14



WHERE: ST. LOUIS CATHOLIC SCHOOL GYM

WHEN: SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2024

TIME: 1-3PM

CONTACT: PATRICK DOYLE,

PATRICK.ANDREW.DOYLE@GMAIL.COM,

989-245-9050

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR ENTRY FORM:



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# 2023-2024 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

## Outstanding Young Man of the Year & Outstanding Young Woman of the Year

- ✓ All High School Seniors who are parishioners of Good Shepherd Catholic Church and St. Louis Catholic Church are eligible to submit an application.
- ✓ Applications are due by MARCH 9, 2024.
- ✓ Email Submission is required.
- ✓ Email your completed application as an attachment to Patrick Doyle at [Patrick.Andrew.Doyle@gmail.com](mailto:Patrick.Andrew.Doyle@gmail.com)

APPLICATION PACKET CAN BE FOUND AT [KOFCS998.ORG](http://KOFCS998.ORG)  
OR BY SCANNING THE QR CODE.





You are invited to the  
9th Annual  
**WILD GAME FEED**  
Benefitting Vocations

WHERE: Mt. Vernon Council #5998 Lounge  
(8592 Richmond Hwy.)

WHEN: Saturday, Feb. 3, 2024

**6:00PM: MEET & GREET**

**6:30PM: DINNER**

Entrees feature wild game meats and fish sourced by Mount Vernon Knights.

Side dishes and a non -game entree will be provided by Council #5998.

THE MEAL IS FREE; however, we will hold a 50/50 raffle and accept donations  
to support vocations to the consecrated life

RSVP via SignUpGenius using the link or QR Code below:

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B4FA8AD2BA64\\_-47068876\\_-9thannual](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B4FA8AD2BA64_-47068876_-9thannual)





Join the Knights of Columbus for  
a night of Irish fun!



# ST PATRICK'S DAY PARTY!

**Saturday 23 MARCH 2024**

**Mount Vernon Knights of Columbus Hall**

**5:30pm - Meet & Greet w/ Hors d'oeuvres**

**6:15pm - Irish Dinner**

(Salad, Shepherd's Pie, Corned Beef and Cabbage, Irish Soda Bread, Dessert, Co

**7:30pm - Until:** Irish Dancers, Music, Trivia, & more!

Cash Bar (Wine & Irish Beer) throughout the evening.

**First Drink is Free**

**Ticket Online Price:**

**\$20 per person/\$30 per Couple**

**\$10 for Teens (13-17)**

**Kids 12 and under FREE**

**Ticket at Door Price:**

**\$30 per person/\$40 per Couple**

**\$20 for Teens (13-17)**

**Kids 12 and under \$5**

Tickets on Sale via PayPal at

<http://www.kofc5998.org>



**Boyle School of Irish Dance**

**• RSVP by March 20, 2023**

PLEASE NOTE: There will be very limited walk-up availability. Please register in advance to secure your spot

**Mount Vernon Knights of Columbus Hall**  
8592 Richmond Highway, Alexandria, VA 22309