





# "KNIGHTLINE"

# St Matthew Council #7572

May 2015

# **Upcoming Events**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	Location
June 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Council Meeting & Elections	7:30 PM	Parish Center
June 10 <sup>th</sup>	Officers Meeting	7:30 PM	Parish Center
June 24 <sup>th</sup>	Council Meeting	7:30 PM	Parish Center
June 29 <sup>th</sup>	Last day	to get	Scholarship Applications submitted.
July 19 <sup>th</sup>	Quarterly meeting	1 PM	Parish Center

## **Council Meeting Topics**

It's time to elect council officers for 2015-2016. The election will take place as our first item under new business at the council meeting on Wednesday. Please come to the meeting and take part in the election. A partial proposed slate of officers is located on the back of this newsletter. Additionally there are several other topics to be discussed including:

- · Election of Officers
- Location and date of our Annual outing.
- Next Council Event

# Council 7572 Officer Listing For 2012-2013

Grand Knight	Robert Guyre Ir	490-4306
Depty Grand Knight	Leonard Snell	660-2070
Chancellor	Kenneth Bricault	401-4982
Recorder	Richard Parow	434-2501
Financial Secretary	David Kling	434-9243
Treasurer	Alphonse Marcil 978	8 621-0961
Advocate	Paul Elmore	434-8028
Warden	Patrick Sullivan 508	360-6698
Inside Guard	Kenneth Spina	475-4689
Outside Guard	George Fredette 603	801-1478
Trustee (3yrs)	David Centazzo	<i>458-2105</i>
Trustee (2yrs)	Bennie DelVeechio	890-0072
Trustee (1yr)	Lawrence Sarkozy	912-5967
Ins Agent	Stephen White 603	894-4780

#### May Birthdays

Charles Dandreta, Ray Labrecque, and Ken Spina

"Happy Birthday to you!"

## **Scholarship Applications**

St. Matthew Council #7572 is planning to award \$500 scholarships to one or two deserving students depending upon the number of candidates submitting applications. All candidates must be either a council member or an immediate family member (including grandchildren) who are registered at an accredited college or school. In order to provide a little extra time for the student to complete his/her essay application forms are enclosed in this month's newsletter. We are asking that the completed forms and essays be mailed to the council's address or mailed/delivered directly to David Kling, 74 Meetinghouse Rd. no later than Monday, June 29<sup>th</sup>

Dads and Moms please don't let your child or grandchild forget to get their essay and application filled out and mailed before June 29<sup>th</sup>. At this point we have received NO applications.

#### **Mother's Day Flowers**

A total of 750 flowers were handed out to parishioners on Mother's Day weekend.

Thanks to all of our brothers, family members and others that assisted in distributing the flowers. The proceeds were sent from the church to New Hampshire Birthright. Again, thanks to everyone who took their time to help out in this very worthwhile task.

### **Annual Summer Outing**

Initial plans for this year's outing are on the agenda be discussed at the meeting including the location and scheduled date.

#### **Council Elections**

Below is a proposed list of officers for 2015-2016. Please remember that anyone can declare his candidacy for an office at the meeting when elections are held. As you can see, there are positions that have been filled with new names. Do please consider speaking up and volunteering as a candidate for office at the meeting.

**Grand Knight** Bob Guyre Jr. **Deputy Grand Knight** Len Snell Chancellor Larry Sarkozy Financial Secretary Dave Kling (appt) George Fredette Treasurer Advocate Pat Sullivan Rich Parow Recorder Warden Ken Spina Inside Guard Mike Mrvos **Outside Guard** Joe Pfeifer Al Marcil Trustee (3 yr) Trustee (2 yr) Dave Centazzo Trustee (1 yr) Bernie DelVeechio

## Memorial Day

Please take a moment to remember our veterans who gave their lives as the ultimate sacrifice for our freedoms including religious.

## **Quarterly Meeting**

Our council has agreed to host the next Quarterly meeting on July 19<sup>th</sup>. We will be discussing various topics and requirements for the meeting.

#### CONVENTION REPORT

The State K of C Convention was held at the Radisson in Nashua on May 1-3. GK Bob Guyre and FS Dave Kling were the voting delegates representing our Council.

Our own PGK, Wayne Griffin, was elected State Deputy, which means he will be CEO for the State over the next two years. Congratulations to Wayne on this outstanding accomplishment and thank you for the eight years of hard work it took to get here.

In the competition for State recognition awards, we received the Third Place Community Service Award for our work on the Morin dormer construction project which we named Habitat for Morin. We received the Second Place Mustard Seed Award for our Christmas and Easter Evangelization project. And, our Pro-Life Series was named the top Pro-Life Project in the State with the award of the beautiful plaque shown on the right.

And last but not least, while we did not win Council of the Year, we were named as runner up and one of the top three councils in the State. Sincere thanks and congratulations to all of you who helped make this happen.







#### PARISH REORGANIZATION

This past weekend, Fr. deLaire disappointed us with the surprise announcement that he had been reassigned as pastor of St Pius X in Manchester effective 7/1/15. We can only read between the lines, but it's likely that Bishop Libasci realized that Fr deLaire was spread too thin to be completely effective in three extremely demanding assignments at the same time. In addition to Pastor of St Matthew, he served as head of the Tribunal and Cannon Lawyer for the Diocese.

And, as was announced when he arrived, Fr Brian Kennedy is expected to return to his Redemptorist Order upon the passing of his mother. He is in the process of putting together another mission to the Dominican Republic the first week of August and is expected to depart immediately after returning from the mission.

So we need to pray for a new pastor, together with a priest to help him support the Mass schedule and all of the extracurricular activities in our parish. The way it works, the opening for a pastor will be advertised to the priests of the Diocese inviting them to apply, Bishop Christian will analyze the candidate pool and advise Bishop Libasci as he decides who will succeed Fr. deLaire. The good news is that we are a parish that is considered a reward by the priests of the Diocese.

#### **GRAND NIGHT**

For those who are not aware, on April 11, we presented an evening of entertainment and fine dining dubbed "The Grand Night". It featured a five course meal with main course of filet mignon and shrimp against a background of jokes, guessing games and a reverse raffle to entertain the diners. This was undoubtedly the most ambitious, risky and logistically challenging program ever attempted by our council, and at the same time it was most spectacular, successful and satisfying. About half of our members actively participated, either by working or attending, or both. And all said and done, we raised \$4,000 to defray costs for the parish buildings. Congratulations and sincere thanks to all who made it happen.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

For a while, the "Grand Night" generated an audible buzz in the parish. Notable projects paint a picture of an organization that is viable and working to make the world a better place. Build on that buzz by inviting parishioners to join us. Membership recruitment is essential to having the manpower to respond to the needs we see around us, and to fill in for members who are no longer able. Over the last couple of years, it has been largely a one man effort. I need your help. I ask everyone to commit to invite one person you know or see regularly at Mass to join us this year. Tell him about the benefits available to him and to his family. It only takes few new members each year to keep our Council alive and thriving in the vineyard.

Vivat Jesus,

Bob Guyre, Grand Knight