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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN ...



Watch your chapter emails for Reverend William D. Wuenchel's upcoming column!

J.J. PALMER AWARDEE ANNOUNCED!



The Pittsburgh Chapter congratulates **Michael Lynch**, recipient of the 2017 JJ Palmer Award. Each year this prestigious award recognizes a man who exemplifies the mission of the Knights of Columbus. Brother Michael has made significant contributions to his parish, council and is a past President of the Pittsburgh Chapter. He presently serves as Master West of the 4th Degree Calvert Province.

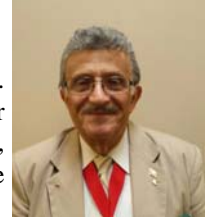
James J. Palmer was a Knight to emulate and honor. A PGK of Pittsburgh Council 491, President of Pittsburgh Chapter, a Knighthood (Third Degree) team manager, A State Chairman, Former District Deputy and Former Master of Calvert Province. The first Award in his honor was given in the year, 1976.

Congratulations Brother Mike!



A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPTER PRESIDENT...

Brother Knights of the Pittsburgh Chapter,



When we think of Christmas, the word LOVE comes to mind. God's LOVE for us, Mary and Joseph's LOVE for each other and their most precious baby Jesus. LOVE of our spouse, family and friends, LOVE for our God and His Church. and the brotherly LOVE of our Order and fellow Knights.

I am always struck by the legendary LOVE shown by the famous Christmas LOVE story of Della and Jim. Della who loved her husband Jim so much, that she cut and sold her beautiful hair for enough money to buy him a beautiful gold chain for his treasured pocket watch. Jim on the other hand sold his most precious watch to get enough money to buy Della a beautiful jeweled set of combs for her gorgeous hair! What they actually gave to each other on Christmas morning, was there undying LOVE for each other.

Can there be any greater present to receive on Christmas other than LOVE?

On behalf of the PITTSBURGH CHAPTER OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, I wish you and yours a most Blessed Christmas,

Fraternally,

Joseph Ferruzza
President, Pittsburgh Chapter Knights of Columbus

*Discover a World of Good Things
in the Knights of Columbus*



**CHRISTMAS DAY
AND NEW YEAR'S DAY ARE
HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION!**



CHAPTER MEETING
WILL BE ON
DECEMBER 1, 2017
(SEE MORE INFO IN THIS NEWSLETTER)

DIRECTIONS TO CHAPTER MEETING – Bellevue Council.

For those of you with a GPS, enter the address of: Bellevue Council is located at **450 Lincoln Avenue, Bellevue, PA.** For others....follow these directions!

From North of Pittsburgh via Route 28:

- ◆ Proceed South on Route 28 toward Pittsburgh
- ◆ Take the **I-279 S/I-579 S/I-376 W/I-376 E** exit onto **I-279 S** toward **I-376 W**
- ◆ Take exit **#7B/OHIO RIVER BLVD** onto **PA-65 N**
- ◆ Continue on **US-19 N**
- ◆ Continue on **PA-65 N**
- ◆ Turn Right on **W RIVERVIEW AVE**
- ◆ Turn Right on **W RIVERVIEW AVE**
- ◆ Turn Left on **SHERIDAN AVE**
- ◆ Turn Right on **LINCOLN AVE**
- ◆ Arrive at **450 LINCOLN AVE, BELLEVUE**, on the Left

From Monroeville area:

- ◆ Take exit **#1A/FORT DUQUESNE BRIDGE/NORTH SHORE** onto **FORT PITT BLVD**
- ◆ Take ramp onto **I-279 N**
- ◆ Take Left exit **#7A 7B/NORTH SHORE/OHIO RIVER BLVD (US-19)** onto **PA-65 N** toward **#7B/OHIO RIVER BLVD (US-19)**

Then, follow directions given above for points north of Pittsburgh.

**Merry
Christmas
and a Happy
New Year**

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INFORMATION ON THE DECEMBER CHAPTER MEETING....

Brothers,

The **Pittsburgh Chapter Memorial Mass and Dinner** will be held at the Bellevue Council 1400, home, located at 450 Lincoln Ave., Bellevue, PA 15202.

The event is scheduled on **Friday, December 1st**, with the Mass starting at 6:30 PM and dinner to follow.

The cost is \$15.00 for late reservations. Contact Mike Kernan at 412-761-6663 or kofc1400@yahoo.com

Mass will be celebrated by our Chaplin **Father William D. Wuenchel.**

The names of our recently deceased Members will be read and prayed for during Mass.

Please try to attend this most worthwhile and meaningful event, hosted by the Bellevue Council annually, in place of our Dec. meeting, for many years. They always are gracious hosts for our Chapter and the food is always delicious!

Please join us for our prayerful start of the Christmas Season.

Vivat Jesus.

Michael Conroy

PRAYER REQUEST...



Your prayers are requested for **Sr. Mary Thaddeus Markelewicz** who will have a camera endoscopy to identify source of internal bleeding. This test will take place at St. Margaret Hospital in Aspinwall.

Joe McCullough

“KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS” DIGITAL BILL CAMPAIGN UPDATE...

Brothers of Pittsburgh Chapter,

We have reached our committed amount for the 2017 “Keep Christ in Christmas” Digital Billboard campaign . GREAT JOB BROTHERS – WE WILL HAVE OUR MESSAGE UP AT SIX WEEKLY LOCATIONS BETWEEN 11/27/17 AND 12/25/17! Below is final list of participating Councils this year.

#2602 Natrona
#5501 JFK Russellton
#13959 St. Teresa Avila
#10175 Holy Sepulcher
#12043 Holy Child
#13832 Finleyville
#11279 Holy Trinity
#1941 Donora
#11018 St. Malachy
#11143 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
#3291 Canonsburg
#5826 Bentleyville
#12355 Regis J. Sheehan
#875 Chartiers
#13421 Holy Rosary
#3868 Gilmary
#3907 Our Lady of Olives
#11143 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
#11018 St. Malachy
#2555 St. Francis of Assisi
#3084 South Hills
#14087 St. Killian
#4242 Penn Allegheny
#16351 St. Barbara
#14722 St Mary of Assumption

Fraternally – Jim Maochi



UPCOMING EVENTS:



DECEMBER 8 – Feast of the Immaculate Conception – HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

DECEMBER CHAPTER MEETING – Bellevue Council #1400 – more information in this newsletter!

JANUARY CHAPTER MEETING – January 2, 2018 – St. Joseph (Verona) Council

RETIRE WITH THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

There are few things in life that are harder to predict than how much money we'll need in retirement. When we reach retirement, most of us will be in a state of uncertainty. With careful planning and smart decision-making, however, you can remove much of the financial uncertainty from your retirement years and eliminate the headache-inducing guesswork.

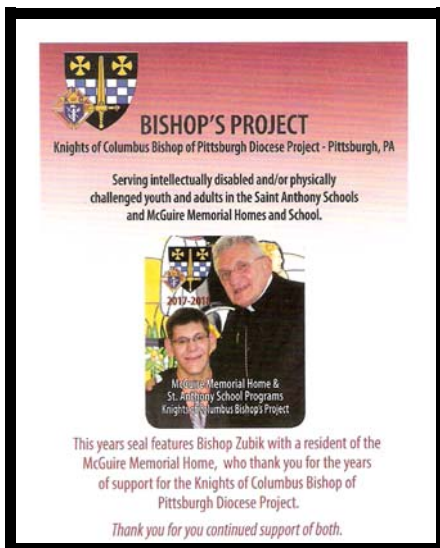
A great vehicle to help you achieve that goal is the newly redesigned Knights of Columbus Single Premium Immediate Annuity (SPIA).



The SPIA is a powerful product that — properly structured — can give you a guaranteed, fixed stream of income for the rest of your life. And, like all Knights of Columbus products, it is customizable so that you can select the best options to fit your retirement needs.



*Insurance & Annuity Questions ?—
call me or your field agent assigned to your respective council !
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THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS' FUTURE...

At the annual mid-year meeting of state deputies, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson renewed a call to recruit younger members to the Knights of Columbus, saying the Order's future is at stake.

In his address, Anderson laid out a bold vision of using technology and innovative approaches to attracting new members. The centerpiece of this is the Online Membership initiative that is being rolled out gradually across the U.S. This program allows men to join the Order online, with the goal of eventually bringing them into councils and the degree process.

As part of the strategy to attract younger men, the Order announced plans earlier this year to phase out the decades-old Fourth Degree uniforms in favor of a more modern look.

Anderson noted that new additions to the Fourth Degree have nearly doubled from 2016 and that suspensions and withdrawals are significantly lower. Demand for the new uniform, meanwhile, has created a backlog. As a result, Anderson announced that the Order would extend the deadline for using the new regalia by one year to June 30, 2019.


It was the Online Membership program, though, that dominated much of the discussions during the weekend meeting. The program has been rolled out in seven states so far, with it being made available to another group of states in January. The program will be fully operational in the next fraternal year.

Online Membership will allow the Knights of Columbus to sell more insurance and to ensure it can fulfill its mission of charity, he said. "It's about bringing in more members," he said. "It's about making our local councils more dynamic. It's about the good of the Knights of Columbus, and growing the Knights of Columbus in all its dimensions."

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31 New Years' Eve						

JANUARY 2018



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