

Philadelphia Chapter – Knights of Columbus  
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Philadelphia Chapter, together Serving God, Family  
And Community

## THE JOURNAL

November – December 2018

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### **Philadelphia Chapter Mission Statement**

The object is to bring closer in spirit and fact the Councils of the Philadelphia area for the planning of unified action to promote the good of the order and uphold rightful civil power in the nation, state and community; and to also form a better understanding of the principles and practices of the Roman Catholic faith. This statement was taken from the Catholic Standard and Times dated Thursday, March 25, 1982.

### **The Philadelphia Chapter is comprised of the following Councils:**

|                      |                            |                             |
|----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Santa Maria #263     | Charles Carroll #1364      | Our Lady of Lourdes #4546   |
| San Salvador #283    | Madonna #3932              | Regina Coeli #4921          |
| Desoto #315          | Immaculata #3933           | Rev. John McHugh #4935      |
| Commodore Barry #578 | St. Katherine Drexel #3938 | Fr. Thomas Ryan #5036       |
| Pizon #904           | Regina Mundi #4052         | San Rafael #7125            |
| LaraBida #1191       | Core Mariae #4100          | St. Benedict de Moor #8252  |
| Holmesburg #1284     | St. Jude #4273             | Mary Queen of Angels #12384 |
| St. Leo's #1294      | St. Charles Borromeo #4279 | Pokrova #12561              |
|                      |                            | St. Helena's #15687         |

*Editor's Note: if you have an email address, please share it. You'll receive an enhanced copy of the Journal much faster than you would going through the U.S. mail. Several hard copies are returned for inaccurate mailing addresses. It would also allow the Chapter to use the savings to promote our charitable work. If you have internet access, please contact me at [NickPGK61@yahoo.com](mailto:NickPGK61@yahoo.com) or call me at 267-315-2096. You'd be doing both yourself and the chapter a tremendous service. Thank You.*

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## Philadelphia Chapter Upcoming Meetings

Meetings are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month at Roman Catholic High School unless otherwise indicated:

**Meeting Times: Trustees - 7:30 PM / Chapter Business – 8:00 PM**

Friday, September 28, 2018

Friday, February 22, 2019

Friday, October 26, 2018

Friday, March 22, 2019

Friday, November 16, 2018

Friday, April 26, 2019

December Trustees Dinner: (TBA)

Friday, May 24, 2019

Friday, January 25, 2019

June 2019, Elections, date and location TBA

**\* Please remember to bring a Brother Knight from your Council to a Chapter Meeting!**

### **Chapter Officers 2018 – 2019**

**Chapter President**

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Richard Delp  
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L.T. Johnson  
Fred May

Hassell Mitchell  
Wiley Redding  
Mike Selinski  
Mike Shiels

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## President Dan Donovan

Brothers all,

Our Annual Columbus Day Dinner was a great success. The event was well attended and as usual the menu was outstanding. Special thanks to PGK Michael Arment of Regina Mundi Council for serving as Master of ceremonies. He did a wonderful job. I would also like to thank Rich Konstance for all the hours he spent putting the program ad book together and keeping track of ticket sales. A special thanks to Father Al, who provided the invocation and closing prayer. I am sure he wasn't aware that he was going to have to work for his dinner.

I'd also like to send out a special thank you to Brothers Steve Jackson, Steve Clarke and Mickey Kelly for answering the call during the 40 days for Life event. These fine men represented their Councils and the Chapter by reporting to the Planned Parenthood Center on the 1100 block of Locust Street. I heard that at least one young lady was convinced to reconsider her options during their vigil. They're to be commended for their commitment to the Pro-life movement. I know Brother Jackson is the Advocate from my Council and is no stranger to similar events in Northeast Philly and Warrington.

Finally, as you read on you'll see that there are a lot of activities planned for the coming weeks at both the Chapter and Council levels. Please try to support these worthwhile events. Whether it is helping the less fortunate, recognizing a fellow Knight for past achievements or providing financial support to a Brother in need, we should do what we can to make these endeavors a success.

Wishing you and your families a Happy and Healthy Holiday Season>

## Past President Nick Marcantonio

Brothers –

The Pro-Life bus trip will be on January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 the cost is \$35. Pick up will be at Resurrection Church at Castor and Shelmire at 6:00 AM. The second pick up will be at 24<sup>th</sup> and Green at 7:00 AM. In the event we get a lot of people from St. Albert's we will move the first pick up point there. St. Albert's is located at 212 Welsh Road in huntingdon. We will supply a box lunch and snacks. There are no metro cards again this year. The bus will drop you off either at the Cathedral or as close to the march as possible, whichever location you choose. I am working with my Parish as well as Brothers Rich Konstance and Mike Ciampoli to fill the bus up this year. **I am taking names starting now, it is first come first serve.** When you sign up since it is first come first serve we are asking for a deposit or if you wish you can pay in full. I challenge everyone to bring 1 person this year!! Let's fill the Bus!

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## Vice-President Richard Delp

Brothers,

I have been a knight for 8 years and having been going to St. John's Hospice from the beginning. It does my heart good knowing that we as knights help to feed those less fortunate than we are. Sometimes someone comes with a young child and that makes me sad, but everyone who comes through the line smiles says Thank You and God Bless You! Some of my brother knights bring clothes for the men and woman to choose from. This for me has been a great experience. We should always do what we can to help those who are less fortunate and in need.

## Rich Konstance 2019 Charity Drive

It is that time of year again, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and the Philadelphia Chapter Charity Drive. My name is Rich Konstance, and I have been honored recently with the appointment as Chair of the Charity Drive. I am writing to ask for your help.

The generosity of the Philadelphia Chapter is well known. Many Brother Knights have been recipients of financial assistance when they were in NEED, the widows and orphans of deceased Brother Knights have been recipients of relief in a small way. Needy children have enjoyed a day of fun at the "Children's Picnic and scholarship awards have been presented...and MORE...ALL under the umbrella of **Chapter Charity**.

The help we need from you is your generosity. You can help us as an individual or through your Council (or both). A small contribution of \$10 per member will provide us with the resources we need to continue (or even expand) our charitable efforts. The amount may be less or may be more...whatever you can do will be greatly appreciated by many. CHARITY is the Principle of our Order. Please stand with your Chapter as we do our utmost to practice that Principle. You will be receiving a letter soon, under my signature, asking for a contribution. PLEASE help us if you can. Checks should be made payable to "**Philadelphia Chapter**"  
Send contributions to: **Rich Konstance, PGK, FDD, Charity Drive Chairman, 3412 Amity Road Phila, PA 19154**

## Secretary Mickey Kelly

Thank you to all the brothers who stood outside of Planned Parenthood, a total of 13 babies were saved because of your presence. 40 days for life was founded in 2004 in Plano Texas by Shawn Carney. Since 2004 many babies have been saved and more importantly many abortion clinics have been closed.

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## Chapter News

- † Our next Chapter meeting will be on Friday Nov 16<sup>th</sup>, at Roman Catholic High School. We will have our annual Memorial Mass in the Chapel that evening. Mass will start at 7:30 and our meeting will take place after Mass
- † We are going to St. John's Hospice on November 18<sup>th</sup> and also on December 16<sup>th</sup>. Please report by 10 AM. We will be feeding those who are homeless until 2 PM. If you have any old clothes you are looking to get rid of bring those also so that the men and woman coming in can choose from them.
- † The Chapter Christmas Dinner for Officers and Trustee's will be held on Monday December 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at Randi's Restaurant located at 1619 Grant Ave. The cost is \$15 and there will be a cash bar.
- † The Annual Stand Up For Life Dinner will be on Sunday November 18<sup>th</sup> at the Sheraton Hotel on 17<sup>th</sup> and Race Streets. It starts at 4:30 PM. Tickets are \$75 per person. Sister Grace Dominic of the Sisters of Life will be the Guest Speaker.
- † Regina Mundi Council #4052 is sponsoring a trip to St. Charles Borromeo Seminary for their open house and Christmas Concert on Sunday December 16<sup>th</sup>. The tour starts at 1:00 PM and the concert starts at 4:00 PM. For more information Contact Jack Egan at 215-969-1788.
- † LaraBida Council #1191 is collecting old Rosaries and other religious items to send to our men and women in the Armed Forces. If you have something you would like to donate, contact John Krewer at [Johnakrewer@gmail.com](mailto:Johnakrewer@gmail.com). They will host their annual Christmas party on December 20<sup>th</sup> at the Teen Center of St. Francis Xavier, start time is 7:30. All brother Knights are welcome. There will be food, a 50/50, raffle and Christmas caroling. For more information on these events contact Grand Knight Mickey Kelly at 267-872-4111
- † Mary Queen of Angels Council #12384 is holding a benefit for the Wixted family on Saturday January 19<sup>th</sup> at Twining Hall, 4900 E. Street Road. Please join us for beef and beer along with a silent auction and a 50/50. Tickets are \$35. There will be food, music and dancing, the proceeds will go to Bill and Susan Wixted Contact DGK Tom McCrossan at 215-266-3635 or at [frnksnbeans@yahoo.com](mailto:frnksnbeans@yahoo.com) for more information. They are also having a Blood Drive on November 17 from 9AM-2PM contact Jerry Bowes at 215-552-9204 or at [noleaks872@aol.com](mailto:noleaks872@aol.com)
- † Wreaths Across America will host a wreath laying ceremony on Saturday December 15 at Beverly National Cemetery. It is located at 916 Bridgeboro Road in Beverly, NJ. Start time is 11 AM, all brothers are welcome. Please wear your Chapter or council shirts. For more information contact Chapter Secretary Mickey Kelly at 267-872-4111.

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## Columbus Day Dinner

**President Dan Donovan with Nick Milillo our Man Of The Year  
Immediate Past President Nick Marcantonio with Ginny Rodriguez and Marie Stewart  
our Women Of The Year**



### Sick List

Brothers please Pray for our Brothers and their family members who are not well.

Dan Sipps

Bill Wixted

Tom Stewart

Bob Watson

John Carroll

Rosemarie Finnegan

Doris Wurtenberg

Angelina Marcantonio

Bud Sander

Giron family

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## Philadelphia Chapter Councils Offer Affordable Facilities for That Special Event

The Councils listed offer a variety of professional services and accessible location for your special events:

- \* **Fr. John McHugh Council # 4935**, 5323 Oxford Avenue, Phila. PA 19124 Phone: 215-535-0849  
- special packages for large and small events, catering and self-catering options available
- \* **Lady of Lourdes Council # 4546**, 3401-07 Welsh Road, Phila. PA 19136; Phone: 215-331-2577  
- large banquet hall available for all types of occasions, catering and full beverages services also available
- \* **Regina Coeli # 4921**, 9617 James Street, Phila. PA 19135 Phone: 215-332-2517  
- flexible hall for large and small events, catering services and full-service bar options available
- \* **St. Charles Borromeo Council # 4279**, 1193 Gravel Pike, Bensalem PA 19020; Phone: 215-638-2202; offer ample parking and a variety of food and beverage packages to fit any occasion
- \* **St. Katharine Drexel Council # 3968**, 15000 Bustleton Avenue, Phila. PA 19116;  
Phone: 215-969-4470; banquet hall available for shower, birthdays and other events, catering and beverage services available
- \* **Twining Hall (M.E.I. Caterers)** 4900 East Street Road, Treose PA Phone: 215-364-2130 - Knight owned business, available for large and small events, several caterings and beverage packages available

Please support our local Councils and remember to mention you're a Knights of Columbus member when you call. If I missed your Council, please email me your information and I'll include it in next publication.

If you have a Knight's related function occurring before the release of the next Journal, feel free to forward the information to me. I'd be more than happy to assist with advertising your event via email.

**The Journal is published bi-monthly. If your Council has an article to submit, please forward it to my attention by the 1<sup>st</sup> week of the month.**

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