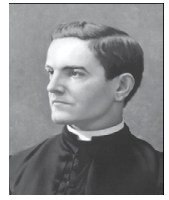




# The Notre Dame Grotto



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## Chaplain's Corner

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Happy New Year and healthy New Year. January gives us respect for life month. There will be a demonstration in Washington D.C.. If you can't go, pray for those who can and for a safe demonstration. February 22 is Ash Wednesday and ushers in the Lenten season. We need prayers for the world's suffering, especially Ukraine, and even those in our own country. Continue to solicit new membership from friends and family, encourage them to become a knight. Thanks for your prayers for me. I'm settling into retirement easily and happily and gratefully.  
Jesus lives

## District Deputy

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Brothers And Sisters of 2901, it is another new year. I do hope you had a blessed and safe holiday season. May you "Sing the Gospel With your Life, In the Public Square" as you go fourth in this new year.

5th Sunday January 29th 10AM Mass  
1008 W. 37th St. Baltimore MD 21211



Brunch at The Food Market  
1017 W. 36st St.  
Balto MD 21211



## Grand Knight's Report

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Happy New Year to all of you! We have enjoyed an active Christmas season. It was nice to host the seminarians from St. Mary's for pizza. Thanks to all who helped. We purchased and distributed some coats for kids in time for the winter season through our friends at Gedco. Our Christmas party went well, and again, thanks to all the orgaizers. Thanks to everyone for making the family to family program a success. Dan Mandeville chaired it again and it always is a smashing success. Thanks to all our benefactors, donations were again enough to prepare 96 baskets. It's great to serve up some holiday cheer. I hope this New Year will see God's peace spread about the World and not man's war. May God's light shine on.

Vivat Jesus

January Knight of the month-Stephen Morgan  
January Family of the month-George Rothmann family

February Knight of the month-Greg Leftwich  
February Family of the month-Jere Danaher family

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Christmas trees at St. Pius X-On the left George Rothmann is getting ready to trim another of the 1500 trees they sell. And on the right, Jack Russell is trying to stay warm on one of the cold winter nights. Not shown, who also helped are, Mark DesMarais, Brad Eastham, Luciano David and Barry Schech. GK Tom Welzant was also there on unloading day. The knights are huge contributors to this event, which is the largest fund raiser for the church . Thanks also to Bert and Maureen Peters for supplying some pizzas for the workers on two nights.

Coats for kids-on a rainy December 3rd. Jere and Bert sorting coats on the left and Stephen helping sort out gloves, hats and scarves outside under the tent. Thanks to Stephen for being the chair of this again!

## Sick, Memorial & Congratulatory

**Deceased**-Betty Kerrigan, widow of council deceased brother Leo, died Nov. 8th. We found out just lately that brothers Franklin Hlavac and Ray McMillan both passed in 2016 and 2009 respectively. We lost touch with them several years ago.

**Congratulations** to John and Linda Butt on the birth of a new grandson, James Augustine.

**Prayers requested**-Brad Eastham's mom and stepdad, Greg Leftwich's father recovering from pneumonia, Loretta Schech, mom of Barry Schech, who is recovering from a stroke. Around the state we had James Gouldin, friend of DD Greg Lynch who passed, and past master Carl Roberts, who is in the hospital.

## Program Director

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We had a flurry of activities in the last two months, some of which we have photos of and others too late for this issue and will be included in the next issue.

Our Seminarian party was a moderate success, only because they have their own council at St. Mary's Seminary, so may not feel the need to drive over to St. Pius X. We are still waiting, however, for the RSVP check recipients from the seminary to be made known to us. Thanks to Bert, Jere, John and Tom for arranging this event.

Our Coats for Kids on December 3rd was successful, but we were battling the rain that day so not as many showed up. Thanks to Stephen Morgan, Chairman, and Jere and Bert who assisted.

Family to Family will be held too late for this edition but thanks in advance for all who contributed and all who called in for food baskets. We made our needed contributions, and are almost out of baskets as of December 6th. Dan Mandeville again did a great job organizing and ordering food for this. And a thanks ahead of time to all who will show up to prepare and distribute the baskets. We always have an overwhelming turnout for this.

The council Christmas party photos will be in the next Grotto also. And thanks for the St. Elizabeth donations in advance. We hope everyone had a great time once again.

Coming up we have:

- 1) Fifth Sunday, January 29th, at St. Thomas Aquinas, 10AM Mass, then the food court in Hamden for brunch.
- 2) We tentatively have a free pancake breakfast scheduled January 22nd at St. Mary after the 9AM Mass
- 3) And don't forget the Mass, Adoration and Benediction on the first Friday of each month at St. Pius X starting at 8AM and ending at 10AM.

## Birthday's

**January**  
 2 Br. Richard A Costanza 70  
 2 Br. Jack Dowding 39  
 10 Br. Ted Lingelbach 82  
 11 Br. James T O Hare 66  
 13 Rev John J Mattimore 65  
 16 Br. Gerald A Atteberry 90  
 17 Br. Hywel P John 52  
 20 PGK Frank B Semon 55  
 23 Br. Martin J Blair 62

**February**  
 4 Br. David E Krall 60  
 4 Dr Nicholas W Morog 59  
 8 Br. Glenn W Atteberry 61  
 10 Rev Joseph C Simmons 87  
 10 Br. Michael J Sullivan 86  
 11 Br. Maurice J Klein Jr 80  
 14 Rev D Patrick Peach 44  
 17 Br. Louis T Foudos 66  
 18 Br. Charles Mandeville 33  
 19 Br. John F Hartnett 76  
 20 Br. John H Russell 71  
 21 Br. Robert B Garrett Jr 81  
 21 Br. Michael J Skinner 53  
 22 Br. Thomas Amaefule 58  
 23 Br. Adam D Trocki 44



## Financial Secretary Report

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Now that Christmas and New Years Day has passed, we can finally relax for a little while before we start the next half of the fraternal year. Not a lot is planned in January and February, mostly due to winter conditions, but we have a few things going on which will be reported in the program director's report. One of the biggest things going on is membership cards going out and dues payments coming in. I cannot say it enough, that if you have financial or health issues and cannot meet your dues obligations, please let us know. We may have multiple sources of help for you. But if we don't hear from you, we can't help you! We really want you to remain a member and don't relish the thought of a suspension! It is the last thing we want to do. Call or email any officer and I promise that someone will call or email you back.

Do you have something which you feel that the council can help with? Notre Dame is aligned officially with St. Pius X, St. Mary of the Assumption, COMQ and St. Dominic's, but there are many parishes and churches not being administered to by any Knights of Columbus council. If you are a knight at Notre Dame, and you go to one of these churches that needs our help, let us know about it. We aren't miracle workers, but we may be able to provide assistance of some sort. We have done this in the past at St. Jude's Shrine but we don't get asked very often.

*For it is in giving that we receive-St. Francis of Assisi*



## Free pancake breakfast

St. Mary of the Assumption  
 Sunday, January 22nd,  
 After the 9AM Mass

(tentative)



**Ash Wednesday**  
 — Lent Begins

Wednesday, February 22nd

**Note:** If your anniversary is not listed, it may not be in the Supreme record. Please let the Financial Secretary know the information.

## Anniversaries

**January**  
 7 Br. Mark Lippy 34  
 11 Br. Stephen M Blair 37  
 11 Br. Aaron D Cupps 20  
 15 Br. Louis E Heil Jr 18  
 29 Br. Richard Costanza 45

**February**  
 18 PGK George A Trocki 45

*Happy Anniversary*

## Picture page-Boy have we been busy these last few months!



Traveling Rosary-We had many in the Fall. Starting at the left, St. Pius X for our Anniversary celebration, the OakCrest, Sacred Heart of Mary and finally St. Clement Landsdowne. John, Bert, Jere and crew have been very busy. St. Clement had an added feature as it was an English/Spanish Rosary recital, which may have been a first for them!



From the left, Memorial Mass at COMQ, then Applebees for dinner. The middle two pictures are from the Newman Center across from Towson University. Fr. Kevin asked us to prepare a home cooked meal after Mass for the students so Jere, Greg, & Brad cooked a great meatball sandwich and salad meal, drinks and even cookies for dessert. The last picture is Bert and John setting up and eventually breaking down for the 4 Frenchmen ceremony at St. Mary cemetery.



First 3 pictures, Trunk or Treat at St. Pius X. First is Brad and the corn hole game, then George and Doreen and their decorated van, and lastly, you may remember the castle/dragon from last year! It was made into a golf game this year! Brad purchased gifts for the kids to win in addition to the candy they received courtesy of Bert and Maureen. Of course George and Doreen had candy for the kids also!

The last picture is our IPGK Bert Peters and crew delivering a \$500 rebate check from Supreme to the Women's Care Center on Belair Rd. During Bert's tenure, his GK Charity collected so much that Supreme donated more to them based on how much was originally donated. Always a good cause!



5th Sunday at Basilica and Mick O'Shea's for brunch. Small crowd, but we had a great time and the Mass was outstanding!

Seminarian Party-We honored our seminarians with a Pizza and Ice Cream party in November. John, Jere, Greg, Tom and Bert, with some help from the wives, Kathy, Chris, and Maureen, did a great job and got to meet and talk to some of our future priests. Unfortunately, there was no decision made yet as to the recipients of two \$500 checks that were to be presented that night, but Fr. Brown and the faculty are working on that decision and we will announce the recipients in a future Grotto.

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<b>Calendar of Events Quick Look</b>	
<b>January</b>	
3.	Planning/Business meeting 6:30/7:30PM
6.	Adoration/Benediction St. Pius X 8AM-10AM
22.	Pancake breakfast at St. Mary's after 9AM Mass
23.	4th Degree meeting 7:30PM
29.	5th Sunday St. Thomas Aquinas 10AM Mass Food Market in Hamden brunch
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***FN : Peter Hammerer PGK PFN***

Schedule:  
 Jan.. 23rd 7:30 PM St. Pius X Church admin building ~ IN PERSON  
 Feb. 27th 7:30 PM St. Pius X Church admin building ~ IN PERSON

Please visit <http://www.ccofc375.wixsite.com/my-site>  
 for more information on the Assembly.

