

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
Pittsburgh / East End Council # 3530**

**BI – MONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

**JANUARY – FEBRUARY, 2012**

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**FUTURE MEETINGS**

**JAN 11 (Wed.) St Raphael School Library  
1154 Chislett St, 15206 Rosary 7:15/Meet 7:30**

**Food Host : Ed Lo Presti**

**FEB 8 (Wed) St Rosalia Church Auditorium  
411 Greenfield Ave, 15207, 7:15 / 7:30**

**Food Host : Steve Patterson**

**CURRENT FY 2011-12 OFFICERS**

**Grand Knight: Michael E Fader (412) 254-8183**

**Deputy G K : John J Chapman (412) 521-2427**

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**Warden : Roger Hill (412) 953-5767**

**Financial Sec: Michael G Fader (412) 362-7156**

**Treasurer : Donald Formoso (412) 298-4236**

**Note: Warden schedules the Food Host**

**Web-Site: [www.kofc3530.us](http://www.kofc3530.us)**

**BISHOP'S PROJECT : MEMBER "SEALS"**

Thanks to All of You who have mailed in your "Special Member Envelope" of B P "SEALS" . Through Dec 16<sup>th</sup> 19 of 82 member envelopes had been received (23%). All Honorary/Life Members including "clergy" are counted. If you lost your envelope, mail a check to "Bishop's Project Knights of Columbus, P O Box 9691, Pgh, PA 15226, check to "Knights of Columbus Bishop's Project", memo "MEMBER 3530". **Do use an address sticker and again add Member 3530.**

**KofC ANNUAL SURVEY**

Your Membership Card mailing included the particulars on the Annual Survey. Briefly they are : 1A) Nbr Sick Visits ; 1B) Condolence Visits; 2) Times Blood Doning 3A) Hrs Vol to Church; 3B) Hrs.Vol to Community Affairs; 3C) Hrs Vol to Youth Activities; 3D) Hrs Vol to Habitat Humanity; 3E) Misc Acts not Covered; 4) Hrs Fraternal Services to Sick/Disabled incl Family members You can mail your numbers to M G Fader, 100 Denniston St #55, Pittsburgh, PA 15206-4042, or e-mail by the number codes (1A, 2C, etc) to

**[fadmg55@comcast.net](mailto:fadmg55@comcast.net)**

Our Data is important to our Supreme Council, and We know that many of you do a lot of good volunteer work, so please get your data in by January 10ish.

**GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE**

Dear Brother Knights ;

I hope all of you had a Blessed and Joyful Christmas and wish a Happy and Productive New Year to you, and our Council. As we begin 2012, let's try to take a little bit of the Christmas Spirit with us all year. Let's keep Christ with us as we strive to practice our principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

Thanks to all of you who participated in our "Rediscover Catholicism" book giving program at Sacred Heart and St Raphael Parishes. We came together as a council and got the program off to a good start. Let's continue to combine our time, talent, and treasure to ensure that it becomes an ultimate success.

I'd like to remind you all to please complete and turn in your annual survey of fraternal activity which you received with your membership card and dues. This form enables the Knights of Columbus to document our volunteer activities and retain it's non-profit status. Remember to record all of your applicable volunteer activity for the year, and not just time spent on KofC events.

As you make your new year's resolutions remember the Knights of Columbus. If you haven't been to a meeting in a long time make an effort this year to get to one or more. Do something special for yourself and get involved. For those of you who are actively involved, how about inviting another man to join us and take advantage of "an experience of a lifetime"? Let's make this a great, productive year. **VIVAT JESUS**  
**Michael E Fader, GK [grandknight3530@gmail.com](mailto:grandknight3530@gmail.com)**

**39<sup>th</sup> March for Life – January 23, 2012**

**Prayer to end Abortion**

**Lord God, I thank you today for the gift of life, and for the lives of all my brothers and sisters.**

**I know there is nothing that destroys more life than abortion, yet I rejoice that you have conquered death by the Resurrection of your Son.**

**I am ready to do my part in ending abortion.**

**Today I commit myself**

**Never to be Silent – Never to be Passive, Never to be forgetful of the Unborn.**

**I commit myself to be active in the pro-life movement, and never to stop defending life until all my brothers and sisters are protected, and our nation once again becomes a nation with liberty and justice Not just for some, but for all**

**Through Christ our Lord, Amen !**

**DATES**

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**Happy Birthday – JAN Happy Birthday – FEB**

01/09: Philip J Brennan Jr 02/09 : Edward McCabe

01/10: Rev Frederick Nkwasiwe

01/13: Rev John Dinello

01/20 William Dinello

01/20 Michael Minnock

**Happy Birthday to All JAN - FEB Members**

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**ANNIVERSARIES****JANUARY :**

**01/03/04 : Michael and Trisha Murphy**

**FEBRUARY:**

**02/13/89 : Most Rev. William J Winter to Bishop**

**SICK.**

Dick Pugh, Earl Price, Mike G Fader's Daughter, Deborah; Paula McCartney (Tom's wife) Carmella Peduto (Frank's wife) Mike E Fader,, and All our Sick Knights and Family

**DEATHS / DEATH ANNIVERSARIES**

**JANUARY:** Marian McGuire (Tom's Mother); James Hoofnagle ( T McGuire's FIL); George Fucich (John Dunbar's FIL); Alex Kravec (D Klocek's FIL) Mary Ann Fader (MGFader's Mother)

**FEBRUARY :** William C Kunz ( Jack's Father); Stephanie Dunbar ( John's Daughter) Joanne Tarquinio (MGFader's MIL )

**ANNIVERSARY /SICK / DEATH NOTICES :**

The above notices are based upon data supplied by Members to the Editor, If we don't have your anniversary , etc, we can't share it with our members ( Your birthday is part of your membership doc. ) Please send me your data if we don't have it on file.

**E MAIL ADDRESSES**

We sent out a request along with your Membership Card and Dues mailing, requesting that ALL members ( Regular /Honorary /Honorary Life) that have an e mail address, update and share it with us. It facilitates making contact, and sending out more copies of our Newsletter – Electronically. Send in your info ( along with Anniversaries, Etc, along with your dues or e mail it to me.) . [fadmg55@comcast.net](mailto:fadmg55@comcast.net)

**USE YOUR NEWSLETTER TO RECRUIT SOMEONE**

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**REDISCOVER CATHOLICISM PROJECT**

**Christmas Weekend** the Knights, Wives, and Children passed out the Matthew Kelly book, "Rediscover Catholicism" to all parishioner units attending Mass at Sacred Heart and St Raphael Churches. The Book was well received by the parishioners, and We want to thank all of you who helped make this project a Success !

If you belong to one of those two parishes and were out of town Christmas Weekend, both parishes should have some extra copies to give out ( If you identify yourself as a C # 3530 Knight from one of our other three parishes, I believe they might give you a copy also ) We've suggested that the two parishes sell their other extra copies to interested parties ( It is a wonderful gift to someone you know who might need a little positive re-enforcement of their Catholicism.

**SUPPORT FOR COUNCIL PROJECTS**

Along with the Dues and Membership Card Mailing, we requested that ALL MEMBERS consider supporting one or more of our Key Projects ( Food Pantries, Orphans, and Seminarians ). This is especially true of our Regular Members who do not attend meetings, and Non-Clergy Honorary/Honorary Life members who do not pay dues – We still get COUNTED on each and every one of you – for what we do or do not do, so we need your support. Also, it gives us a feed-back that you are still alive and possibly reading our newsletters and not just using them for waste basket liners. Keep us posted on you – particularly if you are in need of prayers for the sick, etc.

**Update on Important Council Projects**

**Food Pantries :** Through the first half of the Fiscal year (12/31/11) C # 3530 has made "7" Pantry Deliveries: St Rosalia 2, St Raphael 1, and EECM (SHP +SBP) 4., delivering 2,520 Lbs of Non Perishable Foods at a cost of \$598 with a Retail Value of \$4,382.00, a ratio of \$7.33 for every \$1.00 donated ( We hope to pick up the pace in 2012, IF we have "funds available"? Our 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly ( Fort Pitt 912) has made 3 deliveries, one to PerryHiltopFP and 2 to the Little Sisters of the Poor, (\$242 purchased \$1,721 of Value, a ratio of \$7.11 for every \$1,00 spent )To date we have 23 Pledges and Donations. We'd like to see 40 or more, and we only spend what we collect. You don't donate, the Poor don't receive food – that simple.

**Orphans :** Costa Rica : 14 donors/pledges - \$250  
Uganda : 14 donors/pledges - \$235. All coming from members at meetings. (in each case, this is less than we are committed to spending, meaning our council treasury makes up the difference, so if you are an Honorary non clergy member, please consider a donation  
**Seminarians :** Our council member and seminarian,

Jeremy, is currently studying in Washington, D C where out of pocket costs have to be higher than here locally. Consider donating to our Seminarian Fund.

In Summary, These are all worth-while projects which make good use of your Charitable Donations money.

**Join us in supporting Council Projects !!**

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## **NEWS FROM SUPREME HEADQUARTERS**

**HO HAITI PROJECT:** If you watch FOX news (possibly some other channels also?), you may have seen the KofC Ad regarding the Outfitting of Children with Artificial Limbs, lost in the recent major earthquake in Haiti ( Several thousands of children lost arms and legs, and the project supplies them on-going support as they grow-up ) Go To: [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org) Haiti

### **“BE NOT AFRAID MEMBERSHIP DRIVE :**

**(In honor of the Beatification of Blessed John Paul II)**  
Any member recruiting a new member from Now until June 29, 2012, will receive a Blessed John Paul III medallion of that month, Recruit 4 new members and receive a large limited edition medallion in a walnut stand. “Let’s Play it Forward” !! Someone recruited you once upon a time. Step Up, and ask a fellow parishioner to Join The Knights !! ( He is welcome at one-two meetings if he wants to come and try it out ) Let’s get Behind this Membership Drive. You New Guys at St Rosalia – Ask Someone, Dick Pugh can give you some leads to follow up on – if you need help!

### **UPCOMING FOURTH DEGREE MEETING**

**ATTN: All C # 3530 – 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Members**

**( Members of FPA # 0912 or Possibly some other Assembly- that you haven’t transferred from )**

Fort Pitt Assembly, like other assemblies, is made up of some 6+ councils, and in our case we rotate the monthly meeting and “The Hosting” each month amongst the councils. January is our Turn !

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25<sup>th</sup> - 7:30PM**

**In the William Winter Center, Sacred Heart Ch, Corner of Shady Ave & Alder Street – Ground Level**

Will be our Council’s next hosting, and we’d like to see a Good Turn-Out from our #3530 – 4<sup>th</sup> degrees. **A rosary is always said – about 7:10 PM.** The meeting is Short, followed by socializing and snacking. **Attend.** The Assembly Food Pantry Project is handled on a Cash basis ( Cash and Checks made out to Mike G Fader ) Other Councils present the assembly with a donation. We’d like to assemble some donations from our 4<sup>th</sup> degrees and report it as a Joint Council One(You can deduct Tax Wise, using the LittleSisters)**SEE YOU - JANUARY 25<sup>TH</sup> - 7:30**

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Where did 2011 go? It seems like it was summer yesterday and Easter was last week.

I hope you and your family had a great finish for 2011. Now, the first quarter of 2012 is speeding by.

Hopefully, you’ve established a few goals for this year. I’ve learned a great tip regarding resolutions. First, write them down. It’s not too late if you haven’t already done this. Commit your goals to paper and post it someplace you will see it often. Writing down a goal is the first step towards achieving it. I don’t know exactly how this works, but I’ve heard stories of the success this simple task can bring. Whether your goal is to exercise more, give more to charity, read more or watch less television, you’re more likely to accomplish it if you write it down.

Second, resolve to have an expert look at your finances. I recommend that you have a team of experts help you, and I should be among the first you sit with. Schedule some time to visit with me, your professional Knights of Columbus Insurance Agent, and I’ll provide an “insurance check-up” that will quickly identify any gaps in your family’s life insurance program. And you’ll want to fill those gaps now, not later. Unlike many other products, you don’t just need money to obtain life insurance, you also need good health, and no one knows when your health could change.

Did I mention my check-up is free of charge ? That we can also review your retirement savings, needs for asset protections as you age or disability coverage. When was the last time you received something for free that could be providing value to you and your family for generations? Call me today : **Ken Scott** at 724-719-2324 or e mail : [Kenneth.Scott@kofc.org](mailto:Kenneth.Scott@kofc.org).

### **FOCUS IN PITTSBURGH**

What a “Treasure” FOCUS is to the students of our Pittsburgh area Universities (Pitt, CMU, Chatham). Our Recorder sent out his notes on Brett Rhodes presentation to our Council at our November meeting. The **Fellowship of Catholic University Students** really reaches out to the Catholics in numerous ways, some small group Bible Study Groups, and large wholesome Outdoor / Indoor Activities, that are fun in themselves and ,as conducted, keep the participants focused on their Faith. The Team of Four – NEED – funds to finance study group materials, meals with students, and the larger activities. Donations can be sent to FOCUS, P OBox 18710. Golden, CO, 80402-0809. Your check:FOCUS, memo “UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH”

**HAVE A BLESSED & GREAT 2012**

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## **Insurance Check-Up for 2012**

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**NEWSLETTER HIGHLIGHTS:**

**Make your council's "charities" part of  
Your 2012 Resolutions !!**

**E Mail, Mail, or Call In your 2011 Audit  
Data by Jan 10<sup>th</sup> latest.**

**CHAPLAIN'S COLUMN:**

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

**We greet each other with words : Happy New Year ! They should not be empty words on the part of the Sayer or the Recipient. "Happy" means to be "Blessed" ! And we are when we realize that Jesus Christ is our Redeemer and we have just celebrated the Christmas Season.**

**It was the time for the real spirit and meaning to take hold in our lives. We can be Happy when we forgive and are forgiven.**

**Recently at a banquet a lady who had called me on the carpet for a matter that was totally innocent, came in earshot of others and asked my forgiveness. I assured her that I have. We are Blessed when we carry out this spirit.**

**May this be a really Blessed and a Happy New Year ! It will be when we walk in the ways of the Master, Jesus Christ.**

**Rev. & SK Edward S. Litavec**

**Sacred Heart Parish**