



THE ROUNDTABLE



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COMING EVENTS

DATE	DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
January 2019				
1/3	Thursday	8:00 pm	Council Meeting	SMS cafeteria
1/9	Wednesday	8:00 pm	Assembly Meeting	St. Mary of Mount Virgin New Brunswick
1/17	Friday	7:30 pm	Chapter 4 Meeting	St. Francis of Assissi Council #3272 24 Patrick Ave. Edison, NJ
February 2019				
2/6	Wednesday	8:00 pm	Assembly Meeting	St. Mary of Mount Virgin New Brunswick, NJ
2/7	Thursday	8:00 pm	Council Meeting	St. Mary of Mount Virgin New Brunswick, NJ
2/3	Sunday	After Mass	Super Bowl Pancake Breakfast	SMS cafeteria
2/13	Wednesday	7:30 pm	Chapter 4 Meeting	St. Bartholomew Council #11873 460 Ryders Lane East Brunswick, NJ Bishop's Visit State Candidates for 2020 Visit



**We Wish You a
Holy and Blessed
Christmas**

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HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAY



Birthday greetings to our brothers who celebrate birthdays in December:

- **Anthony Circelli**—Dec. 1

- **Cyril M. Simone**—Dec. 4
- **Justin K. Reeves**—Dec. 7
- **Joseph S. Pellicane, PGK**—Dec. 11
- **Sean Downey**—Dec. 12
- **Robert F. McGrath**—Dec. 12
- **Joseph R. Serpe**—Dec. 13
- **Richard J. Biunno**—Dec. 14
- **Romeo P. Ronquillo**—Dec. 15
- **Thomas A. Grace**—Dec. 19
- **Robert L. Bachmann**—Dec. 20

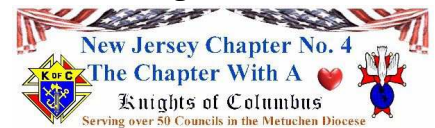
- **Dr. Keith Wilson**—Dec. 24
- **James P. Pettit**—Dec. 28

HAPPY JANUARY BIRTHDAY



Birthday greetings to our brothers who celebrate birthdays in January:

- **Robert Magnotti**—Jan. 1
- **Thomas D. Valenti**—Jan. 6
- **Brian J. Watts**—Jan. 7
- **Martin E. Engelhardt**—Jan. 8
- **Brian C. King**—Jan. 10
- **Frank G. Truppo**—Jan. 11
- **James T. Luxhoj**—Jan. 13
- **Guillermo Madrano**—Jan. 15
- **Harold D. McGrath**—Jan. 17
- **John F. Reilly III**—Jan. 18
- **Richard J. Pleconis**—Jan. 20
- **Alexander J. Kucsma**—Jan. 22
- **Stephen J. Bohnczyk**—Jan. 23
- **Raymond A. Varela**—Jan. 23
- **Alfonso M. Misuraca**—Jan. 25
- **Salvatore Saladini**—Jan. 27
- **John J. Rogan**—Jan. 28



The next Chapter 4 Meeting will be held on Friday, Jan. 17, 2019 at St. Francis of Assisi Council #3272 24 Patrick Ave., Edison, NJ.

Bishop James Checchio will be in attendance at this meeting; also, the next candidates for State office will be introduced at this meeting.

LOCAL EVENTS

Several local councils have scheduled events that might be of interest to other Knights.

Here is a list of those events:

- **Our Lady of Lourdes Council #6930**
Comedy Night I
Saturday, Jan. 12, 2019
Whitehouse Station, NJ

- **St. Jude Council #6573**
Roast Pork Dinner
Sunday, Jan. 27, 2019
Manville, NJ

Please go to www.njchapter4.com/events.html for more information about these events.

COUNCIL CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

The Council party was held on Saturday, December 8 at the Somerville Knights of Columbus Hall. There were about 40 people in attendance at the festivities.



L to R: Robert Lavalle; GK Bill Hanily, Dave Ryden; Danielle Ryden.

Danielle Ryden was the winner of the annual “Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest” which this year was judged by the audience.

FELLOW BROTHER JOHN CLYDE HONORED BY FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

A long-time public servant was given the Environmental Stewardship Award Nov. 27 by the township Environmental Commission.

John Clyde, a former Township Councilman (and Sir Knight of our Council) and current Environmental Commission member, was presented with the individual award for his

years of service’ presented by Commission chairman **Walter Andrews**.



VETERAN'S OUTREACH PROJECT

St. Augustine of Canterbury Council #8415 will be doing their usual volunteering at the Veterans’ Memorial Home at Menlo Park, 132 Evergreen Road, Edison, NJ from 1:00 PM to 3:30 PM.

They will be transporting the wheelchair-bound residents to the music program in the central area of the Home and then back to their individual areas.

Help us serve those who have served their country and their fellow Americans. Contact **SK Byron Dyer** at b_dyer@comcast.net or 732-821-7585.

DUES INCREASE FOR 2019

At the June, 2018 meeting members voted to increase the annual dues from the current \$32 to \$40 beginning next year. Notices for the dues payment for the 2019 Columbian Year will be in the mail shortly.

The dues you pay to the Council are used to support the many charities that the Council supports. The charities that the Council supports include:

- The Rutgers Catholic Center
- Wreaths Across America
- Boy Scout and Girl Scout projects
- Veteran’s Affairs
- Pro-Life Activities

- Center for Great Expectations
- SMS annual Golf event
- SMS annual Tricky-tray activities
- SMS annual Night of Winners event
- SMS annual Trunk or Treat Night

PAY YOUR DUES ONLINE

You can now pay your annual dues online using your credit card or PayPal account.

Simply go to:
www.stmatthiaskofc.com/dues.html.

SUPER BOWL SUNDAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The St. Matthias Council Annual Super Bowl Sunday All-You-Can-Eat Robert Norland Pancake Breakfast will be held on Sunday, February 21, 2019 in the school cafeteria.



Tickets are \$10.00 each for adults; \$6.00 for children between the ages of 10 and 18; children under 10 years old are free.

At \$10.00 for an all-you-can-eat breakfast it is still a better deal than you can get from the local eateries.

If you are planning to attend, please call **SK Charlie Hicks, PGK** at (732) 873-3116 or britrob01@aol.com.

NEW INSURANCE FIELD AGENT

We have a new Insurance Field Agent, **Charles Bud Gardner**, to

service our Council's insurance members.

Bud may be reached on (917) 589-1252 or charles.gardner@kofc.org.

ANNUAL 50/50 WINNER

Brother James Isola was the lucky winner in this year's Annual 50/50 drawing. Our new Insurance Field Agent, **Charles Bud Gardner**, pulled Jim's ticket from the hat on December's Council meeting.

Good Luck, Jim!

LONG-TIME HONORARY MEMBER TRANSFERS

Brother Ronald Guarino, a former Honorary Life member of St. Matthias Council, has transferred to All Saints Council #9709 in Raleigh, NC, where Ronald now resides.

SAVE THE DATE PRIDE IN PRIESTS DINNER

The 2019 Pride in our Priests Dinner will be held on May 1st, 2019 from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm at it's new venue, the Grand Marquis of Old Bridge, 1550 Route 9, Old Bridge, NJ 08857.

The new venue offers a sit down dinner entrees known as a *Duet*, an open-bar for liquid refreshments, and valet parking.

No formal program will be presented and comments will be kept to a greeting by his **Excellency Most Reverend James F. Checchio**.

The price is \$50.00 per person and St. Matthias Council will have table for 12.

PGK MARTY ENGELHARDT THANKS THE COUNCIL



The following Thank You was received from **Marty and Barbara Engelhardt** acknowledging Marty's elevation to Honorary Life member:

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"Marty and I thank you and the Knights of Columbus for the honor you bestowed on him with the Honorary Life membership.

As you know Marty enjoyed all the years with the Knights and holds all those memories. He will miss you all.

*Sincerely,
Barbara & Marty Engelhardt"*

THE CENTER FOR GREAT EXPECTATIONS

St. Matthias Council is a monthly financial supporter of The Center for Great Expectations located on Dellwood Lane in Somerset.

Grounded in a spirituality that treasures the dignity of all, The Center for Great Expectations seeks to form a partnership with homeless pregnant and/or parenting women & adolescents, men, and their children in creating a safe place, safe presence, and safe path, which enables them to experience, choose and maintain physical, psychological, social and spiritual health for themselves, their children and families.

To be a national leader in providing transformational (behavioral health) substance use and mental health treatment to women, children, men and families impacted by trauma, abuse and neglect

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