



# KNIGHTNEWS

DECEMBER 1, 2017

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION COUNCIL 4907  
SPOTSWOOD, NJ

**Supreme Knight Carl Anderson received the Medal of the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA, (AMS) in recognition of his and the Knights of Columbus' support for members of the U.S. armed forces. The medal was presented by Archbishop Timothy Broglio on Nov. 18 at the Saint John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, D.C.**

**For nearly three decades the Knights of Columbus and the AMS have worked together to serve the men and women of the armed forces.**



## GRAND KNIGHT REPORT

Greetings Brother Knights:

Hard to believe Christmas is almost here!

In an increasingly secular world, many Catholics are faced with the difficulty of sharing the faith. With the bustle of Christmas shopping and the frequent removal of religious imagery from Christmas displays, it seems that communities have forgotten the incredible gift of Christ and the beauty of his birth. We, as Knights of Columbus, are called to remember the mission of Keeping Christ in Christmas. For the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ brought a great illumination of hope into the world. So, as we celebrate this most wonderful Holiday please remember to pray for peace in our world and to treat all as children of God.

I want to wish you and your families a joyous and Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year in 2018.

*Vivat Jesus,*

*Jason Consorti  
WGK*



## December Meeting Schedule



**Monday, December 18th Columbian Club Trustees Meeting at 7:30 PM** at the Hall. ALL KNIGHTS in good standing (holders of a current membership card) are welcome to attend this meeting.

**Wednesday, December 20th KOC Business/Social & Officers Meeting at 7:30 PM** at the Hall. ALL KNIGHTS in good standing are welcome. Pizza will be served after the Business meeting.

## Council Officers for 2017/2018

Monsignor Joseph Curry Chaplain

Jay Consorti	Grand Knight
Doug Manziano	Deputy Grand Knight
Ted Ricci	Chancellor
Ken Pearce	Financial Secretary
PGK Pat O'Brien	Treasurer
John Savarese	Warden
Carl Buffalino	Recorder
Tom Gallo	Lecturer
PGK Chris Ryan	Advocate
Kevin Walsh	Inside Guard
John Duffy	Outside Guard
PGK Rich O'Brien	Third Year Trustee
PGK Joe Miller	Second Year Trustee
PGK Frank Guerino	First Year Trustee

Insurance Agent Bob McFadden 732-382-5795

Tom D'Amico District Deputy-District 61  
PFN, PGK, SK

*Three Reasons to be a  
Member of the KOC:*

1. *Charitable works*
2. *Fraternal Benefits*
3. *Fellowship with  
Brother Knights*





**Knights of Columbus  
# 4907**

**30 Crescent Avenue**

**Spotswood, NJ  
08884**

**Our general  
Business Meeting is  
at the Club Hall the  
Fourth Wednesday  
of every month at  
7:30PM. Check our  
calendar for any  
meeting revisions.**

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## **Columbian Club Hall**



Please tell your friends and family we are accepting Hall bookings for events as far away as May of 2018. To rent the Hall, call 732-251-3033 between the hours of 3 & 7 PM. Or you can email our Hall Chairman, John Duffy or me and we'll arrange for your event. John's email is johnduffy9@verizon.net

## **Recent Council Events RECAP**

Our Council again had a busy past few weeks. On November 15<sup>th</sup>, Father Mhonchan Ezung celebrated our **annual Memorial Mass** for our deceased Brothers and sister Columbiettes. We read the names of all the Brother Knights we've lost since our Council was founded in the early 1960s. May their souls rest in peace!

Our annual **Wheelchair Mission in support of our Veterans** was another rousing success. Thanks to our Chaplain Monsignor Joe we were able to receive the second collection on the weekend of November 11 and 12 and we shook the can on November 19<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to the generosity of our neighbors and friends, coupled with the Council's donation, we will be donating \$4500 to this most worthy cause. *That will enable the purchase of 30 new wheel chairs for our Veterans around the country!*

The annual **Church Drive for Membership** was also held the weekend of November 11 and 12. Brother Knights spoke from the pulpit during all Masses and encouraged all Catholic gentlemen present to consider joining our Order. We received interest from 3 prospects and are in the process of bringing those candidates forward.



Our **Thanksgiving Food Drive** was another charitable effort of our council. We partnered with the Spotswood Office on Aging and collected donated food at both our Hall and the Senior Center. Thanks to this collaborative approach we gathered more food than in prior years and were able to offer 7 families a wonderful Thanksgiving meal. In addition, we brought a sizeable amount of food to CUP, our local food pantry.



Finally, we hosted our annual Special Citizens Holiday Party on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Santa Claus stopped by, escorted on a fire truck from the Spotswood Fire Department. Thanks to John and Dan Savarese and friends for cooking a delicious meal appreciated by all who attended. And thanks to the many Brother Knights who came to set up the Hall and entertain our guests.



## Upcoming Events

Our **Members Christmas Party** will be on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> from 7PM on in our bar area. For \$10, you and your guests are entitled to two beers or glasses of wine and a catered meal. All are welcome to stop by and enjoy the fellowship of your Brother Knights and their wives.

The **Substance Abuse Poster Contest** for local school children will be held in January. We award prizes and have had our Council champions advance and win at the State level in recent years. More details will be presented on that contest soon.

On Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018, we will be hosting our **Carrabbas Fundraiser dinner** in the Hall. Please save the date and stay tuned for more details.

On Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, our **Super Bowl Party and Mega 50/50 event** will be held. Please save the date and be sure to stop by and take in some football action!



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**OF COLUMBUS**  

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**IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.**