

## Knights of Columbus

READING COUNCIL, No. 1031 Reading, Massachusetts 01867

# THE SWORD AND ANCHOR MARCH 2013



## Charity – Unity – Fraternity – Patriotism Live your Faith!

Brothers,

March is here. Lent is a great season to stop, reflect, and take the opportunity to course correct to the path of the Lord. Take advantage of it.

We will celebrate St Patrick's Day this year with a Friday night Fish Bake on Fri, March 15. Please sign up early for this sellout fundraising event.

Easter comes early this year and arrives on March 31. We will have our traditional Communion Mass and breakfast on Sunday, March 17. We will go to St Athanasius for the 9AM Mass and sit together in the front, Knights and our families. Then, we'll join in fellowship at the Enos Hall after Mass for a nice breakfast.

This past month, we welcomed eight new members to our Reading Knights. Also, we had advancement of fifteen Brother Knights to Second and Third Degrees. We have grown united in our mission of charity. Let's continue to make a difference as a Council.

In Christ,

Mike Canavan, Grand Knight

#### **Super Bowl:**

Our Annual Super Bowl Party was held as usual in the lounge on Sunday Feb. 3. A large group came down and had a fun time even without the Patriots. And there was plenty of food to enjoy thanks to Camille and all the others that helped out.

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### Sick and Vigil:

Brother Mil Dixon's wife is at home recuperating from a heart attack. Remember to keep PGK Tim Knowles in your prayers he is at home recuperating from a fall he had recently. Jim Knowles also had an accident recently he is now at home with a broken leg. Yours truly, Brother Ernie Arsenault is at home recuperating from a reaction to medication.

If you know of any brother or family member in need of prayers or assistance, communicate these needs to us for inclusion in the newsletter at <a href="mailto:errea101@gmail.com">errea101@gmail.com</a>.

### **March Birthdays:**

3/1 Gerald Boudreau, Walter Kulakowski, Joe Walker, 3/7 Matthew Bloomfield, 3/17 Bob O Brien, 3/20 Michael Gordan, 3/21 Ted Watson, 3/23 Kevin Kerrigan, 3/28 Robert Barrett, Ed Marchand, 3/29 Frank Bastolla, 3/30 Jim Fandel, Rev. Dennis Gallagher.

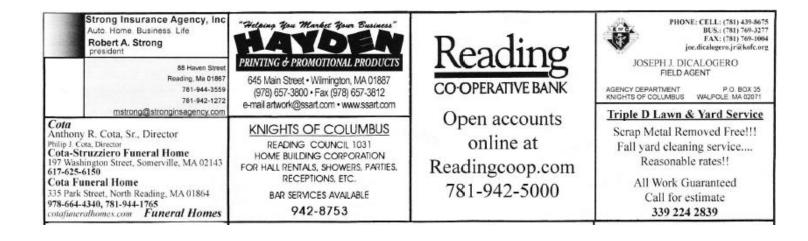
### Why Catholic?

Make plans to join us on six Wednesday nights during Lent. The previous season was devoted to Prayer, this next season is titled "What do we Believe" based on the Apostles Creed. Books will be available at this meeting for a fee of \$15. Our moderator this season will be John Russo. John can be reached at 781-389-6879 for further information.

### St. Agnes Men's Retreat:

Join us Tuesday March 19<sup>th</sup> in the St. Agnes Lower Church as we gather with Old Friends and meet New Ones and hear God's Word. The men of St. Agnes have sponsored a weekend Retreat for the past 25 years. This evening will be an opportunity to become familiar with the weekend format and hopefully you will find it to be what you have a need for.

This Retreat is open to all men. In fact we have had an occasional non-Catholic join us.



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### First Degree:

A first Degree ceremony was held on Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> for eight new members. Peter Del Greco, David Ebert, Frank Andrews, Paul Fitzgerald, Bart Mullin, Steve Gagnon, Steve Goldner, Rich Coco.



### **Three Generations of Ebert's:**

David joins his father Warden Dennis and Grandfather Deputy Grand Knight Lenny.



### **Third Degree:**

A third Degree ceremony was held on Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> for 15 members of Council 1031. Jim Fandel, Matt Bloomfield, Steve Goldner, Rich Coco, Ron Beaupre, Charlie Fallon, Reginald Peters, John Silva, Mike Olivo, Charlie Tidd, Deacon Neal Sumner, Mike Terry, Peter Del Greco, Kevin Kerrigan, John Barrette.

### **Communion Breakfast:**

Our Annual Communion Breakfast will be held on Sunday March 17<sup>th</sup> with the 9:00 Mass at St. Athanasius followed by breakfast at Enos Hall. This breakfast is a long tradition of the council and is usually well attended. Open to members and guests. Please register at



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### St. Patrick's Day Dinner:

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This year St. Patrick's Day falls on the Sunday of our traditional Communion Breakfast so rather than a Corned Beef dinner Saturday Night we will have a dinner on Friday March 15th at 6:00 PM. The dinner will consist of Baked Fish, rice pilaf, coleslaw coffee/tea, dessert. Open to members and guests person. To register per http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E044CADAE2E AB9-stpatricks.

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### St. Athanasius Ladies Night Out:

KofC helpers are needed to support this event on March 2, at 5PM. Need people to check in the ladies, serve the food, and pick up the trash.

### **Contact List**

Council Affairs (Mike Canavan, GK): 781-872-0042

or by email: gk1@readingkofc.org

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### Knight's Calendar-at-a-glance:

March 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5 PM Ladies Night Out

March 6<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 PM Why Catholic?

March 12th - 8:00 PM Council meeting

March 13<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 PM Why Catholic?

March 15<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 PM St. Patrick Dinner

March 17<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 AM Communion Breakfast

March 19<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 PM Men's Reunion at St. Agnes

March 19<sup>th</sup> – 7:30 PM HBC meeting

March 20<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 PM Why Catholic?

March 26th - 8:00 PM Council meeting

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