

# Knights of Columbus

Council, No. 1031

Reading, Massachusetts 01867

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## THE SWORD AND ANCHOR MARCH 2017

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Brothers:

Treasurer's Report:

- Dues collections are running ahead of last year's pace. On behalf of all Council officers, thanks to everyone who has responded so far! Please don't hesitate to contact me or our Financial Secretary with any questions or concerns.
- We have received 36 State Raffle ticket books so far netting \$216 for our council charity fund. If you paid for the state raffle but did not send in the completed ticket stubs you have until April 28<sup>th</sup> to submit your tickets.

Council Charity Fund Program:

- The annual council charity fund budget is \$4250. Historically this has included support of our local Parishes and Clergy, Reading Food Pantry, Various Supreme Council Initiatives, Educational Programs and Member-selected Causes.
- As your Charity Fund Chair I'd like to expand the program to include additional causes of central importance to our members. Please let me know what causes you'd like to see your council support including fund drives you are conducting personally.

*On a personal note, I'd like to express my sincere gratitude to the officers and members of the council who supported and comforted me during my mom's battle with brain cancer. I could not have endured this difficult time in my life without the support I received. Someday, hopefully soon, we will find a cure.*

Yours in Christ,  
Brian J. Nowicki, Past Grand Knight/Treasurer  
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Sick and Vigil:

Brother Brian Desmond, a retired Reading Police Officer, died on Nov. 12 after a long illness. Our prayers are with his family during this difficult time.

Continued prayers for successful treatment of FS Charlie Fallon illness.

## A GOOD KNIGHT THOUGHT

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### LENT: PRAYER, FASTING, & ALMSGIVING

Patterning ourselves on Jesus words and example, our self-denial in Lent is three-fold: **We pray** — "Go to your room, close your door, and pray to your Father in private." **We fast**— "No one must see you are fasting but your Father." **We give alms**— "Keep your deeds of mercy secret, and your Father who sees in secret will repay you."

Self-denial is an exercise, a workout, a getting into shape. Through the Lenten exercise of prayer, fasting and almsgiving we do a sort of **spring cleaning** of our lives; we sharpen our senses, put tomorrow in its place and treasure the day at hand.

All of us can think of reasons not to pray, fast or give alms. These practices probably seem old-fashioned, even holier-than-thou.

BESIDES, *didn't we get rid of most of the rules about Lenten discipline?*

NO, these rules were *relaxed*; to make these things free gifts we give to one another and to God.

Let's enter into Lent in the right spirit and benefit greatly from our efforts to become better

**DEACON NEIL**

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### March Birthdays:

3/1 Joseph Warren Walker, 3/15 Richard Coco, 3/17 Gerald Boudreau, Bob O'Brien, 3/21 David Ventola, Ted Watson, 3/23 Kevin Kerrigan, 3/28 Robert Barrett, Robert Benoit, Ed Marchand, 3/29 Frank Bastolla, 3/30 Jim Fandel, Rev. Dennis Gallagher.

### Your Help is needed to update our Records:

If your birthday is incorrect let us know. Email John Silva at [jasilva397@aim.com](mailto:jasilva397@aim.com) or call 781 944 4285

### Let's Help Charlie:

Let's all help FS Charlie Fallon by providing prompt payment of your dues ASAP.

This would avoid the need for him to send a second mailing.

### Birthday Reward:

Visit the lounge during the month of your birthday and Steve will be happy to present you with a free drink of your choice.

### Communion Breakfast:

This year's Communion Breakfast will be held on Sunday April 2 with 9:00 AM Mass at St Athanasius followed by breakfast at the K of C Enos Hall. This popular event is open to family and friends so mark your calendars. There will be a sign-up at

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e044cdae2eab9-communion>

### Recruitment Drive – St. Agnes:

A drive was held at all Masses at St. Agnes on Feb. 18-19. The drive included a Pancake Breakfast after the 9:00 & 11:00 Masses. A total of 9 men submitted applications for enrollment. A hearty thank you to brothers Dick Coco and Bob Baynes in creating and managing the drive and all of the brother knights that helped to make it a success.



### K of C Basketball Free Throw Competition:



Our Council sponsored the K of C Local Free Throw Competition at the Burbank YMCA on Saturday Jan. 28. There were 25 boys and girls from ages 9 to 14 who competed, each throwing a total of 15 shots.

The winners were:

Age 9 Boy	Kyle Weaver
Age 10 Girl	Abbi Magazzu
Age 10 Boy	Dimitris Mirogiannis
Age 11 Girl	Lexi Nusinov
Age 11 Boy	Bryan Beneke
Age 12 Girl	Liana Winans
Age 12 Boy	Lex Grainger
Age 13 Boy	Ben Regazzini
Age 14 Girl	Olivia Parziale



A special thanks to PGK Mike Canavan and the Brother Knights that assisted in making this the successful event it was.

### Bulletin Advertisers:

We have added three new advertisers to our ad page this year but there is still room for more. The **annual** cost for advertising is \$40 for a single space (approximately 1 x 2 inches) and \$80 for a double space.

You can contact me at [ernea101@gmail.com](mailto:ernea101@gmail.com), when you have an interested new advertiser.

### First Degree Ceremonies:

Four new members to our council received their First Degree on Feb. 20. were; John Canning, Robert Cusolito, Roland Surette, and Jason Surette.

Introduce yourself to these men as Brother Knights when you see them.



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### Council Charities:

The Council recently approved the following gifts:

- \$100 to the Reading Education Foundation
- \$100 to the Warriors of Lourdes

### Support the Lounge – Hours of Operation:

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Thurs., Fri. Sat. - 4:00 to 11:00

### Council Calendar:

Mar. 1	Ash Wednesday; Lent Begins
Mar. 14	8:00 – 9:00 PM Council Meeting
Mar. 21	8:00 PM HBC Meeting
Mar. 28	8:00 – 9:00 PM Council Meeting
Apr. 2	9:00 AM Mass @ St. Athanasius followed with breakfast @ Enos Hall



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