



# Patapsco Knight



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## GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Brothers,

I recently received a call from a member of a neighboring church concerning their new Pastor's decision to remove the headstone that was placed on their property in remembrance of those children who have lost their lives to abortion. The reason why the headstone was removed is irrelevant, but it opens the door to opportunity for us. The member inquired as to whether Patapsco Council wanted the headstone. At first, I wasn't sure how to react, but after discussion, I feel that taking it is the responsible thing to do.

My plan is this: I believe that what the headstone stands for should be combined with our earlier decision to purchase trees. The combination of our "Legacy Trees", along with the headstone would make an ideal "Memory Garden". Although these ideas are new, they are possible. As Brother Knights, we owe this Memory Garden to all of those whose lives have been touched by abortion. This will take some work, but it will pay dividends, even if a few people are touched enough to decline an abortion.

In the next few weeks logistics for the transfer of the headstone will become available. When they do, I will let everyone know. It is my intention to make this Memory Garden a top priority for my administration as Grand Knight, just as Service to Others is a top Priority of Our Order.

*Vivat Jesus!*

*Mike LaMartina*

## ANNUAL MEN'S RETREAT

Patapsco's Men's Retreat is February 25-27, 2011. For our Brothers who normally go to our retreat, mark your calendars now. For Brothers who would like to experience a retreat, but don't know what to do, call me. The men's weekend retreat is conducted in silence and includes generous periods of time for prayer, personal reflection, and cultivation of a deep relationship with God. It also provides for daily Eucharist and the possibility of celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

*PGK Tom Slifker*

*410-465-3485*

## HEAVEN'S WORDS

### Message of September 25, 2010

Our Lady appeared to the visionary Marija and gave the following monthly message for the world: "Dear children! Today I am with you and bless you all with my motherly blessing of peace, and I urge you to live your life of faith even more, because you are still weak and are not humble. I urge you, little children, to speak less and to work more on your personal conversion so that your witness may be fruitful. And may your life be unceasing prayer. Thank you for having responded to my call."

### Message of October 2, 2010

Our Lady appeared and gave the following message: "Dear children; Today I call you to a humble, my children, humble devotion. Your hearts need to be just. May your crosses be your means in the battle against the sins of the present time. May your weapon be patience and boundless love – a love that knows to wait and which will make you capable of recognizing God's signs – that your life, by humble love, may show the truth to all those who seek it in the darkness of lies. My children, my apostles, help me to open the paths to my Son. Once again I call you to pray for your shepherds. Alongside them, I will triumph. Thank You."

## EDITING HELP NEEDED

We're in search of a volunteer to help publish the Patapsco Knight. Computer experience is required. Desk Top Publishing experience is helpful, but not necessary. Please contact Nick Hasser (nick.hasser@gmail.com) if you are interested.

## TRAVEL CLUB NEWS

Our sold out trip to the Holiday Spectacular at the Meyerhoff is Wednesday, December 15. Final payment for this trip is due November 10th. The Charleston New Year's Eve trip is Wednesday, December 29 until New Year's Day. Final payment for this trip is due by November 10th. There are still openings for this trip. If you want to go with us, call me as soon as possible. We also are going to Atlantic City February 16 and 17. For reservations for all these trips, call me, Tom Slifker, 410-465-3485.

**Abortion Unhinged**

Abortionists defend their choice for four reasons:

**LEVEL OF DEVELOPMENT:** They argue the unborn can't read Shakespeare or do geometry problems. Yet no one expects this of their two year old daughter.

**ENVIRONMENT:** Where an unborn child resides, say abortionists, removes their humanity. Yet environments for all of us change throughout our lives. Why should a changing environment affect our innate humanity?

**DEPENDENCY:** The unborn child cannot live without her mother. This is true for part of pregnancy. Yet who would expect a kindergarten child to make her way in the world without a loving parent or parents?

**SIZE:** Science now tells us what judges could not. The universal fingerprint, DNA, has been traced to the moment of fertilization. Scientifically, this is where life begins.

There are crises that lead women to abortion (peer pressure, career ambitions, finances). But what mother would kill her toddler child for any of these reasons?

Science has unravelled the mystery of when life begins. Let us rejoice. And let us create laws compatible with modern scientific technology.

**PATAPSCO KNIGHT**

**Help Reduce the cost of publishing the Patapsco Knight**

In an attempt to reduce the Council's costs relating to publishing the Patapsco Knight, I am asking everyone who receives the newsletter via the U.S. Postal Service to consider receiving it via email. The fewer number of papers that we have to print and mail, the lower the cost. Right now, it costs the Council approximately \$375.00 per month to print and mail the newsletter. Please email Mike Blair at kc1529@verizon.net. I'll make sure that you will begin receiving your Patapsco Knight via email. Please include your current mailing address in the email so that we make sure we change the correct person.

*Thank you, Mike Blair (410-747-8542)*

**MOVIE NIGHT**

“Fireproof Your Marriage” with Patapsco Council Knights of Columbus at our Free Family Movie Night Friday, November 12th, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Hall, 1010 Frederick Rd. We will see the faith-based film “Fireproof” starring Kirk Cameron as a fireman struggling to save his marriage. Suitable for the entire family, childcare will be available for the younger children who may prefer to play. Beer, wine, and soft drinks will be available at minimal prices. Please bring a movie snack to share. RSVP to Scott Luco (410-744-1559) if childcare is needed.

**Please pray for the following sick:**

Rita Eberling, PGK Bud Gaegler, Frank Viscardi

**Please pray for the families of the following deceased:**

All deceased council members

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## **Movie Night at the KOI - "Fireproof" Friday, 12 November 2010**

Movie starts at 8 p.m.  
FREE Admission, bring a snack to share.  
RSVP to Scott Luco if childcare is needed.  
Contact: Scott Luco @ 410-744-1559

## **First ever Chili Cook-Off Sunday, 14 November 2010**

Contact: GK Mike LaMartina @ 443-992-5426

## **Second Degree Wednesday, 17 November 2010**

Join us in welcoming Brothers into the second degree.  
Candidates should arrive by 7:30p.m. Appropriate attire is coat and tie. Degree begins at 8:00p.m.  
Contact: Tony Viscardi @ 410-719-0099

## **Food For The Needy Distribution Thursday, 9 December 2010**

Help us assemble and distribute food to the needy in our community.  
Contact: Tom Slifker @ 410-465-3485

## **Holiday Spectacular @ the Meyerhoff Wednesday, 15 December 2010**

Bus Trip includes bus, lunch & show  
11:30 a.m. lunch at Chiapparelli's Restaurant  
2:00 p.m. Holiday Spectacular show  
Cost: \$86 - This trip is SOLD OUT  
Contact: PGK Tom Slifker, 410-465-3485

## **Heart of Maryland Chorus Wednesday, 15 December 2010**

Bring your friends and family to this annual event to help get in the mood for Christmas.  
Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Performance starts at 7:30 p.m.  
Contact: Tim McCarthy @ 410-788-3113

## **Empty Creche Caroling @ Hillcrest Saturday, 18 December 2010**

Join us at 8:45 a.m. to sing Christmas Carols while remembering the babies who were not allowed to be born.  
Contact: Joe Healy @ 410-322-1481

## **Charleston, SC New Year's Eve Bus Trip 29 December 2010 to 1 January 2011**

Featuring candlelight tour & dinner @ Middleton Plantation, 3 nights, 3 breakfasts, 3 dinners, & Charleston tours.  
Cost: \$459 Final payment due by Nov 10th  
Contact: PGK Tom Slifker, 410-465-3485

## **Blood Drive TBD January 2011**

Details in future issues of the Patapsco Knight

## **First Degree Wednesday, 19 January 2011**

Join us in welcoming Brothers into the first degree.  
Candidates should arrive by 7:30p.m. Appropriate attire is coat and tie. Degree begins at 8:00p.m.  
Contact: Tony Viscardi @ 410-719-0099

## **Atlantic City Overnight Bus Trip Wednesday/Thursday, 16-17 February 2011**

Featuring food voucher, casino bonuses, hotel & more.  
Cost \$124 (\$50 deposit required with reservation)  
Contacts: PGK Tom Slifker, 410-465-3485

## **Annual March for Life Monday, 24 January 2011**

The March will be held on the 24th this year since the 22nd falls on a Saturday. Busses will leave at 9:00 a.m. from Shoppers next to St. Agnes.  
Contact: Joe Healy @ 410-322-1481

Do you have an event you would like to advertise in the  
*Patapsco Knight*?

Contact the editors at:  
editor@kofc1960.org

**Program Report**

*PGK Barry Casanova, Program Director*

Brothers and Patapsco Council family, the first round of Surge for Service Reports were submitted so now we move on to the second group of activities. I would ask that activity chairman submit reports within two weeks of the reportable event. Second period: Church - Monastery School clean out; Community – Shredding Day; Council – Chili Cook-off; Family – Movie Night; Right to Life – Pregnancy Center Fund Raiser; Youth – Children’s Party. As we move closer to the 4th Thursday, think of what you have to be thankful for. Note, we are coming in to holidays so check for adjusted Patapsco meeting dates. News from each Director who submitted reports is listed below:

**Church Activities**

*Ernie Schaefer*

Brothers and Patapsco friends and relatives: I suggest that you either purchase or go to a library and get a copy of “Parish Priest”, a study about Father McGivney and American Catholicism. Authors: Douglas Brinkley and Julie M. Fenster. By reading this book, you will get an enriched feeling of what the Knights of Columbus is about. Considering the times, it is truly incredible how a Priest could have formed the Knights of Columbus. No other homework; no pop quiz either, just a way to increase your Faith.

**Community Activities**

*Mike Blair*

No activities report. Thanks to those who helped with Document Destruction Day on October 16th. Reminder Heart of Maryland Chorus will be performing in December. This event is open to the community!

**Council Activities**

*Open*

No activities Report. Chili Cook-Off coming. See details on the Upcoming Events page.

**Family Activities**

*Scott Luco*

Congratulations to our Family of the Month, Brother Knight Pat Cusick, his wife Joanne, son Kelly, and daughters Emma, Colleen, Maura, Erin, and Maggie. Movie Night will be Friday, November 12th, after Knight’s Out Inn. We will show “Fireproof” free of charge with beer, wine, and soft drinks available at popular prices. Child care will be available for families with younger children.

**Youth Activities**

*Dave Slade*

No activities report. Children’s Christmas Party coming in December.

**Right to Life Activities**

*Joe Healy*

Patapsco Knights spent more than 40 hours in prayerful vigil outside of the Hillcrest abortion facility at Rt. 40 & Johnnycake Rd. during the 40 Days for Life pro-life prayer campaign. Thank you all for the pro-life witness!

We will be participating in the Empty Creche Caroling outside of the Hillcrest abortion facility on Saturday, December 18th at 8:45 a.m. This is a time where we gather around an empty manger and sing Christmas carols while remembering all of the babies who were not allowed to be born.

There is a Holy Hour for Life at St. William of York Church every 4th Monday from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. On Nov. 22nd, Fr. DeAscanis, the new pastor at St. Agnes & St. William of York parishes, will be offering the homily.

Save the date! The annual March for Life in Washington, DC, will be held on the 24th of January rather than the 22nd since the 22nd falls on a Saturday. Buses will be departing for the March from the Shopper's Food parking lot adjacent to St. Agnes parish at 9:00 a.m. and should return between 5:00 and 5:30 p.m. If you want to sign up for seats on a bus, contact Joe Healy, 410-322-1481 or st.pi-usx@gmail.com.

See the Patapsco Knight Calendar and Events page for more details on these and all Council activities.

**Baltimore Chapter of Grand Knights**

Monthly Meetings are on the 2nd Thursday. See their website for locations and programs.

**Fourth Degree**

Reminder Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Assembly No. 1620 meets each 4th Thursday — EXCEPT this month — we’ll be busy eating turkey.

**FOOD FOR THE NEEDY**

**John Faggio Food For The Needy Program**

Brothers, a month has passed since you received your raffle tickets for the Food For The Needy Program. Please don’t leave them laying around. Send your money in now so that proper arrangements can be made to buy the food. We must have our food for our December 9th distribution date. Once again Brothers and friends of Patapsco, your support is greatly appreciated. If you can help assemble and distribute the food on December 9th, mark it on your calendar. If you have any questions, call me at 410-465-3485 or see me at a meeting.

*PGK Tom Slifker*

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Business Meeting.....2nd Wednesday @ 7:30pm  
Officers Meeting.....4th Wednesday @ 6:30pm  
Lecture Meeting.....4th Wednesday @ 7:30pm  
Knights Out Inn.....Fridays 6-8pm

Retired Men's Meeting.....4th Tuesday @ 11:30am  
4th Degree Meeting.....4th Thursday @ 7:30pm  
Beaumont Meeting.....1st Thursday @ 7:30pm  
Chapter of Grand Knights.....2nd Thursday

**November**

**December**

- 1 Solemnity of All Saints
- 2 All Souls
- 4 St Charles Borromeo, bishop
- 9 Feast of the Dedication of the  
Lateran Basilica in Rome
- 10 St Leo the Great, pope & doctor
- 11 St Martin of Tours, bishop
- 12 St Josaphat, bishop & martyr
- 12 Movie Night - Fireproof
- 13 St Frances Xavier Cabrini, virgin
- 14 Chili Cook-Off
- 17 St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious
- 17 Second Degree
- 21 Solemnity of Christ the King
- 22 St Cecilia, virgin & martyr
- 24 St Andrew Dung-Lac, priest & martyr,  
and his companions, martyrs
- 30 St Andrew, apostle

- 3 St Francis Xavier, priest
- 7 St Ambrose, bishop & doctor
- 8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 9 Food for the Needy Distribution Day
- 13 St Lucy, virgin & martyr
- 14 St John of the Cross, priest & doctor
- 15 Holiday Spectacular @ Meyerhoff
- 15 Heart of Maryland Chorus
- 18 Empty Creche Caroling @ Hillcrest
- 25 Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord  
(Christmas)
- 26 Feast of the Holy Family
- 27 Feast of St John, apostle & evangelist
- 28 Feast of the Holy Innocents, martyrs
- 29-Jan 1 Charleston, SC Bus Trip