



# THE KNIGHTLY NEWS

--A Newsletter for Brother Knights and Parishioners--



## SIX FISH FRIES GREAT HELP & GOOD CROWDS

Our Lenten Fish Fries concluded with our sixth night of good crowds and plenty of Knights to help. Father C was there each week to play a few tunes on the piano to entertain the patrons. The Girl Scouts sold a selection of their cookies to the customers. And on the final night of this year's dinners, the Holy Rosary Guild provide the customers with some take-home sweets from their BAKE SALE. The Friday Knight Fish Fries brought out many repeat customers from the parish and community, Brothers John and Larry greeted the crowd, and Brother Knights in the serving line provide the meal and drinks. Brother John and Dan cut and handed out the desserts.



**Brother Sean, Joe and Mike man the fryers, Brother John checks out the baked-items and crowd enjoys the dinner**

The Knights would like to thank all our patrons, and welcome them to our next event. And, thanks to all Brother Knights who came out each Friday.



## DAY OF THE UNBORN CHILD and the FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION



**Annunciation Icon and the Church of the Annunciation in Nazareth**

The Feast of the Annunciation celebrated the angel Gabriel's announcement to Mary that she would conceive and become the mother of Jesus, the Son of God, marking his incarnation. Mary answered, "I am the Lord's servant, may your word to me be fulfilled". The "Day

of the Unborn Child" is also observed on this day. It was established by St. (Pope) John Paul II to coincide with the Feast of the Annunciation. John Paul II viewed the day as "a positive option in favor of life and the spread of a culture for life to guarantee respect for

human dignity in every situation". The Knights encourage everyone to pray for the end of abortions and the respect of human life, from conception to natural death.

## Fr. MARK T. GALLIPEAU MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED

As a memorial to Fr. Mark, the Elkins Council is offering a scholarship to a graduating catholic senior who is active in the parishes of St. Brendan, Holy Rosary and St. Patrick/Coalton, They must be accepted to a college or technical school for the fall semester. Additional information, and the applications can be picked up at the parish office or on the St. Brendan website, and they are due May 1<sup>st</sup>. The Council will announce the winner and make the award in May.



## 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Honor Guard for EASTER MASS

Sir Knights of the Our Lady of the Mountains Assembly (l-r) Sir Knights Neil Williams, Jim Leombruno, Jim Shimbo, Jim Guire, Deacon John Sarraga, Fr, Chapin, Bob Hammer, Mark Joseph and Assembly Commander Larry Pnakovich.

## TMYI – “THE MAN IS YOU” TAKES

### **A LENTEN JOURNEY FOR MEN**

The Lenten journey challenges the participants to **“Become a Man After God’s Own Heart”**. A group of parishners from Holy Rosary and St. Brendan parishes have met on Wednesday mornings to continue their spiritual discussion on their role as Catholic men. They examined and evaluated their time, finances and prayer, as a part of their life with God. And, reflected on the temptations to a spiritual life and the pathway to encounter the Living God. They discussed seven covenants that guide their lives as Catholic men. Brothers Sal Carmone and Skip Gjolberg continue to lead the discussions each week. The group invites other to join them, and plan to read and discuss a book on our faith this spring.

### **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:**

- ▶ **Council #603 Monthly Meeting:** Tuesday April 13<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 in the St. Brendan parish hall
- ▶ **Catholic Schools Dinner:** Sunday April 22<sup>nd</sup> in Morgantown, with presentation of Aquinas
- ▶ **Feast of St. Mark & anniversary of Fr. Marks death:** March 25<sup>th</sup>

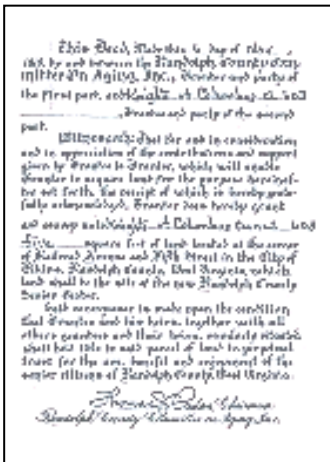
### **COMING SOON:**

- ▶ **8<sup>th</sup> Annual CCWV-Race for Hope:** May 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM, Allegheny Highlands Trail
- ▶ **Mother’s Day:** May 13<sup>th</sup>
- ▶ **WV State Convention:** May 18-20, hosted by the Clarksburg Council #872

## SENIOR CENTER “50”

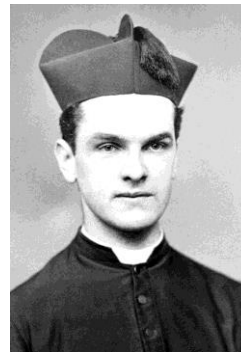
### Knights Purchased A Parcel

The Randolph County Senior Center marked its fiftieth year this year, and in 1979, one square foot parcels were sold to community members to build the Senior Center. Council #603 bought one of those parcels. Brother Knight John Vallelonga is currently on the board, John Sainato called Bingo for years and other Brothers volunteered or are members of the Center.



Council #603's Deed

## FOUNDER’S DAY REMEMBERANCE



Our Order was founded by a parish priest, the Venerable Fr. Michael J. McGivney, and Founder’s Day is a celebration of his dream. Founder’s Day for the Knights of Columbus is celebrated on March 29<sup>th</sup>, the day Fr. McGivney received our charter from the State of Connecticut in 1882. One of our founding principles was the support and assists of our parish priests. This year, the Elkins Council will especially remember our former, Pastor, Chaplain and Friend Fr. Mark Gallipeau in our prayers, events and in the aforementioned memorial scholarship. Fr. Mark passed away on April 25<sup>th</sup>, one year ago. The Knights asked that everyone remembers him, especially on that day. We are also continuing to work on documentation of our parish priests. Thus, Brothers are asked to provide information on any or all of the parish priests that served us and our parishes. Please send it to Brother Frank [frank@wv.net] to help develop our program. Thanks!

## SEMINARIAN SUPPORT RAFFLE



The Knights continue their support of vocation and our diocesan seminarians. The Elkins Council is currently supporting two diocesan seminarians, Brothers Martin Smay and Daniel Callham. They are also helping to raise funds for the Vocation efforts of the Diocese through our annual seminarian support raffle. There is still time to assist in this effort by **donating \$5 for a chance to win a prize of \$1000, \$500 or \$100 (3)**. Chances will continue to be sold through April, contact Roger Ware or Frank Koenig.

## World Day of Prayer for “VOCATIONS”

The 55<sup>th</sup> World Day of Prayer for Vocations will be held on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. It is a day for us to remember, thank and pray for Brother Tyler Boyd who is discerning, Brother Daniel, Martin and all seminarians who are studying for the priesthood, and to continue to pray for future vocations to the priesthood and religious orders.

## SEVERINO MEMORIALS

**Brother Jeff Brochart** to the Randolph County ArtsBank

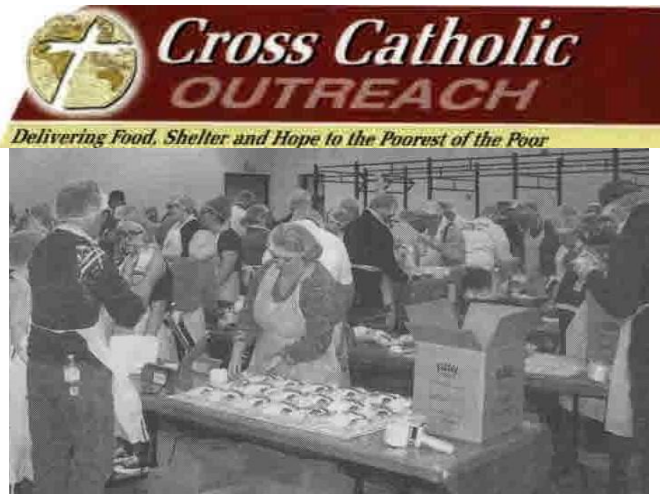
**FOOD for FAMILIES CONTINUES  
With--“FORTY CANS FOR LENT”**



The parish and the Council contributed very well during LENT, and as Brother Deacon Raymond said, families need our continued help throughout the year. If you haven't contributed your "40 CANS", or wish to give a few more, please place them in the donation box in the church vestibule.

**And—KNIGHTS ALSO SUPPORT THE  
CROSS CATHOLIC STATE EVENT**

Last spring, Brother Ned Sawyers from Kingwood Council asked the State Council and Councils from across the State to help feed those in need here in West Virginia and in some of the poorest nations. He helped to organize a Knights of Columbus effort to team up with Cross Catholic to "Feed the Hungry". Cross Catholic is a relief organization that reaches those suffering extreme poverty in countries throughout the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, and Latin America. Working with the community of Kingwood and with the support of private and Council donations over 20,000 meals were packed at Camp Dawson. The Elkins Council was one of



the Councils that provided supported for this state-wide activity. Cross Catholic projects include relief for earthquake, flood and tsunami victims, care and education for orphans and other vulnerable children, housing for the homeless, medicines and health care for the indigent, food for families suffering extreme malnutrition, and clean water for communities. Four thousand food packets were given to Catholic Charities of WV including the Elkins Office for those in need in our State.

**ELKINS COUNCIL SUPPORTS  
WV BOY'S STATE**

As part of our Youth and Community activities, the Council recently presented a check to American Legion Post #29 to support a boy attending Mountaineer Boy's State this summer. The program has been active since 1936, and youth from across the State of West Virginia have attended annually.

A few facts on Boy's State are:

**Who:** WV High School Juniors

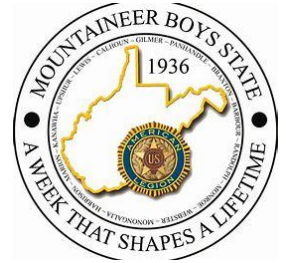
**What:** The American Legion Mountaineer Boys State

**When:** June 10, 2018 - June 16, 2018

**Where:** WVU Jackson's Mill

**Why:** Teach good government through participation

**How:** Sponsored by community organizations and our local American Legion Post



**KUDOS:**

◆**Brother Jim Jackson, Tom Coffman DD, and Frank Koenig** for conducting this year Knights of Columbus' local Free-throw Championships. And to...

◆**David Gongola**, who represented the Council, and took second at the District event in Parsons.

◆**Brother Jim Rossi and crew** for helping the community's "UNITED WAY" Italian Meatball Sub luncheon fundraiser.

◆**Very Rev. Donald Higgs**, former Chaplain and Pastor for being awarded the Pro Ecclesia of Pontifice Cross



**SIMPLE SUPPER--“SOUP &  
STATIONS” at HOLY ROSARY**

Brother Sal Carmone and our Buckhannon Brothers assisted in the Holy Rosary's Friday evening Stations, which included a simple soup/supper.



*“We must not be afraid of being Christian and living as Christians! We must have this courage to go and proclaim the Risen Christ, for he is our peace; he made peace with his love, with his forgiveness, with his blood and with his mercy.”*

---Pope Francis

## COUNCIL'S SUBSTANCE ABUSE POSTER CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED

“Just Say No”, “Don’t Drink and Drive” or “Don’t Let Drugs Abuse You”, these were but a few of the many slogans from this year’s Elkins Council Substance Abuse poster contest to discourage the use of drugs and alcohol. Chairman Brother Bob Hammer announced the winner of the 2018 contests. We, the Knights, are pleased to offer this contest annually to promote drug and alcohol



awareness and to discourage their abuse. The original posters were judged in two categories: Alcohol Awareness and Drug Abuse, and two age-class divisions: 8-10 and 11-14 years of age. They were judged on their originality of design, the slogan and how it reaches fellow youth. The winning posters are:

### Alcohol Awareness

Age 12-14 Allyson Strother “**Be a Smart Cookie and Don’t Drink and Drive.**”

Age 8-11 Erin Collins “**If you Drink and Drive, Be Prepared to take a Dive**”

### Drug Awareness

Age 8-11 Chloe Helzer “**Don’t Pop Pills, Pop Popcorn**”




The Council winners received local recognition, and their posters will be forwarded for the WV-State and possibly the international contest. All participants will be given a certificate of participation.




## MEMBERSHIP AND FRATERNAL BENEFITS—

Membership in the Knights of Columbus offer many benefits to Catholic men. It provides them the opportunity to take part in Catholic charity in service to the church and community in fellowship with other men of the parish. As Knights, we grow in the understanding of our faith and the Order, and as part of the largest lay Catholic men’s organization in the world, you can do more for our church, and help protect your families. Lets work together to strengthen our Council, parishes and expand our Catholic charitable activities. Each Brother Knight can do more by: 1) Becoming more active in Council and Parish activities; 2) Recruiting a new member to build the Council and the Order; and 3) taking the time to meet with our fraternal benefits advisor, **Brother Jim Gildein**. Becoming an insurance member of the Knights of Columbus can be done simply by meeting with Brother Jim to find out and purchase a K of C insurance product to protect your family. The Council is close to achieving STAR, which recognizes our meeting our membership, insurance and activity goals. If you are a member, let us know how we can work together on a charitable activity. And if your not a member, sign-up now, and join us for an experience of a life-time. Consider yourself asked to become an active KNIGHT, contact Brothers John Meader, Frank Koenig or our Field Agent Jim Gildein. An admission degree is planned for this month, become a KNIGHT today!



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