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Grand Knight's Message

Patrick "Pat" Murray, Grand Knight

Brother Knights,

As we come enter the Month of May, we reflect on the humility and dignity of Our Lady, Mary Queen of the of the Knights. As we continue our Mission of Men in Service, let us reflect this month on the many opportunities to serve Our Church and Our Community as Mary, Our Mother, served our Lord.

In our newsletter this month, we have articles from two Brother Knights, in service to Our Church and Our Community. Please consider their call for support whether in Prayer or in Service at Mass. Your help is needed as in the Gospel of Matthew; "The Harvest is Plentiful, but the laborers are few".

We have many Council events coming up this month from First Friday Holy Hour, Antique Car Show, Rosary to End Abortion and Rock the Block. Additionally, we will be calling for support to finish out some key projects from the Hall Improvement Initiative which is in its final stages. Thanks in advance for your support.

Support our Hall Painter!

Men, Our Council has been receiving tremendous support with our Hall improvement initiatives from other groups who use the Hall in support of their ministry. This past February, Javier Sorto and his wife graciously contributed much of their time and talent to painting the Hall. Our Council and our Parish is blessed to have such generous Men who with their families contribute so much to our Parish Community. If you need any painting done at your home, I would ask you to consider Javier and his wife Ingrid.

THANK YOU JAVIER – THE HALL LOOKS

GREAT!

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Patrick Casey,
son of brother
Sean Casey,
collecting after
masses for
KOVAR



Lectors Needed...

Brother Knights- Our Parish is in need of men to serve as lectors at weekend Masses. As Knights we are called to support our Parish, and assisting as a lector is a great way to do so. No experience is necessary and scheduling is flexible, with volunteers expected to serve once every four or five weeks. We also encourage families to serve together, so we can see that you are assigned along with your wife or child (all volunteers must have been confirmed before they can serve) if you wish. To get more information on the ministry, please contact Tim Holleran via text or call at 703-853-8107.

Deputy Grand Knight's Report

Daniel "Dan" Perugini, Deputy Grand Knight

Brothers,

As we enter the month of May, we remember this is the "month which the piety of the faithful has especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady," and it is the occasion for a "moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world [pay] to the Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance" (Paul VI: Encyclical on the [Month of May](#), no. 1).

This Christian custom of dedicating the month of May to the Blessed Virgin arose at the end of the 13th century. In this way, the Church was able to Christianize the secular feasts which were wont to take place at that time. In the 16th century, books appeared and fostered this devotion.

The practice became especially popular among the members of the Jesuit Order — by 1700 it took hold among their students at the Roman College and a bit later it was publicly practiced in the Gesu Church in Rome. From there it spread to the whole Church.

The practice was granted a partial indulgence by Pius VII in 1815 and a plenary indulgence by Pius IX in 1859. With the complete revision of indulgences in 1966 and the decreased emphasis on specific indulgences, it no longer carries an indulgence; however it certainly falls within the category of the First General Grant of Indulgences. (A *partial indulgence* is granted to the faithful who, in the performance of their duties and in bearing the trials of life, raise their mind with humble confidence to God, adding — even if only mentally — some pious invocation.

Many thanks to all the Knights who have contributed in any way to our Council this past year, through service or through simple prayers. We are so fortunate through the Grace of God to have such a strong group of Men dedicated to the ideals of our order, Fraternity, Charity, and Unity.

Special thanks to those who helped with the KOVAR, Car Raffle, Good Friday Procession and the other activities that we have done throughout the month of April. For this and other activities that we do on behalf of the Council and the Church the support and assistance appreciated by the parish and leadership.

We have quite a few activities in May where we could use your support:

May 1st – 1-2 Am Holy Thursday Eucharistic Adoration

May 16th – Antique Car Show Food Truck

May 5th – 7:30 PM Officers Meeting

May 16th – Rosary to End Abortion 8:30AM

May 7th – Exemplification

May 17th – Corporal Communion 9 Am Mass

May 12th – Business Meeting 8PM, Rosary 7:30PM

May 26th – Business Meeting 8PM, Rosary 7:30PM, Dinner 6:45PM

Knights in Service - Work Camp 2026

Greetings Brother Knights. First and foremost, I want to express my appreciation for the \$500 to support this year's Arlington Diocese Work Camp. For the past two years, I sponsored the St Leo's Summer Camp work project, and this year I will serve as a "Contractor" for the Diocese Work Camp.

Work Camp is a week-long experience providing the teens of the Catholic Diocese of Arlington with an opportunity to encounter Christ through service, faith, and fellowship. Work Camp 2026 will run from June 20 through June 26, 2026.

Workcamp Project Managers visit over 100 sites to develop worthy Workcamp projects. The major objectives are to make homes Safe, Dry, and Warm. This year I assisted an experienced Project Manager assessing possible projects, visiting many sites to scope projects. Typically, projects involve installing new windows and doors repairing or replacing roofs or repairing or building decks.

During the week of Work Camp, I will be leading twelve teen campers and adults on a crew installing a new ramp, a new floor, and two new windows in a room to be used as an additional warm and dry bedroom and installing three new windows and repairing unsafe mantle blocks in another room to be used as a warm and safe children's playroom.

This year there will be 700 teen campers and 300 adult volunteers which will generate well over 25,000 volunteer hours. It's humbling to be a part of this special and impactful initiative. Please keep all the campers and adult volunteers in your prayers.

-Roger Rosenberger



Financial Advisor Report

Robert "Bob" Canter Jr.

Dear Member,
After 29 years of faithful service to the Knights of Columbus, Bob Canter has made the decision to retire at the end of this month.

Bob's dedication, leadership, and commitment to the Order have left a lasting impact on the councils, members, and families he has served across our agency. His years of service were marked by integrity, professionalism, and a genuine love for the mission of the Knights. While we will sincerely miss his presence, we celebrate a retirement that is well earned and wish him God's blessings as he begins this new chapter focused on family.

We want to reassure you that although Bob is retiring, the agency remains fully available to serve your needs. Our team will continue to monitor Bob's office phone line and email address to ensure no communication is missed during this transition.

Moving forward, for any assistance or service needs, please contact:

Main Agency Office: 804-547-2373

Admin Team Email: virtusagency2@kofc.org

Our commitment to serving our councils, members, and families remains unchanged. We are grateful for Bob's years of service and honored to continue the important work he so faithfully carried out.

Please join us in congratulating Bob Canter on his retirement and thanking him for nearly three decades of exemplary service to the Knights of Columbus.



Grey Gost Luncheon April

KOVAR 2025-2026 Report

Thank you all for coming out and helping our annual KOVAR drive. With your help we raised over \$3500 over the course of April.



Chaplain's Message

Rev. Fr. James Joseph, Council Chaplain



May is the month of our Lady. Every year, we celebrate it with May crownings, hymns, and flowers. But why is May the month dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary? That was the question that occurred to me for this column.

As it turns out, it's not arbitrary. Spring has been associated with our Lady for centuries. The conception of her son is celebrated on March 25th, 9 months before His birth at Christmas. It may be that her conception of the Son of God and the new life He brings brought natural associations with the end of winter, with Spring, warmer weather, rain, and flowers.

May was a sacred time for the ancients because of that very Spring. Artemis, the ancient Greek goddess of the hunt and nature, was said to have been born in May. For their part, the Romans celebrated the *Iudi Florae* or the *Floralia* in the beginning of May, a series of athletic games and theater performances in honor of Flora, the goddess of Spring and flowers – who of course was naturally associated with this time of year. It's likely that this custom informed the early celebration of our Lady at this time of year also. Perhaps the Church encouraged this practice so that, like Christmas being on the same day as the feast of the sun god Sol Invictus, people would be forced finally to choose to worship one or the other!

In the medieval Church, there was no universal month to honor our Lady, but the custom grew up in many places of celebrating her for 30 days from August to September, called a *Tricesimum* ('30 days') or, more charmingly, 'Lady Month.' At the end of the 18th century, a certain Fr. Latomia of the Jesuit Roman College started the custom of May as the month of our Lady and of May crownings. He did this to promote Marian devotion among the students and counteract immorality and infidelity to their calling. These devotions exploded in the 19th century with the apparitions at Lourdes and the Miraculous Medal, and May crownings were granted papal indulgences (sadly no longer the case in the current *Handbook of Indulgences*).

It's worth remembering that the custom of May crowning and of May as our Lady's month is not just a nice occasion to bring roses to our Lady. That makes it too 'cute' and even overly feminine, pushing out us men or making us reluctant to take part, we who rightly are drawn to our common mother. There are centuries of history behind it. We are devoted to our Lady because she cares for us and because by her intercession we can be brought to heaven.

Knight of the Month – April

Sipa Sikaulu

Our Knight of the Month is Sipa Sikaulu. Sipa serves as our current Advocate. Sipa is a regular at the Saturday Morning Men's Group and is an Usher at the Sunday 11 AM Mass. This month, Sipa has served as the Chairman of the Scholarship Committee supporting the Council in the review and evaluation of worthy St. Leo's students going forward into Catholic High School. Thank you Sipa for your service to our Council and Church.



Family of the Month—April

Jason and Pamela Johnsrud

This month we congratulate Jason and Pamela Johnsrud and their daughter Grace as the Father Diamond Council Family of the Month. If there is a Knight's event, whether it be collecting for KOVAR or serving food at a Parish event, Jason and his family can be relied upon to be their helping out. As a Council, we are fortunate to have Jason, Pamela and Grace representing the finest traditions of Knights families. Congratulations to the Johnsrud Family as our Family of the Month.

May Birthday Wishes

Name	Day	Name	Day
Deacon Robert Marques Silva	1	Michael Reisz	9
Mark La Croix Sr	2	William Schouviller	9
Anthony Rizzuto	2	Gilber Flodine	11
Roger Rosenberger	2	Gualberto Jones	11
Rev Christopher Tipton	2	Douglas Hazelgrove	11
John Curtin	5	John Markus	11
Anthony Simon	5	Patrick Leffas	17
Dale Allen	6	Jeremy Gandy	22
Rev Christopher Christensen	7	Stephen Issing	25
Joesph Janiak	8	Cesar Briones	26
Matthew Brensy	9	Wenceslao Cerezo III	28

Treasurer's Report – 3/1-31/2026

INCOME for March \$ 5,034.55

EXPENSES for March \$ 8,156.24

Operating Fund Net \$ (3,121.69)

United Checking	\$34,774.99
United Checking (2)	\$773.08
Investment Fund	\$61,722.31
RTL Fun	\$4,898.99
Contingency Fund	\$37,339.82
Member Asst Fund	\$1,000.00
Outstanding Scrip	\$2,700.00
KOVAR Collections	\$(1,461.93)
PKD Collections	\$(330.12)
VKCCI Collections	\$(63.00)

Net Assets \$141,354.14

Take a Bite out of Breast Cancer! Fundraiser Dinner



See flyer for more details (published soon)

Saturday, June 13, 6 - 9 pm
Providence Hall (behind St. Leo's)
3702 Blenheim Blvd
Fairfax City, VA 22030

Tickets \$60 —

Must be purchased in advance (Seating is Limited)

For tickets, email: team_squirrel@yahoo.com
or call (703)868-6464

***** Council Shirt Sale*****

Brother Knights, we volunteer for many Parish and Community events, Let's represent our council and wear our shirts at said events.

The shirts will be Navy Blue in color and again be made of a moisture wicking material; you will be able to order a shirt with or without personalization.

We will also be offering T-Shirts this year, color hasn't been determined yet, they will have our council logo embroidered on them, and can also have your name on it for an additional charge.

If you're interested in purchasing one or more shirts, please contact Brother Knight Tony Pierno via email at Tonyp28840@yahoo.com. We will need to know what size, what name you want on shirt If personalized and quantity. Regarding sizing, if in doubt go one size up, there are no returns.

Pricing is as follows:

Sizes S through XL are \$32 with no name, \$37 with name, XXL are \$34 w/no name, \$39 w/name, XXXL are \$35 w/ no name, \$40 w/name

Antique Car Show Saturday May 16, 2026

Please come out to help with our Councils Concession stand selling Hamburgers and Hotdogs at the Fairfax City Antique Car Show being held in front of the Fairfax City Government Building on Armstrong Steet between University Drive and Route 123. This will take place between 8:30 AM and 3PM on Saturday May 16, 2026. This is a fund raiser event for the many Charities our Council Sponsors. Help will be needed for cooks and order takers. Brother Knights, older children, and wives are welcomed. Please contact Tim Hogan at 703-926-4347 or Chris Brensy at 703-801-5495 to volunteer your help. This event is a lot of fun, please come out.

Rock the Block Friday May 22, 2026

Brother Knights our Councils will run a concession stand at the Fairfax City Rock the Block event on Friday May 22, 2026, This event takes place in the parking lot at 10415 North Street, next to Drapers Steak House in Downtown Fairfax City. Much help is needed cooking hotdogs, hamburgers, order-takers, set-up and tear-down.

Please come out for this fund raiser of the many Charities our council sponsors. Your help is needed between 5PM and 10PM. Please Contact Tim Hogan at timlhogan@yahoo.com or 703-926-4347.

Father Diamond Council 6292 Officer Nominations 2026-2027 Fraternal Year

Grand Knight
Deputy Grand Knight
Chancellor
Treasurer
Recorder
Advocate
Warden
Inside Guard
Outside Guard

3 Year Trustee
Grand Knight Delegate
Past Grand Knight Delegate
Alternate Grand Knight Delegate
Alternate Past Grand Knight Delegate

Dan Perugini
Mike Kaylor
Dan Drummond
Bill Lane
Tony Pierno
Sipa Sikaulu
Chris Brensy
Nate Rasmussen
Wynn Dang
Andrew Rosenberg
Pat Murray
Dan Perugini
Pat Murray
Mike Kaylor
James Hogan

This is the recommendation from the Nominating Committee after interviewing many Candidates. Elections will be held on Tuesday May 26 during new business. All 3rd degree members are eligible to run for office. Please come out and take part in the elections.

May 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26 KOVAR after mass- es	27	28 6:45PM Dinner 8PM Meeting	29	30	1	2 1-2 AM Eucharistic Adora- tion
3	4	5 7:30 PM Officers Meeting	6	7 Degree 7PM	8	9 8:30AM Rosary to End Abortion
10	11	12 8PM Meeting	13	14	15	16 10am-3pm Antique Car Show
17	18	19 11AM Gray Gost Luncheon	20 8PM 4th Degree Meeting	21	22 Rock the Block	23
24	25	26 6:45PM Dinner 8PM Meeting	27	28	29	30
31	1	2	3	4	5	6

June 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	1	2 7:30 PM Officers Meeting	3	4	5	6 1-2 AM Eucharistic Ado- ration
7	8	9 8PM Meeting	10 Fair city gov't pic (?)	11	12	13 8:30AM Rosary to End Abortion
14	15	16 11AM Gray Gost Luncheon	17	18	19	20 Parish Food Festival
21	22	23 6:45PM Dinner 8PM Meeting	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	1	2	3	4 1-2 AM Eucharistic Ado- ration

Officers, Directors, and Program Chairmen—2025-2026

Officers

Grand Knight	Pat Murray	703-383-3436
Chaplain	Fr. James Joseph	
Deputy GK	Dan Perugini	706-495-9095
Chancellor	Dan Drummond	202-243-8621
Financial Sec.	Phil Coletti	703-945-2544
Treasurer	Bill Lane	703-585-4634
Recorder	Tony Pierno	516-445-3613
Advocate	Sipa Sikaulu	202-550-9475
Warden	Mike Kaylor	703-819-1961
Inside Guard	Jason Johnsrud	202-577-7100
Outside Guard	Nathan Rasmussen	703-385-2991
3yr Trustee	James Hogan	703-731-7164
2yr Trustee	James Beauchamp	703-915-3504
1yr Trustee	Nelson Clinch	703-209-8505
Lecturer	Joe Gesker	

Program Directors

Programs	Dan Perugini	706-495-9095
Faith		
Family	Pat McGuire	703-209-5288
Community		
Life	Mark Cameron	703-475-3516

Committee Chairmen

Charity		
Admissions		
Vocations	Dan Drummond	202-243-8621

Budget & Finance	James Beauchamp	703-915-3504
Hall Scheduler	Tim Hogan	703-926-4347
Hall Manager	Charlie Kraiger	703-667-0241
Frat. Benefits	Bob Canter	571-669-4170
Providence Hall	Kitchen or Office	703-385-8007

Project Chairmen

Bowling Team	Keith Morrison	703-304-8540
Christmas Trees	Tim Hogan	703-926-4347
Car Raffle	James Beauchamp	703-915-3504
Email Updates	Nelson Clinch	703-209-8505
Fall Festival	Tim Hogan	703-926-4347
Food Baskets	Pat McGuire	703-209-5288
Fourth Deg.	Tim Hogan	703-926-4347
Gray GOSTs	Al Leightley	703-273-2089
KCIC	James Hogan	703-731-7164
KOVAR	James Hogan	703-731-7164
Newsletter	James Hogan	703-731-7164
Parish Picnic		
March-for-Life	Mark Cameron	703-475-3516
Scrip Sales	Tim Hogan	703-926-4347
St. Patrick's Party		



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Giant and Safeway Food Cards Buy Food - Buy Gift Cards — Support the Knights

Food Gift Cards (AKA scrip) for Giant, and Safeway is sold by our council.
Profits go toward the Scholarship funds and St. Leo's PTO. Call Tim Hogan at 703-926-4347
for information. Available at Providence Hall before or after meetings.

How does it work? Father Diamond council buys food gift cards at a discount (5% for Giant and Safeway). We sell them to anyone at face value. If you, your family, friends or neighbors shop at any of these stores you can help the Council raise money for our scholarship funds.

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