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UPCOMING EVENTS:



**Pittsburgh Chapter
2022 Memorial Mass and Christmas
Dinner**
Friday, December 2nd, 2022
St Agnes Church and Hall - St
Thomas the Apostle Parish
St Agnes Lane
West Mifflin, Pa 15122
Mass at 6:00 PM

**Family of the Month Form
Due on December 15.**



**PA State College
Scholarships Program**
TEN SCHOLARSHIPS,
each totaling \$3,000.00,
payable in four
installments of \$750.00 per year, for
Knights, Sons, and Daughters
of Pennsylvania Knights of
Columbus, and Columbian Squires
who are currently
in good standing.
Application Deadline
December 31, 2022



A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAPTER PRESIDENT...

Dear Brother Knights,

Well, the frost and snow has arrived and that can only mean that December is upon us. I always liked the month of December. It is hard to believe that we are in the last months of 2022. Football is in full swing; the weather is cold but pleasant and Thanksgiving has passed. I hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving.



We are now in the second quarter of the fraternal year. Your programming, membership, and charitable activities are well underway. I hope all of you had successful Membership Drives. And Degrees should be underway for the candidates identified during your Membership Drives.

I am sometimes asked. "What does the chapter do?" "What is its function and purpose?" These are reasonable questions, and I would like to briefly address them in this article. The Pittsburgh Chapter's primary function is to serve as a source of information for all councils and members in the Pittsburgh region of the Pittsburgh Diocese. Together we share ideas, successes, and pitfalls so all Councils can grow and improve. We also work together and combine funds to support projects like the Keep Christ in Christmas billboard project. If an individual Council managed this project, there reach of the program would be minute compared to the outreach of the group of councils. In addition, it serves as a reference point for any inquiries regarding the Knights of Columbus in Pittsburgh Diocese.

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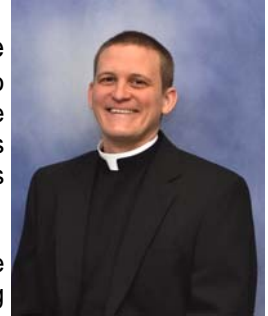
Merry Christmas

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Apostle Parish - St. Agnes Lane; West Mifflin, PA

A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

A BLESSED ADVENT AND MERRY CHRISTMAS !

As we enter into the Season of Advent, we anticipate with great hope the remembrance of the coming of Our Savior Jesus Christ into the world. It is neither too early nor too late to wish someone a Blessed Advent and Merry Christmas! Christmas is the season that should always be alive in our hearts. Giving the greeting of a Blessed Christmas brings hope to the hearts of people who live in doubt and fear. It is a greeting that penetrates the soul and enlivens in others a sense that they have worth, value, and human dignity.



While many people will stop celebrating Christmas on December 26th, we will just be beginning the Christmas Season in the Church. We will celebrate until January 8th, ending with the Solemn Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. The wonderful mystery of God becoming man, the Incarnation, cannot be contained in one day. So, as we anticipate this great mystery in four weeks of Advent, and celebrate with joy throughout the Christmas Season as well. Always keeping Christ's birth alive in our hearts.

Our faith tells us "there is one God, the Father, for whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through who are all things and through whom we exist. However, not all possess this knowledge." (1 Cor 8:6-7a) God's love is freely given to us, and is to be freely shared with all that we meet. Therefore, do not be timid in sharing a Christmas greeting of joy, peace, and love that Jesus offers to us, throughout the Advent and Christmas Seasons. May everyone know this Christmas season that you are a Christian, a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ, and beloved child of God the Father. Using the greeting a Blessed Advent and a Blessed and Merry Christmas, is not only a well wish for another, but brings upon them a true blessing from the Christ child through you, who faithfully witness to the power of God's love.

May you, your family, friends, and loved one's have a Blessed and Merry Christmas! May the joy and peace of the Christ Child enter into your hearts and lives this Christmas Season and always.

Father Will Wuenschel
Saint Aidan Parish
St Alphonsus & St. Alexis Churches

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The Chapter Newsletter is a great way to communicate with other Councils in the Diocese of Pittsburgh. Sharing your Council's successes can inspire other Councils into action in a way that they never considered before. Our newsletter editor and publisher, Don Turowski, is always looking for more content. Please send him your articles at daturowski@verizon.net.

Thank you and Vivat Jesus!

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COUNCIL NEWS FROM AROUND THE CHAPTER

Bellevue COUNCIL 1400

- ♦ The council has moved into their new home at the Church of the Assumption Worship Site for Regina Coeli Parish at the Old School Building at 23 North Jackson Avenue in Bellevue.

NATRONA COUNCIL #2602

- ♦ The council will once again be constructing a Christmas manger scene for the community near the council home. This annual event has been a staple of our council for 50+ years.
- ♦ Father Aaron Kriss who was the chaplain of the council was recently transferred to the New Castle area. Fr. Kriss will be truly missed by the council.

SHARE YOUR COUNCIL'S ACTIVITIES AND
NEWS BY SENDING YOUR INFORMATION
MONTHLY TO DON TUROWSKI AT
daturowski@verizon.net.

FUTURE PITTSBURGH CHAPTER MEETINGS

- ♦ **Jan 3rd, 2023 Holy Family/St Irenaeus Church**
- ♦ **Feb 7th, 2023 Christ the Divine Shepherd/St Bernadette Church**
- ♦ **Mar 7th, 2023 St Thomas the Apostle/St Max Church**
- ♦ **Apr 4th, 2023 TBD**
- ♦ **May 2nd, 2023 St Paul Cathedral/ Wuerl Hall**
- ♦ **Jun 6th, 2023 St Killian Church**

ALL MEETINGS START AT 7:30 pm !!!!




Father McGivney Guild

The Father McGivney Guild was established to promote the cause for the canonization of our founder, Father Michael J. McGivney. Membership in the Guild is open to anyone (*you do not necessarily need to be a member of the Knights of Columbus*) who wishes to share in this mission of making known the life and work of Father McGivney and of encouraging devotion to his memory.




The goal is to spread the story about his holiness of life and seek his intercession before the throne of God. **THERE IS NO COST TO BE A GUILD MEMBER.** The guild serves as a clearing house for information about Father McGivney, his virtuous life and works, plus the guild is an outward sign of support showing our interest in having this priest canonized. As a member of the **Guild**, you will receive a newsletter and periodic updates on the progress of this cause for canonization. Membership in the Knights of Columbus **DOES NOT** automatically enroll you in the Guild.

Not only because Father McGivney is the founder of the Knights of Columbus, but also because in solidarity with our Bishops and Priests, we want to honor them by bringing about sainthood to the first native born Catholic Parish Priest in the United States. Please visit the Guild website at [http:// www.fathermcgivney.org](http://www.fathermcgivney.org) to become a Guild member.



BISHOP'S PROJECT
Knights of Columbus Bishop of Pittsburgh Diocese Project - Pittsburgh, PA

Serving intellectually disabled and/or physically challenged youth and adults in the Saint Anthony Schools and McGuire Memorial Homes and School.



2022-2023
McGuire Memorial Home & St. Anthony School Programs
Knights Of Columbus Bishop's Project

This year's seal features Bishop Zubik with a student of McGuire Memorial Home, who thank you for many years of support. As we emerge from the pandemic, your support is needed even more by both programs.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Please remember my special intentions:

**DON'T FORGET TO SEND IN
YOUR DONATION TO THE
ANNUAL
BISHOP'S
PROJECT !!!**

**ANY DONATION IS TRULY
APPRECIATED !!!!**

K of C Christmas Word Search



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MCGIVNEY
 MISTLETOE
 YULETIDE
 NEWYEAR
 SNOW
 KNIGHTS
 CHRISTMAS
 STOCKING
 CAROLS
 ADVENT
 SANTA
 COLUMBUS
 MERRY
 NATIVITY
 BELLS
 JOLLY
 JESUS
 ELFS
 RUDOLPH
 CANDLE

Play this puzzle online at : <https://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/4302934/>

DECEMBER 2022



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| **Family of Month Form Due | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 4 2nd Sunday of Advent | 5 | 6 St. Nicholas Day | 7 | 8 Immaculate Con- ception Feast | 9 | 10 |
| 11 3rd Sunday of Advent | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 ** | 16 | 17 |
| 18 4th Sunday of Advent | 19 | 20 |  First Day of Winter | 21 | 22 | 23 |
|  25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |

JANUARY 2023



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| 1 Solemnity of Mary | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 Epiphany | 7 |
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| 15 ** | 16 Martin Luther King Day | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
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