



# The Voyager



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## Grand Knight's Report

Spring is now upon us and we all look forward to warmer weather and outdoor activities. We are also nearing the blessed holiday of Easter and I hope everyone has grown in their faith during this Lenten season.

Our Knight of the month is Robert Cutler for all of his efforts in leading our degree team. We have added some new members to our team in addition to learning the new format for the first degree. Robert took the lead as our team captain which involved organizing practices and recruiting new members.

The family of the month is Tom, Marianne and Gabby Pfeffer. This family was instrumental in the success of the Father/Daughter dance. In addition to Tom's participation in setting up for this event, Marianne played a critical role in selling raffle tickets during the dance. Thanks to her sales ability (along with our other ticket salesman), we sold \$1600 worth of raffle tickets which helped make this year's dance a huge financial success.

The Father/Daughter Dance was held on February 24. This was very successful, both as a social event for the fathers and daughters of the parish and as a fundraiser for the council. We used a committee approach in organizing this year's dance and it was definitely a team effort. Special thanks to those who took responsibility for specific areas in organizing this event: ticket sales: Joe Trinite and John Hooper; volunteers: Mickey Yachera; donations: Dino Grier; refreshments & kitchen: Paul Flanagan & Stan LaSov; raffle ticket sales: Craig Roe.

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## Chaplain's Report

As we come to the end of Lent, we enter Holy Week. It is a week filled with moving spiritual opportunities as we meditate on and celebrate together the great mysteries of our Christian faith. We remember how Jesus, the night before he was arrested, offered to his disciples the bread which was his body and the cup of wine that had become his blood. He gave us the priceless gift of the Eucharist which we are privileged to celebrate at every Mass. We remember how Jesus suffered and died, the innocent for the guilty, so that the world might be saved. And finally, we recall the miracle of all miracles, His resurrection from the dead, the empty tomb, the passing on from disciple to disciple, at that first Easter and down through the ages, of the wonderful news – He is risen.

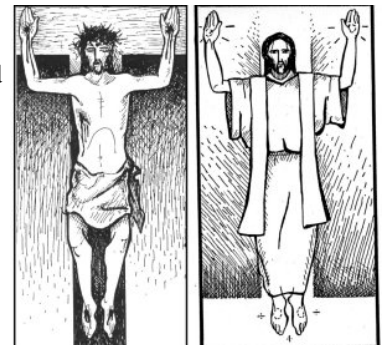
Out of all of this, the church is born, the community of those who believe that Jesus is Lord and that he is risen from the dead. Through the preaching of the church, the Good News goes out to all the earth that God loves all people and that Jesus has accomplished our salvation. At the Last Supper, Jesus washes the feet of his disciples and tells them and us that He has given us an example. "As I have done for you, so you should also do."

As Knights, we would do well to pay special attention to these words; for we are called to service. We are called to be a community of service within a church that is called to serve as our Lord did. We are called to serve the church by helping the church to fulfill its mission to bring to all people, and especially to those who suffer and are in need, the Good News of God's love and saving presence.

As we celebrate and pray this special time of Holy Week and throughout the Easter season, may each of us experience a renewal and strengthening of our faith. And may our Council and our Order be filled with new enthusiasm for the work God has asked us to do in His name.

God and I wish each of you and your families a truly holy and happy Easter!

Fraternally,  
Deacon Jim Ryan  
Associate Chaplain



## Council Calendar

### April

- 1 Palm Sunday
- 6 Good Friday
- 7 Rain Date for Easter Egg Hunt
- 8 Easter Sunday
- 16 First Degree

### May

- 2 Business Meeting
- 16 Pro-Life Rosary
- 19 State Convention
- 28 Memorial Day

## Council Library

Are you an avid reader, do you like to read novels?

Through the Voyager we would like to know if there is any interest in starting a book swap club. These are adult novels (not porn). We have approximately 60 novels. Anyone one who is interested can pick up books on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at our regular meeting nights. We will be using the honor system, books will not be on a checked out and you will not have to sign out for them.

PGK Mel Serio

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## Request for Council Funds

There is a request for a \$200 expenditure from our council funds that will be voted upon at our April 4 business meeting. More details will be provided at that time. The distribution of these funds is appropriate for the situation and will be discussed at the meeting

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Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held at the Fr. Hooper soccer fields at Sacred Heart on Saturday, March 31 at 10:00 AM. We need help in scattering the eggs on the fields earlier that morning. Please arrive at 8:30 AM to help with the set-up. In the event of inclement weather, this event will be moved to the following Saturday, April 7.

We hosted a first degree on March 21. Congratulations and welcome to all of our new brothers. We are also hosting another first degree on Wednesday, April 18. Let's keep working to bring new members into our order.

An upcoming event on May 16 is a pro-life Rosary. We will be partnering with the pro-life ministries at Sacred Heart to pray the Rosary in the courtyard area next to the Little Church. I encourage everyone to attend this and to pray for the sanctity of life.

Our golf tournament is in the planning stages. Tom O'Donnell is looking into possible locations and dates and we will need others to get involved with organizing this event.

There are only a few months left in this council year. We have established a nominating committee and we will be looking for a new slate of officers for next year. Please consider taking on a role as an officer to help lead our council in the future.

Rick Siebert

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**The Immaculate Lady Council #5208**  
**Knights of Columbus**  
**Glyndon, MD**

### Elected Officers

Grand Knight	Rick Siebert	410.861.8642
Deputy Grand Knight	Mickey Yachera	410.239.6235
Chancellor	Tom Pfeffer	410.840.0833
Warden	Dino Grier	443.220.6988
Treasurer	John Kmiecik	410.654.1799
Recorder	Mike Goodson	443.394.0478
Inside Guard	Tommy Damasiewicz	410.833.0578
Outside Guard	Frank Greeley, PGK	410.526.3967
Outside Guard	Tom Schwarzweller	410.511.3458
Trustee 3rd Year	Stan LaSov, PGK	410.526.4015
Trustee 2nd Year	Steve Bouchard, PGK	410.526.0807
Trustee 1st Year	Tom O'Donnell, PGK	443.386.0354
Advocate	Robert Cutler, PGK	410.833.9761

### Appointed Officers

Chaplain	Msgr. Lloyd Aiken	410.833.1696
Associate Chaplain	Deacon Jim Ryan, PGK	410.833.7214
Financial Secretary	Joe Maher Jr, FDD	410.552.3839
Lecturer	Mel Serio, PGK	410.833.0787
Membership Director	Tom O'Donnell, PGK	443.386.0354
Program Director	Mickey Yachera	410.239.6235
Church Chairman	Stan LaSov, PGK	410.526.4015
Asst.	Craig Roe	410.581.8745
Council Chairman	Jim Nuzzo	410.861.8631
Family Chairman	Dave Coyne	410.871.9393
Youth Chairman	Dino Grier	443.220.6988
Pro-Life	Jim Lewis	410.239.2085
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**Deadline is the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month**  
**No exceptions**

**The Voyager** reserves the right to edit all materials submitted for publication.

## District Deputy's Report

Greetings from our Worthy State Deputy Edgar Haynes.

Your Spring Recruitment Drive should be nearly completed but don't forget recruitment is a year round activity – you never know when a man you meet will be interested in joining our Order.

### 1st Degree Dates

4/17/07 Westminster Council  
4/18/07 Fulton Sheen Council  
5/3/07 St. Bart's Council  
5/23/07 Fulton Sheen Council

If you have recruited a new member be sure to accompany him to all THREE of his degrees.

I accompanied our District Free-Throw Contest winners to the State Competition near Washington, D.C. Unofficially I am aware of 3 State winners from our District. I haven't received the final results yet.

You should have registered for the MD State Convention by now.

If you can't attend the Convention please consider participating in the 4th Degree service program at Pimlico Race Track for Preakness Day. This is the 4th Degree's only fund raiser.

The Exemplification of the 4th Degree occurred on Saturday, March 31, 2007 in Hagerstown. Cardinal Gibbons Assembly presented 12 candidates for induction into the 4th Degree.

Be sure that in everything we do we are "Living Our Faith".

Vivat Jesus,

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## Spouse Insurance

The death of a spouse is perhaps the most emotionally traumatic event which humans experience. What would you do if your spouse died unexpectedly?

In over 58% of married-couple families today, both marriage partners work outside the home at least part time. Often the financial requirements to run the household substantially exceed the income of either spouse alone.

Life insurance is an excellent means of providing money when it is needed in these traumatic moments.

Some families are fortunate enough to allow either the mother or father to stay home with small children while the other earns sufficient cash to meet household and living expenses.

It is obvious that the loss of a breadwinner would create a financial calamity. Couples should consider the potential cost of replacing the services of the spouse who stays at home to care for the children.

Without the deceased spouse, a surviving spouse working outside the home would face new expenditures for:

- Child care, either in the home or at a baby-sitter or day care center.
- Someone to take the children to the doctor, dentist, piano lessons, etc.

Most families can help effectively remove this potential financial emergency by acquiring a life insurance policy on each spouse.

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## Free Throw Championship

Immaculate Lady Council conducted a Free Throw Shootout on February 11 at Sacred Heart of Glyndon's School Gym. Approximately 10 Knights participated in running the contest for boys and girls ages 10 through 14. Following are the Champions by age group.

Sean Updike (10)  
Patrick Bosley (11)  
Gerarde Clothier (12)  
Andrew Updike (13)  
James Murphy (14)  
Alyssa Kessler (10)  
Jaelin Porter (11)  
Symonne Newsome (14)

These Champions competed at the District level on February 18 in Taneytown. Gerarde, Andrew, James, Jaelin and Symonne won their age bracket and were eligible to compete at the State level on March 10 in District Heights.

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## Council Roster Update

Corrected e-mail address:  
Gregory Gill  
wymont@msn.com

Address Change:  
Edward Hogan  
9140 New Britain Cir.  
Manassas, VA 20110

New e-mail address:  
Jerry Schaum  
jerryrtt2006@yahoo.com

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## State Convention Delegates

Below is the list of proposed delegates to the 2007 Maryland State Convention:

Rick Siebert - delegate  
Tom Pfeffer - alternate

Mickey Yachera - delegate  
Tom O'Donnell - alternate

The council will vote to approve this list of delegates at our April 4 business meeting.

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## Scholarship Deadline Extended

Due to a mix up with the Scholarship announcement flyer, I have had to extend the Scholarship April 20th deadline to alleviate confusion and give opportunity to the befuddled as a result of the erroneous parish bulletin flyer.

Stephen Bouchard

## Catechism Corner

We should still be preparing for the Greatest Sunday in the Catholic Church, which is Easter as described by St. Athanasius. We will be celebrating the death and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ which is the Cornerstone of our Faith. Lent is the time set aside to prepare for this great event, to remind ourselves of how Jesus suffered, physically and emotionally, and died a terrible death for our sins, that is, for your and my sins personally and individually.

Here are a few Catechism paragraphs regarding Easter.

**1169** Therefore Easter is not simply one feast among others, but the "Feast of feasts," the "Solemnity of solemnities," just as the Eucharist is the "Sacrament of sacraments" (the Great Sacrament). St. Athanasius calls Easter "the Great Sunday" and the Eastern Churches call Holy Week "the Great Week." The mystery of the Resurrection, in which Christ crushed death, permeates with its powerful energy our old time, until all is subjected to him.

**639** The mystery of Christ's resurrection is a real event, with manifestations that were historically verified, as the New Testament bears witness. In about A.D. 56 St. Paul could already write to the Corinthians: "I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the Twelve. . ." The Apostle speaks here of the living tradition of the Resurrection which he had learned after his conversion at the gates of Damascus.

**640** "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen." The first element we encounter in the framework of the Easter events is the empty tomb. In itself it is not a direct proof of Resurrection; the absence of Christ's body from the tomb could be explained otherwise. Nonetheless the empty tomb was still an essential sign for all. Its discovery by the disciples was the first step toward recognizing the very fact of the Resurrection. This was the case, first with the holy women, and then with Peter. The disciple "whom Jesus loved" affirmed that when he entered the empty tomb and discovered "the linen cloths lying there", "he saw and believed". This suggests that he realized from the empty tomb's condition that the absence of Jesus' body could not have been of human doing and that Jesus had not simply returned to earthly life as had been the case with Lazarus.

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## Help Wanted

Have you ever wanted to try your hand at desktop publishing? If so, we have a golden opportunity for you!

We need an editor for the Immaculate Lady Council's newsletter, The Voyager. Training and assistance in doing your first couple of issues will be provided.

If interested, contact Mickey Yachera at (410) 239-6235

# Pro- Life Report

In this months report you will notice a slight change in the formatting. I was asked by Grand Knight Rick Siebert to consider filling in as pro-life chairman in place of Jim Lewis who is recovering from an illness. I will do my very best to keep all of you informed on the current information regarding National and Local news, meetings, events and legislative decisions.

I am deeply humbled by such an honor from Mary and Jim Lewis and all the Knights who have shown me their confidence and support. We wish Jim the best in his recovery and please keep him in your prayers.

## Maryland State

On March 15, 2007 the Maryland legislative session attempted to repeal the death penalty by substituting it with a life sentence without parole but it fell short by one vote.

Maryland bishops have been urging the repeal of the death penalty stating "Non-Lethal means sufficient to ensure public safety are sufficient in a life without parole sentence.

## Local

Sacred Heart Parish Respect Life Committee is a great organization and is looking for new members. If you know of anyone who might be interested you can contact Sue Surine at 410-526-4593

## Pro-Life Vigils

All vigils are held monthly at the Greater Baltimore Medical Center, St Josephs Fullerton and in Owings Mills. For times in Owings Mills and Fullerton please contact me at Tim Murphy 443-850-2458. For information about the GBMC vigils contact Stan Cochran at 410-83304526

## National

On January 18, 2007 the senate voted 55-43 rejecting a proposal to regulate "grassroots lobbying." This is great news for pro-life advocates, although special interest groups are pushing House Democratic leaders to enact legislation that would prevent organizations such as the NRLC and its affiliates to communicate with both the general public and government officials. The Executive Branch Reform Act will require Executive Branch officials to report all communications from any private party seeking to influence the official action of Branch officers and employees.

House Democratic leaders are expected to unveil their "ethics reform" bill in late March early April which is expected to include the Executive Branch Reform Act. If this passes it could make it very difficult for organizations such as the NRTC to keep the public informed about Congressional activity as well as Private Citizen's organizations from representing their views to government officials.

## Closing

*There is no greater weapon on earth than the Holy Rosary given to us by our Blessed Mother.*

*The Rosary is the two edged sword which little by little cuts through the veil of darkness which blinds our society about the evils of abortion, euthanasia, stem cell research, etc.*

*I encourage all Knights to take up their swords daily and pray for the conversion of the hearts of all our brothers and sisters who have fallen victim to the lies of the pro-choice movement. We're all victims, there are no winners!*

*Tim Murphy  
Assistant Pro-Life Chairman*

## Cherrywood Bingo

On February 28, Immaculate Lady Council conducted a night of bingo for the residents of Cherrywood nursing home. Approximately 15 residents participated and won a large variety of prizes donated by the Knights. Brothers Robert Cutler and Craig Roe conducted the event with assistance from Rita and Marie Cutler. A very good time was enjoyed by all

## Mother Lange Award

We congratulate Brother Joe Braswell for receiving a Mother Lange award in the area of service, during an Awards Banquet held in February. The award was given in recognition of an outstanding black Catholic who performs service, through the corporal works of mercy, within his St. Ann parish and the archdiocese at large.

## In The Works



We ask brothers of our Council to be leaders in various activities but the one very serious job is leading the council as Grand Knight.

We are planning to have a dinner to honor our Past Grand Knights who have not been Honored for the past 4 years. These men have done outstanding work for the council. We plan to have a function honoring them in July of this year.

They are as follows Stan LaSov, Tom O'Donnell IV, Stephen Bouchard and Rick Siebert. Look for a finalized plans in the next Voyager.

# April Anniversaries

**1 Year** Philip Hashim

**2 Years** Joe Braswell  
Nikos Daley  
Peter Daley  
Mike Goodson  
Dave Hannibal  
Michael Johnson  
Michael Wallace

**4 Years** Stan Cierlitsky  
Ivor Lewis  
PGK Tom O'Donnell

**7 Years** John Whitney

**9 Years** Stanley Behnken  
Brian Herboldsheimer

**10 Years** John Golombieski  
Brian Noll

**13 Years** Jerry Schaum  
PGK Quentin Sedney

**19 Years** George Warner (2 years continuous)

**22 Years** Dave Stone

**23 Years** Joe Durishin

**25 Years** Carl Walker

**34 Years** Joe Mandara (28 years continuous)

**38 Years** PGK John Bidinger  
PGK Ed Sedlar

**39 Years** Tom Burnett

**47 Years** PGK Stan Cochran

**48 Years** John Boyle

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