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Operation Lamb — A Worthy Effort

It's time for Council 12455's 2019 Operation Lamb fund raising for mentally and intellectually handicapped. Brother Jim Hill has arranged for us to give out Tootsie Rolls at the Triangle Mall Wal-Mart on Saturdays and Sundays: September 14-15 and October 26-27. We will need teams of four Knights, friends or families for each of the two hour slots each day.

Click on the links below to sign up. Note that each link is for a different weekend. You must click on each separately to login. The login password is KOC (upper case).

Once you're logged in, please select a time and input the first and last name of each person that will be collecting. We need at least 4 people for each time slot enabling us to cover the two sets of doors at Wal-Mart.

1st Weekend —

Saturday September 14 and Sunday September 15 https://www.signupgenius.co m/go/30E0544A5A92BA02oplamb19

2nd Weekend - Saturday October 26 and Sunday October 27

https:// www.signupgenius.com/ go/30E0544A5A92BA02oplamb18

Access Code = KOC

OP LAMB is the NC Knights main yearly fundraising providing support for many needy non profit charities.

Last year Council 12455 raised \$4,385 for Raleigh area organizations serving the mentally and intellectually handicapped. By Council request \$2000 of this amount was granted to Wake County Special Olympics. With your generous help

and financial assistance, we hope to exceed last year's amount raised.

Raleigh area K of C councils together raised \$11,262 which was distributed to 17 local network non profit organizations that help the intellectually handicapped.

Statewide the Knights collect about \$1 million each year. The Tootsie Roll drive is North Carolina State K of C s most visible, respected and highly appreciated charitable undertaking.

Brothers, join us in this most worthy endeavor. You will greatly pleased, gratified and overwhelmed by the obvious generosity and visible support of the folks shopping at Walmart. Many will mention their vocal and affirming support for this most visible K of C fund raising initiative.

Mark the Dates

Council Meetings. Wednesday, September 4 and October 2. Pre meeting receptions start at 6:45 PM.

Council 12455 First Degree Exemplification (tentative), Monday: September 30, Ask a Catholic gentleman to consider joining our Order.

Burger Bash. Sunday, September 8, prepare grills for Carpi Deum 4 PM, Vita Nova at 6:30 PM.

Operation Lamb. Wal-Mart at Triangle Town Center, Saturdays and Sundays: September 14-15 and October 26-27. Join us in this worthy cause. See p. 3 for how to sign up.

Spaghetti Dinner. Saturday, September 28, following the 5:30 PM mass.

Memorial Mass for our Deceased Brothers. Sunday, October 6, 9:00 AM. Wear your council shirts and name badges.

Parish Picnic. Sunday, October 20. After 12 PM

Veterans Day Dance Council Fundraiser. Saturday, November 9,in St. Luke's Ball Room, Rollin Glaser's High Society Orchestra performs, at 8 PM, Free dance lesson at 7:15 PM. See page 5.

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Family Program — Tim Nichols

As noted in dates, we will sponsor a Spaghetti dinner at St. Luke's on Saturday, September 28. This is a parish community event and the Knights will be preparing and serving the Italian fest. We will be looking for help in the kitchen and for servers.

at the September 8th Burger Bash — the annual parish "Kick Off "of Carpe Diem and Vita Nova youth programs.

The only other item we have discussed is planning for cutting out and painting the

Brother Knights will again handle the grills Nativities, which Brother Bob Beasley has started and several Brothers have lined up to cut out the patterns.

Community Program — Dennis Moya — Jim Hill

As part of our Faith in Action programs for Community - Global Wheelchair program, our Council voted to secure funds to replace Brother Josh Lindsey's backup wheelchair.

During our April meeting, we approved funds of \$1,000 towards the estimated cost of \$6,000 to replace his manual wheelchair. At that same meeting, a motion was approved to fund an additional up to \$2,000.00 towards Josh's wheelchair.

Since then we have also received an additional \$1,800 to date in donations from our Council Brothers as private donations.

The additional \$1,200 was provided by St. Luke's.

Debby, Tom and Josh are so grateful for the funding of Josh's much needed new manual wheelchair.

In Debby's words "Thanks to Council 12455 for the voted funds for Joshua and for their individual donations! And many thanks to Father for giving from the parish tithe!"

She added: "I don't know how to thank you all enough. I can't wait to call the wheelchair vendor and tell him to get ready to order the chair!"

Memorial Mass for Our Deceased Brothers — Keith Kosinski

Brothers and families will celebrate our annual Corporate Mass for the intention of our deceased Brother Knights on Sunday 9 AM, October 6. We request that Council Knights attend with their families as a fitting tribute to our departed Brothers. Wear your Council insignia (Shirts and Badges).

To enhance Council unity and participation in honoring the memory of our deceased Brethren, we ask that Knights do the following:

- Seating: Knights and families sit anywhere, throughout the church.
- Gifts: Council "Family of the Year" brings up the gifts.
- Ministries: Brothers serve as Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Hospitality and ushering Ministers
- Altar Servers: If available, Knights' sons and daughters, or grandchildren.
- Invited: Widows and families of deceased Knights are formally invited, and,

- as needed, are provided with transportation to and from Mass.
- Rosary: Knights lead Rosary before Mass and prior to announcements.
- Display: We will have plaque and pictures in Remembrance of our Deceased Brothers.

We anticipate that these steps will foster remembrance and prayerful respect to Brother Knights who have gone to their eternal reward.

Prayers are Needed and Always Appreciated

We know and pray for/about sufferings of those before us experiencing loss of spouse or loved one, rejection, health issues, job frustration, or loss, marriage problems, homelessness, etc.

Pray for continued healing, in particular for: Dorothy Cicchetti (Orfeo's mom), Tom Colopy, Jo DelDonno, Theresa De Marco (Frank and Rich's mom) Bill Donnelly, JoAnn Efthemis, Mary Ellen Hill,

Ashley Jack (Michael Struble's niece), Peter Kraehenbuehl, Larry Meese, Lori Nussbaum, Letty Phillips, Don Scott, Janice Tenbarge, Doug Wipperman, and Bill Wolf.

We also offer prayers for the families who have lost beloved members during this last year.

There are certainly other difficult situa-

tions, tribulations and problems that Brother Knights are experiencing. Although we do not know about these sufferings, remember to pray generally for these as well

If other Brothers, spouses and /or their families would welcome our membership's healing prayer, please notify GK Keith Kosinski.

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Help the Intellectually Disabled — Jim Hill

Named after the biblical quotation; Matt. 25:40, Operation L.A.M.B. (Least Among Our Brethren) is a fundraising charity created by the Knights of Columbus to benefit citizens with Intellectual Disabilities. Since it's inception in 1974, the Operation L.A.M.B. of North Carolina has raised millions of dollars to assist citizens of North Carolina affected by mentally and intellectually handicapped.

Council 12455's 2019 Operation Lamb fund raising involves giving out Tootsie Rolls at the Triangle Mall Wal-Mart on Saturdays

and Sundays: September 14-15 and October 26-27. We need you to help us at both entrances with at least two Brothers, or with spouses and/or families for two hour slots each day. With all times filled, we stand to raise well over \$5K to help area non profit organizations such as: Tammy Lynn, Wake Enterprises, Community Partnerships, ARC of Wake County, Autism Society, Frankie Lemmon, Hilltop Home, Triangle Down Syndrome Network, Learning Together, Wake County Special Olympics, Life Experiences and other worthy area endeavors

helping or mentally handicapped brothers and sisters in Christ. We want to staff two entrances.

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Life Program — Jerome Savage

October 2019 is designated National Respect Life month by USCCB. The theme is "Christ is our HOPE in every season of LIFE" !!!

Here are the events:

- 40 Days for Life, September 25 to November 3
 - See: https://40daysforlife.com/
- Respect LIFE Weekend Sunday, October 5 -6.
- LIFECHAIN. October 6, 2:15-3:30 pm on Lake Boone Trail; See http://lifechain.net/
- Life Gala, Friday, October 11th 6:30-9 pm; must RSVP at http://www.supportbirthchoice.org/events/2019-benefit-for-life-gala.html
- NC Right to Life booth at State Fair = October 17 to 27; Volunteer or Donate. See at https://ncrtlorg/fair-booths/

We join St. Luke's Respect Life Coordinator, Diane Masinick, Brother Luke's spouse, in asking Brothers to continue to engage in these pro life events, to encourage expanded involvement, and to attract parishioners participation these prayer witnesses for the lives of the unborn.

St. Luke's day of prayer at the abortion facility is not yet set, but we will be asking Brothers, spouses and families to spend an hour of prayer at the abortion facility on Drake Circle in Raleigh.

Faith Program — Jeff Spears

The Marian Icon, *Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians*, was the focus of a Marian Prayer Service at St. Luke's on Friday August 23. Father Rob and St. Luke Parishioners conducted a Marian Prayer Service to honor the martyrs over the centuries and prayed for the suffering of today's Christians in the Middle East. The service included a copy of the original Virgin Mary Icon as blessed by Pope Francis which is making a pilgrimage across the country, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.



The prayer intention was the modern martyrs and persecuted of our Church in the Middle East. Sponsored by the NC Knights of Columbus, the icon will remain in our area until about October 26th when it will be transferred to Wilmington area councils and parishes.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." (Mt 5:10)

In every age, Christians have suffered for their faith. Brave men and women, embracing the cross of Jesus, Have gone to their death rather than deny their faith, and the blood of these martyrs serves as the "seed of Christians," enlivening faith in others. Today, the witness of martyrs continues in an especially intense way in the Middle East, where priests are martyred for offering Mass and families are driven from their homes for displaying a cross. By taking part in this special prayer program, Brothers, their families, and all who joined with them, helped to render spiritual aid to those

suffering today for their faith. Let us continue to ask the holy martyrs, ancient and recent, to intercede for persecuted Christians everywhere as we invoke upon them the protection of Mary.



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FAITH IN ACTION

In the opening lines of Evangelii Gaudium (The Joy of the Gospel), His Holiness Pope Francis invites "Christians, everywhere, at this very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ". The same invitation is made to Knights of Columbus members and their families each day as they live out their faith through service of neighbor and answer the age old question, "Am I my brother's keeper?" (Genesis 4:9).

HOW to participate? Below are a few suggestion to make your experience during Adoration a success:



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION is the worship of the real Presence (Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity) of Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament typically exposed via a Monstrance outside of Mass. This practice is a tradition with references as far back as 379 AD by Saint Basil. It is a great example of way to encourage a deep personal encounter with our Lord as suggested above. Saint for 2018 Therese of Lisieux practiced Eucharistic meditation daily.

<u>HOLY HOUR</u> is a special devotional that the Bishops have created with a variety of topics (such as Peace, Life, Vocations, and Healing) that are at the heart of the Church and our faith. Venerable Fulton Sheen taught each time attended that we are undoing the failures of the disciples in the garden of *Gethsemane* when our Lord said to them: "So you could not keep watch with me for one hour?" During every Holy Hour, we keep vigil with the Lord.

Pray the Psalms or the Liturgy of the Hours

Recite a prayer "Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on me, a sinner," repeatedly as you quiet your heart

Meditate using Scripture

Read the life of a saint and use their daily Devotions as a guide

Pour out your heart to Christ and speak to him directly while adoring Him

Ask for forgiveness and intercede for others

Pray the Rosary and ask Mary to join you as gaze on Christ

Sit quietly and just "be" in the presence of God

WHERE & WHEN? Our parish schedule as well as other options in the area to visit when going to or from work!

St. Luke has Adoration <u>EVERY Friday</u> from 9am to 4pm and <u>1st Saturdays</u> from 10am until Noon

Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Catherine of Sienna both offer PERPETUAL (24/7) in a dedicated chapel

St. Michael's (in Cary) is on Thursday night from 6-7pm

St. Joseph's (near Downtown) is on Wednesday night from 5:30-7pm

Holy Infant (in Durham) is on 1st Thursday from 9:30am to 11:30am

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Veterans Day Fundraiser, November 9, for Council Charities

St. Luke's Knights will host Rollin Glaser's High Society Orchestra Saturday evening, November 9. This is a parish family event and we want our youth to join us and enjoy the great sounds and dancing of Rollin's Glaser's highly touted orchestra. Rollin will provide a free dance lesson starting at 7:15 PM — before the band starts playing at 8 PM.

Non alcoholic beverages, soft drinks and water will be available and, as always, we will have a variety of complimentary desserts. Brothers, if you have a high school teenage daughter or son — why not invite him or her come and experience this musical extravaganza. Otherwise, this is a very enjoyable evening of music and parish socialization.

You will observe friends and Brothers "Tripping the light fan-

tastic" and enjoy some excellent ballroom dancer demonstration by those who follow Rollin's group in the Raleigh area.

On a more serious note, we do need you and your friends to support this fund raising event as it provides us with the wherewithal to give money to our many faith, family, life and community causes.

Come and join us for this Council charity fund raiser. Call Jim Cuffney (919-841-3328) or e-mail (cuffneyjim@gmail.com) to reserve tickets at the discount price of \$15 per person. The price is \$18 at the door. Our teenage guest admission is \$10 per person or \$15 per teenage couple.



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Knights in Action: Pancake Breakfast



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From the Grand Knight

The summer vacation time is coming to a close and your K of C Council is starting to gear up for the busy fall season. Helping people in need through Faith in Action service programs and sponsoring community events remain our key charitable goals for this year.

We have several upcoming events, but the one that is most important is Operation Lamb. I invite each Brother Knight to volunteer for two hours to help the cause of persons with intellectual disabilities, and the Special Olympics. If you could see, like I did last year, the good work that our beneficiary organizations do, you would say – YES!

The Operation Lamb weekends are September 14-15 and October 26-27. See page 1 of this Newsletter for how to sign up. Also Brother Jim Hill provides additional information on page 3. If you are unable to volunteer, consider joining with many others by make a personal donation to Operation Lamb.

If you enjoy helping our parish youth, we are cooking the food for the annual faith formation Burger Bash on Sunday September 8th starting around 4:00pm. Let Brother Tom Phan know if you are able to assist.

We will again be sponsoring the parish-wide spaghetti dinner on September 28th after the 5:30 Mass. Last year this was a fun and well attended parish event. Please come and enjoy the food with your friends!

Finally, our Brother Rodger Ewbank and his wife Elaine are to be congratulated for receiving the K of C Supremes' Family of the Month award for July. Thank you, Rodger and Elaine for all you do!

Ewbanks: Family of Month – July 2019

Brother Rodger Ewbank is a 4th degree Sir Knight and a Life member (50 years) which is an significant accomplishment in and of itself! Over the years Rodger has been at the heart of all of our Council activities. He is not only a founding member of this Council, but also a founding member of our Parish. While some medical issues have slowed him down just a bit, he still is ready to help a Brother or other person in need.

I like to relate this story about Rodger because it is so humbling. A fellow Brother recently told Rodger he could not act as a pall bearer at a Brother's funeral due to a rotator cuff issue. Without skipping a beat, and needing a cane at the time to hold himself upright, Rodger told him not to worry, he was able to cover for him as pall bearer.

Rodger's charming wife Elaine is a Reader at Mass and I know I speak for all that have heard her that she is one the best at St. Luke. She is also a Eucharistic minister. As a couple, they are a great example to younger married persons in the parish.

Congratulations Rodger, and Supreme has accorded you and Elaine the honor of Family of the Month of July nationally. Well deserved!

Knight of the Month - July 2019

Brother Frank Sancineto, Jr. is a 4th Degree Sir Knight and our prior Worthy Advocate — holding a variety of other Council offices in service over the years. One key attribute Frank brings to our Council is emphasis on fraternity and the importance of social events for Brothers to share. Whether providing the food for parish-wide get togethers or arranging for a shooting outing, his upbeat attitude and humorous disposition are really appreciated.

Beyond event support, Frank is also a good advisor for our Council. This was recently exhibited as he helped to persuade us that providing the full funding of our Brother's wheelchair was the right thing to do.

Thank you, Frank, and congratulations.