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## **GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE**

Brothers,

I hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving and I wish you all a blessed Christmas. This is my favorite time of year because we get to appreciate family, friends, brotherhood, charitable works, and the Lord. Thanks to everyone who helped us delivered coats and turkeys to the needy. It always feels rewarding to lend a hand. The year soon turns to 2020. Time flies by so fast, it feels just like the other day that it was 2000. Let's take time this season to slow things down and contemplate what we have to be thankful for and what we can do for our fellow man.

Dand Strano  
Grand Knight



## **Fr. CORY'S CHAT**

Brothers:

I hope all enjoyed family and friends over the Thanksgiving holiday and that you had to let out your belt buckle a hole or two. And now it begins, the Seasons of Advent and Christmas.

First of all, it's important that we recognize they are two different seasons. In Advent we are charged to observe waiting(patience) and preparing. As Israel waited for the Messiah, we await the 2nd Coming of Christ, who is the Messiah, and the end times and to practice patience in small and big ways, knowing that all things come in Gods time.

This patience is not idle in any way, for we must prepare ourselves, our loved ones, our Church and our world, to receive the Christ each day and to welcome Him when He does Come again. We do this by more and deeper prayer and worship, reaching out in charity, to the neediest, preach by example Gods love and mercy and through penance, atoning for our errors and sins. Then we will have prepared properly for the celebration of the next season of Christmas!

At Christmas we open our hearts and our souls to receive and welcome Christ and the graces he brings! We recall His coming at Bethlehem over 2000 years ago, the gifts and graces He gave to Mary and Joseph, the shepherds and angels, to all the world, the Peace that only He can bring. A peace will transform the world if we will accept it and practice what it demands; that we gift each other with peace, understanding, love and charity.

So it is my prayer that all of us will dutifully celebrate both seasons, Advent and Christmas and that God will bless all of us, our loved ones and our Order!

May God bless us and may Mary keep us always in His love!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Fr. Corey



## LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS

Ladies,

I would like to thank everyone again for the great bake sale at the turkey party. Thank you again RoseMurphy for heading it and also to Laretta Normile and her daughter for their help in selling our baked goods. We made \$135.00 and thank you to the men for matching our money and writing a check of \$135.00. The money went right to Binghamton High School for their Thanksgiving Dinner. Thank you everyone. We will be having our Christmas dinner on December 11th with Hors d'oeuvres

hors d'oeuvres At 5:30 and Dinner at 6:00. We will be collecting money for our soldiers that are serving overseas. We are asking for \$5.00 from our ladies. And if you want to give more you can. Also we will be collecting cake mixes, icing, and oil.

We are in need of cake mix. This is what helps us pay for our dinners. Our dinner will be coming from House of Readons. It will be great food and great people.

I would hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving.

I would like to remind you all that if we are to have a meeting and it is snowing and schools are closed we will not have that meeting. Also we will not have a meeting in January and February. We will start back up in March.

I would like to say Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all and God bless everyone this holiday season. Enjoy your family.

Please say a prayer for Skip. She fell at home and right now she is in a cast. So please pray for her in a speedy recovery.

Happy Birthday to my December birthday to Rose Murphy I hope you have a wonderful birthday.

If you are baking please remember we need cakes for BINGO.

God bless you all and Merry Christmas



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| <b>12/02 Gerald Breslin</b>        | <b>12/18 Stephen Hurchla</b>       |
| <b>12/04 Robert De Santis, JR.</b> | <b>12/20 Michael Pastor</b>        |
| <b>12/08 David Mastronardi</b>     | <b>12/22 Gerald Knickerbocker</b>  |
| <b>12/11 Donald Deluca</b>         | <b>12/24 Eugene Cahill</b>         |
| <b>12/13 Zachary Staff</b>         | <b>12/24 Rev. Gabriel Fordjour</b> |
| <b>12/13 James Wayman</b>          | <b>12/26 Michael Murphy, JR.</b>   |

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| <b>12/17 Richard Mc Peek, JR.</b> | <b>12/26 Timothy Szczesny</b> |
| <b>12/18 David Castner</b>        | <b>12/27 Henry Farthing</b>   |

| <b>UPCOMING EVENTS</b>  | <b>OUR COUNCIL OFFICERS</b>  |
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| <p><b>Dec.6th.-</b> Dance with Don Beadle Band 7:00 PM.</p> <p><b>Dec. 10th.-</b> Council Business Meeting 7:00 PM.</p> <p><b>Dec. 11th.-</b> Ladies Aux. Christmas Dinner 7:00 PM.</p> <p><b>Dec. 20th. -</b> Dance with Rich Wilson 7:00 PM.</p> <p>Dec. 25th.-MERRY CHRISTMAS!</p> | <p><b>CHAPLAIN:</b> Fr. COREY VAN KUREN</p> <p><b>GRAND KNIGHT:</b> DAN STRANO, PGK</p> <p><b>DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT:</b> CHARLES PECKA</p> <p><b>CHANCELLOR:</b> SCOTT AVERY, PGK</p> <p><b>RECORDER:</b> VACANT</p> <p><b>FINANCIAL SECRETARY:</b> CHRIS WELCH</p> <p><b>TREASURER:</b> CHARLIE SCARANTINO, PGK</p> <p><b>ADVOCATE:</b> VACANT</p> <p><b>WARDEN:</b> THOMAS PURCELL</p> <p><b>INSIDE GUARD:</b> CHUCK DETTLING</p> <p><b>OUTSIDE GUARD:</b> VACANT</p> <p><b>LECTURER:</b> VACANT</p> <p><b>TRUSTEES:</b></p> <p><b>FOR 1 YRS –</b> BOB HANTSCH, PGK</p> <p><b>FOR 2 YRS –</b> STEPHEN HURCHLA, PGK</p> <p><b>FOR 3 YRS –</b> MIKE MURPHY, PGK</p> <p><b>INSURANCE AGENT:</b></p> <p><b>COLUMBUS CLUB PRESIDENT:</b> JOHN CROUCH</p> <p><b>DISTRICT DEPUTY (DISTRICT 85):</b></p> <p><b>LADIES AUXILIARY PRESIDENT:</b> DEBBIE PETROSKY</p> |

