



Knights of Columbus
Greensburg Diocesan Chapter
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**Worthy Chapter Officers, District Deputies, Grand Knights
And Friends of the Greensburg Chapter:**

Chapter Meetings

At all meetings in person: Rosary 7pm, Meeting 7:15pm, we will eat first.

Dress Code for all: Business Casual (Polo or Golf Shirt w/ Dress Slacks)

No shorts or jeans please!

November 17, 2025—Memorial Mass at Clelian Heights Chapel, 135 Clelian Heights Lane, Greensburg, PA 15601—Mass at 7pm., followed by Dinner and a short meeting.

December 15, 2025—Clelian Heights Christmas Party at Church of St. Paul Social Hall, 820 Carbon Road, Greensburg, PA 15601, Social 6 pm, Dinner 6:30 pm.

January 19, 2026; February 16, 2026 & March 16, 2026

These will be Zoom Meetings with Rosary recited at 7pm, followed by the Chapter Meeting.

Ger Andrews, Immediate Past President

- **November 17, 2025-Memorial Mass at Clelian Heights**—Mass is at 7 pm, followed by our meal and a short meeting. **You need to get your Necrology List to Don Granata as soon as possible.**

Don Granata granms@outlook.com



- **December 15, 2025-Clelian Heights Christmas Party**—Social will begin at 5:30pm with dinner following at 6:30 pm. There will be a visit from Santa!! We will present our annual financial gift to the Sisters at the end as well as the Christmas Cards for the residents. **Please send your contribution, made out to: "Greensburg Chapter K of C" to our Treasurer.**

Ronald E. Sherer 2244 Robert Street N. Huntingdon, PA 15642

Christmas cards can be brought to the dinner.



Jeff Peterinelli—State Program Chairman-West

Greetings,

Western Program Report and Color Corp report

- 1) We would like to get Councils to help us sponsor an Electronic Billboard for Keep Christ in Christmas this year. The billboard is near the Westmoreland Mall. We are asking for councils to donate at least \$100 to help pay for the cost.
- 2) The Greensburg Chapter is selling a \$10 ticket to help raise money for the Western Section Ultrasound project. At this time there is one new machine in Lower Burrell and 3 in the pipeline one in Kittanning, one in Indiana, and one in Greensburg. We need to raise at least \$48,000 dollars for these machines. The ticket is one way to do this. I am asking that all councils in the Chapter take at least 25 tickets and sell them. The ticket goes off on January 1st 2026 and pays out \$5,000 dollars. Please email me or call me at 724-989-0163 and I will get you the tickets.
- 3) The Sacred Heart of Jesus icon schedule for 2026 is now open. Get me your dates that you would want it to me and I will put you on the schedule.
- 4) Next month will be our Christmas party for Clelian Heights. This event is open to all councils; it will be held at St. Paul's Church Social Hall this year. The date is Monday December 15th so please come out and joins us.
- 5) Mark on your council calendars, Saturday April 25th at 12 noon at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral there will be a 4th Degree Exemplification. Now is the time to recruit your third degree members into taking the Patriotic Degree. The honoree will be Msgr. Raymond Riffle Vicar General of the Greensburg Diocese.

Jeff Peterinelli
West Program Promotions Chairman
Associate Marshal Greensburg Diocese

Don Granata—Membership Chairman-Greensburg Diocese

Important Points to make your membership drive a success.

What to say to prospect

- **When approaching a man to join the the Knights instead of directly asking him if he would like join would be interested hearing about the Knights of Columbus.**
- **When asked what does your Council do- We put our into action things by working at food bank, provide coats for kids**
- **Share your personal experience and the satisfaction you get.:**

Providing information

- **Provide materials: Give him a pamphlet or a link to the official website for him to review.**
- **Explain the benefits: Highlight the local council's charities, community events, and the advantages of membership, such as insurance benefits.**
- **Mention the online option: Tell him about the option to join online for free for the first year, which can be the easiest way to sign up.**

Following up

- **Offer assistance:** Let him know you're available to help with the application process.
- **Arrange a follow-up:** If he is interested, get his contact information to follow up personally within a week.
- **Accompany him:** Offer to go with him to the next Exemplification ceremony.

Don Granata-Catholic Activities



As Catholic men are called to strengthen our faith and the faith of our Brothers and families,(Domestic Church). You will probably say to yourself hey I am not big on studying scripture let alone preaching the Gospel. This is Webster's definition for evangelization, but to Knights it is much more like compassionate words for someone that is hurting, reaching out helping those in need visiting the homebound and so much more. In addition to these Corporate Acts of Mercy we come together to pray with our brothers, families and our fellow parishioners. We sponsor a Holy Hour or a family prayer night. These are acts of faith, which is evangelization.

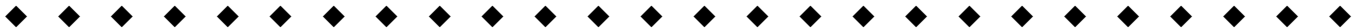
COR which means Heart to Heart is another opportunity to evangelize your Brother Knights and Fellow Parishioners.

Come to our New Year COR Night of Reflection and an opportunity to learn how your Council can start COR, - January 29, 2026 at Holy Cross Church Hall Youngwood.

Blessed Father McGivney charged his Knights to bring man to closer relation to Jesus through our Corporal and Spiritual works of Mercy. Through COR we can make this happen.

Fr. Hertzog Council 1381—New Kensington

- Photos) GK Mike Collet and DGK Jim Ferguson delivered 6 cases of coats to the Community Clothes Closet in October. The staff was most appreciative of the donation and immediately went to work filling their empty coat racks.
- A volunteer at the ministry expressed his gratitude by making a personal \$500 donation to Council 1381.
- The hoagie sale was held after masses on October 11th & 12th at the parishes of St. Margaret Mary, Mount Saint Peter, St. Joseph and St. Mary of Czestochowa was a sellout.
- K of C Christmas cards, including a selection of ethnic ones, St. Anne Home lottery calendars and COAL tickets are currently being sold by our knights.



St. Jude Council 9019—Irwin/N. Huntingdon

- St Jude Council 9019 hosted the Sacred Heart of Jesus ICON on November 4 at Immaculate Conception, November 6 at St Agnes, and November 7 at St Elizabeth Ann Seton.



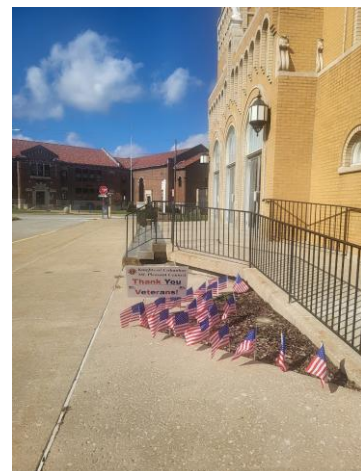
Kittanning Council 1011—Kittanning

- Donation was made to the RSVP Program to be divided between two seminarians.
- Approval was given to sponsor two electronic billboards with the message to "Keep Christ in Christmas" which will display from Thanksgiving through the Christmas season.
- Approval was given to increase our ongoing donation to two local food banks by \$200 each.
- Approval was given to provide a donation towards offsetting costs of materials needed to provide quilts to veterans at the local Mechling-Shakley Veterans Center.
- Approval was given to donate funds for the purchase of 12 gift cards at \$50 each to St Mary, Our Lady of Guadalupe, to be given to those in need.
- Council sponsored a coffee and donut social for parishioners after mass on November 9.
(Photo)



Mt. Pleasant Council 3334—Mt. Pleasant

Council 3334 placed signs & flags thanking our Veterans, at St. Pius X, Visitation, & the St. Pius X, Visitation Cemetery's.



Daniel P. Nolan Council 940—Latrobe

If by some chance you're a member of Council 940 and don't receive our quarterly newsletter, our Council Christmas Party is scheduled for Friday, 12 Dec at St John the Evangelist Parish Hall in Latrobe starting at 5pm. Cost is \$25 per person. Please RSVP by December 5th to Ed Stynchula at 724-433-4269 or Dave Thomas at 724-757-2247.

We'd like to recognize and thank long-time volunteers Brothers Kenny Bridge and Bill Fromme, who have run our Council Ticket for many, many years and have raised a very large sum of money for our charitable efforts. They will "retire" very soon and hope to find replacements. Also serving very long time collecting money that supports two local food banks is Brother Tony Dominick, who has volunteer to continue in his role. Thanks for making the lives of the less fortunate in our community a little easier.

Council 940 has been supporting St Anne's by selling their annual lottery calendars in the parish offices of St Bart's, St John's and Holy Family.

We will erect the Nativity Scene, with our new manger in Rogers Park on Tuesday, the 25th of November starting at 10 am. The construction of the manger was coordinated by Brother Rob Lowe with the Easter Westmoreland County Technical Center in Latrobe. The students, and their Instructor Chad Goodman have done a fantastic job and we hope the manger will serve for many, many years. Attached is a picture of the manger nearing completion. We'll have a "finished product" picture for the next newsletter.



Fr. McNelis Council 1481--Indiana

On Saturday, November 1, 2025, Father McNelis Council 1481, collected Food and Monetary Donations at the Giant Eagle food store in Indiana, Pa. from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. The customers we met were very generous and happy to donate to help our local Food Bank and the Chevy Chase Community Center Food Program. The council collected approximately **1,712** pounds of non-perishable food plus **\$ 2,300** in monetary contributions, which will be split between both organizations. The Council does a food collection at at least 3 times a year. Below are a few of our Brother Knights that collected for these worthy organizations in our community.



Council Reports

Fr. Gilbert Straub Council 8452—Youngwood

- November 9, 2025—Hosted Coffee and Donuts after all Masses.
- November 8th & 9th, 2025—Sold St. Anne Home Calendars after all Masses in the Social Hall.
- November 22, 2025—Nite at the Races, Church of St. Paul's Social Hall. Benefits to support our various Charities.
- December 14, 2025—Free Egg, Sausage & Pancake Breakfast with Santa. Santa will present a Christmas Present to each child present. Our Youth Group will provide Elves to assist Santa.

Manordale Valley Council 4226—Murrysville

- November 12th held an Exemplification at their Hall and they are planning a Memorial Mass, Service and Rosary followed wit lunch.