



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

## NEWSLETTER

*A Newsletter of Tara Council #6352 Knights of Columbus*  
*481 Flint River Road, Jonesboro, GA 30238-3411*

January  
2016

### COUNCIL OFFICERS

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Membership Director - Ray DeFreese  
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President - Kathy Edwards  
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Secretary - Melissa Langlois  
Treasurer - Mary Hale

### GRAND KNIGHT'S CORNER

Brother Knights,

It is hard to believe we are in the last few days of 2015. While St Philip Benizi celebrated its 50th anniversary as a parish with many activities and celebrations, so too was the Council involved with supporting many of these events. The Council was very involved in preparing the church campus for the 50th Anniversary Mass and the ensuing clean up and take down. We also assisted at Easter with preparing the church and the hall for the Holy Week celebration and in parking cars on Easter Sunday. We also performed our usual duties in preparing the meal for the annual church picnic.

The Council sponsored the Public Safety Appreciation luncheon in October for the 43rd consecutive year. We also re-instituted a Council tradition of sponsoring several fish fry's on Friday night during Lent. We continued our culinary skills by hosting several pancake breakfasts and cooking for the Mother's Day breakfast.

One of the most important Council achievements was establishing a working relationship with Council 7601 from St James in McDonough. We will now be able to work with them and take advantage of events at the Atlanta

Motor Speedway. This all means additional revenue for the Council.

We have all been working hard to make the Council better and make ourselves more visible. We are not very good at telling our story and ensuring the church and the community know who we are and what we do. That is the primary reason for implementing the newsletter. Not only will the Council members have access to it, but it will be available to anyone who visits our website. This newsletter belongs to the Council and you can publish anything that pertains to the Council or its members. I want to thank Brother David Hinckley for taking on the Publicity Director job and in making the Newsletter a reality.

In closing, I want to wish everyone a blessed New Year.

Vivat Jesus,  
Greg Edwards  
Grand Knight

Don't forget to visit other links on our website, [www.TaraCouncil.org](http://www.TaraCouncil.org), for additional information pertaining to our Council, Assembly, Parish, and Community. Share our website address with some non-Knights, maybe they will see what we are all about and want to become a member of our family.

Do you use Natural Gas? Yes! Now you can assist Tara Council by changing your Natural Gas Supplier to Stream Energy we have joined their Non-Profit fundraiser program. For more information Check us out at <http://taracouncil6352.streampowerup.biz>

**Deputy Grand Knight Report Corner****Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary President's Corner****HELP NEEDED**

On January 9th, the St Philip 5K race will take place at OLM.

The Knights will be manning a water station. We need 8 Knights to be there at 7:30 AM for setup.

Please wear some type of Knight Identification so our involvement will be recognized. Let us know if you will be there.

On Feb 25 thru the 28th, we have our first major fundraiser at AMS. Since this is a 24/7 event, we need a lot of volunteers so we can set up our shifts.

So far I have only 6 names that have responded to the email I sent out a few weeks ago. The more workers we have, the easier this will be for all of us. Let me know if you can work this event.

Happy New Year !!!

Bob Kula

Deputy Grand Knight

Happy, Healthy New Year to ALL!

Just a note to let all know how appreciative I am for each and every one of you. When help is needed, from working bingo concessions to cooking for our bake sale, to cleaning the hall, you all step up with your generous servant's hearts. Nothing goes undone!

We have begun 2016 with donations to our charities, St Vincent de Paul, the Funeral Ministry and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Cancer Home. And, as always, we stand beside our Knights with our help and support.

May God Bless you all!

Kathy Edwards

President,

Ladies Auxiliary

**American Saints and Blessed**

**January 4 -St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, S.C.** *Founder of the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph. Considered founder of the Catholic School system in the US. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton was the charming "belle of the ball" as a young woman in New York City, linked to all the first families. At the age of 19, she fell in love and married the wealthy, handsome William Magee Seton. The two had a very happy marriage, raising five children. Ten years after they were married, William's business and health both failed, and Elizabeth was left a poor widow with five children to raise alone. Her love for the Eucharist led her to convert to Catholicism and founded the first order of religious women in America, the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph, a religious community based on the Rule of St. Vincent De Paul. She was able to still raise her children, as well as live the life of a sister and found several schools. She became the co-founder of the first free Catholic School in America.*

**January 5 - St. John Neumann, C.Ss.R.** *Missionary and 4th bishop of Philadelphia. Founded the first diocesan Catholic school system in U.S. St. John Neumann learned pretty quickly what it meant to follow God's will with your whole heart and soul. He was certain that he was called to be a priest, but when the time came for ordination, the bishop fell ill and the ordination was cancelled. It was never rescheduled, because there was an over-abundance of priests in Europe. Knowing he was meant to be a priest, John traveled all the way from Bohemia to New York City to be ordained. He was one of only 36 priests, serving 200,000 Catholics: his 'parish' stretched from Lake Ontario throughout Pennsylvania. He became the founder of the first diocesan Catholic School system, going from only two schools to one hundred schools in his diocese.*

**January 23 -St Marianne Cope, O.S.F.** *Missionary to the lepers of Molokai, Hawaii. She joined the Sisters of the Third Order of Saint Francis and began a whirlwind of leadership roles: twice as the novice mistress of her congregation, and three times as the superior of St. Joseph's Hospital in Syracuse. This leadership, coupled with her sympathy for mankind in general, led her to volunteer to go to Hawaii to take care of the lepers. She was finally stationed in Molokai, where she brought education and happiness to the leper colony: even providing bright scarves and pretty dresses for the women.*

## TARA COUNCIL PAST PRESENT AND FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES

You can make a positive impact every month — simply by paying your energy bill.

Tara Council #6352 KofC has recently partnered with **Stream Energy** to assist our supporters in helping us by simply doing something they already do: pay their energy bill.

Stream Energy's unique Power Up! Program helps raise funds by paying us monthly commissions when our supporters enroll for their electricity or natural gas service through **Tara Council #6352 KofC**. The Power Up! Program is an excellent fundraising campaign for us because everybody uses energy already, and the commissions we receive are paid monthly for the duration of your relationship with Stream Energy. There's no extra out-of-pocket cost for you, and we benefit on an ongoing basis every month.

**Our web page and point of contact information:**

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### Weekly Events

Monday - BINGO - POC George Spirito  
 Tuesday - Knights of Columbus meetings  
 Thursday - BINGO POC - John Gavel  
 Friday - Knights of Columbus Social  
 Sunday - St Philips Benizi Cafe staffing - POC Kel McDonald



### 25-28 FEB

We need the help of everyone to man these lots for these 74 hours.

The more workers

we get, the shorter the shifts. We are responsible for 2 parking lots from 1200 Noon on 25 FEB until 2PM 28 FEB in support of council 7601.

This is a major event of the year at the speedway.

We will make a substantial amount of money by working this event!

We are responsible for 2 parking lots. We must have at least 2 people at each lot 24/7 from *Noon On Thursday Feb 25th until 2 PM Sunday afternoon February 28th.*

***We will NOT be handling any money.***

### CHRISTMAS PARTY



GOOD FOOD



GOOD FRIENDS



FUN FOR ALL AGES

## January / February Events

### January 2016

5 Council business Meeting  
 9 Assist Youth Group with Parish 5 K Race (**Race Cancelled**)  
 12 Officer & Six point meeting 1830 -and 1930 hrs  
 16 Work Day 0800-1200 noon  
 19 Admissions Degree 1900hrs (7 PM)  
 25 Mercy Door Opening & Mass 1200 noon  
 31 Youth Dinner 1800hrs - POC

### February

2 Council Business Meeting  
 9 Officer & Six points meeting 1830-1930hrs  
 12 Fish Fry 1700hrs - POC Greg Edwards  
 13 Work day 0800-1200hrs Ladies Invited  
 19 Fish Fry 1700hrs - POC Greg Edwards  
 26 Fish Fry 1700hrs - POC Greg Edwards  
 25-28 AMS Raceway 24/7 work with Council 7601