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Knights in Action

Spring 2026

Cinnamon Bun Sales - Mar 1st

Led by Head Baker Larry Gniewek, the Council's elves baked, iced and sold the tasty treats to the parishioners. The effort generated close to \$1,500 which helps fund the Council's activities and charitable donations.

Ian Hipp - Essay Contest Winner

As reported in the previous newsletter, the essays of several parish children were awarded for their essays on their three favorite Popes and would compete at the Virginia State level. Ian Hipp won the 9th Grade Boys division and received an award from the State Council.



Solemnity of St. Joseph - March 19th

A sung Mass was conducted in the Adoration Chapel followed devotions to the Seven Sorrows and Joys of St. Joseph. Those in attendance enjoyed a potluck dinner. Many thanks to Brother Michael Turner for organizing the event.

Lenten Soup Fish Fry - March 27th

A team of Knights provided fried fish as part of the final Lenten Soup meal. Over 400 parishioners were served. A special thanks to Larry Gniewek who was head cook for the event as well as the many volunteers who once again made this a successful event.

Council Fellowship - Apr 10th

Knights gathered at a member's home to enjoy some time together with current and potential members. The menu included brats, bourbon and cigars.

Roadside Cleanup - April 11th

A small group of Knights cleaned up the mile-long section of Route 340 the Council monitors. Lead by Will Reynolds, the team helped beautify the Southern approach to Front Royal.

Firewood Project (part 1) - April 18th

Several Knights and students from Christendom College helped split and stack firewood for a parishioner who relies on a wood stove to heat the home.



Firewood Project (part 2) May 30th

A team of Knights split and stacked nearly two cords of firewood at the home of another parishioner who heats the home with firewood.



Upcoming Events - Mark Your Calendars - Offer to Help

Date	Title and Description	Council's PoC
6/4/2026	Bourbon and Brats	Steve Young
6/7/2026	Corpus Christi Procession	PGK Vince Criste
6/13/2026	Diocesan Family Festival	PGK Tom Balint
6/20/2026	Parish Picnic	Jim Fitzpatrick
6/26/2026	Cardinals Baseball "Catholic Night"	John Lundberg
Jun 2026	Diocese Work Camp Support	
6/25/2026	Council Annual Planning Meeting	GK (Elect)
6/27/2026	Poker Night	PGK John Stieb
7/5/2026	CETA Collection	Mike Reilly
7/5/2026	Cardinals Baseball "Catholic Night"	
Jul 2026	Bowling Night	DGK Joseph Sardegna
Jul 2026	Council Officer Installation	Grand Knight (Elect)
Jul 2026	Installation Dinner	Grand Knight (Elect)
8/13/2026	Feast Day of Blessed Michael McGivney	
8/16/2026	KOVAR Second Collection	PGK Darryl Adams
8/30/2026	5th Sunday Rosary	Steve Young
Sep 2026	Cigars and Bourbon Tasting Night	Steve Young
9/17/2026	Cinnamon Bun Prep	Larry Gniewek
9/18/2026	Cinnamon Bun Prep	Larry Gniewek
9/19/2026	Cinnamon Bun Prep	Larry Gniewek
9/20/2026	Cinnamon Bun Sales / Coffee	
9/26/2026	Fall Roadside Cleanup	Will Reynolds
10/3/2026	Front Royal Pregnancy Center's Walk for Life	
10/3/2026	Rosary Procession	Vincent Maresca
Second Wednesday	Council Membership Meeting	
Fourth Wednesday	Council Business Meeting	

Charity - Unity - Fraternity