

# The Chester Light



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## Hudson Valley Knights of Columbus St. Columba Council No. 8637

January 2017

"In service for our Parish"

### Greetings Brother Knights:

Due to a heavy work load, I will write the Grand Knights letter this month and give our Worthy Grand Knight Kent Fletcher a much needed rest.

We've had a productive year in service to our Parish!  
We've installed high speed internet for the Religious School, making it easier for our dedicated teachers to utilize online resources for the benefit of the students.

Our C&B raffle drive and the Blood Drive were successes due to the dedication of our worthy Chancellor Carl D'Antonio.

Our Thanksgiving ShopRite gift card donation went successfully thanks to Treasurer Jim Romito.

### Grand Knight's Letter



Our Family Rosary Sunday's were well attended with positive reactions from the Parishioners.

Father John changed the format of Breakfast with Santa this year, the event becoming Christmas with St. Nicholas, with yours truly in the role of St Nicholas, whose beard wouldn't stay on!

Our annual Night at the Races was another huge success with the good participation of our usual crew.

Our Football outing was cancelled, as we couldn't get enough Knights to attend to take advantage of the discounts, which leads me to one of the down sides of the year, meeting attendance.

Every month, we see the same faces (not many!) and if it weren't for the officers in attendance, there'd be leftover food! Seriously, we've initiated many new members, and what we're seeing is attendance shortly thereafter the initiation, then a disappearance. This begs the question, *just why did you join?*

Brothers, I get that most of you work. I did too. Also keep in mind that we are asking your participation for just one night a month. Some of you I have not seen in over a year, some longer. I sincerely hope that many of you will reconsider and help us as we enter a new year.

We are currently finishing the judging of the posters created by our Religious Ed children, and we have winners! We will be contacting the parents to come to our next meeting with their children while we pass out their certificates and checks.

I sincerely hope this year will be a peaceful and beneficial one, to our members and our Parish, and I wish all of you a Happy New Year!

Vivat Jesus,  
Ron Nelson, DGK

### Reminder

If you are not getting our emails or wish to change from standard mail delivery of our newsletter to email delivery, please update your records at the next meeting. If you also wish to see your birthday printed, include it with the update.

## Schedule of Events for the Fraternal Year

## In The News

**2017**

All dates subject to  
Coordination with the Parish

### Dates to Remember

Free Throw	Jan 13
Blue Mass	Jan 29
	12 noon
Family Rosary	Jan 29
	11:30am Chapel
40 Cans for Lent	Mar 1
Membership Drive	Mar 11 & 12
1st Degree	Mar 24
Night at the Races	April 29
Family Rosary	April 30
	11:30am Chapel
Parish Picnic	May 14
Family Rosary	July 30

## Announcements

A message from our Worthy Financial Secretary. Bill Newell

Financial Secretary

William Newell  
8 Poplar St  
Warwick NY 10990

My Worthy Brother Knights

Once again it is that time of the year for dues payment. Please remit to the address above your annual dues of \$42. Upon receipt of your check, I will forward to you a new membership card for 2017.

Your timely response would be most appreciated. Please note however, if your personal circumstances make your dues payment difficult in these troubled times, please return a brief note to that effect. If you find yourself in such a situation, remember the Knights of Columbus is a charitable and fraternal organization. We certainly would not wish you to lose your membership because of circumstances beyond your control. Rest assured that all such communications will remain confidential.

William Newell

Financial Secretary

A photo from our Breakfast  
With St Nicholas



### Good of the Order

If a Brother Knight or a member of the family who is seriously sick, hospitalized, or has passed away, please call or email:

**PGK Joe Furey**  
845-469-2726 or furey68@optimum.net

## More News

### Food Pantry Needs Volunteers

The next date coming up will be  
*When announced by  
Church*  
Times: 4:00-5:30pm & 6:00-7:00pm

Contact Peter Puelzl  
ppulzel@frontiernet.net



**Catholic Pulse - News**  
Catholics need to know  
catholicpulse.com

### The Cardinal's Annual Appeal

The Chester Council fully supports the St. Columba Cardinal's Annual Appeal. Please support our church and Father John who has supported our efforts since the Council was reformed.

You can make a contribution at church or at:

[www.cardinalsappeal.org](http://www.cardinalsappeal.org)

### Council Member Birthdays

<b>Kenneth W Edwards</b>	<b>01/12</b>
<b>Arthur L Connolly Jr</b>	<b>01/16</b>
<b>Frederick M Leppig</b>	<b>01/16</b>

## FBI PROBE UPENDS HILLARY; DONOHUE'S ROLE IS KEY

When Bill Donohue filed a complaint with the authorities against Anthony Weiner over the summer, he had no idea it would prove to be so historic. Following the election, Hillary Clinton blamed this FBI probe for her loss to Donald Trump.

On August 31, Donohue asked for an investigation of Weiner on suspicion of sexually abusing his four-year-old child, Jordan. He did so because of a front-page story in the New York Post showing Weiner using his son as a "chick magnet" to lure sexual relations. (Two days earlier the paper ran a story on Weiner "sexting" a middle-age woman.)

Donohue immediately filed a complaint with the New York City Administration for Children's Services (ACS), the New York City branch of the New York State Office of Children and Family Services. His initiative was cited by the New York Post and the British Daily Mail Online.

On September 26, Donohue received a phone call from ACS. He was told that his complaint had been accepted and that Weiner was under investigation by the New York Police Department. The next day, the same ACS official called to question him further. A week later, on October 3, FBI agents seized Weiner's laptop, phone, and tablet.

On October 28, the FBI announced that it had found emails on Weiner's computer from his wife, Huma Abedin, sent to Hillary Clinton on her private server. It quickly examined them, concluding a week later that no law had been broken.

Donohue triggered the investigation because of media bias: it continues to blame priests for sexually abusing minors. He also cited the "emotional and physical well being" of Jordan.

Had Donohue not filed a formal complaint, the NYPD would not have launched a probe looking for child porn on Weiner's computer. The NYPD, in turn, would not have contacted the FBI had it not found emails between Abedin and Hillary that were on her private server.

On November 12, Hillary held a conference call with her trusted aides. She contended that FBI director James Comey was responsible for turning public opinion against her. She argued that his public statement on October 28 announcing the probe cost her the election.

What Hillary did not say is that in July, after Comey completed his first investigation of her emails, he pledged to alert the Congress if there were any other developments. She and her staff never complained then.

As Donohue sees it, the political fallout must be laid squarely at the doorstep of Hillary Clinton. Had she not had her own server, the FBI would have had nothing to investigate.

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## **Council Meeting**

Monday, Jan 16<sup>th</sup> 2017

7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting

Hap Murray Hall

***Note: The monthly food basket will be placed at the door,  
please bring a contribution to help make our goal***

