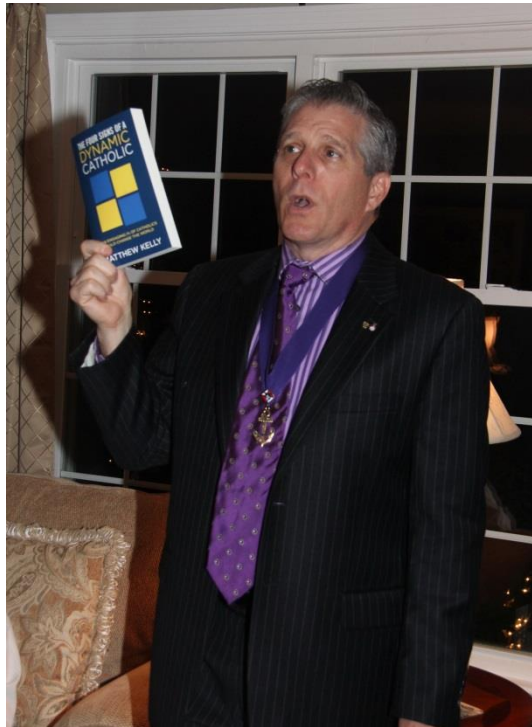




# Rev. Richard A. Donnelly Council 322

Garden City - Cranston, R.I. Parish: St. Mark Church



## Knights of Columbus Fr. Donnelly Council 322

### MESSAGE FROM OUR GRAND KNIGHT – PAUL GEBHART

#### Worthy Brother Knights,

Thank you for reading our first newsletter for our young, growing and vibrant council. It has been an incredible year! This newsletter will touch upon on a few of our accomplishments over this past year and communicate up and coming events. I can't help but mention our biggest one and that was being awarded the Triple Star Council which was presented to our council by our District Deputy, Joe Carrigan this past November. I can't thank all of you enough for your many contributions you made in this past year. As I have said before, what makes me the most proud are the things we continue to do that assist our Pastor, our parish, our community and each other. In closing, let us remember one of our dear brothers we lost to cancer in December of 2013, Ernie Grilli. May Ernie rest in peace and please continue to pray for the repose of his soul.



#### Christmas Social

On December 13<sup>th</sup> a wonderful evening with our spouses was held at Mark and Jen Prestage's home. It was a wonderful evening filled with good food and company. Thank you to our co-chairs, Worthy FS, Peter Horsman and Worthy

### UPCOMING WINTER EVENTS - CHAIR

Trustee 2<sup>nd</sup> Year, Mark Prestage for a wonderful event and evening.

- Coat Drive – Bob Gentile/Joe Mignault
- Social Card Game – Rick Degrandpre
- Pro-Life License Plate Holder sale – Arthur Andolfo
- TBD



### Thanksgiving Food Drive

Another successful parish food drive was completed November 30<sup>th</sup>. All the food donated by our parishioners was then brought to the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry in Cranston. On the first delivery weekend we had three full truck/car loads of food. Thank you to Richard Feole who stepped up while GK was traveling.



### Winter Coat Drive



This was the council's first attempt at a



Parish coat drive and we were blown away at how many coats were donated by our, once again, incredibly generous parishioners. Thank you to all the Knights who collected the coats. The coats were then brought to St. John the Baptist Church in Pawtucket where they were distributed to the needy of that community.



## 2014-2015 Officers

Grand Knight	Paul Gebhart
Deputy Grand Knight	Joe Migneault
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Chaplain	Fr. Verdelotti
Program Director	Jeff Barone
Pro-life Director	Peter Brissette
Membership Director	Kevin Reall
State District Deputy	Joe Carrigan

### Officer Installation September 10<sup>th</sup>



### Five New 4<sup>th</sup> degree Knights

In June five new Brothers completed their 4<sup>th</sup> degree exemplification. Thank you to Rene Boucher for supporting us on that special day and recently being selected as Faithful Navigator of the Robello Assembly.

Ben Pezzi



Al Giardi

## Wheelchair Mission Sunday



### New Brother Knights in 2014!

Thanks to our council members we have had an incredible increase in our council this past year.

Welcome new Brother Knights!!

Dominic Antonelli

Noah Benedict

Jason Mainelli

Mark Capuano

Lee Marinaro (transfer)

Matt Coppa

Eric Silva

Tony Silva

John McAree (transfer)

If you recall, we had a very successful first time Wheelchair Mission weekend this past spring collecting over \$ 2,700! Wheelchairs are delivered all over the world by Wheelchair Mission organization to those in need of mobility but unable to afford purchasing a new wheelchair. I contacted American Wheelchair Mission directly and requested if our council could purchase a wheelchair for our parish after a suggestion by Brother Norman Prestage. I contacted Dan Moberg fellow Brother Knight and Director of Public Education for American Wheelchair Mission and he quite surprisingly offered the wheelchair for our parish for free including shipping costs!

# Moving Sr. Angelina

On January 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Fr. Donnelly Council helped our very own Sr. Angelina to move from their Convent in Bristol to their new location at St. Rose of Lima in Warwick. With over 12 Brother Knights, a 24' rental truck and few cars and trucks of our own, we moved Sr. Angelina and Sr. Guytina to their new home. They both were so thankful of our support!

