



Who We Are

The Knights of Columbus [K of C] is an organization fortified by its past and driven by its goals for the future. It is through five areas of service – faith, community, family, youth and fellowship – that our Knights can truly make a difference! We are also committed to four core principles: charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. Additionally, we are dedicated to supporting and serving the local Catholic Church, Our Lady Star of the Sea [OLSOS].

What We Do

For our St. Mary's Council #6202, community through charity exemplifies supporting an endless variety of projects. The following is just a sampling of our local community service and faith initiatives throughout the calendar year:

- ❖ **January** – Coats for Kids...Benefits the Cape May Police Department disadvantaged children program. Kickoff monthly food drives for the year.
- ❖ **February** – Superbowl Charity Fundraiser...Benefits New Jersey Veterans Memorial Home. Food drive.
- ❖ **March** – Free Throw Championship...A community outreach event. Kickoff new membership recruitment campaign. Food drive.
- ❖ **May** – Roses for Life...A pro-life awareness program on Mother's Day where our Council hands out roses to parish moms. Funds raised pay for March for Life transportation services to Washington, DC.
MDW Disabled Citizens Drive...Benefits the Arc of Cape May County, Aktion Club of Cape May Kiwanis, Christ Child Society of Cape May County, Diller Blind Home, Autism New Jersey, Special Olympics New Jersey, Branches Outreach. Food drive.
- ❖ **August** – Wedding of the Sea...Our Council takes part in the celebratory procession by carrying the statue of the Blessed Mother from OLSOS church down Ocean Street to the beach. Food drive.





- ❖ **October** – Lima Bean Festival booth... Soup sales benefit priestly vocations, OLSOS church and Catholic Radio Station WSMJ 91.9 FM. Food drive.
- ❖ **November** – Set up the OLSOS church outdoor Nativity scene and decorate the church doors with Christmas wreaths. Thanksgiving food drive.
- ❖ **December** – West Cape May Community Christmas Parade entrant. Assist with the Nativity scene lighting ceremony after the vigil mass of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception... A global event promoted by the K of C as a reminder to Keep Christ in Christmas. Set up Christmas altar decorations in OLSOS church. Christmas food drive.
- ❖ **Weekly** – Provide mass ushers and routine maintenance for OLSOS church such as special event set-up of the Parish Hall. Livestream Sunday Mass broadcasts made available through our videography equipment donation.
- ❖ **Monthly** – From all the fundraisers over the year, we contribute financial support for priestly vocations earmarked for the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales and Diocese of Camden seminarians. Our recurring food drive drop-off benefits the Cape May Community Food Closet and the Lazarus House emergency food pantry of Wildwood.
- ❖ **Bimonthly** – Restaurant dinner social... We sponsor a fun get-together for brother K of C and their spouses within the five councils of our district.

Looking for a Few Good Men

Sound like something that you would like to do? Prospective members are always welcomed and invited to attend our Council meetings on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM in the McGivney Room of OLSOS Parish Hall. Please contact Grand Knight Jim Ford at 609-408-1812 to get started.

Join us and become a Knight!



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