

NAPLES AREA NEWSLETTER

October 2019

Investiture Events—RSVP Needed

- Area Dinner, November 14—We are planning a no host dinner on Thursday, November 14 for Naples Area members and guests who are attending the American Association Investiture in New York. Please let Don Tendick at <u>dontendickir@prodigv.net</u> know by November 1 if you would like to attend and, if so how many will be in your group.
- Investiture Dinner, November 15—If you would like to sit at the Naples Area table at the Investiture dinner on Friday, November 15, let Pete know the names of those in your party. Please respond no later than November 1.

Pete can be reached at pbewley@alumni.princeton.edu or 510-759-5912.

October 1st Friday Mass and Dinner

Our October 1st Friday Mass and Dinner was held on October 4. Twenty-six of us attended.

Singing "Happy Birthday!", we celebrated 6 birthdays occurring from July thru October, (Ken Peach and Leo Stec in July. Pete Bewley and Lee Bewley in August and Ann Peach and Michael Rothmeier in September).

Area Chair Pete Bewley and Activities Chair Jo O'Reilly recognized Courtney Price for her untiring efforts over the summer to arrange monthly 1st Friday masses and dinners to keep our community vibrant during the off-season.



Kathy Swift, Tom O'Reilly, Tim Gunderman, Father Ratzmann, Courtney Price, Joe Price, Dick Copeland, Francesca Copeland and John Swift at August 1 Friday dinner at Amore after mass at St. William.



Jo O'Reilly and Pete Bewley recognizing and thanking Courtney Price

Courtney also manages our participation in the Meals of Hope mobile food pantry on the 4th Monday of every month year-round. She reminded us that the next mobile food pantry is October 28. See the next page for sign-up information.



The "Checkered Boys" are Joe Price, Tom O'Reilly and Dick Copeland



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Nancy Stec, Maria Joyce, David Joyce, Lucia Barone, BJ Barone and Leo Stec at Amore

After the presentation to Courtney, BJ Barone reminded us that the rosary continues to be prayed every Monday morning in front of Planned Parenthood at 8:45AM. Members returning for the season are invited to join in.

Kathy Swift asked for help in alerting the Diocese to the needs of our disabled veterans in Southwest Florida.

Anne Peach noted that invitations to apply to attend the Lourdes pilgrimage are out. She encouraged all who want to make the pilgrimage to get their applications in early, and advised that applications for malades are reviewed in the order in which they are received in the mail. All applications for malades should be submitted before January 1, 2020.

Announcements

Malta Tables at Seasonal Benefits: There are three seasonal events that many of our members attend. If you plan to attend and would like to sit at a table with other Malta members, please let Pete know. The events are:

Hope for HaitiFebruary 15Celtic Ball for St. John NeumannFebruary 21Note the corrected date for the Celtic BallEmerald Ball for Catholic CharitiesMarch 7

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Recruiting —HELP!: New members are the lifeblood of our Area. We are currently recruiting for investiture in 2021. It is never too early to start. Please take a moment to reflect on whether you know one or more good people who would make good candidates for the Order. Such a person might be someone you have met at prayer or scripture class. If you are not comfortable approaching that person for the order, please forward the name to Pete Bewley at <u>pbewley@alumni.princeton.edu</u> or 510-759-5912.

Volunteer at Our Lady of Good Help

The three U.S. Associations of the Order of Malta have opened a first aid and hospitality center at the Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help, the only approved Marian Apparition site in the U.S., outside of Green Bay, Wisconsin. Volunteers are needed to staff the center throughout the year. If you are interested, contact Pete for more information.

Naples Area at Ordination of New Priest Five of us attended the ordination of Father Carlos Encinas as a priest at Epiphany Cathedral on October 5.



Leo Stec, Nancy Stec, Jo O'Reilly, Pee Bewley and Francesca Copeland

Ministries

Respect Life prays the Rosary in front of Planned Parenthood on Creech Road in Naples every Monday morning at 8:45AM. Contact BJ Barone at **BJB@barone.com** for more information. We can always use another voice praying for an end to abortion.

Power Pack meets every Wednesday morning at 8:00AM at Catholic Charities. We are usually finished by 9:00AM. Contact Tom O'Reilly at **toriiinap@aol.com** to add your name to the schedule.

Mobile Food Pantry meets on the 4th Monday of every month from 3:00 to 6:00PM at River Park, 301 11th St. North in downtown Naples. Contact Courtney to participate at **ckmprice@comcast.net** or 202-744-0514.

Future 1st Friday Dates

November 1st Friday Mass and Dinner will be November 1. December 1st Friday Mass and Dinner will be December 6 and January 1st Friday Mass and Dinner will be January 3. February 1st Friday, which begins with our mini-retreat at 2:30PM, will be on February 7. Our retreat master will be Monsignor Robert Ritchie, Rector at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York. Bishop Dewane has been invited to preside at the mass.