Ann's Choice
Catholic Council Newsletter
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Our Ann's Choice Catholic Council wishes you and yours a Happy and Healthy New Year for 2023.

How about trying some of these as your New Year's Resolutions:

1. Increase Your Marian Devotion. In this most prophetic of all Marian apparitions, Our Lady of Fatima made urgent pleas for mankind to reform themselves and to pray her rosary daily.

However, Our Lady's pleas have not been heeded, and the last century has seen a widespread loss of Christian faith, massive breakdowns in marriages and families, and the rejection of basic moral laws. This affects all of us, and, as a result, anxiety and depression have risen to epidemic levels.
The way to turn back to God is the same way that God came to us—through the Blessed Mother.

2. Make more time for spiritual reading. If you want to make progress in your walk with God in 2023, spiritual reading should be high on your list. The four gospels and the letters of St. Peter and St. Paul are excellent choices for reading, being the inspired Word of God.

3. Make good stewardship a lifestyle. This boils down to one key concept in the life of the Christian: practicing good stewardship over the gifts God has given us. Good stewardship means good management of our "time, talent, and treasure" for the greater glory of God. (Continued on page 3)

Meet Our Council Members –
Judy Coyle

Hi – My name is Judy Coyle and I am on the greeting and usher side of the Catholic Council. I have lived here for ten years and very happy to be living here in this active community.

I grew up in various areas of Philadelphia, PA and eventually resided in a row home on Howard Street near Front and Girard Avenue (Fishtown). I attended Jesus Catholic School, Penn Treaty Junior High School and then Mastbaum Vocational/Technical School majoring in secretarial/commercial courses. I worked for Insurance Company of North America/Connecticut General which merged to become CIGNA, retiring after 48 years. I worked in various departments as an Administrative Assistant and eventually as Contract Administrator with the Contract, Purchasing, Security and Real Estate Departments.

I married Jack Coyle and moved to North Wales/Lansdale, PA. Jack and I became associated with the Knights of Columbus, Council 4396 in Lansdale and with St. Stanislaus Catholic Church, where Jack became a Fourth Degree Knight. We became very involved with this Council of which they owned their own building dating back to 1950 where we held various social meetings and functions to support St. Stanislaus and the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. We also held Bingo every Friday night which meant the ladies did the cooking in the kitchen and the men coordinated the Bingo games – this was quite a challenge.

We also held the Children's Christmas and Easter parties.
I look forward to continuing with the Catholic Counsel and enjoy meeting everyone who attends our masses here and hope to see you all soon. Thank you.

(An ongoing series to meet our council members)

Our Catholic Neighbors who have passed away during November, 2022

Joseph T. "Tom" Lucia

"I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die."

4. Share your Catholic faith with others. With so many people far away from God today (and more and more people noticing it), the culture is ripe for evangelism. There is a real hunger for God and his Truth.

5. Bring back regular penances. Living a penitential life, even outside of Advent and Lent, is the Catholic way of life. All of the Church's saints performed penances habitually, either internally or externally, great and small, for themselves and for others.

6. Go an extra day to Mass during the week. Mass is not only the source and summit of our faith—it is also the source and summit of our very life.

7. Pray the Rosary.

No Catholic list of New Year's resolutions would be complete without a daily Rosary added in.

The Catholic Council Newsletter** is a monthly publication of the Catholic Council. We invite articles for submission that would be information for our residents. Place a copy in **John McSorley's cubby** **HR-203 or Caroline Chambers** **BC 411**. Information about the Catholic Council is also available on our resident website: **www.acresidents.org.

Our Resident volunteers who helped make our Mass in December:

(Remember, Father Watson comes here every month to celebrate mass with us)

Celebrant - Father Watson
Sacristan - Judy McSorley, Marge Devine
Cantor-Toni Maiorino/Betty Matyas
Altar Servers—George Murray, Dick Serafin
Readings - Carol McGrath
Prayer of the Faithful - Lisa Mullins
Extraordinary Ministers - Caroline Chambers, Rose Torgeson, Maria Burlein
Greeters - Barbara Masonis, Judy Coyle

WEEKEND BUS SCHEDULE TO NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

SUNDAY MASS 10:00 AM

RG	no stop
Village	9:30
Liberty	9:35
Keystone	9:40

A $5.00 fee per round trip will be collected.

CATHOLIC COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORT
November, 2022,

Opening balance $4,697.05

INCOME:	
Nov Mass Collection	$ 346.00
TOTAL INCOME	**$ 346.00**
EXPENSES:	
Mass Social	48.85
TOTAL EXPENSES	**$ 48.85**
NET INCOME	**$ 297.15**
CLOSING BALANCE	**$ 4,994.20**

YOUR COUNCIL MEMBERS

John McSorley, Ray Schwegel, Jim Morgan, Maria Burlein, Judy Coyle, Charlie Reckner, Bob Klimek, Bob Dunnigan, Fran Calahan, Caroline Chambers, Barbara Masonis