

Calvert Council 7870

# Five Minute Report

December 26, 2011

Merry Christmas to all Calvert Council Knights and their families.

**Congratulations** to St. Anthony's **Shannon Gorecki**, whose Keep Christ in Christmas poster earned her second place -- and \$50 -- in the Maryland State Council statewide poster contest in the grades 4 through 6 category. Shannon took first place in the Calvert Council poster contest, which earned her the opportunity to compete statewide.

## Calvert Council Calendar

Jan. 1 - No First Sunday Breakfast

Jan. 10 - Council Meeting

Jan. 15 - Adoration

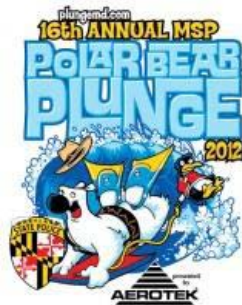
Jan. 23 - March for Life, Washington, DC

Jan. 26 - First Degree, Jesus the Devine Word

Jan. 28 - 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Polar Bear Plunge

Feb. 5 - Calvert Council Basketball Free Throw

**The 16th Annual Maryland State Police Polar Bear Plunge** is just around the corner and your help is needed. Please consider joining your brother Knights by volunteering for this important program that benefits the Maryland Special Olympics...and no, you don't have to plunge into the cold Chesapeake Bay. Volunteers assist with parking, food and drink distribution, memorabilia sales, arcade game operation, etc. The Plunge will take place **Saturday, January 28, 2012** at Sandy Point State Park in Anne Arundel County. The Calvert Council's Walter Hannan will be coordinating transportation to the Plunge. To sign up as a volunteer, contact Paul Morrell ([pmorrell@comcast.net](mailto:pmorrell@comcast.net)) or Jose Baca ([bacaej@comcast.net](mailto:bacaej@comcast.net)).



**Have you joined the Father McGivney Guild**, which was established to promote the cause for canonization of Fr. Michael J. McGivney? If not, visit <http://www.fathermcgivney.org/mcg/en/contact/register.html>

**The Calvert Council Basketball Free Throw Competition** is scheduled for Sunday, February 5, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Northeast Community Center in Chesapeake Beach. (Note: There is no snow date.) The competition is open to boys and girls ages 10 to 14. For more information or to volunteer, contact Joe Rednagle at (410) 257-2857.

**March for Life.** Each year in late January, on or around the anniversary of the infamous 1973 Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court Decision, thousands of dedicated pro-life men, women and children gather in our nation's capital to demonstrate their commitment to the sanctity of life and to generate legislative support for laws protecting the lives of innocent unborn children.

Several Calvert Council Knights attend March for Life prayer vigils, Masses, and other activities. And this year, the Calvert Council has once again provided \$200 to help the Cardinal Hickey Academy provide buses to transport schoolchildren to the **March for Life on January 23 in Washington, D.C.**

For information about March for Life activities, visit the organizer's webpage at [www.marchforlife.org](http://www.marchforlife.org) or contact Calvert Council's prolife service projects chairman, Tony Graziosi, at [kocnorth@verizon.net](mailto:kocnorth@verizon.net). If you cannot participate directly, please remember to pray for the unborn on January 23 and contact our elected officials (Rep. Steny Hoyer, Sen. Barbara Mikulski and Sen. Ben Cardin) to let them know of your support for the sanctity of life by calling them through the Capitol switchboard at (202) 224-2131.