

St. Louis Catholic Church

Thomas Louden

March 7, 2017

The St. Louis Pastoral Council wishes to express its deepest thanks and gratitude to Tom Louden for his faithful service and dedication to Jesus Christ and to St. Louis Parish. Tom lives, as:

St. Paul advised in his letter to the Galatians, to “serve one another humbly in love” (5:13).

Tom’s service to St. Louis began soon after he became a member of the parish in July 2006. He served as Co-chair of the 2011 and 2012 Clarksville Picnics, and Chair of the 2013 and 2014 picnics. Currently, he serves on the Executive Committee of the picnic.

In addition to his leadership role with the Clarksville Picnic, Tom has been active in the St. Louis the King Knights of Columbus Council, serving on the Hospitality Committee and assisting Chief Cook Charles Roswell in preparing meals for the Knights’ business meetings. Tom also has participated in 4th Degree activities since advancing to that level in 2011.

In the broader community, upon his retirement in April 1999, Tom joined Hospice of Baltimore and Howard County, now known as Gilchrist Hospice Care. He tends to the needs of the sick and dying in the Gilchrist program and is involved in the planning and execution of Gilchrist’s annual fundraiser, Taste of Howard County. Through his devotion and dedication, Tom has inspired many of his fellow Knights to volunteer over the years in the logistical preparations of the Taste.

Tom is also on the stand-by committee for the Columbia Pregnancy Center’s Fatherhood Program, which meets with future fathers to discuss the joys and responsibilities of becoming a father.

Tom’s honors include induction into the Maryland Senior Citizens Hall of Fame, in 2016, and being one of only five citizen volunteers from the state to receive a GERI award for his many years of providing hospice care to the citizens of Howard County.

With sincerest appreciation,

St. Louis Pastoral Council

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