



The Knight Times

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CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE:

Dear Friends,

Happy Easter!! The Lord is truly risen as He has promised! This is a season to rejoice, Jesus has conquered death and restored us to life. This is a season to renew our faith. This is a season to be proud of our Catholic faith especially with the election of our new Holy Father, Pope Francis. As we go along in the days ahead of the Easter season St. Francis de Sales gives us some spiritual encouragement for us to reflect on from one of his sermons:

"One of the virtues which Our Lord displayed for us on the cross was holy perseverance. Without this virtue we cannot merit the fruit of His passion and death. It is little use beginning well if we do not persevere until the end. In fact, it is certain that we will remain for all eternity in the state we find ourselves at the end of our days, when God will cut off the thread of our lives."

May God be Praised.

Fr. Dominic

Fr. Dominic Ciriaco, Chaplain

GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE:

Dear Brother Knights, Columbiettes, Squires & Scouts,

As we enter April, and Easter Sunday is behind us let us all reflect on our efforts to resurrect and deepen our Faith in the Lord especially in this Year of Faith. We now have a brand new invigorated Pope to lead and guide us in our individual journey to sainthood. Jesus Christ has called everyone to sainthood. Our Pope is our temporal and spiritual representative of Jesus Christ here on earth on all matters of Faith and Morals. Let all of us accept all his teachings on Faith and Morals. Let us all unite, (Unity is the second Degree of Our Order) behind our new Pope so that "all souls may get to Heaven". Viva Papa, Francis I!

In April all types of plants, shrubs and trees turn green and grow. It's God's gentle reminder that we should be entering a new season of renewal and growth in our own lives as well. This is also true with the Knights of Columbus and St. John's Council in particular. We want all our Council members to remain in the Knights of Columbus. If you haven't paid your dues, don't put it off any longer. If you are suffering hardship or are sick or in distress please let us know as soon as possible. We will discretely and confidentially assist any member who feels he cannot pay his dues or is in need of any Charity. We all need Charity at some point in our lives. It is nothing to be ashamed of. It's a fact of life. Charity is love. That was Venerable Fr. McGivney's purpose in founding the Knights of Columbus in the first place. The Knights of Columbus should always help those in need, starting with its members and their families. We should actively support the Catholic Church, starting with our parish Churches. As individual Catholics, we should strive to remain practical Catholics and grow in Faith and help all others to do the same. Plus the Knights of Columbus offers the best insurance program to be found anywhere. I am begging every member to remain a Knight of Columbus. If any member who feels he wants to quit the Knights of Columbus because he has irreconcilable differences with St. John's Council or any of its members, please don't. Pay your dues and transfer to another Council of your choosing. The most important thing is to remain a Knight.

In late March, we had our spring recruitment drive at St. John's Church after all the Masses. In the beginning of April we will have our spring recruitment drive at St. Mary's Church after all the Masses. Please let Carmine Grillo, Our Chancellor know if you can help with our recruitment drives or have a prospective candidate for membership. The Knights of Columbus has been perched on 1.8 million members worldwide for some time now. Now with a new Pope and spring being a time for growth I feel the Knights of Columbus will very soon reach their 2 million members goal. Let's have Council #1345 be a part of that growth!

Finally, read Our Newsletter cover to cover. Be an informed member of St John's Council 1345. Take note of the "Dates to Remember" in particular. April is scheduled to be another busy month for us. See if you can attend Our Special Children's Dinner & 40~ Anniversary Show. We will also have our four day "Shake the Can" drive. Both are always in April and are our biggest fundraisers. If you feel you are unable to help us out at this time for any reason there may still be something that you can do. Maybe you can send us a small donation for this worthy cause or failing that pray for our success. In April try to get out and enjoy the spring weather and try to get out and enjoy participating in the many activities that St. John's Council provides for you.

Vivat Jesus,

John E. McGill

John E. McGill,
Grand Knight

**2012-2013 Officers, Chairmen, Directors, & Auxiliaries
of the Family of St. John's Council #1345**

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Squires - Circle #1622

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Troop #134 - Boy Scouts

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| Scoutmaster: | Keith Hilcken | 201-993-4476 |
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Sick & Wake Report - as of March 22, 2013.

Call Ed Kostka at 201-387-9482 to add or delete a name on this list.
Italic indicates new name or a change in condition.

Members

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| Dick Dorozynski | Fred Jacobsen, PGK |
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| Ted De Steno | <i>Ramon Franciledo</i> |
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| <i>Anthony Suozzo</i> | Richard Donadio |
| James Lacey | <i>John Scalice</i> |

Relatives & Friends

Ann Marsigliano, sister-in-law of Jack Marsigliano;
Beverly, wife of Nick D'Amelio.
Billy Whelan, son of Jim Whelan.
Candice Barnes, friend of Geoff Sadock.
Dianne Malesky, wife of Ken Malesky;
Francine Corbo, wife of George Corbo;
Frank Grana, brother-in-law of Linda Grana;
Herta Nelson, mother in law of Ed Trawinski;
Jill Ciotti, wife of PGK Tom Ciotti;
Jonathan Jacobi, grandson of the late PGK F. Messina;
Karen Cleary, daughter of John Cleary.
Kay Slade, wife of Nicholas Slade.
Kristi Marie, granddaughter of Frank Uvenio.
Laurie, wife of Bob Knott;
Millie Graziano, sister-in-law of the late Art Rudolph;
Mona, wife of Tom O'Brien;
Nicole Cafarelli, niece of Bob Wrightington;
Patricia Ianni, wife of Anthony Ianni;
Shilene Sacthell, neice of PGK Ivan Hannibal.
Zachary Lincoln, great nephew of Dick Dorozynski.

Wakes

Members: Anthony Martignetti; Patrick Kiernan; Genaro Fondi; Joseph Staszewski;
Dolores Kiernan, wife of Patrick Kiernan.
Uncle of Steve Petraglia;
Willard Hollis, father of DGK Chuck Hollis;
Gregory Boettger, son of the late Walter Boettger;
Robert Mazza, brother of DD Vito Mazza, friend of council;

Praying for Healing

"God, our Father, walk through my house and take away all my worries and illnesses and please watch over and heal my family and friends in God's name, Amen."

Reservations Procedure

Reservations for all of our functions are a must! There are (2) ways to reserve your place or table:

--Email: papagdc@aol.com and include info as noted below.

--Call: 201-338-2617. Leave your name, phone #, and names of guests.

From the News Desk

Birthdays wishes to our members celebrating a birthday in April, and anyone celebrating a special occasion.

"HABEMUS PAPAM" – We have a Pope; Pope Francis I. In his first few days, Pope Francis has captured the attention of the world with his humility. God bless Pope Francis – Jorge Mario Bergoglio. Born of Italian immigrants, the first Latin American and the first Jesuit.

March 29-Founder's Day, marks the 131st anniversary of the founding of the Knights of Columbus.

San Alfonso – mark the date. This year's retreat is August 16-18. This year's theme: "The Year of Faith".

March 26 – March for Marriage in Washington, DC. The Supreme Court will begin hearing two cases on marriage and the definition of.

HHS mandate: The USCCB (our Bishops) support a bill introduced by Rep. Diane Black that challenges the HHS mandate which provides conscience rights protection in healthcare. Did you hear about it? Probably not, since the media has not reported it at all.

Prayer for Intentions of Pope Francis I

Excerpt from his Installation homily on Tuesday, March 19 the Feast of St. Joseph. *"Today, amid so much darkness, we need to see the light of hope and to be men and women who bring hope to others. To protect creation, to protect every man and every woman, to look upon them with tenderness and love, is to open up a horizon of hope, it is to let a shaft of light break through the heavy clouds". Let us be protectors of creation, protectors of God's plan inscribed in nature, protectors of one another, and of the environment"*.

Church Activities Report

Rosary Hour, every second Wednesday of the month at 8:00pm. The next rosary is Wednesday, April 10, 2013. Refreshments served after.

George Corbo, Chairman

Membership & Recruitment Activities

Upcoming degree dates:

- First Degree, Tuesday, April 9, 2013.
- Second Degree, Wednesday, April 17, 2013.
- Fourth Degree, Sunday, April 21, 2013.

Carmine Grillo, Membership Chairman

Financial Secretary Report

We still have 65 members who have not paid their dues for 2013, representing 16% of our membership who have not responded to the dues notices.

A third dues notice, the Knight Alert letter signed by the Grand Knight & the Trustees, has been mailed to these members. We pray that they will find the time to respond with their check.

However, if there is a financial difficulty at this time, call me and we will work it out very privately.

George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK, PFN, 201-338-2617.

Deputy Grand Knight Message

Have you ever attended one of our Council dinners? If not, you are missing out on good fun, company and food. The council runs a dinner at least once per month. You should try to attend one of our functions, be a part of what is happening in your council. Get involved anyway you can and attending one of our functions can do just that. I know I sound like a broken record each month, but your council needs help. The members that currently donate their time are getting tired and wondering, where are my brothers? Yet through it all they still come out and help. Now it is your turn. Get in touch with one of the officers and see what you can do to help, it would mean a lot to your brothers who are always here. As Blessed John Paul II once stated "Be not afraid" and I am asking all of you to not be afraid of helping out your brothers and your council. Come on down! We miss you!

Chuck Hollis, Deputy Grand Knight

Columbiette Report

Upcoming Calendar of Events...please mark your calendars.....

Sunday - April 7 – (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) Our *Annual Tea & Garden Party!* Get out your fanciest hats & frilly gloves and join us for this popular event from 2pm to 5pm.

Finger sandwiches, mini desserts and specialty teas are on the menu. Of course, there will again be a parade of hats with a prize for the one voted best of show.



Hats on display from Tea Party April 2012.

This is our last Fund-Raiser of the Columbiette Year, so please come out and support it. Adults \$12.00 and Children \$7.00. So, get your table together and send in your reservations soon as there is *limited seating* available. Call VP Joan Winant @ 201.696.1159 or eMail Financial Secty Laura Labetti at labetti250@optonline.net for reservations. *Reservations will be required.*

April 17 - Regular Meeting;

May 15 - Regular Meeting;

June 19 - Regular Meeting;

Dues Reminder - If you have not paid your dues, please send them in ASAP in order to remain a member in good standing. We are asking each member this year for \$25.00 (\$20.00 dues and \$5.00 for the annual state raffle).

Joan Winant, Secretary / Publicity

The Twelve – John the Evangelist

St. John was a devoted follower of John the Baptist before becoming Jesus' disciple. John was one of Jesus' dearest companions.

In the hour of the Passion when others fled or denied their Master, St. John kept vigil by his side, and stood by the cross with Mary. In Jesus' final hour, he called to John from the cross asking him to take care of his mother.

As one of the first to see Jesus' tomb empty, John's faith was unshakable. For he tells us "...He saw, and believed."

Symbol: Eagle & Book. Feast Day: December 27.

George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK, PFN.

April Lecturer Program

Lesla Rossmann, Columbiette will be our guest speaker for the April lecture program. Her topic: Pro-Life, A Suspense Thriller, title of her recently released first book.

Coffee and cake served afterwards.

The March lecture program, Vito Mazza & his reflections of Mother Teresa, was cancelled due to the storm, and will be rescheduled for a later date.

Dr. Geoffrey Sadock, Chairman

Special Children's Dinner Dance

40th Anniversary of our Special Children's dinner dance and show is coming up on Saturday April 27 at 7:00 PM. Cost is \$35.00 per person. Please, all members and your friends, keep this date open and be sure to attend.

This is for a very special charity and the more people who attend, the more money we can give to the special children.

More details to follow.

Ed Kostka, Chairman

Dates to Remember

Boy Scout Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 7:00pm.

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| Mon, Apr. 1 | Council mtg. 8pm April Fool's Day |
| Thurs, Apr. 4 | Setup 7pm. |
| Sat, Apr. 6 | Rental 12pm-4pm. |
| Sun, Apr. 7 | Recruitment Drive St. Mary's all masses; Tea Party 2pm. |
| Mon, Apr. 8 | Officer mtg, 8pm. |
| Wed, Apr. 10 | Rosary Hour 8pm. |
| Thurs, Apr. 11 | Setup 7pm. |
| Sat, Apr. 13 | Rental 7:30pm-11:30pm. |
| Mon, Apr. 15 | Council mtg, 8pm. May newsletter deadline; reports due. |
| Wed, Apr. 17 | Columbette mtg 7:30pm. |
| Apr. 18-21 | Collection Drive – Disabled Persons |
| Thurs, Apr. 18 | Setup 7pm. |
| Sat, Apr. 20 | Rental 7pm-11pm. |
| Tues, Apr. 23 | Newsletter mlg, 10am. |
| Thurs, Apr. 25 | Setup 7pm. |
| Sat, Apr. 27 | Special Children's Dance 7pm. |
| Sun, Apr. 28 | Rental 3pm-7pm. |
| Tues, Apr. 30 | Columbian Club mtg 8pm. |
| Wed, May 1 | Pride in Priest Dinner at Fiesta. |

Troop 1345 Boy Scouts Report

TROOP 1345 begins its sixth year of operation this spring – still growing strong. The troop is approaching 50 active scouts, and boasts a committee of 16+ adults and over a dozen uniformed leaders.

In April, the troop will host its annual bridging ceremony where we "officially" welcome in our new scouts that have graduated from cub scouting. Also in April, the troop will be working at Camp Lewis to help restore some of the damaged areas from Superstorm Sandy.

And a reminder – if any member of the Knights of Columbus can use the troop's assistance to help clean up a yard, clean out a garage, or repair damage to your homes, please reach out to us and let us know (just a way for us to give back to our supportive charter organization).



Ray Ziembra, Adult Counselor

Columbian Club Report

Catering/Hall Rental: We are in the midst of a very busy rental period, and as usual, help is needed in all areas of service. Kitchen helpers, dishwashers, food servers, and bartenders. If you live in the local area, all we need is your help at one event. What's your talent? Lou Pidi, Steve Martin or myself will be calling you.

We have a beautiful facility to rent. Our new Lounge, our spacious Dining Room. Call me at 201-338-2617 to setup a visit. Give us an opportunity to make a proposal for your event.

Good food, Good Service, Affordable Prices.

PGK George DiCostanzo, Rental Chairman

Council Scholarship News

Deadline for receipt of applications is April 30. Applications with accompanying school transcripts must be received by April 30. May 1 is too late.

Drop them off at the Council, or mail directly to me at: 70 Dulles Drive, Dumont, NJ 07628.

George DiCostanzo, FS, PGK, Chairman

Advance Notice – Beef & Brew Dinner

We have hired a "live band" for our Beef & Brew dance on Saturday, June 1, 2013. "IN HARMONY" – the 50's & 60's band, will provide the music entertainment.

Now, it's only February, and this band has a following of its own, and we expect a full house. So, you can make your reservations early, but, payment in advance will be required with all reservations. Cost is still \$30.00 per person. Call George D at 201-338-2617.

Carry Your Rosary Everyday

When you carry a Rosary, Satan has a headache.

When you use it, he collapses.

When he sees you praying it, he faints.

Let us pray the rosary every time, so that he'll keep fainting.

Photo Gallery



On left: Dr. Geoffrey Sadock, Lecture Chairman & speaker at the February program. On Right: Rev. Dominick Ciriaco, Pastor at St. Mary's Church & Council Chaplain, our January speaker.

No Parking on Sidewalk

No parking on the sidewalk of the white building directly across the street from the council. The owner does not want our cars parked there at any time of the day or weekend. So, please do not park there anymore, effective immediately. Pass the word to others.

Memorial Day Parades

Brothers, John Mc Gill our Grand Knight has asked me to coordinate our Council's participation in the Memorial Day parades in Dumont and Bergenfield.

I would ask all members to really consider joining us in one of the marches. The Dumont parade starts at 9:30AM and the Bergenfield parade starts at 2:00PM. It is an opportunity for our Council to be seen by the citizens of both towns. Call me at 201-262-2764 and join the march.

Steve Martin, PGK, Trustee



Collection Drive for Disabled Persons Thurs-Sunday Apr. 18-21. Your 2-hour service will directly add to total amount we collect.