



# The Knight Times



St. John's Council #1345, Knights of Columbus  
Serving Bergenfield & Dumont; Website: [www.kofc1345.org](http://www.kofc1345.org)  
**Meets every third Monday of the month at 8:00pm**  
*One Nation Under God - Be a Proud Catholic American*  
*June 2022*

---

## **Grand Knight's Message**

Dear Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes and friends all,

A few weeks ago we attended our State Convention in Wildwood, and apart from the fog and rain, we had a really enjoyable experience. We heard from Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly via video, as he shared the amazing work being carried out by our Brother Knights in Poland and Ukraine as they care for the refugees fleeing the war. Again, I am reminded how great it is to be a Knight.

Here at home, our council joined forces with neighboring Brothers at St. Therese Council to answer a call from the Hackensack shelter to prepare one more meal for those in need. It was our privilege, for sure.

As this is the last Knight Times for this Columbian year, I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who contributed to our success, especially considering the challenges of Hurricane Ida and the pandemic -- every officer did their share of the work needed to run this council, Steve Martin and his TBCC team did an incredible job as always, our sister Columbiettes continue to build upon their good works, and Boy Scout Troop 1345 reminds us that the future is promising. Finally, a special thank you to our membership, because without your continued support we would not be able to achieve what we do. Please continue to do what you can! Together, can achieve great things!

Vivat Jesus,

**Gerry Flood**, Grand Knight

## **Chaplain's Message - The Sacred Heart of Jesus and Blessed Michael McGivney**

June is the month of the Sacred Heart. And, Blessed Michael McGivney was known to have a tender devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Growing up, in his childhood such a devotion to the Sacred Heart was encouraged. I'd even say that this devotion was formative in his Catholic life as well as his vocation. As we know, Christ's heart was pierced through His on the Cross and thus as a symbol of a love that conquers sin and transcends death, the symbol of the One who loved us to the end. McGivney lived this expression of Christ's love and devotion in various ways, most especially in action. through mercy, compassion and charity.

The Church, born from the pierced heart of Jesus, has a mission in the world to proclaim the redeeming love of God in Christ. This is a great mission in which McGivney's founding of the Knights of Columbus has proved. As we know, much mercy was needed at the end of the 19th century. There was great injustice in a society many secret societies fostering anti-Catholic sentiments and persecution, poverty and instability. These conditions often left fatherless families. McGivney believed that the tender Heart of Jesus looked compassionately on the situation and allowed the Knights to create security and well-being for families.

So again, today in a fragile world, conscious that we too were born from the pierced heart of Our Lord, we discern ever more clearly our fraternal mission as brother Knights in 2022. It our mission to strengthen family life. We don't need to be rocket scientists to realize that as Archbishop Lori said, "we see clearly the need to help our members be good husbands, fathers, and providers, to form with their wives, homes that are havens of security, peace, faith, and prayer; homes that are domestic churches where the faith is transmitted to children, homes where children and young people can grow, as Jesus did, 'in age, wisdom, and favor'".

The Sacred Heart of Jesus is precisely the image that expresses our mission as Knights. The goal of all we do in the Church should continue to lead people to encounter this love. Only this love, the love of the Heart of Christ, can transform the human heart and bring true peace to the world in our mission of charity, unity, and fraternity. I pray that the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus will enlighten, strengthen and protect the Knights of Columbus.

**F r. Dermot Roache**, SMA, Chaplain

### **Council Officers 2021-2022**

Chaplain Emeritus:	Rev. John F. Murray (deceased)	
Chaplain:	Fr. Dermot Roache, SMA	201-567-0450
Grand Knight	Gerry Flood	914-343-5508
Deputy GK:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Chancellor	John McHugh	201-647-7729
Warden	Justin Miller	201-421-8916
Recorder	Jim Callahan	201-655-2634
Treasurer	Arturo Ilano	917-288-8407
Advocate	Rich Oldfield	201-220-7127
Financial Sec	Ken Armellino, PGK	516-220-9333
Inside Guard	Bob Knott	201-675-2802
Outside Guard I	Gino De Jesus	551-265-9813
Outside Guard II	(open)	
Trustee 1 yr.	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
Trustee 2 yr.	Steve Martin, PGK II	201-669-8236
Trustee 3 yr.	Frank Gallacher, PGK	201-957-2683
Lecturer	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
Insurance Agent	Enrique Blanco	201-745-2723
District Deputy	G. DiCostanzo, PGK	201-338-2617

### **Council Chairmen 2021-2022**

Church Activities:	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
Community Affairs:	Kenneth Armellino	516-220-9333
Council Activities:	Steve Martin, PGK II	201-669-8236
Council Reservation:	Kenneth Armellino	516-220-9333
Family Activities:	Steve Martin, PGK II	201-669-8236
Feeding Homeless:	John Scalice	201-338-2789
Murray Scholarship:	Steve Martin, PGK II	201-669-8236
Mail Committee:	Frank Uvenio	201-385-0990
Membership:	John McHugh	201-647-7729
Newsletter Editor:	Mike Rowley	201-280-8727
Parish Roundtable:	Ken Armellino, PGK	516-220-9333
Program Director:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Publicity:	Ken Armellino	516-220-9333
Respect for Life:	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
Retention:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Retreat:	Tony Tulli	732-608-0784
Scholarship:	Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	201-387-0240
Sick & Wake:	Jim Callahan	201-655-2634
SMA Mission Rep:	Innocent Amaefule	973-449-2808
St. John Church Rep:	Matthew Connell	201-387-7187
St. Mary Church Rep:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
Webmaster:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859

### **Twin-Boro Columbian Club Officers 2021-2022**

President:	Steve Martin, PGK II	201-669-8236
Vice President:	Mike Rowley	201-280-8727
Secretary:	Tom Formoso	201-707-9890
Treasurer:	Adrian Miller	201-803-0388
Trustee:	Bob Feigle	551-265-9747
Trustee:	Anthony Marti	917-602-3797
Trustee:	Paul Hecker	201-207-1051

### **Columbiette Officers 2021-2022**

President:	Laura Labetti	201-788-5971
Vice-President:	Jill Moriarty	201-280-6667
Secretary:	Janet Maniscalco	201-417-0999
Financial Sec:	Genine Armellino	917-992-2011
Treasurer:	Michele Sciarrino	201-387-2916
Sentinel:	Maureen Italiano	201-916-1404
Immed Past Pres:	A. Nina DiCostanzo	201-338-2617

### **Boy Scouts – Troop #1345 / Crew #1345 – 2021-2022**

Scoutmaster – Art Rosenberger	
Asst. Scoutmaster – Mike Davis	
Crew Advisor – Ray Ziemba	201-410-0897
Assoc. Crew Advisor – Tim Bright	201-803-5602

### **Knight Times Newsletter**

Editor Emeritus: George Di Costanzo, DD, FFS, PGK.

Editor: Mike Rowley

Email: [koc1345newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:koc1345newsletter@gmail.com) – Note new address!

Send correspondence to: Mike Rowley, P. O. Box 211, Dumont, NJ 07628.

*Knight Times, published monthly, is the official publication of St. John's Council #1345, K of C. Information contained therein does not necessarily purport to represent the views of the Knights of Columbus at large. Subscription to all members in good standing.*

### **Healing & Wake Report**

*as of May 22, 2022*

Bold indicates new name or a change in condition.

To add a name, call Jim Callahan: 201-655-2634.

Notice: The HealingList for members, family and friends of members will be updated every 3 months and names will be removed from the list after 3 months. If you want a name to remain/be placed back on the list, please email Jim Callahan at [jmc712@aol.com](mailto:jmc712@aol.com).

### **Members**

-Don Wuertz	-DGK Brian O'Dowd
-Bob Dondero, FDD, PGK	-Frank Uvenio
-George DiCostanzo, PGK, DD	-Tony O'Hare
-Dan Taylor	-Bill Horn
-Dr. Geoffrey Sadock	-Chuck Hollis, FDD, PGK
-Larry Rivera, PGK	-Eli DeFalco
-Fred Schuldt	-Emil Harris
-James Hughes	-John Person
-John Cleary	-Michael Siano
-Michael Joseph Daly	-Matt Connell
-John Cronin	-John McGill, PGK, PFN
-Lou Sciarrino	

### **Relatives & Friends**

- Janet Trawinski, wife of Edward A. Trawinski, Jr.
- Tim O'Hare, son of Tony O'Hare
- Fr. Pat Donohue, Priest at St. Mary's Church
- Fr. Ray Filipski, priest at St. John's Church
- Sr. Ann Murray, sister of our late Fr. Murray;
- Nancy, wife of Ken Florio
- Elaine Perrotto, sister of Columbiette Nina Di Costanzo
- Carmela Marti, mother of Anthony Marti
- Marie Piccione, mother-in-law of GK Gerry Flood
- Nancy, wife of Paul Hecker
- Great Niece of Fr. Ray Filipski
- Janice Forlini, Columbiette
- Mary McGowan, Wife of Gerald McGowan
- Mary B. Roache, mother of Chaplain, Fr. Dermot Roche, S.M.A.
- John Roache, father of Chaplain Fr. Dermot Roache
- Eleanor Romanelli, sister of Chancellor John McHugh
- Maryanne Ragone, Columbiette
- Jill, daughter of Joe Verga
- Joyce Tyson, Mother of Michelle Sciarrino, Columbiette
- Laura Hurley, daughter of James Hurley
- Patsy Graham, wife of John Graham
- Alberta Vadala, wife of Lenny Vadala
- Millie Healy, wife of Marty Healy, PGK

### **Wake**

- Daniel Cosgrove, uncle of Mike Reidy
- Johnny Rowley, uncle of Mike Rowley

### **Organ Donor Program**

Brothers, with your family and friends, become an Organ Donor. The life you save is precious, and could be family, a relative, or a friend. Sign up at: [www.registerme.org/knights](http://www.registerme.org/knights) or with [Greg Ryan, 201-919-2535](mailto:Greg.Ryan@koc.org)

### ***Deputy Grand Knight's Report***

There is no DGK Report this month, but please pray for our Deputy Grand Knight Brian O'Dowd as he recovers from a recent injury.

### ***Nominating Committee Report***

The following slate of **St. John's Council** Officers for the 2022-2023 Columbian Year will be voted on at the June 20th Council meeting:

Grand Knight	Gerry Flood
Deputy Grand Knight	Chuck Hollis, PGK
Chancellor	Bob Knott
Warden	Justin Miller
Recorder	Jim Callahan
Inside Guard	William Flores
Outside Guard I	Frank Apablaza
Trustee 3 Year	Brian O'Dowd

The **Twin Boro Columbian Club** has proposed the following slate for 2022-23 Columbian Year:

President	Steve Martin, PGK
Vice President	Mike Rowley
Treasurer	Adrian Miller
Secretary	Thomas Formoso
Trustee	Bob Feigle
Trustee	Paul Hecker
Trustee	Anthony Marti

### ***Respect Life Report***

Oh God you formed us our mother's womb and planned a unique and special life and purpose for each of us, and we thank you. Grant that we may pray and work for an end to abortion, especially in these 40 days, so that no unborn baby you have made may fail to achieve your divine intention for him or her because of intentional abortion. We pray this for the sake of your son, our lord Jesus Christ. Amen

*Matt Connell, Chairman*

### ***Next Council Meeting***

Our next Council meeting will be held on Monday, June 20th, at 8PM. Prior minutes can be reviewed by going to [KofC1345.org](http://KofC1345.org) and selecting "Minutes" from the left-hand side. When prompted, enter "1345" for the user and "armour" (case sensitive) for the password.

### ***From the News Desk***

Congratulations to our members & friends celebrating a birthday or special occasion in June, including all graduates at all school levels.

Our Columbiettes will be celebrating 17 years on Sunday, June 5. The Knights will be celebrating 114 years on Saturday, June 11. Wednesday, June 14 is FLAG DAY. The 4th principle of our K of C Order is Patriotism. As Knights, let us show our respect for our Flag and Country. FLY YOUR FLAG proudly on Wed, June 14. In our country today we have too many people with NO RESPECT for our Flag or the Freedoms of our Country.

This month we will also hold elections for a new slate of Officers to lead us in 2022-2023. The installation dinner will be held on Saturday, July 23 at 5pm, with the installation mass at 3pm at St. Mary's Church in Dumont.

And finally, congratulations to our State Officers who were re-elected for next year at the May convention.

George Di Costanzo, DD, FFS, PGK

P.S. **Help Needed** - My back problems have reduced me to almost an invalid preventing me from moving around on my own. I am in need of part-time drivers for doctor appointments or physical therapy (on Fridays). If any of my retired Brother Knights think they can help, call me at 201-314-9397 to get more detailed information. Thank you, George D.

### ***Twin Boro Columbian Club Report***

We have made a lot of improvements to the council building this year thanks to everyone's generosity. I want to continue the process of improving the building, both inside and outside. To that end, we will be doing a spring cleaning at the hall on Saturday June 25, starting at 9am. Rain or shine. There is an enormous amount of "stuff" that we just no longer need sitting around all over the council. We will be cleaning out the hall, the attic, the storage rooms, the kitchen and the backroom. I will be ordering a dumpster to facilitate this clean up. I will personally oversee this clean up. Certainly, we need a lot of help. We need the scouts, the Columbiettes and members to assist us in this clean up. This cleanup will benefit everyone who uses our building. I would ask if you can help to call me at 201-669-8236. Thanks in advance.

Steve Martin, TBCC President

### ***Join the Wednesday Prayers for Peace Chain***

No matter where you are physically, every Wednesday at 12 noon, join the Grand Knight, fellow Knights and Columbiettes, as we come together in spirit and prayer to pray one Our Father in solidarity with the Ukraine people and for peace in that region. Also, join us to pray one additional Our Father for peace and healing in other places in the world and in our nation, including those impacted by the Buffalo, NY and Uvalde, Texas shootings. This Prayer chain started in May with two brother Knights and after several weeks, the Grand Knight, other Council Officers, a Former District Deputy, and Columbiettes are committed to join together every Wednesday at 12 noon. Invite your friends! Imagine the power of prayer if all Council members, Columbiettes and friends joined together in prayer every Wednesday at 12 noon. For more information, contact Jim Callahan at 201-655-2634.

### ***Friday Socials Are Back***

It has been a while - Friday Socials are back by popular demand! Come and socialize with your brother Knights and sister Columbiettes. Come watch sports, play darts, pool, fibbage (an interactive computer game), or just come down for a cold beverage and a light snack. Cash bar and 50/50 available. **Socials will resume Friday, June 24.**

### **Dates to Remember**

*Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 6PM.*

Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> TBCC Meeting – **7:30 PM**  
Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> Recitation of the Rosary at St. Mary's Church— **6:05 PM**; Holy Hour/Eucharistic Adoration at St. John's, **8:30 PM-11:00 PM**  
Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup> Columbiettes Anniversary Party - **1:00 PM**  
Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> Council Anniversary Dinner – **7:00 PM**  
Wed, June 15<sup>th</sup> Columbiettes Meeting – **7:30 PM**  
Friday June 17<sup>th</sup> Friday With Friars – **7:00 PM**

### **Eucharistic Adoration and St. John's Men's Cornerstone**

Bob Knott asks that you contact him if interested in St. John's overnight Eucharistic Adoration or St. John's Men's Cornerstone (June 24 and 25). Contact Bob at 201-675-2802 or email him at [knottrj@optimum.net](mailto:knottrj@optimum.net) for more information.

### **Friday Night Friars**

Please join us on Friday June 17, 2022 for a night of fun filled reflection and insight as we join with our guest speaker, Father Luke Mary Fletcher, Franciscan Friars for the Renewal. Father Luke will enlighten us on how the Resurrection is Real and its impact on us all. Our evening will begin precisely at 7:00 pm and last until 8:00 pm. Light refreshments will be served. A cash bar and 50/50 will be available. This is a FREE EVENT open to all in our community. While free, donations will be gladly accepted at the door. Hope to see you all there! For reservations please contact: [kofc1345reservations@gmail.com](mailto:kofc1345reservations@gmail.com) by June 14, 2022.

### **Honoring Brother Knights With 40+ Years of Membership**

Congratulations to any of our brother Knights who have been part of our Order and served for more than 40 years! We have brothers in our Council that have served 50 plus and 60 plus years, which is incredible! Whether you may have helped with Newsletter mailings, cooked or helped at events, chaired events/committees, served as an officer, donated money, or just kept up with your dues, we thank you for all your years of membership. We will be posting an Honor Role of Membership in the July Newsletter. To show our gratitude the Council invites you and your spouse (if applicable) to the Council's Anniversary Dinner on Saturday, June 11 at 7 pm for a discounted price of \$20 a person. Please reserve with Ken A. at 516-220-9333 or email [kofc1345reservations@gmail.com](mailto:kofc1345reservations@gmail.com) and mention your 40+ years of service to receive the discount.

### **Columbiette Report**

The winding down of our Columbiette year has started, hard to believe, I know! The following slate of Officers was presented at our regular general meeting in May, and with there being no nominations from the floor, Officers for the upcoming 2022-2023 Columbiette year are as follows:

President: Laura Labetti  
Vice President: Jill Moriarty  
Secretary: Janet Maniscalco  
Financial Secretary: Genine Armellino  
Treasurer: Michele Sciarrino  
Sentinel: Maureen Italiano

Installation of our Officers will take place at our June meeting.

Congratulations to our new members who joined in May: Terry Raleigh, Dolores O'Dowd, Rosemary Flood, and Grace Orlando. Also joining us that night to initiate their new members were The Star of the Sea Council and our Lady of Perpetual Help. Congratulations to all our new sister Columbiettes.

Thanks to all who participated in our Scarf Drive and to Barbara McEllen who will be in charge of sending in our donations. We are hoping to have a Sneaker Drive sometime this summer, we will keep you posted.

Wishing everyone a very Happy, Healthy and Fun summer! Peace!

Roberta Elwell, Past President

### **Field Agent Report**

As I write this article, I am reflecting on the events of the State Convention last week. We had a virtual visit from the State Deputy of Ukraine. It was humbling to speak with a man in a war zone who was so grateful for the care and support we, the Knights in America, have been sending. His peace was palpable and his strength undeniable. I heard about four 40-foot containers our brothers in Camden have acquired to fill and send to aid the plight of the families in Ukraine. I realized what an honor it is to count myself among those providing for the needs of people stricken by war on their streets, in their very homes. I realized that every Knight and his family members with policies have passively participated in the relief effort. You see, the Order's source of funds isn't the dues or per capita we pay, it's the premiums we pay for the protection the Knights of Columbus provides us. Most years the Order returns a part of those unused premiums to us and uses other parts of it to help those in need. By now we all heard about the pledge Supreme made to match all donations to help the Ukrainian people. That match, the ability to do that is thanks to you, my Brother Knights, for choosing to protect your families... and theirs! Vivat Jesus!

Enrique Blanco, Field Agent  
201-745-2723 or [Enrique.Blanco@KofC.org](mailto:Enrique.Blanco@KofC.org)

### **Knight of the Month**

Congratulations to Matt Connell who is the Knight of the Month for May 2022. Matt is an active member of the Council, currently serving for many years as our Church Activities and Respect for Life Chairman and also as a Council Trustee. Congratulations Matt!





# Knights of Columbus

ST. JOHN'S COUNCIL No. 1345  
61 Armour Place, Dumont, NJ 07628

PRESENTS ITS

## 114<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

### Honoring Our Grand Knight & All Past Grand Knights

Saturday June 11, 2022 from 7-11 PM

**DJ Music  
provided  
by  
Party  
Boss  
Entertainment**

#### **FAMILY STYLE SIT DOWN MENU**

Prepared by Italian Connection

**Antipasto Salad  
Chicken Francese  
Rice Pilaf  
Mixed Vegetables  
Coffee, Tea and Soda  
Apple Crumb Dessert  
Cash Bar**

Join us as the Council celebrates 114 years of performing charitable works in our community, and recognizing the current and all past Grand Knights who have helped make everything that we do possible.

---

**\$35 per person - Advance Reservations Required**

Call or text Ken A. at 1-516-220-9333

or

Email [kofc1345reservations@gmail.com](mailto:kofc1345reservations@gmail.com)