



The Knight Times



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Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, Reverend Fathers, Family and Friends,

I pray that you are all doing well and enjoying the start of autumn. We are in full swing as our council is filled with rentals, council sponsored functions and events for the children. The month of October was a busy one for us as we celebrated the return of the real Italian Night. I would like to congratulate Chairman PGK Ken Armellino and his co-chair, his lovely wife and Columbiette President Genine, on a job extremely well done. To be there it felt like we were in some little restaurant in Italy enjoying the home cooked food. We also enjoyed of sounds of Shari and Rino and their Panorama Music friends. October also saw the First Annual Truck or Treat. Held outside, we had Dumont PD block off our street and cars lined up to greet the children and parents. We also sold food and our Lounge was open for parents. A great time was had by all. If you were not there, you don't know what you missed. A big thank you to Chancellor Justin Miller on a job well done.

Poker is back!!! On November 4, 2023 our FS Ken Armellino will host his Poker Night once again. Come on down and see what you can win. Call Ken for reservations.

November brings Thanksgiving in which we all give thanks, for family, for friends, for our faith and for the comradeship of all of us. Looking forward we will be feeding the needy of our parishes in which we serve. Please make some time on November 25 to help serve our friends in need. We will also be decorating the council for Christmas on November 26, so come on down and help decorate and watch a football game or two. So it will be a busy weekend, but with your help it will be an easy one. Our annual Christmas Party 🎄 will be held on December 16, 2023, Contact Ken Armellino for reservations or email to; kofc1345reservations@gmsil.com. Hope to see everyone there.

Christmas is on the way. Let us not forget the reason for the season, the birth of our Lord and Savior. May God continue to keep watch over all of us, comfort us in time of need and guide us through our daily lives. Vivat Jesus!

Chuck Hollis, Grand Knight, FDD

Chaplain's Message: Holy Souls

November is the month of the Holy Souls. What does that mean? Simply put, those who have died in the state of grace but have not yet atoned for all their sins. In other words, some unfinished business. Purgatory is a painful place of interior purging so that the soul is perfected upon entering heaven. This is very serious. On earth we have the capacity to work on our own personal journey to holiness and have all that time to make amends and to atone. This includes all areas of forgiveness, addictions, anger division, grudges and even small thoughts in our hearts.

But the moment we die and our souls are in the hands of God and His judgement, we can no longer pray for ourselves. We are 110% dependent on the Mercy of God and the prayers of the Church. Souls can be released from purgatory faster through the prayers of the Church. So many of us forget to pray for the dead, that is why at each Mass we remember them specifically during the Eucharistic celebration. It is one of the greatest acts of charity.

This year at the upcoming Mass for the holy souls of St John's Council, let us be generous in our heartfelt prayers begging God to release them so that they can be great intercessors for us as saints in heaven. Let us do the same for all family, friends and especially those who were so very far from God's love. Vivat Jesus!

Fr. Dermot Roache, SMA, Chaplain

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Healing and Wake Report

As of October 30,, 2023

Bold indicates new name or a change in condition.

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

Notice: The Healing List 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.

Members

-Don Wuertz
-Dan Taylor
-Fred Schuldt
-Lou Sciarino
-Matt Connell
-John Graham
-Mike Cremin
-Brian O'Dowd
-Larry Rivera, PGK
-Michael Siano
-John McGill, PGK, PFN
-Jeff Martin
-Father Dermot Roache, Chaplain
-Andrew Santulli

Relatives & Friends

-Janet Trawinski, wife of Edward A. Trawinski, Jr.
-Fr. Ray Filipski, priest at St. John's Church
-Sr. Ann Murray, sister of our late Fr. Murray
-Nancy Florio, wife of Ken Florio
-Nancy Hecker, wife of Paul Hecker
-Janice Forlini, Columbiette
-Mary McGowan, wife of Gerald McGowan
-Joyce Tyson, mother of Michelle Sciarino
-Millie Healy, wife of Marty Healy, PGK
-Ann Meyer, wife Herb Meyer, FSD
-Barbara McEllen, Columbiette
-Nina DiCostanzo, Columbiette
-Maryjo Harris, wife of Emil Harris
-Lynda Manson, Mother of St John's Pastor, Fr. Sean
-Francine Corbo, wife of George Corbo
-Isaac Alcantara, friend of Jim Callahan

Wake

-Madeline Schiralli, Mother of Tony Schiralli
-Jerome Burdy, cousin of Chuck Hollis, GK

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 or with Greg Ryan, 201-919-2535

Deputy Grand Knight's Report

The Knights' calendar as well as our personal schedules always get busy as we come to the end of the year and the church year. I want to focus on four November events, the first being Election Day on November 7th. As knights we should make sure we know the issues and where the candidates stand on them - do you know where your local candidates for state office stand on the sanctity of human life from birth to natural death? Be informed and don't forget to vote!

The second important event will be our muffin sale and recruitment drive at St. John's parish the weekend of November 11-12. Frank Gallacher and Justin Miller need help that Saturday evening and Sunday, selling the muffins and engaging potential candidates for knighthood as they emerge from mass.

Another great service opportunity is Saturday, November 25th, when we hold our second annual Thanksgiving dinner for needy folks and families. Help is needed—kitchen and servers. Check with Bill Flores or me.

Finally, Sunday November 26th, the last Sunday of the church year, celebrates the Feast of Christ the King. Pope Pius XI established this feast in 1925 to remind people of Christ's Lordship at a time when society was falling victim to secularism and totalitarian ideology. It's a time to reorient our lives toward Christ and pray for peace.

Vivat Jesus!

Bob Knott, Deputy Grand Knight

Twin Boro Columbian Club Report

The officers of the TBCC are considering additional improvements to our Home. We are reviewing costs for improvements to the bar, the ladies bathroom and the lounge. We have a great looking hall that appeals to a variety of parties and functions. If you are speaking with someone looking to have a party, keep us in mind and ask them to contact our rental agent, Tom Formoso.

Also, the TBCC will host a New Years Eve Social from 6–10pm. We will offer a modest dinner buffet, a cash bar and a lot of holiday cheer and friendship. Please call me by December 17 to save your spot. Everyone – Knights, Columbiettes, family, friends - is welcome.

Steven Martin, TBCC President

Respect Life Report

We are all horrified, as we should be, by the latest terrorist attack where babies were taken from their families and from this world.

Why are we not outraged by the thousands of babies that are lost through abortions every day in our own country? Our faith is stronger than that, life is what we are all about. The battle with Roe v. Wade is not over and the fight continues. RESPECT LIFE!

God, pray for us and all the souls that were lost.

Matthew Connell, Respect Life Chair

Columbiette Report

*"Everybody needs a place to rest
Everybody wants to have a home
Don't make no difference what nobody says
Ain't nobody like to be alone"
(Bruce Springsteen,1980)*

November, a month to remember, reconnect and give thanks.

Our **"Spud-Tacular" will be on Friday, November 3** at the Council hall from **6:00 pm to 8:00 pm**. A Giant potato bar with all the fixin's, including: bacon, vegetables, cheese and homemade chili. Salad and dessert are also included, and a cash bar is available. The cost is \$18.00 for adults and \$7.00 for children 10 years and under. Reservations are a must! Please contact Nina D at 201- 338-2617 or email ninad70@aol.com or Jill Moriarty at 201-280-6667 or email jill.moriarty@yahoo.com to RSVP by 11/1/2023 to get your reservations in.

The Knights will be having a Memorial Mass where we remember our Brother Knights and Sister Columbiettes who have passed during the current year. The mass will be on Monday, November 20 at 8:00pm.

It is also Columbiette Retention Month, where we hope many of our Sister Columbiettes who we have not seen for a while, will come to our November 15 meeting.

As we celebrate Thanksgiving this month, let us give thanks for what we have and remember those who are in need.

Wishing everyone a very Happy & Blessed Thanksgiving.

Peace!

Roberta Elwell, Past President

Thank you from Archbishop Lori

Dear Knights, allow me to offer my heartfelt gratitude for your kindness to me and to my family following the passing of my dear mother, Margaret. The number of Masses which were offered, and Rosaries prayed, as well as the many kind notes I received were a great source of consolation. While there is always a sadness at the passing of those we love so dearly, I am filled with gratitude for the blessing of the many years my mother lived and strengthened by our hope in the promises of eternal life which are ours in Jesus Christ.

My mother was blessed to have lived a very long life and further blessed with the grace of a holy and peaceful passing into eternal life. I was blessed to be with her in her final days and to offer the consolation of the Church's sacraments. In the following days, as we laid her to rest, the many expressions of sympathy were a great comfort to me and my family. For your support and prayers in this time I am forever grateful.

With kindest personal regards and faithfully in Christ,

Most Reverend William E. Lori, Archbishop of Baltimore

"I expect to pass through this world but once. Any good therefore that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to any fellow creature, let me do it now...for I shall not pass this way again."

Dates to Remember

(Events are at the Council unless noted otherwise)

Fri., Nov. 3rd Recitation of the Rosary at St. Mary's Church – **6:05 pm**; Holy Hour/Eucharistic Adoration at St. John's - **8:30 pm**
Mon, Nov. 13th Officers Meeting – **7:30 pm**
Wed, Nov. 15th Columbiettes Meeting – **7:00 pm**
Mon, Nov. 20th Mass of Remembrance - **8:00 pm**
Council Meeting – **TBD**

Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 7:45 pm.

Eucharistic Adoration

DGK Bob Knott asks that you contact him at 201-675-2802 or email him at knottrj@optimum.net if interested in St. John's overnight Eucharistic Adoration.

Columbiette "Spud-Tacular"

The Columbiettes annual "Spud-Tacular" will be on **Friday, November 3** at the Council hall from **6 pm to 8 pm**. A Giant potato bar with all the fixin's, including: bacon, vegetables, cheese and homemade chili. Salad and dessert are also included, and a cash bar is available. The cost is \$18.00 for adults and \$7.00 for children 10 years and under. **Reservations are a must!** Please contact Nina D at 201- 338-2617 or email ninad70@aol.com or Jill Moriarty at 201-280-6667 or email jill.moriarty@yahoo.com to RSVP by 11/1/2023 to get your reservations in.

Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament

Join us for the Twin Boro Columbian Club's Premier Fundraiser **Saturday, November 4th** to help support the club's facilities and its charitable works. The \$100 buy-in includes hot buffet of roast beef, mashed potatoes, chicken tenders, french fries, bread, and salad throughout the evening, as well as tap beer, wine, soda, coffee, and the tournament entry. Check In and buffet at **6 pm**, tournament starts at **7 pm**. Non-players \$20pp. RSVP online at MikesPokerTables.com and get a 500 Chip Bonus. Call or text Ken A. at 516-220-9333 with questions.

Sunday Morning Football - LIVE FROM GERMANY

Whether it is before Mass or after Mass, come on down to the Council on **Sunday, November 5 at 9:30 am** for the Miami Dolphins vs. the Kansas City Chiefs. A very reasonably priced breakfast is available for **only \$7.50** per person consisting of the following: 2 eggs (scrambled/over/cheese omelette) or 3 pancakes; hashbrowns, and a choice of bacon or breakfast sausage. Includes coffee and juice. Cash bar available. Another great opportunity to get together. **RSVP required!** Call or text Bob F. at 551-265-9747 or email at bobfeigle@gmail.com

Knights' Muffin Sale and Recruitment Drive

St John's Knights of Columbus are selling muffins after all masses the **weekend of November 11-12**, with all proceeds going to the parish. They are also looking for a few good men to join this Catholic fraternal order that supports the Church while providing opportunities to grow in faith, help our community, and enjoy social activities. If you can help out, please contact Justin Miller at 201-421-8916 or Frank Gallacher at 201-957-2683.

Memorial Mass for Deceased Members

On **Monday, November 20th**, we will remember our deceased Brother Knights and Sister Columbiettes during the annual Mass of Remembrance at **8 pm**. at the Council and recognize those who have passed away over the past year. Family members or close friends of recently departed Knights and Columbiettes are invited to participate in the rose ceremony during the liturgy. The evening is open to everyone, and refreshments will be served after Mass. This is a perfect opportunity to foster fraternity and invite a friend to come.

Save the Date! Christmas Party - December 16th

Join your fellow Knights, Columbiettes and invite your friends and families to the annual Christmas Party Dinner & Dance on **Saturday December 16th from 7 pm – 11 pm**. This special evening always includes a great traditional holiday meal, plus lots of dancing with live music from our favorite band **PANORAMA!** Details to follow shortly (look for the flyer in the December *Knight Times*). Want to save a seat now? Call or text Ken A. at 516-220-9333 or email KofC1345Reservations@gmail.com to RSVP.

Knight of the Month



Knight of the Month Brian O'Dowd with Grand Knight Chuck Hollis. Congratulations Brian!



**St. John's Council
Columbiettes #1345
PRESENTS**

**A "SPUD" TACULAR
EVENT**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2023
6-8PM**

**GIANT POTATO BAR WITH ALL THE FIXIN'S
INCLUDING VEGETABLES, BACON, CHEESE & HOUSEMADE CHILI!!
SALAD AND DESSERT INCLUDED.
CASH BAR AVAILABLE**

\$18 per person, \$7 for children 12 and under



Knights of Columbus Council
61 Armour Place, Dumont
Reservations are required & payment in advance
is requested, checks or cash.

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Honoring Veterans for their Service

Saturday, November 11 2023

On Veterans Day, **TriValley Family Restaurant**, 366 Knickerbocker Road, Dumont NJ, will give **all Veterans 20 percent off** any purchase to honor their service.

St John's Knights of Columbus Council 1345 will set up a **Missing Man Table** at the restaurant to honor all veterans, especially those who have fallen, or are missing in action or prisoners of war.

We will also create Holiday/Thank You letters that will be sent to the Veterans Home in Paramus, NJ.



For more information call Jim Callahan at 201-655-2634

SUNDAY MORNING FOOTBALL

“LIVE FROM GERMANY”

MIAMI DOLPHINS

-VS-

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS

When: Sunday, November 5 at 9:30 a.m.

Where: St. John’s Council #1345 – 61 Armour Pl., Dumont

Whether it is before Mass or after Mass, come on down to the Council and enjoy the game. A very reasonably priced breakfast is available for ONLY \$7.50 PERSON consisting of the following choices

Choice of Entrée: 2 Eggs (scrambled/over/cheese omelette) (w/hashbrown) or 3 Pancakes (w//hashbrown)

Choice of Side: Bacon or Breakfast Sausage

Includes Coffee and Juice

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