



# The Knight Times

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## CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE:

Dear Friends,

During the month of June we celebrate the great feast of Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit which is the birthday of the Church. I share with you here an excerpt from a homily given by the great German Theologian, Karl Rahner (1904-1984).

*“Pentecost completes Easter, for Pentecost is the completion of the saving events celebrated during the Easter season. We celebrated these events by recalling the sacrificial death of the Lord, his victorious resurrection, and his entrance- by means of his ascension- into his Father’s eternity. All these events took place so that the Holy Spirit might become our portion. All these events have but one goal: to redeem the world and the human beings in it, and to give God himself to this redeemed world. That is why Pentecost is the fulfillment of Easter.*

*The reason why the glowing love of the Father and the Son has descended into our hearts is that the Father’s own Son has brought our humanity back into the Father’s light. The reason why one can live God’s own life in the Holy Spirit is that the Son of man died according to the flesh. The Holy Spirit of the eternal God has come. He is here: he lives in us, he sanctifies us, he strengthens us, he consoles us. He is the pledge of eternal life, the earnest of absolute triumph.”*

By right of our Baptism and Confirmation we have received the Holy Spirit, may the Spirit strengthen us and encourage us to be faithful followers of Jesus Christ and empower us to be active members of his Church.

May God be Praised,

*Fr. Dominic*

Fr. Dominic G. Ciriaco, Chaplain

## GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE:

Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, Boy Scouts, Family, Widows and Friends...

Well the time has come for us to depart, as my time as your Grand Knight comes to an end. It has been, at times a struggle, with the weather and then my health, but we have prevailed and are the better for it.

There are so many people I would like to thank for their support but space limitations do not allow me, but I truly appreciate what they have done for me and more importantly our council. It is not easy running a council as big as ours, but with a strong support system behind us it can work. Please continue your support for the incoming officers as they will need it as much as I did.

More importantly I would like to thank Father Murray for his continual support of our council. He was always there with words of wisdom for any issue that may have occurred. His spiritual guidance was beyond reproach and his outlook was ever inspiring. Thank you Father.

To my officers, thank you for your support and help this year and I could not have done it without you. *“I think a hero is an ordinary individual who finds strength to persevere and endure in spite of overwhelming obstacles.”* – Christopher Reeves

May God keep and bless you always.

Vivat Jesus,

*Charles Hollis*

Charles (Chuck) Hollis, Grand Knight

2013-2014 Officers, Chairmen, Directors, & Auxiliaries  
of the Family of St. John's Council #1345

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Drug Awareness:	Keith Hilcken	201-993-4476
Event Reservations:	Larry Rivera	201-315-0456
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-St. Mary Church	Carmine Grillo	201-244-6579
-SMA Mission	Matt Connell	201-387-7187
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Publicity:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
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Sick & Wake:	Bill Connington, PGK,	201-385-9697
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Webmaster:	Brian O'Dowd	201-385-2859
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Co-Treasurer:	Joseph Pidi	201-887-2709
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Kitchen:	Randy Dunkin	201-800-2381
Dishwasher:	John Graham	201-387-0419
Purchasing:	John Orsino	201-244-5875
Rentals:	Robert DeWald	201-264-6290
Servers/Waiters:	Timothy Hickey	201-417-7776

**Columbette's Ladies Auxiliary**

President:	Joan Winant	201-696-1159
Vice-Pres:	Roberta Elwell	201-244-1323
Secretary:	Annette Roge	201-384-4260
Financial Secy:	Laura Labetti	201-387-7479
Treasurer:	Lillian Holmes	201-342-5142
Sentinel:	Pauline Scalice	201-338-2789

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**Troop #1345 - Boy Scouts**

Scoutmaster	Rich Merkovsky	201-494-9912
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**KNIGHT TIMES NEWSLETTER**

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**Sick & Wake Report – as of May 20, 2014**

*Italic indicates new name or a change in condition.*

To add a name, contact PGK Bill Connington, 201-385-9697.

**Members**

- Fr. John F. Murray, SMA;
- Jack McHugh, Sr.
- Chuck Hollis, Grand Knight
- Dick Dorozynski
- John McGill, PGK;
- Tony O'Hare;
- Fred Jacobsen, PGK;

**Relatives & Friends**

- Angie Uvenio, wife of Frank Uvenio;
- Ann Marsigliano, sister-in-law of Jack Marsigliano
- Jonathan Jacobi, Jr., grandson of the late PGK F. Messina;
- Jonathan Jacobi, son-in-law of the late PGK F. Messina;
- Kristi, granddaughter of Frank Uvenio;
- Mary Vostinar, mother of Kevin Vostinar;
- Michael Cullen, son of John Cullen;

**Wakes**

**Members:**

- Dan Markert Sr;

**Relatives & Friends:**

- Don Winant Sr, father of PGK Don Winant;
- Mary Sforza, friend of our Council;
- Rev. Dr. Phil Rotunno, visiting priest at St. Mary's Church.
- Father of Deacon Duberley of St. Mary's Church
- Fran Cassidy, widow of PGK Bob Cassidy;
- Frank Farrell, father-in-law of Richard Oldfield.

**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."*

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**Reservations Procedure**

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

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

--Call: Chancellor Larry Rivera at 201-315-0456.

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

*Birthdays* wishes to our members and friends celebrating a birthday or a special occasion in June, especially Joseph Kelly, 46 years on June 12.

*Father Murray*, asked me to convey this thanks to all his brother knights and friends for the many get well greeting cards he received.

*The Knight Times* ó our newsletter was voted the óbest newsletterö award at the NJ State K of C convention in May.

*Pilgrimage Day* - continuing Centennial celebrations, St. Mary's Church Dumont will visit the shrine of Blessed Miriam Teresa Demjanovich in Convent Station, NJ on Sunday, June 29.

*U.S. Supreme Court* - A narrowly divided Supreme Court upheld decidedly Christian prayers at the start of local council meetings, declaring them in line with long national traditions though the country has grown more religiously diverse.

### ***The Rosary Hour***

Rosary Hour, every second Wednesday of the month at 8:00pm. Refreshments served afterwards.

The next rosary hour is Wednesday, June 11, 2014.

### ***Deputy Grand Knight Message***

With the new Columbian year coming in July, I would like to announce a charity fundraiser for an organization that does great work. On Saturday August 23rd we will host a fundraiser for "Giants of Generosity". Some of you may remember their founder & CEO Jane Albanese when she came to our council and gave a lecture on the work they do.

Their mission is to provide emergency-relief funding to people experiencing critical, life-altering situations here in our own community. They provide recipients with financial aid, connections to vital area resources, moral support and hope for the future. Please do your best to attend the event to help raise money to support people in our community.

*Carmine Grillo, Deputy Grand Knight*

### ***Chancellor Report - Membership & Recruitment***

Congratulations to our newest members: **Richard Merkovsky** who took his First Degree in April, and **John Racannelli** who took his First Degree in May. .

Candidates who are scheduled to take their First Degree in June will be: Christopher Zavattaro and Michael Uzzi.

I'm encouraging all our members to encourage their friends and relatives to join our Council and the Order.

*Lauro Rivera, Membership Chairman*

### ***Financial Secretary Report***

No Report.

*Ed Kostka, Financial Secretary*

### ***Right to Life Report***

Brothers, keep praying that our country returns to the protection of LIFE, Liberty and the pursuit of happiness. All of which starts with LIFE.

*Matt Connell, Respect Life Chairman*

### ***Columbiette's Ladies Auxiliary Report***

Roll out those, ólazy, hazy, crazy days of summerö

Are you ready for the SUMMER?! I know I am! The year flew by and what a SUCCESSFUL year it was!

From Dumont Day, to the Fish Fry, the Winery and Casino Adventure, and our wonderful Tea Party, we couldn't have done it without YOU!

Many thanks for all the good works you do all year long!

From myself and all the Columbiette Officers we wish you a wonderful summer filled with those, ólazy, hazy, crazy days!ö

See you in September.

*Peace, Roberta Elwell, Vice President*

### ***Scholarship Applications***

Application period has closed. Winners will be drawn at random at the June 2 meeting. Awards will be distributed at the June 16 meeting. Thanks to those who participated.

***To find out about information and eligibility of other Knights of Columbus Scholarship offers, call the K of C Financial Aid to Education Dept at 203-752-4332.***

*PGK George DiCostanzo, Chairman, 201-338-2617.*

*Dr. Geoffrey Sadock, Co-chairman, 201-387-0240.*

### ***2014 -2015 Slate of Officers***

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Respectfully submitted:

*Louis Pidi, PGK, Chairman Nominating Committee*

### ***Beef & Brew Dinner Dance***

Due to a sudden schedule change beyond our control, the annual Beef & Brew date has been changed to **Sunday June 8 at 2pm.** We will be having our usual family style cook out with all the trimmings.

The band "In Harmony" will provide live 50¢ ó 60¢ music entertainment. Come down, and have a fun afternoon with family & friends.

Cost is \$30.00 per person. Call Larry at 201-315-0456 for your reservations.

*DGK Carmine Grillo*

### ***Lecturer Program***

No Report.

*Dr. Geof Sadock, Chairman*

### ***Wake Call List***

We need more of our local members to join us at wakes for a 5-minute prayer service. It means so much to the family that we come. Call Chairman Bill Connington at 201-385-9697 to add your name to the call listí email or telephone.

### Dates to Remember

Boy Scout Troop 1345 meets every Tuesday at 7:00pm.  
Setups for Events every Thursday at 7:00pm.

Sun, June 1	Rental 2pm. <i>Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord</i>
Mon, June 2	Council mtg 8pm; scholarship drawing, And election of officers.
Wed, June 4	Rental 6pm.
Sat, June 7	Rental 7pm.
Sun, June 8	Beef & Brew Dance, 2pm. <i>Feast of Pentecost</i>
Mon, June 9	Officer mtg 8pm.
Tues, June 10	Rental 3pm.
Sat, June 14	<i>Flag Day – Fly the Flag.</i> Rental 7pm.
Sun, June 15	<i>Father's Day</i> <i>Feast of the Most Holy Trinity</i>
Mon, June 16	Council mtg 8pm; scholarship awards 9pm; July newsletter deadline.
Wed, June 18	Columbette mtg 7:30pm.
Sat, June 21	Rental 7pm. <i>Summer begins.</i>
Sun, June 22	Rental 4pm. <i>Feast of Corpus Christi</i>
Tues, June 24	newsletter mlg 10am. <i>Feast of St. John the Baptist</i>
Fri, June 27	<i>Feast of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</i>
Sat, June 28	Rental 7pm.
Sun, June 29	Corporate Communion ASCPG Reunion 2pm.
Mon, June 30	Columbian Club mtg 8pm.
Fri, July 4	<i>Independence Day</i> ó Council Closed
Sat, July 26	Installation mass & reception

### Stewardship – A Way of Life

God calls each of us by name to a personal vocation. The challenge is to discover our role, to use our gifts well, and to respond generously to God's call.

The Spirit leads the way.

### Troop 1345 Boy Scouts Report

Troop 1345 sent a large delegation of 32 people to the New Jersey State Police Camporee in Sea Girt NJ on May 16-17-18. This was one of the largest scouting events in the nation for 2014, with some 10,000 scouts participating along with the State Police and National Guard.

As part of the event, the troop participated in the Messengers of Peace initiative through the Boy Scouts of America, which includes millions of young men and women working towards peace in over 220 countries.

One of the objectives of the initiative from the Boy Scouts perspective is to increase community involvement through service projects, something that Troop 1345 already has a strong legacy of providing for its community.

Troop 1345's last weekly meeting of the season will be held on June 17, at which time they will begin their summer öbreakö. The troop will be participating in several summer activities, including summer camp in New York, whitewater

rafting on the Lehigh River, and several Eagle Scout leadership projects throughout the community.

During the summer months, several of the troop's young adults will be working as lifeguards, and as many as 17 scouts will be volunteering their time to work as staff members at Camp YawPaw in Mahwah, NJ.

Ray Ziemba, Assistant Scoutmaster

### Photo Gallery Pilgrimage to Lourdes



Members who attended the annual Easter ASCPG Pilgrimage to Lourdes, France with 16 pilgrims-special needs children & adults.  
From left: Richard Oldfield, Frank Polise, Jim Kelly, PGK Lou Pidi, and Gerry Flood, ASCPG Director.

### NJ K of C Convention - 2014



Photo left: members, wives, & family that attended the convention. The GK is center back row; his boys Connor & Colin hold banner.  
Photo right: GK Chuck Hollis accepting Newsletter Award from State Deputy Andy Lipenta.

### San Alfonso Council Retreat

Brothers, come spend a weekend with the Lord at His San Alfonso Retreat House. Enjoy companionship, prayers, good food and a great atmosphere. The dates are July 18-20, 2014 and the cost is \$200.00 per attendee. Check-in time is 4:00pm on the 18<sup>th</sup>; dinner will be at 6:00pm.

Call me at 732-608-0784, or cell 615-557-5787 and let me know if you are coming. Mail your checks to: Tony Tulli, 108 Chesterfield Lane, Toms River, NJ 08757. Deadline is July 1 to sign-up. If you need a special room, let me know that too.

Come breathe in good, clean ocean air. God bless you all.

Tony Tulli, Chairman

### Catholic World News Headlines

In an audience with Cardinal Angelo Amato, prefect of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints, Pope Francis approved the publication of a decree on a miracle attributed to the intercession of Pope Paul VI (1897-1978).

The approval clears the way for his beatification, which will take place on October 19, at the conclusion of the Extraordinary Synod of Bishops on the family.