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A special message from the Grand Knight

Brothers,

Lent is upon us, a time of preparation for Easter, the greatest feast day for the Catholic Church. During Lent, Catholics observe prayer, fasting and giving. Traditionally, giving is sharing of money and food to the less fortunate in our community and around the world. Charity is the first and foremost principle of the Knights of Columbus. At St. Jude we do a great job with our charitable actions, not only at Lent but throughout the year. I would like to thank all our members for making this happen.

Our February social was a huge success. We sold out this event and had a waiting list. More importantly, we honored a great man, Fred Hess. Fred has been a knight for over 64 years. He is well respected in our council. Fred is our watchdog when it comes to the bylaws of the Knights; if we do something wrong he corrects us in a way that does not make us feel uncomfortable. Fred leads by example, and his faith in the Catholic Church is immeasurable. I would personally like to thank Fred for helping me become a Knight and a better Catholic.

Once again, I would like to thank PGK's Ralph Ferrara and Chuck DiSanto for doing all the cooking and putting out a delicious meal. I would also like to thank all my brother knights who were assisting Chuck and Ralph in the kitchen. A special thanks goes out to Matt Love for always keeping the kitchen, pots and pans clean. Last but not least, thanks again to Anna DiSanto for setting up all the center pieces even though she was unable to attend the event.

March 12 is our annual St. Patrick's Day social. We will meet at the hall around 11:00 am to get ready to march. PGK Ralph will be cooking his famous corned beef and cabbage dinner. The social will start at 5 pm. Please contact Ralph to let him know you're coming and purchase tickets. The cost is \$25.00 per person. There will be no tickets sold at the door. Thank you for understanding this, it helps us to purchase enough food.

Upcoming Dates:

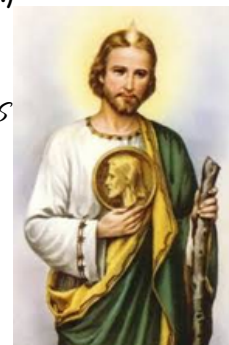
March 1 Business Meeting

March 12 St. Patrick Day parade and social

March 15 Officers Meeting

March 23 Blood drive at the council (Please contact Jonathan Romano if you plan on volunteering.)

God Bless you and your families,
Vivat Jesu
SK Rudy Novissimo
Grand Knight

*St. Jude Pray For Us**In Service**to One.**In service**to all.*



May the strength of God pilot us,
 May the wisdom of God instruct us.
 May the hand of God protect us,
 May the word of God direct us.
 -Saint Patrick



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March 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	1 <i>Business meeting</i>	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10 <i>Suffolk Chapter Meeting</i>	11
12 <i>St. Patrick's Day Parade & Social</i>	13	14	15 <i>Officer's Meeting</i>	16	17 <i>Happy St. Patrick's Day</i>	18
19 <i>St. Joseph's Day</i>	20 <i>First day of Spring</i>	21	22 <i>Comdr Shea 4th Degree meeting</i>	23	24	25
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A message from the District Deputy

Brothers,

It has been a very busy month, started off in Oceanside at the Long Island Conference meeting with 104 Delegates from Suffolk County. I was very proud to be there with you. Sadly, our candidate Norman Wagner was not successful in his bid to be our State Deputy. Tony Ippolito is now our State Deputy Designee. Tony is a hard-working guy and will do a good job and we wish him success as State Deputy.

On the 17th, 18th, and 19th at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel there was an exhibit on Miracles of the Eucharist. Before this I did not know much about Carlo Acutis and what he has done. He is on his way to Sainthood. He died at 15 years old and is truly a special person. He compiled 144 "Miracles of the Eucharist." There was so much to take in. What incredible stories. I wish everyone could have seen this.

There are 2 insurance online insurance seminars coming up. Please help your council to earn the McGivney award. You may benefit from attending these seminars.

Help your council to be a Star Council. How can you help? Recruit a new knight, attend Insurance Seminars, get involved in council activities.

The Chapter Charity Drive is in full swing. This year's Charity is Gigi's Playhouse. Raise money for your council be selling Charity Chance Books. \$1.00 from each book sold goes to Gigi's Playhouse. This Charity Drive can only be successful with your participation.

Thank you all for what you do and thank you for being a knight.

Vivat Jesu,

Bill



Join a committee and put your faith into action!

Contact the Chairman for the information

Faith	Deacon Pat Gerace	(631) 804 - 3201
Family	Mike Pantozzi	(631) 219 - 3543
Community	SK Jonathan Romano	(631) 258 - 6027
Life	SK Joe Daly	(631) 744 - 2433

Ladies Auxiliary Corner

For more information about joining the St. Ladies Auxiliary, please call the President Marie Basileo at (631) 821 - 6071

March Birthdays

Paul Braun	March 3
Robert Locke	March 4
Paul Vigliante	March 5
Robert Arens	March 8
Dr. Joseph Tommasino	March 13
Ralph Cretella	March 16
Dea Patrick Gerace	March 17
Robert Grady	March 17
Joseph Cognitore	March 19
Donald Toner	March 23
William Benson	March 24
Thomas Oliveri	March 27
Michael Pantozzi	March 29
Domenick Abbate	March 30
Robert Celentano	March 30
Salvatore Campo	March 31

Please send information, such as pictures from events, important dates, and articles for the bulletin no later than Thursday, March 16.

In the subject line please put KofC bulletin

Contact Nicole Sommers at Nicolesomm08@gmail.com

Financial Secretary's Corner

Membership Numbers:
 Associate members – 132
 Insurance members – 81
 Inactive members – 15
 Total members – 228
 Honorary members – 2
 Honorary life members – 57
 Disables members - 1

- SK John Sommers, FS, PGK, FDD

Important Information!!!

Man's wedding band found in the hall on December 10, 2022

Please contact GK Rudy Novissimo at (516) 241 – 2942 if it's yours



Happy St. Joseph's Day

*This is what the Lord says:
 I have heard your prayer and seen your tears. I will heal you.*

2 Kings 20:5

Please Keep in Your Prayers

Paul Basilo PGK, FDD, Michael Jordan, Deacon Joe Bartolotto PGK
 Tim Clancy, Rich Olivea PGK, FDD, Ralph Taylor, Frank Romano
 Jessica Delligatti, Ann Maggio, Mike Pantozzi's daughter Suzan

Contact GK Rudy Novissimo at (516) 241 - 2942, if you know of a member in need of prayers.

St. Jude, patron of hopeless cases, pray for us



Grand Knight's Corner

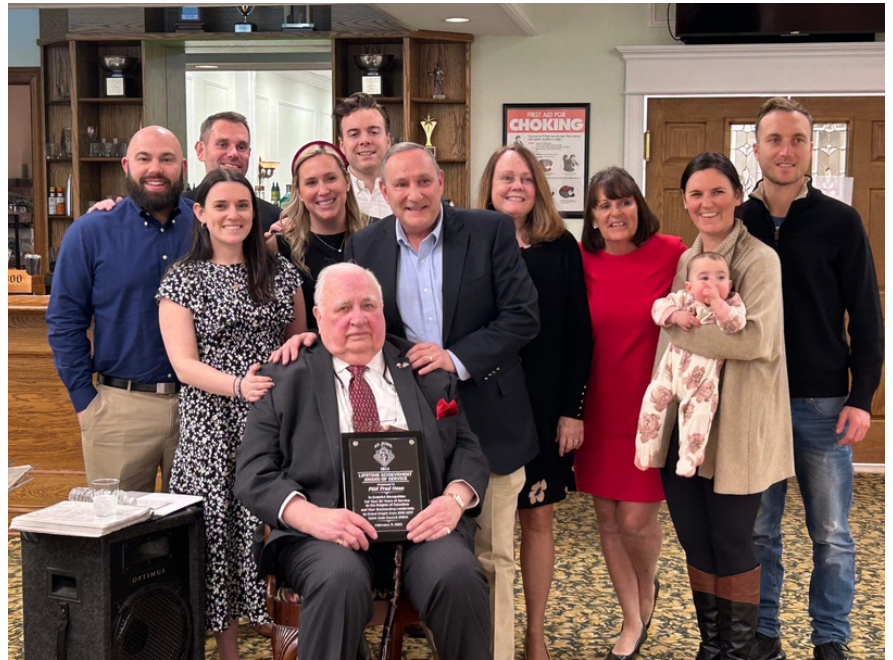
If any member knows of the passing of a Brother Knight or knows of a Brother Knight in need, please notify GK Rudy Novissimo at (516) 241 - 2942 or our Funeral Services Director Ralph Ferrara at (631) 662 - 1235



Knights in Action



Fred Hess was honored for his 64 years of service to the Knights of Columbus! Thank you for all that you do Fred!



Even Fred's family got to celebrate with him, how exciting was that!

Knights in Action



Look at our amazing Knights enjoying the Valentine's Social!
It was a beautiful evening



A special thanks our kitchen crew for a wonderful job at the Valentine's Day Social honoring Fred Hess



Join us for a celebration on Sunday, March 12, 2023

Following the St. Patrick's Day Parade

For Corned Beef and Cabbage with Potatoes

Irish Music and Fun for all.

St. Jude Council #5814

Knights of Columbus

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Tickets: \$25 for Adults; \$10 for children under 12 years-of-age

**For reservations contact Chairman
Ralph Ferrara @ (631) 662-1235**

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For guaranteed seating purchases must be made by March 1, 2023

Hot dogs will be available by special request
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BROTHERS IN NEED

Brothers if you know of a Brother Knight in Need if Assistance please contact Rudy Novissimo the Grand Knight. Below is a program that can help them.

The Suffolk County Chapter's Food For Brothers Program

The way the program works is simple....If any Grand Knight knows of a Brother Knight in his Council who is having a difficult time providing for his Family he only needs to fill out a Food For Brothers Form (below), send it to Chairman Tom Romano and he will send the Brother a Gift Card to a local Supermarket ASAP. This Program was started with a \$1,000 Grant by the NYS Council, however as those funds run out we will need a way to replenish them.

The Chapter is gladly accepting Donations from our Brothers and Councils to help supplement this vital Program. No amount is too small! 100% of all Donations to the Food For Brothers Program will go to provide direct Help to a Brother Knight and his Family. Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Kindly send Donations to our Food For Brother Chairman Tom Romano. Make Checks payable to the Suffolk Chapter K of C and put Food For Brothers in the Memo. Mail checks to: Food For Brothers C/O Tom Romano 1029 N Broome Ave Lindenhurst, NY 11757

Food For Brothers Form

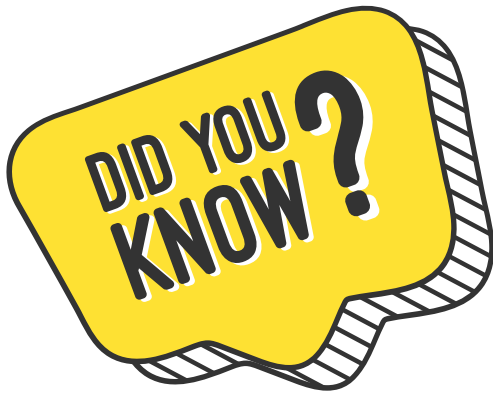
COUNCIL NAME: _____ COUNCIL # : _____

BROTHER KNIGHTS NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

IN HOUSEHOLD: _____

For fastest results email this form to our "Food for Brothers" Chairman Tom Romano to tomonli@aol.com , or mail it to him at 1029 North Broome Ave., Lindenhurst, NY 11757. You can also call Tom at 631-561-7052 for more information.



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KNIGHT'S NEWS



As part of the "Leave No Brother Behind" program started by the Supreme Council, the Suffolk Chapter and Suffolk County Conference in conjunction with NYS Council have instituted the "Food for Brothers" Program. If you and your family, or another brother of the council whom you know of, are struggling to put food on the table, or are having difficulty affording grocery items, please do not hesitate to contact the Grand Knight Rudy Novissimo to take advantage of this **FREE** program.

All responses will be kept confidential, and assistance will be determined based on level of need.

Please contact GK Rudy Novissimo at (516) 241 - 2942



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confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen. Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be.