



THE RAYS OF MARY



Regina Mundi Council #4052 Assumption B.V.M. Parish - Feasterville, PA

February 2023

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE:

My Brother Knights,

I want to start by thanking everyone who helped with our January Council events. Your dedication is what makes our council so great and visible.

We had a busy month from beginning to end. We started off with our parish consecration prayer to the Holy Family, followed by our March for Life bus trip and parish prayer Novena for Life. We concluded with our 5th Sunday Rosary, Holy Hour, and Adoration. Your help in these faith in action programs demonstrates your commitment to faithfulness we all as a parish family should have.

My hope is that you will continue to support our upcoming events during Lent and the St. Patty's Day party. We will need many volunteers to help, and to make donations to our food drive, and donations to the basket of cheer.

So, in closing, please continue to support all our priests Deacons, and your parish.

I enclose a poem I came across. God Bless!

*"Since His blood for thee is shed,
Jesus is mighty to save;
Since He live Who once was dead,
Jesus is mighty to save.*

*While in conflict we engage,
When storms around shall rage,
All our earthly pilgrimage,
Jesus is mighty, is mighty to save."
Amen (Coller)*

Vivat Jesus,
Rich Gathercole
Grand Knight
Regina Mundi Council #4052

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE:



As I write on January 21, I appreciate the brothers from the Regina Mundi Council and all who had participated in the Annual March for Life yesterday.

While the Supreme Court had overturned Roe v Wade several months ago, the diligent work of all who recognize life, which begins at conception, as a basic right in the Declaration of Independence, and affirmed by the United States Constitution, is more necessary now. As individual States determine whether or not to grant the right to abortion, the truth that each human life, in God's image and likeness, is sacred, regardless of a particular State, needs a bolder proclamation.

Brothers all, you are Knights of Columbus because you are unashamed to be Catholic men who promote all that is of God. I do not doubt you will continue to promote the right to life and advocate for all who are vulnerable, because you consistently love God and your neighbors.

I ask that you include all individuals who participate in abortions as you pray each day. I especially think of the women who are pressured into having an abortion, despite the natural bonding with their children in the womb. Grief and guilt must feel especially unbearable for them; I am fairly certain that others who participate in abortions may feel guilty at some time.

You know my love for the Blessed Mother, who is our spiritual mother too. As she is known as the "New Eve", she is the "mother of the living"; please ask her to go to Jesus and ask Him to change hearts, that more pre-born children will be born, and for an end to abortion altogether.

Vivat Jesus!
Father Mike



REGINA MUNDI OFFICERS

2022/2023

Grand Knight	-	Richard Gathercole
Deputy Grand Knight	-	Steve Jackson
Chaplain	-	Rev. Michael Davis
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February

2023

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Sunday

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St. John Neumann
Officer's
Meeting

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Regina Mundi
Council Meeting



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St. John Neumann
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Philadelphia
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January

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*Happy
Valentine's Day*

*Happy Valentine's Day to all our ladies.
Thank you for your Love and Support.
Our success, large or small, is due to You
Standing beside us in what we try to do.*



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fast . pray . give



February 22	-	Ash Wednesday
April 2	-	Palm Sunday
April 7	-	Good Friday
April 9	-	Easter Sunday



Knights of Columbus Lenten Food Drive.



When: Begins on February 22nd
and Ends on April 2nd

To Help: Donate non-perishable food item

Where: Assumption BVM Church

Goal: 2,000 pounds of food

Why: All food collected will stock our
Parish and local food pantry

List of Items Most in Need

1. Soup—"hearty" like Campbell's chunky
2. Soup- "creamy" like mushroom or chicken
3. Breakfast or energy bars like Quaker or nature valley.
4. Canned chicken meat
5. Canned chili with or without beans
6. Pasta sauces ready made.
7. Dinner Kits taco, "Hamburger helper"
8. Cooking oil canola or vegetable
9. Canned tomatoes like dice or whole
10. Cake and cookie mixes.
11. Teas, coffee, and juices

For more information or
to arrange for home pickup call
George Benson at 215-630-0182 or
email gbremodeling@gmail.com

Regina Mundi Council #4052



McGIVNEY PRAYER:

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater 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 blessed 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.



Please remember in your Prayers, our Military, especially those in “Harms Way”, our Police, Fire, and EMT personnel. Please pray for quick recovery and Blessing for: Fred and Barbara May, Mary Donovan, the Hurricane Victims, Nick Marcantonio Jr., and all members of Regina Mundi and their families.

May God Bless them and watch over them!

Richard Gathercole

Grand Knight - Regina Mundi Council



Upcoming Known Scheduled Baptisms:

Sunday February 5th 12:00 PM

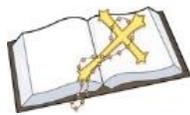
No Baptisms

Sunday February 19th 12:00 PM

1 Baptism – Fred May

There may be additional assignments.

Volunteers are always needed for Baptisms!
Baptisms are on the first and third Sundays of each month after the 11:00 AM Mass.

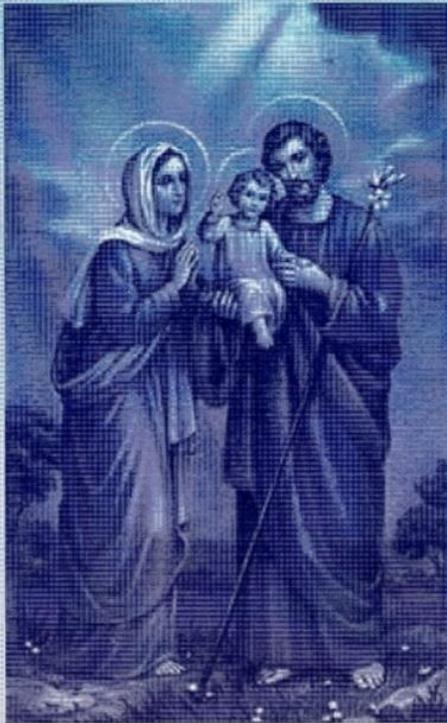


Words to Live by

The prophet Zephaniah calls us to seek the lord, to seek justice, and to seek humility. This call is echoed in the beautiful word of the Gospel, as Jesus preaches the Beatitudes, the central part of His sermon on the mount. The Beatitudes offer us a recipe for living lives of faithful service to God and others. Let us be attentive to God’s saving word and pray that our reward in heaven will be great.



PRAY THE ROSARY FOR THE DOMESTIC CHURCH



Starting June 24, 2018 join us to pray the rosary to help built the Domestic Church. The Domestic Church is the family, the smallest body of gathered believers in Christ.

The rosary will be prayed after the 11 A.M. Mass the last Sunday of every month.

We of the Regina Mundi Council have promised to lead the Rosary on the 5th Sunday of the Month.

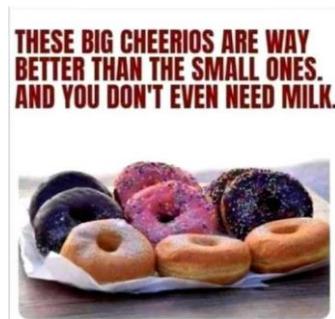
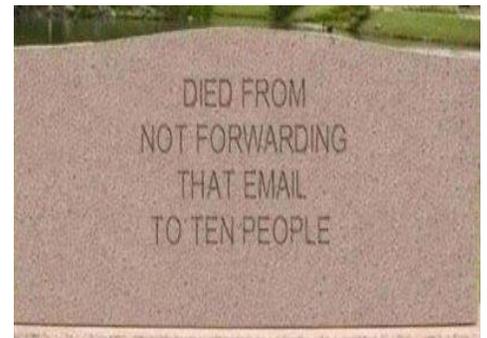
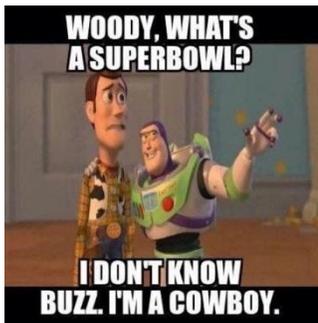
Please make an effort to join us.

THE NEXT 5TH SUNDAY IS APRIL 30, 2023



JUST FOR LAUGHS

On the first day of school a first-grade teacher explains to her class that she is a Dallas Cowboy's fan. She asks her students to raise their hands if they, too, are Cowboys fans. Wanting to impress their teacher, everyone in the class raises their hand except one little boy. The teacher looks at the boy with surprise, 'Johnny, why didn't you raise your hand?' 'Because I'm not a Cowboys fan,' he replied. The teacher, still shocked, asked, 'Well, if you are not a Cowboys fan, then who are you a fan of?' 'I am an Eagles fan, and proud of it,' Johnny replied. The teacher could not believe her ears. 'Johnny please tell us why you are an Eagles fan?' "Because my mom is an Eagles fan, and my dad is an Eagles fan, so I'm an Eagles fan too!" "Well," said the teacher in an obviously annoyed tone, 'that is no reason for you to be an Eagles fan. You don't have to be just like your parents all of the time. What if your mom was an idiot and your dad was a moron, what would you be then?' "Then," Johnny smiled, 'I'd be a Cowboys fan.'



Word Play

1. ARBITRATOR

A cook that leaves Arby's to work at McDonald's.

2. BERNADETTE

The act of torching a mortgage.

3. BURGLARIZE

What a crook sees through.

4. AVOIDABLE

What a bullfighter tries to do.

5. COUNTERFEITER

Workers who put together kitchen cabinets.

6. LEFT BANK

What the bank robbers did when their bag was full of money.

7. HEROES

What a man in a boat does.

8. PARASITES

What you see from the Eiffel Tower.

9. PARADOX

Two physicians.

10. PHARMACIST

A helper on a farm.

11. RELIEF

What trees do in the spring.

12. RUBBERNECK

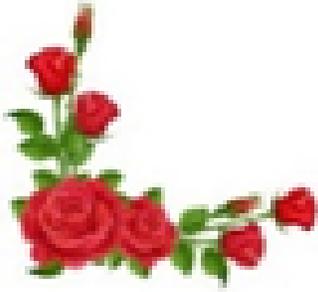
What you do to relax your wife.

13. SELFISH

What the owner of a seafood store does.

14. SUDAFED

Brought litigation against a government official.



Rose for Life

We currently have 5 members who have volunteered for the Rose for Life

WE NEED MORE

Baptism are scheduled for the first and third Sundays of the month after the 11:00 AM Mass. It only takes about 15 minutes to hand out a Rosary and a Rose for each child Baptised. Some months there aren't any Baptisms and sometimes only one.

Before the covid-19 pandemic, we had 8 members and we were able to schedule two members for each Baptism on a rotating basis. That way, each member knew when they were scheduled and could make any arrangements, including trading off when necessary. Because we only have 5 , it is on a volunteer basis.

You have to attend Mass any way, why not attend the 11:00 AM Mass and stay an extra 15 minutes.

If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact:

Jack Eagan at 267-449-8077 or irishrover13@comcast.net





The Degree of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity



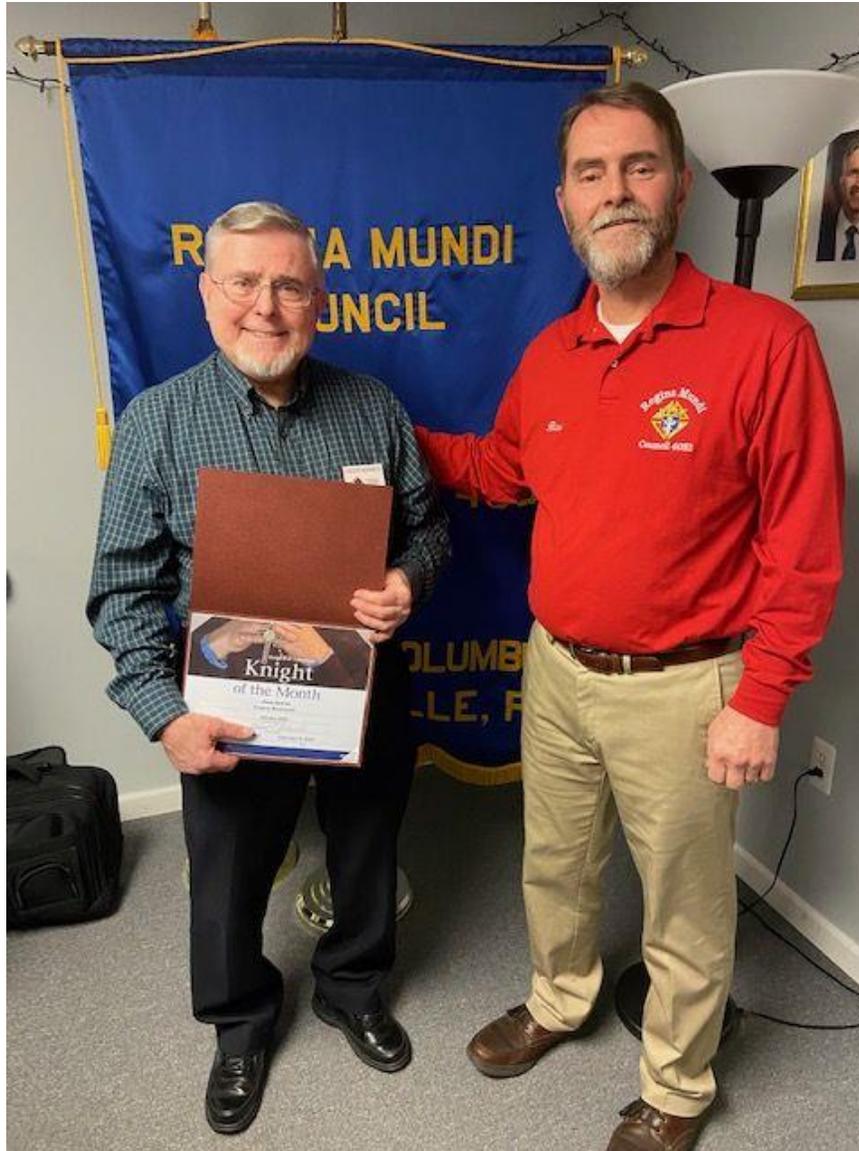
The council will keep open a date each month to do a degree ceremony for our council and any of our brother councils that may need help. It will usually be the second Thursday of the month

This month we will leave February 9th open.





The Knight of the Month



January Knight of the Month, Greg Baraniecki with Grand Knight Rich Gathercole

Congratulate Greg when you see him





PLEASE NOTE



Financial Secretary, Brother Greg Baraniecki, is sending out the dues assessments. Please return them, along with your check in the amount of the dues (\$30), as soon as possible.

Please make out your check to “Regina Mundi Co #4052”.

DO NOT make out your check to Brother Greg. The bank will not accept them into the council’s account



Pro-Life



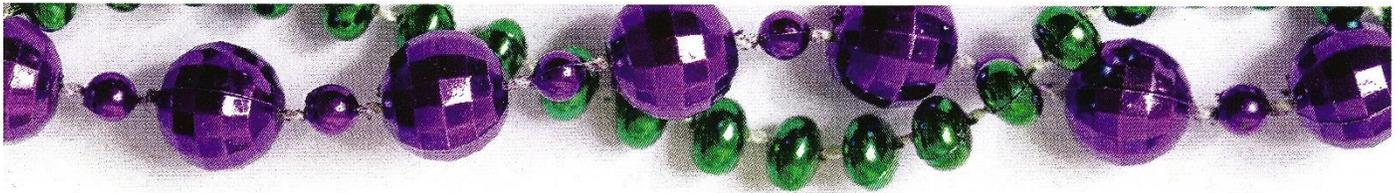
Pro-Life



“The end of *Roe* represents a crucial milestone. But we cannot mistake it for the end of abortion,” said Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly, who participated in the 50th annual March for Life on Jan. 20, with other Supreme Officers and members of the Knights of Columbus Board of Directors.

“In a post-*Roe* America, the Knights of Columbus will continue to show our nation’s lawmakers that life is a precious gift worth protecting, and we’ll proudly march for life until abortion is unthinkable.”





Mardi Gras Beef and Beer Fundraiser

Sponsored by Regina Mundi Council #4052

For Brother Fred May and his wife Barbara May to help with Barbara's Medical Costs.

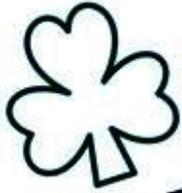
Date	Saturday, February 18th
Time	7:00-11:00pm
Place	Assumption BVM Church 1900 Meadowbrook, Rd. Feasterville, PA 19053
Fun	DJ, Photo Booth, Basket Raffles 50/50 Drawing and Door Prizes
Cost	\$25.00
Tickets	Dan Owarzani, 215.357.2712 Rich Gathercole, 267.261.7337
Raffle	To donate a basket contact Yvonne Ward, 215.285.0340

Please make checks payable to: Regina Mundi Council #4052

All money raised will go directly to Barbara's medical care costs.

Thank You!





The Annual Assumption BVM

St. Patrick's Day Party



Door Prizes
Basket of Cheer
50-50



SATURDAY MARCH 11, 2023
7:00 PM - 11:00 PM
Assumption BVM Hall

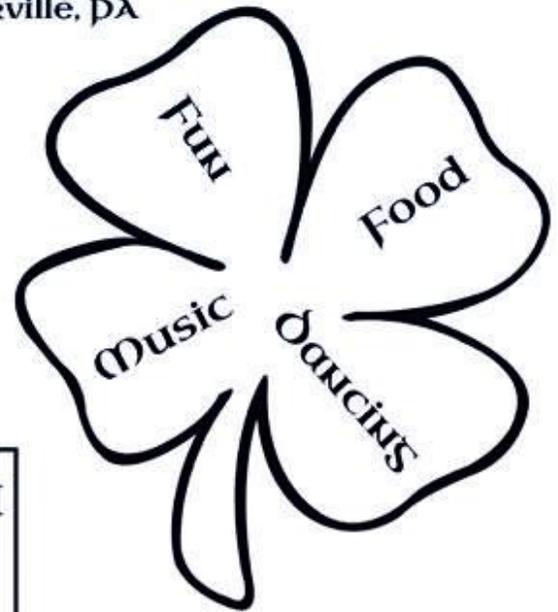


1900 Meadowbrook Road
Feasterville, PA

IRISH DANCERS



Benefits
Knights of Columbus
charities



Tickets \$ 40 per person

Includes Ham & Cabbage,
Roast Beef, Salads, & Deserts
Beer and Mixers
BYOB

Tickets available at the Parish Rectory
& will be sold at the door



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Regina Mundi Council #4052

Tickets/Questions?

Call Stephen Clark (267) 241-9427

SAINT JOHN NEUMANN ASSEMBLY #933

Assembly Officers

2022-2023

Faithful Navigator	Fredrick G. May, PGK
Faithful Friar	Rev. Michael J. Davis
Faithful Captain	Edward Kligge , PGK
Faithful Admiral	Michael Ciampoli, PFN
Faithful Purser	Wiley Redding
Faithful Comptroller	Albert Scheck, PFN
Faithful Pilot	Nickolas Marcantonio, PGK DD
Faithful Scribe	Robert Thompson
Faithful Inside Sentinel	Richard Gathercole
Faithful Outside Sentinel	Thomas Hurley
Faithful 3-yr Trustee	Anthony M. Porretta, PFN
Faithful 2-yr Trustee	Mike Selinsky, PGK
Faithful 1-yr Trustee	John Carroll, PFN

UPCOMIING MEETINGS

Officer's meetings are normally the first Wednesday of the month and the Conclave is on the third Wednesday of the month unless otherwise specified. The location of these meetings varies based upon the host council.

Pope Pius XII Council
Thomas Aquinas Parish
601 Bristol Pike
Croydon, PA 19021-1808

Holmesburg Council
3300 Knorr Street
Philadelphia, PA 19149

Mary Queen of Angels
11301 Academy Road
Philadelphia, PA 19154

St. John the Evangelist
752 Big Oak Road.
Morrisville PA

Regina Coeli Council
9617 James Street
Philadelphia, PA 19114

St Charles Borromeo Council
1193 Gravel Pike
Bensalem, PA 19020

Regina Mundi Council
1900 Meadowbrook Rd.
Feasterville, PA 19053

Our Lady of Calvary
11024 Knights Rd.
Philadelphia, PA 19154

St. John Neumann Shrine
1019 N 5th Street .
Philadelphia, PA 19123

February Conclave – February 15th – Regina Mundi Council Hall



COLOR CORPS/HONOR GUARD

Nick Marcantonio, PGK,DD, Jr.
Archdiocesan Co-Ordinator
NickPGk61@yahoo.com

Robert Thompson
Assembly Color Corps Commander
rthombowl52@gmail.com

Please let Nick or Robert know if you can help.



On Sunday, January 8, 2023, the St John Neumann Color Guard, represented by Anthony Porretta, John Carroll, Ed Kligge, and Greg Baraniecki attended the St. John Neumann Feast Day Mass at the St. John Neumann shrine in Philadelphia. Also in attendance were 5 members of ths St. John Ryan assembly.



SK Alfred J. Azarewicz of St Leo's Council passed away on December 31, 2022 at the age of 93. The viewing and funeral mass was held on January 6, 2023 at St. Paul's church on New Hope Street in East Norriton, Pa. The St. John Neumann Assembly Honor Guard was represented by John Carroll, Ed Kligge, Anthony Bud Stewart, and Bob Thompson.



Brother Thomas P. Burns Jr. of St. Charles Borromeo Council Passed away on January 6, 2023 at the age of 91. The viewing was on January 17, 2023 at Burns Funeral Home Frankford avenue. The funeral Mass was at Our Lady of Calvary church. Representing the St. John Neumann Assembly Honor guard were Michael Ciampoli, Ed Kligge, John Carroll, and Bob Thompson.

The St John Neumann Medal 2023 Nominations

Brothers, I am now accepting nominations for the St John Neumann medal for the year 2023. **The deadline for resumes will be February 28th.**

The St John Neumann medal shall be awarded to persons who demonstrate exemplary service to God, Church and Country. Please consider nominating someone for this prestigious award.

Please Submit resumes BY US MAIL, outlining the proposed candidate's worthy virtues for consideration by our current and passed Faithful Navigators.

Please see the medal rules on the next page

SK. Fred May
Faithful Navigator
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Vivat Jesus !!

Frederick May

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Faithful Navigator

St. John Neumann Assembly #933



SAINT JOHN NEUMANN MEDAL

1— The Saint John Neumann Medal shall be awarded to a person who has demonstrated **exemplary service to God, Church and Country**. Only one medal may be awarded per year. The eligibility of the candidate shall be determined by a vote of the Faithful Navigator and the Past Faithful Navigators in good standing with the Assembly. A proposer may NOT submit more than one nominee.

2— **The proposed candidates' resume must be submitted in writing to the Faithful Navigator.** Resumes submitted by a person on his or own her behalf shall be considered ineligible and will not be forwarded to the Admiral or Past Faithful Navigators for their consideration. **The Navigator will accumulate the resumes until March 1st,** at which time he will submit them to the Faithful Admiral who will in turn distribute them to the eligible Past Faithful Navigators. The Past Faithful Navigators must submit their negative or affirmative vote on the candidate(s) by April 15th of the awarding year. Regardless of the number of resumes to be acted upon, the Past Faithful can submit only one (1) affirmative vote, however, all votes may be negative. Ballots and resumes for all candidates for the Saint John Neumann Medal shall be mailed to the Past Faithful Navigators and Faithful Navigator, to be returned by mail to the Faithful Admiral by April 15th. A simple majority of returned votes shall determine the recipient. A vote shall be cast for ONE (1) or NONE (0). It shall be understood that the Faithful Navigator has a vote.



In order to maintain anonymity, it shall not be required that the Ballot be signed. The ballots, when returned to the Faithful Admiral in an envelope marked "BALLOT", shall remain sealed until a meeting is called, prior to the June Conclave, at which time the ballots will be reviewed jointly by the Faithful Navigator.

3— The Medal shall be presented to the selected candidate as close to the anniversary date of Saint John Neumann's canonization date (June 19) as possible, preferably at the beginning of the June Assembly meeting. The Medal will be presented by the Faithful Navigator. In his absence, the order of succession of presiding officers will be observed..

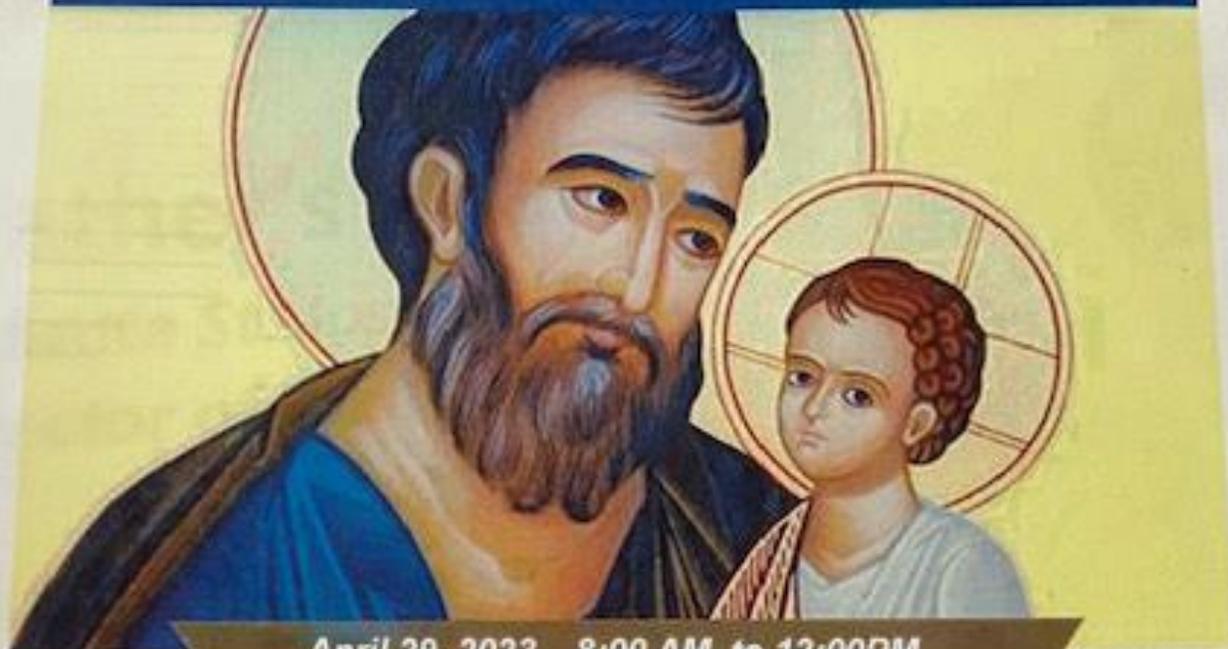
4— A copy of these guidelines will be stored with the existing Medal Die in the Assembly safe deposit box.

5— Each year, an article will be published in the January issue of the "Patriot" advising the membership of the rules and details for the selection of a candidate for the Saint John Neumann Medal.

Save the Date !

Coming to Philadelphia

Our Lady of Calvary, 11024 Knights Road, Philadelphia



April 29, 2023 8:00 AM to 12:00PM

FOR ALL CATHOLIC MEN

The topic is *A Father's Heart: Celebrate St. Joseph, Protector of the Holy Family*. Cross Catholic Outreach is a Catholic ministry that partners with bishops, priests, religious and lay workers to provide food, water, housing, orphan support, medical care, and disaster relief — and the love of our Lord Jesus Christ — to the poorest of the poor in over 30 countries around the world.



Join us for a free Spiritual Retreat directed by Rev. Dave Caron, O.P. and Missionary of Mercy



The Fourth Degree

Patriotic Exemplification



There will be a 4th Degree exemplification on June 24, 2023.
It will be held at Flaherty Council in Glenside, PA

Eligibility

- * Be over 18 years of age
- * Be a Citizen of the United States
- * Be a Third Degree (Knighthood) member in Good Standing
- * Be a Practical Catholic in Communion with the Holy See

Dress Code

- * Dark Suit (Black, Dark Blue, Gray)
- * White Shirt (no button down, no French cuffs, flat collar)
- * Black belt
- * Black shoes
- * Tie

More Information to Follow

If interested, please contact your Financial Secretary

All applications must be in by May 15, 2023



Philadelphia Chapter - Knights of Columbus

Chapter Officers

2022-2023

President	Atiba McCoy
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	Nick Marcantonio
	John Brown
	Wiley Redding
	Thomas Johnson, FSW
	Oleg Berezofski
	Tom Hasty



Chapter Meeting Dates

2022

December No Meeting

2023

January 25th

February 22th

March 22th

April 26st

May 24th

June 28th

All meetings are at 7:00 PM on fourth Friday of month at Father Sullivan Hall, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 819 Cathedral Road, Philadelphia, PA 19128 unless notified otherwise.

The Philadelphia Chapter is comprised of the following Councils:

Santa Maria #263	Charles Carroll #1364	Our Lady of Lourdes #4546
San Salvador #283	Madonna #3932	Regina Coeli #4921
Desoto #315	Immaculata #393 3	Rev. John McHugh #4935
Commodore Barry #578	St. Katherine Drexel #3938	Fr. Thomas Ryan #5036
Pinzon #904	Regina Mundi #4052	San Rafael #7125
La Rabida #1191	Core Mariae #4100	St. Benedict de Moor #8252
Holmesburg #1284	St. Jude #4273	Mary Queen of Angels #12384
St. Leo 's #1294	St. Charles Borromeo #4279	Pokrova #12561
St. Helena 's #15687		



Prayers Unite the World

prayersunitetheworld.org

EVERY time our Church has had a need, our Brother Knights have responded. Right now, our Faith is under attack like it has never been and the Church needs its most faithful members to stand up and share its message of God's love with the world.

The Knights are partnering with "Prayers Unite the World" to do just that. Begun by a Brother Knight, "Prayers Unite the World" is a website where people can request prayers and then learn about many of the Religious communities and Catholic organizations from around the world.

We need to build an army of men who would be willing to share the Faith through the power of prayer. You do not need to explain the Faith. You simply live the Faith and let people know that God and his loving Church are with them. All through the power of prayer.

It only takes five minutes of time and it doesn't cost a dime.



PRAYER FOR THE CANONIZATION OF THE VENERABLE SERVANT OF GOD

MICHAEL Mc GIVNEY

Founder of the Knights of Columbus

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater 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 venerable 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. Please report all favors received to: The Father McGivney Guild 1 Columbus Plaza New Haven, CT 06510-3326 www.fathermcgivney.org

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McGivney Guild

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New Haven, CT 06510-3326

www.fathermcgivney.org



Basilica Status Bestowed on The Miraculous Medal Shrine

The Miraculous Medal Shrine, a Marian devotional destination and ministry of the Vincentians of the Eastern Province in the Germantown section of Philadelphia, has been elevated by the Vatican to Minor Basilica status. This designation is shared by only one other church in the City of Philadelphia, the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, and 91 others across the United States. The Shrine, along with the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception that houses it, are now known as the Basilica Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal.

The new designation followed an application process of multiple years and culminated in a decree issued by Pope Francis. The Shrine is now promoted as an exemplary site of liturgical and pastoral activity within the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Minor Basilicas are given prominence among other churches and shrines, receive certain honorifics, and are tasked with special responsibilities.

Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez, Archbishop of Philadelphia, said, “I am deeply grateful to the Holy Father for bestowing this tremendous honor on the Miraculous Medal Shrine. This moment is one of great joy for the entire Church in Philadelphia. The Miraculous Medal Shrine is a great gift drawing souls closer to Christ through the intercession of the Blessed Mother. I congratulate the Vincentians and all those working to sustain the Shrine and its ministry. May their work continue to bear great fruit.”

Father Timothy V. Lyons, CM, now rector of the Basilica Shrine, said, “It is an esteemed honor to be recognized by the Vatican as a Minor Basilica. We are both overjoyed and humbled by this recognition. This historic proclamation marks the next chapter in the Shrine’s history and recognizes the significant role it has played in the Catholic Church, the Philadelphia Archdiocese, and the Shrine community.”

Editor’s Note: The Basilica Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, a ministry of the Vincentians of the Eastern Province of the United States, is a sanctuary of prayer and an inspiration of Marian devotion for Roman Catholics throughout the world. Established in 1927 on the grounds of Saint Vincent’s Seminary in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the Shrine, and the Romanesque church that houses it were elevated to a Minor Basilica by the Vatican in 2023.

Visitors come to the Basilica Shrine daily for Holy Mass, solemn prayer and meditation, and pilgrimage to God and the Blessed Virgin Mary, while beholding its breathtaking artwork, sculptures, stained glass, altars and architecture. The Basilica Shrine is also home to the Perpetual Novena, a prayer of devotion to Our Lady recited in person and livestreamed on Facebook and Instagram every Monday.

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---- 2023 Speaker Announcement ----

The 15th Annual Archdiocesan Catholic Men's Conference will be held on Saturday March 4, 2023, on the campus of Cardinal O'Hara in Springfield, PA at the St John Vianney Hall Theater. We have a number of first-time speakers to celebrate our 15th event!

We welcome for the first time:

- His Eminence, **Timothy Cardinal Dolan** Archbishop of New York - Cardinal Dolan is a writer and is often heard on the Catholic Channel in his Conversations with Cardinal Dolan Podcast series.

- **Deacon James Mahoney** - Permanent Deacon of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia assigned to St. Athanasius Parish. Deacon James is currently employed at the Associate Director of the Shrine of the Miraculous Medal and an instructor in Homiletics for the Permanent Diaconate Program.

- **Jim Wahlberg - Producer, Writer, and Film Director** - Jim is the fifth oldest Wahlberg. Like his brothers Donnie and Mark, Jim recovered from his tough upbringing in the streets of Dorchester to become a producer, writer, and director of films. His recently published autobiography, *The Big Hustle*, tells how in prison he was befriended by a priest-chaplain, Fr. Jim Fratus, who had a major impact on his life,

We welcome back acclaimed Irish tenor, **Mark Forrest**, who will again provide inspirational accompaniment during a special Eucharistic Adoration.

From the Editor's Desk

Remember that this is your newsletter. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any ideas, complaints, and/or suggestions for upcoming issues.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally yours,

Brother Jack Eagan

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