



THE RAYS OF MARY



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

January 2023 www.koc4052.org



GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE:

My Brother Knights:

Welcome to January 2023. Happy New Years to you and your families.

As we begin the second half of our Fraternal year, I want to thank you for your ongoing support and share with you some of our upcoming events.

Once again, we will be having a March for Life bus trip to Washington DC on January 20th and a 5th Sunday Rosary on January 29th. Our annual Lenten Food drive starts on February 22nd, and the St. Patty's Day party on March 11th. Also in march will be our Lenten Fish Fry on March 31st.

I hope that you will come out to support and help make these events a success.

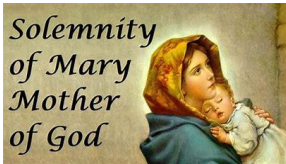
In closing I would like to congratulate and welcome our newest brother knights to our council: Brother Ned Das and Brother James Wilzynski.

Vivat Jesus!

Richard Gathercole

Grand Knight

Regina Mundi Council #4052



CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE:



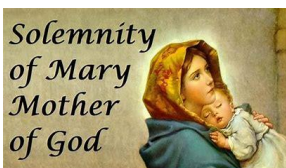
While we know that accidents happen at times, the liturgical calendar is not accidental in any respect. While January 1 marks the new calendar year, so it concludes the Octave of Christmas. Like Easter, Christmas is celebrated for eight days. There is no accident that we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God, on January 1. Jesus could not have been conceived in Mary's womb by the Holy Spirit without her "Yes" at the Annunciation. God so desired that He be flesh and blood in Jesus that only a sinless woman could have the privilege of conceiving and birthing Him. While Mary totally lacked sinfulness, we cannot lose sight of her humanness in every other respect. Mary was shaken and initially confused by Gabriel's message at the Annunciation, and trusted in God's will and allowed God's will to happen for our salvation. As her title "Our Lady of Sorrows" indicates, Mary experienced sorrows, beginning with the Presentation in the Temple (February 2) when Jesus was 40 days old, up to and including His death on the Cross. Mary's role as Jesus' mother was but the starting point for her significant role in Jesus' life, and in the Church's life. As Jesus gifted Mary to the Church in the person of John the apostle on Good Friday, she is our spiritual mother.

While you, brothers, and I can never relate to the Blessed Mother's sinlessness, can we not sin "less"? Can we not imitate her trust in God and her taking to heart the truth that with God nothing is impossible? Such imitation cannot be an accident.

Vivat Jesus!

Father Mike Davis

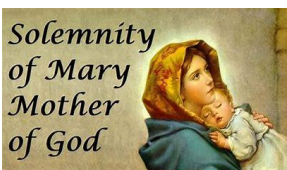
Chaplain, Regina Mundi Council #4052





Mary's Discipleship and Ours

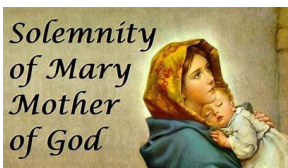
As the new year begins with the solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, we are reminded of our own calling to Christian discipleship. Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori of Baltimore, in this past Columbia column, notes: “Our Blessed Mother seeks, above all, to instill in us essential characteristics of the Christian life, characteristics that she embodies and exemplifies — namely, openness to God’s love, faithful discipleship and spiritual fruitfulness.”

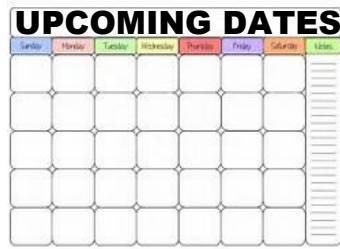


REGINA MUNDI OFFICERS

2022/2023

Grand Knight	-	Richard Gathercole
Deputy Grand Knight	-	Steve Jackson
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Lecturer	-	Stephen J. Clark
Advocate	-	John J. Kelly
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Outside Guards	-	Jim Brennan
	-	George M. Altmeier
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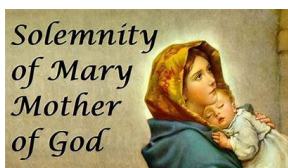




January 01	Solemnity of Mary Mother of God	
January 01	New Year's Day	
January 04	ST. John Neumann Officers Mtg	7:30 PM - Regina Mundi Council Hall
January 05	ST. John Neumann Feast Day	
January 05	Regina Mundi Council Meeting	7:30 PM – Council Hall
January 08	The Epiphany of the Lord	
January 08	St. John Neumann Mass	3:30 PM – St John Neumann Shrine
January 12	Degree of Charity, Unity, & Fraternity?	7:30 PM – Council Hall or Parish Hall
January 15	Martin Luther King Day	
January 18	St. John Neumann Assembly Conclave	7:30 PM - TBD
January 19	Regina Mundi Social	7:30 PM – Council Hall
January 20	March for Life Bus Trip	6:30 AM – Assumption BVM
January 26	Regina Mundi Officer's Meeting	7:30 PM – Council Hall
January 29	Fifth Sunday Rosary	12:00 PM – Assumption BVM
February 01	St. John Neumann Officers MTG	7:30 PM – Pope Pius XII
February 02	Regina Mundi Council Meeting	7:30 PM - Council Hall



Noel R San Juan	01/05	Charles J Bean	01/09	Joseph J Matusek	01/09
Patrick J Rafferty, Sr.	01/12	Arthur E Geist	01/16	Richard M Hepting	01/16
Edwin F Fitzpatrick	01/16	Anthony C Ruger	01/18	Michael J Mc Monagle	01/18
Paul De Pompeo	01/24	James G Murphy	01/31		

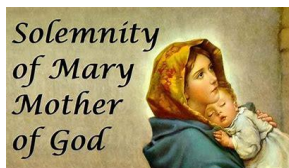


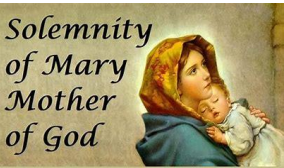
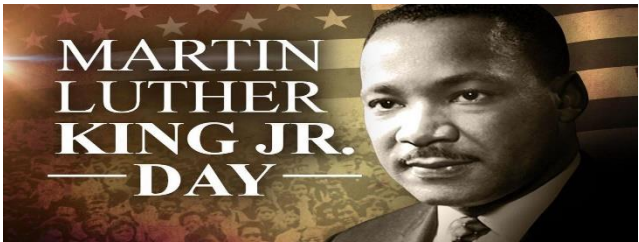
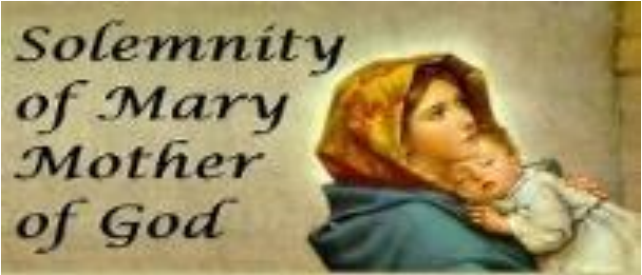


January 2023



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1  	2	3	4 St John Neumann Assembly Officer's Meeting	5  Regina Mundi Council Meeting	6	7
8 	9 Regina Mundi Officer's Dinner	10	11	12	13	14
15 	16	17	18 St John Neumann Conclave	19 Regina Mundi Social Meeting	20	21
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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:

Barbara May, Alex Barnesky, Tom Hurly, Jane Longo, Steve Cook, Joseph Falzone, Nick Marcantonio, 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 January 1st 12:00 PM

No Baptisms

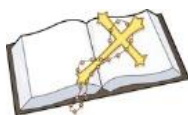
Sunday January 15th 12:00 PM

3 Baptisms – Chris Dern

There may be additional assignments.

Volunteers are always needed for Baptisms!

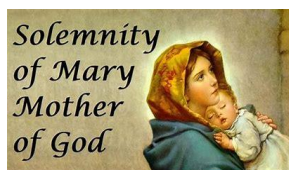
Baptisms are on the first and third Sundays of each month after the 11:00 AM Mass.



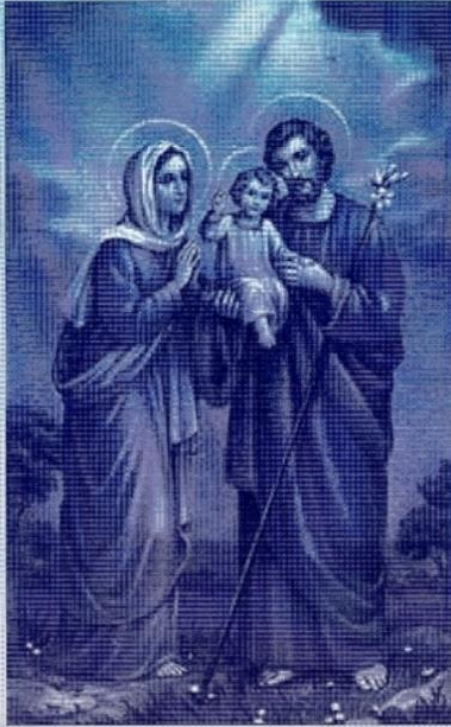
Words to Live By

The Birth of Christ is Manifestation of God’s Unending Love for Humanity

To express His love for all humanity, God takes on our human nature by being born of a woman, Mary. As she is the Mother of Jesus, we honor Mary as our Spiritual Mother, the Mother of all God’s adopted sons and daughters. Through the Son’s Spirit sent by God, Christ dwells in our hearts and we can’t help but share this Good News, as the shepherds did, by praising and glorifying God in our lives.



PRAY THE ROSARY FOR THE DOMESTIC CHURCH



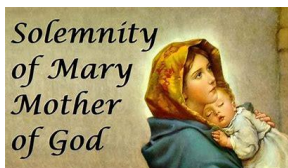
Starting June 24, 2018 join us to pray the rosary to help build the Domestic Church. The Domestic Church is the family, the smallest body of gathered believers in Christ.

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

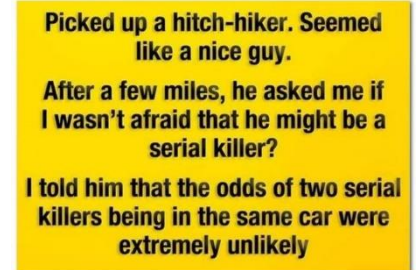
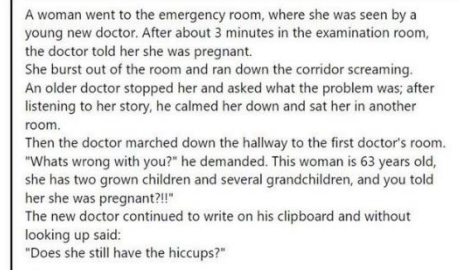
We of the Regina Mundi Council have promised to lead the Rosary on the 5th Sunday of the Month.

Please make an effort to join us.

THE NEXT 5TH SUNDAY IS JANUARY 29, 2023



JUST FOR LAUGHS



ATTORNEY: Doctor, how many of your autopsies have you performed on dead people?

WITNESS: All of them. The live ones put up too much of a fight.

ATTORNEY: Doctor, before you performed the autopsy, did you check for a pulse?

WITNESS: No.

ATTORNEY: Did you check for blood pressure?

WITNESS: No.

ATTORNEY: Did you check for breathing?

WITNESS: No..

ATTORNEY: So, then it is possible that the patient was alive when you began the autopsy?

WITNESS: No.

ATTORNEY: How can you be so sure, Doctor?

WITNESS: Because his brain was sitting on my desk in a jar.

ATTORNEY: I see, but could the patient have still been alive, nevertheless?

WITNESS: Yes, it is possible that he could have been alive and practicing law

ATTORNEY: She had three children, right?

WITNESS: Yes.

ATTORNEY: How many were boys?

WITNESS: None.

ATTORNEY: Were there any girls?

WITNESS: Your Honor, I think I need a different attorney. Can I get a new attorney?



Rose for Life

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

WE NEED MORE

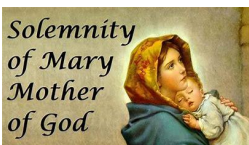
Baptism are scheduled for the first and third Sundays of the month after the 11:00 AM Mass. It only takes about 15 minutes to hand out a Rosary and a Rose for each child Baptised. Some months there aren't any Baptisms and sometimes only one.

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





Knight of the Month

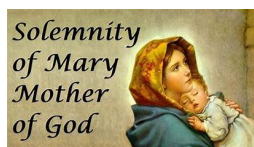


Grand Knight Richard Gathercole with
December 2022 winner Richard Spencer



Grand Knight Richard Gathercole with
January 2023 winner Fred May

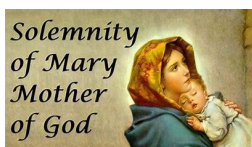
Please congratulate these brother Knights when you see them.





Annual Christmas Social

On December 15th, Regina Mundi held its annual Christmas Social.
Everybody had a good time



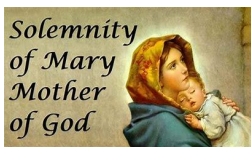


The Degree of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity



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 the date is Thursday, January 12th.





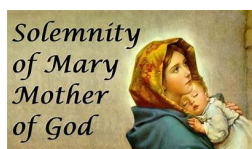
PLEASE NOTE



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



Supreme Knight Urges Participation in March for Life



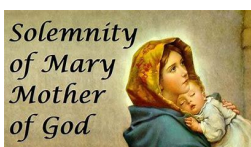
Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly invites Knights of Columbus and their families to join him at the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C., on Friday, Jan. 20, 2023 — not only to celebrate the reversal of *Roe v. Wade*, but also to send a clear pro-life message to lawmakers and resist efforts to codify legal abortion in federal law. The supreme knight also encourages Knights across the United States to support and participate in pro-life events at the state level: "Every Knight has a part to play, and every council should get involved."

There will be a bus leaving from Assumption BVM parking lot to go to the March in Washington DC. on January 20th. The Bus will leave at approximately 7:15 AM.

Father Mike will say Mass at 6:30 AM prior to the Bus leaving.

The trip includes box lunches to be served on the way back. There are choices for the box Lunches (different sandwiches). The last day to order box lunches is January 12th.

It interested, please contact brother Steve Jackson at sjjackson76@aol.com





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

The January Conclave will be on January 18th at either:
Our Lady of Grace in Penndel or St. Christopher's in Philadelphia

An E-Mail will be sent out prior to the meeting

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

Our Lady of Grace
225 Bellevue Ave.
Penndel PA 19047

Mary Queen of Angels
11301 Academy Road
Philadelphia, PA 19154

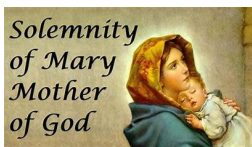
St. John the Evangelist
752 Big Oak Road.
Morrisville PA

Regina Coeli Council
9617 James Street
.Philadelphia, PA 19114

St. Christopher's Council
13301 Proctor Road
Philadelphia, PA 19116

Regina Mundi Council
1900 Meadowbrook Rd.
Feasterville, PA 19053

Our Lady of Calvary
11024 Knights Rd
Philadelphia, PA 19154



COLOR CORPS/HONOR GUARD

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Archdiocesan Co-Ordinator
NickPGk61@yahoo.com

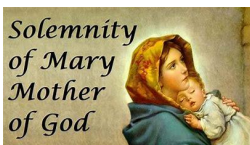
Robert Thompson
Assembly Color Corps Commander
rthombowl52@gmail.com

Please let Nick or Robert know if you can help.




On December 8th, the St. John Neumann Color Guard; represented by Bob Thompson, Fred May, and John Carroll, was among the 15 Knights of Columbus who were in attendance at the ground braking of the new St. Charles Boromeo Seminary on the campus of Gwynedd Mercy University.

There is a call-out for the Color Guard at the ST. John Neumann Shrine on January 8th for Feast Day Mass.
Report time is 3:30 PM




Save the Date !
 Coming to Philadelphia
 Our Lady of Calvary, 11024 Knights Road, Philadelphia



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

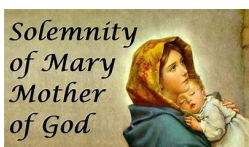
FOR ALL CATHOLIC MEN

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

For more information:
Contact Brother Michael Ciampoli at mikeciampoli@gmail.com





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

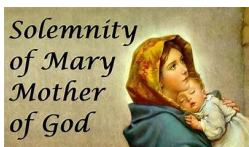
Dress Code

- * 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

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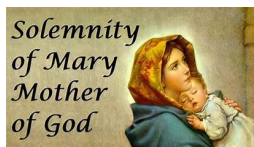
John Brown

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

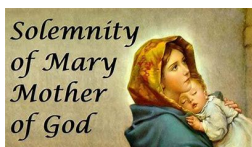
May 24th

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

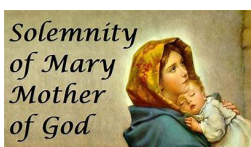
prayersunitetheworld.org

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

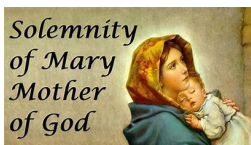
MICHAEL Mc GIVNEY

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New Haven, CT 06510-3326
www.fathermcgivney.org



15th Anniversary of Man Up Philly!



Saturday March 4, 2023

Location: Campus of Cardinal O'Hara, 1701 S. Sproul Road, Springfield, PA 19064 at the St John Vianney Hall Theater.

Join us for this special experience and stand with your Brothers as true Men of God.

It's 2023 - Bring 3 friends

Archbishop Perez challenged all of us to use this next year to find three 3 people in our lives and invite them to join us. That's the challenge...for each of us to share why we go to Man Up Philly with three friends.

Registration fee includes: access to the conference and a box lunch.

Tickets

- **Early Bird Registration**

\$40.00+\$2.99 Fee

Select quantity: Early Bird Registration price: \$40.00

Sales end on Dec 28, 2023 Saturday March 4, 2023

- **Normal Registration**

\$60.00+\$3.69 Fee

Sales start on Dec 28, 2022

- **STUDENT Registration**

\$25.00+\$2.47 Fee

Sales start on Dec 28, 2022

This ticket is for all students: Middle School, High School, & University age

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Man Up Ministries
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Chester, PA 19103



---- 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



I hope everyone had a Safe and Happy new Year!

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,

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