

THE RAYS OF MARY



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

Summer 2022 www.koc4052.org





GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE:

Brother Knights

Welcome to June 2022

We are now at the half way point in this year 2022, Summer is now here as we all are planning how we are going to plan our summer months as before we know it December is right around the corner.

This Newsletter will be my last as Grand Knight for the Regina Mundi Council as I will pass on my Gravel to the next Grand Knight to lead the Council forward for the next two years.

It has been my Pleasure and Honor to Serve the membership for the past two years in which I could not have been able to do it without the support from my Council Officers and also the membership as we do have a very Unique and Active Council.

My 1st year was plagued dealing with the Covid Pandemic, as we were restricted from having Regular meetings, among the other restrictions placed upon all of us for social gatherings, and my 2nd year things got better, as we were able to resume council meetings and also resume Fund Raisers such as the Fish Fry and Pancake Breakfast.

I urge all members to stay active with the Knights of Columbus Regina Mundi Council as we need all the Knights to help out with upcoming events and programs.

Continue to keep God centered in your Daily Life's and practice regular Prayer to the Lord and the Blessed Mother to Help end this Pandemic and its related Variants and also the unrest within our Country and the World, especially the conflict in the Ukraine.

Please Pray for all the sick and provide protection for our Police, Fire, First Responders, Doctor's Nurses and our Military that they stay Safe and Healthy.

Wishing all of our Brother Knights and their Families a Wonderful rest of the Year.

Thank You again for entrusting me to serve as Grand Knight of the Regina Mundi Council# 4052

Vivat Jesus

Anthony Porretta Grand Knight Regina Mundi Council# 4052



CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE:

Brother Knights and brothers in Christ,

Jesus' words in the Gospel for the Sixth Sunday of Easter, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you", are still on my mind as I write this little article. How many individuals may claim to have peace?

Do you have peace?

As the senseless war in Ukraine continues, with its killing of the innocent and especially children and with the continuous plague of death because of readily available guns, we may conclude that peace is sorely absent.

As men of faith, do we sensibly disregard Jesus' words? I confidently think you and I say "No" to that question. As providers, we men may experience undue pressure to think we have to 'make" peace.

Peace is a divine gift, and one of the twelve Fruits of the Holy Spirit, which is readily defined as "Completeness and harmony in every dimension of life", that is, the notion of "Shalom," as understood by our Jewish brothers and sisters. I am moved by the truth that Jesus' gift of peace is not that of the world. His peace is always readily available, especially in the face of conflicts, hatred, and any situation which suggests that peace is sorely lacking.

While we are not tasked with "making" peace, we well contribute to the divine gift by forgiving offenders, receiving the Sacraments of Reconciliation (remember: "Your sins are forgiven; now go in peace") and the Holy Eucharist, and by remembering Jesus has redeemed us for heaven, and calls us to be faithful disciples whose lived faith leads others to know peace.

Vivat Jesus!
Father Mike Davis
Worthy Chaplain





A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION IN TIME OF PANDEMIC



The ancient fresco of Madonna del Soccorso (Our Lady of Help) in St. Peter's Basilica was restored with the support of the Knights of Columbus to mark the Year of Faith (2012-2013). Photo courtesy of Fabbrica di San Pietro/M. Falcioni.

O Mary, you always brighten our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain while remaining steadfast in faith. O loving Mother, you know what we need, and we are confident you will provide for us as at Cana in Galilee. Intercede for us with your Son Jesus, the Divine Physician, for those who have fallen ill, for those who are vulnerable, and for those who have died. Intercede also for those charged with protecting the health and safety of others and for those who are tending to the sick and seeking a cure. Help us, O Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who took upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows,

Under thy protection we seek refuge, O Holy Mother of God. In our needs, despise not our petitions, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

so as to lead us, through the Cross, to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

Adapted from the prayer of Pope Francis

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IT'S NOT OVER, PLEASE BE CAREFUL!





REGINA MUNDI OFFICERS

2021-2022

Richard Gathercole

2022-2023

Deputy Grand Knight - Richard Gathercole Steve Jackson

Anthony M. Porretta, PFN

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Two Year Trustee - Richard F. Spencer, PGK Daniel Owarzani, PFK

Three Year Trustee - Daniel Owarzani, PFK Anthony M. Porretta, PGK, PFN



Grand Knight

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Wednesday	June 1 st	St. John Neumann Ass. Officer's meeting		7:30 PM - TBD
Thursday	June 2 nd	Regina Mundi Council Meeting	- '	7:30 PM - Council Hall
Saturday	June 4th	Philadelphia Chapter at Clementon Park	- ,	All Day
Sunday	June 5 th	Pentecost Sunday	- /	All Day
Monday	June 6 th	78 th Anniversary of D Day		All Day
Sunday	June 12th	Council Picnic	- 1	2:30PM to 4:00PM – Council Hall
Tuesday	June 14 th	Flag Day	- /	All Day
Wednesday	y June 15 th	St. John Neumann Ass. Conclave	- 7	7:30 PM – St John the Evangelist
Thursday	June 16 th	Regina Mundi Social Meeting	- 3	7:30 PM - Council Hall
Sunday	June 19 th	Father's Day	- 1	All Day
Friday	June 24th	Philadelphia Chapter Meeting	- 7	7:30 PM - Core Mariae #4100 Council
Thursday	June 30 th	Regina Mundi Officer's Meeting	- 1	7:30 PM - Council Hall
Monday	July 4 th	4th of July – Independence Day	- /	All Day
Monday	Aug 15 th	Assumption of Mary (Holy Day of Obliga	tion)

No Council meetings in July or August



Nicholas J. Marcantonio, JR.	06/03	George I. Agbugui	06/07	Rev. Michael S. Olivere	06/08
Raymond L. Burkett	06/12	Robert Lucas	06/12	Edward M. Shannon	06/14
Robert W. Watson, SR	06/18	Richard M. Wehlau	06/20	Kevin J. Diabelko	06/27



George Benson, JR	07/05	Kenneth J. Van Dyke	07/07	Rudolph P. Muller, JR.	07/08
William F. Thompson	07/12	Stephen J. Jackson	07/16	Barry L. Szamboti	07/17
Michael Schaffner	07/17	James J. Tepper	07/20	Allen W. Toadvine	07/22
Erminio Di Bacco	07/26	Gregory Hoyt	07/26		



John F. Carroll	08/10	Kevin F. Thorton	08/11	Bernard T. Rafferty	08/12
Philip M. Schneyman	08/13	Christopher Cullen	08/14	Brandon M. Schmidt	08/14
		Robert W. Thommer, Sr	08/24		







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Fathers by Alicia Anderson

Father's are the strength of the family, To bond us and hold us together.

Always there to mediate the household, A determined mentor we look to lead altogether.

He's the bodyguard that protects us, And gives us comfort from all harm.

He constantly offers compassion, Always offering up his arm.

To stand behind us endlessly, Though at times in darkness we tend to fall.

He's always their to guide us to the light, For us to follow from his call.

With years to come, day by day, We grow from the nest we grew.

In hopes to become something great, For I hope to someday be like you.

A Father's love is never ending, Always there with a heart pure of gold.

I love you Dad forever, I know you'll always be my stronghold.



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 & Barbara May, Steve Cook, Nick Marcantonio, John Carroll, Terri Sauter, Pat Corey and all members of Regina Mundi and their families.

May God Bless them and watch over them!

Vivat Jesus!

Anthony M. Porretta

Grand Knight - Regina Mundi Council



Upcoming Known Scheduled Baptisms:
Sunday June 5th 12:00 PM
none scheduled
Sunday May 19th 12:00 PM none scheduled

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. Baptisms take less 15 minutes. At the present time, there are 5 members doing the Rose for Life. If interested in helping, please contact:

Brother Jack Eagan 267-449-8077 or

irishrover13@comcast.net



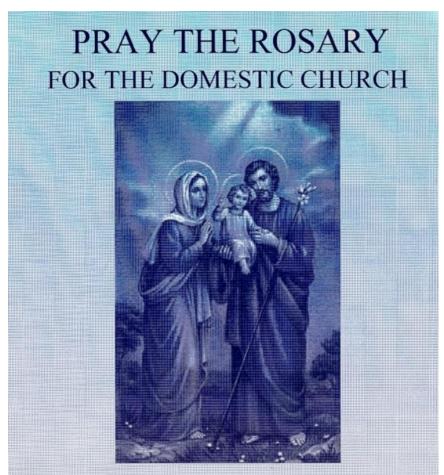
Words to Live By

The seed of faith is in our hearts, and grace helps it to bear fruit.

Jesus speaks His Word to the crowds in parables because that is how they were able to understand it. Today, He uses agrarian images. Although farming is dependent on many variables the farmers has no control over, the seed of faith planted in our hearts is totally in our control. Will we take the time to weed? Will we take the time to water?







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 JULY 31, 2022





JUST FOR LAUGHS



"Some of the biggest cases of mistaken identity are among intellectuals who have trouble remembering that they are not God." This woman is accused of attacking her husband with several of his guitars.
The judge asked 'First offender?'
She replied, "No, first a Gibson, second a Fender



Have you ever looked at someone and thought...
That person needs some slap therapy.

You know you're in trouble when the little voices in your head start a chat group.



A patient cured is a customer lost.

FIRST DAY OF MED SCHOOL

Felt
uncomfortable
driving into the
cemetery. The
gps blurted out
you have reached
your final
destination.





My Kid: I feel like you're always making up rules and stuff.

Me: Like what?

My Kid: Like if I don't clean my room a portal will open and take me to another dimension.

Me: Well that's what happened to your older brother.

My Kid: What older brother?

Me: Exactly.







JUST FOR LAUGHS

(Extra because there won't be any for July and August)



WARNING When you drink Vodka over ice, it can give you kidney failure. When you drink Rum over ice, it can give you liver failure. When you drink Whisky over ice, it can give you heart problems. When you drink Gin over ice, it can give you brain problems. When you drink Gin over ice, it can give you brain problems. When you drink Gin over ice, it can give you brain problems. When you drink Gin over ice, it can give you brain problems. When you drink Whisky over ice, it can give you heart problems.



















In Ancient Rome there
were 4 types of
poison.
Poison I, II, III, would
all kill you with
varying degrees of
pain. However poison
IV would make you
really itchy.

I went down to the paint store to get thinner. It didn't work. if you ever get an email about pork, ham, salt, and preservatives, don't open it. it's spam





















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





FOOD FOR THOUGHT

"If you work on something a little bit every day, you end up with something that is massive."

Kenneth Goldsmith

"Twenty years from now you'll be more disappointed by the things you did not do than by the ones you did."

Mark Twain

"Motivation may be what starts you off, but it's habit that keeps you going back for more." Miya Yamanouchi

"The best way to appreciate your job is to imagine yourself without one."
Oscar Wilde

"Happiness is not something ready-made. It comes from your own actions."

Dalai Lama XIV

"A dream doesn't become reality through magic; it takes sweat, determination and hard work."

Colin Powell

"Believe in yourself, take on your challenges, dig deep within yourself to conquer fears. Never let anyone bring you down. You gotta keep going."

Chantal Sutherland

"Change is painful, but nothing is as painful as staying stuck somewhere you don't belong." Mandy Hale

"When you feel like giving up just remember that there are a lot of people you still have to prove wrong".

Unknown

"Never allow a person to tell you no who doesn't have the power to say yes." Eleanor Roosevelt

"If you think you're too small to make a difference, try sleeping with a mosquito." Dalai Lama





Spring is almost here and its time for our new incentive!



Recruit a new member for a chance to win \$500!

For each new member a proposer will get one ticket entered in the drawing. Recruit 2 new members and you get 2 tickets, 5 new members and you get 5 tickets. The more you recruit the better your chances to win the \$500 prize.

SPRING FLING will run from the first day of Spring, March 20th, to the last day of Spring, June 20th.

Drawing will be held on June 25th at the State Officers meeting.







Council Picnic

Our annual Council Picnic will be on Sunday June12th.

The council will be providing hamburgers, All Beef Hot Dogs, 'fixins', Water, paper products, and utensils.

We are asking Families to bring their own Beverages, Lawn Chairs, picnic games, etc. We are also asking everyone to RSVP If you are attending and how many family members are attending as well.

PLEASE RSVP TO:

Jim Brennan <u>jimandlindabrennan@gmail.com</u> 215-266-1741

or

George Benson gbremo_deling@gmail.com 215-630-0182







KNIGHTS AT THE THUNDER

On August 7th, the Knights of Regina Mundi Council will be sponsoring our annual Baseball outing to see the Trenton Thunder play the Williamsport Crosscutters.

Join us for an evening of baseball and fun
For more information contact Jack Kelly at 215-264-4487
or jackhimself@comcast.net

The Tickets are \$11.00
Parking is \$5.00
The Time is 7:00 PM
The Place is Arm \$ Hammer Park
1 Thunder Road, Trenton, NJ 08611





SAINT JOHN NEUMANN ASSEMBLY

Assembly Officers

2021-2022

Faithful Navigator Michael Ciampoli Faithful Friar Rev. Michael J. Davis Faithful Captain Frederick May, PGK Faithful Admiral Anthony M. Porretta, PFN Faithful Purser Raymond F Forish, PFN Faithful Comptroller Albert Scheck, PFN Faithful Pilot **Edward Kligge** Faithful Scribe **Bob Thompson** Faithful Inside Sentinel Richard Gathercole Robert P Miller Faithful Outside Sentinel Faithful 3-yr Trustee Mike Selinsky, PGK Faithful 2-yr Trustee John Carroll, PFN Faithful 1-yr Trustee **Gregory Baraniecki**

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

St Charles Borromeo Council Regina Mundi Council 1193 Gravel Pike Bensalem, PA 19020

1900 Meadowbrook Rd. Feasterville, PA 19053

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





COLOR CORPS

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

Robert Thompson is the Assembly Color Corps Commander rthombowl52@gmail.com
Please let Nick or Robert know if you can help.

SK John Carroll and SK Bob Thompson represented the St. John Neumann Color Guard for the Ordination of Deacons at the cathedral on Saturday, May 14th.

HONOR / CHALICE GUARD

No reported activity





PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER

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2020-2021

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Dan Donovan

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Ray Hill

Hassell Mitchell

Nick Marcantonio

Mickey Kelly

Anthony Porretta

Mike Selensky

Don Wells





Chapter Meeting Dates

All meetings are at Roman Catholic High School unless otherwise notified.

All meetings are at 7:30 PM unless otherwise notified Meetings are in the second floor Library. An elevator is available. Some meetings are virtual.

Friday, January 28, 2022 Friday, February 25, 2022 Friday, March 25, 2022 Friday, April 22, 2022

Friday, May 22, 2022 (Virtual) Friday, June 24, 2022 – Chapter Elections

The June meeting will be at Core Mariae #4100 Council, 6218 Ridge Ave. Phila, PA

The Philadelphia Chapter is comprised of the following Councils:

Santa Maria #263 Charles Carroll #1364 Our Lady of Lourdes #4546

Madonna #3932 San Salvador #283 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 San Rafael #7125 Regina Mundi #4052

La Rabida #1191 St. Benedict de Moor #8252 Core Mariae #4100 St. Jude #4273 Mary Queen of Angels #12384 Holmesburg #1284

St. Leo 's #1294 St. Charles Borromeo #4279 Pokrova #12561





St. Helena's #15687



Prayers Unite the World

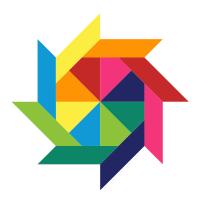
prayersunitetheworld.org

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 McGIVNEY

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 intersession, 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.or







THE PERMANENT DIACONATE VOCATIONS AND MINISTRY PROGRAM FUND







THE PERMANENT DIACONATE VOCATIONS AND MINISTRY PROGRAM FUND was created to provide resources to build and support the Diaconate in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, from ministry and vocation awareness to continuing formation of Deacons.

Your contribution to this Fund will help secure a vibrant community of Permanent Deacons for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Contributions are made through The Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia.

Donations can be sent to:

Deacon Fund

c/o The Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia

100 North 20th Street, Suite 301

Philadelphia, PA 19403

Please make checks payable to THE CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF GREATER PHILADELPHIA with DEACON FUND noted on the memo line.

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QUESTIONS?

Deacon Jack Hasson 215-587-5650 | jhasson@catholicfoundationphila.org

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT! Investing in the Deacon Fund will provide the funds to support the charitable works and services provided by the Permanent Diaconate to the people and Church in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.



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From the Editor's Desk

This is the last issue of the Rays of Mary for 2021/2022 Fraternal year.

The next issue will be in September, the first issue of the 2022/2023 Fraternal year

I wish everyone a safe and happy summer.

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 Editor, Rays of Mary 267-449-8077 irishrover13@comcast.net

