

## THE RAYS OF MARY



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

May 2022 www.koc4052.org





#### **GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE:**

**Brother Knights:** 

Welcome to May 2022

Well, we are almost at the half way point into 2022, as this year is moving right along and summer is almost here.

Our recent Fish Fry Event went off very well, as is feels good to get back into our Fund Raisers, and have the help and support of our Brother Knights and families.

Our next Fund Raiser is our Pancake Breakfast that will be coming up this month. Please watch for the announcements that will be coming out shortly.

The Food Drive went very well, and we Thank all that Donated and helped out.

Thanks to everyone that came out for **PGK Rich Spencer's** Testimonial Dinner to Honor him for his 2- years of service to the Regina Mundi Council.

We will be having Council Officer Nominations and Elections next month at our June Meeting, and if you feel that you would want to be part of the Council for a Officers position, please feel free to step up and put in your name for a position and or mention a member that you would feel would be best suited for a position.

Remember that this is a T.E.A.M. effort, <u>Together Everyone Achieves More</u>

Please continue to Pray for the state of affairs in Ukraine as they need all the Prayers that they get to help end the Violence.

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

Please pray for all the Sick and Provide protection for our Police, Fire, First Responders, Doctors, Nurses, and our Military that they stay Safe and Healthy.

Wishing all of our Brother Knights and their Families a Wonderful May 2022

Vivat Jesus

**Anthony Porretta** 

**Grand Knight** 

Regine Mundi Council# 4052

#### CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE:



Brothers,

Our world is a scary place, especially for our brothers and sisters in war-torn Ukraine and all who have fled to other places with few necessities and many uncertainties. Locally, our brothers and sisters who live in violence-ridden neighborhoods live with fear on a daily basis. Each of us can feel scared at times for several reasons, and war, rampant violence and our feeling scared do not add up to "peace".

The Biblical understanding of "peace" includes wholeness, total health, total welfare, and covers the sum total of God's blessings to a person who belongs to the covenant community. Each covenant between God and His people in the Old Testament essentially identified God as a generous provider to His people, as the people were called to be love Him and their neighbor as their part of the agreement. Jesus is the priest and victim in the New Covenant, in which we are blessed to be included in this agreement. God wants His people to experience peace, and enables us to live in His image and likeness.

Our daily choices to treat each person with justice paves the way to "peace". A favorite title for Our Blessed Mother, "Queen of Peace" since the early 16<sup>th</sup> century, came to my mind as I had thought about this message. At various times in history, peace was strongly desired due to war and conflicts. In recent times, in the apparitions of Our Lady at Medjugorie, Mary assumes the title "Queen of Peace". We can be confident Mary will help Jesus to return the world to God. With confidence, we live justly, and turn to our Mother Mary, as we know "nothing will be impossible with God." (Luke 1:37).

Vivat Jesus!

Father Mike Davis





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

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.

Adapted from the prayer of Pope Francis



## IT'S NOT OVER, PLEASE BE CAREFUL!





#### **REGINA MUNDI OFFICERS**

2021-2022

Grand Knight - Anthony M. Porretta, PFN

Deputy Grand Knight - Richard Gathercole

Chaplain - Rev. Michael Davis

Chancellor - Michael H Arment PGK, PFN

Recorder - James Bortz

Financial Secretary - Gregory Baraniecki

Treasurer - Robert Miller

Warden - vacant

Lecturer - Stephen J. Clark

Advocate - John J. Kelly

Inside Guard - Bernard T. Rafferty

Outside Guards - George Benson Jr.

- George M. Altmeier

One Year Trustee - James Peters

Two Year Trustee - Richard F. Spencer, PGK

Three Year Trustee - Daniel Owarzani, PFK



## Missing Knights

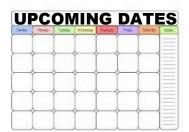


#### **Brother Knights:**

Since some of the Covid-19 restrictions are easing up and we are holding our meetings in the Council hall, this would be a good time to reintroduce yourself to the other members of the Council. Why not come out and help us plan our future.







Wednesday May 4th - St. John Neumann Assembly Officers Mtg. - 7:30 PM - TBD

Thursday May 5<sup>th -</sup> Regina Mundi Council Meeting - 7:30 PM - Council Hall

Thursday May 5<sup>th</sup> - Cinco de Mayo

Saturday May 7th - Testimonial Dinner for PGK Rich Spencer - 6:30 PM - Assumption BVM Church Hall

Sunday May 8<sup>th</sup> - Mother's Day

Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup> - May Crowning - 9:45AM after Mass – in the Grotto

Wednesday May 18<sup>th</sup> - St. John Neumann Assembly conclave. - 7:30 PM - TBD

Thursday May 19th Regina Mundi Social Meeting - 7:30 PM - Council Hall

Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup> - Pancake breakfast - 8:00 AM - Assumption BVM Church Hall

Thursday May 26th Regina Mundi Officer's Meeting - 7:30 PM - Council Hall

Thursday May 26th - Ascension Thursday (Holy Day of Obligation)

Friday May 27<sup>th</sup> - Philadelphia Chapter Meeting - 7:30 PM - Virtual

Sunday May 29<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Mass and Rosary - 11:00 AM Assumption BVM Church

Monday May 30<sup>th</sup> - Memorial Day

Nominations for next year's council officers were held at the May council meeting

Elections for next year's council officers will be held at the June council meeting



Ernest M. Doerner 05/07 Steven Cook 05/10 Michael J. Cerruti, Jr. 05/15

Michael W. Park 05/17 Kevin C. Flood 05/19 Daniel Owarzani 05/22

Rev. John Ambrose 05/27













# Heavenly Father,

on this Memorial Day, we pray for those who courageously laid down their lives for the cause of freedom. May the example of their sacrifice inspire in us the selfless love of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Bless the families of our fallen troops, and fill their homes and their lives with your strength and peace. We pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.



## Happy Mothers Day

A Mother gives her children stepping stones to the stars, Her love is unconditional her heart has no bars.

A Mothers teaches her children to be confident and bold, Her special love to her children is more valuable than silver or gold.

A Mother picks up her children and wipes away life's tears, She chases away monsters in the night and silences their fears.

A Mother celebrates her children's accomplishments in life, She hurts and cries with them when life brings times of strife.

A Mother shares her love freely with her tender loving way, She grows more beautiful to her children with each passing day.

A Mother is one of God's greatest gifts to you and me, Her love will remain locked in our heart and soul for all eternity.



#### **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 the quick recovery and Blessing for: Fred May, 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 May 8th 12:00 PM – Chris Dern
(Baby Boy)

Sunday May 15th 12:00 PM - Chris Dern
(4yr old boy, 2yr old girl, 6 mo old girl)

There may be additional assignments.

#### Volunteers are always needed for Baptisms!

Baptisms are on the first and third Sundays are each month after the 11:00 Mass. The Baptisms take less 15 minutes. At the present time, there are four 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**

#### Following Jesus asks much of us but offers the eternal love of the Father in return.

To truly stay united to Jesus, we need grounding in two essential elements. First, by taking on the mind of Christ and adhering to what the Church proclaims. Second, by living in accord with the moral teaching of the Church. Following Jesus asks much of us, but it offers us the eternal love of the Father in return.





# Knights of Columbus Lenten Food Drive. Collected 1151 pounds. Thank You!







Netted \$1022.00 in profit

Thank You!





## MAY – MARY'S MONTH

For centuries, the Catholic Church has set aside the entire month of Mary to honor Mary, Mother of God. Not just a day in May, mind you, but the entire month.

The custom spans both centuries and cultures, with roots going back as far as the Ancient Greeks. In early Greece, May was dedicated to Artemis, the goddess

In Ancient Rome, May was dedicated to Flora, the goddess of blooms, or blossoms. They celebrated *ludi florals*, or floral games, at the end of April and asked the intercession of Flora for all that blooms.

In medieval times, similar customs abounded, all centering around the practice of expelling winter, as May 1st was considered the start of new growth. During this

period, the tradition of *Tricesimum*, or "Thirty-Day Devotion to Mary," came into being. Also called, "Lady Month," the event was held from August 15-September 14 and is still observed in some areas.

The idea of a month dedicated specifically to Mary can be traced back to baroque times. Although it wasn't always held during May, Mary Month included thirty daily spiritual exercises honoring Mary.

It was in this era that Mary's Month and May were combined, making May the Month of Mary with special devotions organized on each day throughout the month.

This custom became especially widespread during the nineteenth century and remains in practice until today.

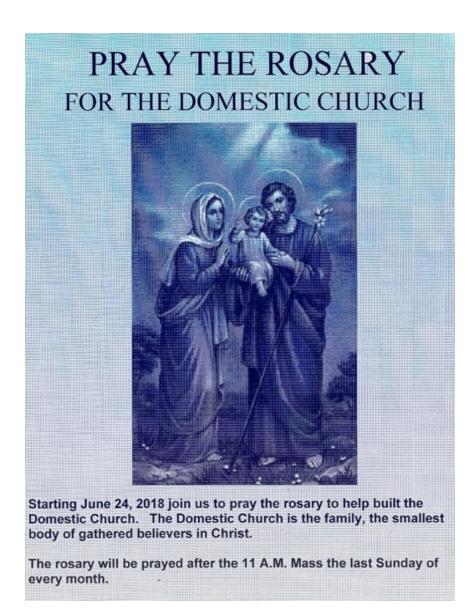
The ways Mary is honored in May are as varied as the people who honor her.

It's common for parishes have a daily recitation of the Rosary during May, and many erect a special May altar with a statue or picture of Mary as a reminder of Mary's month. Additionally, it's a long-standing tradition to crown the statue of Mary during May – a custom known as May Crowning. Often, the crown is made of beautiful blossoms representing Mary's beauty and virtue. It's also a reminder to the faithful to strive to imitate our Blessed Mother's virtue in our own lives. May Crowning, in some areas, is a huge celebration and is usually done outside of Mass, although Mass may be celebrated before or after the actual crowning.



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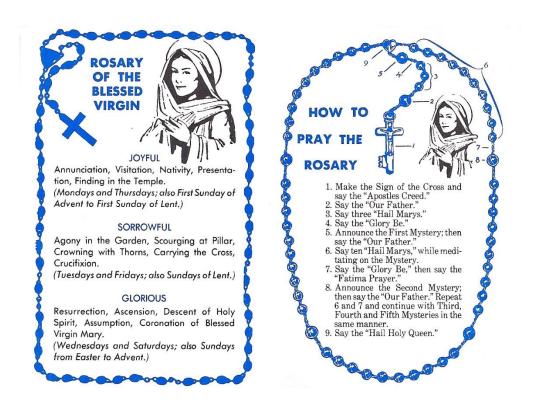
We of the Regina Mundi Council have promised to lead the Rosary on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Month.

Please make an effort to join us.

THE NEXT 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IS MAY 29, 2022







As I was looking over the brochure for the new combined degree, I was reminded that we all received a Rosary at our first degree ceremony and that we promised to carry and say the rosary.

I wonder how many of us still do.







## JUST FOR LAUGHS

THE BIGGEST JOKE
ON MANKIND IS
THAT COMPUTERS
HAVE STARTED
ASKING HUMANS
TO PROVE THAT
THEY AREN'T A ROBOT.

It's been a bit of a strange day! First I found a hat full of money. Then I was chased by an angry man with a guitar...

You Know You're
Getting Old When
"Friends With
Benefits", Means
Having Someone Who
Can
Drive At Night.

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- Woman goes to the butchers, "I'd like an oxtail please."
- "Certainly" replies the butcher. "Once upon a time, there was an ox...."



I just found out the neighborhood had a meeting about the crazy person on the block

It's weird that they didn't invite me

I JUST GOT A FULL
TANK OF GAS FOR \$22.
GRANTED, IT WAS FOR
MY LAWN MOWER, BUT
I AM TRYING TO STAY
POSITIVE.

I never thought I'd be the kind of person who'd wake up early in the morning to exercise ...

And I was right.

I wonder if any
Policeman has ever
managed to keep a
straight face while
telling a woman she
has the right to remain
silent.

## Synonym

(noun)

A word used in place of the one you can't spell.



I know I need to get back in shape, but I'm still waiting to see if the world is going to end before I put any real effort into it.

A weasel walks into a bar.

The bartender looks up and says,
"Wow! In all my years tending bar,
I've never had a weasel stop by.
What can I get you?"

"Pop," goes the weasel.







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## The Bathtub Test

During a visit to my doctor, I asked him, "How do you determine whether or not an older person should be put in an old age home?"

"Well," he said, "we fill up a bathtub, then we offer a teaspoon, a teacup and a bucket to the person and ask them to empty the bathtub."

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"Oh, I understand," I said. "A normal person would use the bucket because it is bigger than the spoon or the teacup."

"No" he said "A normal person would pull the plug. Do you want a bed near the window?"

ARE YOU GOING TO PASS THIS ON ... OR DO YOU WANT THE BED NEXT TO MINE?





On Saturday, May 7, Regina Mundi Council held a long-overdue testimonial dinner for Past Grand Knight Richard Spencer.





























On Saturday morning, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Knights of Regina Mundi council cleaned up a stretch of E. Bristol Road from Bridgetown Pike to Brownsville Road.

Working hard were GK Tony Porretta, DGK Rich Gathercole, George Benson, Jim Brennen, Steve Clark, and Steve's son.







# Out of Darkness Angel's Walk at Holy Family University

**Angel Freddie** 









On Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, the Knights of Regina Mundi Council and St. John Neumann Assenbly joined with family members to form team "Angel Freddie" in support of Fred and Barbara for the Angel Walk around the campus of Holy Family University. In attendance, among others, were Fred and Barbara May, Jim Brennen, John Carro Steve Clark, Mike Ciampoli, Ed Kligge, Bob Miller, Rich Spencer, and BobThompson.

The Out of the Darkness Campus Walk is a journey of remembrance, hope, support, and a walk that unites a campus and community – a time to acknowledge the ways in which suicide and mental illness have affected our lives and our loved ones. It is done in cooperation with the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.

If you were unable to attend and would like to make a donation, log onto the address below and make a donation to team "Angel Freddie"

https://supporting.afsp.org/index.cfm? fuse action = donor Drive.event & event ID = 8082

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## **Assumption BVM**

Is your TV too small for you?
The Assumption BVM Events Committee is raffling off a 70-inch LG UHD Smart 4K TV.



The tickets will be sold until June 5. Tickets will be sold at a price of \$5 per ticket or three tickets for \$10. Tickets will be sold after the 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday and the 11:00 am on Sunday. You May also purchase tickets from the Parish Rectory Office during business hours. The drawing will be held on June 12.

You do not have to be present on June 12 to win. All proceeds benefit Assumption BVM Parish.



Baby Bottles Project
The parish "Change for Life Baby Bottles Project" is underway. Please return your baby bottle on or before May 29. There is a crib in the back of Church that the baby bottles can be placed. If you did not receive a baby bottle last week, it is not too late. There are empty baby bottles inside the crib in the back of Church.

Your donations will be used to save the lives of babies and help them through their early years. Also, your donation will make a positive impact on mothers.

Thank you for your generosity!
The Evangelization Team and the Respect Life Committee.



Your generosity supports:

A Baby's Breath Crisis Pregnancy
Center, Warminster
Legacy of Life Foundation, Yardley
Blessed Margaret of Castello
Home, Bensalem

Guiding Star Ministries





## **Council Picnic**

## Our annual Council Picnic will be on Sunday June12<sup>th</sup>.

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 gbremodeling@gmail.com 215-630-0182





## Our Annual Spring Pancake Breakfast



Our spring pancake breakfast will be on Saturday May 21st

We will be serving from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM

in the Assumption BVM Church Hall

The price is \$8.00 per person

Volunteers are needed for set-up, serving, and clean-up

Please contact Rich Gathercole <a href="mailto:rpg1061@gmail.com">rpg1061@gmail.com</a> or

Tony Porretta <a href="mailto:amp4052@comcast.net">amp4052@comcast.net</a>

## SAINT JOHN NEUMANN ASSEMBLY #933

## **Assembly Officers**

#### 2021-2022

**Faithful Navigator** Michael Ciampoli Faithful Friar Rev. Michael J. Davis Frederick May, PGK Faithful Captain 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 Faithful Outside Sentinel Robert P Miller Faithful 3-yr Trustee Mike Selinsky, PGK Faithful 2-yr Trustee John Carroll, PFN Faithful 1-yr Trustee **Gregory Baraniecki** 

#### **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.

**Holmesburg Council** Pope Pius XII Council Mary Queen of Angels St. John the Evangelist Thomas Aquinas Parish 3300 Knorr Street 11301 Academy Road 752 Big Oak Road. 601 Bristol Pike Philadelphia, PA 19149 Philadelphia, PA 19154 Morrisville PA Croydon, PA 19021-1808 Our Lady of Calvary Regina Coeli Council St Charles Borromeo Council Regina Mundi Council 9617 James Street 1193 Gravel Pike 1900 Meadowbrook Rd. 11024 Knights Rd. Philadelphia, PA 19114 Bensalem, PA 19020 Feasterville, PA 19053 Philadelphia, PA 19154

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





## **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.

The St. John Neumann Color Guard was requested by St. Thomas Aquinas Church to help celebrate the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary on May 1<sup>st</sup>. In attendance were Brothers Bob Thompson; Michael Ciampoli, FN,GK; John Carroll; Ed Kligge; and Greg Baraniecki



Brothers Bob Thompson and Dan Donovan represented the St. John Neumann Color Guard at the Devine Mercy Mass at our Lady of Czestochowa in Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>. Most Rev. William J. Waltersheid, Auxiliary Bishop of Pittsburgh Diocese presided at the liturgy.

## **HONOR / CHALICE GUARD**



SK James M. Kelly, a fourth- degree member of St. John Neumann Assembly and Regina Coeli Council, passed away on May 01, 2022. His Viewing was on May 9, 2022, Monday, 9-10:45 A.M. at Our Lady of Calvary Church, 11024 Knights Road, Phila., PA 19154. The Funeral Mass was at 11:00 AM. In attendance were Michael Ciampoli, FN; Eward Finely, PGK, PDD; Bob McDonnell, PGK; and Bill Urban of council #4921; John Carroll, PFN of council #4952; Bob Thompson of council #4215; and Tom Hurly of council #1294





# EXEMPLIFICATION OF THE FOURTH DEGREE

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

# PENNSYLVANIA EAST DISTRICT CALVERT PROVINCE



124<sup>th</sup> Exemplification Saturday, June 4, 2022

#### Honoree

SK Sean M. Connelly, Sr., FM

The Desmond Hotel, A Doubletree by Hilton 1 Liberty Boulevard Malvern, PA 19355 (610)-296-9800

#### **LADIES LUNCHEON**

There will be a Ladies Luncheon beginning promptly at 12:30 PM. Cost for the luncheon is \$35 per lady.

#### **DRESS**

The official dress for the Fourth Degree Exemplification is dark suit, long neck tie, plain white shirt, and black shoes. Religious may wear their clerical garb and members of the armed forces or full time police and firefighting officers may wear their respective dress uniforms. Members shall wear the official dress plus social baldric, lapel pin and current jewel of office.

#### Official dress required until 12:00 AM

#### **DEADLINES**

All applications for membership in the Fourth Degree must be received by <u>May 22, 2022</u> and banquet reservations must be made no later than <u>May 22, 2022</u>. Payment in full must accompany all banquet reservations.

There will be a \$10.00 late charge

#### Notice

Admission to any of the events requires a pre-paid reservation prior to May 22, 2022.

\*\* No refunds after this date\*\*

#### **For Further Information Contact:**

Administrative Assistant, Pennsylvania East District Gordon Jefferes, FSA, FM 207 Walnut Hill Road, D24 West Chester, PA 19382-6586 484.678.5136 gjefferes@verizon.net

## PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER

## **Chapter Officers**

#### 2020-2021

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Warden

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**Trustees** 

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Atiba McCoy

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Dan Donovan

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John Brown

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**Bob Conrad** 

Jack Eagan

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

San Rafael #7125 Pinzon #904 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 Pokrova #12561 St. Charles Borromeo #4279





St. Helena's #15687





**Clementon Amusement Park** 

After several years absence, the Philadelphia Chapter is returning to Clementon Park on June 4<sup>th</sup>.

Please contact Dan McPeake or Dan Donovan for more information:

Dan McPeake <a href="mailto:dmcp2939@verizon.net">dmcp2939@verizon.net</a>

Dan Donovan donodan3@gmail.com





## **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.

## TO MAKE YOUR GIFT ONLINE, PLEASE VISIT THECFGP.ORG/DONATE/DEACON-FUND











#### 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.



The Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia (CFGP) is an independent, nonprofit community foundation committed to helping others leave a legacy of Catholic philanthropy. CFGP provides investment management and development consulting services to meet the diverse needs of all donors and Catholic institution.



## 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,

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