

# The Knight Light

Fr. Thomas A. Judge Council 6893, District 9 Suffolk Chapter

"We Are Family"



PO Box 1151, East Northport, NY 11731

## The Grand Knight's Message July-Aug, 2016

Brothers and Members of the Fr. Judge Council Family,

Thank you! Every edition of the Grand Knights message can start with these words. We are truly a blessed council and have much to be THANKFUL for; Our Families, Our Parishes, Our Members, Our Auxiliaries, Our Successes, Our Abilities, Our Blessings ...... and ALL COME FROM OUR HEAVENLY FATHER which we should be most Thankful to for our prosperity as a council and as individuals!

First and foremost I want to thank the members for their vote of confidence in electing me as Grand Knight of the Father Thomas A. Judge Council of the Knights of Columbus. At our Thanksgiving Mass in June I told the members and families in attendance that I was Honored, Privileged, and Humbled to be elected to lead our council. I am most thankful to the members for giving me this opportunity and ask for you continued support. Officers and leaders provide guidance, organization and oversight. Membership in action perform great deeds and accomplishments.

I also want to thank all the other officers that were elected on June 6<sup>th</sup>. For some of you this is a progression through the ranks of office, for others you were re-elected to an office you already held, and finally there are those brothers that were elected to an office for the first time, stepping up to provide the necessary leadership that every organization requires and wishes it had. Please do not diminish this commitment, there are many councils in the order, some on Long Island, which cannot find members willing to fill all the required positions.

Thank you to immediate Past Grand Knight Michael Norton. Our council maintained its status as one of the finest councils in New York State under his leadership for the past two Columbian years. Mike's guidance and dedication served our council in a stellar manner and allowed us to demonstrate the principles of the order to our parishes and local community. His communication to the membership of council events, activities, and concerns were paramount to keeping the Fr. Judge Family informed and engaged. I was proud to serve as Mike's deputy and take great comfort having as a council trustee and knowing he is only a call or e-mail away when I will need him.

Brothers, I have been entrusted to lead a great council but we are not without our problems. The next few months we are faced with a monumental decision that will shape the future of our council. This decision is not mine to make but rests with every member of the council. The decision is where will our council call home after February 2017 – the  $40^{\text{th}}$  anniversary of Fr. Thomas A. Jude Council.

The new lease for our current council home will put a financial strain on our council and if we want to stay we need to find a way to address this. Our current council home also adds a burden to the brothers that are involved in the day to day tasks that allow us to keep our home. These brothers need help. Facing a financial deficit is distressing enough but it is the manpower issue that I find more concerning.

To address my anxiety over the need for additional help to run our council home (and this should be an issue for all members) I am starting a personal recruiting campaign. My plan is to insert myself in a very personal way to find new members, invite current brothers to our events and participate in our programs, and ask for help from our membership. One way I know that each brother can help is by praying for our council and the officers and members to work towards a successful resolution. I look forward to reaching out to each of you.

Thank you all again. Looking at the history of Fr. Judge Council, hurdles we have overcome in the past and the strength of our members I am looking forward to our council's continued success in the practice and execution of the principles of the Knights of Columbus – Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

## Fraternally,

*Richard Ronde* Grand Knight

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Insurance Agent: Timothy O'Keefe	

### Announcements and Committee Reports **Committee Chairmen in Parentheses**

### Nocturnal Adoration (Bob Slingo, PGK)

Father Judge Council Nocturnal Adoration at Saint Anthony's Parish covers three bands. These are bands 4 and 5 and a non rotating band that always begins at 10:00 PM.

BAND SCHEDULE—July-Dec 2016						
<b>BANDS</b>	JUL	AUG	<u>SEPT</u>	<u>OCT</u>	NOV	DEC
NON	NON-ROTATING BAND is always at 10:00 PM					
FOUR	2	3	4	5	11	9
FIVE	3	4	5	11	12	9

Adoration is a good way to take time to relax and pray before the Blessed Sacrament in the solitude of our Church. If you would like to participate, call Bob Slingo at 631-486-2875.

### **Pictures at Council Events (George Morrish)**

If you want pictures for the *Knight Light* for an event you are running, it should be a topic at your planning meetings. The best way to cover this is to ask someone to take your pictures; you will be too busy. Ask your photographer to take pictures of people in action and having fun. Recommend photos that you really like! If you want a staff photographer, ask Bob Spera in advance (631-680-1702) or email George Morrish at PiperNCPD@aol.com.

#### **Membership and Degrees** (Ed Perillo and Jerry Dano)

If you have a potential member, please contact Ed Perillo at 631-754-8606. You can email Jerry Dano at jeromedano@yahoo.com. If you email Jerry, enter "KofC membership" on the subject line. For questions on KofC degrees call Carlo at 631-261-1253.

### **Columbiettes (Karen Sheehan, President)**

If you are a Catholic female who is 17 years old or older and are interested in making a difference in your community through your faith, join the Columbiettes. Please email me, Karen, for information at kandk1111@verizon.net. You can call me at 516-353-1820.

### **Bingo (Ron Smith, PGK)**

As a result of an increase in Bingo players, more Bingo workers are needed. If you can help, call one of the following captains: 269-4575

Ron Smith, PGK	
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,	Rich Fitzgerald	368-2584
,	Don Maltby, PGK	368-6657

Don Manoy, POK	308-003/
Joe Buscarello	478-5993

If you want to help and cannot join a team, please come to the Bingo Hall at 6:30 PM on Saturdays to help sell; help is always needed for the first hour.

### 6893 Corporation (Danny Flinn)

Our next meeting is Monday, July 11 at 7:30 PM. The Corporation usually meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month. See also page 12 on the future of our home.



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Council Hall Rental (Bob Mahon)	Little Knights (Cinthia and John Mahon)
Please rent our beautiful Hall if possible. Talk it up;	At the 6/11/16 meeting we prepared 4 raffle baskets ( an
tell your friends. Father Judge Hall specializes in	Italian basket, an activities basket, a spa basket and a
family oriented events. We do Sweet Sixteen	movie night basket) which were raffled off at the Pasta
parties, Christenings, Birthday parties, Bar Mitzvah,	Dinner hosted by the Knights of Columbus. The money
Bat (Bas) Mitzvah, Confirmations and even	raised will be used to support the Sunrise Fund and Father Vian's Health Clinic Fund. We appreciated the
Weddings! For details on rental costs, see ad on	donations towards the baskets made by the Little
page 8 (updated this issue) or just Call Bob	Knights.
Mahon at 631-262-1891.	To all our Little Knights that graduated high school this
Knights of Columbus Insurance	month, best wishes for success and happiness in all your
Timothy O'Keefe	future endeavors. Please remember to work hard and
New and Important	have fun in college.
Greetings Father Judge Council,	Congratulations also go out to Tommy Weber on
Ways to Pay for Whole Life	attaining the Eagle Scout award!
We live in a world of options and we are constantly	
bombarded by choices. Some of these make our lives	We hope to see all our remaining members at our next meeting in September. An email will be sent to all
more complicated, but many of these choices are created	existing members with the details as to the date and time
with our satisfaction in mind.	in early September
At the Knights of Columbus, every product we offer has	
been designed solely for the benefit of our members and	Membership Dues and Maintenance
their families. When I present an option to you, it's	(John Piropato Jr., Financial Secretary) Brothers, our new Columbian year began on July 1 and
because a team of experts has discussed it at length to be certain it serves your best interest.	with that day came the assessment of the 2016-2017 dues
-	in the amount of \$50.00 for regular members and \$10.00
We have a few options on how you can provide and pay for the whole life coverage that your family needs. Many	for honorary or student members.
whole life policies call for premiums to be paid for your	Please mail your check, payable to
entire life or to age 100. But we also offer permanent life	Fr. Thomas A. Judge Council to:
coverage with guaranteed cash values (and the potential to	JOHN W. PIROPATO, FS 305 LYNN AVE.
earn dividends, which are not guaranteed) through	EAST NORTHPORT, N.Y. 11731
policies that offer a limited period of premium payments.	If the payment of your dues would cause undo hardships or they
First, we offer "10 Pay Life" and "20 Pay Life." Consider	cannot be paid for any other reasons, please do not hesitate to
paying premiums for 10 or 20 years, and never having to	contact the Grand Knight so that other arrangements may be made. Any discussions and requests are always held in the strictest
pay for the coverage again. The plan is "paid up" and no	confidence.
more premiums are due. The plan stays in force, the death benefit remains intact and the guaranteed cash value	If you are not required to pay annual dues because of your
continues to grow.	membership status please consider making a contribution to your
A plan with similar benefits is "Life Paid Up at 65." The	Council by sending a payment to the Financial Secretary at the address above.
difference over 10 or 20 Pay Life plans is that this	Father O'Leary Testimonial
permanent product requires you to pay premiums until	On Saturday, July 16, we will be celebrating the 60th
age 65. Then, premiums stop (just in time for retirement),	Anniversary of Father Lawrence O'Leary's Priesthood. We
but the plan remains in force.	will have a reception at the Hall at 3:00 PM on that day.
Finally, the ultimate in limited pay is our Single Premium	Please contact GK Rich Ronde (631-261-4179) or PGK Mike Norton (516-356-7972) for tickets.
Life product. Imagine buying life insurance — permanent	
life insurance — and only paying one single premium?	<u>Annual Cruise Update (Rich Ronde, GK)</u> <u>The 2016 Fr. Judge Cruise</u> went off perfectly on March
It's possible.	13th. 15 individuals, mostly couples, enjoyed seven days
To learn more about these products, our long-term care	sailing on the Norwegian Breakaway to Florida and the
insurance, disability income or retirement products, please	Bahamas from New York. Besides a great trip the cruise
call me today.	raised \$1,500 for our Council. See page 13 for more details.
Timothy O'Keefe	Mark your calendars - Next year's Fr. Judge Cruise will be
Sincerely and Fraternally,	aboard the Royal Caribbean Allure of the Seas sailing out of Ft. Lauderdale on June 4, 2017. Contact Mary Ronde (631 754-4084 or
Tim O'Keefe 631-655-3971	<u>mronde@cruiseone.com</u> ) for details and to make your reservation.
Timothy.O'Keefe@KofC.org	The time to get the best pricing and cabin availability is now. See flyer on page 15 for more details but call now (631 754-4084)

(More important Announcements are continued on page 5)

	July 2016						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wedn	esday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
June 26 Suffolk Charity Ball at The Watermill \$75.00 p/p, 12:30 PM to 5:30 PM	June 27	June 28 Officers Meeting, 7:30 PM	Juna FEA <b>"T</b> Hear Bar	AST The tland	June 30 FEAST <b>"Trans-</b> fusion"	1 FEAST <b>"Sea</b> <b>Monkeys"</b> Nocturnal Adoration see p. 2	2 FEAST <b>"Fame"</b> <i>No Bingo</i> Nocturnal Adoration see p. 2
3 FEAST <b>"The</b> New YorkerS"	4 Independence Day	5	6	5	7	8 Suffolk Chapter Meeting St. Lawrence Council in Sayville	9 Bingo Team 4
10	11 Corporation Meeting 7:30 PM	12	1 Counci Dri Counc 3:30	l Blood ve il Hall	14	15 Brother Dawson Squires Investiture 7:00 PM in Council Hall	16 Fr. O'Leary Testimonial Council Hall 3:00 PM 60 years a priest Bingo Team 1
17	18 Council Meeting 7:30 PM repast 8:00 PM: meeting	19 District Deputies Meeting At SSPJ Council at 8:00 PM St. James	2	0	21	22	23 Bingo Team 2
24 Council Picnic Crab Meadow Beach 12:00 noon July 31 Third Degree 1:00 PM at Patchogue Council #725	25 Officers Meeting 7:30 PM	26	27	"	28 "	29	30 Bingo Team 3
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	August 2016					
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
July 31 Third Degree 1:00 PM at Patchogue Council #725	1	2	3	4	5	6 4 Bingo Team 4 Nocturnal Adoration see p. 4
7	8	9	10	11	12 Happy Birthday, to our Founder, Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney born 08-12-1852	13 Bingo Team 1
14	15 <b>1st Degree</b> 7:30 Council Meeting 7:30 PM	16	17	18	19	20 Bingo Team 2
21	22 Officers Meeting 7:30 PM	23	24	25	26 Margaritas tasting at 7:30 PM	27 Bingo Team 3
28	29	30	31	September 1	September 2	September Bingo Team 4 Nocturnal Adoration see p. 2
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25 <sup>th</sup> Annual St. Anthony's Family Feast & Festival (Fred Leonardo) The 25 <sup>th</sup> Annual St. Anthony's Family Feast and Festival will run from Wednesday, June 29 <sup>th</sup> through Sunday July 3 <sup>rd</sup> . For more information please call. (631) 262-1891.	MARGARITA TASTING Friday, Aug. 26 <sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm
<ul> <li>Help Wanted; Volunteers Needed (Bob Spera)</li> <li>Bingo workers We always need Bingo Workers. See page 3 for team leaders or call Ron Smith, PGK at 269-4575.</li> <li>Drivers</li> </ul>	Fr. Judge Hall Hewitt Square, East Northport
Drivers are always needed for Brothers having no transportation to meetings, etc. Please call Don at 631-368 -6657.	Join us for an evening of fun as we delight your taste buds with four (4) different and refreshing MARGARITAs.
• <u>Knight Light Reporter/Assistant Editor</u> Call Bob at 631-680-1702 to volunteer for anything in this announcement. Better would be to email Bob at bobspera@optonline.net.	Watch as our skillful bartender prepares each mar- garita to an exact recipe and crafts the "perfect pour".
Pasta Dinner for Sunrise Fund and Ugandan Village Health Centre (John Piropato PGK, EDD) with late of help	A variety of specially prepared hors d'oeuvres will be available for your indulgence.
<b>FDD) with lots of help</b> This fantastic Italian Feast was enjoyed by all and exceeded everyone's expectations!	Hosted by your "Tasting Master of Ceremony"
See story on page 15 with quotes from Anne Viggiano, Jackie Piropato, Agatha Piropato and John Piropato, and Karen and Ken Sheehan.	<b>Grand Knight Richard Ronde</b> To make your reservation for this summertime fun evening contact Rich Ronde:
<u>Need a ride to a meeting? (Don Maltby, PGK)</u> If you need a ride to a Council meeting or any event for any reason, call Don at 631-368-6657. He will get a ride	631 889-3026 <u>rronde@verizon.net</u>
for you if possible. If you would like to help a Brother who needs a ride, call Don.	Tickets are \$20/person
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On June 5 of this year, a reception was held at Saint Anthony's Parish Hall, celebrating the May 21 Ordination To The Priesthood in his native land, Malta, of former Acolyte Mario Curmi who spent some time at Saint Anthony's back in 2012. Among his many friends and well-wishers was a contingent of Brother Knights and Sister Colombiettes pictured (above) L-R Lillian and Clem Massaro, Agatha and John Piropato, John Cornetta, Father Vian, Father Mario, Grand Knight Mike Norton and Marion Moricca





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Service	Cost
Four-hour Hall Rental	\$400.00
All persons 21 and over - tap beer, wine and soda	\$13.00 per person
All persons under 21 but over 2 - soft drinks only	\$6.00 per person
Children under 3	Free
Minimum beverage charge	50 people

### <u>Fr. Judge Month in Review</u> (Mike Norton, PGK)

Thank you Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, spouses, and other members of our Fr. Judge Family who helped make the St. Anthony's Dancing With the Stars a huge success. Also, thank you to all the Brother Knights who helped with the set up and break down, and bartending. Also, thank you for your help with the breakdown of tables & chairs after Fr. Mario Curmi's reception. A special thank you to Brother Knights Fred Leonardo, Ray Mascolo, and John Hnath for coordinating these efforts. Special recognition to the Dancing Stars from our Fr. Judge Family – Richard Ronde, Rich Gartner, and Ralph Mazzatto. You were all winners in my opinion.

Thank you to PGK, FDD Bob Sanicola and his wife Dee for Chairing our Communion Mass and Breakfast. Thank you to PGK, FDD, PCC Bob Slingo for coordinating our guest speaker. Thank You to our Cooks and a very special THANK YOU to their wives, Frani & Joe Vitiello and Theresa & Al Albano, for preparing the wonderful breakfast. Also, Thank You Sir Knights Jim Soria, Rich Fitzgerald, Carlo Busemi, for being a part of the 4th Degree Color Guard. Thank you to our Brother Knights and Sister Columbiettes for their help with the Eucharistic Procession, including the formal dedication of the new St. Anthony Shrine.

Thank You to our Worthy Chaplin Fr. O'Leary for being with us and celebrating our Mass of Thanksgiving. Also, thanks to our Worthy Advocate PGK Frank Collins for all his efforts organizing our Mass of Thanksgiving.

Congratulation to all our monthly Honorees, our Family of the Year Agatha & John E. Piropato, PGK, FDD, and our Knight of the Year - Frank J. Collins.

Thank you to the Catholic Daughters Court Morning Star #899, Brother Knights and Sister Columbiettes for all their support and efforts with the very successful Pasta Dinner fundraiser for the benefit of THE SUNRISE FUND" (Children with Cancer at Stony Brook Hospital) and Fr. Vian's "Ugandan Village Health Centre. Special thanks to John Piropato, PGK, FDD to Chairing this event.

Congratulations to Brother John Paul Stevenson who made his 2nd Degree. Also, congratulations to our new 3rd Degree Brothers Alan Bergman and Gerald Cawley.

Congratulations to our Brother Knight John E. Piropato, PGK, FDD on his election to the position of Suffolk County Conference Warden.

Our Council is sponsoring the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Anthony's Family Feast and Festival during the month of June/July. As this is being written prior to Feast, I am hopping for good weather and a very successful Feast. Thank you to all the Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, and other members of the Fr. Judge Family who help and support this major fundraiser. I extend a special Thank You to our Brother Knight Fred Leonardo, Feast Chairman, who planned and organized the Feast. This is a huge undertaking and involves a great deal of time and hard work! Thank You Fred!

As my term as Grand Knight has concluded, allow me to share with you some of the things I am truly thankful for - I know it sounds like a cliché but I am very thankful to God, as I truly have been blessed with a wonderful life. Being Grand Knight is a great deal of work and takes a great deal of time and I wouldn't have been able to do it without the support and help of many people. Our Officers, my Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, our Squires, Little Knights, spouses, and all the other members of our Fr. Judge Family - I am truly thankful for having each and every one of you as a part of our Fr. Judge Family and providing me with your help and support. Above all, I am thankful for my wonderful family and my BEST FRIEND, Thea. She truly supports me in all my endeavors. Thank you Thea.

Please accept my sincere thanks for all your support and efforts over the past two years. Please know, it has been with great pride, and an honor, that I served as the Grand Knight of the Fr. Thomas A. Judge Council. Thank you all for providing me with this opportunity.

Have a GREAT and safe Summer!

Below is a complete list of the Fr. Judge Council Honorees:

Month of	Knight of the Month	Family of the Month
2016 February	Al McDonald	Agatha & John E. Piropato, PGK, FDD
2016 March	Joseph Buscarello	Mary & Richard R. Ronde
2016 April	Mark R. Guarriello	Angela & Robert F. Slingo, PGK, FDD PCC
2016 May	Donald G Maltby, PGK	Ann & Robert M. Dabkowski
2016 June	Fred Leonardo	Evelyn & Dr. Raymond A. Mascolo

Certificate of Appreciation	Certificate of Appreciation	Certificate of Appreciation
Fr. Lawrence O'Leary Frank J. Collins, PGK Richard Ronde Mark R. Guarriello Scott Schneider	Al Albano Danny Alibrandi Simonelli Family Richard F. Fitzgerald Don Maltby, PGK	Ron Smith Dan Flinn Joseph J. DiPenta Robert Mahon Squires
John W. Piropato William C O'Donnell John Becker Robert Spera Tony Azic Joe Vitiello	Fred Leonardo George T. Morrish Edward Perillo Bob Slingo, PGK, FDD PCC Carlo Busemi	Little Knights Dee & Robert J. Sanicola Sr. PGK, FDD Carl H. Finke Columbiettes Karen Sheehan

2016 Knight/ Family of the	0	Family of the year: Agatha & John E. Piropato, PGK, FDD
Year		



# Fr. Lawrence J. O'Leary

# 60 Year Anniversary of His Ordination into the Priesthood

Saturday, July 16, 2016 3:00pm to7:00pm

Father Judge Hall Hewitt Square East Northport, NY 11731

\$30.00 per person

Join our council family at a cocktail party on July 16<sup>th</sup> to honor Fr. O'Leary and his magnificent achievement.

Pass around hor d'oeuvres, Cold displays, Open bar An Outstanding Program and Presentations Coffee and Dessert

For Ticket Information Call: Rich Ronde (631) 889-3026 Mike Norton (516) 356-7972 or e-mail: RRonde@verizon.net

60 YEARS IN THE PRIESTHOOD - SERVING, GUIDING, NURTURING! PLEASE COME OUT AND SHOW YOUR GRATITUDE TO FR. O'LEARY FOR HIS DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT TO OUR CATHOLIC IDEALS

Father Thomas A. Judge Council of the Knights of Columbus #6893

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June 30, 2016

Dear Brother Knights,

I wish I did not have to write this letter, but as Grand Knight it is my responsibility to keep the membership informed of our Council's matters.

As some of you may know, for the last few years our building corporation, 6893 Corporation (Corporation) has been struggling to keep the building financially viable. As a result the Council has been subsidizing the Corporation monthly from our reserves just to pay the building rent and operating expenses. Originally when we acquired our building the plan was for the Council to pay a monthly rent of \$3,000 to the Corporation for our use of the Hall (meetings, socials, etc.). Over the years the Council's monthly rent has increased to over \$6,000, which has impacted our charitable and other efforts under our Knights of Columbus charter.

The Corporation has made every effort to reduce operating costs (energy saving lighting, etc.) and it appears the landlord has kept lease charges at or below market amounts. When we first entered into the lease for our building we launched several activities to raise funds for the building renovation including Bingo, Bell Jar and the St. Anthony's Feast. These activities along with a membership bond program and hall rentals has helped sustain the Corporation over the years. Unfortunately, for several years now revenue has fallen drastically, most significantly our annual Bingo revenue has declined from a peak of over \$40,000 to approximately \$7,000. Thus, we are now faced with a decision on whether or not to renew our lease which expires next March 2017.

The decision rests on whether or not we can somehow increase revenue. During the last year several attempts have been made to have additional activities to make up for our revenue decline (Football Nights, Martini Tasting, Lenten Dinners, etc.). In addition, the Corporation has spruced up the Hall and stepped up advertising and other things to encourage more rentals. Unfortunately, due to limited support of these events the revenue made was minimal. I thank the Brother Knights who championed these efforts and those that supported them. So at the Corporation Board meeting on April 13<sup>th</sup>, Corporation President Dan Flinn appointed two committees to come up with an action plan to renew our lease next March and in the alternative should we not renew our lease, to identify other facilities in which the Council could continue to operate. These committees will report back to the Board at the next meeting on Monday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM.

As all Council members in good standing are also members of the 6893 Corporation, I encourage you to attend. Thank you.

Fraternally, Fr. Thomas A. Judge Council 6893 Knights of Columbus

Michael G. Norton Grand Knight



# Fr. Thomas A. Judge Knights of Columbus **Council Cruise Fund Raiser**

Join us aboard the *Allure of the Seas* 7 Night Eastern Caribbean Cruise June 4 - 11, 2017



- ✓ Allure of the Seas named Best Cruise Ship by Travel Weekly 2 years in the row.
- ✓ Not just a cruise ship but an adventure that sails way ahead of the curve.
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ACCOMODATIONS Starting At:					
INSIDE \$1049	OUTSDE \$1259	BALCONY \$1299	SUITES \$2099		
To make your reservation or for more information contact Mary Ronde atCRUISEONEPhone: (631) 754-4084e-mail: mronde@cruiseone.com					



# Father Thomas A. Judge Council 6893 **Thanksgiving Mass 2016**



Again, this Mass, celebrated by our Beloved Chaplain, Father Lawrence O'Leary, gives thanks to our heavenly father for all our blessings during the year. Father is shown at left at prayer during the course of the Mass. After the Mass there was recognition of the members who made significant extra contributions, and this year there

were many contributors.

Below Father, DGK Rich Ronde assists GK Mike Norton as he gives the various awards to our members and many of their spouse and other

members of the Father Judge Family.				
Listing of awards:				
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	Listing of av Month of 2016 February 2016 March 2016 April 2016 May	Listing of awards:Month ofKnight of the Month2016 FebruaryAl McDonald2016 MarchJoseph Buscarello2016 AprilMark R. Guarriello2016 MayDonald Maltby, PGK2016 JuneFred		

Of special significance was the award of the Knight of the Year award to Frank Collins, PGK. Frank's award reflects much more then his service this past year, as he has contributed significantly for many years and helped to establish the strong work-ethic that is a tradition in our Council.

Frank accepts his award at left and then gleefully takes his seat. After his term as Grand Knight, Frank provided continuous service as the Council Advocate for many years. There are few members left who can remember not having Frank in that Council Officer position.

On another sad note, we marked the departure of Mike Norton from the helm of our Council. At lower right, Rich Ronde accepts the Gavel from

Mike. With the departure of Mike and Frank, from their positions, a new era begins.

On page five there is a listing of the thirty one member who on this night of Thanksgiving received special appreciation awards.

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## PASTA DINNER for **TWO** GREAT CHARITIES **"THE SUNRISE FUND"**

(Children with Cancer at Stony Brook Hospital) and Fr. Vian's "Ugandan Village Health Centre







This fantastic Italian Feast was enjoyed by all and exceeded everyone's expectations!

<u>Anne Viggiano</u> (Catholic Daughters) said "This event was an amazing demonstration of **teamwork** with three different Catholic religious organizations in St. Anthony's parish working together in concert to achieve financial and social success."

<u>Jackie Piropato</u> (Columbiettes), (lower right with Sisters of St. Benedict) said "It was fun, fun, fun! The music was great, the food was special, the cooks (lower left) were fantastic and even the raffle was a great time!"

<u>Agatha and John Piropato</u> (Columbiettes and Knights of Columbus) offered "that Italian food was delizioso! and was topped off by the best desserts."

Karen and Ken Sheehan, (Columbiettes and Knights of Columbus) said "The music was absolutely fantastic; thanks to Clem Massaro and Andrew Piropato!" (upper right).









July 13th Council Blood Drive Council Hall 3:30pm Beach 12:00 noon Beach 12:00 noon

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