



The Knight Light

Fr. Thomas A. Judge Council 6893, District 9 Suffolk Chapter
"We Are Family"



Grand Knight's Message, December 2025 Knight Light

Brother Knights, Columbiettes and families,

Advent season is upon us. What better way to prepare then attending our Advent Mission, Monday Dec 1st thru Wednesday, December 3rd, at St Francis of Assisi Parish, start is 7 pm. each night. Fr. Jonathan Kalisch, a Dominican Priest, will be the guest speaker. Confessions will be available before Mass, and Mass will be at 7:00 pm on Wednesday night .

Last month was busy with the a very successful Parish Supper Raffle. Followed by our Annual Patriotic Family Night on the 17th which had a large crowd turn up. Thank you to John Piropato and family plus all the cooks, who prepared food for this event. The cooks also prepared food for the Super raffle and Thanksgiving Day Dinners for the Veterans and those in need in our community, to end November.

This month is remarkably busy, with the Parish Mission, our business meeting on the first, and then the second night of the Parish Mission followed by our Council Christmas Tree lighting, on Tuesday, December 2nd and the last night of the Parish Mission on December 3rd. The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe hosted by the Spanish community with Mass in Spanish at 7:00 pm, on Thursday, December 11th. The Parish blessing of the creche and lighting of the trees will be after the 5:00 pm mass on Saturday December 13th.

Our Council Christmas Party will be at Napper Tandy's, on Monday, Dec 15th. The Christmas Wreaths for the church will arrive around Noon, on Friday December 12th and the altar flowers are due to arrive Tuesday December 23rd. I will send out emails as soon as the times are confirmed.

Have a Blessed and Joyful Christmas season!

Vivat Jesus!

Robert Dabkowski

Grand Knight



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Save the Date

Monday, December 1st

Council Business Meeting, 8:15 PM
Following the Parish Advent Mission

Tuesday, December 2nd

Lighting of the Council Christmas Tree
7:00 pm

Monday, December 8th

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

Thursday, December 11th

The Hispanic Community will be celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Mass will be at 7 PM followed by a procession and hospitality.

Saturday, December 13th

Blessing of the Creche and the Lighting of the Christmas Trees at St. Anthony of Padua Parish.

Refreshments will be served after.

Monday, December 15th

Council Christmas Party
Details on Flyer on page 13

Thursday, December 25th

Christmas Day!

Ride to meeting (Don Maltby, PGK)

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 for you if possible. If you would like to help a Brother who needs a ride, call Don!

Little Knights (Carey Ng)

The Little Knights Auxiliary is open to boys and girls ages 5-12. They meet monthly on Saturday mornings. They are involved in our charitable donations at Thanksgiving and Christmas time as well as participating in the Memorial Day Parade. Meetings are supervised by trained adult leaders and are always centered around a fun activity. We always welcome new members.

The Little Knights meet on Saturday mornings. Contact Carey Ng for the next meeting date.

Carey_Ng@hotmail.com

Council Christmas Party

Monday December 15th
from 7—10 pm, will be
our Annual Christmas
Party at Napper Tandy's
in Northport.

See Flyer on page 13

Announcements and Committee Reports

1st Friday Nocturnal Adoration

(Bob Slingo, PGK)

Nocturnal 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. Nocturnal Adoration at St. Anthony's is observed the 1st Friday each month at two hourly sessions: including the Exposition at the beginning of the 1st hour and concluding with the Benediction at the end of the 2nd hour. All brother Knights and their families are encouraged to participate.

8:00—9:00 PM—Spanish

9:00—10:00 PM—English

Membership

(Ed Perillo, Jerry Dano, Carlo Buscemi)

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

Online membership: www.kofc.org/join

Promotional Items (George Morrish)

Knights of Columbus shirts, jackets, ties, etc. are available for gifts or for your own use. If you need an item, George has all Council inventory in his possession. You can call George at 631-368-7219. You can email George at piperncpd@aol.com.

Columbiettes (Liz Schools, President)

If you are a Catholic woman who is 18 years old or older and are interested in making a difference in your community and your church through your faith, join the Columbiettes. For more information please email Jackie Piropato at CaptJac921@yahoo.com or call Jackie at (516) 318-5809.

Fr. O'Leary Scholarship

(Frank Courten, Chairman)

The Father Lawrence O'Leary Scholarship was instituted at the May 2017 officers meeting. Please consider making a donation this year to help fund and continue the *Father Lawrence O'Leary Scholarship*. Thanking you in advance for all your support. Checks should be made payable to "Father O'Leary Scholarship Fund".

Fr. O'Leary Scholarship Raffle

In Memory of our beloved past Council Chaplain Fr Lawrence O'Leary, we will award two Scholarships, one for \$1,000 and the second for \$500.

Tickets for 2026 will again be available soon for the Father O'Leary Scholarship Raffle.

Contact:

Frank Courten—631-691-8490

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If you want to be a sponsor of the Knight Light, contact Rich Fitzgerald, PGK, FDD at 631 416-8759 or email Rich at Rfitzge370@aol.com. Sponsorships of the Knight Light are available for \$100.00 for 11 issues for a business card space. A double size is \$200.00. The fee for all larger spaces are roughly proportional to the size of the sponsorship and are negotiable.

Resolution Passed

The resolution to help fund the Purchase and installation of The statue of Blessed Fr. McGivney was passed at the last business meeting.

December 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Council Business Meeting	2	3	4	5 Nocturnal Adoration	6
7 Pearl Harbor Day	8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception	9	10	11 Mass for the Feast of our Lady of Guadalupe	12 Suffolk Chapter Christmas Party	13 Blessing of the Creche
14	15 Council Christmas Party	16 DD Meeting	17 OLFA Christmas Party	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day 	26	27
28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve 			



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January 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 Nocturnal Adoration	3
4	5 Council Business Meeting	6	7	8	9 Suffolk Chapter Meeting	10
11	12 Council Free Throw	13	14	18	19	20
21	22 Council Social Meeting	20 DD Meeting	21 OLFA Meeting	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, December 1st	Council Business Meeting	Lower Church, 8:15 pm
Monday, December 8th	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception	All Day
Monday, December 15th	Council Christmas Party	Napper Tandy's 7:00 pm
Saturday, December 13th	Blessing of the Creche	Following the 5 pm Mass
Thursday, December 25th	Christmas Day	All Day



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General minor repairs	Handy work Tree pruning
Debris removal, odd jobs	Cleaning and repairing gutters

Father Thomas A. Judge Council #6893 Knights of Columbus

NEW RESOLUTION

Whereas, Trinity Regional School is affiliated with the Parish of St Anthony of Padua RCC, and there is a need for replacement of their refrigerator and tables for the Gym and is in need of financial support for these items.

Whereas, The Fr. Thomas A Judge Council has use of the refrigerator and tables during special events;

Resolved, That the Knights of Columbus is a Fraternal Men's Catholic Organization which supports our Parish and the Trinity Regional School;

Resolved, That in support of Trinity Regional School, the Thomas A Judge Council will contribute to the replacement of the refrigerator and purchase of new tables to replace the aging wooden tables for the Trinity Regional School;

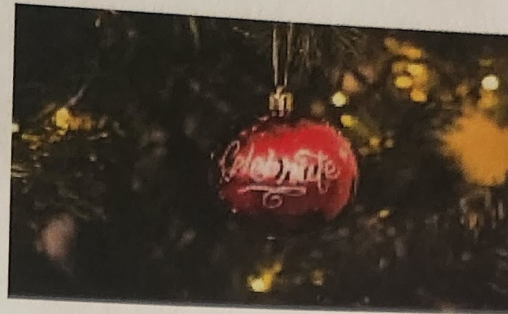
Resolved, That the level of participation will be for the funds of up to a \$5,000 donation have been secured and are readily available for this purpose.

Donations Needed!

Each year we donate \$1,000 to St. Vincent DePaul Society for Thanksgiving and Christmas meals for those in need.

If you wish to make a donation contact Fred Leonardo at one of our meetings or call him at 516-805-2622





Please join us to celebrate the Holiday!

Hosted by:

Our Lady of Fatima Assembly #0716

Wednesday, December 17, 2025 / 6:00 PM

Mama's Brick Oven Pizza

586 Veterans Memorial Hwy, Hauppauge, NY 11788

50/50



Cash Bar



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Dress-a-Girl Ministry Update

We meet at the Elwood Library on Elwood Road in East Northport. Wednesday afternoons only in the winter.

Upcoming dates:

Wednesday, December 3rd from 2-4:30 pm

No Evening Session

Wednesday, January 7th from 2-4:30 pm

No Evening Session

Visit the website: Dressagirlaroundtheworld.com

A group of ladies meet to sew simple dresses for underprivileged girls around the world. Our lovely ladies participate in this wonderful ministry by sharing their time, talent and love.

Donations of cotton fabric. Plain tee shirts, flip-flops and girl's underwear as well monetary donations are gratefully accepted.

Have questions? Need more info? Call: Agatha - 631 499 7138 or Sue - 631 617 2111

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2024 Golf Outing update

Last year's Annual Sam Russo Golf Classic was in honor of Corporal Christopher G. Scherer USMC, who gave his life in service to our Country. Chris was killed in Iraq by a sniper's bullet on July 21st 2007. Chris's family has kept his memory alive with many events including the "running of the Grid" and over the years raised over a million dollars for Veteran's Charities.

The Fr. Thomas A. Judge Council #6893, teamed up with the Cpl Christopher G Scherer Semper Fi Fund to sponsor a service dog for a veteran through America's Vet Dogs.

The certificate below was presented in recognition of the sponsorship of "Judge" who will be trained to aid a veteran with regaining his independence.

A special thanks to PGK Don Maltby the Golf Chairman of the event.



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Thank you for helping enhance the independence of people with disabilities, and for your generous support in sponsoring

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John Miller
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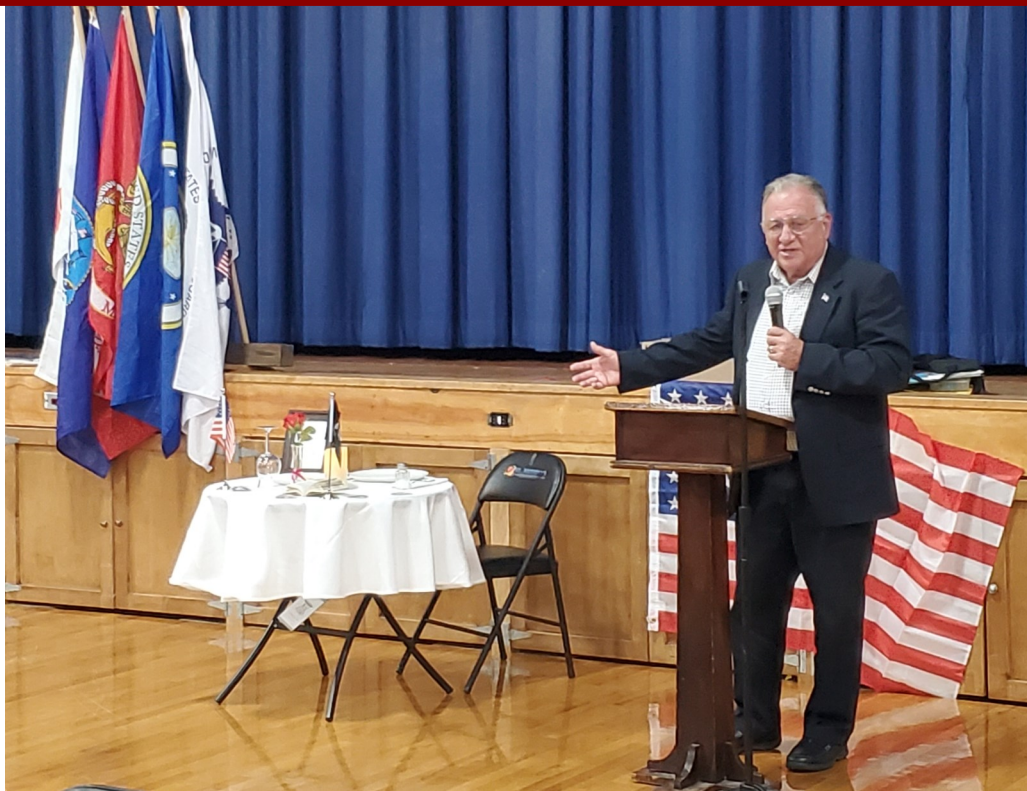


Patriotic Family Night

On November 17th we celebrated our Veterans in our Community with over 40 Veterans joining in the festivities. We enjoyed, hot dogs, beans, salads and S.O.S. The evening was capped off with apple pie and ice cream. A special thanks to the cooks, John Piropato and his family.



The "missing man table" was presented by John Bienkowski which is a solemn, symbolic ceremony that honors and remembers prisoners of war (POW), missing in action (MIA), and service members who have died in combat. The display includes a small table with a place setting for one, featuring a white tablecloth, a single red rose, an inverted glass, and other symbolic items like a lemon slice and salt. Each element represents the sacrifice of service members, their loved ones, and the hope for their return.



2025 RSVP Program Update

Our very successful 2025 RSVP Appeal has come to an end. Through the Knights of Columbus Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP), the Fr. Judge Council has been able to lend support in the form of \$500.00 donations to SIX seminarians and ONE postulate. Prior to Christmas, we will be providing each of the seminarians and postulate listed below a check to support them at this stage of their formation. A sincere THANK YOU to my Brother Knights and Sister Columbiettes who supported our annual direct donation appeal for our future priests and sister. As a result of your generosity, we supported the following:

- Nicolas Tavares
- Deacon Dillon Vita (transitional Deacon)
- August Horner
- John Beatty
- Deacon Nicholas Waldron (transitional Deacon)
- Deacon Patrick O'Brien (transitional Deacon)
- Sister Tess Austin

Thank you!

Mike Norton PGK

Chairman of the RSVP Program

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CHRISTMAS
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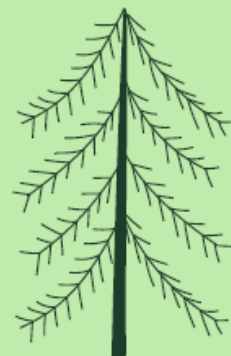
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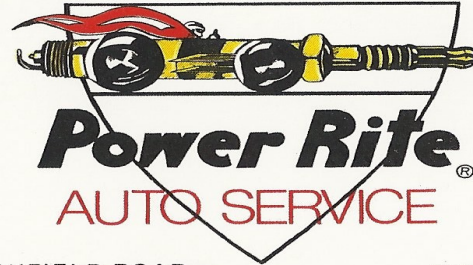
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