

Knights of Columbus

Serving the Parishes of Corpus Christi and Saint Aidan

Corpus Christi Council 2502 186 Jericho Turnpike Mineola, New York 11501 516-746-8643

Clarion



In Memoriam Edition

May 1, 2025 - Volume 51

In Memoriam

Corpus Christi #2502 Knights of
Columbus Council joins the world in
mourning the passing of His Holiness,
Pope Francis. We are deeply saddened
by this loss and offer our heartfelt
condolences to the Holy See, the Society
of Jesus (Jesuits), the religious order
Jorge Bergoglio joined in 1958, and the
global Catholic Church.

Pope Francis was installed on March 19, 2013, being the first Pope to have the courage to select the Papal name of Francis and like St. Francis of Assisi, the austere friar dedicated to the piety and the poor. Pope Francis will be remembered for his dedication to serving the poor and those most in need, care for our common world, and his simple humble lifestyle.

We ask all brothers with an American flag to fly it at half-staff for in remembrance of the pope.

May eternal rest grant unto Pope Francis O Lord and let perpetual light

shine upon him. May Pope Francis rest in peace.

Grand Knight's Report-Mike Villa

Greetings and salutations my brother Knights,

I hope you all had a very Happy Easter. The Lord is risen. Let us rejoice. Unfortunately, this day also brought the death of Pope Francis at 88 years. Pope Francis led the Catholic church for the last twelve years and he has always reminded us to remain humble. The College of Cardinals will convene and over the next several weeks will elect a new Pope.

On Founders weekend I spoke at mass at St. Aidan's and have approximately seven prospective new Knights. I keep asking everyone to recruit and bring in new members. Along with Jim Corrigan's assistance we will be coordinating a night for an exemplification at our council. I implore everyone to keep recruiting prospective members.

Our treasurer, Liam Patterson, has agreed to be our nomination committee chairman. We need members to step up, organize and assist in running this great council. My second term is quickly coming to a close and Mike Keisel DGK, was going to step up and run for GK, but things in his personal life changed and he will no longer be able to run for GK. Please see me or Liam if you are interested in becoming an officer.

Please make plans for and make reservations to Pete Augello for Comedy Night on Friday May 9th. The cost is only \$40 which includes an open buffet. Doors open at 6pm, dinner will open at 6:30pm and the show will start at 7:30pm. We need to make this a successful event and only you can do that. Bring your wives and friends and support our council.

On Sunday May 25th at St. Agnes Cathedral in Rockville Centre Bishop Barres will bless the new statue of Blessed Michael McGivney. This will take place at the 11am mass which the Bishop will preside at. There will be a repast after the mass and all are invited.

MARCHERS NEEDED. On Monday May 26th, we will be participating in the Mineola Memorial Day Parade. We will assemble in the parking lot of Wilson Park on Union Street at 10am. The parade will march from Wilson Park to Memorial Park.

Our next meeting is our business meeting and will be on Thursday May 1st at 8pm. Please come and get involved. I hope to see everyone there.

Vivat Jesus, SK Mike Villa, GK

Editor's Desk: SK Michael Murtha, PGK

Business/Social Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 1st

Officer's Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 8th 8pm. TBD

Corpus Christi Council #2502 Officers 2024- 2025

Grand Knight Mike Villa
Deputy Grand Knight Mike Kiesel
Chancellor Mike Curley
Warden Kevin Keenan
Treasurer Liam Patterson

Financial Secretary PGK Nicholas F Pennacchio

Advocate PGK Bruce Chester
Recorder Jude Ohrtman
Inside Guard Tom Russo
Inside Guard Tommy Tarantola
Outside Guard Jack Grafing
Trustee-1 Year Stu Kaplan

Trustee-1 Year Stu Kaplan
Trustee-2 Year Lou Librandi
Trustee-3 Year PGK John Mallon
Lecturer Edward L. Pappalardo
Chaplain Msgr. Robert Batule

Chapter Delegate GK Mike Villa

Chapter Alt. to Pres. PGK Nicholas F Pennacchio

Chapter Alt. Delegate PGK James Corrigan Conference Delegate PGK James Corrigan Alt to Pres Delegate PGK Steve Driscoll Alt to Deputy Delegate PGK Mike Murtha

Sistine Chapel on March 13, 2013, a new Pope had been elected.



White smoke billowed from the chimney of the Sistine Chapel on March 13, 2013, indicating that a new pope had been elected. Cardinal Bergoglio passed over in 2005 and was never expected to be chosen. Credit -Jeff J Mitchell/Getty Images

Editor's Desk: Clarion Deadline

The Deadline for the Clarion every Month is the 20th of the month. Any articles you wish to have included must be sent to me by e-mail: mtm12533@aol.com Brothers, you, we are responsible for helping with publishing the Clarion monthly and on time. We will not extend the submission deadlines any longer.

EMAIL: Michael T. Murtha < mtm12533@aol.com> 516-236-1073

Any errors were meant for you to find! Good luck!

Chaplain's Report - Msgr. Bob Batule

Chaplain's Column

As we start the fifth month of the calendar year, the Church is getting ready to elect a new Pope. When that will come exactly, we do not know. A new Pope will be elected in what is known as a conclave. Those participating in the conclave are known as the cardinal-electors. And that would be members

of the College of Cardinals who are under 80 years of age at the time of the election.

The conclave is brought on by the death of Pope Francis who served for a little more than twelve years until his death on April 21st, the day after Easter Sunday this year. He was the first Pope from Argentina and the first Jesuit Pope.

At the point of my writing, there is no way of knowing when the white smoke will be seen and when we will hear shouts of "Habemus Papam." Meanwhile, then, we pray that the Lord's will be done by the cardinal-electors, and that the new pontiff for the Church have the requisite qualities for shepherding the Church at this point in history.

The burdens of the Holy Father are multitudinous, and the weight of responsibility is unlike any other office in the world. To become a Successor of Saint Peter is not something a Cardinal sets out to do; it is a ministry entrusted to him for the good of the Church. The good of the Church can only be discerned by one who is close to the Lord in prayer and possesses wisdom far exceeding the demands of the present moment.

Pray that the right man be chosen under the influence of the Holy Spirit. As the Pope goes, so too does the Church.

A new Pentecost is needed in the Church and the world. So, we bid you, Heavenly Father, to fill our next Holy Father with the courage to strengthen the Church in the mission she has of being faithful to Christ in all things pertaining to the Kingdom of Heaven.

In Christ,

Msgr. Bob Batule Council Chaplain

Corpus Christi Council #2502 Past Grand Knight Association

James Barry	1985-1986
Sam Donato	1994-1996
Nick Pennacchio	1999-2001
Michael J. Raso	2003-2004
Tom Kelly	2006-2008

James Corrigan	2012-2014
Ray Ardanuy	2013-2015
Paul Kelly	2016-2017
Peter Zayas	2017-2018
John Mallon	2018-2019
Michael T. Murtha	2019-2020
Bruce Chester	2020-2021
Dan Albano	2021-2023
Mike Villa	2023-2024

Fraternal Corner - Prayers for the Sick & Deceased

Brothers, please keep in your prayers the following Knights, Brothers and their families:

John T. LaRose, Francesco Biancaniello, James Agnew, Sam Donato, Joe Carney Jr., Tom Tarantola, Mike Curley Sr, Kathy Ortman, Bernadette M. Zayas, John Church, Frank Diamond, Sam Donato, Cammilla Rotule, Hilda Macyka, Charles & Maryann Ribando, Margret Ehricks, Margarite O'Callaghan, Marie McQuire, Tom & Vilma Doherty, Terry Hallowoy, John O'Sullivan, Stephen Driscoll, Alice Murtha, Lisa Simeone, all our First Responders, Military Men & Women and all who may be suffering from Covid or Long Covid. Please add one more Hail Mary for all those individuals who are unable to pray for themselves.

Council Wake Calls

GK Mike Villa 516-742-5652; 516-884-3490 FS Nick Pennacchio 516-742-8379

Obituary for Nancy A. D'Avanzo

With solemn reverence, we commemorate Nancy A. D'Avanzo (Mineola, New York), whose life came to an end on April 11, 2025, at the age of 64, leaving behind cherished memories. In the vast expanse of eternity, Nancy shall find rest, cradled in the arms of everlasting peace. And as we bid Nancy farewell, her loved ones carry with them the precious gift of her memory, a beacon of hope guiding them through the shadows of sorrow towards the light of a new dawn. Visitation was held on Sunday, April 13th, 2025, from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM at the Cassidy Funeral Home, Inc. (156 Willis Ave, Mineola, NY 11501). Her final resting place Holy Rood Cemetery

located at 111 Old Country Road, Westbury, NY 11590.

Financial Secretary Report

Nicholas F Pennacchio-Dues Dear Brother Knight,

<u>DUES ARE DUE JANUARY EVERY YEAR.</u> 2025 Dues are now due. In addition, if you have not paid past year Dues, please remit them at this time. Annual Dues for Regular members are \$50.00 and \$15.00 for Honorary members. You should have received your Dues Notice either via E-mail or in the US Mail.

You can also use the form below with a check for the applicable amount made out to:

- ➤ Corpus Christi Council KofC #2502
- Mail to: Knights of Columbus, PO Box 243, Mineola, NY 11501

Attention: If you have any questions regarding your Dues or if you have not yet received a Dues Notice, please contact me via e-mail: nfp3018@gmail.com or tel. # (516) 742-8379. Members who are two or more years in arrears are subject to removal from Council membership.

Cut here
Name:
E-Mail Address:
Street Address:
Phone No.:
Cut here

Law Day is celebrated on May 1st. This special day is aimed at helping people appreciate their liberties and to affirm their loyalty to America, especially about equality and justice. It also aims to cultivate respect for the law, which is vital to our democratic way of life. It is supported by the American Bar Association. It is an opportunity for people to recognize and discuss the role of courts in the US.

Some bar associations may hold a luncheon with guest speakers on various legal topics relevant to modern society to celebrate Law Day.





THE CONSTITUTION'S PROMISE: OUT OF MANY, ONE

In the month of May, Federal Court Judges, Law Clerks, and Local Practicing Attorneys will engage students in grades 9 to 12 in an interactive presentation and discussion about constitutional issues and caselaw that have shaped our representative government.

Email director@ndnyfcba.org for more information DEADLINE TO RESPOND IS MARCH 1, 2025



Law Day activities may include fundraising events and tasks, community outreach activities linked with talking points about the law, poster and essay contests and interactive school lessons and role plays on legal topics such as the concept of separation of powers and the US Constitution.

Help Stop Abortion



PRO LIFE

Life is the First Right without which no other rights exist. If you know of a woman who is Pregnant and Contemplating ending, her pregnancy through abortion.

The Long Island Coalition for Life has set up a Hot Line to counsel and guide her.

[631] 243-0066

this line is open 24/7*

Council Events & Activities

Wilmin Corporation

Meeting on the second Wednesday of the month.

Wilmin Corporation Officers:

President - George Poarch

VP - Charlie Ribando

Treasurer - Marc Randazzo

Recording Secretary - Denis O'Sullivan

Directors: Bill Gyves; Jim Corrigan; Bob Rina; Mike Villa.

2502 Corporation

Meeting on the last Wednesday of the month.

2502 Corporation Officers:

President - John Musella

VP -Dave Redmond Jr

Treasurer – Lou Librandi

Recording Secretary – Jude Ohrtman

Directors: Danny McQueeney; Andy Bernstein; Nick Passarella; Owen Dugan and Bobby Redmond.

Chancellor's Update

Greetings to my brother Knights, I need your help! We need to Recruit, Recruit, Recruit! And mentor new members.

If anyone has a family member or friend that qualifies - male, 18 years or older and Catholic, looking to become a Knight, please call me. Forward the *Knightline* newsletter to Catholic men interested in the Knights, and let them know that they can become a member for free online using promo code MCGIVNEY2020 at kofc.org/join. You can also share your questions, feedback and story by emailing knightline@kofc.org.

Mike Curley, Chancellor

Cor Prayer Group Gathering The next *Cor* gathering will take place on Thursday, April 22nd. at 7:00 pm in the Blue Room of the St Aidan Convent. (The Convent is the building behind the school adjacent to the church - door is on Pembrooke St.



The **Kentucky Derby** is an annual horse race held on **Saturday, May 3**rd in Louisville, Kentucky. It is also sometimes known as the "Fastest Two Minutes in Sports." This event inaugurates the Triple Crown, a series of three horse races. The Preakness Stakes and the Belmont Stakes are the other two races in the Triple Crown. It has been held on the first Saturday of May since 1875, the thoroughbred race is a Grade I Stakes race.



Cinco de Mayo is observed on May 5th. It celebrates the defeat of the French army during the Battle of Puebla (Batalla de Puebla) in Mexico on May 5, 1862. Cinco de Mayo honors the culture, achievements and experiences of people with a Mexican background, who live in America. There is

a large commercial element to the day, with businesses promoting Mexican services and goods, particularly food, drinks and music. Other aspects of the day center around traditional symbols of Mexican life, such as the Virgin de Guadalupe, and Mexican-Americans who have achieved fame, fortune and influence in America. One of the largest Cinco de Mayo celebrations are Los Angeles, San Jose, San Francisco, San Antonio, Sacramento, Phoenix, Albuquerque, Denver and El Paso in the USA's south-western regions. In these cities, a large proportion of the population has Mexican origins. Many people hang up banners and school districts organize lessons and special events to educate their pupils about the culture of Americans of Mexican descent. In some areas, particularly in Pubelo de Los Angeles, celebrations of regional Mexican music and dancing are held.

Council Activities Save The Dates!

- Law Day, 5/1

- Council Business/Social Meeting, 5/1
- Kentucky Derby, 5/3
- Cinco De Mayo, 5/5
- Council Officer's Meeting, 5/8
- Council Comedy Jam 5/9
- Mother's Day, 5/11
- Free Extended Care Planning Webinar, 5/12
- Peace Officers Memorial Day, 5/15
- Armed Forces Day, 5/17
- Preakness Stakes, 5/17
- COR Group Meeting 5/22
- Blessing Blessed Michael J McGivney Statue St Agnes Cathedral, 5/25
- Memorial Day Parade, 5/26
- Ascension Thursday, 5/28 Hold Day of Obligation
- NYS Council Met Game, 6/1
- Knight of The Year Brunch, 6/8
- Nass Conference Steak & Cigar Night at Corpus Christi, 6/17
- Corpus Christi Council Golf Outing, 9/29
- PSD Anthony Ippolito Testimonial, 10/25

Mother's Day celebrates motherhood on the second Sunday of May. A day to honor mothers, grandmothers, mothers-in-law, and all motherly figures. Don't forget to call or kiss your Mother!





Peace Officers Memorial Day is held annually on **May 15**th in honor of federal, state and local officers killed or disabled in the line of duty. It is observed in conjunction with Police Week.

Corpus Christi's Cor Group:



Cor Prayer Group

Brother Knights.

During the 2022 – 2023 Columbian Year, the Supreme Council introduced the *Cor* Initiative and piloted it in various jurisdictions within the K of C. After a successful pilot period, this initiative was brought out Order wide for 2023 – 2024.

Cor is the Latin word for heart, and a Cor group comes together to give the participants an opportunity to grow closer to Jesus, the heart of our faith, through prayer, formation and fraternity. During this Columbian Year 15 separate Cor groups have already been formed in New York, including here in our Council. Corpus Christi's Cor group held its first meeting in May and by the time of the publication of the July Clarion we will have held our June gathering.

All Catholic men, regardless of membership in the K of C, are invited and welcome to participate in our Cor group. We are currently set up to meet on the 4th Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the "Blue Room" of St Aidan's Convent. The Convent is the building directly behind the St Aidan school building adjacent to the church.

What parish can't benefit from a group of Catholic men regularly coming together for prayer, brotherhood and formation, and who among us can't benefit from participation in such a group. Why not plan to join us for one of our upcoming meetings – it will be 1½ hour of time well spent.

Upcoming meeting will be held May 22nd at 7:00 pm.

Again, all Catholic men are welcome. If you have any questions call Jim Corrigan (516) 282-6774.



Americans celebrate **Armed Forces Day** on the **third Saturday of May**. It is a day to pay tribute to men and women who serve the United States' armed forces. Armed Forces Day is also part of Armed Forces Week, which begins on the second Saturday of May.



The Preakness Stakes is a Thoroughbred horse race held May 17th at the Pimlico Racecourse, in Baltimore, Maryland. It is the second event in the Triple Crown, in the series of three horse races. The Preakness Stakes is also sometimes known as the Run for the black-eyed Susans, after *Rudbeckia hirta*, the state flower of Maryland. The winner, however, does not receive a blanket of black-eyed Susans because they do not bloom until June. Instead, they are presented with a blanket of Viking poms or daisies that have been painted to look like black-eyed Susans.





Memorial Day is observed on the last Monday of May. It was formerly known as Decoration Day and honors all men and women who have died in military service for the United States. As Memorial Day approaches it is important to remember why we "celebrate" this day. Many people visit cemeteries and memorials on Memorial Day and while culturally it is seen as the start of the summer season, remember it is not a day to celebrate the beginning of summer, rather a day to commemorate the sacrifices all the men and women made in defense of the freedoms and lifestyle we all enjoy. Remember all those who gave their lives, everything so that we may live in Freedom. God Bless America! Semper FI!



The **Feast of the Ascension** is on **Thursday, May 29**th. "Today our Lord Jesus Christ ascended into Heaven; let our hearts ascend with Him." "While in

Heaven He is also with us, and we while on earth are with Him. Ascension Day is celebrated on a Thursday on the 40th day of Easter, or 39 days after Easter Sunday. It commemorates Jesus Christ's ascension into heaven, according to the New Testament of the Bible. Don't forget it is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Corpus Christi Council's #2502 very own LYON'S LOUNGE

Lounge opens at 7:30pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

Open "Mic"rophone Nights

Open Mic Nights. Mark your calendars - scheduled TBA starting at 7pm-10:30pm. \$20pp, hot buffet, one free beer, wine, or soda, or credit towards a mixed drink. Great Music! Great Musicians! Bring your family and friends. Come on down for a wonderful night of music and cheer!! You don't have to sing!!!



Nassau County Conference Steak & Cigar Night At Corpus Christi Council



SEE THE ATTACHED FLYER



Prayer for the Canonization of Father Michael J. McGivney

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 intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Ads for The Clarion

If any Member is Interested in placing an ad in the Clarion or knows of a business that would like to sponsor us, please fill out the information below with a check for \$65.00. Please send your business card, or a suitable standard graphic design file, so that we may display your ad in our Monthly Clarion. If you have any further questions, please contact David Redmond at 516-362-0837 for voicemail and text, or email webmaster@kofc2502.net.

Name
Business Name
Business E-Mail
Phone #
Knights of Columbus David Redmond PO Box 1834

INTO THE BREACH

Inspired by the Apostolic Exhortation for Catholic men written by Bishop Olmsted of Phoenix, the Knights of Columbus produced a video series which seeks to answer the question of what it means to be a man and how to live as a man in today's world. Watch today: www.kofc.org > campaigns > into-the-breach.

Have you watched KNIGHTCAST?

Knights Cast is an inspirational video series from the Knights of Columbus with the aim of engaging today's Catholic men in a compelling conversation about the Catholic Faith and their own, personal growth as they lead their families in service to the Church. Watch all episodes at KOFC.org/KnightCast. In the latest episode, host Jonathan Reyes speaks with Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly about his desire to make the Knights "first in faith, as in charity"; discusses the first K of C-Marist Poll about Americans' views on abortion since the Dobbs decision; and interviews a relative of Blessed Michael McGivney about his return to health and faith after a medical crisis. WATCH HERE

Corpus Christi Council #2502 Apparel

Jackets – Hats – Shirts
Are your Council colors showing their Age?
Order your Fleece-lined Sportwear now:
Three Season Jacket.
A Game, A Sportsman, or A Coaches,
Windbreaker, Golf Shirt,

Golf Hat Contact Brother Steve Connelly 516-312-5375

Nassau Chapter Assemblies



<u>Bishop Walter P. Kellenberg # 0728</u> Corpus Christi #2502

If you are interested in joining our Assembly, the Fourth Degree, you can join by contacting SK Nick Pennacchio, our Fourth Degree Assembly Representative!



KNIGHTLINE VOLUME 43 | NUMBER 13 | 4/2/25

Co-Workers in Christ's Vineyard

Today marks the 20th anniversary of the death of St. John Paul II, who died April 2, 2005, and was canonized nine years later, in April 2014. Over the course of his 26-year pontificate, John Paul II addressed more than 25 messages of appreciation for and encouragement to the Knights of Columbus. In his message to the 101st Supreme Convention in 1983, for example, he stated: "Whenever I think of the Knights of Columbus, I am reminded with joy of a rich heritage of faith, fraternity and service, and of a shining example of Catholic laity involved in the mission of the Church."

Co-Workers in Christ's Vineyard

From the *Columbia* archives, this April 2014 article highlights some of the key moments of collaboration between the Knights and John Paul II — celebrating a friendship that continues through the communion of saints 20 years after the pope's death. **READ MORE**

Investing in the Light of Faith Celebrating 20 Years as Supreme Chaplain

On April 2, 2005, the Knights of Columbus Board of Directors elected Bishop William Lori of Bridgeport as the Order's 10th supreme chaplain. Over the past 20 years, the supreme chaplain, who was appointed archbishop of Baltimore in 2012, has brought a pastor's heart to his role — evidenced by his hundreds of homilies and reflections at K of C events, his work to enhance and develop the role of state and local chaplains, and by advancing the spiritual formation of Knights and their families through his monthly *Columbia* column. In anticipation of this milestone, which precedes the

30th anniversary of his consecration as bishop on April 20, the Knights of Columbus Board of Directors extended heartfelt gratitude to Archbishop Lori through a resolution during a recent meeting in St. Louis.

Charity Blooms in the City of Roses

Over the past five years, Knights from St. Mary's Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Council 15295 in Portland, Oregon, have worked with a local charitable organization to fight hunger in the city, bringing monthly food donations to low-income households. Often meeting people in moments of great need, Knights bring prayer and hope to these encounters. READ MORE

Legendary Coach and Faithful Knight

Lou Carnesecca, legendary men's college basketball coach and a brother Knight, led St. John's University to more than 500 victories over his 24-year career, making the playoffs each year. A member of both the Basketball Hall of Fame and the National Collegiate Basketball Hall of Fame, Carnesecca, who passed away last November, is remembered by his fellow members of Holy Family/Bishop Ignatius Catanello Council 14520 in Fresh Meadows, New York, for his humility, kindness and unwavering faith — both on and off the court. WATCH HERE

In Support of Catholic Education

More than 500 students received scholarships totaling close to \$1.3 million for the 2024-2025 academic year through the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council's scholarship program. As the April 15 deadline for all K of C-sponsored scholarships approaches, learn how this program has impacted the educational experience of four current college Knights and why you should spread the word to eligible students. READ MORE | APPLY HERE

Experiencing the Mercy of Jesus

This week's Lenten Mission video reflects on our need for God's mercy, which we can experience through the sacrament of reconciliation. As St. John Paul II once said, "To speak of reconciliation and penance is for the men and women of our time an

invitation to rediscover, translated into their own way of speaking, the very words with which our savior and teacher Jesus Christ began his preaching: 'Repent, and believe in the Gospel.'" Visit our social media channels or kofc.org/lent to watch this week's video.

KNIGHTLINE VOLUME 43 | NUMBER 14 | 4/9/25

Joy and Hope

During his first visit to the Philippines last summer, Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly praised Filipino Knights for their example of leadership to the Order and commended the tremendous growth in membership throughout the country's four jurisdictions. As the Philippines celebrates the annual Day of Valor today, April 9, in honor of the heroism of Filipino and American soldiers during World War II, read on to learn how the more than 550,000 Knights across 4,000 councils in the Philippines are witnessing to the founding vision of Blessed Michael McGivney, especially by demonstrating a genuine care for the poor and vulnerable in their communities.

Journey of Joy

In August 2024, a Supreme Council delegation led by Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori traveled to the Philippines, where they met with local Knights and K of C leaders, prayed at several holy sites, and witnessed the evangelizing charity and vibrant growth of the Order throughout the country. WATCH HERE | READ MORE

Support for an Indigenous Community

The newly formed Risen Christ Church Council 18514 in Bulalacao, Luzon South, is the first council in the Philippines to be composed entirely of Indigenous people. Its members are from the Hanunoo Mangyan tribe, the largest of the eight Mangyan tribes on Mindoro Island. "Indigenous people are important to the Knights of Columbus because in some areas, they are neglected," said State Secretary Eduardo Lara. "As Catholics, it is important for us to help them." WATCH HERE

'Sharing in Their Grief'

When American Airlines Flight 5342 and a U.S. Army Black Hawk helicopter tragically collided over the nation's capital in January, Joseph Mazel and Father Frederick Edlefsen, past grand knight and chaplain, respectively, of St. Joseph the Worker Council 14516 in Arlington, rushed to support anguished families in Reagan National Airport. "As Knights, this is what we do — we respond when people are in need, regardless of the job," Mazel said. "At that moment you can be the face of God to that person." READ MORE | WATCH HERE

Preparing for Palm Sunday

This week's Lenten Mission video reflects on the many themes of Palm Sunday and how our relationship, identity and mission as Catholic men hinge on the mission Jesus has come to fulfill. Visit our social media channels or kofc.org/lent to watch this week's video.

KNIGHTLINE VOLUME 43 | NUMBER 15 | 4/15/25

He Won Us the Victory

In his most <u>recent column</u> for Columbia, Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori reflects on God's closeness and his desire to encounter us through Christ's humanity and ours. "He didn't redeem us from afar," the supreme chaplain writes. "He penetrated to the depth of existence where rages the battle between good and evil, sin and grace, life and death — and in our flesh, in our humanity, he won for us the victory." The Shroud of Turin offers a unique perspective from which to reflect on the human suffering of Christ, and as the Easter triduum approaches, you can learn more about the impact of this mysterious artifact below.

The Raised Man of the Shroud

In a recent interview with *Columbia*, Dr. Gilbert Lavoie shares how his 40 years of research and study into the Shroud of Turin led him to unexpected discoveries. Author of *The Shroud of Jesus and the Sign John Ingeniously Concealed* (2023), Dr. Lavoie uses his knowledge of internal medicine and forensics, together with study of sacred Scripture, to examine the mystery of the shroud and what it reveals. READ MORE | WATCH HERE

'They Joined the Knights to Serve'

Despite the dangers of war, Father Ihor Makar, chaplain of Liubomyr Huzar Council 18244 in Zelenivka, Ukraine, and brother Knights continue to risk their lives to bring humanitarian and spiritual aid to people in Ukraine's conflict zones. The war has spurred the growth of parish life, particularly through the 39 councils that have been established across the country since the conflict began in 2022. **READ MORE**

A Path to Priesthood

Father Michael Gelfant became Catholic at age 16 and was later surprised to discover his vocation in the priesthood. Now, as a priest of the Diocese of Brooklyn and a brother Knight, he finds constant inspiration in the life of Blessed Michael McGivney. "[He] was able to band the community together to address tragedies," he said. "To have a priest that is able to use his pulpit to gather the people ... to go out and help others, for me is part of the mission as to why I became a priest." WATCH HERE

A Guide Through Holy Week

As we come to the end of our Lenten Mission series, Dominican Father Jonathan Kalisch, director of chaplains and spiritual development, and Renzo Ortega walk through the Easter triduum, helping us prepare for the Resurrection. Visit our social media channels or kofc.org/lent to watch this week's video.

KNIGHTLINE VOLUME 43 | NUMBER 16 | 4/24/25

Remembering Pope Francis

As the Knights of Columbus mourns the death of Pope Francis, we also celebrate the gift of his life and offer thanksgiving for his countless contributions to the Church. "Pope Francis was a powerful witness to charity and fraternity, calling us from his first days as pope to reach out to the margins of society and serve those who are too often forgotten," said Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly in an official statement on April 21. Find the supreme knight's full statement and more at kofc.org/PopeFrancis.

Remembering Pope Francis

The Knights of Columbus was privileged to work closely with Pope Francis, supporting his pontificate through prayer and action. The Holy Father continually offered his blessing to the Order and approved a miracle attributed to Father Michael McGivney, opening the door to the founder's beatification on Oct. 31, 2020. Here we look back on his papacy and highlight some important moments in his close relationship with the Knights. WATCH HERE

'A Journey of Fraternity'

For more than 12 years, the Knights of Columbus drew inspiration from Pope Francis' call for the faithful to go out to the peripheries, his deep devotion to St. Joseph, and his emphasis on the shared responsibility between clergy and laity in building up the Church. Look back on some of the many ways the Knights supported Francis' pontificate. READ MORE

In Unity With Peter

In February 2020, the Knights of Columbus Board of Directors made a pilgrimage to Rome in commemoration of the Order's 100 years of service there. Pope Francis welcomed the delegation to the Vatican, where he commended the Order's commitment to serving those in need and its unwavering fidelity to the successor of St. Peter. READ MORE

Our Easter Mission

In this concluding video, Dominican Father Jonathan Kalisch, director of chaplains and spiritual development, and Renzo Ortega reflect on our Easter Mission and discuss what it means to live with Easter joy and the Lord's gift of Divine Mercy. Visit our social media channels or kofc.org/lent to watch this week's video.

The Gift of a Lifetime

Join the Knights of Columbus, your premier Catholic partner for financial services, for a free webinar to learn more about how extended care planning can help you protect your family's future. The webinar

will be held Monday, May 12, at 8 p.m. EST. Learn more and register here.

Tell others about Knightline

Forward this newsletter to Catholic men interested in the Knights, and let them know that they can become a member at kofc.org/join. You can also share your questions, feedback and story by emailing knightline@kofc.org

District Deputy 17th New York Report -SK Richard Carl PGK

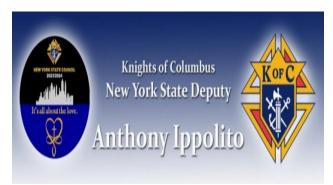
Cell: 516-306-7450 **Email:** rpc121047@gmail.com Brother Knights,

Attached are two files for your Council's use.

- The file, "Star Council Check-Off Form 2024-25" lists everything required to qualify for the Star Council award.
- The file, "Church Recruitment Drive" contains suggested details that you might want to utilize. I realize that most councils already follow most of the suggestions. However, you might get a few new ideas.

I look forward to seeing you. V. J. Rich Carl

NEW YORK STATE COUNCIL ACTIVITIES



The address/telephone number of the State Office: 203 Rockaway Ave
Valley Stream NY 11580
Telephone # 516-900-kofc (5632)

Save the Date The NY State Council at Citifield for THE NY METS vs. THE COLORADO ROCKIES on 6/1/25



SEE THE ATTACHED FLYER









SEE THE ATTACHED FLYER

NYS Council Fundraising Ideas
Go to NYKOFC.COM/FUNDRAISING for the weekly
Fundcrazer results. Every week all the results are
posted on the site.

NASSAU CONFERENCE & CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Nassau Conference Calendars – are on sale for \$20.00 apiece, call Conference Treasurer James Corrigan at 516-282-6774. If you buy 5 Calendars-\$100, Jim will deliver them to your house.

Nassau County Conference Steak & Cigar Night
At Corpus Christi Council



For more information, please contact Damiano at 917-696-3536 or Dan at 516-644-3009. SEE THE ATTACHED FLYER

NASSAU CHAPTER

www.nassauchapterkofc.org



TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The Nassau Chapter of the Knights of Columbus presented a check for \$75,000 to the St Pius X Residence. Congratulations, a job well done!

Congratulations to Corpus Christi Council #2502 for exceeding your C&B Program in 2024 by almost 2 books per person and as a result received almost \$300 as a bonus. Another job well done. Keep up the good work!

Please support Council 2502 Advertisers

Tsontos Furs- Leather and Shearling
Allstate Insurance Co.--Mike Curley
Haller-Zaremba- Insurance Services
Treatment of Snoring and Sleep Apnea—Drs. Rein and Seltzer

Thomas F. Dalton Funeral Homes Inc.
Shamrock Auto Repair Service
Foresto Men's Shop--Fine Men's Clothing
Hahn, Ford & Hundertmark- Attorneys at Law
Weigand Bros., Inc.--Funeral Directors
Cassidy Funeral Home
PJ Diskin & Sons Realty, Ltd.
Tri-County--Plumbing & Heating John Musella
James Corrigan — Nassau Conference Treasurer



The Mineola Chamber of Commerce.

The Mineola Chamber of Commerce welcomes you! Home of the county seat, we are one of the largest chambers on Long Island serving the businesses of Mineola and the surrounding areas.

As the voice of our business community, we strive to cultivate and strengthen economic developments in the area for our merchants, professionals, and businesspeople to make Mineola a better place to work, live, learn, and play.

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month between September and June at various Chamber member venues. Networking begins at 6:00PM and the dinner meeting starts at 6:30PM. Chamber meetings are suspended for the summer months of July and August.

ALL RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETINGS - CALL 516-319-4465

Events/Meetings:

At our Chamber meeting on April 15th, our guest speaker was Joe Galante, from NYS Comptroller's Office. He spoke to us about the \$19 Billion in Unclaimed funds NYS is holding. April 15th Tax Day— Unclaimed Funds — Great timing Joe — Thank you! The money the Comptroller's office is holding is for accounts belonging to both Individuals and Business. Check it out!

Our next Chamber meeting will be on May 20th at Harry Katz Carpet One, 450 Jericho Tpke. It will be a BBQ and social networking begining at 6pm. Come enjoy a night and have some laughs! Dinner is \$45.00. Bring A Friend for \$20.00. ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!

<u>Free Extended Care Planning Webinar</u> Brothers,

Join Knights of Columbus on May 12th, your premier Catholic partner for financial services, for a free financial webinar to learn more about how extended care planning can help you protect your family's future.



Join Knights of Columbus, your premier Catholic partner for financial services, for a free financial webinar to learn more about how extended care planning can help you protect your family's future.

Monday, May 12 at 8pm EST



No purchase is necessary to examt this event. This event is for informational purposes only and does not constitute financial; tax, or legal advice. A Knights of Columbus insurance agent may centred you following the event. Knights of Columbus Plans, New Haven, 365th



JOIN HERE

Contact your agent today to learn more about how we can help protect your family.





COURTESY OF:

Daniel S. Garcia Knights of Columbus 51 Atlantic Avenue Suite 305 Floral Park, NY 11001 516-358-1817 Direct 516-784-6071 Cell daniel.garcia@kofc.org



Dan Garcia FIC, MDRT
Knights of Columbus Insurance

Thoughts on our first Latin American Pope



After decades of conservative leadership, Pope Francis tried to reset the course of the Roman Catholic Church, emphasizing inclusion and care for the marginalized over doctrinal purity. He shook the status quo.

Francis, who rose from modest means in Argentina to become the first Jesuit and Latin American pontiff, who clashed bitterly with traditionalists in his push for a more inclusive Roman Catholic Church, and who spoke out tirelessly for migrants, the marginalized and the health of the planet, died

at the Vatican's Casa Santa Marta. The pope's death occurred a day after Francis appeared in his wheelchair Easter Sunday blessing the faithful in St. Peter's Square.

Francis steadily steered the church in a different direction. He changed its leadership with a diverse array of bishops who shared his pastoral, welcoming approach as he sought to open-up the church. Francis reached out to migrants, the poor and the destitute, to victims of sexual abuse by Catholic clergy members, and to alienated gay Catholics. He traveled to often forgotten and farflung countries and sought to improve relations with an antagonistic Chinese government, Muslim clerics and leaders from across the fragmented Christian world. Francis not only came from another part of the world, but he also saw the world differently than his predecessors did. He became the first pontiff to take his papal name from St. Francis of Assisi, the austere friar who dedicated his life to piety and the poor and who, according to tradition, received instruction from God to rebuild his church.

Francis took over the church at a moment of crisis. In the industrialized world, it suffered from falling attendance, faith-draining clerical sexual abuse scandals, demands for a greater role for women and a dire shortage of priests. And in Latin America, Asia and Africa, where the faith was continuing to grow, the Catholic church faced increasing competition from Protestant evangelical and Pentecostal churches. He tried to move the church away from divisive issues like abortion and homosexuality and shift its emphasis to global problems like climate change, poverty and migration. His vision, expressed in his first papal encyclical "Laudato Si," or "Praise Be to You," linked Catholic theology to protecting the environment and championing those on the margins, while denouncing the excesses of global capitalism in exploiting the poor.

Francis' most enduring legacy may be the transformation of the clerical ranks and the reshaping of the College of Cardinals, once dominated by conservatives appointed by Benedict and John Paul II. Arguably the most dramatic change Francis brought to the church, his

supporters say, was perhaps the simplest: a willingness to open questions for debate, planting the seeds for deep, long-lasting change. Francis did not stifle views he disagreed with and believed in a patient process — he called it discernment — in which ideas and proposals could be weighed before going forward.

While some of Francis' most ardent boosters worried that his fondness for debate and discernment resulted in a pontificate that was largely talk, he made undeniable substantive changes, such as broadening the definition in church law of people who could be considered victims of clerical sex abuse, and seemingly bureaucratic ones, like decentralizing power away from Rome and building the hierarchy in the United States with liberals. Those efforts have the potential to yield even greater change. Aat the beginning of his pontificate, supporters predicted a "Francis effect" that would fill the pews with faithful, by the end they claimed a more modest achievement, that he had opened church doors that had for decades been sealed shut.

For Pope Francis, we pray: Eternal rest, grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.





HAVE YOUR NEXT EVENT WITH US!

WE CAN ACCOMMODATE UP TO 250 GUESTS!

MANY CATERING PACKAGES AVAILABLE.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR COMEDY JAM

MAY 9TH

Doors-6:00 · Dinner-6:30 · Showtime-7:30

MUSIC BY DJ MEDINA LIVE

\$40 Admission

Includes Open Buffet

Call Peter Augello 516-643-4784 For Tickets & Reservations

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

186 Jericho Turnpike, Mineola, NY 11501 516-746-8643

Parking • • South side of Jericho Tpke (entrance to public lots on Washington Ave)

Available • • North of Jericho Tpke just off Mineola Blvd. (entrance on Banbury Rd)

The Gift of a Lifetime



Join Knights of Columbus, your premier Catholic partner for financial services, for a free financial webinar to learn more about how extended care planning can help you protect your family's future.

Monday, May 12 at 8pm EST

https://tinyurl.com/KnightsMay12



No purchase is necessary to extend this event. This event is for informational purposes only and does not constitute financial, tax, or legal advice. A Knights of Columbus insurance agent may contact you following the event. Knights of Columbus, One Columbus Plaza, New Haven, 06510

LIFE INSURANCE - DISABILITY INCOME INSURANCE - LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE - RETIREMENT ANNUITIES



30301 3/2



NEW YORK STATE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Join us at CitiField on

SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2025 AT 1:40 PM

to watch the action between the

COLORADO ROCKIES

NEW YORK METS







ROCKIES.com Early arrivals can get a Hello Kitty Bobblehead!

So, bring the family and friends!

Tickets are \$70.00 each

For each ticket sold you will receive a NY Mets hat, and \$10 will be donated to ????????????

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

Tony Vesco at 646-642-9145 Or email: Tony404@aol.com

MAIL FORM BELOW WITH PAYMENT TO:

METS TIX % ANTHONY VESCO 1015 73rd STREET BROOKLYN, NY 11228

Make Check or Money Order payable to: NYS COUNCIL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (Please put "METS" in the Memo)

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY BELOW

Name:				
Address:				
City, State, Zip				
Cell Phone:	×	Email:		
	# of Tickets:	@ \$70.00 each	Total Amount Englared: \$	





Knights of Columbus®

New York State Council



PSD ANTHONY IPPOLITO TESTIMONIAL



SATURDAY OCTOBER 25^{th,} 2025







Knights of Columbus

Serving the Parishes of Corpus Christi and Saint Aidan

Corpus Christi Council 2502

SPONSOR PAGE



TREATMENT OF SNORING AND SLEEP APNEA

Jeffrey S. Rein, D.D.S., F.A.G.D. Neal Seltzer, D.M.D., F.A.G.D.

101 Hillside Avenue Suite A Williston Park, NY 11596

516 741-6202

Fax (516) 741-9620 cyberdentist@toothfairy.com



DAYE REDMOND AT (516) 362-0837

Corpus Christi Council #2502 P.O. Box 243 Mineola, N.Y. 11501

Thomas F. Dalton Funeral Homes, Inc.

412 Willis Avenue Williston Park, New York

(516) 354-0634

Brother Timothy J. Dalton George E. Dalton



Knights of Columbus Hall
Available for Rentals
WEDDINGS • ENGAGEMENTS
PARTIES • DANCES • Etc.

For Details and Reservations Call: Peter Augello, Steward K of C

Tel: 516-746-8643



Will Havron, RSSA® Senior Health Insurance Representative

Assisting Seniors with Medicare (516) 578-6452 mobile (516) 309-4768 office

Are you happy with your Medicare Health Insurance Options? With the aging of America, Baby Boomer's are looking for assistance with their Health Insurance needs. One of the major concerns people have when they decide to retire or turn 65 is how to cover or cap medical costs which could be catastrophic. Let me help you find the most suitable, comprehensive, and affordable plan tailored just for you.

PLACE YOUR ADHERE SPACE FOR RENT



SHAMROCK AUTO REPAIR SERVICE COMPLETE AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE

(516) 746-5060 (516) 746-9036

821 WILLIS AVE. ALBERTSON, NY



New York State Council

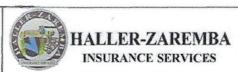
Jim Corrigan PGK, FDD

Director, Evangelization & Faith Formation

500 Denton Avenue, Apt. 4C Garden City Park, NY 11040

Cell: (516) 282 - 6774

General email: lonagrad70@gmail.com
Cor email: KofCJim.Cor@gmail.com



Haller-Zaremba & Co., Inc. 328 Hillside Avenue Williston Park, NY 11596-2196

ALL FORMS OF PERSONAL & COMMERCIAL INSURANCE

516-746-2150

Fax: 516-746-2477 www.hzinsurance.com/







Cassidy Funeral Home Inc.

WILLIAM H CASSIDY, Director

(516) 746-6222

156 WILLIS AVENUE MINEOLA, NY 11501

Will Havron, RSSA® Registered Social Security Analyst

(516) 578-6452

Do you know how to claim all the benefits you have earned or deserve? Have you considered whether you want to optimize or maximize? Are you aware that SS Benefits are Federally taxed by as much as 85% and that they are currently taxed in nine states? Let's have a conversation.

CORPUS CHRISTI COUNCIL No. 2502 P.O. Box 243 MINEOLA, NEW YORK 11501



Non-Profit Organization U.S. POSTAGE PAID MINEOLA, NEW YORK PERMIT No. 27

SPONSOR PAGE

Foresto Men's Shop Fine Men's Clothing

309 WILLIS AVENUE, MINEOLA, NY 11501 TELEPHONE 516-746-1410

Quality Since 1940

HOURS MON.-WED.-SAT. TUES.-THURS.-FRI.

Computer & Technology Consultant

Trusted by Knights of Columbus, Village of Mineola, Nassau County PAL, and local community businesses



David P. Redmond solutions@dprdigital.com | 516-362-0837



Customer Service

Mike Curley Exclusive Agent McGowan-Curley Agency LLC

Alistate Insurance Company 215-27 Jamaica Avenue Queens Village, NY 11428

Phone: 718-468-8000 Fax: 718-479-7068 Email: Mikecurley@allstate.com

Liam Patterson Financial Advisor

Wealth Management The Safarik Group 58 South Service Road Suite 400 McIville, NY 11747

PLACE YOUR AD HERE

SPACE FOR RENT

Morgan Stanley

direct 631 755 8890 fax 631 755 8999 toll free 800 477 7522

NMLS # 1479417 liam-patterson@morganstanley.com WEIGAND BROS., INC.

- LONG ISLAND FUNERAL HOMES -

49 HILLSIDE AVENUE WILLISTON PARK, N.Y. 11596 746-4484

Dominick's Italian American Deli Bella Calabria Farms Inc. Produce * Deli * Gorcery * Dairy 401 Herricks Road New Hyde Park, NY 11040 Phone (516) 746-2116 Fax (516) 741-4836

Opening Hours Monday - Saturday 7am to 7pm Sunday 7am to 5pm

HAHN, FORD & HUNDERTMARK

Attorneys at Law

Elder Law · Wills · Estates · Real Estate Office or Home Consultations Est 1908

J. Randolph Hundertmark

105 Hillside Ave., Williston Park, NY - [516] 747-4855