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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT



My Brother's All,

The momentum of 2020 has carried over into 2021 and we are off to a great start with lots of events coming up.

The Columbiettes had an open house and enrollment night on January 19. They are excited to get things going and we support them all the way in their endeavor. Brothers, please pass the word to your wife, girlfriend, daughter or granddaughter and let them know about the Columbiettes and if they are interested in joining, they should

contact Lisa Cupeles at lisacupeles@gmail.com.

Last year, right before COVID hit, we had a very successful Fish Fry Fundraiser. This year we will be doing it again but a little different. The Fish Fry will be held on Saturday February 27 from 5pm – 7pm. Due to COVID though this will be a curbside pickup event. Guests will drive up to the council and pickup their dinner. This year's event will be chaired by our Worthy Warden Gil Duke with assistance from DGK Vince Sicari, Chancellor Nelson Cupeles and Treasurer Keith Hopkins. Please look at the flyer in this newsletter for mor information and we look forward to seeing you then.

One of the big fundraising events every year for the council is the 20 Week Club. Last year COVID delayed some weeks and the finale and it looked like it was possibly going to cancel this year's event. Big shoutout to Brother Bill Rendine who has volunteered to step up to chair this

year's event with the help of PGK's Bill Courtney and Jon Kennedy. The event is scheduled to kick-off on March 19 and conclude on July 30. More information on how the event will be run and how to purchase tickets will be coming in the weeks ahead.

Our fantastic Chancellor Nelson has been hard at work getting the word out about our council and recruiting new members. We will have another exemplification ceremony at Sacred Heart Church on January 31. Also at the moment we have a lot of brothers from the former Trinity Council in Hackensack very interested in joining our active council. A transfer welcoming committee has been set up with BGK Brian Cronin, DGK Vince Sicari, FS PGK Dave Torebka and Nelson to vet some of these transfers and to let them know of what kind of active council we are and the expectations we have in our members. Everyone wants to a part of our council and there is no mystery why.

It is good to see that we are already hitting the ground running in the new year. Thank you to all the brothers who have already stepped up. We ask more brothers to step up with any ideas you may have and to possibly run an event in the future. This council is very active, we want to keep it that way. You certainly get out of the Knights what you put into it.

Vivat Jesus!
Gerard Sorrentino
Grand Knight

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE



My Brothers All,

I would like to thank all the brothers who came out and helped un-decorate Sacred Heart Church on January 10. I think we set a new record of 30 minutes to take everything down, put everything away and clean up, unbelievable! Thank you!

In January we returned back to conducting our meeting virtually. This was done as a precautionary measure in wake of the recent second COVID wave we are currently in. While we were very careful when we were gathering for in person meetings in ensuring the safety of all who attended, there was no guarantee of absolute safety. The only way to really slow down the spread of the virus is to listen to the advice of the professionals and avoid public indoor gatherings where possible. Once we see a decrease in the COVID cases and an increase in those who have been vaccinated then we will resume our meetings in person, again following strict CDC guidelines.

Recently a temperature gun was purchased. A measure that we will use when we do return to in person meetings and events is taking the temperature of all

brothers and guests who enter the council. Any brother who has a fever (temperature above 100 degrees) will be asked to exit the council and go home. While this may sound harsh as our council belongs to all members, the safety of all is our number one priority. We thank everyone for their understanding and cooperation. If we all work together then we can all do our part in returning to a sense of normalcy.

Vivat Jesus!
Vince Sicari
Deputy Grand Knight

CHANCELLOR'S REPORT



Worthy Brothers,

On January 31 we will be having an exemplification ceremony at Sacred Heart Church at 3pm. At this time we have 2 confirmed candidates with hopefully a third deciding to join. We need to get 5 more new members to join our council by the end of June to hit our quota for the 2020 – 2021 Columbian year, we can defiantly do it, let's all be fishers of men!

Back in the end of December, Trinity council in Hackensack closed. Since then, a lot of their former members have shown interest in joining our council. While transfers don't count towards our

membership goal, it is good to see so many of these guys wanting to join our council. However, just because a person is a brother in another council doesn't mean they are the right fit for our council. A transfer interview committee has been set up with myself, DGK Vince Sicari, GK Gerry Sorrentino, PGK Brian Cronin and Dave Torebka to vet these guys, get a feel for them, let them know what kind of council we are and what we expect from our members. We are planning the first set of interviews with some of the transfers for some time in February.

I want to thank everyone who purchased from our pop-up online store last month, you should have received your purchase by now. For those who ordered the new council t-shirts and did not get those, I still have some, please contact me and we can arrange for pick up.

Vivat Jesus!
Nelson Cupeles
Chancellor



Membership dues are now due! Members should have received their dues by now. Please send your \$35 in check or money order ASAP to avoid a delinquency notice. Checks should be made out to "Sacred Heart Council 2842"




Knights of Columbus
SACRED HEART COUNCIL 2842
 ROCHELLE PARK, NJ

Fish&Chips

FUNDRAISER

February 27th / 5p-7p
Adults \$18 / Child (under 12) \$15
 Fish and Chips Dinner w/ Fries & Coleslaw
 (Chicken Tenders upon request)

Advance Tickets Only
knights@kofc2842.org
 201.248.3116

Curbside Pickup

Catered by Tastefully British
 235 Rochelle Ave, Rochelle Park, New Jersey 07662

COLUMBIAN CLUB

Brothers,

A couple little house keeping projects we have going on. Right now we're looking into installing new color video cameras throughout the building and we have installed new hand sanitizer dispensers outside the bathrooms in the lower hall as well as outside the office by the liquor room. We are also revisiting our solar panel and roofing project that was postponed last year due to COVID.

The building was granted a SBL (small business loan) so that has come in handy in trying to keep everything going and avoiding us having to pull monies out of our account at the bank.

Other than that nothing more to report. We do have some parties and hall rentals coming up. We are currently renting

our upper hall mostly because of its size and its ability to accommodate within social distancing recommendations. We look forward to a time when we can rent both halls and have rentals like we did before the pandemic hit.

We are also looking into a bar tenders training course, we like to do it once a year around this time of the year. More information on that will be provided.

As always, all members of the council are also members of the Columbian Club and as such are invited to attend our virtual monthly Columbian Club meetings held on the second Monday of the month following the council officers meeting (usually around 8pm). The next Columbian Club meeting is scheduled for Monday February 8.

Frank Del Re
 Columbian Club Chairman

PARISH NEWS



Wednesday February 17

8AM – Mass with distribution of ashes

12PM – 1PM – Distribution of ashes

7:30PM – Mass with distribution of ashes

Dear Brothers,

I would first like to say thank you to all the Knights who helped with the undecorating of the church on January 10. It was done in record breaking time, job well done!

But just as we finish celebrating Christmas, we now focus on Easter. Ash Wednesday begins the season of Lent that leads into Easter. Ash Wednesday masses will be at 8AM and 7:30PM with a prayer service and distribution of ashes from 12pm – 1pm.

Due to the pandemic, we have to of course modify the way ashes are distributed

this year. We will be distributing ashes similar to how we distribute communion at weekend mass. The minister will come to you and with a Q-Tip will make the sign of the cross on your forehead to avoid any physical contact. I know this is different and not what we are used to but if you have been going to mass regularly throughout this pandemic, you know we have had to modify a lot of our “regular” behaviors. I once again ask for everyone’s understanding as we try to make the best of the situation.

Peace & Blessings!

Fr. Rich Kelly

Chaplain

SYMPATHY

It is with sympathy that we inform you of the passing of Gene Noll Sr. Father-In-Law of PGK FDD and current Financial Secretary Dave Torebka and of Bobby Alcala, Father-In-Law of Brother Joey Ville. Please keep their souls in your prayers.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.



Better late than never! The 2021 "20 Week Club" will be kicking off on Friday March 19, 2021 and run for 20 consecutive weeks concluding on Friday July 30, 2021. For tickets and more information, please contact event chairman Bill Rendine.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

February 1: Dominick Tarulli

February 2: Mark Sileo

February 3: Jason Abughusson Happy 40th Birthday!

February 6: Joseph Lennie and Michael Schneider

February 7: Dean Hardish Happy 70th Birthday!

February 8: Arthur Kent and Frank Bassillo

February 11: Rev. Richard Kelly and Thomas Torpey

February 14: Vincent Amatulli

February 16: Richard Orlando Jr.

February 20: Bernard Clyne

February 22: John Gryctko

February 24: Ronald Czochanski

February 25: Michaels Holmes

February 26: James Visconti



We are pleased to announce the return of the Columbiettes to Sacred Heart council, the women's auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus. Let your wife, girlfriend, daughter or granddaughter know and have them contact lisacupeles@gmail.com

FEBRUARY 2021

SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THUR.	FRI.	SAT.
	1. ZOOM General Council Meeting 8pm	2. Groundhog Day	3.	4.	5.	6.
7. Super Bowl Sunday	8. ZOOM Officers Meeting / Columbian Club Meeting 7PM	9.	10.	11.	12. Lincoln's Birthday Lunar New Year	13.
14. Valentine's Day	15. President's Day ZOOM General Council Meeting 8PM	16.	17. Ash Wednesday	18.	19.	20.
21.	22. Washington's Birthday	23.	24.	25.	26.	27. Council Fish Fry 5 - 7PM
28.						