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Grand Knight's Message

Brothers

I hope everyone is enjoying this Easter season. Celebrating Easter knowing that salvation is possible for all is truly an amazing feeling to have as we approach my favorite season of the year. I am happy to report that our council is growing. We have gained 14 new members since last June with about 11 new members that have joined the Knights of Columbus and most likely will join our council as well. Our canning season has started and I thank all of the efforts of our canners who go out to collect money for the many different charities that we support throughout the year. Please contact me if you would like to try it out one Saturday. I would love to personally go with you for the first time. My number is 917-861-7801. We have some upcoming events being planned which I will notify all of the members of through email. It will be awesome to see as many of you as possible at these events. We continue to put forth our charitable efforts as always in various different ways that any member can plug into. We recently delivered 27 Easter baskets to families in need which has been a long-standing mission of our council. I thank everyone who took part in that and a special thanks to Frank Lobosco for running it successfully.

Our meetings will continue the first Tuesday of the month beginning at 8pm sharp. We have now reserved our third Tuesday for Catholic discussions related to current events starting at 8pm.

I congratulate all the members of our council who have advanced to 4th degree this year. We had a great turnout for that.

Please read a message from our Columbiette President, Dorothy Liquori, about an upcoming outdoor fair that will be held in June. It is a great way to start the summer. Please support their efforts as they have supported ours for decades. We are grateful to have such an excellent bunch of women to share our council with.

If any member is looking to use our hall for an upcoming event please reach out to George Orlando at the council. The number is 718-667-9852. He will provide you with details. The council was renovated last year while shut.

May God Bless everyone. I pray for an end to the pandemic. I pray that all of you and your families enjoy the upcoming months and I hope to see everyone soon.

Fraternally,

James Veneziano

Grand Knight council 5917



Dear Sister Columbiettes,

Happy Mother's Day to you all!! It seems fitting that Mother's Day would be celebrated in the Spring, when we are surrounded by evidence of the renewal of life, with all the flowers blooming and the trees again filled with leaves and blossoms. Motherhood is the recognition of life. Let's pray the Rosary and do something special for our mothers, something charitable for mothers in the community, to recognize and thank God for the gift of life. As we have done in the past, we will be collecting clothing and baby items for the **Mothers of the Crossroads Foundation** in honor of Mother's Day. I will be in the parking lot of the **Council on Friday, May 7th, from 12 noon to 12:30** to accept the articles.

Each Spring the Columbiettes hold their annual fundraiser. This year instead of dancing the night away, we will be holding a **Spring Outdoor Fair on Saturday, June 19th**. Anyone who would like to sell their wares are welcome to purchase a space for a \$45 donation. Please call me at 917-545-8271 for more information. In the past, thanks to all the hard-working Columbiettes and our Brother Knights, our fairs have been very successful. Let's continue that tradition so that we may help as many local charities as possible.

It thrills me to announce that thanks to **Mary Jane Grasso's** efforts, we will be returning to **Atlantic City** on Wednesday, **June 30th**. We will be visiting **Harrah's Casino**. Please contact Mary Jane Grasso or myself for further information.

Our Thursday, May 6th meeting will still be held virtually, however, in June we will be meeting in person in the Council hall. The date of the in-person meeting is **Thursday, June 3rd**. Please plan to attend. It will be wonderful to be altogether again. It is also the time of the year that we hold our elections. Please consider running for an office position. Everyone has something special that they can contribute to the Columbiettes. Don't be shy; call **Carol Romano**, the head of the Election Committee, at **(718) 987-7249**, if you would like to throw your hat into the ring.

Please continue to remember our Sister Columbiettes and Brother Knights who are ill in your prayers.

Happy Mother's Day from my family to yours.

Yours in Christ,

Dorothy Liquori

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Right to Life

An Easter Reflection from our Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E Lori

When you are suffering, do you tend to find yourself forgetting God or drawing closer to him? What does it mean to “offer it up” when we are suffering? How does the reality of Christ’s resurrection offer us comfort, peace and hope during the trials and tribulations of this life?

Right to Life Issues

Please be ever vigilant about what is going on in our state legislature. The issue of “Dying with dignity”, otherwise known as Assisted Suicide, will once again will rear its ugly and morally unacceptable head and efforts will be made to sneak it into totally unrelated legislation. Be proactive and reach out now to our legislators and let them know that we strongly oppose any legislation that promotes the “culture of death”.

God bless!

Vivat Jesus!

Dan Clifford, PGK

Brothers,

Our Holy Father Pope Francis has declared this year 2021, the year of St. Joseph. He is the perfect model for a Knight. He doesn’t speak a single word in the bible yet he stands as the paramount example of trust in the Lord and submission to His holy will. St Joseph is the standard that all husbands, fathers and grandfathers should strive to emulate. Saint Joseph – Pray for Us.

Lou Dalto, PGK

Faith Director

Notice of Council Elections

On Tuesday, June 1st, 8PM at the regular business meeting Father John C. Drumgoole Council will hold its annual election for all Council officers. The Grand Knight has appointed a nominating committee consisting of brothers John Cassano, PGK,FDD; Dan Clifford, PGK and Anthony Liquori, F.S. to recommend a slate of officers for election. If you wish to run for an office you should make an appointment to speak to the committee no later than May 11th.

Nominations can also be made from the floor at the time of the election. To be eligible for office you must be a 3rd degree knight in good standing.

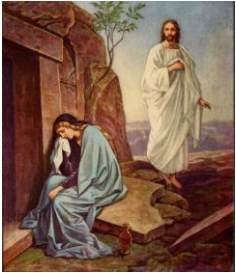
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Mark 16, 1 -7

And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalen, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought sweet spices, that coming, they might anoint Jesus.

² And very early in the morning, the first day of the week, they come to the sepulchre, the sun being now risen.

³ And they said one to another: Who shall roll us back the stone from the door of the sepulchre?

⁴ And looking, they saw the stone rolled back. For it was very great.

⁵ And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed with a white robe: and they were astonished.

⁶ Who saith to them: Be not affrighted; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified: he is risen, he is not here, behold the place where they laid him.