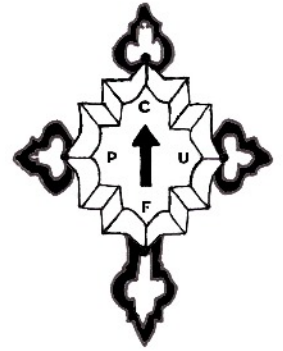




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GRAND KNIGHT'S THOUGHTS

Dear Fellow Brother Knights:

I never thought that I would become the Grand Knight of our Council. It is an overwhelming experience. I sincerely hope that it becomes easier as I gain experience. I will need the support and expertise of each and every one of you, my fellow Knights, to make my tenure successful. I sincerely hope I can count on you all for your support.

The COVID 19 virus is definitely having a huge impact on our activities and meetings. As you are all aware, we are having virtual meetings using the app called Zoom. If you have not received an invitation to join a meeting, please contact Bill Kuntz to make sure he has your email information. He can be reached at 201-697-9920. If you cannot get online and wish to join a meeting you can do so by phone. Call Bill and he will provide you with everything you need to call in. There is a list of meetings and times, for the next quarter on the last page of this newsletter. Pick one that may be convenient for you to join. You are most welcome to join in.

Unfortunately, some of our activities have been canceled due to the virus. The Columbus Day Ball, where we honor one of our brother Knights and a major fund raiser for the Council, has been canceled for this year. Frank Gerbes, our Knight of the Year will be honored at next year's Ball. However, we will still go ahead with the Treasure Chest raffle. The Blue Mass has also been canceled.

The car show, which has become one of our premier events under the guidance of PGK Ken Ryan WILL take place this year on September 20, at Sears in the Newburgh Mall. PGK Ken Ryan continues to be the chairman of the event and can be reached at 845-565-8015.

We do have a new event that already started called "Family of the Month. We have already gotten Father Damroth on board and made announcements at the masses at St. Francis and Sacred Heart. Next up will be St. Patrick's with Father Hernandez. Hopefully, in the future, we will be able to include Our Lady of the Lake when it re-opens.

I am extremely proud to announce that our Council has been awarded the following from Supreme:
Columbian Award
Founder's Award
Mc Givney Award
Star Council Award

These awards puts us into the top tier of all councils across the United States. We should all take pride in these accomplishments. Our sincere thanks to Charlie Smith for leading the charge.

We were also able to have new gutters put up at the council house. They were desperately needed. Thanks to PGK Charlie Smith and Bill Kuntz for all their hard work to make this happen.

A listing of all our new officers for the Columbian Year, 2020/2021 is on the front page. Congratulations to all of them for their hard work and dedication to the Knights of Columbus and our council! I hope to have the Installation Ceremony in the not too distant future. It seems like everything takes a little extra time these days.

I want to spend a minute to thank PGK Charles Smith for his tenure as Grand Knight and all the time and hard work that he put in during his two years. The Council has definitely moved forward under his guidance. I know I will be leaning on him, from time to time,, to tap into his knowledge that he has acquired during his tenure as Grand Knight.

Thank you all for your support and kind words as I take over as Grand Knight,,I sincerely hope that I can live up to all your expectation. May God bless you all! Stay safe. Vivat Jesu!!!

Raymond Lopez
Grand Knight

TREASURE CHEST RAFFLE

Look for raffle tickets in the mail! Will go out by the first week in August. Ticket prices are: \$10 for one or three for \$25. There is a special for the tickets you will receive through the mail, 6 tickets for only \$40.

Your help in selling tickets is desperately needed! Please call Bill Kuntz with your availability and ideas at 201-697-9920

Family of the Month

The Msgr. Henry O'Carroll Council 444 is proud to announce that, in conjunction with Supreme, we are starting a "Family of the Month" program. Three families from each of our four churches will be selected each year. Each family selected will receive a certificate and a gift from the Council. Selection will be based on the following:

1. Is the family supportive of each other?
2. Does the family spend quality time together?
3. Does the family attend weekly Mass together?
4. Does the family pray together?
5. Has the family made significant contributions to the parish and church community?
6. Does the family serve as a role model of Catholic family values?
7. Recommendation from the Parish Pastor.

Application forms will be made available to nominate families that may be deserving of the award. Location of the forms will be announced at a later date but it's believed that they will be available at the back of the churches.

The four churches that are eligible are, Sacred Heart, months of July September and March, St. Francis, months of August, December and April, St. Patrick's, months of October, January and May and Our Lady of the Lake, November, February and June.

Questions, as well as fellow Knights willing to volunteer their time to participate may be directed to Bill Kuntz at 201-697-9920.

SAVE THE DATE

**Communion Breakfast
March 21, 2021
St. Patrick's Church
55 Grand St. Newburgh, N.Y.
Brunch to follow at
Temple Hill Tavern
More information to follow
Contact: PGK Joe Coyle
845-561-7384**

BLOOD DRIVE

October 18, from 9 AM to 3 PM
Sacred Heart Gym
Anne Street Entrance
Need 45 Volunteers to sign up for blood donation
HELP US TO MAKE THIS SUCCESSFUL
Please call PGK Joe Coyle
845-561-7384

A Blessed and very happy birthday to the following council members who will be celebrating their birthdays in the months of Aug, Sep and Oct.

08/01 Bro Adrian Aquinas	
08/04 Rev Vincent DePaul Howley	
08/05 Dominick D'Aquino	08/06 Anthony Gagliardi
08/08 Curtis Bourdage	08/16 Joseph Rotundo
08/21 Paul Desroches	08/23 Vincent Cracolici
08/23 George Marvella	08/25 Rev Hakim Dario
08/26 Anthony Navarro	08/26 Michael Steup
08/29 Rev John Vondras	08/29 Arthur Whitchurch
09/01 Samuel Leghorn	09/01 Rev John Thenen
09/02 Anthony Cracolici	09/03 James Peloso
09/12 Carlos Martinez Jr	09/15 Zachary Costa
09/18 Raymond Lopez	09/20 John Wenz
09/21 Lawrence Yantz	09/24 Michael Diaz
09/27 Rev William Damroth	
09/27 Vito Maiorana	09/29 Rev Dennis Dinan
09/30 Richard Gadbois	10/01 Ronald Brophy
10/03 Joseph Dennis	10/04 Patrick Rutaquio
10/06 Donald Suttlehan	10/09 Daniel Keenan
10/11 Edward Lastowski	10/17 Michael Carpentieri
10/17 John Vandermark	10/18 John Sanowski
10/19 John Post	10/20 George Quintyne
10/22 James Patterson	10/25 George Cote

Council Activities

**The 2020 Columbus Day Ball
Has been canceled.**

**The Treasure Chest raffle
will still take place. Look for tickets in a
mailing the beginning of August.
Any help you can provide in selling
tickets is greatly appreciated. Please let
Bill Kuntz know your availability and
ideas. He can be reached at
201-697-9920
Drawing will be held on October 11**

**Re-dedication of the Monument to the Unborn
October 18, 2020
3 P M**

**At the monument in New Windsor
Near Calvary Cemetery in New Windsor**

Calendar of Council Meetings

Please Note:

**Until further notice all meetings
will be held at 7:30 PM on Zoom**

Please call Bill Kuntz at 201-697-9920 if you have
not received a Zoom invite via email.

- 04 Aug: Membership meeting at 8 P.M.
- 11 Aug: Fourth Degree meeting at 8 P.M.
- 18 Aug: Social Meeting at 8 P.M.
- 25 Aug: Officers' business meeting at 8 P.M.
- 01 Sep: Membership meeting at 8 P.M..
- 08 Sep: Fourth Degree meeting at 8 P.M.
- 15 Sep: Social meeting at 8 P.M.
- 22 Sep: Officers' Meeting at 8 P.M.
- 29 Sep: Corporation Meeting at 8 P.M.
- 06 Oct: Membership Meeting at 8 PM
- 13 Oct: Fourth Degree meeting at 8 P.M.
- 20 Oct: Social Dinner meeting at 7 P.M.
- 27 Oct: Officers' meeting at 8 P.M.
- 03 Nov: Membership Meeting at 8 P.M.
- 10 Nov: Fourth Degree meeting at 8 P.M.
- 17 Nov: Social meeting at 8 P.M.
- 24 Nov: Officers' meeting at 8 P.M..

**The Knights of Columbus Council
#444 Presents the 9th Annual Msgr.
Henry O'Carroll Memorial Car Show**
Featuring Cars, Motorcycles and Trucks
Sponsored by Sears Automotive and
Saturday Night Cruisers
Sunday, September 20, 2020
10 am - 3 pm
(Rain Date September 27)
Sears at the Newburgh Mall
1401 Union Ave. Route 300
Newburgh, N.Y. 12550
Free admission to spectators

Family Fun Day with
Raffles - Food - Drinks - Music - Vendors
Special appearance by Batman!
And Much More!

Contacts: PGK Ken Ryan.- 845-565-8015
PGK Charles Smith - 845-926-2096
PGK Dan Keenan - 845-562-9353

(Please contact Ken if you are interested in
sponsoring an award or being a vendor)

Deacon Jack Seymour Food Pantry

Need volunteers on Saturday mornings from 9
A.M. to Noon. Note that the food pantry has
moved to the Msgr. Valastro Activity Center at
319 Broadway.
If you can help or have questions, please call
Linda or Paul at 845-234-8564..

St. Mary's Outreach

Volunteers are needed the third Thursday and
Friday of every month from 8 A.M. To 1 P.M.
Thursdays are set up days and Fridays are the
"giving" days. Report to Mannix Hall (The old St.
Mary's School next to St. Mary's parking lot.)
Call Marietta Allen at 845-566-1425