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Grand Knight's Message

The month of March certainly lived up to its typical weather characteristics with many days of rain, some heavy with strong winds and chilly temperatures. I'm hoping the month of April will see some brighter days and warmer temperatures.



Our Council sends condolences and prayers to our Sister Columbiettes on the passing of their past President, Kathy Schwantner on March 18th. Our Council lost Brother Knight SK Kenneth R. Ostrowski on March 19th who was also a dedicated 4th Degree member of Our Lady of Fatima Assembly in Suffolk County and was a longtime parishioner of our Parish.

On a happier note, nine year old Mackenzie Happ of our Parish who participated in the Girls division of our Council's Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship has advanced three levels to the New York State Finals which will be held on April 7th at West Point. We wish Mackenzie Good Luck in the Finals.

Our Council will be having a Knights at the Races Fundraiser on Saturday, April 6th beginning

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Chaplain's Message

*This month's column is by
Fr. George Oppong-Afriyie*



His Resurrection brought about our True Freedom

He is Risen, the One who was nailed to the Cross for us; the Lord has left the tomb. These are the final and definitive words of the days of the Triduum Sacrum: after the words of The Last Supper, and of the Prayers in Gethsemani, and those of Good Friday.

After the profound silence of Holy Saturday, a daybreak on Easter morning, there resounds the proclamation: "Surrexit, non est hic" (Mk 16:6). "God raised Him on the third day and made Him manifest (Acts 10:40) to those who would be witnesses of his Resurrection (cf 3:15). The One who died hanging on the Cross is alive; "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon (Lk 24:34).

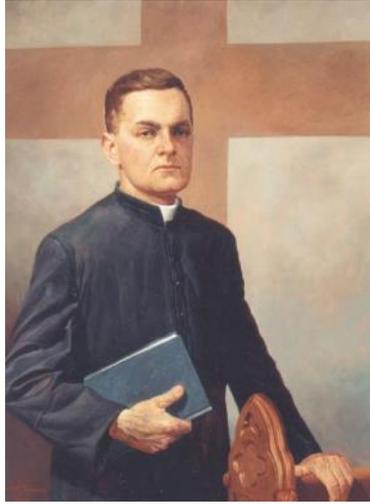
The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone (Ps 118:22). "The stone rejected", stone rebuilds rebuffed! How better could be expressed what happened on Good Friday? "Away with Him, away with Him, crucify Him!", the crowd has cried. "Shall I

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Editors Corner

The Mariner will be printed once a month with one issue for the months of July and August, for a total of eleven (11) issues by and for the Farmingdale Council #2204, Knights of Columbus.

Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month in the Council Hall located at the intersection of Morton Street and Garity Place. The mailing address is 1 Morton Street, Farmingdale, NY 11735-4340. The deadline for material for publication in the Mariner is the Friday that follows the 3rd Wednesday of the prior month. PLEASE keep this deadline in mind for articles you wish to have publish in the Mariner.



**Father McGivney
Pray for Us**



Good of the Order

Brothers those in need will always be with us. If you can remember to bring some kind of dry or can goods, such as tuna, vegetables, pasta cereal etc., to each meeting, the Council will arrange to get this food to the Parish Pantry.

We must always have new members flowing into our ranks and it is your privilege and your duty as a Knight of Columbus to recruit and retain the strength your needs to carry on the great works so well begun. You know as well as I do that there are many fine unselfish Catholic gentleman who would be Knights if we would but give them a word of suggestion and lead them towards our banner. I appeal to each and everyone of you to select one man that you deem worthy and lead him to us. Brother's please communicate to the Council that a Brother or family member is ill.

Please keep the following Knights, Columbiettes, Family members and Friends in your prayers. Please also keep in your prayers all others who have requested our prayers, but due to miscommunications or timing, are not listed. God knows who they are and a simple thought to include them is sufficient.

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MARGE DOHERTY
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KATHY FITZGERALD
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TRUDY WOLD
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Recently Deceased

JANET FAZZINO
RAYMOND RIZZI

KENNETH R. OSTROWSKI
KATHY SCHWANTNER

DOROTHY DEFILIPPIS

**Please inform the Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Financial Secretary
of Any Brother that is Sick or has Passed Away.**

Happy Birthday Brothers

April

K Antoine
 John Blasco
 John J Brown
 Patrick J Burns
 Robert Forzano
 John F Garry
 Michael Gray
 John J Henderson
 Stephen H Herman
 Edward J Lomot
 Fred H May
 Morgan V O'Connell
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 Richard C Wagner



A PRAYER FOR OUR PRIESTS

We thank you, God our Father, for those who have responded to your call to priestly ministry. Accept this prayer we offer on their behalf: Fill them with the sure knowledge of your love. Open their hearts to the power and consolation of the Holy Spirit. Lead them to greater union with your Son. Increase their faith in the Sacraments they celebrate as they nourish, strengthen and heal us.

Lord Jesus Christ, through the intercession of St. Jean Vianney, grant that your priests will be inspired to strive for holiness by the power of his example. As men of prayer, may they ponder your word, follow your will and faithfully lead the flocks you have entrusted to their care.

St. Jean Vianney, obtain for the Church an abundance of vocations to the holy priesthood. Through your intercession, may many faithful men hear Christ's call, and respond with courage and generosity.

Mary our Mother, guard with your maternal care these chosen ones. Intercede for our priests, so that by offering the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, they may be conformed more each day to the image of your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

St. Jean Vianney, patron of parish priests, pray for us!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
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List of Upcoming Important Dates

APRIL-2024

- 1—EASTER MONDAY
- 2—Council Meeting (Biz & Social) Tuesday, 7:30pm
- 6—Knights at the Races, 1 Morton St, 7:00pm
- 7—DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
- 16—Officer's Meeting, Council #2204, 7:30pm

MAY-2024

- 7—Council Meeting (Biz & Social) Tuesday, 7:30PM
- 9—THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD
- 12—MOTHER'S DAY
- 19—PENTECOST
- 21—Officer's Meeting, Council #2204,
Immediately after Scriptures at 7:00pm
- 26—THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
- 27—MEMORIAL DAY
- 30—CORPUS CHRISTI

**You will be notified of any changes as soon as possible.
 All Officers meetings will be held at the Council Hall**

PRAYER FOR THE CANONIZATION OF THE VENERABLE SERVANT OF GOD MICHAEL MCGIVNEY

Founder of the Knights of Columbus

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed 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.

Please report all favors received:

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 1 Columbus Plaza
 New Haven, CT 06510-3326 □ USA
www.fathermcgivney.org

St Kilian Council Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100088483827601>

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at 7PM. Tickets are only \$15 in advance and available at the Rectory or \$20 at the door. Admission includes Hot Dogs, chips, pretzels, beer, wine, soda, bottled water, coffee, tea, and dessert. There will also be raffles in addition to wagering. Council members are needed to help with the fundraiser.

Please help with selling the Suffolk Chapter Charity chance books. They help our Council benefit with needed revenue and other perks.

Nominations for Council Officers are upcoming. Those seeking an Office position or would like to move up should review the roles and responsibilities of the position they are seeking. It's more than just a title.

The meetings for April will be our Council meeting and Social gathering on Tuesday, April 2nd at 7:30PM, and Officers meeting on Tuesday, April 16th at 7:30PM.

Please remember to pray for the unborn, the end of bigotry to our Catholic faith and to those of other faiths, for our religious freedom, pray for America, for Israel, Gaza and Ukraine, for our military and first responders, and peace in our world. God Bless.

Vivat Jesus!

Stay well and stay safe,
Tom Schwarz
Grand Knight



Knights At The Races

Knights Of Columbus— St Kilian Council #2204

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St Kilian Council Proposed Slate of Officers for 2024-2025

Knights of Columbus
St Kilian Council #2204

As submitted by Nominations Chairman, G Warnokowski

PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2023/2024

Grand Knight.....	Dan Healy
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Ralph Gallachio
Financial Secretary.....	Anthony Vitale (Appointed – no election req'd)
Chancellor.....	Open
Recorder.....	Nick Rutigliano
Treasurer.....	Open
Advocate.....	John Jeavons
Warden.....	Robert Emmerson
Inside Guard.....	Jerry Kennedy
Outside Guard.....	Rich Garczynski
1 Year Trustee.....	Sal Ciuffo (No election Req'd)
2 Year Trustee.....	Bob Carlucci (No election Req'd)
3 Year Trustee.....	Thomas Schwarz
Lecturer.....	Pat Burns (Appointed – no election Req'd)

Anyone Who Wishes To Be Nominated For Any Position May Do So Off The Floor At The Next Regular Council Meetings.

Photos from the Farmingdale St Patrick's Day Parade



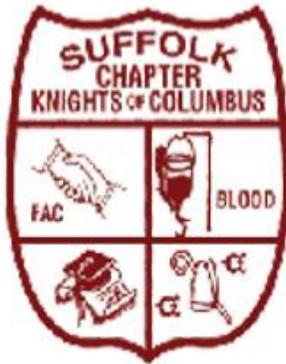
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crucify your King?", Pilate asked. "We have no King but Caesar" (Jn 19:1) insisted the high priests. "He ought to die, because He has made himself the Son of God" (Jn 19:7). And He did die, the Son of God! We have observed His shameful death on the Cross.

And today? If the tomb is empty, if He is alive, has it not proved truly what the Roman centurion, upon seeing how Christ died, had declared "Truly this was the Son of God" (Mt 27:54)? And if He is Risen, is He not indeed in the history of humanity, the cornerstone and the keystone of the divine edifice? Yes! it is God himself who builds upon him the New Covenant of faith, hope and love. The Covenant of love and immortality: because "He knows not the corruption of death, the Lord of life. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes". (Ps 118:23)

Yes! We are witnesses of the marvel; witnesses of the power of God. Divine power, which is life made manifest and communicated to give a new face to existence and to the hopes of the men and women of our day, too. Power which reveals goodness and condemns evil and its tragic consequences. Divine Power, which is the source of fresh vitality, capable of softening even hardened hearts and renewing courage in those who, having lost their way, wander aimlessly, pilgrims of the void. Divine Power, which is the condition of the true freedom for the human race, to whom it proclaims and today and always: Love has conquered hatred.

Fr. George Afriyie Oppong
Associate Chaplain

Suffolk Chapter Report

My Brothers and Sisters,

The Chapter is the fraternal arm of the "Knights of Columbus", working for you and your families. The Chapter has many programs such as the FAC (Fraternal Assistance) which is available to all brother Knights and sister Columbiettes who find themselves in financial difficulty. This is kept strictly confidential, so any one in need should not be afraid to reach out for help. There are scholarship programs for your children and grandchildren, if they plan to attend a Catholic High School. We offer track and free throw competitions for children up to fourteen years of age, where they can win scholarship money for their education. There are fraternal activities for all members and their families. Why not take advantage of what we have to offer by coming to our monthly meetings, on the second Friday of the month, and represent your Council.

The Chapter also collects eyeglasses, can tabs and every Christmas we collect teddy bears for needy children. **THE CHAPTER WORKS FOR YOU, WHY NOT SUPPORT IT!!! REMEMBER, "CHARITY IS OUR MOST IMPORTANT PRODUCT".**

Fraternally,

Greg Warnokowski, PGK,FDD,FCOB.PFN, FM



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