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Grand Knight's Message

Happy New Year! The last month of 2023 proved to be a busy one with our 2nd annual Craft and Gift Fair which was bigger and busier than what we had in 2022. We did our Poinsettia sale and sold out like we did in 2021. We held a Children's Christmas Party and our Keep Christ in Christmas Poster contest were completed. On Saturday, December 16th we enjoyed a nice Christmas gathering with some of our core members in our Council with some great catered food and a good time was had by all.



We begin 2024 with some events we did not do in all of 2023. On January 15th we will host a Blood Drive for the NY Blood Center in the St. Kilian Auditorium from 11AM-7PM which is also Martin Luther King Day when schools and many businesses are closed. The event is open to all those who are eligible to give blood and every donor will receive a voucher for two tickets to a future NY Islanders Hockey game.

On Wednesday, January 17th we will host the January meeting of the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Fatima Assembly #716. All Fourth

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Chaplain's Message

A New Year's Message from Msgr. Rowan...

As the day breaks on a new year, we give thanks to our Lord for all that we cherish in our lives: our family, our friends, our health and our faith community of St. Kilian. Let us show our gratitude for all these blessings by sharing our love for and with one another.

May your year be filled with peace, prosperity, love and hope. May the gentle touch of our Lord's grace embrace you and your families in the coming new year. And may God bring healing and lasting peace to our world.

Below is Pope Benedict XVI's New Year's Blessing from 2008, a message still meaningful today as we embark upon our 2024 journey together! Happy New Year!

Dear brothers and sisters, it is only by pondering in the heart, in other words, by piecing together and finding unity in all we experience, that, following Mary, we can penetrate the mystery of a God who was made man out of love and who calls us to follow him on the path of love; a love to be expressed daily by generous service to the brethren.

May the new year which we are confidently beginning be a time in which to advance in that knowledge of the heart, which is the wisdom of saints. Let

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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.

Sick & Distressed

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ED LOMOT

JOSEPH V VEROW

JOE LOMOT

Recently Deceased

BERNADETTE NICOLETTI

CAROL NAPOLITANO

GERALDINE M GARCZYNSKI

DAN SIEFERT

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

Happy Birthday Brothers

January

Michael A Anzalone
 Louis K Cantone
 Frank J Corrente
 Daniel P Healy
 Walter J Higgins
 Brian J Leger
 Robert J Lizo
 Anthony Lombardi
 James Maguire
 Brian J Mc Cutcheon
 Christopher E Patterson
 Francis J Shanley



List of Upcoming Important Dates

JANUARY-2024

- 1—NEW YEAR'S DAY
- 2—Council Meeting (Biz & Social) Tuesday, 7:30PM
- 6—EPIPHANY
- 15—MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY
- 15—Blood Drive, St. Kilian Auditorium, 11am-7pm
- 17—Fourth Degree, Our Lady of Fatima Assembly #716
- 23—Free-Throw Basketball Championship, St. Kilian Auditorium, 7PM
- 16—Officer's Meeting, Council #2204, 7:30pm

FEBRUARY-2024

- 6—Council Meeting (Biz & Social) Tuesday, 7:30pm
- 10—SHROVE TUESDAY
- 14—ASH WEDNESDAY
- 20—Officer's Meeting, Council #2204, 7:30pm

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

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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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:

The Father McGivney Guild
 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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Degree members are encouraged to attend especially those who have been away for awhile. Repast is at 7PM followed by the meeting at 8PM. Council members are needed to volunteer to help with serving food and to help clean up after the meeting.

We will be doing a Knights of Columbus Free Throw Basketball Championship in the St. Kilian Auditorium on January 23rd at 7PM. It is open to all boys and girls in our community between the ages of 9 and 14. The event is free and advance registration is available but not necessary. Please arrive early if registering on the evening of the event. The doors will open at 6:30PM for registration.

Events for February and March will be discussed at our next Officers meeting and will be planned with winter weather in mind so as to minimize cancellations or postponements. I look forward to working with our Council to fulfill many of our Faith in Action programs and the fundraisers we need to complete them. Perhaps many lapsed members can come join us at our Council meetings and become more involved. Make it a New Year's Resolution. We would love to have you back!

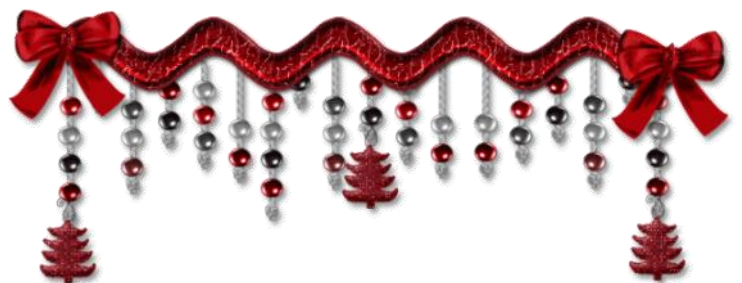
The meetings for January will be our Council meeting on Tuesday, January 2nd and Officers meeting on Tuesday, January 16th both at 7:30PM.

Please remember to pray for the unborn, the end of violence to our Catholic churches and Jewish synagogues, 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

Photos from the Children's Christmas Party—December 10



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Photos from the Gift Fair—December 2nd



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us pray, that the Lord may “make his face to shine” upon us, “and be gracious” to us (cf. Nm 6: 24-7) and bless us. We may be certain of it: if we never tire of seeking his Face, if we never give in to the temptation of discouragement and doubt, if also among the many difficulties we encounter we always remain anchored to him, we will experience the power of his love and his mercy.

May the fragile Child who today the Virgin shows to the world make us peacemakers, witnesses of him, the Prince of Peace. Amen!

[Pope Benedict XVI, Jan. 1, 2008](#)

Knights of Columbus Free-Throw Basketball Championship

**St. Kilian Auditorium
on January 23rd at 7PM.**

- Open to all boys and girls in our community between the ages of 9 and 14.
- The event is free and advance registration is available but not necessary.



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Photos from the Council Christmas Gathering



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Photos from the Poinsettia Sale— December 9-10



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,
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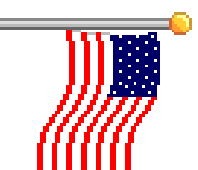
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