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Grand Knight's Message

The month of May had its share of events for our Council. On Friday, May 10th our Council hosted the Suffolk Chapter Meeting with a large turnout of members representing many of the Councils especially from Western Suffolk. We had a repast with some excellent food catered from Vico in Farmingdale. Thanks to all those Council members who helped with the Chapter meeting and for a job well done. Feedback from the members who attended responded with very favorable comments.



OFFICER ELECTIONS (Current Slate, pg 8) JUNE 4th

**NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED
FROM THE FLOOR PRIOR TO ELECTION**

A few of us helped the Parish Outreach in early May with set up of their Farmers Market and with the all the donated food.

For Mother's Day weekend, our Council sponsored a Roses for Life fundraiser sale after all Masses. The Roses were completely sold out after the 11AM Mass on Sunday and profits will be used for the LI Life Center as part of the Knights of Columbus ASAP program which is Aid and Support

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Chaplain's Message

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



The people of faith,

Each day, the Church begins the Liturgy of Hours with which we always pray together: "Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord!". In that call, ringing down the centuries and echoing across the face of the globe, the psalmist summons the people of God to sing the praises of the Lord and to bear great witness to the marvelous things God has done for us. Priests, women and men Religious, and increasing numbers of lay people daily recite the Liturgy of the Hours, giving rise to a powerful mobilization of praise of God.

In the Gospel of Luke chapter 17:5, the apostles ask Jesus: "Increase our faith". This must be our constant prayer. Faith is always demanding, because faith leads us beyond ourselves. It leads us directly to God. Faith also imparts a vision of life's purpose and stimulus us to action. The Gospel of Jesus Christ is not a private opinion, a remote spiritual ideal, or a mere program for personal growth. The Gospel is the power which can transform the world. The Gospel is no abstraction: it is the living person of Jesus Christ.

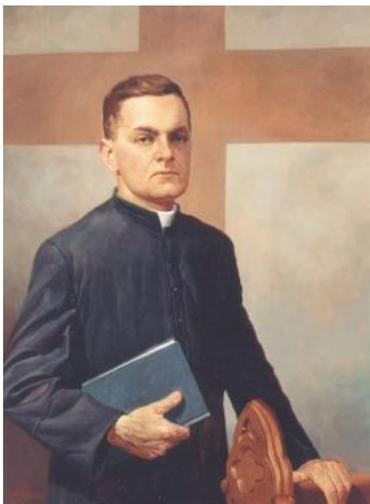
In this nation, Christian faith has found expression in an impressive array of witnessing and achievements. We must recall with gratitude the inspiring work of

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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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VERNON "LINCOLN" VLAUN	JASON CLARK	STEVEN A. DELVECCHIO
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**Please inform the Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Financial Secretary
of Any Brother that is Sick or has Passed Away.**

Happy Birthday Brothers

May

Paul L Altamore
 Glen J Camisa
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 Daniel D'Ambrogio
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 Matthew Ernst
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 Robert Lamneck
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 Thomas F Mutarelli
 James D Sommers
 Thomas L Sperlazzo
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List of Upcoming Important Dates

JUNE-2024

4—Council Meeting (Biz & Social) Tuesday, 7:30pm
 14—FLAG DAY
 15 & 16—“Carnations for Life” - carnations will be sold after all Masses on Father’s Day weekend.
 16—FATHER’S DAY
 18—Officer’s Meeting, Council #2204, 7:30pm

JULY-2024

2—Council Meeting (Biz & Social) Tuesday, 7:30PM
 4—INDEPENDENCE DAY
 16—Officer’s Meeting, Council #2204,
 Immediately after Scriptures at 7:00pm

AUGUST-2024

6—Council Meeting (Biz & Social) Tuesday, 7:30PM
 15—ASSUMPTION OF MARY
 20—Officer’s Meeting, Council #2204,
 Immediately after Scriptures at 7:00pm

**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!



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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:

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

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After Pregnancy. Plans are for a Carnations for Life sale on Father's Day weekend.

On Memorial Day, some of our members marched in the Farmingdale Village Memorial Day Parade. Despite a rainy forecast, the weather held up and it turned out to be a partly sunny day and marchers were greeted with a nice turnout in the village.

The month of June begins with a presence of our Council at the Farmingdale Village Street Fair on Saturday, June 1st 10AM-4:30PM. We will have a 50/50, chance books and recruitment info. Our Council meeting is Tuesday, June 4th 7:30PM and I will introduce three new members to our Council - Anthony Didomenico, Zachary Suwalski, and David Chavez. They have all completed their Third Degree Exemplification. Our Officers meeting will be on Tuesday, June 18th at 7:30PM

Our Council will be having a Food Drive for the Parish Outreach at Stop & Shop on Saturday, June 15th from 10AM-2PM.

The end of June ends the Columbian year and also ends my two year term and final term as Grand Knight. It was a unique experience and I was proud to serve as Grand Knight of our St. Kilian Council. There were many accomplishments and I want to thank my Council members and Officers, my Deputy Grand Knight, Dan Healy for his help with our events and fundraisers, our Chaplain Msgr. Rowan for working with us on using the facilities and along with Fr. George for all their prayers and blessings. Thanks also to Jane Zollo, Jeana Lewis, Jennifer Miller, John Ryan and the rest of the Parish staff for their help and support. And finally, thanks to Paul Montenero for his help and for putting up with my last minute articles for the Mariner.

Good luck to our newest Grand Knight and all the Officers of our Council for continued success and many accomplishments. I'll still be around.

As always, 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 and currently for an end to the college unrest on our Nation's campuses and cities. Pray for our military and first responders. Pray for unity in our nation and peace in our world. Fly your flag proudly on June 14th and every day. A Happy and Blessed Father's Day to all the Dads. God Bless.

Vivat Jesus!

Stay well and stay safe,
Tom Schwarz
Grand Knight



Our Council will be at the Farmingdale Village Street Fair on Saturday, June 1st 10AM-4:30PM. We will have a 50/50, chance books



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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 2024/2025

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.

Knights in Action—Selling Roses to Raise Money for the LI Life Center





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education carried out in countless families, schools and universities and all the healing and consolation imparted in hospitals and hospices and shelters. We must give thanks for the practical living out of God's call-in devoted services to others, in commitment to social justice, a responsible involvement in political life, in a wide variety of charitable and social organizations, and in growth of ecumenical interreligious understanding and cooperation.

Today though, some Catholics are tempted to discouragement or disillusionment, like the prophet Habakkuk in the First Reading. They are tempted to cry out to the Lord in a different way: why does God not intervene when violence threatens his people; why does God let us ruin and misery; why does God permit evil? Like the prophet Habakkuk, and like the thirsty Israelites in the desert at Meribah and Massah, our trust can falter; we can lose patience with God. In the drama of history, we can find our dependence upon God burdensome rather than liberating. We too can "harden our hearts".

And yet the prophet gives us an answer to our impatience: "If God delays, wait for him; he will surely come, he will not be late" (Cf. Hb. 2:3). Our God takes his times, but he is just". Every moment is our opportunity to model ourselves on Jesus Christ-to allow the power of the Gospel to transform our personal lives and our services to others, according to the spirit of the Beatitudes. "Bear your share of the hardship which the Gospel entails". Paul writes to Timothy (2Timothy 1:8). This is no idle exhortation to endurance. NO, it is an invitation to enter more deeply into the Christian vocation which belongs to us all by baptism.

One hundred and thirty years ago, president Abraham Lincoln asked whether a nation "conceived in Liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal"

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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!!!**
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Fraternally,

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



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could “long endure”. President Lincoln’s question is no less a question for the present generation of Americans. Democracy cannot be sustained without a shared commitment to certain moral truths about human person and human community. The basic question before a democratic society is: “how ought we to live together?” In seeking an answer to this question, can society exclude moral truth and moral reasoning? Can the Biblical wisdom which played such a formative part in the very founding of this country be excluded from that debate?

May we as Catholics, be always guided by the truth about God who created and redeemed us, and by the truth about the human person, made in the image and likeness of God and destined for a glorious fulfilment in the kingdom to come. Always be convincing witnesses to the truth. Stir into flame the gift of God.

Fr. George Afriyie Oppong
Associate Chaplain

REMEMBER FATHER ON FATHER'S DAY

No matter how old you are, you still have a father alive here on earth. You see him every Sunday (or Saturday night) at mass. Priests are called "Father" because they are our "spiritual" father. They have the fatherly role in our second birth - in our baptism. So, they raise us and teach us every week in their homilies. Your biological (or adopted) father raised and taught you to prepare you for life in this earthly world. Similarly, the priests (or spiritual father) raise and teach you to prepare you for life in the next world. Your biological (or adopted) father wants you to get a good job, have a family and "make it" in this world, while your spiritual father wants you to "make it" into heaven. So, the next time a priest corrects you, perhaps when you chit-chat in church or fail to properly acknowledge Our Lord when you cross in front of the altar, don't get upset - he didn't insult you, he simply loves you and wants to see you succeed in getting into heaven. On Father's Day, acknowledge that about him and thank him.

-The Editor

**Happy
Father's
Day**

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