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SUFFOLK CHAPTER NEWS

April, 2024

"But the angel answered and said to the women, 'Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen, as He said." – Matthew 28: 5-7

Brothers & Sisters in Columbianism,

HAPPY EASTER! As we move into April, let us celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord.

Easter is not a day, but a season. This time represents a re-birth of ideas and feelings, a time to get going. Being in Spring and losing the shadows of winter really helps. Let's remember our promises and commitments of Lent as we strive to live the better life Christ presents to us.

In this past month we did some fundraising for the Chapter's Charity Drive including at McDonalds Lindenhurst and multiple Award book sales contributions. We met at Infant Jesus Church hosted by St. Joan of Arc Council, thanks GK Mike Schwenk & his Knights. We concluded the Suffolk Free Throw contests at St. John's H.S., thanks to GK Patrick Woods.

Many of our Councils participated in St. Patrick's Day festivities including Knights marching and dinners. We continued our support of our Veteran Knights with a special membership drive at Donald J Burns Council #13588 in Stony Brook. Many Councils and the Chapter were represented at the annual Palm Sunday Mass and Reception for Seminarians at Immaculate Conception Retreat Center in Huntington. I hope that each of you was able to attend the many Holy Week events at your parish and celebrate a wonderful Easter Sunday.

Looking ahead, our annual Suffolk Chapter Easter Season Communion Breakfast will be celebrated April 7th at 9:30am Mass at St. Anthony of Padua church, East Northport. A complete catered breakfast is available immediately following for just \$10. Hosted by Fr. Judge Council, thanks to GK John Becker & his Knights. See the flyer in this newsletter.

All GKs and DGKs should be sure to sign up for our Spring Pilgrimage to St. Mary's church and the KofC Museum on April 28th. We will have a 1 day bus trip going to New Haven, a trip that will change your appreciation of the Order. See the flyer.

It is time that we plan ahead for the coming Columbian Year. SK Michael Boehm, PGK FDD PCC has accepted the Nominating Committee Chairmanship serving with appointees SK Peter Lehr, PGK FDD and SK Bob Slingo, PGK FDD PCC. At the March meeting we elected SK Tom Humel, PGK FDD PCC, SK Bill Ratzsch, PGK FDD, SK Tom Romano, PGK FDD PFN PCC, and SK Mike Tully, PGK FDD PFN M to serve on the committee as well. Any Knight will an interest in serving as a Suffolk Chapter Officer should contact Mike Boehm to arrange an interview.

As is the case every month, I thank the Chapter Officers for their time and efforts in planning all the events and meetings. This month special thanks to SK Steve Loccisano PGK DD and GK John Becker for helping to arrange the Communion Breakfast. Also special thanks to GK Walter Metz and Knights at Christ the King Council in Commack for hosting our April 12th meeting.

Gene Johann Chapter Chairman

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Chapter Meeting - March 8, 2024 - Infant Jesus R.C. Church]

Meeting called to order
 Opening prayer
 Pledge
 - 8:11
 - Chaplain
 - Fatima FN

Members in attendance - 64

Introduction of dais

Roll Call of Officers in attendance

o Chaplain Fr. Rudy

o Chairman Gene Johann PGK

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 Lecturer John Mastrosimone
 Wrd 2 Chair Robert Bienemann

Recognition of Past Chapter Chairmen

o 2018-2020 Robert W. Elliott PGK FDD PFN PCC

2017-2018 Greg Warnokowski PGK FDD PFN PCC FM

2015-2017 George Lundon PGK FDD PCC

o 2013-2015 Thomas A. Romano PGK FDD PFN PCC DD

- Introduction of the Board of District Deputies
- Chairman's Report
 - o In the newsletter he mentioned what had been done in the year.
 - There are a lot of events.
 - o April 7: Chapter Easter Communion Breakfast St. Anthony of Padua
 - April 28: Spring Pilgrimage to New Haven
 - o May 17: A Bronx Tale
- Communications: None
- Treasurer's Report

Checking
 Savings
 CD1
 CD2
 Ending Balance \$7,700.28
 Ending Balance \$28,665.93
 Ending Balance \$13,250.17
 Ending Balance \$38,813.95

- Nassau Report
 - Retreat: Suffolk members made it possible.
 - Next year we might have a combined Nassau / Suffolk retreat
- Minutes: motion to accept, seconded, approved
- Chapter Charity Drive
 - o Ball Chairman: Band has been selected Reservations see Paul
 - Direct Donations: If you have any event, let chairman know

- o Award book: Please turn them in
- Journal Ads: 12 so far contracts on chapter website
- Sponsor Cards: Sign the cards
- Report of Committees
 - o FAC
 - Dispersed \$3,800
 - Donations
 - St. Sylvester's
 - Fr. Judge
 - Food for Brothers
 - No interviews needed: Stop and Shop cards
 - Can tabs
 - New Haven Pilgrimage
 - Columbiettes
 - Meeting 18th here
 - National Day of Prayer April 20th \$5 open to all
 - Testimonial Dinner \$75 per person
 - Scholarships
 - Applications are on the website
 - Children / Grandchildren of members
 - Kids going into High School
 - Basketball Competition
 - Tomorrow
 - Programs for Life
 - Tomorrow: Justice for all defend verbally the preborn
 - Every Friday: Zoom rosary for life presented by the diocese
 - March 29th: Face the Truth Nassau County Medical Center
 - RSVP Program
 - Contact the diocese vocation's office
 - \$500 for one seminarian
 - o Pilgrimage to the Shrine for our lady of the island
 - May 19th
 - Wheelchair Committee
 - Wheelchairs are still in inventory
 - OLPH would like to make a donation from the parishioners
 - Purchasing walkers with the seats looking at prices
- Suffolk Conference
 - Introduction of officers
 - We all want to see our councils succeed
 - Attend the New York State Convention
 - Only the Grand Knight can be the Grand Knight Delegate
 - Bring your Deputy Grand Knight as an alternate
 - Membership efforts
 - 59% of the membership goals

- Suffolk County leads the way in recruitment
- Online membership is the most effective method
- Make sure they include the council number
- We must hit 78%
- Stony Brook vets home signing up new members
- Get your paperwork to supreme
- Training for many things from supreme
- April 2nd Insurance seminars online
- Safe environment most councils are compliant
- 25 star councils?
- Police and Fire Department recruiting
- Conference will speak to Spanish potential members
- Recognize three Grand Knights
 - Next month is Christ the King in Commack
 - o Communion Breakfast Fr. Judge
 - May St. Killian's Council
 - June St Jude's Council
 - Open for next fraternal year
- Unfinished Business: None
- New Business
 - o Election of officers in June: Nomination's Committee: Mike Boehm
 - Appointed two people: Peter Lear: Bob Slingo
 - Four more people:
 - Bill Rache
 - Tom Hummel
 - Tom Roman
 - Mike Tully
 - Motion to close nominations, seconded, motion to approve, seconded, approved
 - Ukraine: war ravaged country in desperate need
 - Motion for the chapter to make a \$500 donation
 - This will be discussed at the officer's meeting
- Chaplain
 - Fourth Sunday of Lent We are halfway
 - Remember Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday
 - Let's pray for vocations
 - Let's pray for wisdom to elect the right persons to govern
- Good of the Order
 - Grand Knight of Joan of Arc
 - o Entertainment by Sir Desmond Duke Donated
 - Slik: Available for council entertainment
- 50/50
 - 2 winners of \$118
- Closing prayer Chaplain Meeting Adjourned 9:30





Important Suffolk Chapter Dates! April 2024

<u>April 7</u> – <u>Sunday.</u> <u>Suffolk Chapter Annual Easter Season Communion Breakfast</u> at St. Anthony of Padua Church, E. Northport, NY. <u>9:30AM MASS</u> breakfast in gym by Fr. Judge Council. \$<u>10</u>.

<u>April 12</u> – Friday. <u>Suffolk Chapter Meeting,</u> at Christ the King Council #11163, 2 Indian Head Road, Commack, NY 11725. 7pm Repast, 8pm meeting.

<u>April 28</u> – Sunday. Spring Pilgrimage to St. Mary's & KofC Museum, New Haven, CT. Bus trip from Exits 63 & 49. A must for GKs and DGKs & spouse. See GK Joe Fontana or Gene Johann.

May 10- Friday. Suffolk Chapter Meeting, at Farmingdale St Killian's Council. 1 Morton St., Farmingdale, NY (off 109) 7pm Repast, 8pm meeting.

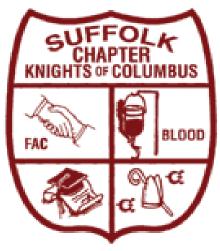
May 17 – Friday. "A BRONX TALE" play at Argyle Theatre, Main St., Babylon. A 7:30 showing. Cost is \$59./each. More info call Lecturer SK John Mastrosimone at 631 943-5771.

May 19 – Sunday. NY State Council <u>Pilgrimage to The Shrine of Our Lady of the Island</u>, Manorville, NY. Walking Rosary at 10am and Mass at 11:30am. BBQ Lunch at Shrine to follow.

<u>June 21</u> – Friday. <u>Suffolk Chapter Meeting</u>, at St Jude Council, 689 RT25A, Rocky Point, NY 11786. 7pm Repast, 8pm meeting. Suffolk Chapter <u>Elections Night</u>.

<u>June 30</u> – Sunday. Suffolk Chapter <u>Charity Ball at The Meadow Club</u>, 1147 Route 112, Port Jefferson Station, NY 11776. 12:30 to 5pm. Call Paul Basileo at 631 375-7088 for tickets.

NOMINATING COMMITEE UPDATE



Any Third Degree Brother Knight in Good Standing in a Council in Suffolk County who wishes to be considered for an Officer Position in the Suffolk Chapter should notify Suffolk Chapter Nominating Committee Chairman Michael Boehm in writing, by letter, in person or by email no later than April 12th. The following Brothers were appointed to the Nominating Committee at the March Meeting:

Michael Boehm PCC - Chairman Bob Slingo PCC Tom Romano PCC

The following Brothers were elected to the Committee at the Meeting:

Bill Ratzsch Peter Lehr Mike Tully Tom Humel

The Nominating Committee will make their recommendations at the May Chapter Meeting and Chapter Elections will be held 6/21/24. Any Member in good standing from any Council in Suffolk County may run from the floor on the night of the Election. Thank you.

Michael Boehm – N.C. Chairman 48 Northridge St. Patchogue NY 11772

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Chrism Mass



St. Agnes Cathedral



St. Agnes Cathedral

The Chrism Mass was held at St. Agnes Cathedral in Rockville Centre Tuesday during Holy week. Priests and deacons from every parish in the diocese attended. During this beautiful mass, the three oils used in anointing, Chrism Oil, the Oil of the Sick, and the Oil of Catechumens, were consecrated and blessed. These oils were distributed to every parish in the diocese.

The color corps of the 4th Degree from the 1st New York District, St. Isaac Jogues Province was invited to attend the Chrism Mass in the Diocese of Brooklyn at the Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph. It was a most impressive mass with the pomp and circumstance of hundreds of priests, all in white vestments, processing into church, renewing their promises, and participating in the eucharist.



Blessing & Consecration of Brooklyn Holy Oils and Chrism



Chrism Mass in Diocese of Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph

Fourth Degree Exemplification

The exemplification of the Fourth Degree was held on Saturday, March 23rd at Russo's on the Bay. A class of 108 Third Degree Knights advanced to the Fourth Degree, the Patriotic Degree. Congratulations to the new Sir Knights from all four counties on Long Island, Kings, Queens, Nassau, and Suffolk.



Degree Class



New Sir Knights from of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta Council



New Sir Knights and members CDR John J. Shea Assembly



The honoree for the exemplification was MIA/POW and Fallen Comrades. We have had the table for our missing comrade at every exemplification during this term.

Palm Sunday Mass at The Seminary of the Immaculate Conception

Every year the Diocese of Rockville Center invites four guests from each council and assembly that participated in the RSVP program to Palm Sunday Mass at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Lloyd Harbor. Following mass we have a wonderful breakfast. Fr. Sean Magaldi from the diocesan Vocations Office said the mass. Two seminarians participated in the gospel of the passion. During his homily, Fr. Magaldi thanked the Knights for their financial assistance and emphasized the need for prayer for more men to join the priesthood.









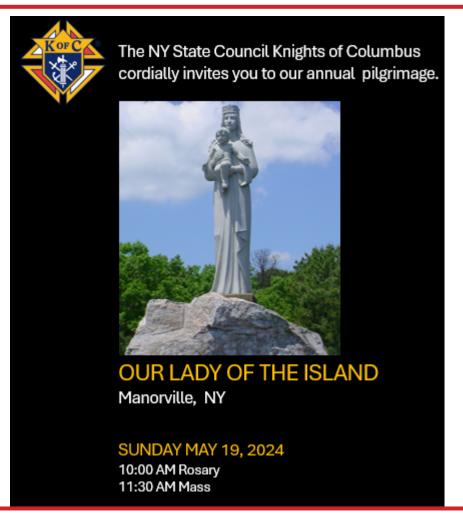




Fr Joseph Slomski Council of the Knights of Columbus marching in the WHB St Patrick's Day Parade %



Practical Catholic men are civic minded. We thank our brother Knights from Father Slomski Council for making the Westhampton Beach St. Patrick's Day parade even better and more festive. Slainte!



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SUNDAY JUNE 30th 2024 12:30PM - 5 PM

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RESERVATIONS:

CALL PGK PAUL BASILEO AT 631-375-7088 or CHARITY BALL CHAIRMAN PGK TOM ROMANO AT 631-561-7052



SUFFOLK CHAPTER KofC

Easter Communion Breakfast Sunday 4/07/2024

Join us for our Annual Communion Breakfast At St. Anthony of Padua Church, East Northport Hosted by Fr. Judge Council

Sunday 9:30am Mass followed by Breakfast from Boland's Caterers

<u>Buffet includes</u>: Bagels w/ Butter Cream Cheese Jelly; Assorted Homemade Muffins & Croissants; Bacon & Sausage; Scrambled Eggs; Frittata Casserole; Hash Browns; French Toast Casserole; Made to Order Omelet Station, choice of Regular Eggs or Egg Whites, Several Cheeses, Mushrooms Onions Spinach, Tomatoes Red or Green Peppers; Fruit Salad; Cookies & Pies; Coffee & Tea; Orange Grapefruit or Apple Juices

All For Only \$10!!

This event is open to all Suffolk Knights and their families, a time to enjoy fellowship and hospitality.

If you want to come, please text, email or call our Spiritual Activities Chairman SK William (Bill) Murphy, PGK DD at 631 923-8683 to ensure you have a seat.

Special thanks to Bill Murphy, John Becker and Steve Loccisano for helping us!



New York State Council - Knights of Columbus Blue Mass 2024

> Sunday, April 21st, 2024 Mass: 9:30 am St. Anthony's Church 88 Anchor Ave Oceanside, NY 11572

Mass Celebrant: Reverend Bret Stockdale, Associate State Chaplain, NYS Council Knights of Columbus

Refreshments to follow in the Church Cafeteria with NYS Deputy Anthony Ippolito, State Officers and NYS Deputy Staff

This Mass is in support of our Active Officers, thank you to those who Retired from service, and pray for those in the line of duty

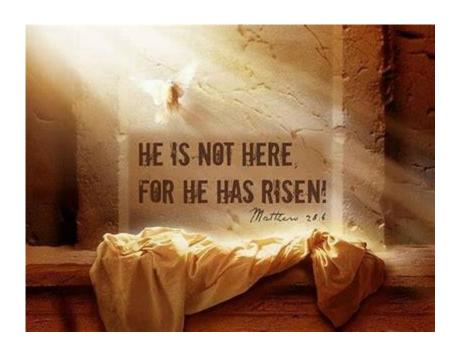
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Columbiette News



Suffolk Chapter Columbiettes



Happy Easter!

Carol

Columbiette Chapter Officers **2021**—2024

Carol Tavis, President
Lisa Ligouri, Past President
Debbie Zaino, Vice President
Barbara Lukenovich, Recording Secretary
Angela O'Leary, Finance Secretary
Diana Palumbo, Treasurer
Maria Arcuri, Sentinel

Meeting Date

Columbiette Meeting information

March 18 Joan of Arc Held @ Monfort Hall in School 110 Myrtle Ave. Port Jefferson, NY 11777

April 15 Our Lady of the Rosary 759 Long Island Ave. Deer Park, NY 11729

May 20 St Martin Council 37 Union St. Amityville, NY 11701

June 17 Holy Mother Mary 280 E Main St Smithtown, NY 11787





Premium

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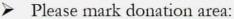
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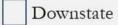
BLESSED MICHAEL J. McGIVNEY

CHURCH STATUE FUNDRAISER

- Requested donation: \$50+
- ➤ Requested donation from KofC Councils: \$100+
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- Please send checks to:
 Louis Pepe, 93 Rapelye St. 4D, Brooklyn, NY 11231







Long Island

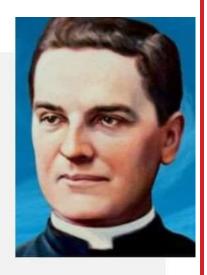


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SUFFOLK CHAPTER SPRING TRIP to the Blessed Michael McGivney Pilgrimage Center

On Sunday April 28th Buses will pick us up at *L.I.E.*Exit 63-7:30am and LIE Exit 49-7:50am

For a trip to visit <u>ST. MARY's Church</u> and tour the <u>Blessed Michael McGivney Pilgrimage Center</u> (formally KofC Museum)



At St Mary's Church we will attend the 10:30am Mass

Cost is \$40. Buses will fill quickly. Bring your spouse.

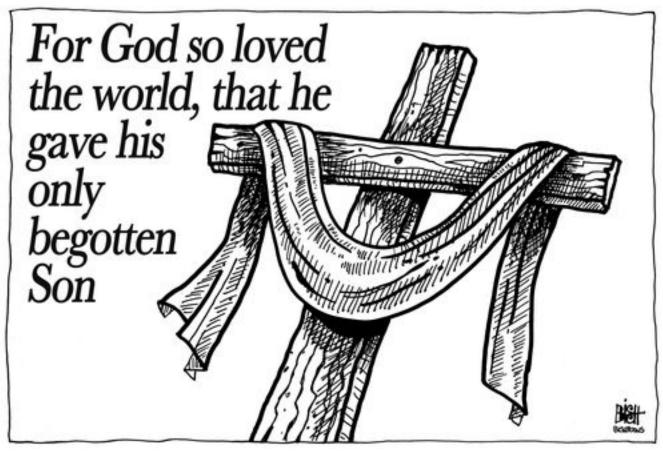
This trip is a must for all New GKs and DGKs.

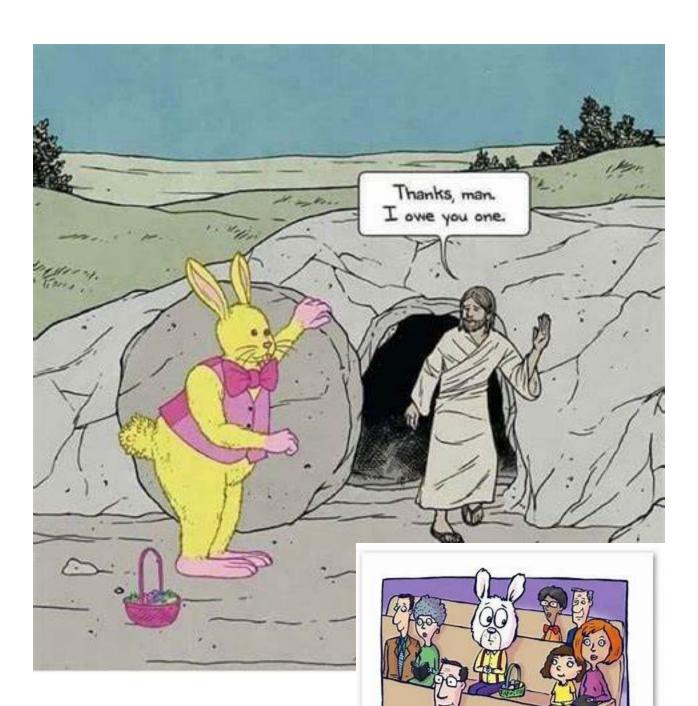
Dinner at Cracker Barrel on the way home.

To sign up call <u>Chairman Joe Fontana 631 310-8004</u> or Gene Johann 631 804-1886

TO GET ON THE BUS - CALL US









The moment was bittersweet when the bunny realized Easter was not about him.



Official Newsletter for the New York State Knights of Columbus



Some of you are still NOT getting the NYS Newsletter, or you may be getting it forwarded to you by your DD or GK. And that's GREAT! However If you want to get the NYS Newsletter Directly to your inbox - as well as other important news and information from the NYS Council - just click the link below and register. It's easy! https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/cREvUxb

Thanks for Signing up!





April 1st!



April 15th!



April 22nd!

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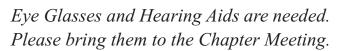
MEETING REMINDER

April 12, 2024
Christ the King Council
Commack, NY
8 pm

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR DIRECTIONS and for many activities taking place at the many councils and auxiliaries throughout our county.

You will like what you see! http://suffolkchapterkofc.org

Missions



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Robert Murray, PGK, FDD, PFN at 631-383-6750



In 1954, lobbying by the Order of the Knights of Columbus helped convince the U.S. Congress to add the phrase "under God" to the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Dwight Eisenhower wrote to Supreme Knight, Luke E. Hart, thanking the Knights for their "part in the movement to have the words 'under God' added to our Pledge of Allegiance."

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, <u>one nation under God</u>, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

http://suffolkchapterkofc.org

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articles and photos of the great things happening in your Council or Auxiliary!



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FROM THE EDITOR

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Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael J. McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, **Blessed Michael 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 his inspiration 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 **Blessed Michael McGivney** on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intersession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen