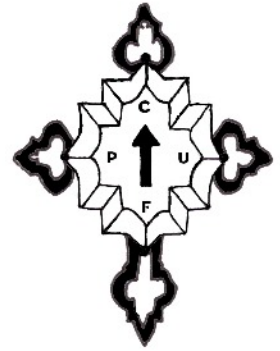




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OFFICER INSTALLATION

Congratulations to our slate of officers for the new Columbian year of 2021/2022. The Mass was celebrated by our Champlain, Father Bill Damroth, and the installation by our District Deputy, Burt Struble, was a resounding success.



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GRAND KNIGHT'S THOUGHTS

Dear Fellow Brother Knights:

I am so blessed to be a part of this wonderful council. Through all of you, we have accomplished so much. Hopefully, we can keep up our good work. In order for us to continue we will need the help of all our fellow brother Knights. Please, if you can spare an hour or two, once a week, or once a month. Anything! We need and will appreciate your help. We have multiple activities that you could join in. You can pick which one you would like to participate in. Please, come and join us. I promise it will be an enjoyable experience! We will be publishing a list of activities soon, so be on the lookout!

We started off our quarter with the Blue Mass. My thanks to PGK Greg Gaetano for all his hard work in bringing this wonderful remembrance and thank you to our community. This year was especially memorable since we also remembered our neighbors whom we lost on 9/11/2001. We had a huge turnout of firemen, police, and EMS. Thanks to Greg and everyone who took part in this wonderful remembrance! On October 10th at 3 PM, Deacon Tom Neppel lead our re-dedication ceremony of the Monument to the unborn. We had a nice size crowd participating. Thank you to all. We also had the Council Officer Installation Ceremony on October 13. My sincere thank you to Father Bill Damroth, our Chaplain who was very gracious to bless us with a wonderful Mass service to begin the evening. My thanks also go out to our District Deputy for officiating at this important ceremony. Please refer to the front page for a listing of all our Officers. Please feel free to talk to any one of us, at any time, to discuss anything that may be on your mind. The Columbus Day Ball was held on October 16, at the Spruce Lodge. We had a huge turnout and everyone had a great time. Congratulation to Bill Kuntz and his daughter, Justine, for making this a night to remember. Bill oversaw every aspect of the planning, journal ad sales, Ball tickets, Treasure Chest tickets, door prizes. and the reception itself. We cannot thank you

enough Bill and Justine, for all your hard work to make this event such a resounding success.

The Fifth Sunday Rosary was started again by Ted Coughlin, on October 31, at the 8:30 Mass at Saint Francis of Assisi Church. Thanks so much Ted for starting this up again. It's so important for us to pray to Mary and the Holy Rosary is the best way to do that.

The next three months will be just as active with many activities scheduled. I will summarize them here. For detailed information on each one please refer to the back page.

The first week in November we will be participating in our annual Coats for Kids event. Several cases of Coats for both boys and girls will be given away at the food pantries that we support.

We will sponsor a Memorial Mass for members of our Council who passed away over the past year, on November 14, at Sacred Heart Church at 12 noon. Please look at the last page of this publication to see the names of these Knights. If you cannot make it to the Mass, please include them in your prayers.

We will once again have a Christmas Tree Lighting and Mass at our council house on December 7. The Mass will start at 7 PM and the tree lighting at 8PM. PGK John Delessio and Jude Martini are once again having a Council Christmas Party on December 19th from 12 to 4 PM, at Gallo Hall.

The Basketball free throw is back, thanks to Bill Kuntz, and although a firm date is not yet available at press time, it will be in January. We will let everyone know when we have a firm date.

PGK and Treasurer I. Scott Watkins will again hold the February raffle. Please look for the tickets in the mail and be as generous as you can. This is a really good fund raiser for our Council.

Bill Kuntz is planning on having a Saint Valentine's Day Dance and Dinner on February 12, as well as a Super Bowl Party on February 13. Please Hold the dates.

PGK Joe Coyle and Joe Dennis are again planning on a Communion Breakfast, on March 21, at Saint Patrick's Church.

In closing, I wish all of my fellow Knights a wonderful Thanksgiving, a glorious Christmas and a Happy and healthy New Year! May our Dear Lord continue to bless us all.

Ray Lopez
Grand Knight

Re-dedication of the monument to the unborn



Knight of the Year Award Presentation
To Frank Gerbes joined by his wife Mary



Knight of the Year, Frank Gerbes celebrating with his family.

SAVE THE DATES:

Saint Valentine's Day Dinner and Dance - 2/12/2022

Super Bowl Party - 2/13/2022

Please Mark Your Calendars
COMMUNION BREAKFAST

March 21, 2021
Saint Patrick's Church
10:30 AM Mass
Brunch to follow at
Temple Hill Tavern and Catering
171 Temple Hill Road
New Windsor, N.Y.
\$25 Pre-Paid per person
Children 10 and under free.
Guest Speaker is Bishop Colacicco



2021 Blue Mass at Saint Patrick's Church

A Blessed and very happy birthday to the following council members who will be celebrating their birthdays in the months of November, December and January.

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| 11/02 Richard Clarino | 11/07 Nicholas Cracolici |
| 11/07 Robert Joy | 11/08 George Barnett Sr. |
| 11/08 Steven Galick | 11/08 Frank Guglieri |
| 11/08 Germain LaPointe | 11/10 Theodore Coughlin |
| 11/11 James Nugent | 11/25 Frank Pennacchio |
| 11/27 George Kingsley | 11/28 Michael Daum |
| 12/02 Paul Zalanowski | 12/05 Matthew Infante |
| 12/11 Thomas McCullough | 12/21 Ike Broome Jr. |
| 12/23 Deacon Leonard Farmer | |
| 12/26 Joseph Coyle | 12/28 Joseph Hillman Jr. |
| 01/01 John DeLessio | 01/03 Rev. Samuel Taylor |
| 01/04 Martin Frasco | 01/07 John Conway Jr. |
| 01/08 Robert Webber | 01/11 Joseph Candela II |
| 01/13 Gerardo Figueroa | 01/20 Edward Finn |
| 01/24 David Maksomski | |

Council Activities

Council Christmas Party

Sunday, December 19, 2021,
from 2 - 6 P.M.

Gallo Hall

At Sacred Heart School
Entrance on Ann Street

Hot Buffet, DJ lots of fun and Santa bringing
gifts to the children.

\$20 adults and children 12 and over; \$10
children 5 - 11; 4 and under are free.

Contact: John Delessio - 845-562-4963
Jude Martini - 845-566-0235

Mass and Tree Lighting Ceremony

December 7, at 7 P.M.
At our Council House
Mass at 7 P.M.

Empty Bowls Food Pantry Fund Raiser
Please bring toiletries for food pantry.
Soup dinner to follow Mass and ceremony.
Please bring a desert to share.
Contact GK Ray Lopez at 845-561-2003 or
PGK Ken Ryan 845-565-8015.

Calendar of Council Meetings

Please Note:

**Until further notice all meetings
will be held at 8:00 PM in person
and on Zoom**

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

- 02 Nov: Membership meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 09 Nov: Fourth Degree meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 16 Nov: Social meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 23 Nov: Officers' business meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 29 Nov: Corporation meeting at 8:00 P.M..
- 07 Dec: Membership meeting at 8 P.M.
- 14 Dec: Fourth Degree meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 21 Dec: Social meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 28 Dec: Officers' business meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 04 Jan: Membership meeting at 8:00 PM
- 11 Jan: Fourth Degree meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 18 Jan: Social meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 25 Jan: Officers' meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 01 Feb: Membership Meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 08 Feb: Fourth Degree meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 15 Feb: Social meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 22 Feb: Officers' meeting at 8:00 P.M..

Please note that the Holy Rosary will be recited
prior to each council meeting at 7:30. All are
welcome.

Social Meeting Dinner
January 18, at 7 PM
Temple Hill Tavern and Catering
\$27.00 per person
Cash Bar

Meeting to follow dinner.
Please call GK Ray Lopez with any
questions (845-561-2003)

Council 444 Memorial Mass

In honor of our Brother Knights who passed
away over the past year:

Sir Knight Vincent Cincotta; Samuel Colavito,
Sir Knight Dominick D'Aquino; Deacon Sir
Knight Lawrence Kawula; Sir Knight Robert
Spreer; and John Vandermark
November 14, 2021, 12 Noon Mass
at Sacred Heart Church.
301 Anne Street
Newburgh, N.Y.

Deacon Jack Seymour Food Pantry

Need volunteers on Saturday mornings from
8:30 A.M. to Noon. Note that the food pantry
has moved to the Sacred Heart gym. If you can
help please note that set up starts at 7 AM. If
you have questions, please call Linda or Paul at
845-234-8564.

St. Mary's Outreach

St. Mary's Outreach has opened at the
Newburgh Community Center (Armory). They
will operate on the same schedule as before, the
third Friday of every month. Set up at 8 AM and
the distribution starts at 9.