

# Queens Messenger



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Grand Knights message

Brothers, our Lenten journey will take us through the entire month of March! This is the season of renewal and repentance. Many of us take the opportunity to deny ourselves something we enjoy (sacrifice), to fast (another form of sacrifice that I must admit, I struggle with), and to pray. My goal for Lent was to try to attend daily Mass. I found myself at Noon Mass on the Thursday after Ash Wednesday. Friday (the very next day) I completely forgot about Noon Mass. It didn't take me long to fail. The next week I went on vacation upstate. I watched daily Mass on Youtube. Not ideal, but it was something. We are imperfect, Jesus knows this well, He only asks that we continue trying. I'm grateful for His encouragement and forgiveness. As Knights of Columbus we encourage each other to continue

trying to be better Christians, Fathers, brothers, sons, neighbors and friends. Our Council is pretty large. It is easy for many of us to be forgotten about (out of sight, out of mind). Most of you should have received a statement from our Financial Secretary asking for your dues and once received he will send you a current membership card. For many of you, this is the extent of your Council participation. Is that enough for you? Is that why you joined the KofC? I cant imagine it is. Why not take advantage of this time of Lenten renewal and become a more active participant in the Council? There may be some of our older members who have participated "back in the day" and feel like they are too old, too disabled, live too far away to be actively involved. doing. Our website is I say that the current members NEED your involvement even if it is just praying with us and for us. Some of our younger members joined because it was free for a year and had nothing to lose. We need you to get involved too! We meet once per month, on the second Thursday of the month. If you work nights, touch base with us at Mass! Come to the Blessed McGivney Mass with your family (The next Mass is 8am on St. Patrick's Day 3/17). Send me an email (octane252@aol.com) or text (631) 838-0271 with a prayer intention, or just let us know how you are undergoing a renovation, go check it out and send a message that way. Our council continues to grow and is doing great things for the Parish and Community. Take a chance and renew your involvement when you renew your membership card! I look forward to seeing you soon! Our March meeting is on the 14th,

God Bless and Vivat Jesus, Jim O'Connor

the welcome mat is out!

#### **Council officers**

Chaplain	Rev Patrick Reigger	631-878-0009	
Associate Chaplain	Rev. James Leone		
Grand Knight	Jim O'Connor	631-838-0271	
Deputy Grand Knight	T.J. McCann	631-909-1507	
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Treasurer	Kevin Both	631-599-4349	
Recorder	Dan O'Connell	516-361-3765	
Chancellor	Tom Taylor	631-772-1278	
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Advocate	Brian Leavy	631-772-1071	
Lecturer	Vincent Ladalla	631-772-7445	
Inside Guard	Ron Douglas	631-644-5959	
Outside Guard	Douglas Boyce	631-874-4381	
Outside Guard	Dennis Morrill	631-774-2898	
Insurance Agent	Patrick McGuire	631-833-8247	
Trustee 3yr	Steve Aracri	631-276-1741	
Trustee 2yr	Mike Lankau	631-909 1249	
Trustee 1yr	William Morgan	516=458-6448	

#### Membership Chairman

TJ McCann 631-909-1507

#### Prayer for the canonization of Blessed Father Michael J. McGivney

God, our father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. McGivney to be an apostle of Christian family life and 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 commitment 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 servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (now make your request) Through Christ our Lord. Amen. Our Father – Hail Mary – Glory be to the Father.

March
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					BINGO	2 Totus-Tuus (COR)9am Seton Chapel
3	4	5	6	7 Officers meeting 7pm	8 NO BINGO C of C Dinner Honoring George Keller Grand Marshal	9 Totus-Tuus (COR)9am Seton Chapel
10 Daylight savings time St Patrick's Day Parade 2pm Meet at1:30	11	12	13	14 Business meeting 7pm	15 BINGO	16 Totus-Tuus (COR)9am Seton Chapel St Patrick's Dance 7pm
17 Mass For Fr. McGivney 8am	18 Holy hour for Priests 7pm Seton Chapel	19  Hello's	20	21	22 BINGO	23 Totus-Tuus (COR)9am Seton Chapel
24 Palm Sunday  Pancake  (breakfast	25	26	27	28 Holy Thursday	29 No Bingo Good Friday	30 Holy Saturday
31 Alleluia He lis						



Bingo every Friday at St. John the Evangelist Parish auditorium.

Sales start at 6:30pm and Bingo will start at 7:30 and usually ends around 10:30.

Brothers, we will need your help. Bingo is how we raise funds to make our many donations. There are many jobs that need to be done from sales, to calling to set up and break down as well as snack bar. You don't need to stay all night, any amount of time you can give us will be appreciated.

## **District Deputy Report**

Brothers,

Lent and especially Holy Week is a very emotional time for me as I think about Jesus and his final days and know he did it for us.

As I was preparing to write this message for this month I wanted to find an "inspirational quote" to share. There were many quotes and I couldn't decide but found this quote to be very appropriate for us as Knights because this is something we should live everyday.

"Men lose all the material things they leave behind them in this world, but they carry with them the reward of their charity and the alms they give." —Saint Francis of Assisi

Have a blessed Easter. Three simple words that mean so much to us as Christians and changed the world and opened the gates of heaven: "He is Risen"

Thank you for all for what you do and thank you for being a Knight.

Vivat Jesus,

Bill



### **Challenge Coins**

Limited edition Queen of All Hearts Challenge Coins are now available for purchase at council meetings and events. They will sell for \$10.00.

Contact Eugene Orlando today to reserve yours!

Check out the new and improved council website kofc4126.org





**Queen of All Hearts Knights of Columbus** 

# St Patrick's Day Dinner Dance

# Honoring past and present Faith Formation leaders

# Susan Fitzpatrick and Michell Pirraglia

Saturday March 16th Moriches Rec. Center 313 Frowein Rd Center Moriches

7pm

**DJ Dancing** 

**Buffet dinner including** 

Corned Beef and Cabbage and Bangers and Mash

**Soft Drinks and Dessert** 

\$30 pp

You may bring your own adult beverage. Call George @ 631-786-1459 or Bill @ 516-458-6448 For Tickets





Recently the Leavy Family, Brian is our worthy advocate, spent several weeks hand making 130 rosaries and presented them to the eighth-grade faith formation class at St Johns.

The Queen of all Hearts council applaud their selfless act of love for our faith and the Church. Well Done!







Our Council budgets a donation for East End Hospice annually. As Catholics, we respect all life including everyone's right to compassionate and dignified end of life care. This is the only not for profit Hospice facility on Eastern Long Island. EEH depends on donations from charitable organizations to continue to provide this valuable service. The KofC Queen of All Hearts Council is proud to support their mission.

(Picture, GK Jim O'Connor and Trustee Steve Aracri present EEH Director Mary Crosby with a \$500 donation from the Council)

#### **ABOUT EAST END HOSPICE**

East End Hospice brings hope to the dying and their families and friends. By affirming life, hospice helps people conclude life with comfort and dignity, offering pain alleviation and symptom control in a familiar and caring environment. Certified in 1991, East End Hospice, a 501(c)(3) not- for-profit corporation, has provided services to over 17,000 terminally ill patients and their families – primarily in patients' homes under the direction of professionals—and with invaluable assistance from dedicated volunteers.

Our coordinated teams of seasoned health care professionals and volunteers are committed to meeting the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of the patients and families who come to us for care. Supporting families through grief and bereavement is an essential component of East End Hospice, including a comprehensive children's bereavement program and Camp Good Grief—our highly acclaimed day camp for children aged 4-17 (Camp Good Grief began in 1997.)

East End Hospice also seeks to promote awareness of the benefits of hospice care in our communities through educational and informational presentations to civic, fraternal and religious groups, professional organizations and educational institutions on Eastern Long Island.

No one is ever denied care by East End Hospice because of inability to pay.





# Queen of All Hearts Council 4126 Knights of Columbus



Palm Sunday at OLQA Auditorium

After the 10 o'clock mass

Meet at the auditorium at 8am Pancakes, sausage, Coffee, Tea and Juice

Free to the community

## Your help is needed and appreciated for this event!!

Meet at the auditorium at 9am to set up and cook and get ready to serve breakfast at 11am

Meeting Date: Thursday, February 8th, 2023

The Council was called to order at 7:00 pm by Grand Knight Jim O'Connor.

The roll of officers was called and noted as follows:

Chaplain (Fr. Riegger): E

Associate Chaplain (Fr. Leone) – E Grand Knight (Jim O'Connor): P

Deputy Grand Knight (TJ McCann): E

Chancellor (Tom Taylor): P Recorder (Dan O'Connell): P

Financial Secretary (George Keller): P

Treasurer (Kevin Both): E Lecturer (Vincent Ladalla): P Advocate (Brian Leavy): P Warden (Frank Cantasano): P

Inside Guard (Ron Douglas): P

Outside Guard (2) (Doug Boyce, Dennis Morrill): P,E

Trustee 3<sup>rd</sup> year (Mike Lankau): E Trustee 2<sup>nd</sup> year (William Morgan): P Trustee 1st year (Steve Aracri): E

#### Admissions/Membership Committee

4 new members seek admission

Steve Carlino, Sr - sponsored by Frank C

Ray Vernuille – sponsored by GK Jim O'Connor

Steve Ciervo – sponsored by Tim Cody Tim Jochen – sponsored by Tim Cody

Motion made to accept all new candidates

A few new candidates would like to join, we hope to have them interviewed by the March meeting.

#### Chaplain's Message:

excused

Last month's minutes

Motion made by Bill Hasper to accept the Minutes as published – Motion carried.

**Grand Knight Report** 

foregone to give a special presentation to Brian Leavy as Knight of the Month

Financial Secretary Report

Membership Totals: Associate Members: 141 Insurance Members: 80 Inactive Members: 16 Total Members: 237 Honorary Members: 4 Honorary Life Members: 53

Exempt Members: 4

Members in Good Standing w/ Supreme.

Quota for STAR is 13 new members, which we have 6.

#### Treasurer –

Treasurer's Report made by George Keller as Kevin Both excused

#### Dime Checking

Beginning (12/30/23) - \$4,050.98

Ending (1/31/24) - \$6,975.37

\*\*Note: Increase due to predominantly to Member Dues payments.

#### Dime Money Market Savings:

Beginning (12/30/23) - \$68,138.67

Ending (1/31/24) - \$65,786.50

\*Note: Reduction due to transfer to council checking to replenish the balance.

#### Bethpage FCU

Beginning (12/31/23) - \$257,944.80

Ending (1/31/24) – \$258,989.06

LPL Financial (to be reported annually EOM in March 2024)

Motion made to Accept the report – motion carried.

## Bills and Communications:

Thank you note from Bridge to Life and invitation to their 32<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Gala

Thank you note from Birthright of Peconic

Thank you from Catholic Ministries Appeal

Thank you from Bridge for Peace

Thank you from Carol Bagaloo

Request for Donation Rotary Club of Seatuck Cove- 4 Leaf Clover 5K Walk-Run -

Trustees report

Chancellor's report

No report

Service Committees:

Bell Jars report -

Bell jars - ended \$1272.93

Shirt/Jacket Report

#### 4th degree report

Feb 28<sup>th</sup> – Next 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting

March 23<sup>rd</sup> – Russo's on the Bay – 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification if anyone interested

4th degree still looking for Honor members – council to pay 25% and 4th degree to pay 50%

Retention Committee

#### Bingo report

Jan 1-31st – profit \$46059

we gave \$25000 to St Johns

we gave \$14000

Jan profit - \$1876.95

\$800 to st johns

\$500 to sisters of life

\$813.95 for stamps and robocall

CK Book Balance end of Jan - \$35678.24

Owe to St Johns for Dec and Jan - \$1980 but made it \$2000

50/50 Report

\$150 collected, \$75 for Council, \$75 Winner.

STAR Council Chairperson Report

#### C and B books

We have Suffolk Chapter Books -

Would like to sell 2 books each

\$12 a book or \$1 a chance (15 chances)

Nominating Committee

#### Faith Director

Talked about the COR program – every Saturday – all members welcome

Lecturer's Reflection

Read an excerpt from 'Mediations for Lent', by Jaques-Benigne Bossuet.

**Unfinished Business** 

Jackets still being paid ½ by council

#### Community Director

Feb 10<sup>th</sup> – Valentine's Day Dance - \$30pp

Sunday Mass we are handing out the Baby Bottles and they will be collected on the 24th and 25th.

Wednesday – Ash Wednesday

February 22<sup>nd</sup> – Rosary at 7pm

February 24<sup>th</sup> – Blood Drive – 9-3

Saturday – Seton Chapel – 9am – COR program

March 8<sup>th</sup> – Dinner at Rock Hill in honor of George being Grand Marshall - \$75 per couple

March 10<sup>th</sup> is St Patrick's Day Parade – George K to be Grand Marshall – would like as many people as we can to support.

March 16th - St Patrick's Dinner/Dance

March 24th - Pancake Breakfast

Feb 26th - lunch with a Priest

#### New Business -

Motion made for up to \$250 to by Fr. Patrick a jacket from our council - motion carried

March 8,9,10 – 40hr Adoration – sign up sheet – asking us to give an hour

Motion made by George not to exceed \$250 for the COR books to give to members that are interested. - discussion - motion carried

Motion made for \$100 to purchase Business Card T-Shirt Sponsorship – motion carried

Virtus Training – required by Church if working with Faith Formation or Kids – March 1st and March 4th – times TBD

Palm Sunday Breakfast – griddle is broken at the school – if anyone has griddle at home, can they bring it to help cook.

Blood Drive – Feb 24 – 9am-3pm

Hope House Ministries are having a St Patrick's Day raffle – 50/50 – tickets are \$10 a piece

Council Shirts - \$40 a shirt - if you are interested

Holy Hour for Priests and Vocations – every money from 7-8 – we are picking the last Monday of the month to support this. (Feb 26<sup>th</sup>)

East Moriches FD holding a pancake breakfast 730am-1220pm

#### Field Agent Report

Welcomed new members

Encouraged all to turn out for Ash Wednesday

Encouraged all to try to recruit more members

**District Deputy Report** 

Brings Fraternal Greetings.

March  $23^{rd}$  – Russo's on the Bay –  $4^{th}$  Degree Exemplification if anyone interested. He is selling chances for the Board of District Deputies.

Also gave out Finger Rosary and pamphlets

**Grand Knights Summary:** 

Moving into Lent – lets make this time to strengthen our relationship with GOD

Pray more

Go to Adoration

Come to COR



Grand Knight Jim O'Connor and District Deputy award Brian Leavy Knight of the Month.

Congratulations Brian, Well deserved!

#### COR

The Totus-Tous men's prayer group has started working with the Knights of Columbus COR program. What is COR? How does it work? How can I learn more about it?

Come to the convent (Seton Chapel) Saturday mornings at 9am, grab a cup of coffee and find out.

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Degree

There will be an exemplification of the 4<sup>th</sup> degree March 23<sup>rd</sup> at Russos on the bay although we expect that there will be one much closer to us in May, Any 3<sup>rd</sup> degree member who is interested in making his 4<sup>th</sup> degree should talk to our 4<sup>th</sup> degree representative Mike Lankau for more information.

#### Masses for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

Brothers, once a month for the year 2024 the council has sponsored a mass for the canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney the founder of the Knights of Columbus, at SJE. We ask that you attend those masses with your families to pray for the canonization of Father McGivney. We ask that if you are a reader or an EM you volunteer for those masses, and we also ask for help as ushers at those masses. We know that the mass may not be your regular mass, but please support the council and more importantly the canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney by attending those masses with your families and wearing KofC shirts or jackets if you have any,

Scheduled masses are:

January 21<sup>st</sup>-10am, February 18<sup>th</sup>-12pm, March 17<sup>th</sup>-8am, April 21<sup>st</sup>-5pm, May18th-5pm, June23rd-10am July21st-12pm, August 18<sup>th</sup>-12pm, September 15<sup>th</sup>-10am, October 20-6pm, November 17<sup>th</sup>-10am and December15th-10am

Anyone who is interested in purchasing a council shirt or jacket, please contact Grand Knight Jim O'Connor for details,

#### FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Please keep the following Brothers Knights or members of their family in your thoughts and prayers, as they have been ill or need your support.

The Priests, Deacons and religious of our local parishes all seminarians, Fr. Leone, Paul and Donna Keller, Terry Keller, John Amorello and family, Barbara Heptig, Ken and Mary Swicicki and family, Hasper family, Sabia family, Barbara LaValle, Barbara Laughlin, For the Lankau, Simone and Rowe families, Al Lankau, Fred Alexander, Bud and Angela McDermott, Kathy Gillen, Peggy Orlando, Karen Lynch, John Alesi, Rob Constantino, John Dyer, Elizabeth Harrington, Marie D'Amara, Raul Perez, Deacon Michael Hoonhout, Zingarino Family, Frank S. Cantasano, Frank Rienzo, O'Connell Family, Kathleen Both, John Madigan, Joseph Ladalia, William K Schneider, Tom Taylor, Peggy Orlando, Fr. Roy, Margret Leavy, Patrick and Coleen Leavy, Steve Abazis, Frances Coll, Billy McCann,

For repose of the soul of Steven Patterson and Ralph Libby, For the students at Franciscan university, For all those serving our country here and abroad, and all of the departed members of our council and their families. For all the unborn and their families and for the souls in purgatory

If you know of a brother in need please contact:

Members Welfare Coordinator Kevin Both 631-599-4349

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## A Note from the Editor

To have articles printed in the newsletter, I <u>must</u> have them by the <u>15<sup>th</sup></u> of the month. You can E-mail them to S.K George Keller at ambagfk@aol.com

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