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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND TO
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ONE NATION UNDER GOD WITH LIBERTY
AND JUSTICE FOR ALL**



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

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Grand Knight Report



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June marks the last month of the fraternal year and the changing of the guard. I would like to express my profound thanks to all the members who actively supported the Council over the last year, the officers, the District representatives, the presenters of our monthly Social Meeting series and last but not least, wives and family members.

The year although restricted by meeting physically was very successful and productive on many fronts.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Grand Knight-elect, Joseph Ngu and the new officers and wish them success in the upcoming fraternal year, and offer my pledge of support.

Please continue to observe safe practices as you go about your day to day activities.

God's blessings for you and your loved ones.

Vivat Jesus.

District Deputy Report



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Worthy Brothers,

Keep up the good work, and remember to offer that which we have to other Catholic gentleman. Remember that, "We are servant leaders".

VJ

José Rivera, DD4,



Chaplain's Corner

(Father Milt's Reflection)



Rev. Dr. Milton E. Jordan, PhD (ret)
Chaplain Emeritus

Helping the Brokenhearted

Much ink has been used, many hours on TV specials and radio commentators are exhausted. DOING WHAT? Offering evaluations of the "non-normal" life that every American (except cribbed babies) has experienced in the last year or so. They want to help all of us in difficult moments when "normalcy" was as foreign as the complicated languages in the world. Let me offer you a man, few have known, who would probably die a second time if he came from his grave, were that possible. The man was a king who spent hours in prayer, with days of writing and time in the Temple. I speak of King David who composed 150 documents we might call poems, songs, letters or notes. He called them The Psalms! This man knew Yahweh well. He knew from personal experience what "non normal" happened to be. His Psalms did not have to confront a death-dealing virus. What he saw were the prices so many believers paid where believers did not spend their lives in most horrible prisons. In early Old Testament these individuals were beheaded or fed to lions, even as early as Roman times. Even today martyrs total astronomically outrageous numbers in different parts of what we call modern times. We might ask how these folks dealt with terrible fates. The King of the Psalms wrote these words in Psalm 34:19 -- **"The Lord is close to the brokenhearted; and those who are crushed in spirit he saves."** My friends, we are no different in our pandemic days, weeks, months and never stopping years. Are there any of us who have not suffered pains, of so many new and previously unexpected difficulties that even take lives? You know we do not, in our land, suffer persecutions. We ache in so many bodily and emotional ways from losses, illnesses, misunderstandings, loss of employment, loss of personal financial treasury, dealing with young adults with serious lack of emotional stability, etc., etc., etc.. loneliness and serious fears deep in hearts. How many of our contemporaries have remembered to turn to the Lord, to the Bible, to the Book of Psalms? We have to remember what we have just celebrated, the Resurrection which is a true source of sustaining in difficult times. I believe many do not turn to Jesus Christ every day in these terrible days. So many ask, "Where is God in all this mess? Do we take a Psalm like this one noted above, Psalm 34, and in prayer and reflection, sucking every ounce of conviction from David's promises that the Jesus we celebrated on Easter Sunday has not walked away from us. Do we seriously open almost hourly colloquies with the risen Jesus, depending on Him as a personal guide and on what He promised so often in His lifetime: **"I am with you always!"** What word is it that drives doubters away? He guides and holds us in His Love. Yes, He is always there for you. We simply have to trust and to ask, **"Lord, come to me. I need you now, so much."**

Oremus Pro Invicem



Seton note



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Family Activity

Family of the Month

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The honoree for the month of **April 2021** is the family of **Joe Obiwuru**. Joe is relatively new member of the council he and his wife are members of Saint Matthias Parish. Joe has been active as an usher at the 1130am Mass. Thank you for all you do for the council, parish and community at large.

Faith Activity

SK Francisco C. King



We commemorate the following feast days and saints this month of June : Justin (1), Charles Lwanga & Comp (3), Boniface (5), Most Holy Body & Blood of the Lord – Corpus Christi(6), Ephrem (9), Sacred Heart of Jesus (11), Immaculate Heart of Mary(12), Aloysius Gonzaga(21), Nativity of John the Baptist (24), Irenaeus(28), Saints Peter & Paul (29)

Fraternal Benefits Corner

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Please contact the benefits agent to discuss your needs. The consultation is free



Community Activity Gabriel C. Achemu

Thank you to the brother knights who participated in the planning and execution of the council sponsored, "Leave no Neighbor Behind Food Drive" held on Saturday, May 8. The May drive is scheduled for the second Saturday in May, May 8th. If you missed the last one this is your chance to volunteer.

We had a good turnout at the Memorial Mass for Lillian Kulich at Holy Family Church in Davidsonville. Thank you to the brothers and Ladies Auxiliary members who attended.

The second shot clinic for the Covid-19 vaccine was another success. Thank you to Joseph Ngu, James Agboli, Charles Briscoe, Aneurin M'Carthy, Sylvester Ikpi and Don Aitcheson and for volunteering. Round 2 for second shots administered approximately 150 doses on May 25. Stay tuned for 2021 FedEx season updates and activities.

Prayer to Mother Seton

Lord God,

You blessed Elizabeth Seton with gifts of grace

*As wife and mother, educator and foundress,
So that she might spend her life in service to your people.*

*Through her example and prayers
May we learn to express our love for you
In love for our fellow men and women.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son,
Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever.
Amen.*

Life Activity
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We continue to Defend Life from
Conception to Natural Death.
Defend Life - Support the Ultrasound Program

Membership Corner
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We are in the final months of the fraternal year. Let us focus on our membership goals and finish strong.

"Make It Personal and Ask"

Membership Checker:
2020-21 GOAL: 11
NEW: 3 LOSS: 1
NET: 2

Set a personal goal to recruit 1 new member this year.



Go to <http://stewardsofhopefoundation.org> to find out more about the launch of this global mission spearheaded by **Fr. Canice Enyiaka**



Catholic Corner

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for June 2021



The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network invites all to join in the Holy Father's June 2021 prayer intention:

The Beauty of Marriage

Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

Daily Offering Prayer

God, our Father, I offer You my day. I offer You my prayers, thoughts, words, actions, joys, and sufferings in union with the Heart of Jesus, who continues to offer Himself in the Eucharist for the salvation of the world. May the Holy Spirit, Who guided Jesus, be my guide and my strength today so that I may witness to your love. With Mary, the mother of our Lord and the Church, I pray for all Apostles of Prayer and for the prayer intentions proposed by the Holy Father this month. Amen.



Basilique du Sacre Coeur
Basilica of the Sacred Heart
Montmartre Paris, France



Sick and Recovering

Brothers

Christopher Agboli, PGK
Kevin Butler, PGK
Charles Briscoe, PGK
Deacon Alton Davis
Bob Faass, HLM
Charles Johnson
Ed Kin, PGK
Nicholas Kniska, HLM
Rodney Oak, PGK
Pablo Rocha

Relatives/Friends

Rose Chisefaky
Helen Dziduch
Jan Jarus
Anne Keightley-Florimbio
Nancy Matais
Gay Magruder

Lord, look upon me with eyes of mercy,
may your healing hand rest upon me,
may your life-giving powers flow into every cell of my body
and into the depths of my soul,
cleansing, purifying, restoring me to wholeness
and **strength** for service in your Kingdom. Amen



If you know a Brother Knight or a family member who is sick, recovering or recently deceased, please contact us so that we may pray for them. Your help is needed to manage this list (Editor: aitcheson@hotmail.com.)

Father of goodness and love; hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering, may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits. May these special people find lasting health and deliverance, and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts. We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed. Amen.



Election of Officers FY 2021-2022 Results

*Nominations Chairman :Sylvester Ikpi, PGK, PFN
Committee Members:Emmanuel Sony Ajayi.PGK, Donahue Aitcheson,PGK*

Grand Knight: Joseph Ngu

Deputy Grand Knight: James Agboli, PGK

Chancellor: Henry Mbah

Warden: Anthony Foli

Recorder: OPEN - TBD

Treasurer: Joseph Corson , PGK, FDD

Advocate: Robert Worthington PGK,PFN, FDD

Trustee (3yr): Thad Ereme, GK

Inside Guards: Francisco King

Outside Guards: Jose Barahona

Representative to the 2022 State Convention:

Convention Delegate (PGK): Emmanuel Ajayi,PGK

1st Alternate: Robert Worthington PGK,PFN,FDD

2nd Alternate: Charles Briscoe, PGK

Thank you to the outgoing elected officers for your work and dedication during the current fraternal year.

All officers are asked to surrender their jewel of office to the Warden-elect or Financial Secretary before the first meeting in July.

Plans for our installation of officers will be communicated when formulated.

Election of Officers for the 2021-2022 Fraternal Year were held at the Council meeting

held May 18 2021 via Zoom.



Supreme Council News

New Film Explores Contributions of Native American Catholicism

Enduring Faith: The Story of Native American Catholicism to air on ABC affiliated stations

NEW HAVEN, Conn. – A new documentary produced by the Knights of Columbus on Native American Catholicism will air on ABC affiliated stations through a partnership with the Interfaith Broadcasting Commission (IBC) beginning May 16, 2021.

Enduring Faith: The Story of Native American Catholicism explores the rich contribution and witness that Native American Catholics have given to the faith over the course of nearly 500 years.

“The history and deeply ingrained traditions of Native American Catholics demonstrate how Christ reveals himself through the uniqueness of every culture,” Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly said. “Our hope is that this film will inspire a greater appreciation of the faithful witness of Native American Catholics.”

The documentary begins in the 16th century, when Mary, under the title of Our Lady of Guadalupe, appeared to St. Juan Diego as a mestiza woman. The film goes on to explore the life of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, the first canonized Native American saint, and the 20th-century Lakota healer, Nicholas Black Elk, whose cause for canonization is currently open in Rome.

The film examines the spiritual and cultural gifts of Native American Catholics, the wrongs inflicted upon them by the often unjust policies of the British and American governments, and how Native American Catholics today continue to live out their faith in fully inculturated ways.

The documentary is part of the Knights of Columbus Native Solidarity initiative. First announced at the 137th Supreme Convention in 2019, the Native Solidarity initiative began with a partnership between the Knights, the Diocese of Gallup, N.M., and the Southwest Indian Foundation to build a shrine to St. Kateri in the Southwest United States. As the Covid-19 pandemic struck, as part of Native Solidarity and the Order’s “Leave No Neighbor Behind”, Knights brought necessities to thousands of native and indigenous communities in New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, and Hawaii that were struck particularly hard by the Covid-19 pandemic. The Knights has also collaborated with Life is Sacred, a native-run non-profit committed to building a culture of life and a civilization of love, and the Black and Indian Mission Office.

Enduring Faith: The Story of Native American Catholicism will air primarily on Sundays. To find air times for your area, visit kofc.org/enduringfaith.

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Maryland State Council News



State Deputy
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The Car Raffle Winners

Car

Winner: Doris Calles

Ticket Sold By: San Juan Diego Council 13463

I-Pad

Winner: Marie Burdyck

Ticket Sold By: Cardinal Gibbons Council 2521

\$200 Gift Card

Winner: Joe Semadja

Ticket Sold By: Father Burggraff Council 6021

Thank you to all who participated in the 51st Annual Car Raffle to support the Maryland State Council Charities.

For more details, go to www.kofc-md.org



Members & Ladies at the Memorial Mass for Lillian Kulick





Seton note



Fourth Degree Report



Bishop James E. Walsh Assembly No. 1548

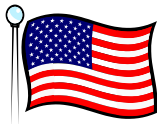
Meets on the 2nd Monday, 7:00 pm at Saint Pius X Council, Sarto Hall, 3611 Stewart Road;
Forestville, MD 20747-1747 (301) 735-8855.

Next scheduled virtual meeting is June 14th @ 7PM

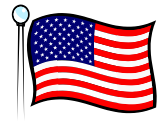
Congratulations to Charles I. Briscoe, PGK on his election as Faithful Navigator.



ADW Website (www.awddistrict.org)



Official Flag Days in the USA

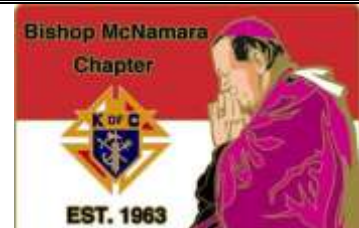


June

14 - Flag Day

20 - Father's Day (Army only)

Bishop McNamara Chapter of Grand Knights Maryland State Council Celebrating its 58th Year Upcoming Chapter Meetings



June 16, 2021 Virtual/Hybrid Meeting

Come hear about all the exciting events and activities that are planned for the year.
The Chapter encourages not only Grand Knights to attend, but also Deputy Grand Knights and Council Program Directors. The Chapter meets the third Wednesday of each month except for December. The location varies.

<http://www.kofc-md.org/state1820/mcnamara.asp>



BIRTHDAYS FOR JUNE

Council

- 2. Fr. Milt Jordan
- 3. Eric Didion
- 4. Godwin Okere
- 5. Ciro Andres
- 6. Ferdinand Ibebuchi
- 7. Obinna Uzomah
- 8. James Connor
- 10 Richard Nidel
- 12 Desmond Obinna
Daniel Petz
- 14 Augustine Ezuoke
Olukunmi Makanjuola
- 17 Jean Marie Tcheffo
- 18 Christopher Butler
- 24 Atehng Morfaw
- 28 Carl Tedrow
- 30 Jeffrey Sandroovich

Ladies Auxiliary

- 9 Nancy Faass
- 29 Melba Adams



**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!!!**

Editor's Pen

If there is a special request for a copy of the Seton notes by mail, let us know. Please send all newsletter related issues to Don Aitcheson at aitcheson@hotmail.com (240-481-0622).

The deadline for article submission is the 20th of each month. The email edition will be sent on or about the 1st of each month. Please feel free to give us feedback. Copies are available in the pamphlet rack at St. Matthias. back of Saint Matthias Church and on the website at www.stmatthias.org.



Flags of the United States of America (1776-Present)



The Betsy Ross Flag (May 1776)



The Original 13 Star American Flag (1777-17795)

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- 15 Star **Flag** – Star Spangled Banner (1795-1818) .
- 20 Star **American Flag** (1818-1819) ...
- 21 Star **American Flag** (1819-1820) ...
- 23 Star **American Flag** (1820-1822) ...
- 24 Star **American Flag** (1822-1836) ...
- 25 Star **American Flag** (1836-1837) ...
- 26 Star **American Flag** (1837-1845) ...
- 27 Star **American Flag** (1845-1846)
- >>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>
- **50 STAR AMERICAN FLAG (1960-PRESENT)**



https://www.usflagstore.com/american_flag_history_1776_to_present_s/2205.htm

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Upcoming Council Events Calendar

June 1	Council Business Meeting – 8PM (Zoom)
June 6	Feast of Body & Blood of the Lord (Corpus Christi)
June 14	US Flag Day
June 15	Council Social Meeting – 8PM (Zoom) (Exchanging of the Gavel- Meeting closed by GK – Elect)
July 4	Independence Day
July 6	Council Business Meeting – 8PM
July 20	Council Social Meeting – 8PM

Council meetings are held 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month unless otherwise posted.

**Council meetings are currently held virtually by Zoom conferencing.
Please contact GK or Financial Secretary for details to obtain link.**

Note: Dress code for meetings is relaxed thru October.