



# THE RAYS OF MARY



Regina Mundi Council #4052 Assumption B.V.M. Parish - Feasterville, PA

March 2023

[www.koc4052.org](http://www.koc4052.org)



## GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE:

My Brother Knights, here we are in the season of Lent. My hope is that you are already planning ways to prepare yourselves through prayer, fasting, reconciliation, and almsgiving to be able to better celebrate the resurrection of our lord this Easter. The church has many opportunities in the coming weeks to take part in, which can help and can all be found in the weekly bulletins.

Our council will also be busy with many activities planned as well. We have already started our annual parish food drive, so please be generous in giving to those less fortunate. We will be having our St. Patty's Day party and Lenten fish fry later in the month. Both these events help us to raise funds so we can carry out our first principle of charity.

In closing I ask that you continue to support all our Priests, Deacons and your parishes. I also suggest you take the time to read and reflect on a nicely written letter in the past bulletin from our own council brother and seminarian Brandon Schmidt about our journey through Lent which I found to be very inspiring.

Vivat Jesus,

Brother Rich





## CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE:

### Musings For "Rays of Mary"

Brothers all,

As I write on Monday of the First Week of Lent two words quickly come to mind;, fasting and repentance. While adults from 18-59 years of age are required to limit themselves to one full meal on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, for the sake of a little self-sacrifice, fasting is more than these basic requirements for people of all ages. Fasting is not only about limited food consumption, and we know the value of other kinds of self-sacrifice, perhaps especially during Lent. Do you watch too much TV? Do you spend too much time away from your family at home for your own interests? Do you use your phone too much, instead of being with, and conversing with your family? Are you simply too busy to pray? Will you limit what distracts you from time with your family; time with God? Your answers expand what fasting is.

I unhesitatingly speak and write about the Sacrament of Reconciliation often. As every sacrament has "matter" and "form", we penitents are required to confess all the sins we are aware of after a careful examination of conscience, to be truly contrite for those sins, and to make satisfaction (do the penance given by the priest) for those sins. These acts are the "matter" of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, while the words of absolution by the priest are the "form" of this sacrament. Each of us is called to repentance throughout our lives because of our fallen human nature from the Original Sin. I think Satan subtly has led many away from the Sacrament of Reconciliation by their being afraid of forgiveness, the result of repentance. The minimal requirement for Catholics, the "Easter duty", is to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation once a year, during the Easter Season, so to worthily receive Holy Communion. Please remember - the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion are frequent sacraments, for abundant graces. Please celebrate these sacraments frequently for your soul's health, and invite others too. Repentance is not only for Lent.

Vivat Jesus!  
Father Mike Davis



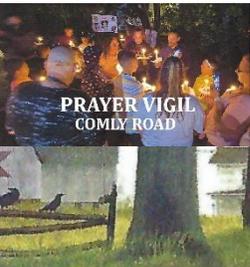
# REGINA MUNDI OFFICERS

2022/2023

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# March

## 2023

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Regina Mundi  
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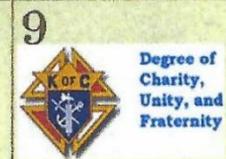
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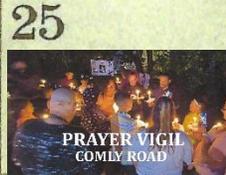


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Officer's  
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# LEN<sup>+</sup>

*fast . pray . give*

<b>February 22</b>	-	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>
<b>April 2</b>	-	<b>Palm Sunday</b>
<b>April 7</b>	-	<b>Good Friday</b>
<b>April 9</b>	-	<b>Easter Sunday</b>





## Thoughts from the Seminary with Brandon Schmidt

On this first Sunday of the holy season of Lent, we hear in today's Gospel of the temptation of Jesus in the desert. I have always found this Gospel passage comforting because it further reveals the greatness of the mystery of God becoming man.

When we pray to Jesus asking for His help in our temptations, it is not as if He is removed from them or tries to empathize with us out of pity, but rather He fully understands our temptations because He suffered through them Himself. Yet He has overcome them as the perfect human without sin. Notice in the Gospel that Jesus retreats to the desert where He is tempted.

Pope Benedict XVI described the desert as a place of "abandonment and loneliness" where temptation becomes stronger. However, it can also indicate "a place of refuge and shelter, as it was for the people of Israel who escaped from slavery in Egypt." The desert is a place "where we can experience the presence of God in a special way." In a certain sense, we are being called to the desert during this season of Lent through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

These three pillars of Lent, when practiced to their fullest, can seem isolating because we can see ourselves spiritually moving farther away from our worldly desires, although the temptations are still present. Yet at the same time, we soon find ourselves in a place of refuge and shelter because we notice all the more God acting in our lives and giving us His comfort in what can be a difficult place.

Jesus' temptation in the desert highlights that even He who is God practiced the three pillars. His prayer and fasting are obviously seen in the desert, but what about almsgiving? His entire life, essentially, is an act of almsgiving to all of us as He is the perfect sacrifice acceptable to God to take away our sins.

This period of temptation takes place right after His baptism and is Christ's preparation for His public ministry, which was all for us. We see in the first reading the fall of humanity. Jesus Christ was never the Father's "plan b" after humanity fell, God the omniscient knew we would fall. In the great mystery of redemption, humanity as now redeemed becomes greater than before the Fall because of Christ.

We will proclaim this in the Easter Vigil in the Exultet: "O truly necessary sin of Adam, destroyed completely by the Death of Christ! O happy fault that earned so great, so glorious a Redeemer!" Christ has given his entire life as an almsgiving to us poor sinners. As we have seen Christ practice the three pillars of Lent in the Gospel, I pray that we all have a fruitful Lent as we practice these too. I pray that as we prepare for the great Paschal Mystery, we become more aware of the great sacrifice of Christ and the triumph of Easter as we deepen our relationship with Him along the way.





*Happy  
St. Patrick's  
Day*



## McGivney Prayer

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 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 blessed 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.



### Prayer Requests

Please remember in your Prayers, our Military, especially those in “Harms Way”, our Police, Fire, and EMT personnel. Please pray for quick recovery and Blessing for: Fred and Barbara May, Mary Donovan, the Hurricane Victims, Nick Marcantonio Jr., and all members of Regina Mundi and their families.

May God Bless them and watch over them!

Richard Gathercole

Grand Knight - Regina Mundi Council



### Rose for Life

Upcoming Known Scheduled Baptisms:

Sunday February 5th 12:00 PM

1 Baptism – Little Girl – Chris Dern

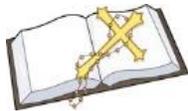
Sunday February 19th 12:00 PM

No Baptisms

There may be additional assignments.

**Volunteers are always needed for Baptisms!**

Baptisms are on the first and third Sundays of each month after the 11:00 AM Mass.



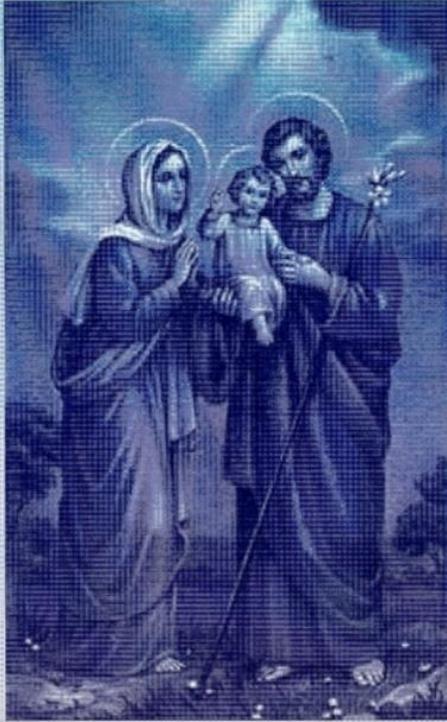
### Words to Live By

#### The Birth of Christ is Manifestation of God’s Unending Love for Humanity

To express His love for all humanity, God takes on our human nature by being born of a woman, Mary. As she is the Mother of Jesus, we honor Mary as our Spiritual Mother, the Mother of all God’s adopted sons and daughters. Through the Son’s Spirit sent by God, Christ dwells in our hearts and we can’t help but share this Good News, as the shepherds did, by praising and glorifying God in our lives.



# PRAY THE ROSARY FOR THE DOMESTIC CHURCH



Starting June 24, 2018 join us to pray the rosary to help built the Domestic Church. The Domestic Church is the family, the smallest body of gathered believers in Christ.

The rosary will be prayed after the 11 A.M. Mass the last Sunday of every month.

We of the Regina Mundi Council have promised to lead the Rosary on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Month.

**Please make an effort to join us.**

**THE NEXT 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IS APRIL 30, 2023**



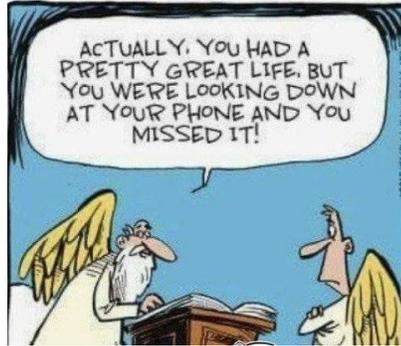
# JUST FOR LAUGHS

I LIKE TO MAKE LISTS.

I ALSO LIKE TO LEAVE THEM LAYING ON THE KITCHEN COUNTER AND THEN GUESS WHAT'S ON THE LIST WHILE AT THE STORE.

FUN GAME.

I found that I have been happier since I changed from coffee in the morning to orange juice. My doctor explained that it's the vitamin C and natural sugars but I really think it's the Vodka



I found a recipe from Morocco for homemade dinner rolls. It called for fresh thyme but mine was outdated. I used it anyway. You know, as I reminisce, I really like that old thyme Moroccan roll.



Xavier  
Rules are rules.



THEY'RE NOT DANGEROUS IF YOU RAISE THEM RIGHT

AND NEITHER ARE THE DOGS

The distance it takes for me to forget a number between 1 and 10



The awkward moment when you realize the chair isn't broken.

Just bought a log cabin from Ikea



Had a bad mixup at the store today..when the cashier said strip down facing me, apparently she was referring to my credit card.

You think you know stress? When I grew up, if you missed a TV show you just missed it. Forever.

MY KIDS LAUGH BECAUSE THEY THINK I'M CRAZY.

I LAUGH BECAUSE THEY DON'T KNOW IT'S HEREDITARY.

# APHORISMS

**An Aphorism is a statement of truth or opinion expressed in a concise and witty manner.**

- ◆ I read that 4,153,237 people were married last year. Not to cause any trouble.... but shouldn't that be an even number?
- ◆ I find it ironic that the colors red, white and blue stand for freedom until they are flashing behind you.
- ◆ When wearing a bikini, women reveal 90% of their bodies. Men are so polite they only look at the covered parts.
- ◆ Relationships are a lot like algebra. Have you ever looked at your X and wondered Y?
- ◆ You know that tingly little feeling you get when you love someone? That's common sense leaving your body .
- ◆ My therapist says I have a preoccupation with vengeance. We'll see about that!
- ◆ I think my neighbor is stalking me as she's been Googling my name on her computer. I saw it through my telescope last night.
- ◆ Money talks ... but all mine ever says is good-bye.
- ◆ Free Speech is not free ... It cost Elon \$44 Billion to give us ours back.
- ◆ You're not fat, you're just easier to see.
- ◆ If you think nobody cares whether you're alive, try missing a couple of payments.
- ◆ I always wondered what the job application is like at Hooters. Do they just give you a bra and say, "Here, fill this out?"
- ◆ I can't understand why women are OK that JC Penney has an older women's clothing line named, "Sag Harbor"
- ◆ The location of your mailbox shows you how far away from your house you can go in a robe before you start looking like a mental patient.
- ◆ Money can't buy happiness, but it keeps the kids in touch.





## **Rose for Life**

**We currently have 6 members who have volunteered for the Rose for Life**

### **WE NEED MORE**

**Baptism are scheduled for the first and third Sundays of the month after the 11:00 AM Mass. It only takes about 15 minutes to hand out a Rosary and a Rose for each child Baptised. Some months there aren't any Baptisms and sometimes only one.**

**Before the covid-19 pandemic, we had 8 members and we were able to schedule two members for each Baptism on a rotating basis. That way, each member knew when they were scheduled and could make any arrangements, including trading off when necessary. Because we only have 5 , it is on a volunteer basis.**

**You have to attend Mass any way, why not attend the 11:00 AM Mass and stay an extra 15 minutes.**

**If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact:**

**Jack Eagan at 267-449-8077 or [irishrover13@comcast.net](mailto:irishrover13@comcast.net)**





# Pro-Life



## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

February 22, 2023  
(Ash Wednesday)

Thru

April 2, 2023  
(Palm Sunday)

**You can protect mothers and children**  
by joining this worldwide mobilization!

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils  
and community outreach, 40 Days for Life  
has inspired 725,000 volunteers!

**With God's help ...** we've seen proven  
results in 19 coordinated campaigns:

- **12,668 babies** saved from abortion
- **141 abortion** workers converted
- **75 abortion** centers closed

**Here's how to take part:**

- **Vigil Site:** Outside Planned  
Parenthood, 2751 Comly Rd. (at  
Roosevelt Blvd.)
- **Vigil hours:** 7 am to 3 pm Monday  
thru Saturday
- **Local contact:** Anita Flynn,  
267-456-4582  
[aflvnn3250@yahoo.com](mailto:aflvnn3250@yahoo.com) OR your  
parish Pro-Life coordinator
- **Learn more** and get involved by  
visiting our campaign at:

**Council's Vigil Date**  
March 25, 2023  
at Comly Road

## Knights of Columbus Lenten Food Drive.



**When:** Begins on February 17th and ends on Palm Sunday

**To Help:** Donate non-perishable food item

**Where:** Assumption BVM Church  
Food will be collected before Mass on Sunday

**Goal:** 5,000 pounds of food

**Why:** All food collected will stock our Parish and local food pantry

### List of Items Most in Need

1. Soup-“hearty” like Campbell’s chunky
2. Soup- “creamy’ like mushroom or chicken
3. Breakfast or energy bars like Quaker or nature valley.
4. Canned chicken meat
5. Canned chili with or without beans
6. Pasta sauces ready made.
7. Dinner Kits taco, “Hamburger helper”
8. Cooking oil canola or vegetable
9. Canned tomatoes like dice or whole
10. Cake and cookie mixes.
11. Teas, cofffee, and juices

For more Information,  
Call Rich at 267-261-7337 OR  
email [rpg1061@GMAIL.COM](mailto:rpg1061@GMAIL.COM)

**Regina Mundi Council #4052**





## The Degree of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity



The council will keep open a date each month to do a degree ceremony for our council and any of our brother councils that may need help. It will usually be the second Thursday of the month

This month the date is Tuesday March 9th





# Catching Up



Because of many issues, including Covid, the Philadelphia Chapter had been unable to present these certificates of achievement for outstanding generosity. The Chapter is happy to be able to catch-up. The awards are being given to the Grand Knight at the time of the award.



the Award for 2022  
GK Richard Gathercole



the Award for 2021  
GK Anthony Porretta





# Pennsylvania

## 125th State Convention Committee

Greetings Worthy Brothers!

The 125<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania Knights of Columbus State Convention is approaching – May 5 – 7, 2023 in Harrisburg, PA. Forms for registration with the Registration Committee are on the state website. These are in addition to the delegate registration document sent by the State Secretary. This is registration for meals, Lady Luncheon, and hotel registration information – please visit the State Website.

**Attention State Officers, Directors, Chairman, Worthy Past State Officers and any Brother - ALL must register with the Hotel directly for your stay, even if you would normally be on a master billing.**

**The State of Pennsylvania is celebrating 125 years, and this will be a special event – with some unique events during the weekend.**

Please have your Council, Chapter, Assembly, District or Agency place an ad in the AD BOOK, to ensure a great celebration. Our goal is to have as many councils in Pennsylvania participate. Also don't forget to send your council banner with your members to the convention!

Questions should be directed to my attention at: email: [Dsimms6353@gmail.com](mailto:Dsimms6353@gmail.com) or phone: 717-719-0410.

Fraternally,

David Simms PCP, FDD, PGK, PFN  
Registration Chair  
125<sup>th</sup> Pennsylvania State Convention  
350 Wimbleton Way  
Red Lion PA 17356





## Reconsecrated to Our Lady of Guadalupe



During a recent pilgrimage of the Knights of Columbus Board of Directors to Mexico City, Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly renewed the consecration of the Order to Mary under her title of Our Lady of Guadalupe, affirming, “Our Lady inspires us and guides us in all our efforts.” With this inspiration and guidance in mind, the board of directors also elected several international leaders to key positions during its quarterly meeting.



*Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly delivers remarks after Mass at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City, before the solemn reconsecration of the Knights of Columbus to Our Lady on Feb. 3.*

### **Reconsecrated to Our Lady of Guadalupe**

Upon his formal installation as the 13th supreme knight in 2001, Carl Anderson consecrated the Knights of Columbus to Mary under her title Our Lady of Guadalupe at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City. Exactly 22 years later, on Feb. 3, Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly renewed that consecration while on pilgrimage to the same basilica with the board of directors. Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori, who celebrated Mass prior to the reconsecration, said in his homily, “Our Lady leads us with a mother’s love to the heart of our Order and its principles of charity, unity and fraternity. She reveals us to ourselves.”



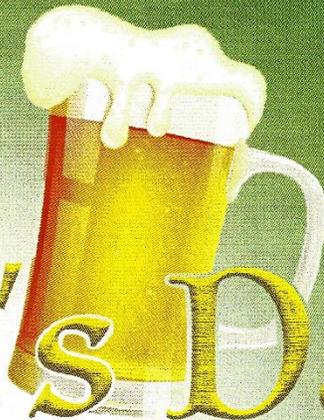
Knights of Columbus  
Regina Mundi Council #4052



Presents  
**Assumption BVM**



*Saint*  
**Patrick's Day**  
**Party**



March 11, 2023  
7:00 PM to 11:00 PM

Assumption BVM  
1900 Meadowbrook

Featuring

*~ ~ ~* DJ Tommy J *~ ~ ~*

Free Beer | Ham & Cabbage | Roast Beef | Door Prizes  
Basket of Cheer | \$1,000 Jackpot Drawing

Tickets \$40 each

Get your tickets early!!

Contact Steve Clark (267) 241-9427

Tickets also available at the rectory

# Meat On St Patrick's Day? Philly Archdiocese Says It's Ok



PHILADELPHIA — Philadelphia area Catholics have been given permission to gobble up meat in celebration of St. Patrick's Day.

Reverend Nelson J. Pérez of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia Thursday granted a dispensation to all Roman Catholics in the archdiocese from their obligation to avoid meat on the holiday.

This year, St. Paddy's Day falls on Friday, March 17.

With the announcement, area Catholics can eat all the corned beef on the holiday as their hearts desire without fear of breaking Lent.

According to the archdiocese, the dispensation is in line with the church's Code of Canon Law.

Typically, all Catholics 14 and older are obliged to avoid meat on Fridays during Lent.

However, Diocesan Bishops can grant exceptions when celebrations such as St. Patrick's Day fall on Fridays. Catholics are encouraged to give up something else as a penitential act in lieu of avoiding meat on St. Patrick's Day, according to the archdiocese.





# ASSUMPTION BVM CHURCH 5TH ANNUAL



**\$15 - FRIED FISH, FRENCH FRIES, COLE SLAW,  
AND TARTER SAUCE**

**E-MAIL NAME AND NUMBER OF MEALS  
to [ABVM\\_Fish\\_Fry@comcast.net](mailto:ABVM_Fish_Fry@comcast.net)**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR**

**MARCH 31, 2023 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM**

**ASSUMPTION BVM CHURCH HALL  
1800 MEADOWBROOK ROAD  
FEASTERVILLE-TREVOSE, PA 19053**

Sponsored by



Regina Mundi Council # 4052

# COAL Sweepstakes 16 Great Prizes

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize <b>\$15,000</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize <b>\$10,000</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize <b>\$7,500</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> Prize <b>\$5,000</b>
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Benefits State Council Scholarships  
 Drawing – PA State Council Convention, Harrisburg Hilton  
 May 5, 2023 – 9:00 PM  
TICKET HOLDERS NEED NOT BE PRESENT  
 Game of Chance License # 1904

Donation - Five Dollars

For Tickets see Bill Scarpa at [sue11111us@yahoo.com](mailto:sue11111us@yahoo.com)



# SAINT JOHN NEUMANN ASSEMBLY #933

## Assembly Officers

2022-2023

Faithful Navigator	Fredrick G. May, PGK
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Faithful Captain	Edward Kligge , PGK
Faithful Admiral	Michael Ciampoli, PFN
Faithful Purser	Wiley Redding
Faithful Comptroller	Albert Scheck, PFN
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Faithful 2-yr Trustee	Mike Selinsky, PGK
Faithful 1-yr Trustee	John Carroll, PFN

### UPCOMIING MEETINGS

Officer's meetings are normally the first Wednesday of the month and the Conclave is on the third Wednesday of the month unless otherwise specified. The location of these meetings varies based upon the host council. **The March Conclave will be at the Holmesburg Council Hall**

Pope Pius XII Council  
Thomas Aquinas Parish  
601 Bristol Pike  
Croydon, PA 19021-1808

Holmesburg Council  
3300 Knorr Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19149

Mary Queen of Angels  
11301 Academy Road  
Philadelphia, PA 19154

St. John the Evangelist  
752 Big Oak Road.  
Morrisville PA

Regina Coeli Council  
9617 James Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19114

St Charles Borromeo Council  
1193 Gravel Pike  
Bensalem, PA 19020

Regina Mundi Council  
1900 Meadowbrook Rd.  
Feasterville, PA 19053

Our Lady of Calvary  
11024 Knights Rd.  
Philadelphia, PA 19154

St. John Neumann Shrine  
1019 N 5th Street .  
Philadelphia, PA 19123



# COLOR CORPS/HONOR GUARD

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Archdiocesan Co-Ordinator  
[NickPGk61@yahoo.com](mailto:NickPGk61@yahoo.com)

Robert Thompson  
Assembly Color Corps Commander  
[rthombowl52@gmail.com](mailto:rthombowl52@gmail.com)

Please let Nick or Robert know if you can help.

The Convention Committee has requested that all Assemblies request their Color Corps members to bring their Regalia for the Convention Masses.



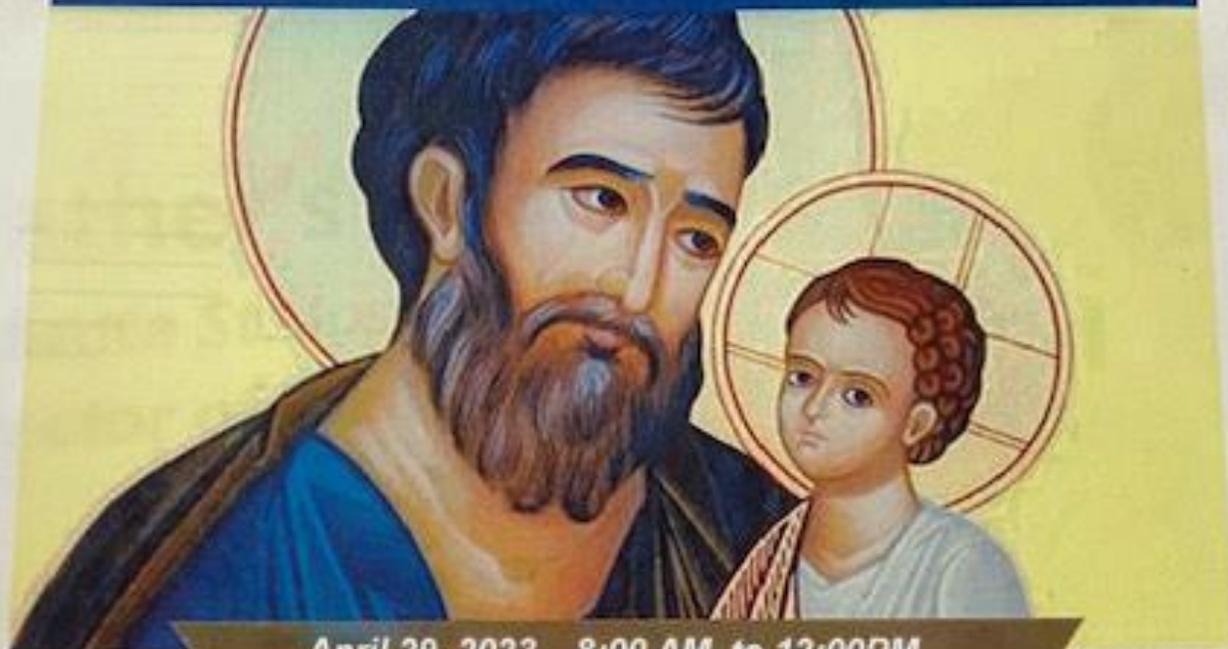
SK. Joseph P. Merrick of St. Joseph the Worker Council #4215 passed away on February 14<sup>th</sup>. He was 95 yrs old. The viewing and Mass were held on February 23<sup>rd</sup> at St. Francis Cabrini Church in Fairless Hills. A Chalice Guard was not requested. Color Corps Commander Bob Thompson presented a bible and did a prayer service for the family.



# Save the Date !

Coming to Philadelphia

Our Lady of Calvary, 11024 Knights Road, Philadelphia



April 29, 2023 8:00 AM to 12:00PM

## FOR ALL CATHOLIC MEN

The topic is *A Father's Heart: Celebrate St. Joseph, Protector of the Holy Family*. Cross Catholic Outreach is a Catholic ministry that partners with bishops, priests, religious and lay workers to provide food, water, housing, orphan support, medical care, and disaster relief — and the love of our Lord Jesus Christ — to the poorest of the poor in over 30 countries around the world.



Join us for a free Spiritual Retreat directed by Rev. Dave Caron, O.P. and Missionary of Mercy



# The Fourth Degree

## Patriotic Exemplification



There will be a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree exemplification on June 24, 2023.  
It will be held at Flaherty Council in Glenside, PA

### Eligibility

- \* Be over 18 years of age
- \* Be a Citizen of the United States
- \* Be a Third Degree (Knighthood) member in Good Standing
- \* Be a Practical Catholic in Communion with the Holy See

### Dress Code

- \* Dark Suit (Black, Dark Blue, Gray)
- \* White Shirt (no button down, no French cuffs, flat collar)
- \* Black belt
- \* Black shoes
- \* Tie

### More Information to Follow

If interested, please contact your Financial Secretary

**All applications must be in by May 15, 2023**



# Philadelphia Chapter - Knights of Columbus

## Chapter Officers

### 2022-2023

President	Atiba McCoy
Vice-President	Fred May
Immediate Past President	Dan McPeake
Secretary, PP	Dan Donovan
Treasurer	Jack Stanczak
Warden	Dan McPeake, IPP
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	Hassell Mitchell
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	John Brown
	Wiley Redding
	Thomas Johnson, FSW
	Oleg Berezofski
	Tom Hasty



## Chapter Meeting Dates

### 2022

December No Meeting

### 2023

January 25<sup>th</sup>

February 22<sup>th</sup>

March 22<sup>th</sup>

April 26<sup>st</sup>

May 24<sup>th</sup>

June 28<sup>th</sup>

All meetings are at 7:00 PM on fourth Friday of month at Father Sullivan Hall, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 819 Cathedral Road, Philadelphia, PA 19128 unless notified otherwise.

The Philadelphia Chapter is comprised of the following Councils:

Santa Maria #263

San Salvador #283

Desoto #315

Commodore Barry #578

Pinzon #904

La Rabida #1191

Holmesburg #1284

St. Leo 's #1294

St. Helena 's #15687

Charles Carroll #1364

Madonna #3932

Immaculata #393 3

St. Katherine Drexel #3938

Regina Mundi #4052

Core Mariae #4100

St. Jude #4273

St. Charles Borromeo #4279

Our Lady of Lourdes #4546

Regina Coeli #4921

Rev. John McHugh #4935

Fr. Thomas Ryan #5036

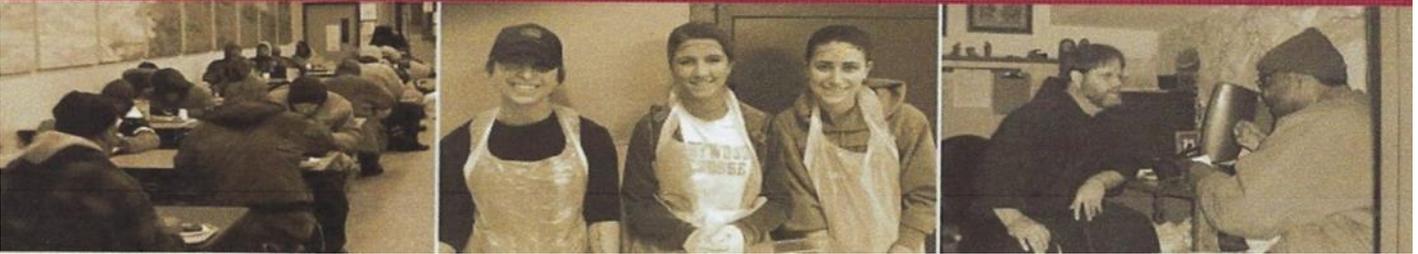
San Rafael #7125

St. Benedict de Moor #8252

Mary Queen of Angels #12384

Pokrova #12561





## On April 2nd, the Knights will be returning to St. John's Hospice to serve our Annual Easter Dinner.

Report time is 10:00 AM. We will be serving from 11:00 AM to approximately 2:00 PM

The hospice is located at 1221 Race Street in Philadelphia. However, because parking is extremely limited in the area, some of us meet in the lower parking lot of Maternity BVM church located at 9220 Old Bustleton Avenue in Philadelphia. We meet between 9:00 AM and 9:30 AM and then carpool down to the hospice.

I know that it is Palm Sunday but, you will be home by mid-afternoon and this is a rewarding experience and our work is very appreciated.

Please try to come out and help.



# Prayers Unite the World

[prayersunitetheworld.org](http://prayersunitetheworld.org)

EVERY time our Church has had a need, our Brother Knights have responded. Right now, our Faith is under attack like it has never been and the Church needs its most faithful members to stand up and share its message of God's love with the world.

The Knights are partnering with “Prayers Unite the World” to do just that. Begun by a Brother Knight, “Prayers Unite the World” is a website where people can request prayers and then learn about many of the Religious communities and Catholic organizations from around the world.

We need to build an army of men who would be willing to share the Faith through the power of prayer. You do not need to explain the Faith. You simply live the Faith and let people know that God and his loving Church are with them. All through the power of prayer.

It only takes five minutes of time and it doesn't cost a dime.



## **PRAYER FOR THE CANONIZATION OF THE VENERABLE SERVANT OF GOD**

### **MICHAEL Mc GIVNEY**

Founder of the Knights of Columbus

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 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 to:

McGivney Guild  
1 Columbus Plaza  
New Haven, CT 06510-3326  
[www.fathermcgivney.org](http://www.fathermcgivney.org)





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# PANCAKE BREAKFAST

## HOLY FAMILY HALL

### Sunday March 5th

\$ 7 Adults

\$ 6 Seniors

\$ 5 Child ( AGES 6-12 )



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Vivat Jesus!

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