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Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights and
Sister Columbiettes



Spring is here, the trees and plants are beginning to bloom, the baseball season is here, and with it warmer days for many outdoor activities. With high inflation and high energy prices, we escaped winter with very mild temperatures and very little snow.

Thanks be to God!

The month of March was a busy one for our Council with many accomplishments. As Knights we were asked to help with the Parish Irish Night which took place in the school Auditorium on March 11th. A good number of us volunteered and a few of us also helped with the set up on Friday afternoon. Thanks to all who stepped up and volunteered to help our Parish have a successful evening for the sold out event.

The next day our Council marched in the Farmingdale Village St. Patrick's parade down Main Street behind the Grand Marshall, our very own Chaplain and Pastor, Monsignor Rowan, and a small but honorable 4th Degree Honor Guard. Parishioners of St. Kilian's also marched directly behind us. It was great to see our Parish lead the parade. The weather was great as was the turnout of residents and guests.

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Chaplain's Message

This month's column is by
Fr. George Oppong-Afriyie



The resurrection of Christ offers all Christians hope. The joy of Easter is that Christ promised that he was going to suffer, die and on the third day rise from the grave. Indeed, all these came to pass. At the time of Jesus and even before his time, there had been many people who claimed to be super powerful and promised their followers so many things including rising up from their dead graves. Centuries passed and no news was ever heard from them again.

Among the Ashantis in Ghana, there came into the scene a man called "Okomfo Anokye". He was seen to be a man of extraordinary powers. Anokye was the first traditional priest of the Ashanti Empire and Anokye was born in Ghana around 1655 and lived for 62 years.

History has it that when Okomfo Anokye was born he was already holding in his right hand a short white tail of a cow and he had to firmly clench the fist of the other hand that no one could open it. Anokye was

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Columbiette Chatter

Dear Sister Columbiettes

Hope all are doing well. Easter will soon be upon us. Many of us will be celebrating the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ with family and friends. Wishing everyone a Blessed Easter.



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Editors Corner

The Mariner will be printed once a month with one issue for the months of July and August, for a total of eleven (11) issues by and for the Farmingdale Council #2204, Knights of Columbus.

Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month in the Council Hall located at the intersection of Morton Street and Garity Place. The mailing address is 1 Morton Street, Farmingdale, NY 11735-4340. The deadline for material for publication in the Mariner is the Friday that follows the 3rd Wednesday of the prior month. PLEASE keep this deadline in mind for articles you wish to have publish in the Mariner.



**Father McGivney
Pray for Us**



Good of the Order

Brothers those in need will always be with us. If you can remember to bring some kind of dry or can goods, such as tuna, vegetables, pasta cereal etc., to each meeting, the Council will arrange to get this food to the Parish Pantry.

We must always have new members flowing into our ranks and it is your privilege and your duty as a Knight of Columbus to recruit and retain the strength your needs to carry on the great works so well begun. You know as well as I do that there are many fine unselfish Catholic gentleman who would be Knights if we would but give them a word of suggestion and lead them towards our banner. I appeal to each and everyone of you to select one man that you deem worthy and lead him to us. Brother's please communicate to the Council that a Brother or family member is ill.

Please keep the following Knights, Columbiettes, Family members and Friends in your prayers. Please also keep in your prayers all others who have requested our prayers, but due to miscommunications or timing, are not listed. God knows who they are and a simple thought to include them is sufficient.

Sick & Distressed

PAT LUNDY

JIM SPRAGUE

ROSE DOWD

DAN SIEFERT

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ANNE CAPORUSO

JEANNE PAWLOWSKI

KAREN NOLAN

EILEEN WORTHYTON

Please inform the Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Financial Secretary of Any Brother that is Sick or has Passed Away.

Happy Birthday Brothers

April

K Antoine	Edward J Lomot
John Blasco	Fred H May
John J Brown	Morgan V O'Connell
Patrick J Burns	George K Oppong Afriyeh
Robert Forzano	James A Porter
John F Garry	Ryan P Schultz
Michael Gray	Andres Velez
John J Henderson	Richard C Wagner
Stephen H Herman	



A PRAYER FOR OUR PRIESTS

We thank you, God our Father, for those who have responded to your call to priestly ministry. Accept this prayer we offer on their behalf: Fill them with the sure knowledge of your love. Open their hearts to the power and consolation of the Holy Spirit. Lead them to greater union with your Son. Increase their faith in the Sacraments they celebrate as they nourish, strengthen and heal us.

Lord Jesus Christ, through the intercession of St. Jean Vianney, grant that your priests will be inspired to strive for holiness by the power of his example. As men of prayer, may they ponder your word, follow your will and faithfully lead the flocks you have entrusted to their care.

St. Jean Vianney, obtain for the Church an abundance of vocations to the holy priesthood. Through your intercession, may many faithful men hear Christ's call, and respond with courage and generosity.

Mary our Mother, guard with your maternal care these chosen ones. Intercede for our priests, so that by offering the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, they may be conformed more each day to the image of your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

St. Jean Vianney, patron of parish priests, pray for us!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
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List of Upcoming Important Dates

APRIL-2023

- 1—Knight at the Races, 1 Morton St, 7:00pm
- 1 & 2—Plant Sale at St Kilian Church
- 2—PALM SUNDAY
- 4—Social Meeting Tuesday, 7:30PM
- 6—HOLY THURSDAY
- 7—GOOD FRIDAY
- 8—HOLY SATURDAY
- 9—EASTER SUNDAY
- 11—Officer's Meeting, Council #2204, 7:30pm
- 18—Biz Meeting, Council #2204, 7:30pm

MAY-2023

- 2—Social Meeting Tuesday, 7:30PM
- 9—Officer's Meeting, Council #2204, 7:30pm
- 14—MOTHER'S DAY
- 16—Biz Meeting, Council #2204, 7:30pm

**You will be notified of any changes as soon as possible.
All Officers meetings will be held at the Council Hall**

PRAYER FOR THE CANONIZATION OF THE VENERABLE SERVANT OF GOD MICHAEL McGIVNEY

Founder of the Knights of Columbus

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed 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.

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– on the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker



May 2, 2023 @ _____
St. Agnes Cathedral, Rockville Centre
– including Day Trips with High Schools and Elementary Schools



May 3, 2023 @ _____
The Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington
– Visitation with Vespers & Holy Hour



May 4, 2023 @ _____
St. Anthony of Padua Church, East Northport
*– Visitation and Adoration after morning Masses culminating with
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ST.KILIAN COUNCIL #2204**HERE ARE THE PROPOSED SLATE OF COUNCIL OFFICERS FOR
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THE BUSINESS MEETINGS IN MAY AND JUNE.****SUBMITTED BY NOMINATIONS CHAIRMAN,****GREG WARNOKOWSKI PGK FDD FCOB PCC PFN FM**

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We have been planning our Spring BINGO fundraiser. The date for the BINGO will be Friday

May 19th 2023 at 7pm at the Council hall. The cost will be \$10.00 per person and will include one BINGO card, water, snack, coffee/tea and cake. We hope you and your friends will come join us for a fun evening. We will need some volunteers to help with set up, clean up and bake goods. Anything you could do would be greatly appreciated.

If you have not paid your dues (\$ 20.00) yet, checks can be mailed to Victoria Randacciu 48 Spruce Street Farmingdale, NY 11735. Checks should be made payable to Farmingdale Columbiettes #2204.

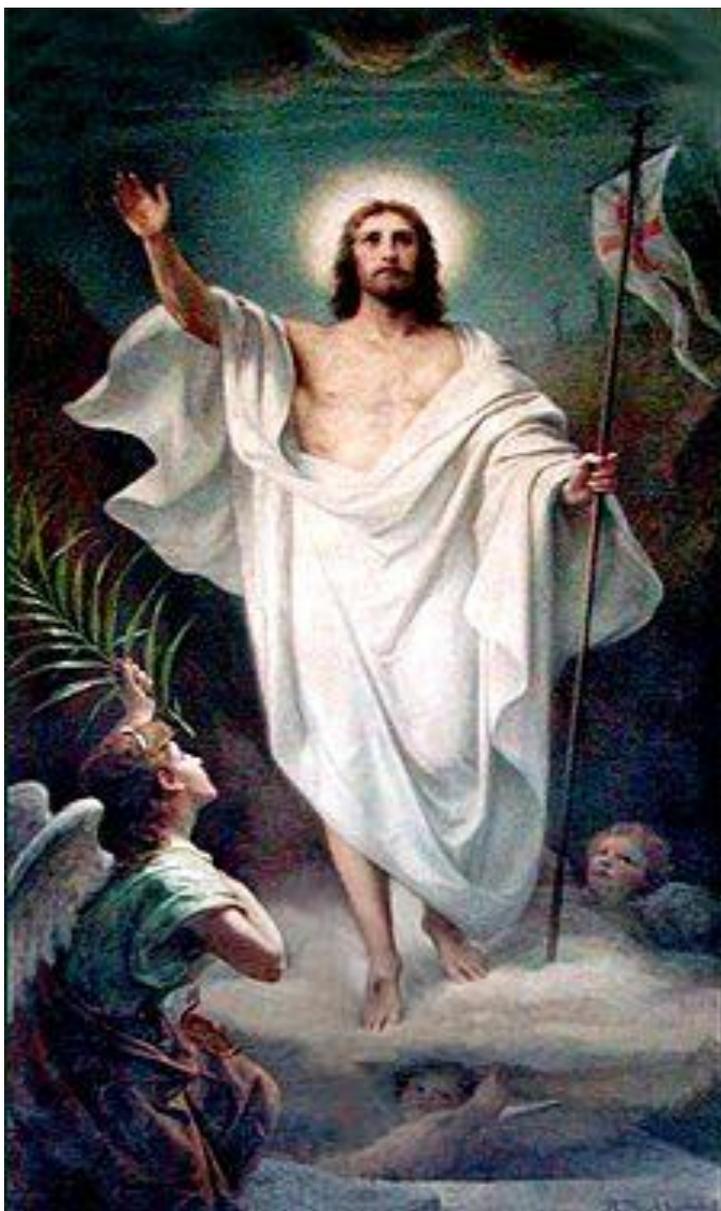
Please bring me your ideas on what we can do to help increase our membership and ideas you may have for other future fundraisers.

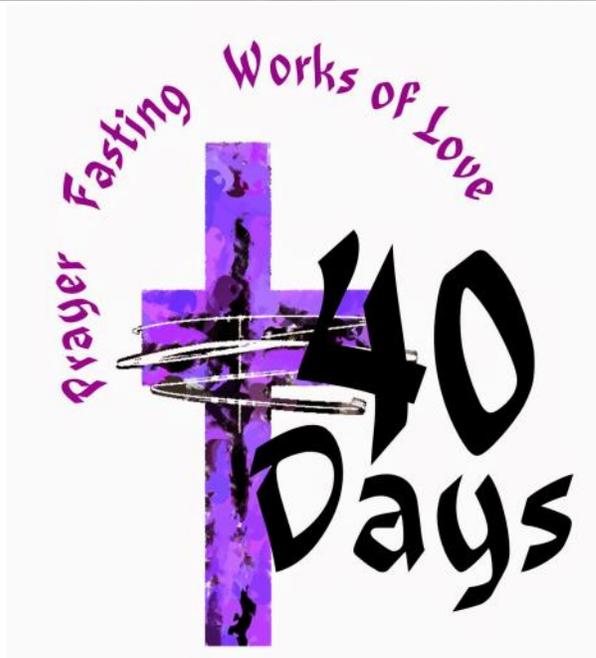
I will be stepping down the end of June 2023 as President -Who would like to take my place and be President??? I will help you any way I can and you will have a great group of amazing women to work side by side with you. Please give this some thought.

Our Next meeting will be Monday April 3rd 2023 at 7:00pm -Looking forward to seeing everyone.

Please keep our sick and distressed Sister Columbiettes and Brother Knights in our prayers

Louise LaGatta
Columbiette President





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known to have performed many wonders such as, planting palm trees and harvesting the palm nuts on the same day, leading the Ashanti Kingdom to war and conquering many other tribes who ever fought the people of Ashanti.

One day, Anokye told the people that he was going to secure the key that will bring to an end, death. The people believed Anokye based on his usual performance of super powers. However, for many centuries now, Anokye has not returned from his journey to secure the key that will end death. Interestingly, the history of Anokye raises so much interest among the people in Ghana partly because of who he was. Just like Anokye, there have been many personalities who promised to defeat death but died without coming back to life.

The resurrection of Christ brings us hope and joy. He is alive and up from the grave he arose and death no longer has power over him. If Jesus promised us that he will rise again and indeed it came to pass then it stands to reason that we who are his followers will surely be united with him at our time of death and will rise into new life with him.

Unlike Anokye of Ghana, Jesus comes to us not to frighten us, but as a friend, brother and a companion who does not only seek for public acclamations and attention but identifies himself with humanity and leads us not just to war but helps us fight our inner wars which we constantly battle against.

May the resurrection power bring us a firm hope in Christ and may we see Christ rising with us into a new path of spiritual possession and freedom.

Happy Easter!

Fr George
Chaplain

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On Saturday, March 18th our Council held a Food Drive at Stop and Shop for the Parish Outreach. We collected a very nice amount of food, toiletries, and paper goods along with monetary donations from the many generous donors.

Our Parish Ministry showcase was held on March 25th and 26th after all Masses in the gathering space. The Parish provided a table for us and along with our Banner, there was a nice display of pamphlets and information for membership and what we do as Knights. Additionally there were prayer cards available and tickets were available for our upcoming Knights at the Races fundraiser on April 1st. Chance books for the Knights of Columbus Suffolk Chapter were also available. Many thanks to Monsignor Rowan and the Rectory staff for their help and for promoting the event.

The month of April begins with our Knights at the Races fundraiser at our Council on April 1st at 7p.m. It looks to be a fun night of races, raffles, a 50/50, hot dogs and snacks and refreshments. We are also having a Plant sale on Saturday and Sunday, April 1st and 2nd after all Masses.

The month of April also begins with Palm Sunday and the start of Holy Week leading to the Last Supper on Holy Thursday and the solemnity and devotion of the Passion of Jesus Christ on Good Friday and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday. And as we all know, it culminates on Easter Sunday, the most important day of our faith when Jesus resurrected on the third day and triumphed good over evil, sin and death.

Thanks be to God!

I wish all a very blessed Holy Week and a happy and Blessed Easter. Please remember to pray for the unborn, the end of violence to our Catholic Churches and attacks to Christianity and all faith based groups – our religious freedom, pray for America, for our military and first responders, for an end to the war in Ukraine and peace in our world. Vivat Jesus!

Stay well and stay safe,
Tom Schwarz
Grand Knight

Suffolk Chapter Report

My Brothers and Sisters,

The Chapter is the fraternal arm of the "Knights of Columbus", working for you and your families. The Chapter has many programs such as the FAC (Fraternal Assistance) which is available to all brother Knights and sister Columbiettes who find themselves in financial difficulty. This is kept strictly confidential, so any one in need should not be afraid to reach out for help. There are scholarship programs for your children and grandchildren, if they plan to attend a Catholic High School. We offer track and free throw competitions for children up to fourteen years of age, where they can win scholarship money for their education. There are fraternal activities for all members and their families. Why not take advantage of what we have to offer by coming to our monthly meetings, on the second Friday of the month, and represent your Council.

The Chapter also collects eyeglasses, can tabs and every Christmas we collect teddy bears for needy children. **THE CHAPTER WORKS FOR YOU, WHY NOT SUPPORT IT!!!** REMEMBER, "CHARITY IS OUR MOST IMPORTANT PRODUCT".

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