



Secaucus Knightly News

Promoting Faith, Family, Community Life and Patriotism

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Dedicated to foster Vocations of Clergy & Religious Men and Women!

GK's Message:

Happy New Year!

*Can we do some more in
the 2nd half of our year?*

R.S.V.P. program: Our brother member, Robert Burkot continues to his path to the priesthood with your help. Also, our two military chaplain candidates, Andrew Whipple and Charles Wilton have been given their scholarships. Please read Charles's story which is in this mailing.

The next blood drive is on Jan. 18th. Please consider giving the gift of life.

Don't forget to add our "Dates To Remember!" to your phone.

Please try to attend our meetings. The business portion takes about an hour. Come at 7:30 for some social time with your brother members. Meeting starts about 8:00 pm.

The Council has published in 16 point type to help our brothers who have visual problems. If you can read a smaller font, we can give you more news! Please let me know if this is a problem for you!

Vivat Jesus!

Charlie Schumacher,
Grand Knight

K of C Insurance Offerings:

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RETIREMENT ANNUITIES

LONG TERM CARE

DISABILITY INSURANCE

Our Field Agent is:

John McAvinue - 973-563-0120

DATES TO REMEMBER!

Membership Mtg. - Jan. 5, 8 pm

J. Carraro Mem. Mass Jan 16, 6pm

Officers Meeting - Jan. 17, 7 pm

BLOOD DRIVE - Jan. 18, 1-7 pm

Membership Mtg. - Jan. 19, 8 pm

This is your newsletter, please use it to highlight your program or project!

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Please send photos

and articles to:

newsletter@kofc12769.org



Happy New Year !

As we embark on another new year, let's pray that this one will become a lot better than the last two! This Sunday, while attending mass, Fr. Vic hit upon the 7 corporal acts of mercy. We as knights should be practicing these through out the year. We account for these acts when we fill out the yearly form of what we as individuals have done for others either through our order or individually.

A reminder of the Seven Corporal Acts of Mercy are as follows:

Feed the hungry,

Give drink to the thirsty,

Cloth the naked,

Shelter the homeless,

Visit the imprisoned,

Visit the sick and

Bury the dead.

If you think of it, we unknowingly at times already preform these acts, but see them as a normal part of our Christian upbringing. We do these things without thinking of them as an act of kindness, but as a part of our daily living.

Our brotherhood is at 270 strong, but yet it is basically the same 25 or so that come out to meetings, affairs or even volunteer for events. We demonstrate strength with the 25 or so that are very active. Can you imagine if at least half of our

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members came out to assist with activities! What a powerhouse we would actually be for the Council, the church as well as the community. I must say when the chips are down the reply is immense.

This may be a new year but we still have six more months left in our Columbian year. Let's go out strong, let's go out with a bang and show the pride that we have for our Council as well as our church and community.

May God bless each and everyone of you, your families and loved ones. On behalf of my wife and I we wish everyone a Happy Healthy and Blessed New Year!

Vivat Jesus,

Sal Manente Sr. DD #4

The target publishing date is the first day of each month.

A message to our Sir Knights from First District Master Paul Pinkman:

Dear Brother Sir Knights,

Happy, Healthy and Holy New Year to all our Brother Knights and their families. I hope everyone had a safe and at Supreme. Remember the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity Form 1728 is due on January 31, 2022. Please get your forms in as this is one item that has to be done for Star Assembly. Another program which your Assembly and Council should look into is "Wreaths Across America". I had the pleasure to help one of my Assemblies put over 7,000 wreaths on all the graves at West Point Army Cemetery. Never been there? Going as a Past Military Man, it was just a great feeling to start my Advent Season off with this and Holy Christmas with their family and enjoys the Celebration of the Birth of Our Savior. MORE----->

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Another year has passed by and we are still trying to control this Covid-19 Virus – When will this stop? Hope and pray that it ends soon. As we look to the future, there are many items that are coming up in our District, State ceremony. The history that is there is incredible. General Custer is buried there and so many other Generals that we read about in our history books.

Congratulations to all the New Sir Knights who have joined our Patriotic Degree in the First and Second New Jersey Districts. Our degree teams did a great job, as they always do.

This coming March, our District will be holding the Biennial District (4th Degree) Convention. As time has flown past us so fast, make sure that your Assembly gets the paperwork in to be able to attend the convention. Ensure that your

credentials have your Assembly seal on it and also that your resolutions are received. The 1st NJ District Biennial Convention will be on March 12, 2022 at the New La Neve's. Congratulations to all the Color Corpsman that were honored in the First New Jersey District. They all deserve the honor of being named the 2021 Color Corpsman of the Year, but there could only be one.

That honor went to SK George Thompson Jr. A new award, the "Former Masters Award", was presented to SK Jerry Medina. All are very deserving of these awards. On behalf of the Vice Supreme Master, SK Walter Wych, and my fellow Master – SK John Brandon, we want to wish you a Safe and Banner New Year!

Paul Pinkman, Master,
First New Jersey District

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Leaving No Neighbor Behind:

Sister Gloria, in the picture below, is one of two Franciscan Sisters of the Sacred Heart who run the Franciscan Community Development Center at St. John the Baptist Church in Fairview and St. John Nepomucene in Guttenberg. The facility continued to operate during the epidemic and they saw more than six hundred families a month come to their door for a bag or two of food. They are so appreciative to receive the many bags of gifts from the ICC Giving Tree. Many families are still struggling with employment and housing issues in the area but at least the children will have a toy, game or new article of clothing to open on Christmas day. They also thank the Knights of Columbus Council 12769 members who have assisted the facility since this pandemic started by bringing up

food from the local bakeries, restaurants and clothing and non perishable food items from the Town of Secaucus three times a week.



Feeding those in need at Christmas:

Knights of Columbus member Peter Furka coordinated with ShopRite / Inserra thru Immaculate Conception Church to receive eighty twenty pound turkeys to be delivered to those in need this Christmas. With the help from brother knight Joseph Saccente, they continued the Supreme Council program of Leaving No Neighbor Behind. These turkeys went to the Secaucus Emergency Relief Fund, St Michael's Pantry in Union City, Christ the King

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Food Pantry and Independence Living in Jersey City. Peter at Thanksgiving picked up sixty fifteen to twenty pound turkey breasts with nine hundred dollars in ShopRite / Inserra gift cards and distributed those items to Immaculate Conception Church, The Sisters of Life, The Franciscan Community Development Center and St Michael's Pantry.



Turkeys here, turkeys there!
TURKEYS EVERYWHERE!!!



Brother John Carraro, an active member of 12769, passed away Dec 2nd. Memorial Mass is on Sunday, Jan. 16 at 6 pm.. Father Girone, pastor of St Rocco/ St. Bridget parish in



Union City, asks all to continue to pray for John and his family. To remember John, say a mass for him at St Rocco or at your parish or if you would like make a donation to the St Rocco pantry- send donations to 4206 Kennedy Blvd, Union City NJ 07087 in the memo put in memory of John C. John would have greatly appreciated that for he was one of many men of the council who always was there to pick up food, clothing or toys from many of the local restaurants or from the Town of Secaucus to help the less fortunate especially up in the Fairview area thru the FCDC at St. John the Baptist Church.

All the news that fits we print!

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The Sisters of Life wanted to convey to Father Rolando, Dana and the parishioners of Immaculate Conception Church along with the Knights of Columbus a big thank you for remembering them again this year as they try to assist the many people who come to their convents this Christmas season in need. Also, thanks to PGK Richard Steffens for bringing the Santa truck to NYC and thru two check points.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Are you interested in any of these?
without your help, they will not happen.

Comedy Knight for Autism

SMA Fundraiser

Baby Bottle Boomerang

And this from our brothers in Brazil!



Knights of Columbus - Council 12769
Immaculate Conception Church

Tuesday, January 18th

1pm to 7pm / Cafeteria

780 Post Place, Secaucus

(Entrance from Centre Ave – church parking lot and come down the stairs)

Make an appointment at:

www.nybc.org/newjerseydrive

Use Group Code: 70877 or text: (917) 699-9073.

Walk-ins welcome if drive capacity permits.

Please bring your nybc donor card or photo ID. eat before donating blood.

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