



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

MONTHLY BULLETIN



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8th Annual Council Christmas Party

~ SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2019 ~

Sacred Heart St. Mary's Church, New York Mills, NY

Party: 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

This year, in place of our regular monthly meeting, we ask all members to attend the annual **Council Christmas Party**. We invite all members, families, friends and St. Mary's parishioners to join us after Mass in the cafeteria for a super Christmas Party. We encourage members **to begin by attending the 11:00 Sunday Mass at St. Mary's**. Then head over to the Council cafeteria. Take a moment just before Christmas to enjoy a visit with friends. We will serve coffee, donuts, bagels, snacks, beverages, and don't be surprised if **Santa Claus** shows up with his helpers!!! Everyone, adult and children, will have an opportunity to have your **photo taken with Santa compliments of the Council**. Face painting, **Bounce House**, amusement games with prizes and plenty of fun for all. Set your calendars now for the big event. Note: this party is for all members, children and friends.... no charge for anyone... just come and have a good time. [Also, note: **there will not be a regular Council meeting** on the third Tuesday of this month.] Reservations for the party are NOT necessary! ***Come one, Come all!***



Evelyn's House:

If you have a gift for an infant baby at **Evelyn's House**, you may bring it to the Children's Christmas Party. The gifts, along with a beautiful Christmas basket, will be presented by PGK Richard Dziekowicz and his wife Ellen.



Evelyn's House

UPSTATE CEREBRAL PALSY ANNUAL PARTY

For the 7th consecutive year, Utica Council will provide venue for UCP's annual Formal Christmas Dance. On Friday, December 13, our special guests will arrive in limousines and formal attire. It is a great affair and the Council is happy to be part of it.

SENIOR KNIGHTS

The December meeting for the Senior Knights will be held on Wednesday, December 18 at 12 noon at the American Legion Post.

BROTHER WHO ARE ILL

Dr. Donald Rosinski [1952], **Michael J. Fitzgerald** [1973], **Donald C. Ceri** [2001], **Joseph A. Gacek** [1940], **Mark Montano** [1991], **George J. Amendolare** [1986]

IN YOUR CHARITY

Dale T. Quigley [1984]

FITNESS ROOM

The Fitness room is available for members. Send an email to kofc189@roadrunner.com with your contact info and Len will respond and schedule times.

4th DEGREE

There will not be a regular 4th degree meeting in December. Bob Gondek, PFN, continues as chairman of the 4th Degree **food donation program** to assist the **Veterans Outreach Program in Utica**. Members can donate canned goods at the council throughout this Columbian Year. There will be a receptacle inside the front door of the Council to deposit your donations. Please consider making a food donation during our Holiday Season for this Veteran's cause. Recent donations by the Assembly included 30 turkeys, 2 boxes of canned goods and 3 bags of clothing

ACTIVITY ROOM

The Council activity room which includes ping pong, shuffle board, pool table, card table and more. This will be a great place to have fun with your children, or other members. Check it out on your next trip to the Council..

NURSING HOME VISITS

*In continuing a Christmas tradition, we will visit those members who are in a nursing facility. Chairmen Charles Lange, PGK, Mark Murphy, PGK, Charles McNeil, PGK, Ronald Sperry, PGK, Thomas Luley, PGK and John Pryor, PGK will present each member with a Christmas gift from Utica Council. **We are asking families to call the Council office [315-735-6171] and identify members and their nursing facility. Also, we will visit any member who may be in the hospital over the holidays. You just have to let us know who and where they are.***



Grand Knight's Christmas Message

On behalf of all our officers, directors and Past Grand Knights, I wish all members and their families a happy, holy and safe Christmas season. As I continue the start of my new position of Grand Knight, I am very thankful for the support of our dedicated offers and chairmen. Please take time from your very busy holiday shopping and preparation and be with us for our Christmas Mass and reception. And, I hope all members, friends, children, and grandchildren can join us for our Council Christmas Party on December 15.



Sincerely and fraternally,

Joseph H. Rzepka, Jr., Grand Knight

Knights in the News

Anthony J. Picente [1997] on being re-elected County Executive of Oneida County.

Joseph J. Timpano [1996] on being re-elected Comptroller of Oneida County. Brother Timpano is the brother of **Gabriel Timpano [1987]** and **Michael Timpano [1991]**.

William M. Virkler, Sr. [HL-1968] on being re-elected Town Justice of the Town of New Hartford. He is the father of **William M. Virkler II [1996]**, brother of **Donald J. Virkler [HL-1962]** & **Robert B. Virkler [H-1969]** and uncle to **Sean B. Virkler [2006]**.

Congratulations to Daniel P. Cornmire and the 2001 Notre Dame Class C State Champion baseball team on their induction into the 2019 Notre Dame Hall of Fame celebrated at the 2019 Marian Club dinner. Dan is the son of **Daniel M. Cornmire [2000]** grandson of deceased member Walter Way (1977). Dan's grandparents Betty and **Walter Way** were 1996 recipients of the Marian Award.

ADULT BASKETBALL LEAGUE

A men's 4 on 4 basketball league began play on Thursday, December 5. There will be six teams with games time of 6:00, 7:15 and 8:30 PM. This league is for members and their guests [yes...non-members can play if sponsored by a member]. In addition to the \$25 league fee for tee-shirts, trophies & end of year party, the fee for non-members is \$100. There is no additional fee for K of C members. If you are interested in playing, please contact the K of C by e-mail [kofc189@roadrunner.com] or call Jace Volo 315-534-6484 or Bill Virkler, Jr. 315-725-3865.

IN MEMORIUM

Lester Libich died five years ago, at home, after attending the Council meeting of Italian Night, Oct. 2014. Les worked for the Council for 38 years and he was a fixture at all Council functions. At the recent November meeting [Turkey Scramble] a generous donation of \$2000 was made in memory of Les by his sister, Marlene Libich and his brother Libich. The donation was accepted by Grand Knight Joe Rzepka.[see photo] We are grateful for the donation and we all know Les would be very proud.



VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Mother Marianne's Westside Boutique is seeking members who might volunteer to assist the work done by the Boutique in giving assistance to 140 families providing clothing, toiletries, housewares, etc. to low income and homeless. The Boutique operates Mondays and Wednesdays 10:30 – 1:00 PM. To volunteer or for more information, please call Nancy Robert 518.521.0309.

Pickle Ball Anyone?

This new sport of pickle ball is growing in popularity in the area. If anyone would be interested in playing pickle in our gym, please send an e-mail or call Len Montana in the office at 315-735-6171. At this time, we are scheduled for Wednesdays 1-3 PM—co-ed—members and guests. There will be a charge of \$3 each day for all participants.



TURKEY SCRAMBLE 2019



Memorial Mass 2019

The photos below are of our Annual Memorial Mass November 24. Thank you to the 4th Degree Color Corps, who always make events like this very special. Special thanks to Father Art. We had a large turnout of families and friends to pray for those members who died in the past year. The reception following Mass very well attended in the school cafeteria. We are pleased to have received so many nice comments on how well everything went from the Church to the reception. Thanks, again, to all who contributed to the success of the event.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Youth Program 9:00-11:00
8	9	10	11	12	13 7 th Annual Upstate Cerebral Palsy Formal Christmas Dance	14 Youth Program 9:00-11:00
15 COUNCIL CHRISTMAS PARTY	16	17	18	19	20	21 Youth Program 9:00-11:00
22	23	24	25 Christmas Day	26	27	28 Youth Program 9:00-11:00
29	30	31	COMING EVENTS!			
			POLISH NIGHT January 21, 2020		1ST DEGREE January 22, 2020	
			GERMAN NIGHT February 18		IRISH NIGHT March 17	