



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



MONTHLY BULLETIN

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9th Annual Council Christmas Party

~ SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2020 ~

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

Party: 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

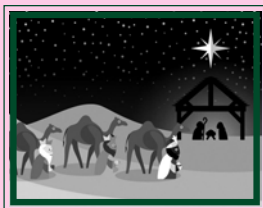
• DRIVE-THRU SANTA •



In this very unusual year, we are determined to keep our Christmas tradition of celebrating with our children. While we cannot have our usual party, we are going to give Christmas stockings to our children and grandchildren. Beginning at 12:30 on December 13, just **drive-thru** at the Council and SANTA will give you Christmas stockings. We do need one thing from Parents - **PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS BY FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11 AT 5:00 PM.** Call or email the Council and **let us know how many stockings you will need.** Then Santa's Elves will work hard to have the right amount of stockings. Of course, no charge for anything—just say **Merry Christmas** to Santa Claus.

Grand Knight's Christmas Message

As we enter into this Christmas season, let us not be frightened by the news media who try to focus our attention on the pandemic. They scare us by telling us how many new cases occurred in the counties, how close the vaccine is, when and how much will be available, and on and on. Let us realize that they are not in charge of our lives. God is the only one who controls our destiny. In the words of Jesus – Do not be afraid – Let's put our complete hope and trust in Him by preparing our minds and hearts to celebrate a very peaceful, Holy Christmas.



Sincerely and fraternally, *Joseph H. Rzepka, Jr., Grand Knight*

Evelyn's House:

Another great tradition will continue when a beautiful Christmas basket, will be presented to **Evelyn's House** by PGK Richard Dziekowicz and his wife, Ellen. This will be the 10th year Rich and Ellen have made this presentation.



Evelyn's House

FAMILY ROSARY CHRISTMAS NOVENA

Sunday, December 20, 2020 TELEVISION channel CBS 5 8:00 - 9:00 AM.

Novena to the Infant Jesus, spiritual Communion, Christmas songs and prayers.

Guest Speaker: ARCHBISHOP TIMOTHY DOLAN. Sponsored by Utica Council. Please watch.

IN YOUR CHARITY

Please pray for the repose of the souls of the following members who died since the last bulletin. The year they joined the K of C is in brackets.

Michael Wojtanowski [1964]

William A. Dyer [1948]

BULLETIN BY E-MAIL

Many of our members receive the monthly bulletin by e-mail. The Council is able to save expenses of printing and postage by sending the bulletin electronically. If you are still receiving the bulletin by postal mail and if you would like to receive it by e-mail, please send a request to the Council at kofc189@roadrunner.org or call 315-735-6171. If you have changed your e-mail, please notify the Council.

SENIOR KNIGHTS

The December meeting for the Senior Knights will be held on Wednesday, December 16 at 12 noon at the American Legion Post. Please call Jim Solan for reservations at 315-768-4443.

2021 YEAR-IN-ADVANCE CLUB

Membership Dues for the upcoming 2021 Fraternal Year for Regular Members is \$ 88.00 and for Honorary Members \$28.00. Please send in your dues now to help us defray the mailing cost. If any member is unable to continue their membership for any circumstance, please call or email the office. Thank you for those who have already sent in their payment.

DONATIONS RECEIVED

Thank you to the following members for recent charitable donations: **Paul Yarwood Sr.** [1983] (Evelyn's House and Veteran Outreach Center) and **Joseph Bednarczyk** (Evelyn's House).

COUNCIL WEBSITE

Thanks to Len Montana and Mike Kohler, our Council website is updated daily. You can see all Council information, make reservations, find the current or past bulletins. Please use the website for all Council news. www.kofcutica.org

BROTHERS WHO ARE ILL

John F. Pryor PGK [1985]

Michael J. Fitzgerald [1973]

Donald C. Cieri, Sr. [2001]

Joseph Gacek [1940]

George J. Amendolare [1986]

Joseph P. Kearney [1985]

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**. In the photo Bob is presenting one of 34 turkeys along with non-perishable food items to the center.



CHRISTMAS NURSING HOME VISITS

We will continue a Christmas tradition of remembering our members who are in a nursing facility. Chairmen Charles Lange, PGK and Charles McNeil, PGK, will deliver a gift to each member. We are asking families to call the Council office [735-6171] and identify members and their nursing facility. When you call, if you know of something your family member would like or can use, please let us know. Maybe Santa can find just the right gift!!





Turkey Scramble 2020

Below are photos of our drive-thru Turkey Scramble. We served over 80 turkey dinners and received over \$300 in donations.



COUNCIL CHARITY

Recently Grand Knight Joe Rzepka, on behalf of all members, presented checks for \$500 each to Evelyn's House, Veterans Outreach Center and Mother Marianne's Westside Kitchen. Thank you to those who contribute to our charity fund.

Memorial Mass 2020

We held our Annual Memorial Mass November 29. 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. Thanks to all who contributed to the success of the event.

GYMNASIUM/FITNESS ROOM

For the time being, the gymnasium and building remain closed to team play, including our Youth Program and adult men's basketball league. Members may use the gymnasium but only alone as a single or they may bring their son[s] or daughter[s] and shoot baskets. We cannot allow members playing one on one, two on two, three on three, etc., with other members. You may call Len Montana [315-534-9584] to reserve a time for the gym or Fitness room. Questions? Please call Len [315-534-9584].

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 Council Christmas Drive Thru	14	15	16 SENIOR KNIGHTS	17	18	19
20 Christmas Novena on TV	21	22	23	24	25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26
27	28	29	30	31	COMING EVENTS! GOOD-BYE 2020! - Jan. 1, 2021 Polish Night - Jan. 19, 2021 1st Degree - Jan. 27, 2021 German Night - Feb. 16, 2021 Irish Night - March 16, 2021	