



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



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THERE WILL NOT BE A REGULAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN SEPTEMBER.

The following officers will serve the Council during
Columbian Year 2020-2021:

Joseph Rzepka	Grand Knight
John Meagher	Deputy Grand Knight
Joseph Wilk	Chancellor
Charles McNeil	Trustee
Richard Parker	Advocate
Michael Kohler	Recorder

FROM GRAND KNIGHT JOSEPH RZEPKA

October is the month of the Rosary. Let us honor our blessed Mother by trying to recite the Rosary daily, especially in these times of unrest. Let's pray for peace in our country, an end to the virus, those devastated by fire and flood, and the election of politicians of strong faith to better our "One Nation Under God." *Note: the 38th Annual Family Rosary Crusade will be televised Monday, October 5th TV channel CBS 5. The guest speaker is Father William Casey, Fathers of Mercy. Utica Council is sponsoring this event for the 38th year.*

ADMISSION DEGREE: Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity

On Wednesday, October 28, 2020 we will hold an admissions degree for new members. Please call the Council office at [315-735-6171] if you have a prospective candidate.

SAVE THE DATE

Our annual Christmas Party will be held Sunday, December 13, 2020. Horse drawn sleigh, face painting, bounce house, Santa photos, games and fun for all ages.

OUR BROTHERS WHO ARE ILL

John F. Pryor, PGK [1985], Samuel L. Russo [1972], Michael J. Fitzgerald [1973], Donald C. Cieri, Sr. [2001], Joseph Gacek [1940], George J. Amendore [1986], Joseph P. Kearney [1985]

SENIOR KNIGHTS MEETING

Senior Knights luncheon will be held Wednesday, September 23, 2020, 12 noon, New Hartford Legion. Call Jim Solan at 315-768-3822.

IN YOUR CHARITY

Please pray for the following members who passed away since our last bulletin:

Mark R. Montano (1991) Rocco F. Giruzzi (1965), Anthony Paladino (1984), John A Pence (1947). Thomas A. Mariani Sr. (1975), Rev. Richard E. Dellos (1968)

KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

Erin Elizabeth Donovan has been admitted to the New York State Bar. Donovan graduated in May, with honors, from the Elisabeth Haub School of Law of Pace University in White Plains. She enrolled at Pace through a 3-plus-3 program with the College of St. Rose in Albany, where her first year of law school doubled as her senior year of college. Donovan officially graduated from St. Rose, with high honors, in May 2018. Erin is a staff attorney for the Legal Aid Society of Mid-New York, Utica, assisting victims of domestic violence. She is the daughter of Jerome [1980] and Donna Donovan of New Hartford, and she is a graduate of the Knights of Columbus Youth Program. Erin is the granddaughter of the late Sen James H. Donovan, honorary life member of Utica Council.

Joseph H. Hobika, Jr. [1999] and **Mark R. Angelucci [1983]** on finishing 2nd and 3rd place, respectively, in the Yahnundasis Golf Club Senior Men's Championship.

William M. Virkler, Jr. [1996] on joining the *Reagan Companies* as Sales Manager. With offices in Marcellus, New York, *Reagan* specializes in risk management and offers business, commercial lines and personal insurance. Bill is the son of **William M Virkler [HL-1967]**, nephew of **Robert B. Virkler [HL-1969]** and **Donald J. Virkler [HL-1962]** and the cousin of **Sean B. Virkler, Esq. [2006]**. Bill serves as the Director of our Youth Program.

Children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, promotions, awards, accolades, anniversaries, etc. - call or email the Council office [735-6171] and give us the information to be published in Knights in the News kofc189@roadrunner.com

FOURTH DEGREE

There will be a regular meeting of the 4th Degree on Tuesday, September 22, at 7:00 PM at our Council.

The Fourth Degree welcomes three new Sir Knights: **Alan Akins, Andrew Voce** and **Joseph Wilk** (Chancellor of Council 189). They took their Fourth Degree online in June this year and at the meeting on September 22, 2020 they will be presented with their Fourth Degree pin, membership certificate and Social Baldick.

We would like to thank all Council members who continue to drop off their donations at the Council Office for our ongoing Bottle and Can Drive, Evelyn's House, and the Veterans Outreach Program.

Donations were made to the veterans' outreach center for \$330.00 for Easter. \$200.00 for Memorial day and \$250.00 for the Fourth of July. We have two boxes by the Council office. One is to collect non-perishable food for Veteran's Outreach Center and the other is for baby items for Evelyn's House [baby wipes, diapers, etc.]. Please drop off items. If the door is locked, please place the items outside at the entrance and we will get them into the building.

CANS FOR KIDS

Please drop off your bottles and cans anytime. Leave them at the entrance door and we'll get them. Thank you for your continued support.

GYMNASIUM/FITNESS ROOM

For the time being, the gymnasium and building remain closed due to the Corona virus. We hope to be able to open in some limited capacity this Fall.

K OF C INSURANCE

You may visit the Supreme Council website for further information on K of C Insurance. For service, you may contact Shawn Tetreault, General Agent 518-310-1661, 1080 Military Turnpike, Plattsburgh, NY 12901; or Donald Petrie, Field Agent 315-767-2599, PO Box 55, Belleville, NY 13611 Donald.petrie@kofc.org

BULLETIN BY E-MAIL

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IN MEMORIAM



Mark R. Montano, 54, passed away on Wednesday, July 29, 2020 at the Abraham House, Rome, surrounded by his loving family, after a long battle with cancer.

Mark was born in Utica on December 8, 1965, a son of the late Donald and Maureen (Karl) Montano. He was raised and educated in Utica and was a 1986 graduate of Kennedy High School. For 15 years, he was employed with Oneida County Department of Social Services. Mark was a parishioner of Historic Old St. John's Church and attended daily Mass at Holy Trinity Church, Utica. He was a very loyal and active member of Utica Council #189. He also was a member of our 4th Degree Assembly, where he served as Faithful Navigator.

Mark got interested in the Council by befriending PGK Chuck & Tina McNeil. He started his volunteerism for the Council, before he even joined, by working Friday night fish fries, and after the kitchen closed for the night, he would go to the hockey game with Chuck and Tina.

Mark joined [1991] and became very loyal to the Council. He looked forward to the bowling tournaments every year. PGK Tom Luley would handle the 'kitty', and Mark would always be the first one to hand Tom his portion.

Even though Mark had his issues, he never let it slow him down. He participated in everything, and even out-bowled Chuck a few times. This gave him a great deal of satisfaction! He would rub that in on the ride home.

This page of dedication is unusual, but Mark was unusual. He touched all our lives with his infectious dedication. He is what the Knights of Columbus is all about. We will all miss him.



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		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 4th DEGREE MEETING	23 SENIOR KNIGHTS	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	COMING EVENTS! BOARD OF ADMISSIONS & 1st DEGREE - October 28 Save The Date: Children's Christmas Party - Dec. 13 ITALIAN NIGHT October 20		

YOUTH PROGRAM 2020-2021

Planning and considerations continue on whether we will be able to have our Youth Program this year. We will advise you in the October bulletin, or earlier by e-mail if we are able to open within NYS guidelines.

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