



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



MONTHLY BULLETIN

WILLIAM E. BURKE UTICA COUNCIL 189

201 Main Street • New York Mills, New York 13417

Phone: (315) 735-6171 • Fax: (315) 735-6173

Email: kofc189@roadrunner.com • Website: www.kofcutica.org

COUNCIL BULLETIN

PUBLISHED 10 TIMES PER YEAR

JANUARY 2021 VOL. 21/ISSUE 1

WITH THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF OUR MEMBERS IN MIND, THERE WILL NOT BE A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING THIS MONTH, NOR WILL WE HAVE A DRIVE-THRU EVENT.

It is unfortunate to miss our annual Polish Night but we promise that next year we will host the best Polish Night ever!!

Grand Knight's Message

I hope everyone had a Blessed Christmas.

As we start 2021 how about a New Years Resolution?

Simply live one day at a time, in charity and love, as if it were our last.

Wishing you and your Families a very happy and healthy New Year.

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

Council Activities

We have had a very busy and successful holiday season under the direction of Grand Knight Joseph Rzepka and Council officers. Our **Annual Memorial Mass** was well-attended by members and families of our deceased brothers. A special thanks to our Color Corps for falling out for the Memorial Mass. Over the Christmas season, we visited three **members in nursing homes** and presented them with gifts. At **Evelyn's House**, each of the mothers and their children were given a Christmas gift from the Council. We gave gift cards to several mothers and their infant children. Gifts were presented on behalf of the Council by Grand Knight Joseph Rzepka and PGK Rich Dziekowicz [see photos in this bulletin]. A special thanks to Rich and his wife, Ellen for making a beautiful gift basket for Evelyn's House. Our 7th Annual Christmas Party was very different this year as we had a drive-thru. Parents and children were given a stuffed stocking from Santa himself. It was lots of fun for the kids. Thanks to Santa, his helpers and all who contributed to the success of the party. Next year we hope to return to our traditional party.

Evelyn's House



At **Evelyn's House**, each of the mothers and their children were given a Christmas gift from the Council. We gave gift cards to several mothers and their infant children. Gifts were presented on behalf of the Council by Grand Knight Joseph Rzepka and PGK Rich Dziekowicz. A special thanks to Rich and his wife, Ellen for making a beautiful gift basket for Evelyn's House.



SENIOR KNIGHTS

The regular January meeting is cancelled.

COUNCIL WEBSITE

Thanks to Len Montana and Mike Kohler, our Council website is updated daily. Please use the website for all Council information.

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]

2021 DUES

Thank you to those who have paid their 2021 dues. Soon another billing notice will be sent and ask that you please send in your dues so you can be included in the March publication of our annual **Year-In-Advance** list. Your payment will also help us avoid additional mailing and printing expense. As always, if you or anyone you know is having financial problems and is unable to remit their dues, please contact us. No member will ever be suspended because they are unable to afford their dues. **NOTE: 2021 membership cards will be sent in February to those who have paid their dues.**

4th DEGREE

The regular January meeting is cancelled.

4th DEGREE NEWS

Our Fourth degree Assembly continues their support of Veteran's Outreach Center, Utica. CNYVOC was very thankful for the continuous effort of the 4th Degree and their Thanksgiving & Christmas donations. Executive Director Vincent Scalise said the donations helped the Center prepare baskets for nearly 200 veterans that in turn served over 400 individuals.

You may bring donations of food to the Council.

1ST DEGREE and BOARD OF ADMISSIONS

Tentative schedule: Wednesday, February 24
6:30 PM in the Justin F. Kelly Degree Room.

CHRISTMAS VISITS

While PGKs Charles Lange and Charles McNeil were not able to actually visit members in a nursing homes or assisted living facility, they were able to drop off a gift from the Council. On behalf of the Council, they gave gifts to John Pryor, PGK, [1985] Masonic Home and Joseph Gacek [1940], Acacia Village.

Memorial Mass 2020



Children's Christmas Party Santa Drive-Thru



Knights of Columbus Council 189

201 Main Street
 New York Mills, NY 13417

ELECTRONIC CORRECTION REQUESTED

| |
|--|
| Non. Profit Org. U.S. Postage PAID Permit No. 717 Utica, NY |
|--|

JANUARY 2021

Council Phone (315) 735-6171
Email: kofc189@roadrunner.com

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|--------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|----------|
| COMING EVENTS! POLISH NIGHT - CANCELLED 4TH DEGREE MEETING - CANCELLED SENIOR KNIGHTS - CANCELLED GERMAN NIGHT - TBD FIRST DEGREE - TENTATIVE - FEB. 24 | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 24 31 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |