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#### November 2020

#### **Calendar of Events**

November 5thMass for our Country
November 8th Deceased Members Mas
November 11thVeteran's Da
November 21stFood Collection
November 22nd 4th Degree Exemplification
November 26th Thanksgiving Day
April 17thTricky Tra
TBD Western Nigh

Dates are subject to change based on the status of the social distancing rules in effect.



Do you know a dedicated Knight at the Council, who supports the Church, Council, Clubs and events? Nominate him for Knight of Month.

Contact the Deputy Grand Knight Phillip Cababe, Swim Club President Alex Rivera, or Swim Club President Andrew Schopfer to submit a nomination.

#### **District Deputy Ring of Honor**

Congratulations to SK Andrew Schopfer PGK, FDD, PFN, PCC, who was honored to be named to the District Deputy Ring of Honor for the past Colombian year by State Officers of the Newark Archdiocese. Congratulation Andy. Well Deserved.

#### **Food Collection**



Council 4504 will hold a food collection for Sister Ann's Pantry on **Saturday, November 21st** from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Brother Knights will be in the Tom Horning Meeting room to accept your donations. Donations will also be accepted at Council Meetings. Please contact Chuck Cababe for details.

#### **Deceased Members Mass**

Deceased members Mass will be **November 8th** at St. Michael's at 9 AM. Followed by a continental Breakfast at the council hall.

Please keep our recently deceased members and their families in your prayers.

> William J. Morrison George R. Boetsch George Gaydos Antonio "Pete" Genova Joseph W. DiRoma Anthony Cavallo Albert P. Opacity Harold W. Rapke James A. Moran Patrick J Scanlon III

Thank you.

#### **Knight Digest**

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**RULES FOR SUBMISSION:** Submissions for consideration are due in writing by the 15th of the month for the following month. Please mail or drop off submission, with contact information to:

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or preferably via email to: tomdudek@outlook.com

You must clearly identify all people in photos submitted and at what council event the photo was taken. Photos with alcoholic beverages will not be considered. Photos may also be submitted via email as hiresolution image files. Hard copy photos will only be returned when accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

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4th Degree Faithful
NavigatorSteve Nagy III, PGK
Columbian Club President Alex Rivera
Swim Club President Andy Schopfer, PGK
Columbiette PresidentFran Corcione

#### **Monthly Meetings**

#### MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

#### Brothers All,



Just like that, it is already November. Many of us are preparing for Thanksgiving or some socially distant equivalent of it. During the meal planning and among the holiday rush, remember to take a moment and give thanks. I know 2020 has been a rough year for many, but as they say, 20/20 is perfect vision. Throughout this year, we have faced challenges, unlike any other. However, it has allowed us to focus on what is important. Restrictions have opened our eyes and allowed us to have a greater apprecia-

tion for things we usually take for granted. Going to church, going to work, socializing with friends and family, and toilet paper. Please use this Thanksgiving to be grateful for the blessings you may have overlooked in past years. Please also keep in mind those who may need a little help making it through this difficult time.

The Lord provides us so many gifts daily, so how can we give thanks? We give thanks in both pray and action. We can take the gifts we receive and pass them on to others through activities like assisting the church, help in the community, and lending a hand to those in need. If you are interested in sharing your gifts with others, whether it be through your time or some form of physical donation, please contact one of the officers of the Council. We have many programs and activities that both Brother Knights and their family members can participate in.

As a council, we have been able to hold events while following Covid guidelines and safely socializing. Our "family" which was a part, is now once again able to be together and celebrate life and share laughter. Just one recent example was the Tailgate Party that was organized by Greg Henn PGK. We had excellent attendance and a wonderful time.

Here are a few of the events planned for this month:

On Thursday, November 5th, Holy Spirit will be hosting a Patriotic Rosary at 7 PM with a mass to follow starting at 7:30 PM. Please join us as we continue to pray for this great country and its path back to God.

Sunday, November 8th, there will be a mass for the Council's deceased members at St. Michael's at 9 AM. Following mass, there will be a Continental Breakfast at the Council. Brother Knights and family members are welcomed and encouraged to attend so that we can honor and remember our recently deceased brothers and all who have passed on before them.

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On November 21st, from 10 AM till 2 PM, the Council will be holding a food drive with all food donations going to St. Anne's Pantry at St. Michael's church. If anyone would like to make a donation before the 21st, donations will be accepted at the Council.

Although it is not an event, I would like to remind everyone that Veteran's Day is on November 11th. On Thanksgiving, we are thankful for our blessings, and November 11th is a day dedicated to honoring one of those blessings, our veterans. Veterans Day is a day to honor all military personal who are alive and retired and to thank them for their service. We should all be thankful not only for the veteran's sacrifice but also the sacrifices of their families.

A few years ago, but what seems like just yesterday, I had the honor to be involved in three Council veteran appreciation events.

These events honored members from our Council, who were veterans from WWII, the Korean Conflict, and Vietnam. Many of our Brother Knights that we see at meetings and events supporting our Council are veterans and our unsung heroes. It is only right that we give them our heartfelt thanks. As it is said, "It is the veteran, not the preacher who has given us freedom of religion. It is the veteran, not the reporter who has given us freedom of the press. It is the veteran, not the poet who has given us freedom of speech. It is the veteran, not the campus organizer who has given us the freedom to assemble. It is the veteran, not the lawyer who has given us the right to a fair trial. It is the veteran, not the politician, who has given us the right to vote. It is the veteran who salutes the flag, who serves under the flag and whose coffin will be draped by the flag."

"And whatever you do, Whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him." Colossians 3:17

Leonard J. Komar Jr. GK KofC 4504





#### Knight of the Month November 2020



#### Allen Pascullo



The knight of the month for November 2020 is Allen Pascullo. Allen has been married to his wife Mary Kay for 36 years, and they have four children, Timothy, Kevin, Ryan, and Erin, who have grown up here at the Council and Swim Club.

Allen is a very devoted father

who spends much of his "spare time" with his family. The Pascullo family are Parishioners at Holy Spirit Church in Union.

Allen was born in Queens, NY and worked for the New York Power Authority. Allen was Columbian Club President from 2003-2004. During this time, he also took on the vacant role of bar manager. Additionally, he would be the first one to volunteer to attend work parties and was always willing to lend a hand in the kitchen and bar whenever needed. Allen devoted a majority of his personal time to help the council. In the fall of 2009, Allen took over the office of Faithful Navigator for our JFK Assembly of the Fourth Degree. In February of 2010, Allen was elected to President of our Columbian Swim Club. If it was not enough to hold two top officer positions with the Knights, Allen is always ready and willing to cook in our kitchen for events such our Council Family Picnic, Past Grand Knight Dinner, Christmas Dinner meeting, Sister Ann's Valentine's Day Dinner Dance, Breakfast with Santa or when ever asked to cook. Allen manages to help out bartending at our Council as well. Allen's commitment to his family, Church, Council and to the Knights of Columbus are emblematic of what it means to be a Knight, and the Union Knights of Columbus are fortunate to have him as a Brother Knight in our Council.

We are proud to name him Knight of the month for November 2020.

Congratulations to a wonderful brother Knight who definitely deserves this honor!



Saturday, September 26th two Brother Knights assisted over 100 volunteers from Union County and Kean University distributing food and fresh produce to1,381 households who drove through the Kean University parking lot.

Pictured are insurance Field Agent Tom Brennan and Color Corps Commander, Ray Gora.



Council 4504 helping the community . Many thanks to SK Raymond Gora for obtaining a generous food donation from Union County. Thanks to SK Steve Nagy for transporting it in his truck to St. Michael for Sister Ann's Food Pantry. Brother Knight Michael Eggr received the donation this morning who will delivery to senior citizens. GK Len Komar assisting.





#### 4th Degree Exemplification

**Sunday, November 22nd** the Knights of Columbus First NJ Regiment will hold the 4th Degree Exemplification. Due to COVID restrictions and the large candidate 2021 class of 85 Brother Knights, the tradition banquet has been suspended. Through quite some planning, the JFK Assembly Faithful Navigator Tony Oliviero was able to receive permission to hold our candidates exemplification virtually in our Council Hall. The four candidates are from the Union and Hillside Councils. Candidates should arrive at 12:00 in preparation for the ceremony.

After the ceremony the Union Council will hold a "Friends Giving" Dinner in honor of our 4 candidates. Dinner will be a catered event and open to all Brother Knights in good standing. Tickets \$20 each, \$40 a couple. Casual Attire.

For additional information or Tickets will be on sales at the bar or see Mike Harms or Tony Oliviero FN. Attend and welcome our newest Sir Knights. Enjoy good food, great company and conversations.

#### **MOTOWN NIGHT – REFUND**

Due to the on-going social restrictions resulting from the prevailing COVID-19 pandemic, the Columbian Club Board has decided to cancel the Motown Dinner Party. We will issue full refunds to all those who purchased tickets for the event. To obtain a refund we will require that you return the purchased tickets. Please contact Michael Harms at mikemarisolam@gmail.com to arrange a meeting at the K night Hall (1034 Jeanette Avenue) to obtain your refund.

We look forward to re-scheduling the event sometime during the Summer of 2021.



The Union Columbiettes will host a Tricky Tray at the Council Hall on Saturday April 17, 2021. Doors open at 5:30 pm. Limited tickets are available please contact Diana Lupo at 908-577-6606. Donations accepted.



## Express Gratitude





Did you enjoy the food at our events? The Family Picnic, the PGK Dinner. If you need food catered at your party/event, support our brothers and give them a call.



7:00 PM PATRIOTIC ROSARY 7:30 PM HOLY MASS

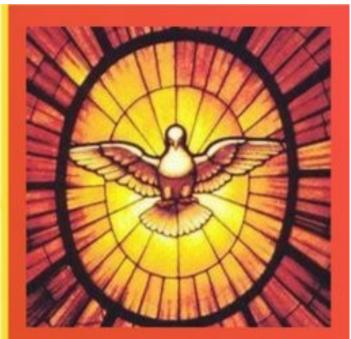
COME TOGETHER TO PRAY FOR GOD'S BLESSINGS AND MERCY FOR OUR COUNTRY

#### ALL ARE WELCOME

2020 September 3 October 1 November 5 December 3

## 2021

January 7 February 4 March 4 April 8 May 6 June 3



# MASS FOR OUR COUNTRY

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#### Save the Date!

The JFK Assembly will met at 9 AM on Saturday Dec 12th to locate the 169 veterans grave and place flags in preparation for the December 19th ceremony. 42 Broad Street Elizabeth at the First Presbyterian Church Cemetery Please join us. Family and friends are all invited.

> save the dates Saturday, Dec. 19, 2020 Saturday, Dec. 18, 2021 Saturday, Dec. 17, 2022

NATIONAL WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA DAY

REATHS across AMERICA

#### **Baseball Trip Update**

As everyone knows the Met game we had scheduled for 2020 was postponed to 2021. Our new date will be June 26th against the Phillies.

As of right now we have 50 people signed up. I spoke to the Bus company on Monday August 24th and they have a bus that holds 36 people. The contact for the Mets emailed me also on August 24th and had stated that he has 25 more tickets for that game.

Please reply with a deposit of 30 dollars to Mike Peter. Whomever is interested please leave a deposit at the Knights of Columbus on Jeanette Ave to Mike Peter's attention.

Any questions please contact Mike Peter at cell 908- 759-3588 or email mikepeter4275@gmail.com.

#### It's Veterans Day

# Thanks for your service!

### A Prayer for all Veterans

O God, Great and Almighty Creator, we thank and praise You for the freedom we enjoy in our Country that our liberties will continue to be protected. Thank you for America's Heroes, that have fought for our freedoms and who have faithfully served our country. We honor our veterans, for their sacrifices and for their courage and integrity. As we celebrate these freedoms, we ask Your blessings on those veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice while defending out county. Bless their families and comfort them with the thankful prayers of a grateful Nation. We Thank You for our veterans, past and present. Through the efforts of these individuals, help us continue to promote justice in all nations. Amen.









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#### **Return Service Requested**



## November 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
I - All Souls Day Turn the clocks back Remember to move your clocks back one hour.	2 - All Saint's Day Council Officers	3 - Election Day	4	5 Mass for our Country Holy Spirit Church 7PM Rosary 7:30 PM Mass	6	7
8 Mass for Deceased Members St. Michael's 9 AM	9 Council Meeting 8:10 PM	10	Veterans Day	12 Columbiette Mtg.	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 Food Collection
22 4th Degree Exemplification	23 Council Meeting 8:10 PM	24	25 4th Degree Assembly	26 Happy Thanksgiving!	27	28
29 First Sunday of Advent	30					