

#### Knights of Columbus / Sacred Heart Council 2842

### NEWSLETTER FROM THE HEART



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# GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT



My Brother's All,

I want to thank the brothers for their cooperation with following our new guidelines for meetings and other events/functions held at the council. For those who have not been attending our inperson meetings, we have started to implement some of the following procedures.

- Temperature scans will be taken before all General Council Meetings / Officers and Columbian Club Meetings / Columbiettes Meeting / Thursday Night Darts and 20 Week Club Drawing
- Temperatures will be kept in a log book for social tracing. Anyone who has a fever higher than 100.4 or does not feel well with cough, sore throat and/or shortness of breath will be asked to go home.
- Masks must be worn by everyone no matter if the individual has been vaccinated or not. Masks may only be removed when an individual is addressing the meeting.
- General Council Meetings will be held in the Upper Hall for social distancing. Social distancing will be followed at all other meetings and gatherings.
- Chairs, tables and all other surfaces will be sanitized after all meetings and gatherings.

If we continue to follow these guidelines, then we can continue to meet in person and have other events at the council while ensuring everyone's safety.

Special thanks to DGK Vince Sicari, Nelson Cupeles and all the members of the recruitment team for a successful Council Open House during the weekend of April 17 – 18 outside Sacred Heart. We were able to get two new candidates to sign up, job well done.

Before our April 19 general council meeting, we presented our seminarian Andrew Lee with a check for \$500 as we continue to sponsor him as he continues his studies to become a priest. This was the second year in a row we were able to sponsor Andrew. The check that was given to Andrew was made possible in part from the proceeds of the "Good of The Order" 50/50 drawing that we have at our general council meeting. Thank you to all the brothers who continue to buy tickets as your contribution allowed us to make this donation. Please remember Andrew in your prayers that the Holy Spirit continue to guide him on his journey to become a priest.

Lastly our annual council blood drive will be held at the council on Saturday June 12. Representatives from Vitalant will be on hand to take your blood, more information regarding the drive can be found in the newsletter. Unfortunately due to a rise in COVID cases and some people still hesitant about being out in public, we have made the decision to cancel the "Jukebox Jamming Fundraiser" planed for June 13. More information about that in the newsletter.

Vivat Jesus! Gerard Sorrentino Grand Knight

### DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE





My Brother's All,

Can you believe that this coming October our amazing council will be celebrating 80 years? We have begun the process of planning for this special event. I would like to thank PGK Brian Cronin, PGK Pat Ferrara, Ken Lenoci, Dennis Grifith, Gil Duke and Matt O'Brien for volunteering to be part of the committee. We had a very successful, productive first meeting on April 13 and we look forward to more productive meetings as we continue to plan for this special event.

Another big thank you goes out to another team, that being the recruitment team, for taking time out of their schedule to help with our Council Open House.
Thank you to PGK Brian Cronin, Gil Duke, TJ Churchill, Jorge Ramos and Nelson Cupeles as well as Robert Hickey and Dave Torebka for also volunteering their time on

that Sunday. Part of what makes our council so great is the strong brotherhood and all the great men we have as members who are willing to lend a hand to help out, thank you, this could not have happened without you.

We continue to encourage more brothers to get active and get involved. As we approach the summer, a time to get together with friends, if you have an idea for a council event that you would like to chair, please make the motion at the next general council meeting. We are open to all ideas and as you just read, you will certainly have more than enough brothers willing to lend a hand.

Vivat Jesus! Vince Sicari Deputy Grand Knight

# CHANCELLOR'S REPORT



Worthy Brothers,

During the weekend of April 17 – 18 we had a Council Open House outside Sacred Heart Church along with the Columbiettes. The event was successful as we were able to sign up two new candidates who we are now in the process of interviewing and getting ready for their exemplification. (We made our membership quota for the Columbian year!) Thank you to

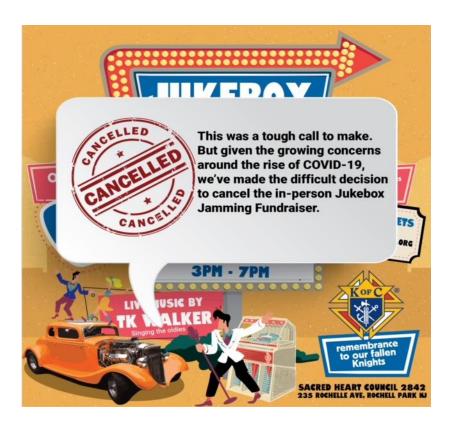
all the members of the recruitment team for helping out, also a big thank you to Brother Willie Sanchez for making the great promotional video that is currently up on our website. We handed out a bunch of membership cards with a QR code on it linking to the video during the open house so hopefully we get more guys to join who might have been on the fence and had to take some time to think it over.

The open house doesn't end our mission to add more worthy men to our council. As great as the open house was, still the best advertisement we have is each other. I am sure each of us knows a guy who would be a great addition to our active council. It is up to all of us to be fishers of men and get these guys to join.

It is with regret that I have to inform my brothers of the decision to cancel the "Jukebox Jamming Fundraiser". As much as it pains me to do it, I thought long and hard about it and reached out to brothers for advice and opinions. We came to the conclusion that with COVID on the rise, having a large crowd and personally having close family members with weakened autoimmune conditions, it's best to cancel the June 13th fundraiser for now and will look into a fundraiser maybe in the fall.

I sincerely apologize for any inconvenience and for those of you bought tickets for the oldies fundraiser you will be refunded in full.

Vivat Jesus! Nelson Cupeles Chancellor





Congratulations to Brother Robert Heyrich who was confirmed at the Easter Vigil mass on April 3.

#### **COLUMBIAN CLUB**

Brothers,

Recently a team was formed to come up with guidelines and procedures to be followed going forward in regards to re-opening the council. The members of the team are PGK Brian Cronin, PGK Joe Gyulay, DGK Vince Sicari, Rob Marks and Keith Hopkins. The committee came up with several new rules and procedures that will have to be reviewed and voted upon. Once that occurs it will be shared with all of you.

Thanks to PGK Brain Cronin on the fantastic job he did in our liquor room, it looks great with the new hanging shelf and polished floors, defiantly give it a look if you can. We have now begun work in

organizing the office and the back room attached to the office as more Spring in house projects continue.

As always, all members of the council are also members of the Columbian Club and as such are invited to attend our now in person monthly Columbian Club meetings held on the second Monday of the month following the council officers meeting (usually around 8pm). The next Columbian Club meeting is scheduled for Monday May 10 at 8PM following the Council Officers Meeting.

Frank Del Re Columbian Club Chairman

## 20 WEEK CLUB WINNERS

Week 1: Suzanne Foschini. Sold by Tom Foschini. Ticket # 0217

Week 2: Matt Patunas. Sold by Pete Crespo. Ticket # 0528

Week 3: Eileen Senor. Sold by Gary Senor. Ticket # 0362

Week 4: Liz Thompson. Sold by Bill Courtney. Ticket # 0716

Week 5: Ralph Guerra. Sold by W. Rendine. Ticket # 0539

Week 6: George Sweeney. Sold by Pete Crespo. Ticket # 0536

#### **PARISH NEWS**

Dear Brothers,

We are blessed that our parish is growing by the day, that is wonderful for our community! That said, we really are in need of more parishioners to step forward in ministry. We are looking for LECTORS and EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS. Think and pray about becoming a minister at the altar. Each of us has been blessed by our God with many gifts, perhaps you have the gift of proclaiming God's word, distributing his body and blood or serving/assisting me at Mass. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Center at 201-843-1722.

In expanding our Helping Hands Ministry, we will be helping out *The Good Shepherd Mission* in Paterson. They offer not only hope and help to men affected by homelessness, drug and alcohol addiction, but also help those in their community who are less fortunate. You can visit their Facebook page, "The Good Mission" to see the great things they do. The items they need are,

Men's new undergarments
Shampoo
Toothpaste and toothbrushes
Shaving items
Bath soap
Toilet tissue / paper towels
Deodorant

Please clearly mark your donations "Good Shepard Ministry" and leave in the bin by the tower door.

Our 50/50 Cash Raffle is currently under way. 1st prize 25%, 2nd prize 15%, 3rd prize 10% of the amount received for all tickets. Tickets are \$10 each or you can get 6 tickets for \$50. Drawing will be held on Sunday June 6 following the 12pm Mass. Proceeds to purchase livestreaming equipment. If interested please pick up a form and send back to the parish, we will MAIL you your tickets.

Peace & Blessings Fr. Rich Kelly Chaplain



#### **MAY BIRTHDAY'S**

May 1: William Betten, Frank Del Re and Michael Breslin

May 4: Adam Gonzalez

May 6: Thomas Foschini, Thomas Radwanski and Vittorio Lapira

May 8: Walter Houghton

May 9: Ron Juliano

May 11: Michael Della Fave

May 14: Peter Monacchio

May 15: Devin Gonzalez

May 16: Michael Gillen

May 18: Anthony Seymour

May 20: Thomas McHale

May 28: PGK Stephen Lazarus Happy 60th

Birthday! and Adib Abboud

May 30: Robert Rella

May 31: Anthony Talarico



### MAY 2021

SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THUR.	FRI.	SAT.
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2.	General Council Meeting 8PM	National Teacher's Day	<b>5.</b> Cinco De Mayo	6. National Nurses Day	7. 20 Week Club Week 8 Drawing	8.
9. Mother's Day	10. Officers Meeting 7PM / Columbian Club Meeting 8PM	11.	12.	13. Ascension Thursday	14. New Candidate Exemplification 7PM council Upper Hall 20 Week Club Week 9 Drawing	15. Armed Forces Day
16.	17. General Council Meeting 8PM	18.	19.	20.	21. 20 Week Club Week 10 Drawing	22.
23. Pentecost Sunday	24. 31. Memorial Day	25.	26.	27.	28. 20 Week Club Week 11 Drawing	29.

#### **GET THE PICTURE**











During the weekend of April 17 – 18 we held a Council Open House outside Sacred Heart Church along with the Columbiettes. Pictured members of both recruitment teams talking to current and potential future members.



On April 19, before the General Council Meeting, the council awarded Andrew Lee a check for \$500 as he continues his studies and his journey to becoming a priest. Pictured are DGK Vince Sicari and GK Gerry Sorrentino presenting the check to Andrew.