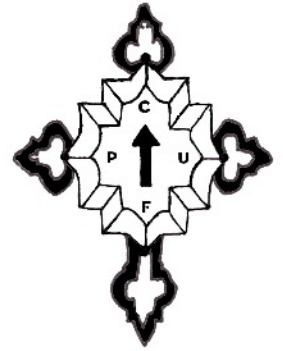




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The Knights of Columbus Council #444
Presents the 10th Annual
Msgr. Henry O'Carroll Memorial Car Show
Featuring Cars, Motorcycles, and Trucks

Saturday June 26, 2021

(Rain Date July 10)

SEARS @ the Newburgh Mall

**10:00 AM – 3:00PM 1401 Union Ave. Route 300
Newburgh, NY 12550**

***Trophies* Best in Show* People's Choice*
Goodie Bags***

Vehicle Pre- Registration - \$15.00

Day of Registration- \$20.00

Vendor Spots- \$30.00

Food Vendors - \$45.00

Proceeds to benefit

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Vendor Registration Form:

<https://forms.gle/iGPo5jLQdaqSbBD88>

For vehicle information contact: Ken Ryan (845) 565-8015 Charles Smith (845)561-8647 or Dan Keenan (845) 562-9353. For Vendor information contact Bill Kuntz (201) 697-9920

Family Fun Day

Raffles*Food*Drink*Music*Vendors*

Special Appearance by

BATMAN!!

GRAND KNIGHT'S THOUGHTS

Dear Fellow Brother Knights:

I can't believe how quickly time is passing! I pray that all of you are well.

With the advent of the vaccine, things are starting to open up. More and more businesses and venues are opening their doors without all the restrictions we have been experiencing. The same holds true for us.

We have been busy getting our council house ready for in person meetings. Recently, we had an exterminator perform his magic on the house. Now we are looking to contract with a firm to sanitize it. Hopefully in the not too distant future we will be able to hold in person meetings. For the time being, we will also hold Zoom meetings for those who cannot make it, or feel uncomfortable at the in person meetings.

Again my sincere thanks to Bill Kuntz for his diligent work on the Family of the Month program.

For the month of January, the Guerrero family from Saint Patrick's church was chosen. Both Esteban and Mercedes have attended Saint Patrick's church since they were teens. Since then, they have been involved with many different activities, including organizing the Stations of the Cross in the Newburgh community, an annual play about Our Lady of Guadalupe, the patron Saint of Mexico, catechist for religious education as well as starting choirs for different masses. Their children, Jasmin and Esteban Jr., have also been actively involved in church activities.

For the month of February the Watkins family from Our Lady of the Lake was chosen. Both Bea and Scott have been heavily involved with church activities for many years. Scott has served as Lector, Eucharistic Minister and Usher for over 20 years. He was also appointed to the original Renew and Rebuild team. Bea is a Eucharistic Minister at OLL, as well as a Catholic

Daughter with Court Patricia #195 since 1998. She also volunteered with Saint Patrick's soup kitchen for many years. They are also members of the parish Lenten Seder Committee as well as the chairs of the Hudson Valley bus to the Knights of Columbus Prayer Rally.

Scott continues to be active in the Knights of Columbus Council #444. He is currently the Treasurer for the council. He was a Past Grand Knight, District Deputy, Faithful Navigator and Color Corps Commander for the Fourth Degree. He also participated in various roles for the K of C Degree Teams.

For the month of April the Raymond-Augustin family from Saint Francis was chosen. Ertha was been active in the Newburgh parish community since she moved here in 1997. She helped out at the Christmas party, Easter dinner party and the food pantries. She became a religious instruction tutor for the children of the parish. She also has helped the Friars feed and clothe the less fortunate in our community. She has always been a staunch advocate of praying the Rosary. She belongs to a group who get together and pray the Rosary twice a week. Ertha believes that one should encourage young people to be active in the Church, so she makes sure that her two grandchildren join her at Sunday Mass. She also brings the children of friends who are not practicing Catholics to church with her.

On behalf of the Knights of Columbus I am very proud to congratulate these families. You are wonderful role models for all practicing Catholics.

Unfortunately our council activities are still curtailed because of COVID. However, we are on track to start up soon. Our Annual Car Show will kick off on June 26, from 10 AM until 3 PM. As in the past there will be raffles, food, drink, music and vendors. There even will be a special appearance by Batman!! I hope to see all of you at this wonderful event. Bring your friends! Support our council.

I want to take a moment to urge each and everyone of you to join us at a meeting. We have two general membership meetings a month. The first and third Tuesdays. We are back to an 8 PM start time. Right now they are Zoom meetings. If we have your email on file you will get an invitation. If not, please contact Bill Kuntz at 201-697-9920 and he will be happy to give you the information over the phone.

I pray that we all stay safe and well. God Bless you all.

Vivat Jesus!!!

Ray Lopez
Grand Knight

Patrick Kelly
Supreme Knight - BIO

Patrick E. Kelly became the 14th Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus on March 1, 2021.

Mr. Kelly has served as Deputy Supreme Knight since 2017. Prior to that, he served as Vice President for Public Policy for 11 years, spearheading the Knights' interaction with the White House, Congress and federal agencies. He has also served as State Deputy in the District of Columbia. As a longtime executive and fraternal leader of the Knights of Columbus, he has consistently strengthened its record of charity, advocacy, insurance, investment and membership growth.

Mr. Kelly's has had a distinguished career in the Knights of Columbus, the military and public service. For more than 25 years, he has had a demonstrated track record of service to Church and country, which serves him well in advancing the Knights' mission of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

Mr. Kelly served as the first executive director of the Saint John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, D.C., and oversaw the renewal of the facility after its purchase by the Knights in 2011. During his tenure, the shrine became a leading pilgrimage site and a source of education and inspiration for Catholics throughout the United States and the world.

Mr. Kelly served in the United States Navy for 24 years, on land and sea and on active duty and reserve status. As a Judge Advocate General, he specialized in international and operational law and served as the Commanding Officer of the international law unit at the U.S. Naval War College. He served on the staff of the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations and aboard the USS Guam as the Staff Judge Advocate for Amphibious Squadron Two. His personal awards include three Navy Achievement Medals, five Navy Commendation Medals and the Meritorious Service Medal. He retired from the JAG Corps Reserve in 2016.

Mr. Kelly has served as consultant to three committees of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) for more than a decade: The Committee on Pro-life Activities, the Committee on Religious Liberty, and the Subcommittee for the Promotion and Defense of Marriage.

Mr. Kelly has been the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the March for Life since 2012. Under his leadership, the March for Life has become one of the most effective pro-life organizations in the world. He has also been a member of the Board of Directors of the National Catholic Bioethics Center (NCBC) since 2013. He has helped guide the NCBC in its mission to promote respect for the dignity of each human being through an understanding of how the moral teachings of the Church apply in health care and the life sciences.

Mr. Kelly holds a master's degree in theology from the Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family at The Catholic University of America, a law degree from Marquette University Law School and a bachelor's degree in economics from Marquette University, where he joined the Knights of Columbus in 1983.

He and his wife, Vanessa, have three daughters. They live in Connecticut.

A Blessed and very happy birthday to the following council members who will be celebrating their birthdays in the months of May, June and July.

05/02 Rev. Bladi Socualaya Miranda	
05/03 Roberto Criollo	05/03 Jude Martini
05/06 Christopher Wing	05/12 Frank Gerbes
05/12 Joseph Panoski	05/15 Michael Biondo.
05/16 Francisco Miranda	05/17 Ediberto Soto
05/19 Charles Alexander	05/26 Kevin Petrarca
05/30 Rev. Fernando Hernandez	
06/01 Salvatore Aulogia	06/01 Thomas DeBenedictus
06/05 Andrew Civalo	06/07 Joseph Biello
06/07 Eric Meah	06/09 Robert Digilio
06/12 Samuel Sodano	06/16 Harry Birch
06/19 Gregory Gaetano	06/26 Robert Specht
06/29 Most Rev. Charles Balvo	
06/30 William Rogers	07/01 Bro. Luke Wittmann
07/02 Salvatore Accolla	07/03 Dale Rodriguez
07/06 Charles Aregbesola	07/11 Charles Piper Jr.
07/12 Timothy Brink	07/13 Michael Lutz
07/14 Anthony D'Angelo	07/14 Richard Kelly
07/14 I Scott Watkins	07/15 John Grimm
07/17 Steven Giammattei	07/20 Dr. Parry Peet
07/21 Jerome Wyant	07/25 Vincent Calosso
07/30 Deacon William Castellane	
07/31 James Hutlock	

Council Activities

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A family fun day!

Raffles, food, drink, music and Vendors
A special appearance by Batman!

The Columbus Day Ball

Save the Date

October 10, 2021

Contact: Bill Kuntz
(201-697-9920)

The Blue Mass
Sponsored by
The Knights of Columbus
Council 444

Honoring
Law Enforcement
Fire Fighters
First Responders
Essential Workers

To be held on a Sunday in September
Time to be determined

Calendar of Council Meetings

Please Note:

**Until further notice all meetings
will be held at 8:00 PM on Zoom**

Please call Bill Kuntz at 201-697-9920 if you have not received a Zoom invite via email.

- 04 May: Membership meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 11 May: Fourth Degree meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 18 May: Social meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 25 May: Officers' business meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 01 Jun: Membership meeting at 8:00 P.M..
- 08 Jun: Fourth Degree meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 15 Jun: Social meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 22 Jun: Officers' business meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 29 Jun: Corporation meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 06 Jul: Membership meeting at 8:00 PM
- 13 Jul: Fourth Degree meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 20 Jul: Social meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 27 Jul: Officers' meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 03 Aug: Membership Meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 10 Aug: Fourth Degree meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 17 Aug: Social meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 24 Aug: Officers' meeting at 8:00 P.M..
- 31 Aug: Corporation Meeting at 8:00 P.M.

Deacon Jack Seymour Food Pantry

Need volunteers on Saturday mornings from 8:30 A.M. to Noon. Note that the food pantry has moved to the Sacred Heart gym. If you can help please note that set up starts at 7 AM. If you have questions, please call Linda or Paul at 845-234-8564.

St. Mary's Outreach

St. Mary's Outreach has opened at the Newburgh Community Center (Armory). They will operate on the same schedule as before, the third Friday of every month. Set up at 8 AM and the distribution starts at 9.