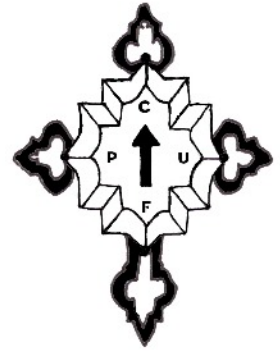




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Columbus Day Ball

Honoring Council 444
Knight of the Year

Angel Tapia

October 9, 2022

Spruce Lodge

619 Route 17K

Montgomery, N.Y.

5:30 - 10:30

\$60.00 Per Person - Pre Paid

Sit Down Dinner-Dancing-Cash Bar-Door Prizes

Please RSVP by September 24th

To Bill Kuntz, 201-697-9920

The Blue Mass

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Honoring
Law Enforcement
Fire Fighters
First Responders
Essential Workers

To be held on Sunday, September 11, 2022
12 Noon Mass, at Sacred Heart Church
301 Ann Street, Newburgh, N.Y. 12550

GRAND KNIGHT'S THOUGHTS

Dear Fellow Brother Knights:

This is my very first "Grand Knight Thoughts," column, and I am humbled by the experience. I am truly honored to have been elected as the Grand Knight of Council 444.

I know it is going to be very difficult to follow in the footsteps of the many great Grand Knights that preceded me. I will try my best to live up to the legacy that the prior Grand Knights have laid out for those who follow in their footsteps.

I wish to especially mention Past Grand Knight Ray Lopez for all his accomplishments. I feel that he did an outstanding job guiding our council through unprecedented times due to the restraints caused by the COVID pandemic. We not only survived but thrived under his leadership. We learned how to attend "virtual" meetings, then, when able, we were able to have "hybrid" meetings. Slowly he guided us to where we are today, back to our regular schedule. Under his guidance we were able to have extremely successful fund raising activities as well. We also won several awards for the council. Now we get to use his expertise as a Trustee for the next 6 years! Thanks so much Ray, for your dedication and selflessness in leading our Council!

Thanks to Greg Gaetano, we will again have a Blue Mass at Sacred Heart Church, 12 Noon Mass. What a wonderful way to honor our Law Enforcement, Fire, First Responders and Essential Workers.

Our Columbus Day Ball, honoring the Knight of the Year, Angel Tapia, will be held on October 9, 5:30 to 10:30, at the Spruce Lodge, 619 Route 17K, Montgomery, N.Y. \$60.00 Per Person - Pre Paid, Sit Down Dinner-Dancing-Cash Bar-Door Prizes!

Please RSVP by September 24th
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A highlight of the Ball is the Treasure Chest Raffle drawing. Ticket sales are in full swing. All Brother Knights should have received 6 tickets in the mail at a special rate of 3 for \$25 or 6 for \$40. Please be sure to send them back with the appropriate amount of money, to the attention of Bill Kuntz, care of The Knights of Columbus, Council 444, P.O. Box 444, Newburgh, N.Y. 12551. Your help in selling these tickets is greatly appreciated. This is a major fundraiser for the Council to continue its charitable works. If you have questions, or should you need additional tickets, just give Bill a call at 201-697-9920.

A time honored tradition is the re-dedication of the Monument to the Unborn. This moving ceremony takes place on October 16, 3 PM, at Calvary Cemetery in New Windsor.

Another time honored tradition is the Altar Server Appreciation Day. Due to the pandemic we haven't been able to hold it for the past two years. We are hoping to have one this year. We will let everyone know once our plans are finalized.

Coming up in November is the Council Memorial Mass to honor our members who passed away over the past year. Additional information will be published as we get closer to the date.

For this Columbian Year, we will be placing an emphasis on recruiting new members. As a Knight you can participate in any of our many activities. You can just pick your favorite or join in as many as you wish. Our activities are all community related, so you will be helping the folks who are your neighbors. Come and join us. If you have a friend who may be interested bring them to one of our many activities so they can see for themselves what a wonderful experience it is!

I pray that everyone has a safe, enjoyable, fun-filled summer! May Our Lord continue to bless each and everyone of you!

Vivat Jesus!

Paul Desroches
Grand Knight

TREASURE CHEST RAFFLE

Look for raffle tickets in the mail! Ticket prices are: \$10 for one, or three for \$25. There is a special only for the tickets you will receive through the mail, 6 tickets for only \$40.

Your help in selling tickets is desperately needed! Please call Bill Kuntz with your availability and ideas at 201-697-9920



Best in Show Winner, Jim Robinholt with PGK Ken Ryan

Some of the beautiful cars at the show



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A Blessed and very happy birthday to the following council members who will be celebrating their birthdays in the months of August, September and October, 2022.

08/01	Brother Adrian Aquinas	08/08	Curt Bourdage
08/04	Rev. Vincent De Paul Howley	08/21	Paul Desroches
08/06	Anthony Gagliardi	08/23	George Marvella
08/16	Joseph Rotunda	08/26	Anthony Navarro
08/23	Vincent Cracolici	08/29	Rev John Vondras
08/25	Rev. Hakim Dario	08/31	Jose Marango
08/26	Michael Steup	09/01	Rev. John Thenen
08/29	Arthur Whitchurch	09/03	Gerald O'donnell
09/01	Samuel Leghorn	09/12	Carlos Martinez Jr.
09/02	Anthony Cracolici	09/18	Raymond Lopez
09/03	James Peloso	09/20	John Wenz
09/15	Zachary Costa	09/21	Lawrence Yantz
09/19	Roy Caracci	09/27	Rev. William Damroth
09/21	Mark Aulogia	09/29	Rev. Dennis Dinan
09/24	Michael Diaz	10/04	Patrick Rutaquio
09/27	Vito Maiorana	10/08	Ronald Brophy
10/03	Joseph Dennis.	10/11	Edward Lastowski
10/06	Donald Suttlehan	10/20	George Quintyne
10/09	Daniel Keenan	10/25	George Cote
10/17	Michael Carpentieri		
10/22	James Patterson		

Council Activities

Columbus Day Ball

Please join us in honoring our Knight of the Year, Angel Tapia, at the Columbus Day Ball, on October 9, 2022, at the Spruce Lodge, 619 NY 17K, Montgomery, N.Y.

\$60 per person includes, sit down dinner, dancing, and door prizes. There will be a cash bar.

Please RSVP by September 24, to Bill Kuntz, 201-697-9920

Calendar of Council Meetings

Please Note:

Until further notice all meetings will be held at 8:00 PM in person and on Zoom

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

- 02 Aug Membership Meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 09 Aug Fourth Degree Meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 16 Aug: Social Meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 23 Aug: Officers' Meeting at 8:00 P.M..
- 30 Aug: Corporation Meeting at 8:00 P.M.
- 06 Sep: Membership Meeting at 8:00 PM
- 13 Sep: Fourth Degree Meeting at 8:00 PM
- 20 Sep: Social Meeting at 8:00 PM
- 27 Sep: Officers' Meeting at 8:00 PM
- 04 Oct: Membership Meeting at 8:00 PM
- 11 Oct: Fourth Degree Meeting at 8 PM
- 18 Oct: Social Meeting at 8:00 PM
- 25 Oct: Officers' Meeting at 8:00 PM
- 01 Nov: Membership Meeting at 8:00 PM
- 08 Nov: Fourth Degree Meeting at 8:00 PM
- 15 Nov: Social Meeting at 8:00 PM
- 22 Nov: Officers' Meeting at 8 PM
- 29 Nov: Corporation Meeting at 8 PM

Please note that the Holy Rosary will be recited prior to each council meeting at 7:30. All are welcome.

Please join us for the re-dedication of the Knights of Columbus, Council 444 Monument to the Unborn October 16, 2022 at 3 PM Calvary Cemetery New Windsor, N.Y.

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HELP WANTED

We have too many projects and not enough hands to do them all. We desperately need your help for our Council to continue it's mission to help those less fortunate than us. Call GK Paul Desroches at 845-564-3642, or Bill Kuntz at 201- 697-9920 ,and let them know you can help!!!

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.