



# COMPASS

OCTOBER - NOVEMBER - DECEMBER, 2017

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## GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

### Gino Iacovella GK

Dear Brothers,

First of all, I would like to thank all the members of our council for electing me as your Grand Knight for the 2017 / 2018 Columbian Year. It is a honor to be the 89th Grand Knight of our Freehold 1672 Council. I am also honored to carry the tradition of our council's during our 104 year history in Freehold, New Jersey.

Since I became a member of the Knights of Columbus in 2009, I have studied under the best of our Past Grand Knights, Frank Aburto, Stan Buraczynski, Nick Figaro, and especially my mentors Rick Scott, Jim Brown and Tom Nevenglowski. Without their help, I would never be standing here today!

We started July finishing up 5 long days of cooking and serving St. Rose of Lima's Carnival. I want to specially thank Emil Stefanacci, Jim Brown and all 18 brothers who helped during the carnival in every way!

I also want to thank everyone in assisting in the St. Rose Parish Picnic especially Peter Weber for chairing this event.

Our Can Drive on September 23rd was one of our larger fund raisers. Thank you to all the brothers that helped especially Doug LeRoy for chairing the event!

Our Community Breakfasts are scheduled for September 24th, October 22nd, November 26th and our Breakfast with Santa on December 10th. Please join us for breakfast or volunteer to help!

October we will be busy with our membership drives, open house and 1st and 2nd degrees. We will also congratulate the first baby born at CentraState on Columbus Day, October 12th with a special gift!

On October 13th we will have a Columbus Day Pasta Dinner! All proceeds will support our local charities. On Friday, November 3rd, we will honor our Past Grand Knight, Tom Nevenglowsky for all the work he did this past year.

To end the calendar year we will have a coat drive, blood drive and sell "Keep Christ in Christmas" magnets and cards along with our annual Christmas Trees, Grave blankets and wreaths.

Very busy time of year ahead. Come enjoy, volunteer and help your Brothers.

**Vivat Jesus!**



## CHAPLAIN UPDATE

Great good news !

We now have a new Chaplain. I am happy to announce that he is the Rev. Daniel Gowen of the Co-Cathedral Parish of St. Robert Bellarmine.

The sad news is that because of the limited time he was unable to prepare a message for this Autumn edition. Look forward to the next Compass edition. **Vivat Jesus!**

## COUNCIL EVENTS - Jeff Yoder, DGK

First of all, it will be my pleasure to serve this Council as the Deputy Grand Knight and I am making a pledge that I will do my best to fulfill my responsibilities as your Deputy Grand Knight. Also, congratulations to all of my fellow Officers that are serving this Columbian Year.

Fall and Winter are rapidly approaching, and the council will be buzzing with activities. The Holiday season of Thanksgiving and the celebration of the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ, Christmas, is just around the corner.

We all remember from Grammar School about how Thanksgiving came about. Most of history reflects that in 1621 the Pilgrims in Plymouth shared an Autumn feast with the Wampanoag Indians. In 1789, George Washington, as president of the U. S., proclaimed that the fourth Thursday of November shall be celebrated as a Holiday to give thanks to Our Creator for all that had been given. There is some debate about the actual site of the first Thanksgiving feast and the religious connotations of Thanksgiving. It could not have been named more appropriately, "Thanks", for all that we have and cherish on this earth, and "Giving", which means we are generous to those less fortunate. As Knights, we fulfill this "giving" with Charity, the theme of our First Degree.

From Google, The word "Christmas" is derived from the middle English word "Christemasse" or "Christesaesse" and first recorded in the year 1038. "Christmas" is the shortened form of the above and simply means "Christ's Mass." We celebrate it as the day Christ was born.

Brothers, we have a very busy schedule the next three months, from canning drives, Pasta dinners, Council Breakfasts, sales of Christmas trees, wreaths, and "Keep Christ in Christmas" magnetic decals, all of which raise money for our Charity Fund. We have numerous charities that we support and the more volunteers we get at our fund raisers, the more we have to contribute, so when you see your Brother Knights at work, stop and give us a hand with our fund raisers.

This is wishing all of you and your families a very Festive and Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



## DISTRICT DEPUTY SUPREME KNIGHT - William Horton, Jr.

With the summer behind us now the Councils in District # 22 should be gearing up to bring in new members to our order. October is "Recruitment Month" this year. Make plans with your pastor to hold a presentation from the "Pulpit" and have members cover the doors and hand out pamphlets on information on the Knights of Columbus. If needed, each council is allowed one "Surge Kit" for recruitment at no charge. Call Supreme to order your kit now.

### **Upcoming Degrees are as follows:**

September 15th: Admission & Formation Degree -  
St. Joseph Council Keyport  
October 6th: Knighthood Degree -  
St. Joseph Council Keyport  
October 24th: Admission Degree - Freehold  
October 31st: Formation Degree - Freehold  
December 10th: Patriotic Degree - Cherry Hill  
Until then.

## CULTURE OF LIFE - Roger Zurro

### ARCHBISHOP RIPS DEMOCRATS

PHILADELPHIA, Pennsylvania, September 8, 2017 (LifeSiteNews) – Philadelphia Archbishop Charles Chaput assessed Democratic Senator Dianne Feinstein's now infamous anti-faith insult to judicial nominee Amy Barrett with a skillfully delivered retort in his latest column. Feinstein stood out in a repetitive grilling session Wednesday of Barrett, a Trump nominee for the 7th Circuit Court of Appeals.

Responding to Feinstein's "dogma lives loudly in you" smear of the Catholic law professor, the Philadelphia archbishop turned the tables on Feinstein and pointed to the California senator's fervent abortion support. "The day's signature line came from Democrat Dianne Feinstein," Archbishop Chaput wrote. "The senator worried to Barrett that "dogma lives loudly in you" – this, from a person whose dogmatic decibel level on abortion 'rights' could break windows." Feinstein and other Democratic senators on the Judiciary Committee were fixated in the confirmation hearing on the Catholic faith of Barrett, a distinguished law professor at the University of Notre Dame and the mother of seven.

Senate minority whip Dick Durbin took issue with Barrett's use of the term "orthodox Catholic," asserting it unfairly impugns certain Catholics who hold more liberal views. "Do you consider yourself an orthodox Catholic?", Durbin pressed Barrett (Durbin is a Catholic who supports abortion). But Feinstein's statement, though, struck as the anti-Catholic chord heard across the media. "When you read your speeches, the conclusion one draws is that the dogma lives loudly within you," Feinstein said. "And that's of concern when you come to big issues that large numbers of people have fought for years in this country."

The remark drew immediate criticism along with ridicule for its resemblance of a cryptic line from a Star Wars movie. The concern for "big issues that large numbers of people have fought for for years" Feinstein expressed presumably means so-called abortion "rights." She had similarly grilled Supreme Court nominee

Neil Gorsuch earlier this year, telling Gorsuch the Roe vs. Wade decision had "super precedent," before she questioned him to determine if he agreed that was true.

Feinstein's abortion advocacy has been evident throughout her time in Congress. Her "dogma lives loudly in you" attempt to sully Barrett for her faith roused charges of violation of the constitutional prohibition of a religious litmus test for nominees to government posts. Feinstein and Durbin "came perilously close to applying a religious test" to Barrett, Catholic League President Bill Donohue said in a statement. Donohue wrote open letters to Feinstein and Durbin, telling Feinstein, "No one was fooled by your question. Why didn't you come right out and ask her if she takes her judicial cues from the Vatican? That would have been more honest."

In Archbishop Chaput's column titled "Sex, sanity, and beliefs that 'live loudly' within us," he addressed the current culture war on Christian morals. He said there was a methodical effort playing out to "recast biblical truths as a form of "hate," to reshape public opinion away from those biblical truths, and to silence anyone who stays faithful to Christian teaching on matters of sexual behavior, sexual identity, family and marriage." "The message is simple," Archbishop Chaput wrote. "Conform to the new herd dogmas or enjoy the consequences."

He then noted how in the confirmation hearing Senators repeatedly raised thinly veiled questions about Barrett's suitability to serve linked to her Catholic faith, before delivering the zinger assessment of Feinstein's "dogmatic decibel level on abortion "rights." Archbishop Chaput concluded: "Here's the thought - a great many faithful Christians still do let their convictions 'live loudly' in their hearts and actions. It's called witness. What it takes is a little courage. So maybe they - and all the rest of us who seek to follow Jesus Christ - should turn up the volume." **Vivat Jesus!**

### COME ON DOWN!

Your Knights of Columbus Freehold Council Lounge has now reopened on Saturdays and Sundays from 1 pm to 7 pm.

**Join your Brothers and bring your friends.**

Two large screen TV's to enjoy all the action of our Direct TV NFL Ticket



(from left to right) Jim Brown & Tom Nevengloski receive plaques for jobs well done from new Grand Knight, Gino Iacovella at the July meeting.

# **FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT - George Ferriso**

As 2017 winds down, [already!] membership at this writing stands at 444 members.

**DUES INVOICES: YES** this is the time of the year that I will be sending out dues notices. If we have an email address on file for you, please check your email the first or second week of December. You will receive an **Electronic Invoice** with the Subject line **"Dues Notice for Council 1672"**. If we have no email address on file please check your mail box around the same time, you will receive a paper invoice via the Post Office. The email saves our council a considerable amount of money! The collection of dues is a large expense to our council. Please pay your dues by January 31, 2018 to avoid a second invoice going out. Like last year, anyone paying after 1/31/18 will be assessed a \$5.00 Administration fee to cover the extra cost of time,

paper, ink, envelopes and postage. The dues can be mailed to my home 361 Colgate Way, Freehold, NJ 07728, given to me personally or dropped in the Council Mailbox addressed, Attn: George F. You can also pay multiple years if you choose. Those members that have prepaid in 2017 along with all Honorary Life members will receive their member cards in the beginning of December.

As always we are STILL missing or have incorrect phone numbers from a lot of members. Please notify me of a change of address, email or phone number. I can be reached at 732 780-4815, gfgman@gmail.com if you have a computer; or 361 Colgate Way, Freehold. In addition you could also drop a note in the mailbox in the front of the council and put "George F" on it. I will get the information! Please get me your changes and let me hear from you!

## **SCAM ALLERT NOTICE**

There is New Social Security Scam making the rounds

Someone posing as a Social Security Administration (SSA) employee, calls from a phone number with a 323 area code. In some cases, the swindler tells victims they are due a 1.7 percent cost-of-living adjustment increase in their Social Security benefits.

The impersonator then asks the victim to verify all of his or her personal information, including name, date of birth and Social Security number, in order to receive the increase. If the impostor is able to acquire this data, the person can use it to contact the SSA and request changes to the victim's direct deposit, address and phone information.

According to the warning, the SSA will sometimes

reach out to citizens by phone for customer service purposes, but the agency's reps will **not** ask for personal information this way. Anyone who receives a suspicious call is encouraged to report it to the Office of the Inspector General at 1-800-269-0271 or online via <https://oig.ssa.gov/report>.

Citizens should always be cautious and **never** provide information such as SSN and bank account numbers to unknown individuals over the phone or the internet unless they are absolutely certain of who is receiving these personal details.

"You must be very confident that the source is the correct business party and your information will be secure after you release it."

Joseph Virgilio, *Advocate*



**SANTA DAY**

Kid's Christmas Party  
 Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> 2:00 - 4:00 pm  
 Children 10 and under - \$10.00 donation per child  
 Please sign up by Saturday, November 25<sup>th</sup>



Sign up in the lounge in the Council Hall after November 5<sup>th</sup>.  
 Please pay as you sign up. Leave money or check in envelope with child's name and amount.

## **COLUMBIAN CLUB CHANGES - John Favorito, Pres.**

Worthy Brothers, in the past year or so Supreme has been pushing for a complete separation between Councils and home corporations. I am happy to say that we have completed the separation. So what does this mean. Well first of all, IRS rules state that we have to collect membership dues. At the August meeting, the board voted that a modest \$10.00 per year membership due be applied. In the past, if you were a member of the Knights of Columbus you were a member of the Columbian Club. That is no longer the case. If you wish to attend our meetings you must be a member of the Columbian Club. Because the Knights of Columbus is our biggest tenant and has an important stake in the operation of this facility, we have decided that one must be a member of the Columbian Club and a member of the Knights of Columbus to vote in our elections. Also, one of the perks in the past was the discounted hall rental. Going forward, you must be a member of the Knights of Columbus as well as the Columbian Club to enjoy that discount. The Columbian Club is also a charitable organization. We shall also have a separate charity account with donations being made

to causes that the membership will discuss and upon which the board will vote. Worthy Brothers, this is being done to comply with the powers that be.

The Columbian Club is our home. Some members say that the Council should be at the church. I just don't think the Council would have the same flexibility at the Church as they enjoy here at the Freehold Columbian Club.

In the upcoming 2017-2018 fiscal year, I hope to have everyone's support as you gave the board and I several years ago, in order to keep improving our home for all of us to enjoy. I would also like to thank Mr. Fred Trotter for his leadership and hard work in making our home one of which we can be proud. Mr. Peter Weber, house Chairman, will be handing over the baton to Kevin Hurley, Rick Scott, and Roger Zurro. These gentlemen will be our new house committee. I would like to thank Peter for his years of service - a job well done. Also, many, many thanks to all the trustees and volunteers for all their work and enthusiasm without which none of this would be possible.

## **ADVOCATES MESSAGE - Joseph Virgilio**

The Advocate Officer's assignment is one of the lesser known positions of a council. He is elected by the members of the Council.

His ceremonial jewel consists of a Scroll and Sword suspended from a yellow ribbon. The Scroll represents the legal literature and law, and the Sword represents his authority to enforce those Laws. The Advocate's ceremonial officer robe is black, trimmed with golden yellow. He wears a yellow cincture with silver fringe.

The Advocate functions as is the parliamentarian for the council. He need not be a member of the legal profession, however he should be thoroughly familiar with: All of the laws of the Order, Council Charter and By-Laws.

Whenever the by-laws are to be revised, the Advocate serves as chairman of the revision committee. The Advocate should serve as the council's surrogate attorney representation in case of trial and investigation of any matter of ethical concern or of Improprieties to the council.

The Advocate also oversees protocol, He Ensures that the officers' of the council operate within the guidelines of their assignments during meetings in



strict accordance with the Charter, Constitution and Laws of the Knights of Columbus, supplemented by the council by-laws and according to parliamentary procedures.

The Knights of Columbus Protocol Handbook defines protocol as the rigid code setting forth the degree of obedience, the order of precedence, and the rules of official and social behavior.

The advocate should have a working knowledge of the Supreme Council flyer, "*Methods of Conducting a Council Meeting*" and "*Robert's Rules of Order*".

*Robert's Rules of Order* is a manual of rules of order for deliberative assemblies. This is a standard and authoritative source. It should be consulted when there are concerns regarding detailed points of order. In matters of interpretations of standards the Advocate can use as sources of information outside of the council the State, District Deputy and the State Advocate.

Lastly the Advocate is a teacher, imparting his experience and knowledge to fellow council officers and brothers.

## NEW LOOK FOR FOURTH DEGREE



New Fourth Degree Uniform

masters urge all Fourth Degree members to put the good of the Order before any personal preference.

The board decided to make this move based on the following factors:

- ◆ Age of the Fourth Degree membership
- ◆ The slow growth of the Fourth Degree (*fewer than 20% of Knights are Fourth Degree & only a fraction of that number serve as honor guards*)
- ◆ Consistent reports that the old regalia presented a barrier to Fourth Degree membership, especially among younger men.

Ceremonial swords will continue to be part of the new attire. When swords are used, white gloves should be worn.

The Knights of Columbus board of directors unanimously voted to adopt a new uniform for the Fourth Degree. The decision was made with the good of the entire Order in mind. While we understand that some members may prefer the old regalia, the supreme master and vice supreme

Rank will be distinguished by colored patches worn on the beret behind the Fourth Degree emblem.

Members who purchased the old regalia after 5/1/17 can submit their receipt along with their membership number to [regaliacredit@koc.org](mailto:regaliacredit@koc.org). Information will be sent to that member on how to receive a \$200 credit toward the new uniform.

The old regalia can be worn until the end of the current fraternal year, 6/30/18.

For years, supreme officers & directors have received comments from members & prospective members that the old regalia was a barrier to membership overall, or to membership in the Fourth Degree.

At the convention, the Good of the Order Committee stated: "We commend all the faithful Sir Knights who have proudly worn the Forth Degree regalia bringing much respect to the Order. With the new Fourth Degree uniform, recently approved by the Board of Directors, this honor and respect associated with Sir Knights will remain, and it will open the door more widely for a new generation to join their ranks. In the spirit of unity let us assist with a smooth transition to this new uniform and encourage it to be worn with great dignity and pride."

## ST. ROSE CARNIVAL PHOTOS



## A NOTE OF THANKS

Dear Knights of Columbus Council 1672,

Over the past several years I have been honored to be requested to assist with judging your annual Essay Contest. The contest requires 8<sup>th</sup> graders to delve into and share their beliefs regarding their role as Christians in today's society. Without a doubt, this is truly a soul-searching task for the young participants, yet they undertake it wholeheartedly. Reading, evaluating, and ultimately judging their entries has given me a vision of hope for the Church, as they truly represent Her future. Thank you to Michael La Rosa and the

entire Council for allowing me to participate and share in this project, and for the invitation to the award presentation breakfast. It was a pleasure to see and speak with many of the Knights who work tirelessly volunteering their time and talents. And congratulations once again to Madeline Young, Sunny Decker and Scott Welsh for their extraordinary essays!!

Yours truly,

**Patricia Masterson**

## **AUTUMN 2017 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Time</b>
<b>OCTOBER</b>			
4	4th Degree Meeting - Assembly 650	Lounge Side Room	8PM
7 & 8	Membership Drive	St. Robert Bellarmine	All Masses
<b>9</b>	<b>Columbus Day</b> (Observed)		
10	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
12	Columbus Day Baby	CentraState Hospital	
13	Columbus Day Pasta Dinner	Council Main Hall	7 pm - 11 pm
14 & 15	Membership Drive	St. Rose of Lima	All Masses
17	Open House	Council Main Hall	8 pm
18	Columbian Club Meeting	Lounge Side Room	8 pm
22	Monthly Community Breakfast	Council Main Hall	8 am - 11:30 am
24	First Degree Exemplification	Council Main Hall	8 pm
31	Second Degree Exemplification	Council Main Hall	8 pm
<b>NOVEMBER</b>			
<b>1</b>	<b>All Saints Day</b>		
1	4th Degree Meeting - Assembly 650	Lounge Side Room	8 pm
<b>2</b>	<b>All Souls Day</b>		
3	PGK Dinner for Tom Nevenglosky	Council Main Hall	7 pm - ?
<b>7</b>	<b>Election Day</b>		
10	Council Mass for Departed Brothers	Council Main Hall	8 pm
<b>11</b>	<b>Veterans Day</b>		
14	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
15	Columbian Club Meeting	Lounge Side Room	8 pm
<b>23</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Day</b>		
27	Decorating Council Hall	Council Main Hall	8 am - completed
26	Monthly Community Breakfast	Council Main Hall	8 am - 11:30.am
28	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
<b>DECEMBER</b>			
2 & 3	Keep Christ in Christmas Fund Drive	St. Rose & St Roberts	All Masses
5	Tree Lighting & Carol Sing Along	Council Main Hall	8 pm
6	4th Degree Meeting - Assembly 650	Lounge Side Room	8 pm
<b>8</b>	<b>Immaculate Conception</b>		
9	K of C Blood Drive	Council Main Hall	8 am - 2 pm
9	Santa Day, Kids Christmas Party	Council Main Hall	2 pm - 4 pm
9 & 10	Christmas Tree / Wreath / Grave Blanket	Council	8 am - 4 pm
10	Community Breakfast w/Santa	Council Main Hall	8 am - 11:30 pm
12	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
19	Coats for Kids Distribution	Council Main Hall	8 pm
20	Columbian Club Meeting	Lounge Side Room	8 pm
<b>25</b>	<b>Christmas Day</b>		
26	Council Business Meeting <b>CANCELED</b>	Council Main Hall	8 pm
1/19/2018	<b>IMPORTANT</b> Save a Date - March for Life	Washington, D. C.	All Day

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## **AFTER THOUGHTS - Mike La Rosa**

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**#1-** Congratulations to our new Grand Knight, Gino Iacovella for filing our council's open position for Council Chaplain so quickly. Welcome to the Rev. Daniel F. Gowen. Many good wishes go your way Father. We must also thank Msgr. Sam Sirianni, Pastor of the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine for his permission of allowing Fr. Dan to serve as our Chaplain. We are honored to have your guidance.

**#2-** My thoughts about the Summer of 2017 are mostly that it was filled with Russian election tampering accusations, Obamacare arguments, many protest marches, deadly rip currents, Navy ship accidents, the North Korean threat and then recently, Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, & Jose has captured the headlines. Whew! And that's only in America. We can only thank God that there were no terrorist attacks on our soil. In other words I am glad that Summer's over. So much for forward progress here in the good old USA. We should go backwards in time when we were more respectful, more helpful and more concerned about one another. It seemed that way to me anyhow. I'm really looking forward to the calmer, cooler weather of Autumn,

the kids returning to school and everybody hearing nothing but good news for awhile. A period of time with less stress. At least until 2018. Then watch out! Here come those Congressional elections.

**#3-** We (Marilyn & I) have recently lost a very dear friend and neighbor, you may know of him, Theodore J. Narozanick. In WW-2 he and his company helped liberate the terrible concentration camp, Buchenwald in Germany. After he returned home from the Army, he was elected to the Englishtown Council, and then Mayor of Englishtown. He then became Finance Director for the County of Monmouth, the first County Administrator and was elected to the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders 7 times. He was well respected. Although he was not a Brother Knight, he embodied the same fine principals as our hallowed organization does.

**#4-** There are so many events occurring this Christmas season that I want to remind you to hold onto the handy calendar on page 7 and refer to it often. Don't miss out on any important events.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!**