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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Gino Iacovella GK



Dear Brothers,

I Can't believe the summer is over! Where did it go? The parish picnics are over and our Charity Can Drive was a big success! In October, we begin the busy time of the year at our council.

Our Columbus Day Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, October 13th sponsored by the Columbian Club will provide a great time for everyone! We will also have the drawing for our 50/50 Cash Raffle that evening! Please make sure you buy a ticket! Only 1000 tickets were printed so your odds are very good!

Also, in October, we are planning our Membership Drives and Open House. Please help us recruit new members!

On Friday, October 12th, the actual Columbus Day, the Freehold Council 1672 will again provide a gift card to the First Baby Born on that date in Freehold at CentraState Hospital. This has been a long tradition at our Council.

The relics of St Anthony of Padua will be on display at the Co-Cathedral St. Robert's on Wednesday, October 10th and the relics of St Padre Pio will be there on Tuesday, November 13th. Please put these once in in lifetime events on your calendar!

In December we will be selling our "Keep Christ in Christmas" magnets and signs plus fresh cut Christmas trees, wreaths and grave blankets to benefit our Charity fund. We will also have our Blood drive at the Council on Saturday, December 8th! Last year over 60 pints of blood were donated!

This is a wonderful time of the year! Give back to your community and support the Knights of Columbus at the same time!

On another important note, please pray for the victims of the abused by our priests of our church. May God bless them always and may our church leaders rid of us of the abusers.
Amen!

To all you Council Officers and Brothers and all of your families, my very best wishes for a Happy and Holy Merry Christmas and a Happy and Blessed 2019!!

Proud to be a Knight of Columbus!

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE - Deacon Drew Luhman

He Didn't Quit

In the last issue of the Compass I told the story of a single-parent mother, full time employee raising two elementary school aged children all the while battling the ravages of cancer. Her true-life experience focused on two crucial characteristics/traits that one must possess if she/he was to successfully navigate their life experience here on earth. These characteristics/traits are faith and perseverance. Today we are sharing another true-life experience that focuses on both characteristics/traits and devotional love towards one another. There are two great commandments not included in the Decalogue, the Ten Commandments, from which the Ten Commandments hang. The second of these two great commandments teaches us that we are to love others as we love ourselves while tending to their needs before our own; in other words we are to model our behavior after the way Jesus lived His human life.

Author Max Lucado in his daily prayer book entitled

"Grace for the Moment", Volume II, related the following incident that took place 17 years ago at the scene of the Twin Towers: Lee Ielpi is a retired firefighter, a New York City firefighter. He gave 26 years to the city. But on that September in 2001, he gave much more. He gave his son, Jonathan Ielpi, who was also a NYC firefighter, as well. When the Twin Towers fell, he was there!

Firefighters are loyal clan. When one perishes in the line of duty, the body is left where it is until a firefighter who knows the person can come and quite literally pick it up. Lee made the discovery of his son's body his personal mission. He dug daily with dozens of others at the sixteen-acre graveyard. On Tuesday, December 11, three months after the disaster, his son was found. And Lee was there to carry him out.

The father didn't quit. Why? Because the love of his son was greater than the pain of the search. Can't the same be said about Christ? Why didn't He quit? Because the love of His children (us: past, present and future) was greater than the pain of the journey.

As reported by the print news media this was a love worth giving!

COLOR CORPS NEWS - David Ritchie

Very good news to report on. Last Tuesday, September 4, Grand Knight Gino Iacovella and I met with Monsignor Sirianni about three call outs that he would like the Color Corps to participate in. Each of them will be held at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine in Freehold, New Jersey.

The first, Visitation of the Relics of St. Anthony of Padua, will be held on Wednesday, October 10, 2018. There will be two Masses, one at 9:00 am and one at 7:00 pm. The Bishop David O'Connell is scheduled to be presiding at the 7:00 pm Mass. Monsignor has asked the Color Corps to have an Honor Guard at the Relic Shrine from 9:00 am until 6:30 pm. Monsignor & I are working out those details and options. I will forward an email out to the 4th Degree Members as those are finalized.

The second call out, Visitation of First Class Relics of St. Padre Pio, will be held on Tuesday, November 13, 2018. Monsignor didn't have the schedule for the Masses, I will send out the information when I am aware of it. Again, Monsignor has asked the Color Corps to have an Honor Guard at the Relic Shrine from 10:30 am

until 6:30 pm. Monsignor & I are working out those details and options. I will forward an email out to the 4th Degree Members as those are finalized.

The third call out, Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe will be held sometime during the week of November 25, 2018. As more information is provided, I will share that with everyone.

Also, I want to inform everyone about the new uniform of the Color Corps. A few of us, Officers of the 4th Degree, attended the Fall Master's/ Navigators Meeting held on August 25, 2018. We were told that the current Regalia will be retired on June 30, 2019. The Official Uniform of the 4th Degree is the new uniform. For those 4th Degree and 3rd Degree Members, who have been reluctant to join the Color Corps, I am asking you to please consider it now. You do **not** need to buy a tuxedo, just the new uniform which consists of the blazer and trousers, etc. will be sufficient. As Color Corps Commander, we need more participation to show our support of the Catholic Church at all functions. Vivat Jesus,

CULTURE OF LIFE - Roger Zurro

Support the Child Welfare Provider Inclusion Act: Contact your Representative & Senators today!

The federal Child Welfare Provider Inclusion Act (H.R. 1881 / S. 811) would prevent government discrimination against faith-based child welfare service providers, including adoption and foster care agencies. This legislation is vital to ensure Catholic and other faith-based organizations have the space to serve children and families in God's love through adoption and foster care services. These services are especially needed today. The opioid crisis is putting a strain on the foster care system. Yet while more children are waiting to be placed in families, faith-based child welfare providers are being targeted for closures because of their religious convictions. The number of children in need is going up. The number of families willing to take the children into their homes is going down. Faith-based adoption and foster care providers must be included in any serious approach to keeping kids first.

Background The Child Welfare Provider Inclusion Act (CWPIA) prevents faith-based child welfare service providers from being targeted by government discrimination. The Act would prohibit the federal government and any state that receives certain federal funding from discriminating against child welfare service providers on the basis that they

decline to provide a child welfare service that conflicts with their sincerely held religious beliefs or moral convictions. The Inclusion Act is needed because child welfare service providers are being discriminated against because of their sincerely held religious beliefs and moral convictions. For example, certain religiously - affiliated charities in Massachusetts, Illinois, California, and the District of Columbia have had to stop adoption and foster care services because of requirements imposed upon them to place children in households headed by two persons of the same sex. Also, women and men who want to place their children for adoption should be free to choose from a diversity of adoption agencies, including those that share the parents' religious beliefs and moral convictions. The Inclusion Act recognizes and respects this parental choice. The Inclusion Act was introduced in April of 2017 in both the House (H.R. 1881) and the Senate (S. 811) and is now in the Subcommittee on Human Resources under the Ways and Means Committee.

To send a message to your U.S. senators and representatives to co-sponsor and support the federal Child Welfare Provider Inclusion Act, go to: <https://www.votervoice.net/USCCB/home>.

Enter your personal information and click on "Send Message". That's all there is to it!

COUNCIL EVENTS - Jeff Yoder, DGK

Once again, it will be my pleasure to serve the Council as the Chancellor. The Holiday Season is approaching and the Council will be at "full speed ahead" with many activities. I cannot over emphasize the need to get involved with our activities, even if it's for a fund raiser after a Mass, or one or two hours at another fund raiser or event at the Council Hall. Keep checking your e-mails from our Grand Knight messages and support our Council as much as you can.

It is also very important to support any Columbian Club events and fund raising 50/50 raffles. These endeavors pay the bills for the building that houses our Council.

Congratulations and Thanks to Gino Iacovella for taking on the position of Grand Knight for another

year. Congratulations and thanks to Brian Barrett for taking the helm of Deputy Grand Knight. Thanks and congratulations for all of the Brother Knights in assuming the other very important Officer positions.



FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT - George Ferriso

I want to first thank all my fellow brothers for allowing me to serve as your Financial Secretary for another 3 year term!

Since this is the last issue of the Compass for the calendar year 2018, I will discuss the new year's (2019) **Dues Invoices** and **Dues** now, and will probably repeat this in the January, February, March Issue.

DUES INVOICES: If we have an email address on file for you, please check your email the first or second week of December. (If you have changed your email since last year and have not notified me, please do so ASAP). 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, 2019 to avoid a second invoice going out. Like last year, anyone paying after 1/31/19 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 2018 along with all Honorary Life members will receive their member cards in the beginning of December.

DUES: Member Dues are the only monies the council receives that are used for the operation of the council. The Per Capita we pay both State

and Supreme is quite substantial and State has also raised their per capita this year. Unfortunately, for the last 3 years we have been averaging a - **\$2,458.56** deficit to run the council. In order to correct this and keep the council financially sound, at the meeting of September 11, 2018 a dues increase was voted on and approved. **The new dues will be \$60.00 per year. Dues have not been increased for the past 9 years** and the cost of operation has risen like everything else. Honorary Life members are still exempt from paying (although we have quite a few HL members that give us a donation!). In addition Honorary members will still pay \$8.80 in dues. This amount is set by Supreme and I have not received any information about that changing at this writing.

I still receive notes from members that they never were notified of the dues notice. As a member of the Knights of Columbus, you should know that you need to pay dues to be a member. For at least the past 6 years, dues notices have gone out the same time of the year – The first or second week of December. PLEASE CHECK YOUR EMAILS OR MAILBOXES.

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!

St. Rose of Lima Parish



Brother Knights chefs serving Raggedy Ann her favorite picnic meal so she can stuff herself

SUMMER PICNICS

Co-Cathedral St. Robert Bellarmine



Brother Knight chefs all set to start preparing some of the picnic bounty to be eaten by the picnickers.

ADVOCATES MESSAGE - Gus Vang



Many of you know me as the parish/school business manager at St. Rose of Lima Parish or as the Treasurer of the Columbian Club of Freehold. I was honored to be appointed to fill the vacant Advocate position at the council. Before I said yes I wanted to understand what is the advocate's role and what kind of jewel I would get.

Advocate

Acts as parliamentarian for the council. Should have a working knowledge of Robert's Rules of Order, Charter, Constitution & Laws, council by-laws, and *Method of Conducting Council Meetings* (#10318)

When needed, will seek legal assistance from the state advocate.

DISTRICT DEPUTY SUPREME KNIGHT - Colin P. Casey

Brothers all,

Welcome to a new Columbian Year! There is much that is new and these are exciting times for us as Knights. First, and most pertinent, is the transition from the "Surge. . .with Service" to the new "Faith in Action" Service Model. Each Council's Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, and Financial Secretary were given a Guidebook at our District Meeting in July. They were also given three jump drives to circulate among council officers, directors, chairs, and members. Should anyone wish to have me email them a copy of the Guidebook, please let me know. This is important as it is the model we are now based upon!

The Freehold 1672 Council did a nice job over the Summer covering their Parish's Annual Fair and rolling out their 50/50 Raffle tickets. I am confident sales will do well leading up to your Spaghetti

Dinner on October 13th!

Remember that select officers (GK, Program Director, Community Director, & Family Director) all need to complete the required Safe Environment Training within 30 days. This is a requirement from Supreme Council and it is mandatory.

I am looking forward to presiding over your Installation of New Officers Ceremony in the near future.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,

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FIELD AGENT'S REPORT - Matt Rusnak

Hello brothers! My name is Matt Rusnak, and I am excited to be a new, first degree member of the Knights of Columbus and your newly appointed Knights of Columbus Field Agent. I live in Howell, NJ with my wife Jennifer and two sons Nicholas and Grayson. We recently moved to New Jersey from

Pennsylvania and are members of the St. Veronica Parish in Howell. If you have any questions regarding any of our insurance products, please email me at matt.usnak@kofc.org or call me at 610-657-0174. I look forward to getting to know you through conversation and fellowship!

COLUMBIAN CLUB NEWS - John Favorito

Worthy Brothers, As we get ready for another exciting year, I would first like to introduce and welcome a new trustee and my Vice President, Daniel Dawidowicz, I am delighted to have the opportunity to work with Dan; to get a fresh perspective and new ideas for the coming year.

We have a long list of family friendly events to look forward to, the first being Italian Night, Saturday, October 13th, complete dinner with live music by Judge & Jury, adults just \$18.00, children under 10 years of age only \$10.00. Also that night we have our 50/50 Cash Raffle. This raffle is one of our most important fund raisers and your help is needed to make it a success. If you have not received your raffle tickets to sell or purchase, please call me at 917 533 6568. Cut out and save the Autumn Calendar on the next page to have the complete list and dates all of the upcoming events.

I would like to thank all the volunteers that make

our club possible; my Monday morning cleaning crew, hospitality crew, the bartenders, bar manager, event scheduler, security, and the trustees. A special "thank you" to Peter Weber, who's been my house manager for many, many years. Peter was truly dedicated to the job. Whatever was asked of him, was never refused. Peter has handed over the baton to James Gallagher. Jim has stepped in to take on this difficult position as well as movie night. I am confident that he will do this job as professionally as Peter did.

In closing, the Columbian Club is the home of the Freehold Knights of Columbus, Council 1672. It is important that all members of the council get involved and give us your thoughts, some new ideas, so that we can keep the Club fresh and exciting, keeping it an organization and a facility that you are proud to be a part of.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS - Larry Slawson

Council 1672 will once again conduct our annual "Keep Christ in Christmas" charity fundraiser at all of the St. Rose of Lima and Co-Cathedral St. Robert Bellarmine masses the weekend of December 1st and December 2nd, 2018. In addition to several types of car magnets, we will be selling Christmas Cards, Christmas ornaments, lawn signs and other related items – all with the theme "Keep Christ in Christmas". Both Parishes, both English and Spanish speaking, have generously supported this fundraiser each and every year.

Our gross profit the last two years was right in the neighborhood of \$1,900.00, which (according to my rather hazy research) is the Council 1672 all-time profit record for this fundraiser. With the help of an even larger number of enthusiastic Brother Knights this year, there can be little doubt



that our 2018 KCIC sale will set the new mark of a record profit in excess of \$2,000.00 to add to our charity fund account! The key is to cover every door both before and after every Mass. For that we need a dedicated team effort.

Please feel free to contact me, KCIC Team Leader, Larry Slawson, phone: (908) 216 - 0146 or email: lfsaia@optonline.net if you want to be part of the team that sets the new mark (remember, there is no "I" in "team"). Just give me a call, send me a text or fire off an email – all I need to know is the mass times and church that you are available to help both before and after that mass. Thanks in advance for the quick fill-up of my sign-up sheet, and for helping our Council spread the message of the importance of "Keeping Christ in Christmas"!

AUTUMN CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	ITEM	LOCATION	TIME
OCTOBER			
3	4th Degree Meeting-Assembly 650	Side Room - Lounge	8 pm
6 & 7	50/50 Raffle Sale	St Rose of Lima Church	All Masses
6 & 7	Membership Drive	Co-Cathedral of St Roberts	All Masses
8	Columbus Day Observed		
9	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
10	St Anthony of Padua Relics	Co-Cathedral of St Roberts	9 am to 7 pm
12	Columbus Day Baby-First Born in Freehold	CentraState Hospital	
13	Columbus Day Spaghetti 50/50 Dinner	Council Main Hall	7 pm to 11 pm
13 & 14	Membership Drive	St. Rose Church & Chapel	All Masses
16	Open House	Council Main Hall	8 pm
17	Columbian Club Meeting	Side Room - Lounge	8 pm
23	First & 2nd Degree Exemplification	Council Main Hall	8 pm
27	Our Lady of Guadalupe Torch Run	Co-Cathedral of St Roberts	4:30 pm
28	Community Breakfast	Council Main Hall	8 am to 11:30 pm
31	Halloween		
NOVEMBER			
1	All Saints Day		
2	All Souls Day		
4	Daylights Savings Time ends		
6	Election Day		
7	4th Degree Meeting-Assembly 650	Side Room - Lounge	8 pm
11	4th Degree Exemplification	Tropicana Hotel-Atlantic City	TBA
11	Veteran's Day		
12	Veteran's Day Observed		
13	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
13	St Padre Pio Relics	Co-Cathedral of St Roberts	TBA
16	Council Mass for Departed Brothers	Council Main Hall	8 pm
21	Columbian Club Meeting	Side Room - Lounge	8 pm
22	Thanksgiving Day		
23	Black Friday		
25	Community Breakfast	Council Main Hall	8 am to 11:30 pm
27	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
DECEMBER			
1	Council Hall Decorations	Council Main Hall	9 am to Noon
1 & 2	Keep Christ in Christmas Magnet Sale	St. Rose Parish & St Roberts	All Masses
5	Tree Lighting & Carol Sing Along	Council Main Hall	8 pm
5	4th Degree Meeting-Assembly 650	Side Room - Council	8 pm
8	Immaculate Conception		
8	K of C Blood Drive	Council Main Hall	8 am to 2 pm
8	Gifts from Santa Party	Downstairs near bar	TBA
8 & 9	Christmas Tree, Wreath & Grave Blanket Sale	Council	8 am to 4 pm
11	Council Business Meeting	Council Main Hall	8 pm
18	Coats for Kids	Council Main Hall	8 pm
19	Columbian Club Meeting	Side Room - Council	8 pm
23	Community Breakfast w/Santa	Council Main Hall	8 am to 11:30 am
25	Christmas Day		
25	Council Business Meeting IMPORTANT	Council Main Hall CANCELED	8 pm
1/18/2019	Save a Date - March For Life	Washington, D. C.	All Day

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AFTER THOUGHTS - Mike La Rosa

This is a first for me. I would like to recommend a paperback book / diary for you to read. I think once you start reading it you will find it not only astonishing and interesting but also eerie, thought provoking, yet comforting. It has quite a title, "*Our Lady's Message of Mercy to the World*". You do not read this book by starting on page one and stopping on the last page. But you start by saying a prayer, any prayer, then opening the book to any page. On that page to the left you'll find a phrase from the Blessed Mother, then you locate the phrase on the next page or sometimes the preceding page and read the paragraph from the Blessed Mother. Typically it's instructions or information from her or her beloved Son that will help you with your problem or situation of concern that you have to deal with. I received my copy from a very close friend and now I start every single day learning the Blessed Mother's advice / wisdom. You would think that reading a short paragraph should take at the most maybe a minute? In most every case I have found that her message pertains directly to my situation. (*I've had a few this year that I will not detail*). So I find myself reading it over and over and over,

amazed at how well she knows me and wants to help me. That's the eerie part. My advice, if you have any concerns at all about any matter, get yourself a copy.



2018 has been a very tough year for me, but with the help from you Brothers out there, I'm doing much better. So it is from the bottom of my heart that I wish all of you and your families the **Holiest and Merriest Christmas ever and a great Happy New Year!**