

The Meadowlands Patriot

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We Have Entered the Last Quarter of the Year !!!

Faithful Navigator's Message!

Worthy Sir Knights,

"Christ is Risen,
He is truly Risen!"
These were the words we spoke on the Holy Day of Easter. We saw families coming to Church, Women, Men and Children wearing their new Spring clothing. You could see the anticipation in some of the children's faces as they were excited to return home to look for the eggs and candy left by the Easter Bunny. I spoke to several families who were excited to spend time together, later in the day to celebrate with a nice Ham Dinner with all of the trimmings.

However, when we gathered around the table, I know that we as Sir Knights didn't forget to thank God for all that He has given to us, our families and our friends. We need to be thankful for all the little gifts that He has given us through prayer. He sacrificed His only Son on the cross for our Salvation and brought us into His family.



Sir Knights, We are in the home stretch of our Fraternal Year. At our next meeting, we will begin our nominations for our Sir Knights, who will take up the call to step up into positions of leadership within our Assembly. I encourage our newest Sir Knights to take on this challenge and become active in our Assembly. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me if you are interested.

We had a great Fraternal Year and I'm looking forward to the future. I am very proud of everyone of you. What an honor it is to be a Sir Knight. Let us continue in all of our great works!

Vivat Jesus!

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**PLEASE, send your newsletters
and event notices to the F.N. at
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A Message from the Supreme Master!



April 16th marks the 108th birthday of Servant of God Father Emil Kapaun, making April an excellent time for both Assemblies and individual Sir Knights to consider contributing to the Order's United in Charity Fund, which provides funding for the Father McGivney Military Chaplain Scholarship Fund. Since 2011, the Order, through your generous support, has contributed more than \$2,000,000 to seminarians studying to become military chaplains.

During my tour in Afghanistan from 2005-2006, the availability of chaplains was scarce. We very seldom had Mass until a nearby German chaplain offered to come every Sunday evening to offer Mass, and this was only for the last few months of my deployment.

When Easter 2006 approached, I prayed that God would send us a chaplain. He answered my prayers, but not in the manner I expected. Imagine my surprise, when the chaplain assigned to us was a Pentecostal preacher and native of the West Indies. Initially, I was disappointed, but I trusted in God's will and not mine. And so, at dawn on Easter Sunday, our camp aglow in a bon fire we had built to illuminate our frosty sunrise service, the chaplain delivered a sermon that remains with me until this day.

He spoke of Mary Magdalene, and Mary, mother of James and Salome, coming to the tomb on that first Easter. In his heavy, emotion filled, Caribbean accent, he spoke of how sad they were as they approached with their oil to anoint Christ's body, saying "They came to the tomb full of grief, surrounded by sorrow, and they came in this manner because they had not listened to Christ's words to them while still living. In essence, they came to the tomb on Easter Sunday as Good Friday people."

And then he asked, "How often do we live our lives as Good Friday people? Ignoring all that Jesus has told and promised us? Let us live instead as Easter people!"

I pray that this Easter finds you filled with joy and living as Easter people! Sadly, my job involves answering far too many letters, calls, and emails from many Brother Sir Knights who continue to live as Good Friday people, too focused on the past to hear God's call in the present to love and serve His Church as the patriotic arm of the Order. For those of you who have embraced the recent changes in the Fourth Degree, I thank you for being examples of Easter people, and this month, I ask that you pray for those Sir Knights who continue to resist change that is nearly a decade old. Remind them that they are loved and valued. Assure them that there is still much work remaining, and that we long for them to rejoin us in the vineyard of the Lord.

God bless you and Happy Easter!
Michael McCuster, Supreme Master

Did you send your dues to Comptroller Neal McGarrity yet? Address is 814 Ninth Street, Secaucus, NJ 07094. Make checks payable to Knights of Columbus.

You can also pay at the meeting!

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Thursday, April 11th at 8 pm-
Membership Mtg. 194 River Rd
at Queen of Peace KofC Hall

Sunday, April 14th - Exemplification
at the Sheraton Hotel

Msgr. Peter B. O' Connor Assembly Needs You !!!

Gentlemen, very shortly we will be involved with another Exemplification such as you attended when you became a Sir Knight. Start asking individuals who are already brother knights to advance themselves and join us in the 4th Degree.

What we also are in need of are Color Corps Members. We, the members of the Color Corps, are the ones who are the visible arm of the Knights of Columbus. Our numbers have dwindled down over the years and we are in need of new members. Our Color Corps is down to 7 members and it is very difficult to cover the activities that we normally cover. We are speaking of Ceremonials at church, Patriotic affairs, Parades, etc. As one Sir Knight said, "you go to church on Sunday what is the

difference which one you go to?" That is because many of our call outs are on a Sunday.

Yes, you must purchase a uniform that costs approx. \$450, but we will reimburse you \$200 from the assembly after you make at least 5 call outs. We will also provide you with a sword and baldric (sword holder). Those, who are Sir Knights, please consider joining the Color Corps and those who are coming into the 4th Degree, please join us.

Vivat Jesus!

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The Color Line at the Bi-Annual Convention


To submit photos or articles for the next issue, please email to SK Charles Schumacher, PFN at: info.kc4d1543@gmail.com before the 30th of the previous month.

Our website is up, mostly!

www.kc4d1543.org

15 PROMISES of Mary
to those who faithfully recite the
HOLY ROSARY

1. Reception of signal graces.
2. Protection and greatest graces.
3. Powerful armor against hell, vice, sin, and heresies.
4. Sanctification of souls.
5. The soul shall not perish.
6. Obtain eternal life.
7. Shall not die without the sacraments.
8. Light of God and the plenitude of His graces.
9. Deliverance from purgatory.
10. High degree of glory in heaven.
11. Obtain all asked by the recitation of the Rosary.
12. Aid for all necessities to those who propagate the rosary.
13. Intercession of the entire celestial court in life and in death.
14. Adoption to the family of Mary and Jesus.
15. Devotion is a great sign of predestination.



Queen of Peace Church
North Arlington, NJ

3RD EASTER
Dinner Dance
CELEBRATION

COME ENJOY!
Buffet Style Dinner | DJ Kontrol | 50/50 Raffle

THE SAN CARLO RESTAURANT
620 STUYVESANT AVE., LYNDHURST, NJ

SATURDAY 6 APRIL 2024 AT 7:00 PM

TICKETS: ADULTS: \$80 - KIDS (3-11) \$35
(UNLIMITED NON-ALCOHOL BEVERAGE & WINE INCLUDED)
(Cash Bar Available)

Come and Support a Fundraiser benefiting our Parish Liturgical Ministry

Arelis (201) 410-6030
Ivonne (201) 312-7194

*Knights of Columbus,
Lyndhurst Council #2396*

Takeout Breakfast




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Order Online to Reserve your Pickup Time

Order Deadline April 3rd, 2024
Orders can be picked up at the requested designated time on April 7th at:
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish Center
146 Copeland Avenue Lyndhurst, NJ 07071
Please consider all neighbors, friends, shut-ins, those without transportation, and add them to your order.

SUNDAY April 7th
Pickup times from 8:30 am - 11:00 am

Each Breakfast Box contains scrambled eggs, sausage, taylor ham, potatoes, and a roll.

\$10 per Breakfast Box

In Honor and Loving Memory of SK Tim Suter, PGK



All proceeds raised will be used towards the K of C, Council 2396 Academic Scholarship, for one 8th grade girl & one boy student who plans to attend a Catholic High School, along with the Sir Knight Tim Suter Catholic Living Award. Each Scholarship is valued at \$1,000 each.

"In Service to One, In Service to All"
Have Questions? Feel free to contact us at (551) 587-8402 for more information.

90's TRICKY TRAY FRIDAY
APRIL 12TH, 2024

Get ready to throw it back! Put on your best 90's outfit and join us for a nostalgic night. Can't wait to see your rad style!

QUEEN OF PEACE AUDITORIUM
21 Church Place
North Arlington, NJ 07031
DOORS OPEN 6:00PM
RAFFLE PULL 7:30PM

DRINKS & FOOD WELCOME!
Must be 18 years or older to enter/participate in event

150+ RAFFLES PRIZES, GIFT CERTIFICATES, ENTERTAINMENT EXPERIENCES, RESTAURANTS, DESIGNER ITEMS, DOOR PRIZES, HOME DECOR, ELECTRONICS AND MUCH MORE!

ADMISSION: \$25
Includes one sheet of Level 1 prizes!

Name: _____ Phone number: _____

I would like to reserve (please specify quantities)
_____ Table of 6 @ \$200 _____ Table of 10 @ \$250 _____ Single ticket @ \$25

Table Reservation Name: _____ Amount Enclosed _____

Student Name(s): _____

Student grade(s): _____



Tricky Trays in the past have been a huge success, thanks to all of YOU.
We look forward to making this our very best yet!!

SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH

The Activities & Events Committee is seeking and now accepting donations for our **Spring Tricky Tray!**

Gifts should be new and \$25 or more. Cash donations are welcome, which will be used to purchase additional prizes.

Please drop off your GIFTS after all Masses in the Gift Shop. Gifts will also be accepted at the Parish Office Mon-Thurs 9am to 3pm, and Fri. 9am to 11am. Should you require a gift pickup, please contact the Parish Office at 201-863-4840.