

The Meadowlands Patriot

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Fall is here, busy, busy, busy!!!

Faithful Navigator's Message!

Worthy Sir Knights,

This month we celebrate the Holy Rosary. Our Lady has revealed to several people that each time they say a Hail Mary they are giving her a beautiful rose and that each complete rosary makes her a crown of roses. The rose is the queen of flowers, and so the rosary is the rose of all devotions and is therefore the most important one. The Holy Rosary is considered a perfect prayer because within it lies the awesome story of our salvation. With the rosary in fact we meditate on the mysteries of joy, of sorrow, of glory and of light of Jesus and Mary. It's a prayer we can all say together with her, the Mother of God.

Vivat Jesus!

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Supreme Master's Message!



On September 9th, I traveled to Poland to meet with our Polish State Council, which was a wonderful opportunity to see the great things our Polish Fourth Degree are doing across the sea.

One part of my trip included a visit to Markowa, Poland, where the Blessed Ulma Family lived.

The Ulmas were a typical Polish family in a rural community. In their town were also Jewish neighbors, and at the height of World War II, Józef and Wiktoria Ulma made the decision to hide their neighbors in their attic. They did so knowing that if caught not only the neighbors but the Ulma family, as well, would be executed.

Józef's bible is in the museum in Markowa where it is open to the parable of the Good Samaritan. At the heading of the passage, in Józef's handwriting, appears one word "Tak", and affirmatively accepted that we must live the parable of the Good Samaritan beyond the pew. More on Pg. 2

He answered "Yes" to God's call to serve, and in March 1944, his fears came true as the entire family was murdered by the Nazis.

To me, Józef is the epitome of the true patriot. The man who knows that patriotism calls us not to flag waving, proudly thumping our chest with patriotic fervor, or trying to quiet the voices of our brothers and sisters in Christ who may not agree with one ideology or another.

The true patriot is the one who lives as a son of God in Heaven. Who knows that we are called to serve even at our own peril, and that we cannot run from the lessons we have heard all our lives, simply discounting them as nice stories from the bible. It is the true patriot who hears God's word, accepts it in his heart, and says "Tak, tak, tak!"

Supreme Master Michael McCusker

A DATE TO REMEMBER

Membership Meeting
Thursday, Oct. 9th at 8 pm
at Queen of Peace KofC Hall
194 River Rd, North Arlington

To submit photos or articles
for the next issue,
please send email to:
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Annual Veterans Breakfast



Sunday, November 9, 2025

after the 9 a.m. Mass (10 a.m.)

Immaculate Conception Church Auditorium
760 Post Place, Secaucus, N. J.

Admission - \$10, Under 12 - \$7, Veterans - Free

Tickets are available at the Parish Gift Shop
or Contact Paul Pinkman, 201-866-8621



**Knights of Columbus,
Lyndhurst Council 2396**

COLUMBUS DAY BEEFSTEAK DINNER

SATURDAY, OCT 11TH | 6:30 PM

Food provided by Nightingale Catering
Beefsteak + Ziti, Dessert, Coffee, Soda & Water

\$60 per person

INCLUDES DINNER
+ 10 PRIZE CHANCES

- 50/50
- Group Seating Available

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146 COPELAND AVENUE, LYNDHURST, NJ

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Installation of Officers with Bishop O'Connor Assembly



Lyndhurst Installation of Officers



**The
Silver
Rose
comes
to
Lyndhurst**



**Parishfest
in Secaucus
for the
Blessed
Mother's
Birthday**



Silver Rose participants





**Oktoberfest
in Secaucus**



**TAPS for 9/11 Observance
at the Memorial to the event**



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