

# KC Quote

## March 2022



Council / District Free Throw Contest



Wild Game Feed for Vocations



Pilgrim Icon of St Joseph with Christ Child

### ***Mount Vernon Council 5998***

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**Please support our Food For Families Program sponsored by Supreme**

**Many food pantries and home-less shelters in the area depend upon our accurate food distribution of donated items. If anyone knows of a larger space that will allow us to sort bread and other donated food products indoors away from inclement weather, please call GK Steve Piscitelli at 703-768-4957**

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Like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter. You can find links on our website ! ! ! !

Note: Scheduled Events may be subject to cancellation at the time of this publication.

For more up to date information on our latest events, access our website at [www.kofc5998.org](http://www.kofc5998.org)

# March 2022

## St Joseph

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b> Shrove Tuesday 6pm @GS & @SL6	<b>2</b> Ash Wednesday  Fast & Abstain	<b>3</b> Council Officers Meeting— 6:30pm, Council Ro- sary 7:30pm, Council Busi- ness Meeting 8-9pm.	<b>4</b> Bingo 7pm	<b>5</b> -Spiritual Reflection Program 730am -Abortion Facility Ro- sary/Prayer 9–12, -Patriotic Rosary 11am. -State Quarterly Meeting @St Leo's
<b>6</b> Sunday Bingo 2pm	<b>7</b> Combined Degree Exemplification 7pm	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Nominatiions Committee: Prepare Slate of Council Of- ficers for Next Fraternal Year	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Bingo 7pm	<b>12</b> -Spiritual Reflec- tion 7:30am Zoom -Abortion Facility Rosary/Prayer 9am– 12 noon -Ladies Meeting in Lounge 12—2pm
<b>13</b> 8am St Louis Pancake Breakfast /Recruiting  DST Spring Forward 1am	<b>14</b> Corporation Business Meeting 7pm	<b>15</b> OYM/ OYW of the year applica- tions are due	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Feast of St Patrick	<b>18</b> Bingo 7pm.	<b>19</b> Feast of St Joseph -Spiritual Reflection Program 7:30am Zoom -Abortion Facility Ro- sary/Prayer 9–12 -Irish Night 7pm
<b>20</b> 730am Good Shepherd Pan- cake Break- fast/ Recruiting 2pm state	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Potomac Assembly Officers Meeting Zoom 730pm	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Bingo 7pm	<b>26</b> Spiritual Reflection Program 730am -Abortion Facility Ro- sary/Prayer 9–12,
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Potomac Assembly Rosary 7pm Business Meeting 730pm	<b>29</b> Vietnam War Memorial Dinner 7pm	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>		

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**CHAPLAIN'S COMPASS**  
*From Our Chaplain*  
**Fr. Thomas Ferguson**  
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Lent: Resolutions and Requests

Ash Wednesday is a lot like New Year's Day – we make **resolutions** to pray, fast, and give alms during the season of Lent; we sometimes fail to fulfill these resolutions perfectly; we may even judge the “success” of Lent by our ability to remain faithful to the plans we make.

The early days of Lent are also a time to think of our **requests**: if Lent is like a retreat, then what are the graces we seek during the coming forty days? As we **pray**, we might ask God for a deeper knowledge of His love for us. As we **fast**, we might ask God to purify our hearts of some sinful or disordered behavior or way of thinking. As we **give alms**, we might ask God for a more generous sensitivity to the needs of those who struggle or suffer, especially people who are poor.

Let us pray that we will experience a “successful” Lent this year, not so much by the perfect fulfillment of our resolutions, but rather by receiving from God the graces we seek as we begin this holy season.

**The McGivney Prayer**

**God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (**here make your request**). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**



## SK GK Stephen Piscitelli offs



Worthy Brothers All,

A warm and happy spring to all. As we approach the Lenten season, we have much to be grateful for and much to offer prayers for. Donna and I would like to express our condolences to the Pugh family who suffered the loss of Bob Pugh who was a pillar of our community. Thanks to Donna and Kathy who setup the hall. We continue praying for the his family who had a wonderful turnout at the Mass and at the reception in our Hall. As Debbie and Larry do so much for the community and for Bingo Operations, It is my privilege to name them Family of the Month for February 2022.

During the past month we had the 7th Annual Wild Game Feed in support of vocations hosted by 2PGK Mike Murphy which was the best attended social this year. Mike also manages the grounds and facility and has taken over the management of the bar. For these and for so many other reasons too numerous to mention, I am naming 2PGK Mike Murphy the Knight of the Month for

February 2022. I'd be remiss if I didn't offer a huge thank you to SK PGK Rob Reynolds and his brother in law Barry Burke who did an excellent job preparing the wild game and Jim McCracken and Marvin Spychaj who prepared the rest of the meal.

Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly has asked that beginning with Ash Wednesday we fast and pray for peace in the world especially for Ukraine. Russians have come out in droves in Moscow to protest the actions of their leaders. And this invasion of Ukraine is a reminder of the tenuous times we live in.

Thanks to our Worthy DD Fred Beata, PGK John Dougherty, and PGK Maurice Chau who were a great help at the Council and District Basketball Free Throw Championships. We will bring our completed forms to State Quarterly Meeting Saturday March 5 in anticipation of the State Free Throw Competition held at Benedictine HS in Richmond on March 19. We are hopeful that some of our Council/District Winners will be successful at that event.

We have a few applicants to judge this month from Good Shepherd and St Louis who are HS Seniors competing for Outstanding Young Man and Woman of the Year Scholarships. We will have photo opportunities later this month when we present the checks to the first and second place winners. Thanks to Norb Jocz and Al Johnson for all their hard work.

We have begun the slate of officer nominations for June Installation. Also I will work with PGKs and Past Corp Presidents to form a Memorandum of Understanding with MVCC. "Pray for Peace and let it begin with me".

We hope to have a great turnout for Irish Night in the lounge on the Feast of St Joseph, Saturday March 19 beginning at 630pm. Please use our sign up genius to RSVP NLT March 11 so we can get ahead of the run on Irish food in the stores. The ladies are meeting the morning of the 5th to bake the Irish bread, and if there are extra loaves, we will have have them for sale to interested parties:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0B49A8A82AABF58-knights1>

Pray for Peace.  
Vivat Jesus!  
GK Steve Piscitelli offs

### **A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION IN TIME OF PANDEMIC**

**O Mary, you always brighten our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain while remaining steadfast in faith.**

**O loving Mother, you know what we need, and we are confident you will provide for us as at Cana in Galilee. Intercede for us with your Son Jesus, the Divine Physician, for those who have fallen ill, for those who are vulnerable, and for those who have died. Intercede also for those charged with protecting the health and safety of others and for those who are tending to the sick and seeking a cure.**

**Help us, O Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who took upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows, so as to lead us, through the Cross, to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.**

## **Mount Vernon Columbus Club, Inc.**



**Alex Amari, President, MVCC, Inc.**

Brothers,

For the month of February, Bingo continues its record breaking pace. I again want to thank the dedication and hard work of our Bingo chairman, Larry Dietrick, his wife Debbie and Tim McCauley for our success as well as all of our Bingo and snack bar volunteers.

In regard to our Office modernization and re-organization, the migration to Quickbooks online from our current desktop version is ongoing but has encountered some obstacles, however, the migration should be completed sometime in March. This is part of the effort to move to more efficient processes such as electronic invoicing and on-line bill pay and to get away from generating and mailing over 600 paper checks a year. As mentioned before, our business manager Eileen Young resigned in January and a search for a new business manager is underway.

As part of facilities maintenance and improvement, our new and replacement canopies have been installed. We are now investigating adding signage to the canopies identifying our Council and Assembly. Also, our landscaping contractor, Wade Cutter cleared all of the debris along the southern side of the property behind the fence. I want to thank Brother Mike Murphy, the chair of our Groundskeeping committee for leading that effort. We are also looking into hiring Capitol Properties Management to maintain our facility. This is the same firm that St. Louis Church and School uses to maintain their property and they are very pleased with the results. We are currently evaluating their proposal and will be discussing it at the next Board meeting.

Also, we are currently undergoing an audit of our Bingo operation for the year 2020 from the Office of Charitable and Regulatory Programs and are working to answer their questions.

Our next MVCC Board meeting will be on Monday March 14 at 7PM. Thank you for your support.

Vivat Jesus!

Alessandro V. Amari  
President, MVCC, Inc.

**THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!**





## District Deputy Fred Beata



Brother Knights,

**Membership Director position.** Mount Vernon Council has an important Director opening with the passing of PGK PFN Bob Reynolds. May he rest in Christ's love. Bob was the Council's Membership Director and performed the role with enthusiasm and passion. With his efforts and other Knights, Mt. Vernon joined 17 new members during the previous Columbian Year. With inspiring hope, I am confident a Knight can pick up the mantle for the remaining 2021–2022 Columbian Year (4 months). After your prayerful thought, please contact GK Steve to accept the position.

**Affiliate Membership Program.** We are asking PGKs to work with the GK and FS to clear arrears from our Council roles by selecting candidates for the new Affiliate Membership Program which is offered by Supreme. FS will provide the list of candidates who are in arrears and the PGKs will recommend them to the GK for inclusion in the program.

**State Deputy Car Raffle.** Please remember to purchase a ticket for the SD Car Raffle. The Car/Truck/SUV Raffle benefits the Hematology and Oncology Clinic at the Children's Hospital in Richmond. Tickets are \$20 each and you can click on this link <https://bit.ly/stateraffle> to go right to the Car Raffle site. Thank you for your support.

**Polar Plunge fundraiser for Special Olympics was Successful.** Thanks to those from Council 5998 who supported DGK Mike Argo at the State-wide plunge on February 5, 2022, in Virginia Beach. Donations exceeded the State's goal for your Council.

**Fr. Bader Memorial Scholarship Program** established to engage the critical demographic of graduating High School seniors; and in recognition of the fact that most Councils and Assemblies in the State do not routinely have available sufficient funds to award meaningful scholarships. The Program gives Councils and Assemblies the ability to offer their membership an opportunity to obtain a meaningful scholarship for their first year of higher education. Graduating children and grandchildren of Council members in good standing are eligible to apply for an award. Active members of a Squire or Squire Roses Circle are also eligible regardless of their father's status. The application period ends on 31 March 2022. All details and forms are easily downloadable from State website. <https://vakofc.org/frbaderscholarship/>  
The State POC is Brother Frank Guest. [commodore31@icloud.com](mailto:commodore31@icloud.com)

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,  
Fred Beata  
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## KNIGHT OF THE MONTH – February 2022



### **Knight of the Month – 2PGK Michael J Murphy**

Our Worthy 2PGK Mike Murphy hosted his 7th annual Wild Game Feed benefitting vocations And for his faithful service as grounds and facility manager and now bar manager replacing his good friend Bob Reynolds. (Rock...Paper...Scissors.) He also doubles as our Worthy District Warden for District 13. Congratulations to one of our most consistent active and hard working Knights!



## FAMILY OF THE MONTH– February 2022



### **Family of the Month – Debbie and Larry Dietrick**

They are a light to the community with all their wonderful support to the parish and the Bingo Operations. Debbie's Dad Bob recently passed and she was their rock as they mourned death and celebrated his life. Larry provides tweaks the facility with whatever needs fixing. Congratulations as Family of the Month for February 2022.



## **Upcoming Exemplifications**



Each month the District will take turns with our local councils to host an exemplification for the District. The Next Combined Degree Exemplifications is Feb 8 at Council 11170. Please invite all those who are still 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree members to attend which will advance them to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree. Also, their families are invited to attend as well.

Council 5998 will host an exemplification on March 7 for the District at 7pm at our Council Room. Prior to that, if we recruit new members, they may be read in on our Membership meeting on Thursday March 3.

Also State next Combined Degree March 20 2pm.

**If you are interested and want to participate, please send Finance Secretary William McGuirk an email ([williammcguirk25@gmail.com](mailto:williammcguirk25@gmail.com)) and he will send you the information to register, participate and become a full third degree Knight of our Order.**

Pro-life March - Friday, January 21, 2022

Our group of Knights, along with other attendees, left Good Shepherd Church after eating a hearty breakfast at about 10:00 a.m. the morning of the March. We arrived on the Mall just as Jeanne Mancini was preparing to address all the Marchers. She introduced 22 Congressmen and Congresswoman along with James Lankford, Senator from Oklahoma.

Various pro-life speakers followed including one young man with Down's Syndrome. The last Speaker was Dan Lipinski whose long-held pro-life views led directly to his defeat in the March 2020 Democratic primary in Illinois. Every year he faced a rabid abortion supporter very well-funded by the abortion industry. Two years ago, a female candidate running solely on abortion narrowly defeated him. She is currently being investigated for ethics violations.

When the march started, I broke off from our group so that I could see the Marchers from Christendom college at the front of the line. Constitution Avenue was cleared and a large number of marchers lined the street. One group of abortion supporters started parading on the street prior to the start of the march but motorcycle policemen escorted them to the sidewalk and made sure they stayed off the street. They proceeded to attack pro-lifers verbally calling us Nazis. I told one of them that if we were Nazis, they would be dead by now. Hitler's Brown Shirts, Black Shirts and Gestapo brooked no opposition whatever.

The pro-abortionists continued their verbal assaults from the sidewalk shouting f-bombs and other obscenities. The Washington Post said they were confronting White Nationalists without of course mentioning the obscenities. I did not see any white nationalists or any racists signs. Those being confronted verbally like me had signs such as "Choose Life." and "It's a Baby Not a Choice." The forty or so counter-demonstrators got wide coverage in the Post, almost as much as the 100,000 or so marchers. At least the Post did not waste any print by saying that the pro-lifers and those who attacked the Capitol on January 6th were the same people or allied. They were no pro-life signs on January 6 and our marchers were entirely peaceful. We carried no January 6 signs.

I always like to go the March headquarters during the annual March for Life to see the various pro-life literature and displays. The headquarters this year were at 999 9th St., the Renaissance Hotel. Unfortunately, because of COVID restriction, there were no displays or literature. I headed back to 9th and Constitution and joined the march to the Supreme Court. When I reached First St. NE, I went to the Heritage Foundation on Massachusetts Avenue that always hosts Marchers annually. One of the Catholic churches on the way also provided little snacks to the marchers. We had been provided with snacks at drinks for lunch at Good Shepherd but by 2:30 I was getting hungry. The Heritage Foundation provided more snacks to hungry marchers.

I headed back to the March, walked past the Supreme Court which only had 3 capitol policemen standing in front of three-foot bicycle racks. Again no violence. By then, it was 3:15 and I headed back to our bus where we were meeting at 3:30 p.m.

When we arrived at Good Shepherd parish, we had delicious chili prepared by Chef Marvin. I lost my notes that I took during the march so I will forget some names but I want to thank all those who came, as well as those who marched: John Dougherty, Paul Kayanan and his wife, Gene Maggioncalda and his wife, and Maurice Chau.

Special plaudits go to Rich Hayden who made the arrangements for the buses, the meals and who organized us so that we all made it back in one piece. No easy task. I hope the Council recognizes him as Knight of the Month soon. (BTW Rich Hayden is Council 5998 Knight of the Month for January 2022)

## Wild Game Feed Social and Fundraiser for Vocations



**Ladies Corner** by Donna Piscitelli

**As I write this article, the weather is warming and I was fortunate to spend most of my day outside. Is it just me, or has this winter been colder and longer than usual?**

**We will be baking the Irish bread on Saturday, March 5th, starting at 8:00. If you can come and want to be a part of this, let me know. We will also meet March 12 for our Ladies Luncheon. Brown bag in the lounge. 12:00-2:00. pm. Come early if you would like to help decorate for the Irish night. We will decorate from 10—12.**

**Prayer to St Joseph**

***Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,  
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
To you God entrusted his only Son;  
in you Mary placed her trust;  
with you Christ became man.  
Blessed Joseph, to us too,  
show yourself a father  
and guide us in the path of life.  
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,  
and defend us from from every evil. Amen.***

## **Just thinking . . .**

### **The Day of Ashes**

The Church kicks off Lent with ashes. A black smudge or cross, maybe an inch or two wide and deep, depending upon the priest's technique, is inscribed on foreheads. It is a badge of humility, a reminder to do penance for one's sins.

Most Catholics who go to Church on Ash Wednesday and it seems regular churchgoers turn out in good numbers leave that mark in place throughout the day, announcing their belief to those they meet at work, on the street, or shopping. A few wash the sign away quickly, which is okay by the liturgical lawmakers. But there is some feeling of camaraderie when a TV anchor appears on-screen still adorned with the mark of repentance.

Ashes remind us of the disobedience of Adam and Eve. God meted out, among other punishments such as pain in childbirth, toil for bread, death. This black badge tells us not to forget that we shall return to the ground from which you were taken, for you are dust, and to dust you shall return. [Gn 3: 19]

Blessed palms from the previous year are burned to make the ashes. Other denominations also dispensing ashes are Anglicans, Lutherans, Methodists, Moravians, Nazarenes, and Independent Catholics. Methodists also burn palms from the year before.

Concordia Supply online, which sells Protestant church goods, has, for example, "palm ash for 1000 to add to cart for \$19.99". On Amazon, that amount goes for \$22.88. Also pictured is an "Ash Wednesday Remember That You Are Dust Catholic Lent T-Shirt" for \$18.99. It is black with those words circling a white cross, resembling one that might have been drawn by a priest's thumb.

Lent, as a preparation for Easter, began with the Council of Nicaea in 325, the Church's initial council. That gathering of Church leaders also ordered preparation for Baptism, which declared grievous sinners were to wear sackcloth and have ashes sprinkled on their heads. That practice died out around the 9th century. Early in the 11th century the English Abbot of Eynsham recalled the use of ashes in the Old and New Law and restored them. In 1091, after the Synod of Beneventum, Pope Urban II established the custom for the beginning of Lent.

It is not easy to arrive at the fundamental conception of the liturgical use of ashes, says the Catholic Encyclopedia. The practice is borrowed from the Jews.

The distribution of ashes is a sacramental, meaning a rite declared by the Church, distinct from the seven Sacraments instituted by Christ. Priests administer ashes, says an article on the [catholic.org](http://catholic.org) website, and all are invited to accept the ashes as a visible symbol of penance. Even non-Christians and the excommunicated are welcome to receive the ashes.

Such penance is quite civilized. How many modern Catholics would willingly go about their daily routines after having ash spread over their heads and given sackcloth to replace shirt or blouse?

For the record, The Roman Missal which contains the prayers, biblical reading chant and rubrics for priests celebrating the Mass designates Lent's first day as *dies cinerum*, the day of ashes.





### MARCH BIRTHDAYS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>
George M. Anderson	2	Rev. Lino Rico-Rostro	11
John E. Michals	2	Marcell S. Stirbich	12
Espedto Gasparo	3	Brian P. Rhode	14
Stephan M. Moki	3	Clinton S. Tucker	14
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Anthony G. Magro	4	Paul J. Graham	17
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Tim J. MaCcauley	6	Douglas V. Peed	18
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James J. Mlinarcik	8	Christian N. Braunlich	21
An Binh Nguyen	8	Henry Deramous	21
Gary J. Scaph	8	Eric W. Holland	22
Kenneth L. Powers	9	Michael A. Michell	23
Thomas P. Coyne	10	Joseph F. Caponio	25
Steven E. Harris	10	Steven S. Woznak	28
Richard A Koslow	10	Kevin J. Degnan	29
Victor R. Perez	10	Robert L. McMullan	29
Raymond M. Fleury	11	Michael K. Evans	30



# Prayer List



**The following Brothers, relatives and close friends are in need of your prayers. Please pray for them and the other personal intentions of our Brother Knights.**

**Pray for Brothers and their families who are sick or in need:**

SK Michael and Margaret Argo  
 SK Bruno Bottcher  
 Susana Bottcher, SK Bruno Bottcher's mom  
 SK Bob Botto  
 Lois Bowman  
 Aurora & Ramon Caraq, widow SK David Caraq  
 Henry Chau  
 Patrick Conron  
 Hsu, Becky's parents  
 Johanna and Bill Dietrick, SK Larry Dietrick's parents.  
 SK Ray Duff and Renee Duff  
 Ed and Pat Dzanis  
 SK Carl Eifert, and Bette Jo Eifert  
 Father Wilhelm Ettner  
 Susan Fecher  
 Pat Finn  
 Prayers for Father Tom and Joe Ferguson's father  
 SK Freddie Flowers  
 Brother Bishop Gassis  
 SK PGK Ernie and Connie Graves  
 Dr Fred Grello, Steve Smith's Uncle  
 SK Reyes Guerra  
 Fr Mike Hann, resident of GS  
 Ken Hrechka  
 Magda Holmes, and SK David Holmes  
 Marty Kelly and niece Ashley  
 Tim Kelly's wife Debra  
 SK Kerry McCabe Family  
 Marilyn Kempton, grandmother to PGK Robert K Reynolds  
 SK Robert Kopasz  
 Rich Koslow and Carol Koslow  
 Jim Krebs  
 Fr Stanley Krempa, Retired, Falls Church, VA

Matulich family  
 Carol McCracken, sister-in-law of Jim McCracken  
 Joan Murphy, SK 2PGK Michael Murphy's mother  
 Shelly Myers sister to Marti Kelly (09/20/20)  
 Art McCormick  
 Mike Michell  
 Harriet and SK Christopher Moore  
 Patricia Moran  
 SK David Noone and wife Pat  
 Tofi Owen  
 SK Vic Perez  
 Bob and Rose Pugh, (Debbie Dietrick's mother and father)  
 SK Jeff Petrino  
 SK Bud Powers for health and recovery  
 Padama Reilly, 7, granddaughter PGK Jim Reilly & Janice (tumor of eye)  
 Pam Rubin, wife of SK PGK Larry Clark  
 SK Donald Rogan & Son Donald Rogan Jr  
 Gretchen Reilly, daughter of Janice Reilly  
 SK Fred "Fritz" Scheuren  
 SK Randy Schlosser  
 Sean Sainsbury, grandson of SK John Dougherty  
 Bob Schwenk's niece, (Name?) and her daughter Ariel  
 Paul Kayanan  
 Patty Shanahan of GSCC and friend of Paul Sonosky  
 Amy Snyder niece of Larry Deitrick  
 Cheryl Masaitis-Spychaj, & children Kristin, Charity, Jennifer, & Joseph  
 John and Dorothy Thibeau  
 Nelly Verdosoto, mother of Brother Orly Verdosoto  
 Robert Vermont, father of Dave Vermont, son-in-law of SK Bud Powers  
 Eleanor Wood  
 Christine Zuniga, wife of GK Fred Zuniga, Ft. Belvoir Council  
 Donna Ziant

**Pray for the repose of the souls of our beloved deceased:**



SK Dutch Anderson (2021)	Stephanie Koslow and for Koslow Family (2021)
Jaina Anonuevo, Father Sal's mother(2021)	Melinda Kramer wife of Steven Kramer
Frank Carey (7/20/20)	Edna Lenz, grandmother to Betty Lowman
Maria Ciociola, Jim Batchelder's sister	Mary Mag
Leonard Cuddy (10/18/21)	SK Kerry McCabe (2021)
PGK Joe Deem, friend of PGK Kevin Moran	Tim McCauley's father—Paul McCauley
Paul Doucette (2021)	Paul Mehler (2021)
Joseph Hribar (7/13/21)	SK PFN PGK Robert T Reynolds (2021)
John Karpovich (10/20/20)	James G Winkler (2022)
Jerome L Knittle (2022)	

**May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen..**

To be placed on or taken off of the Prayer List, please contact the editor of the *KC Quote*, Philip Twumasi , ptwumasi\_1@netzero.com Thank you





# Knights of Columbus

## FOURTH DEGREE

*Patriotic degree of the Order.*



Worthy SKs of Potomac Assembly,  
 The next Assembly meetings are scheduled below. Try our new website at  
<https://www.assembly2204.org/>

Patriotism,  
 SK PGK FN Rich Dunbar

\*\* Check our website for the Sign Up Genius for next event.

<u>DAY OF WEEK</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
<u>MAR 2022</u>		
SATURDAY	5	PATRIOTIC ROSARY AT 11:00 AM & ZOOM
SATURDAY	19	ST PATRICK'S PARADE (TENTATIVE)
TUESDAY	22	OFFICERS MEETING AT 7:00 PM - ZOOM
MONDAY	28	BUSINESS MEETING AT 7:00PM & ZOOM
TUESDAY	29	VIETNAM ERA MEMORIAL DINNER 7PM (VFW & 2204)
<u>APR 2022</u>		
SATURDAY	2	PATRIOTIC ROSARY AT 11:00 AM & ZOOM
SATURDAY	9	CHALICE CEREMONY AT BASILICA ST MARY OLD TOWN 8AM
TUESDAY	22	OFFICERS MEETING AT 7:00 PM ZOOM
MONDAY	28	BUSINESS MEETING AT 7:00PM & ZOOM



## A LOOK AHEAD AT THE ACTIVITIES OF—April 2022

April 2022	The Holy Eucharist			
1,8,15,22,29	Friday	7pm	Bingo	Bingo Chairman
9,16,23,30	Saturday	730am 9am-12	Spiritual Reflection Pro Life Rosary Abortion Clinic	SJCK McCormick Pro Life Committee
2	1st Satur- day	11am	Patriotic Rosary at Basilica St Mary Old Town	Potomac Assembly
3	Sunday	2pm	1st Sunday Bingo	Bingo Chairman
7	Thursday	6:30pm 7:30pm 8:00pm	Council Planning Meeting Rosary Council Business Meeting	GK Officers Brothers
9	Saturday	8am	Chalice Ceremony at Basilica St Mary	Potomac Assembly
9	Saturday	9am-12	Ladies Luncheon in Lounge	Ladies
10	Sunday	8am	Palm Sunday	Holy Day
17	Sunday	8am	Easter Sunday	Holy Day
18	Monday	7pm	Corporation Business Meeting	Corporation Board
19	Tuesday	7pm	Potomac Assy Officers Hybrid	2204
23	Saturday	730am	Spiritual Reflection	SJCK
23	Saturday	8am	Altar Server Appreciation at the Hall (Coord with GS & SL)	Family Youth Dir
25	Monday	7pm 730pm	Potomac Assy Rosary Potomac Assy Business Meeting	2204
TBD	TBD	7pm	Council 5998 Hosts Combined Degree Exemplification	Degree Team
TBD	TBD	7pm	Fraternal Benefits Night (Spaghetti Social and Online)	Field Agent

**PLEASE NOTE—Events above are subject to change.**

Knights of Columbus 5998  
Irish Night  
Saturday, March 19, 6:30  
In Lounge

Come join us for traditional Irish fare,  
including Irish soda bread. good drink,  
good music and good family fun.

Door opens 6:30 p.m. Dinner at 7 p.m.

Admission: \_\_\$15\_\_ per person

\_\_\_\$25\_ per couple

children age 2 and under are free

RSVP by March 11 at 703-360-1964 ext 3 or

sign up at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0B49A8A82AABF58-knights1>

