

# KC Quote

## July 2023



Excerpted from [The Precious Blood of Christ](#), Fr. John A. Hardon, S.J.

*Lord Jesus, You became Man in order by your Passion and Death and the draining of your Blood on the Cross, might prove to us how much You, our God, love us. Protect us, dear Jesus, from ever running away from the sight of blood. Strengthen our weak human wills so that we will not only not run away from the cross, but welcome every opportunity to shed our blood in spirit in union with your Precious Blood, so that, dying to ourselves in time we might live with You in Eternity. Amen*

**Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus --see page 23**

***Mount Vernon Council 5998***

**Council Meetings - First and Third Thursday of the Month  
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**Council Calendar** – The Council Calendar is being maintained and is up to date on our Council website. [KofC5998.org](http://KofC5998.org)

Please take a look ahead and mark your calendars for the events you don't want to miss!

**Tip:** On our website you can forward the calendar ahead a month at a time and see what is scheduled for that month!

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)

**Bread For Our Brothers Needs Your Help!!**

Looking for volunteers to collect bread at a depot in Lorton on Wednesday at 12 noon & Saturday at 11am.

Only 1-2 hours. Please call PGK Jim McCracken at (703) 593-4546.

Like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

You can find links on our website [KofC5998.org](http://KofC5998.org)

## July 2023 The Precious Blood of Jesus

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<b>1</b> Patriotic Rosary 11am. (in person/ Zoom).
<b>2</b> First Sunday (No Bingo)	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <i>Independence Day</i>  <i>Annual Bingo with free meal tickets at noon</i>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Officer's Meeting 630 pm, Rosary 7:30 pm Business Meeting 8 pm	<b>7</b> Bingo 7 pm  1st Friday Nocturnal Adoration 11pm Basilica St Mary	<b>8</b> Pro Life Rosary/ Prayer at Sherwood 8 am- noon;  State Meeting in Manassas
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Corporation monthly meeting 7pm	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Planning Meeting For Is He Worthy 7pm	<b>14</b> Bingo 7pm	<b>15</b> Pro Life Rosary/ Prayer Sherwood 8am/ noon
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 2204 Officer's Meeting -7pm zoom  Online Exemplifica- tion State 7pm	<b>19</b> <i>Newsletter articles are due for August</i>	<b>20</b> "Is He Worthy" Pot Luck 6pm	<b>21</b> Bingo 7 pm	<b>22</b> Prolife Rosary at Sherwood 8am -noon
<b>23/</b>	<b>24/</b> 2204 Business Meeting 7pm	<b>25</b> Eucharistic Adora- tion 6 pm, Mass 7 pm at GS	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Bingo 7 pm	<b>29</b> Prolife Rosary at Sherwood 8am -noon
<b>30</b>						

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**CHAPLAIN'S COMPASS**  
*From Our Chaplain*  
*Fr. Thomas Ferguson*



Independence Day

We begin the month of July with our annual celebration of the Independence Day holiday. Each year, this holiday gives us the opportunity to thank God, not only for our independence from the rule of any other foreign country, but also for the gift of the freedom we enjoy to exercise such human rights as religious liberty, freedom of speech, freedom of the press, and freedom of assembly. Our prayers on Independence Day are prayers of gratitude for the freedom we enjoy, prayers for those around the world who do not enjoy these freedoms, and prayers for those who dedicate their lives to preserving and securing these freedoms for us and for so many others.

Let us also pray for the safety of travelers the Independence Day weekend and throughout the month of July, for those who will be reunited with relatives and friends, and for those who are simply seeking moments of rest and recreation and leisure. As we begin the month of July with our Independence Day holiday, may we experience peace in our homes and in our hearts as we are grateful for the peace we are blessed to know in our own country.

**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.**



## Grand Knight SK John Michals



Worthy Brothers,

It is an honor and a privilege to serve as your Grand Knight for Council #5998 for the 2023-24 Fraternal Year. I have some big shoes to fill behind my predecessor, Mike Argo, as well as the many names that hang on the wall outside our Council Room for over 50 years.

My focus on the coming fraternal year will be faith. I would like that to be the centerpiece of what we do. Often, I forget why, or why anyone else does what we do as members of the Knights of Columbus. The bottom line should be that we are serving the Lord through acts of charity. I have had the role as being the “Ceremonial Grand Knight” on both the old and the new degree exemplifications. I have learned so much about the importance of charity, unity, and fraternity from the script I cover.

There are three ways that I would like to focus on faith. First, I would like to continue our third Thursday socials as an opportunity to bring in speakers to discuss a faith related topic after having a splendid pot-luck supper. Second, I would like to look for opportunities to attend Adoration as a group. Good Shepherd has Adoration from 6 – 7 pm Monday – Friday, and I would like to schedule a date when we could attend as brothers. I have not attended Adoration in a long time, but it is something that I hear over and over again that it is a great way to deepen your faith and get closer to Our Lord. I figure that if I write it down and put it in the *Quote*, then I am committing myself to trying. Hopefully, Father Tom is reading this and will hold me to it.

The third thing I would like to try is a program initiated by Supreme Council called Cor. It is Latin for “ad cor loquitur” which means “Heart speaks to the heart.” The Cor initiative creates opportunities for men to deepen their faith. The three pillars of Cor are Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity. I will be working with our District Deputy, Fred Beata, and our Faith Director, Paul Kayanan, to see if this is something that can work for our council.

I would like to thank the brotherhood for giving me the opportunity to lead Council #5998. Sometimes, I will have to make tough decisions. Sometimes, I will not be able to please everyone. But I intend to work with integrity to make sure that we follow Christ through our guiding principles.

If you would like to contact me, I can be reached the following ways: [johnmichals@hotmail.com](mailto:johnmichals@hotmail.com) I also have created a new email that I will use strictly for knights related business [johnmichals5998@gmail.com](mailto:johnmichals5998@gmail.com) My phone number is 703.587.3901, but I am a high school teacher, so remember that I won't answer to phone during the day very often.

I look forward to a great year!

Vivat Jesus

John Michals

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# Mount Vernon Columbus Club, Inc.

SK PGK Robert “Rob” K. Reynolds  
President of Mt Vernon Columbus Club



Brothers, Families, and Friends,

Greetings from the Board of Directors of the Mount Vernon Columbus Club. I am honored to serve as President of the Board for the coming Fraternal/Fiscal year alongside my fellow directors Jason Rastovski (Vice President), Jim McCracken (Treasurer), Maurice Chau (Assistant Treasurer), Eugene Maggioncalda (Secretary), Marvin Spychaj, Mike Murphy, Joe Tiago, and Richard Hayden! We are all grateful that you have chosen us to be your representatives in the operations and management of Bingo, the facility and grounds, and so much else. Together we will continue to guide the Columbus Club in the new year and build on the great work our organization does, which is all made possible through your volunteer service. I would also like to take a moment to express my heartfelt appreciation to my predecessor, SK 2PGK Mike Murphy, for his dedication and tireless efforts in leading our organization this past year.

This was a banner year for the Columbus Club. We donated a record amount of money to charities. We saw improvements in the business office with the addition of Maddie Melendez and DeNise Enck, who have been working closely with Jason and our financial team to modernize and streamline our operations. Their fresh perspectives and attention to detail have set us up for continued success in our operations. Directly related to this is the increase in bookings we have seen for hall rentals, which is a good sign for the future. We also had excellent attendance at our annual meeting. The annual meeting for the Columbus Club in years past struggled to have enough members attend to get a quorum, which is symptomatic of our members not being engaged. It was wonderful to see everyone at this year's meeting where we had about 50 people in total, well beyond quorum. Thank-you to all who attended. I am grateful for the part you have all played in bringing each of these outcomes to fruition, and I hope we can continue that engagement this year.

Donating a combined \$340,000 to over 60 charities doesn't just happen. It is the result of time and energy put into our Bingo Operation by our Bingo team, which is second to none. We have the leadership of people like Larry and Debbie Dietrick and Tim McCauley, the Bingo calling skills of people like Steve Kuhn and Ray Duff, and fantastic floor managers like Joe Tiago, Richard Hayden, and Jim Batchelder. We also have excellent counter workers like Eugene and Linda Magioncalda and Linda Kuhn and fantastic floor workers and pull tab sellers like Pat Conron, Dick Frigon, and Mike Murphy. It's a lot more people than just those I've listed here, and we are blessed to have such a capable cadre of people willing to donate their time to our charitable fundraising.

That being said, the charitable fundraising operations of Bingo could always use more help, especially from Knights and families who have not yet joined the Bingo team. Whether you have been a Knight for years or are just starting your journey with us, there is a place for you to make a significant impact with as little as an hour or two of time each month. Please prayerfully consider joining this important work when you are able to do so. If helping out with Bingo isn't possible for you for the time being, please keep the success of Bingo in your prayers.

I am excited about the year ahead for the Columbus Club as we continue to make a difference in the lives of others through our combined efforts. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Rob Reynolds





July 2023

Mt Vernon Council #5998

## District Deputy Fred Beata



Brothers Knights,

I hope all families of Knights and especially Brother Knight Fathers had a blessed Father's Day this past June 18. Thank you for your influence and strength as a Father or Father-figure. Like Saint Joseph protector of Virgin Mary and baby Jesus, and patron saint of the universal Church, you as a beloved Father protected and guided your family in the Catholic Faith throughout the year.

Congratulations to the newly installed officers of Mt. Vernon Council No. 5998. Under the leadership of your newly installed Grand Knight John Michaels and the council officers, together we'll strengthen parish and family life, and grow the council in membership numbers, charitable outreach, and fraternal activities.

I want to thank our State Deputy Pat Rowland and State Treasurer Bob Jones for their attendance and inspirational speech to all Knights, spouses, and quests during the installation ceremony.

The new Virginia State pin and theme for the Columbian Year is "From Worship Into Service." We worship God when we serve others. Service begins in the heart and then manifests outward in daily life of thoughts, words, and deeds. The Knights of Columbus live and act to fulfill the vision and legacy of our founder, Father Michael J. McGivney.

The pin image below will soon be available for download on the Virginia State website. The pin is offered for purchase at a cost of \$3.00. Please contact GK if you want to purchase.

The following Supreme Training Webinars are available live or prerecorded for viewing later at your convenience. Registration is required via the weblink below. The seminars are an excellent opportunity for officers, directors or members who will step into a leadership role in the future.

### Grand Knight Training:

July 8, 2023, 12:00 PM EDT

[https://goto.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1617987&tp\\_key=b057458f57](https://goto.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1617987&tp_key=b057458f57)

July 11, 2023, 9:00 PM EDT

[https://goto.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1617989&tp\\_key=46b404822a](https://goto.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1617989&tp_key=46b404822a)

### Council Meetings:

July 24, 2023, 10:00 PM EDT

[https://goto.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1617975&tp\\_key=5cfb318fb0](https://goto.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1617975&tp_key=5cfb318fb0)

### Program Planning:

July 13, 2023, 9:00 PM EDT

[https://goto.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1617984&tp\\_key=4ea86ba9e8](https://goto.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1617984&tp_key=4ea86ba9e8)

As your assigned District Deputy, I look forward to serving the Officers and members of the Council. Also, Marlene and I are enthusiastic about joining council members, ladies, and guests in future events and activities.

Vivat Jesus!



Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,  
Fred Beata  
District Deputy 13

## KNIGHT OF THE MONTH – July 2023



**PGK Mike Argo** I would like to thank Mike Argo, now our immediate Past Grand Knight, for leading Council #5998. I appreciate his sense of humor, and his ability to stay level-headed when planning for big events. I also appreciate his tenacity and ability to get things done. For that, Mike is the first Knight of the Month for July in the fraternal year 2023-24.



## FAMILY OF THE MONTH – July 2023

### Mike and Margo Argo



Mike had the support of his wife Margo, who helped him with decorating, countless youth events, and making all of our events just that much more festive. Margo, an elementary school teacher, was able to help despite having a job that requires much more than 40 hours per week to be effective. In addition, she continued the tradition of having our Marih Center baby shower in May, where many items were donated to help mothers in caring for their unborn and newborn children. I look forward to continuing our connection with the Marih Center next spring as well. For these many accomplishments, I would like to recognize Mike and Margo Argo as Family of the Month for July 2023.

## *Upcoming Exemplifications*

Each month the District will take turns with our local councils to host an exemplification for the District. The Next Mt Vernon Council Live Exemplification is July tbd at 630pm. The State will also host a virtual Exemplification on July tbd in the Lounge. Please stay tuned to 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, all the families of the candidates are invited to attend as well. Refreshments will be served.

**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.**

**If you are interested in joining the Fourth Degree please contact Faithful Navigator Joseph Graf**

**Email: [FN@assembly2204.org](mailto:FN@assembly2204.org) Phone: 703-473-0372 Next Fourth Degree Exemplification is Sept 30 in Newport News.**



**JULY 2023 BIRTHDAYS**

<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>
Michael J Guignard	07-01	Mr Rodrigo D Escoto	07-16
Mr Edmundo Berrios	07-02	Stewart E Reed Jr	07-18
Keith W Kettell	07-02	Marvin E Spychaj	07-19
Shawn M Pressley	07-04	George T McNamara	07-21
John G Schmalz	07-04	Philip L Wilkerson Jr	07-21
Paul H Boling	07-07	Joel J Re	07-24
Brian T Whalen	07-10	Bruce D Jones	07-25
Lawrence W Belle Isle	07-11	Timothy W Lucas	07-25
William H Cowardin Jr	07-13	Walter John Blair Iii	07-28
John James Daly	07-14	Kieran J Ferguson	07-29
Michael P Argo	07-15	Matthew A Spierenburg	07-29



**Rosaries for Fathers Day at GS**

**6-18-23**



***Just thinking . . .***

### **The Preposition Proposition**

The world has long remembered President Lincoln's 272 words delivered at Gettysburg in 1863 despite his doubt about their historic endurance. Especially memorable were his concluding words

*. . . that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.*

Those three prepositional phrases predict the perpetual existence of a free nation envisioned by our forefathers nearly two and a half centuries ago when they declared independence from a king's iron hand.

Lincoln has been right up until now. And most Americans agree with his prediction that our democratic republic will persist.

But those prepositions are being challenged. Our form of self-government – of, by, and for the people – needs reaffirming.

We the people must call the shots, not an unelected bureaucracy.

Too many want their government to rule them rather than govern. Many citizens defer to hired servants to do the people's business.

"I'm from the government, and I'm here to help you" distills the fear of bureaucracy.

July, the month when Americans celebrate their country's independence, is an excellent time to remember the blessings of liberty won by a legitimate revolt against royal sovereignty. The Pledge of Allegiance to our flag reminds us we are one nation under God.

The Knights of Columbus began circulating a petition in 1952 to add "under God" to the pledge. That effort fit the Knights' principles of patriotism, unity, and fraternity. President Eisenhower signed a law adding that phrase to the pledge on Flag Day, 1954.

Because the American way is meant to limit the reach of government, citizen vigilance is needed to keep bureaucrats from overstepping their duties, which are assigned by elected representatives and senators. The president's signature makes those congressional decisions law. Then he, as chief executive, is sworn to carry out the laws. He has limited authority to make rules.

Nonetheless, many laws outline the duties of government employees to flesh out legislation with nitty-gritty regulations.

Americans should pray God restrains our government from usurping of, by, and for the people while imposing above, before, and without the people,

Prepositions matter quite a bit.

**Carl Eifert**





## Prayer List



The following Brothers, relatives and close friends are in need of your prayers. Please

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

SK Michael and Margaret Argo  
 Nora Bolger Barry and Anne Bolger's daughter  
 Susana Bottcher, SK Bruno Bottcher's mom  
 Lois Bowman  
 Aurora & Ramon Caraq, widow SK David  
 Henry Chau brother of PGK Maurice Chau  
 Patrick Conron  
 SK PGK John Dougherty  
 Johanna Dietrick, SK Larry Dietrick's mother  
 SK Ray Duff and Renee Duff  
 Ed and Pat Dzanis  
 SK Carl Eifert, and Bette Jo Eifert  
 Joe Emrico  
 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's wife Connie Graves  
 Dr Fred Grello, Steve Smith's Uncle  
 SK Reyes Guerra  
 Fr Mike Hann, resident of GS  
 Field Agent Ralph Heinze  
 Ken Hrechka  
 Becky Hsu wife of SK David—her parents  
 Magda Holmes, and SK David Holmes  
 SK Paul Kayanan  
 Marty Kelly and niece Ashley  
 Tim Kelly's wife Debra broken ribs  
 SK Kerry McCabe Family  
 Marilyn Kempton, grandmother to PGK Robert K Reynold  
 Rich Koslow and Carol Koslow  
 Jim Krebs

Fr Stanley Krempa, Retired, Falls Church, VA  
 CWO4 Shane Leipertz, nephew of SK John Dougherty  
 Matulich family  
 Carol McCracken, sister-in-law of Jim McCracken  
 Joan Murphy, SK 2PGK Michael Murphy's mother  
 Jim & Joann McCracken  
 Shelly Myers sister to Marti Kelly (09/20/20)  
 Art McCormick  
 SK 2PGK Leo & Tanti McCormick & Family  
 Jim McCracken  
 Hannah Michals  
 Mike Michell  
 Harriet and SK Christopher Moore  
 Patricia Moran & mother Helen  
 SK David Noone and wife Pat  
 Tofi Owen  
 SK Vic Perez  
 SK Jeff Petrino  
 Padama Reilly, 7, granddaughter PGK Jim Reilly & Janis (tumor of eye)  
 Brother Alfie Rodriguez rehab  
 Pam Rubin, wife of SK PGK Larry Clark  
 SK PGK Donald Rogan & Son Donald Rogan Jr  
 Gretchen Reilly, daughter of Janice Reilly  
 SK Fred "Fritz" Scheuren  
 SK Randy Schlosser  
 Sean Sansbury, grandson of SK John Dougherty  
 Bob Schwenk's niece, (Name?) and her daughter Ariel  
 Patty Shanahan of GSCC and friend of Paul Sonosky  
 Amy Snyder, Larry Dietrick's niece  
 Cheryl Masaitis-Spychaj, & children Kristin, Charity, & Joseph  
 John and Dorothy Thibeau  
 Philip Twumasi  
 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

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

SK Dutch Anderson (2021)  
Jaina Anonuevo, Father Sal's Mother (2021)  
 Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI (12/31/22)  
 Bruno Bottcher 2022  
Frank Carey (7/20/21)  
Maria Ciociola, Jim Batchelder's sister  
Leonard Cuddy (10/18/21)  
Fr Jerome R Daly 3023  
PGK Joe Deem, friend of PNK Kevin Moran  
Paul Doucette (2021)  
Ernie Graves (2022)

Irene Johnson Wayne's Grandmother (2022)  
John Karpovich (10/20/21)  
Richard Knapp (2023) St Louis friend  
Jerome L. Knittle (2022)  
 SK Robert Kopasz (2023)  
 Stephanie Koslow and for Koslow family (2021)  
 Melinda Kramer, wife of Steven Kramer (2021)  
 Edna Lenz, grandmother to Betty Lowman (2018)  
 Mary Mag  
 Graham Martin Mike Arto's Cousin (2022)  
 Jennifer Masaitis daughter of Cheryl & Marvin Spychaj 2022  
 Connie Moore

**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



MVCC Annual Meeting for Board Elections

6-6-23



Candidates for Three Open Positions, Plus One



# Annual Appreciation Dinner



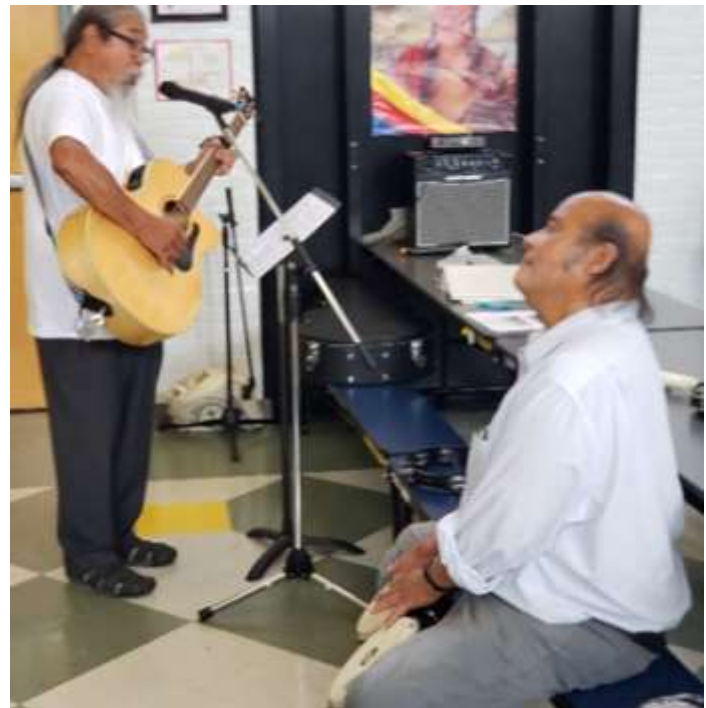
**PROGRAM**  
 6:00 pm  
 Reception  
 6:30 pm  
 Dinner  
 7:00 pm  
 Awards  
 8:00 pm  
 Entertainment  
 9:00 pm  
 Entertainment  
 10:00 pm  
 Entertainment  
 11:00 pm  
 Entertainment  
 12:00 am  
 Entertainment

**Thank you for your dedication and hard work!**  
 2022-2023 Council Officers  
 Grand Knight: Dr. Dan McMillan  
 Deputy Grand Knight: Dr. John McMillan  
 Treasurer: Dr. Dan McMillan  
 Secretary: Dr. Dan McMillan  
 Past Grand Knight: Dr. Dan McMillan  
 Past Deputy Grand Knight: Dr. Dan McMillan  
 Past Treasurer: Dr. Dan McMillan  
 Past Secretary: Dr. Dan McMillan  
 Past Past Grand Knight: Dr. Dan McMillan  
 Past Past Deputy Grand Knight: Dr. Dan McMillan  
 Past Past Treasurer: Dr. Dan McMillan  
 Past Past Secretary: Dr. Dan McMillan  
 Past Past Past Grand Knight: Dr. Dan McMillan  
 Past Past Past Deputy Grand Knight: Dr. Dan McMillan  
 Past Past Past Treasurer: Dr. Dan McMillan  
 Past Past Past Secretary: Dr. Dan McMillan





St Louis Pancake Breakfast June 11



Ian Hixson \$200 for Sprit of St Louis award

Rose Stack \$200 for Sprit of St Louis award

# Corpus Christi 6-11-2023



### Exemplification of new Knights 6-15-23



Congratulations!  
Rich Morgan Council 11170 (left)  
New Candidates 5598:  
Christopher Motta  
William Valle  
Matthew Nichols  
Stephen Hardy  
Fred Cedoz  
Evan Bruccoleri  
Matthew Capristo – reinstatement



Our Council 5598 is now eligible to receive a Double Star Council award for the first time in our history



### New Officers Installation for Council 5598 6-27-23



Ladies Corner

July 2023



Dear Ladies,

We need your support for our new Fraternal Year 2023 to 2024 for all our events to have success in the Lounge and in the Snack Bar.

Please continue to help us as you so generously have in the past. Thank you so very much and

God bless you for all you do.

You are invited to meet with the new GK John Michals on August 12, 2023 from noon to 2pm in the Lounge.

Hope to see all of you there.



## Pro Life Corner, Meet Every Saturday 8am to Noon

Our Pro Life Rosary at Sherwood Hall Avenue next to the Shell Gas Station is featured every Saturday from 8am to 12pm.. Often we have Fr Ferguson from Good Shepherd, Fr OHare from St Louis, or Bishop Burbidge of our Arlington Diocese to lead us in prayer. We have the mobile ultrasound unit available to help women with free ultrasounds to see their babies. For any questions please contact Council 5998 Life Director SK Richard Hayden at 703-967-8147.

### Prayer of St. Faustina

**“O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a Fount of Mercy for us, I trust in You.” —say three times**

### Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

**(Promises Given to Margaret Mary Alacoque)**

**Alacoque said that in her apparitions Jesus promised specific blessings to those who practice devotion to his Sacred Heart.**



- 1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.**
- 2. I will give peace in their families.**
- 3. I will console them in all their troubles.**
- 4. I will be their refuge in life and especially in death.**
- 5. I will abundantly bless all their undertakings.**
- 6. Sinners shall find in my Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.**
- 7. Tepid souls shall become fervent.**
- 8. Fervent souls shall rise speedily to great perfection.**
- 9. I will bless those places wherein the image of My Sacred Heart shall be exposed and venerated.**
- 10. I will give to priests the power to touch the most hardened hearts.**
- 11. Persons who propagate this devotion shall have their names eternally written in my Heart.**
- 12. In the excess of the mercy of my Heart, I promise you that my all powerful love will grant to all those who will receive Communion on the first Friday, for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance: they will not die in my displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments; and my Heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour.**



Knights of Columbus  
**F O U R T H**  
**D E G R E E**  
*Patriotic degree of the Order.*



Worthy Sir Knights, Knights, and Brothers of Mt Vernon Council 5998,

As many of you know, we recently elected our officers for the coming year and I'm honored to have been elected to serve as the Faithful Navigator for Potomac Assembly 2204. For those that may not know, our Assembly includes the Sir Knights of the Fourth Degree of your Council as well as, those of Fitzgerald Council 459 in Old Town and Fort Belvoir Council 11170. Many of our meetings are held in the Mt Vernon Council Chambers on the fourth Monday of the month so easily accessible for those Sir Knights of the Mt Vernon Council that are able to attend!

For those that are not yet members of the Potomac Assembly, have become Third Degree Knights and are wishing to become a Sir Knight, I have great news. A Fourth Degree Exemplification has been scheduled for Saturday, September 30 in Newport News, VA. If you are interested in this opportunity or want information about our Assembly, please feel free to contact me. Also, we have a significant amount of information about the Potomac Assembly at [www.assembly2204.org](http://www.assembly2204.org), which I encourage you to re-view. As the exemplification gets closer, I intend to visit our three Councils in September and we can discuss membership then as well as collect any membership forms. Plenty of time and plenty of opportunities but wanted to get this information out there for your information and planning, if any Knights are interested in the Fourth Degree and becoming a Sir Knight.

I would be remiss if I didn't highlight the upcoming observance of our Nation's Independence Day on July 4th. Patriotism is one of the four core principles of the Knights of Columbus, based on the idea that Knights are loyal to both God and country and believe in standing up for both. Whether it's in public or private, the Knights remind the world that Catholics support their nation and are amongst the greatest citizens. We are the men who have chosen to embrace the Order's fourth principle of patriotism, the men who lead the efforts to reach out to veterans and active military and to embody the fact that one can be a faithful Catholic and also be a faithful citizen. As we enjoy a well-deserved holiday with family and friends, let's also reflect on that principle, what it means, and how we can effectively live our lives the other 364 days of the year as Catholic Gentlemen, Sir Knights and Patriots of our great nation. We can and ... we should.

Again, the best resource for information on Assembly activities and opportunities is our website at [www.assembly2204.org](http://www.assembly2204.org). I encourage you to look at the information there and if it doesn't have what you need, please let me know.

Again, I greatly appreciate the faith and trust that my fellow Sir Knight have given me and the fellow officers of our Assembly for 2023-2024. We look forward to the challenges and opportunities that come with that as we proceed through the coming year.

Patriotism,

SK PGK Joe Graf

Faithful Navigator, Potomac Assembly 2204

Email: [FN@assembly2204.org](mailto:FN@assembly2204.org) Phone: 703-473-0372

**Potomac Assembly New Officers 2023—2024**



- Faithful Navigator Joe Graf**
- Faithful Captain Mark Marchione**
- Faithful Pilot Bill Beach**
- Faithful Scribe Rob Reynolds**
- Faithful Admiral Cliff Conway**
  
- Faithful Friar: Fr. Gregory Thompson,  
St Louis**
- Faithful Comptroller Kevin Palgutt**
- Faithful Purser Fred Beata**
- Faithful Inner Sentinel Maurice Chau**
- Faithful Outer Sentinel Kennan Pallone**
- Faithful Trustee - 3 Year Rich Dunbar**
- Faithful Trustee - 2 Year Larry Clark**
- Faithful Trustee - 1 Year John Dougherty**



# A LOOK AHEAD AT THE ACTIVITIES OF AUGUST 2023

25 KC Quote July 2023

Mt Vernon Council #5998

August 2023	The Immaculate Heart of Mary			
3	Thursday	6:30pm 7:30pm 8:00pm	Officers Meeting Rosary Council Meeting	5998 Officers Faith Director GK and officers
4	First Friday	7pm 11pm	Bingo Nocturnal Adoration at Basilica St Mary	Bingo Chairman Faith Chairman
5	First Saturday	11am	Patriotic Rosary	5998 and 2204
5	Saturday	1pm	Exemplification TBD	Team or State
6	First Sunday	2pm	1st Sunday Bingo	Bingo Chairman
10	Thursday	7pm	Planning meeting for soccer challenge	Youth Support
11	Friday	All Day	St Clare Feast	Poor Clares
11,18,25	Friday	7pm	Bingo	Bingo Chairman
12	Saturday	Noon—2pm	Ladies meet GK John Michals in Lounge	GK, Ladies
12,19,26	Saturday	9am-12	Abortion Facility ProLife Rosary	Life Director
13	Sunday	2pm	Exemplification TBD	State or Degree Team
15	Tuesday	All Day	Feast of Assumption	
20	Sunday	7—11am	GSCC Pancake Breakfast	GS RT
22	Tuesday	7pm	Potomac Assembly Officer's Meeting	Zoom/ individual
22	Tuesday	6pm 7pm	Adoration 6pm at GS followed by Mass 7pm	???
28	Monday	7pm	2204 Assembly Business Meeting	Potomac Assembly

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