

# KNIGHT LIFE



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Make certain to mark your calendars for these upcoming events:

January 6	Monday	Officers Meeting		
January 9	Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup> Degree 7pm		
January 15	Wednesday	Business meeting 8pm		
January 18	Saturday	Free Throw Championship at St Joseph 9am		
January 19	Sunday	Red White & Blue Vets Luncheon 1pm		
	Sunday	Memorial Mass St Joseph Church 9am		
January 24	Friday	March for Life Washington DC 430am		
January 25	Saturday	Italian Night		
January 26	Sunday	Parade Breakfast at St Regis		



## GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

# Brother Knights,

I want to wish all the members of St Regis council, the Knights, Columbiettes and their families far and near, a VERY HAPPY and PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR. May God bless us and protect us as we continue to serve God and our country.

I would like to thank all the members of St Regis that donated their time, efforts and money to support all the fundraising events and charitable causes taken on by us throughout the past year. Working with the church, the veterans and communities, we made a difference and effected many Long Islander's lives in a positive way.

As we move forward into the New Year, we will continue to help others less fortunate and those that can't speak for themselves. Such an opportunity is the March for Life in Washington DC January 24, 2020. The Mawn Family and St Regis played an instrumental role on the inaugural march on January 22, 1974. That day, more than 20,000 people, including people from as far away as Illinois attended. In repeating the words Mr. John Mawn said that day and I quote "We'd like you to come with us" on our march.

We will have a 1<sup>st</sup> Degree on January 9. The former NYS Marshal Squire Chris Gillin, will be making his 1<sup>st</sup> degree. Come out and show your support as we welcome the new members. There will be a RED, WHITE & BLUE Veterans dinner dance on January19, from 1 to 430 pm. See flyer for details. Rumor has it, one of the veteran's in attendance, will be from the WWII era, known as the greatest generation. Also we have our annual Italian Night dinner and dance, January 25. Great food and good time for all, see flyer for details. There will also be a Parade fundraiser breakfast on January 26, 2020, at the St Regis. Lots of food, fun, raffles and more. Come out and support this tradition, see flyer for details.

Because of the holiday, our business meeting has been moved to January 15, and our Christmas mass will be held on February 19. As you can see we have a lot going on in our council, come out, find your interest, or propose one, and get involved, we are one family.

Thank you and God Bless

John R Harris

Grand Knight

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## **State Convention Delegates**

- John R Harris GK
- Peter Freni PGK
- Vincent Safina DGK (alternate)

<sup>\*\*</sup>BAR CLOSES AT BARTENDER'S DISCRETION\*\*



# **Attention Veterans**

We want to display all the names of all our members who are Veterans in our lounge.

It has been many years since we updated our wall of heroes.

Some of us older members particularly from Vietnam chose not to be included on previous plaques.

We would like to include ALL veterans, whether you served at home or abroad, during peace time or in a war zone.

If you have served honorably, in the Armed Forces of the United States and would like to have your name included, please contact Bob Koepper at <a href="righthome@yahoo.com">righthome@yahoo.com</a> or Larry McCourt at <a href="bobo335@aol.com">bobo335@aol.com</a> with:

- 1. Your Name
- 2. Branch of Service
- 3. Years served from when to when
- 4. Conflict or war you were in if any

Example: Frank Lee US Army. 1969-1971 Vietnam

Regards

Robert Koepper Trustee

631-588-7662

# IN MEMORIAM Columbian Year 2019-2020

Robert Purvis

Edward V Gruber

Angelo Cutrone

Henry Gilbert Balkam

Thomas Spillane

Our Service Men and Women

And all our deceased Members

May their Souls Rest in Peace



January 2020

To My Sister Columbiettes,

I would like to wish you all a very happy, healthy, and prosperous 2020 and may we continue to be blessed with faithful friends and loving family. With the New Year upon us comes time for resolutions and renewals.

A reminder dues are due at this time. Regular dues checks are \$20 and are to be made to St Regis Columbiettes and can be brought to our next meeting on January 8 or if you are unable to attend the meeting dues can be mailed to St Regis Columbiettes PO Box 57, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779.

We are looking forward to Sunday, May 17th when we will be attending the stage production of **GREASE** at the Port Jefferson Theater. The \$35 Ticket price will include a luncheon at the council, basket raffle and 50/50 at noon before the show. Tickets will be on sale at our January 8th meeting. This promises to be a wonderful event and we anticipate tickets to sell out quickly as this is one of the most requested plays. As always, friends, husbands, family members are all invited as this is not only a fun event but is a major fund raiser. We are counting on your support.

Thanks to all who attended our December Columbiette meeting. We were able to wrap and provide St Josephs Shepherd's Inn (soup kitchen) with gift wrapped towels and soap for the adult clients and Christmas Santa Hats filled with candies, goodies and activity books for the children along with a \$150 donation. A special thank you to Past Presidents Carmela Safina and Mary Anne Hartnett for making the arrangements for this worthwhile activity. Thank you also to all of you who were so kind to donate all the delicious candy for the children and wrapping the gifts.

A wonderful time was had by all at the Council Christmas Party. The party was attended by over 90 members, friends and we were honored to have Pastor Mike, Father Vitas and Deacon Ed in attendance. The attendees also donated toys to children in need. The appetizers and dinner were delicious and the dance floor was never empty.

# **Calendar of Upcoming Events:**

January 2 Officers Meeting
January 8 Columbiette Meeting

January 19 is the Memorial Mass held at St Josephs at 9am in memory of our deceased Sister Columbiettes and Brother Knights. Please continue to attend monthly and keep our deceased Knights and Columbiettes in your prayers.

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

March 15- Memorial Mass, Lenten Retreat and Breakfast at the Council

More information to follow

April 19- Columbiette Victorian Tea and BirthRight Shower

May 17- Play-Grease (see above)

To make our planned activities a success, we need and appreciate your continued prayers, participation and support.

Looking forward to seeing you at the meeting.

God Bless the St Regis Columbiettes, God Bless the St Regis Knights of Columbus and God Bless the USA!

Sincerely,
Vivian McCourt
President

January 2020

Good and Welfare

Hi, Hoping that everybody had a wonderful Christmas.

We would like to thank everybody who supported and helped us, and also a special thanks to Vincent Safina and Debbie Wood, in making the Christmas party a successful event. We all had fun and the food was good

Sad news in the passing of our sister Columbiette Pat Alvanos. Our deepest condolence and sympathy to her husband and family.

If you know Columbiettes Sisters and their loved one, who need prayers, get well soon card or sympathy card, please inform me. If I'm not home please leave a message and I will get back to you.

May the almighty God strengthen our bond with family and friends this New Year. Wishing you all a happy and prosperous New Year

GOD Bless us all.

Emily B. Harris

Vice President

# Saint Regis Knights of Columbus

# Present

# Red, White, and Blue Dinner Dance

Date: Sunday, January 19, 2020

Time: 1 PM to 4:30 PM

Where: St. Regis Council, Ronkonkoma, NY

Cost: \$15.00 for Adults

\$10.00 for Seniors

\$7.00 for Children under 12

Price includes Buffet dinner, desert, coffee, tea, and soft drinks, DJ and dancing.

Contact Tom Gillin (516-658-7722) for tickets



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# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR JANUARY 2020**

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# WWW.SAINTREGISKOC.ORG

# St Dodic January 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31 New Year's Eve	1 New Year's Day	2 Columbiettes Officer's Meeting	3 Poker	4
5	6 Officer's Meeting	7	8 Columbiettes Meeting	9 1 <sup>st</sup> Degree 7pm Parade Meeting	10 Poker Chapter Meeting	11
12 Vet's Home	13 Club 4651 Meeting Audit	14	15 Business Meeting	16	17 Poker	18 Free Throw Championship St Joseph
19 Memorial Mass Red White & Blue VETS Dinner Dance (1- 5)	20 MLK Day	21	22 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Meeting	23 Parade Meeting	24 March for Life Washington DC	25 Italian Night
26 Parade Breakfast	27 Coalition for Life	28	29	30 Parade Meeting	31	1