

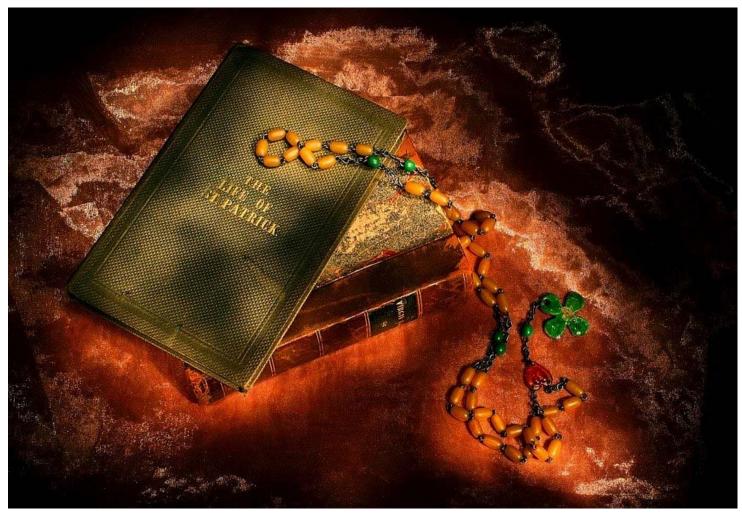
KNIGHT LIFE



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Monthly Newsletter

March 2021



LAND OF THE FREE BECAUSE OF THE BRAVE

March 1	Monday	Officer's meeting 730pm
March 3	Wednesday	Business Meeting 8pm
March 17	Wednesday	St Patrick Day
March 21	Sunday	Memorial Mass St Joseph 10am

Note: Until further notice as per Knights of Columbus meeting Policy, when attending a meeting, MASK will be worn. When you standup to speak, you can remove your mask and immediately put it back on when you are finish and seated.

Limited copies of the Knightlife are available in the members lounge.

St Patrick Day Parade has been moved to the month of September...more to follow



GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brother Knights,

Greetings, I hope everyone is healthy and well. As the vaccines become available we pray everyone stay safe and healthy. I would like to thank Mike Mosslih, Jeff Thure and their company Aegis Capital for their generous donation of food, materials, toys and their time during the pass Christmas season to help several families that were in dire need. These knights were outstanding. Job well done.

Third notices for membership dues went out in February. If you have not yet paid, you can also pay online at: https://www.saintregiskofc.org/. This link will be on your bill. Our membership dues are what keeps us going and helps support us in our charity works. Our website is where you can see what's going on at our council. Come out and support us. There is always something going on from Tuesday to Saturday evening. I want to thank my fellow knights, corporation members and the community for support of our food drive in February. With brother knight Gil Cruz leadership, it was an astounding success. We filled up the Food Pantry for St Joseph, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and several other soup kitchens in our area. Again great job Gil. Meat Farms, ShopRite and Handy Pantry on Portion Road, Ronkonkoma and Stop and Shop in Setauket are all the stores that are supporting us. As knights we come together with the community and help those in need.

As we get ready to celebrate St Patrick Day in our own way, one of the surprises I learned when I visited Ireland many years ago, was that St Patrick was not born in Ireland. He was born in Britain and was captured by Irish Raiders at the age of 16 and held captive for 6 years. After escaping and returning to Britain, he soon began religious training that lasted over 15 years. As a newly ordained priest, he returned to Ireland. St Patrick chose to incorporate traditional ritual into his lessons of Christianity instead of attempting to eradicate native Irish beliefs. For instance, he used bonfires to celebrate Easter since the Irish were used to honoring their gods with fire. He also superimposed a sun, a powerful Irish symbol, onto the Christian cross to create what is now called a Celtic cross. St. Patrick's Day is celebrated annually on March 17, the anniversary of his death in the fifth century. The Irish have observed this day as a religious holiday for over 1,000 years. Have a Happy Saint Patrick Day. As they say, we are all Irish for a day. God Bless.

Regards

John R Harris

Grand Knight

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^{**}BAR CLOSES AT BARTENDER'S DISCRETION**



Anyone wishing to run for a position in the June 2021 Elections please contact Vincent Lifrieri - Slate Chairman - 631-737-0318, leave a message if no answer.

Please note you must be a 3rd degree to run for the Corporation

IN MEMORIAM Columbian Year 2020-2021

Salvatore Lettieri

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Our Service Men and Women

And all our deceased Members

May their Souls Rest in Peace





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 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).



Suffolk Chapter Catholic High School Scholarships

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Details contact chairman Bob Dobres, <u>boca46@optimum.net</u> or 631 592-8697. Deadline May 15th, 2021......

Dear Sister Columbiettes,

There will be **no meeting for March**. I'm hoping for either April or May....we'll see how it goes.

For January 's collection drive, we did Birthright, in Islip. It was a last minute thing to put together, and some of you did not know about it. No worries, I will be doing Birthright again. Probably in May, for Mothers's Day. Look for an announcement of it in April's Knightlife. Birthright is a continuous service to Mom's/Dad's who are in need of baby items and will welcome anything we can do to help.

I want to thank all who gave to the baby collection for Birthright. It was a huge success and I have taken a picture of all the items that were donated for all to see. That picture is attached here in the Knightlife, just look for it. I also attached a letter from Peggy Conlon from Birthright in Islip with her sincere gratitude for all you ladies did. Bravo!!!

For February's collection, we did the "Love of Pets" drive. That was helping 3 animal shelters/services. Sav a Pet in Port Jefferson, Paws of War in Nesconset, and Adoption Center, in Selden. It was a hard drive, as February was not an easy month with the weather. But, once again, we rec'd very generous donations and I will be discussing that drive in April's President Message. I will also have a picture of all that was donated in April's Knightlife.

We will take a break from the donation drives for March. The weather hasn't been the greatest with the snow and ice and freezing cold temps. Spring is just around the corner and once the weather gets warmer, we will be able to do more.

Let me know if you have a drive that you believe we can do for April or June. I would like to reserve birthright for May. We have 2 months that are open for

ideas! I'm up for suggestions on anything, it doesn't have to be a drive necessarily, but, anything that anyone can think of that we can do.

Please email me at Harleydom@yahoo.com or text/call (leave a message) at 631-942-1702. Also, please spread the word of my drives to those members who are not getting the Knightlife online or who are not doing anything on the computer. I feel bad that some members are not in touch with what we are doing, I just don't have the time to call or reach out to them. I appreciate all you ladies do to help me out with the communications.

2021 dues are being collected, so please make your check payable to:

St. Regis Columbiettes

PO BOX 57

Lake Ronkonkoma, NY 11779

Attn: Columbiettes

Be Safe and Be Well!!

Carmela Safina, Madam President





Birthright INC. of Nassau - Suffolk 1134-A Wantagh Avenue, Wantagh, NY 11793 516 785-4070

Islip 533 Main Street Islip, NY 11751 631-277-3888

"It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth,..."

February 5, 2021 EIN#51-0191767

Camilla Safina, President
St. Regis Columbiettes #4651
P. O. Box 264
Lake Ronkonkoma, New York 11779

Dear Camilla,

Birthright has received all the wonderful baby items that the St. Regis Columbiettes so lovingly donated. You have replenished our supplies of Size 3 and 4 diapers, wipes, bibs, toys, toiletries and of course, all the beautiful boy and girl outfits!!

The Columbiettes found a way to show their commitment and support to the unborn even in the middle of a Pandemic. How dedicated you, as well as your members are to the "least of these". I hope this letter conveys how much we appreciate you all!

Please stay safe and well, as we remain...

Friends for LIFE,

Peg Conlon

Islip Office

"...and the right of every child to be born."

P.S. - a special note of thanks to Vinny for delinering all "...and the the goodies!!

March 2021

Good and Welfare

Wishing all of you and your families in good health and spirit. Sherry Banz and Patricia McQuad glad to hear that both of you are doing great. Sally Ferrante, she is still recuperating from her surgery. Hope you feel better soon. Linda Savage is still waiting for her operation to be rescheduled. We hope that your operation will be done soon. Hang in there Linda. MaryAnn Mattessich looks great. More power to you MaryAnn.

If you know of any member and their family in need of a card and prayers please let me know. Please contact me at 631-285-3249 my house phone or you can text me on my cell phone 934-777-0165, or leave a message to my facebook.

I would like to thank my Columbiette friends and Columbiette sisters for your generous gifts to the Birth Rite and For the Love of Pets fundraisers. We really appreciated your support. Remember that the happiest people are not those who are getting more, but those who are giving more.

God Bless you all. Stay Healthy and Safe.

Vice President

Emily B. Harris

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St. Regis - March 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	1 Officer's Meeting	2	3 Business Meeting Columbiettes Officer's Meeting	4	5 Poker	6
7 Vet's Home Daylight time start	8 Club 4651 Meeting	9	10	11 Screening	12 Poker	13
14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day Social Meeting	18	19 St. Joseph's Day Poker	20
21 Memorial Mass	22 Coalition for Life	23	24	25	26	27
28 Palm Sunday	29	30	31	1 Holy Thursday Building Closed	2 Good Friday Building Closed	3 Holy Saturday Building Closed