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### Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights and  
Sister Columbiettes

As we enter Advent and the month of December, we mourn the passing of our Brother Knight and Financial Secretary, James Jay Nolan, who passed away on November 16th after a bout with leukemia. It was a shock to many of us as we thought and prayed he would overcome his illness. Jay was a wonderful man and dedicated to our Knights. He will surely be missed. We pray for the repose of his soul and for consolation to his family.

Our 100th Anniversary and Oktoberfest fundraiser was quite a success and due to popular demand by the attendees will be repeated next year. A good time was had by all the attendees and thanks to our Council members for a job well done.

On Saturday, November 5th, I along with several other Knights attended the 5PM Mass for Military vocations in the Church. The Mass, said by Archbishop Timothy Broglio of the Military Services, along with music from two choirs and some guest musicians was very well

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### Chaplain's Message

This month's column by Associate  
Chaplain Fr. George Oppong Afriyie



My Dear Brother Knights,

It is another beautiful season of the year. A period where Christ who is both God and Man is born for us. As we cast our eyes around to see changes in the environment, including the weather, we come to appreciate God's art of creation. Our focus is Jesus, who is the center of our lives. We are called to welcome Christ into our homes and also to give Him to others as He himself is a gift for us. Christmas is celebrated every year but it is always new in our lives.

As seen in Matthew 1:23, the meaning of Emmanuel is "God is with us". I guess this is why we always see Christmas as a period of joy and an extravagant grace. If

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### Columbiette Chatter

Dear Sister Columbiettes

Wishing our Sister Columbiettes and Brother Knights and their Families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy Healthy and Prosperous New Year .

Louise LaGatta  
Columbiette President



## Editors Corner

The Mariner will be printed once a month with one issue for the months of July and August, for a total of eleven (11) issues by and for the Farmingdale Council #2204, Knights of Columbus.

Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month in the Council Hall located at the intersection of Morton Street and Garity Place. The mailing address is 1 Morton Street, Farmingdale, NY 11735-4340. The deadline for material for publication in the Mariner is the Friday that follows the 3rd Wednesday of the prior month. PLEASE keep this deadline in mind for articles you wish to have publish in the Mariner.



**Father McGivney  
Pray for Us**



## Good of the Order

Brothers those in need will always be with us. If you can remember to bring some kind of dry or can goods, such as tuna, vegetables, pasta cereal etc., to each meeting, the Council will arrange to get this food to the Parish Pantry.

We must always have new members flowing into our ranks and it is your privilege and your duty as a Knight of Columbus to recruit and retain the strength your needs to carry on the great works so well begun. You know as well as I do that there are many fine unselfish Catholic gentleman who would be Knights if we would but give them a word of suggestion and lead them towards our banner. I appeal to each and everyone of you to select one man that you deem worthy and lead him to us. Brother's please communicate to the Council that a Brother or family member is ill.

*Please keep the following Knights, Columbiettes, Family members and Friends in your prayers. Please also keep in your prayers all others who have requested our prayers, but due to miscommunications or timing, are not listed. God knows who they are and a simple thought to include them is sufficient.*

### Sick & Distressed

KAREN NOLAN

JOHN NOLAN

GARY GORMAN

GENE DIANO

ED WECKERLE

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THOMAS GILROY

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PAT LUNDY

DONNA SELOCK

JOHN TAGLIENTI

JOSEPHINE TAGLIENTI

BARBARA KINNEY

JOHN BUCARIA

PAUL J MONTENERO

### Recently Deceased

JAY NOLAN

SAM PERCH

**Please inform the Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Financial Secretary of Any Brother that is Sick or has Passed Away.**

## Happy Birthday Brothers

### December

Robert L Binder	William R Montenero
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### List of Upcoming Important Dates

#### **DECEMBER-2022**

6—Social Meeting Tuesday, 7:30PM  
 8—FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
 10 & 11—Craft Fair, St Kilian School Auditorium  
 11—BINGO by the Columbiettes, 1 Morton St, 7:00pm  
 12—FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE  
 13—Officer's Meeting, Council #2204, 7:30pm  
 20—Biz Meeting, Council #2204, 7:30pm  
 24—CHRISTMAS EVE  
 25—CHRISTMAS DAY  
 31—NEW YEAR'S EVE

#### **JANUARY-2023**

1—NEW YEAR'S DAY  
 3—Social Meeting Tuesday, 7:30PM  
 8—THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD  
 10—Officer's Meeting, Council #2204, 7:30pm  
 16—MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY  
 17—Biz Meeting, Council #2204, 7:30pm

**You will be notified of any changes as soon as possible.  
 All Officers meetings will be held at the Council Hall**

### A PRAYER FOR OUR PRIESTS

**W**e thank you, God our Father, for those who have responded to your call to priestly ministry. Accept this prayer we offer on their behalf: Fill them with the sure knowledge of your love. Open their hearts to the power and consolation of the Holy Spirit. Lead them to greater union with your Son. Increase their faith in the Sacraments they celebrate as they nourish, strengthen and heal us.

Lord Jesus Christ, through the intercession of St. Jean Vianney, grant that your priests will be inspired to strive for holiness by the power of his example. As men of prayer, may they ponder your word, follow your will and faithfully lead the flocks you have entrusted to their care.

St. Jean Vianney, obtain for the Church an abundance of vocations to the holy priesthood. Through your intercession, may many faithful men hear Christ's call, and respond with courage and generosity.

Mary our Mother, guard with your maternal care these chosen ones. Intercede for our priests, so that by offering the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, they may be conformed more each day to the image of your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

St. Jean Vianney, patron of parish priests, pray for us!



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### PRAYER FOR THE CANONIZATION OF THE VENERABLE SERVANT OF GOD MICHAEL McGIVNEY

*Founder of the Knights of Columbus*

**G**od, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed 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.

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*The Knights of Columbus is  
hosting a Craft Fair*

*Saturday, December 10th, 9am - 4pm*

*&*

*Sunday, December 11th, 9am - 2pm*

*St. Kilian Auditorium, 50 Cherry St., Farmingdale,*

Each booth is 10' x 10'. The cost is 75.00. Each vendor can bring their own table or rent a table and 2 chairs from us for \$10.00. We require each vendor to donate 1 item to be raffled off at the end of the fair. Proceeds for table and chairs rental will be donated to St. Kilian PSM Outreach Food Pantry.

There is Wi-Fi in the building, but **no** power outlets.

Vendors are invited to return on Sunday at no additional cost.

Booth locations are available on a first come first serve basis.

**The K of C will set up a table to sell coffee, cake,  
and beverages on Saturday, December 10th.**

Items being sold should be made by the vendor.

Please, no store bought items. If

interested you can contact Dan Healy at the  
Knights of Columbus, 631-755-2204.

To fill out an application for a booth, use your  
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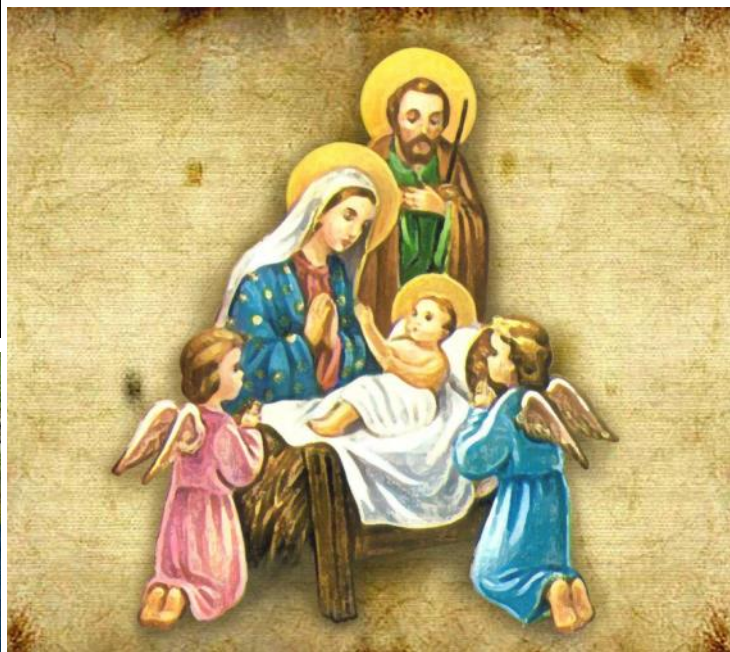
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# Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest

Contest is open to all youth between the ages of 5 and 14 and entrants will compete in one of three age groups – ages 5 through 7, ages 8 through 10 and 11 through 14. There will be a first prize and second prize winner in each age group. First prize is a \$50 gift card and second prize is a \$25 gift card.

Poster size should be approximately 11x17 inches, however, we will accept sizes no larger than 22x28. Poster must be original work and reflect the theme of Keep Christ in Christmas and will be judged on child's authenticity and expression of the theme. If pastels, chalk or charcoal are used, the poster must be laminated or covered with clear plastic.

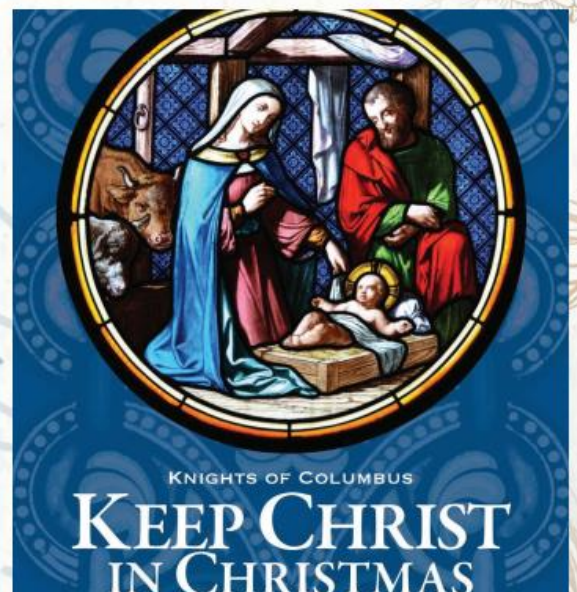
Child's name, age and phone number must be written on the back of the poster and submitted with an entry form and may be dropped off at St. Kilian's Rectory during normal business hours.

Deadline for all entries is December 18<sup>th</sup> and posters will be displayed in the gathering space of St. Kilian Church as they are received. Judging will be by a team of judges headed by our Pastor Monsignor Mark Rowan, along with Grand Knight Tom Schwarz and others. All entries become property of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council office. Posters cannot be returned in most cases.

*Good luck to all and remember to  
Keep Christ in Christmas!*



To fill out an application for contest, use your cellphone camera to scan the QR Code. For contest rules, see website <https://stkilian.com/st-kilian-knights-of-columbus>





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God, who has come to us in the form of man is with us, who then can be against us? (Romans 8:31) Our task is to keep Jesus in our homes. If He is the Prince of Peace, then it suffices to say that we live not just with Emmanuel in our homes, but then our homes are blessed with peace.

As we join the angelic host, the enraptured shepherds, we too, sing in exultation:

“Christus natus est nobis: Venite, adoremus”

“Christ is born for us: Let us adore Him”

How can we fail to notice the strident contrast between the serenity of the Christmas messages and the many problems of the present hour? We know the disturbing developments from the reports coming each day from television and the newspapers, sweeping from one hemisphere to the other of the globe, tragic situations which often involve human guilt and even malice soaked in fratricidal hate and violence. May the light coming from Bethlehem save us from the danger of becoming resigned to so tormented and distressing a scenario.

May the proclamation of Christmas be a source of encouragement to all those who work to bring relief to the tormented situation in war torn countries. May Christmas help strengthen and renew, throughout the world, the consensus concerning the need for urgent and adequate measures to halt all forms of human exploitation.

As Jesus reveals himself to us as the Father who loves us, may all who are seeking the meaning of life, all whose hearts are burning with the hope of salvation, freedom and peace, come to meet the Child born of Mary.

He is God, our Savior,  
the only one worth of this name  
the one Lord.

Happy Christmas to you all Brother Knights. It has been so wonderful journeying with you as a community of faith with love and peace.

-Fr George



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done. Our Council donated \$500 to the Archdiocese for Military services for vocations. Archbishop Broglio has recently been elected head of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Advent brings our preparation for the celebration of the birth of Jesus and with it a number of events for us Knights leading up to Christmas. We will be setting up a large newly acquired Keep Christ in Christmas banner outside on the church grounds.

We will be having a Knights of Columbus Keep Christ in Christmas Poster contest for the youth of our Parish this year with first and second prizes for posters in each of three age groups. Posters will be displayed in the gathering space of the church. Our Chaplain and Pastor Monsignor Rowan along with myself and others will be the judges. Additional details are in the Parish bulletin.

Our Knights of Columbus Craft Fair will be held on December 10th and 11th in the School Auditorium along with our poinsettia sale in conjunction with the Parish wreath sale. Our Knights will have a table at the fair selling snacks and refreshments as well as Keep Christ in Christmas magnets, olivewood crosses and providing membership info for our Council. Poinsettias will also be sold after all Masses during the weekend of the fair.

We are also considering a children's Christmas party as well as a Christmas party for our Council as time and availability permits.

And finally, wishing all our Brother Knights, Sister Columbiettes, our Parish clergy and staff and all their families a very Merry and Blessed Christmas with peace, health and happiness in the New Year ahead. God Bless.

Remember to pray for the unborn, pray for America, for our military, for Ukraine and peace in our world. Remember and give to the poor and unfortunate.

Stay well and stay safe,  
Thomas Schwarz  
Grand Knight

## Suffolk Chapter Report

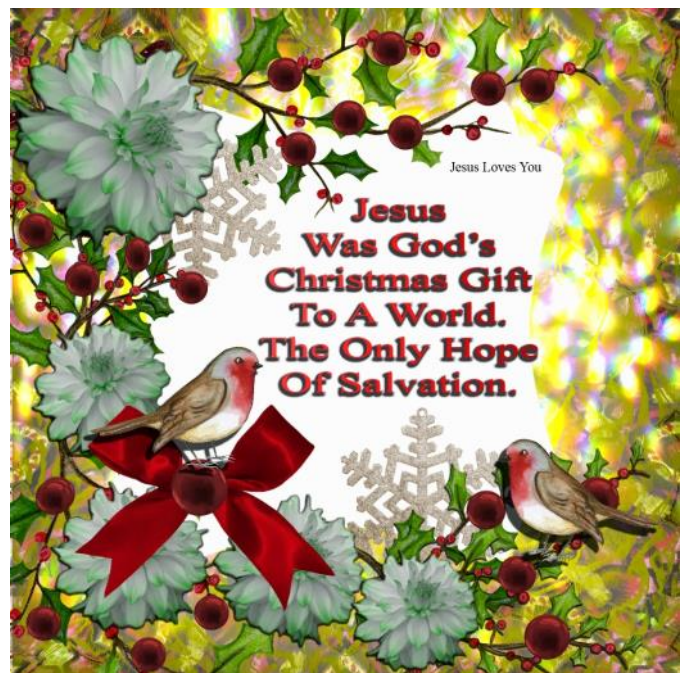
My Brothers and Sisters,

The Chapter is the fraternal arm of the "Knights of Columbus", working for you and your families. The Chapter has many programs such as the FAC (Fraternal Assistance) which is available to all brother Knights and sister Columbiettes who find themselves in financial difficulty. This is kept strictly confidential, so any one in need should not be afraid to reach out for help. There are scholarship programs for your children and grandchildren, if they plan to attend a Catholic High School. We offer track and free throw competitions for children up to fourteen years of age, where they can win scholarship money for their education. There are fraternal activities for all members and their families. Why not take advantage of what we have to offer by coming to our monthly meetings, on the second Friday of the month, and represent your Council.

The Chapter also collects eyeglasses, can tabs and every Christmas we collect teddy bears for needy children. **THE CHAPTER WORKS FOR YOU, WHY NOT SUPPORT IT!!! REMEMBER, "CHARITY IS OUR MOST IMPORTANT PRODUCT".**

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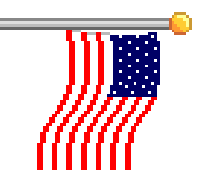
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