



# WHISPERS OF FAITH



Don Bosco #7784

## Grand Knight's Message

Richard Matrisciano

Lent is upon us. It's a time of reflection and preparation. Preparing ourselves to be more focused on God than earthly things. Not an easy path when we look at what is going on in our world today.

As I write this our world in in deep trouble:

- In America our president is clamping down on those who wish freedom from Covid mandates while wavering on how to control what is happening around the world.
- Russia has bombed cities in Ukraine and invaded its southern border. Telling America and NATO not to interfere "or else."
- In Canada, Trudeau has smashed a Freedom Convoy of truckers, freezing the assets of those who supported their path back to freedom.
- In China there are threats it will invade Formosa.
- In Iran they are ramping up their centrifuges in an effort to get "the bomb."
- In New Jersey our "Catholic" governor has happily signed into law the most egregious pro-abortion legislation in the nation.

Lent is a time for Catholics to "ramp up" our prayers. We can't do anything about saving our world, only God can do that. But He won't if we don't, as a unified body of Christians, come to Him in all humility and ask for his forgiveness. Forgiveness for allowing the murder of over 60,000,000 babies. Forgiveness for allowing gender confused people to destroy women's sports and for parents who allow their confused children to undergo terrible treatments and surgeries.

## President's Message

Pam Raynor

Dear Sisters,

### NEW SISTER

Please help me welcome our newest Columbiette Sister, Martha Ellis. Martha was inducted as a Columbiette sister at our meeting on Monday, February 7<sup>th</sup>. This was the first time Supreme has allowed family to be in attendance at the induction ceremony, and Martha brought her husband, daughter, son and other family members. Welcome Martha.

### WHERE HAS LOUISE GONE?

As you know Louise Crann has relocated to Maryland to be close to her husband and son. She is now living at her son's home and visits Geoffery at his nursing home almost every day. Here is Louise's address so that you could send her a card letting her know that you are thinking of her.

Louise Crann

295 Dogwood Road  
Millersville, MD 21108.

If you would like to speak with her, here is her cell phone number, 973-903-5029. Louise will be back in the area from May 2-5<sup>th</sup>.

I have been told, it was through Louise's connections that we have our newest Sister, Martha. It was at Mass one afternoon Martha noticed the Columbiette logo on a shirt Louise was wearing. After Mass they spoke about our organization and Louise signed Martha up to be a Columbiette.

### THANK YOU KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights have given us a check for \$3,500.00 for our treasury. The Knights were grateful for all our help during the Sussex County Farm and Horse Show which took place in August 2021. This additional money will help us support other causes and individuals.

I recently learned that the Knights of Columbus are planning an event for the Knights and their wives on Sunday March 27<sup>th</sup>. Yes, the same day we proposed having a mass for Peggy Bopp.

I was able to change the date of our mass for Peggy to Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, the last Sunday in April. It is for the 11:30am mass. Please change the date on your calendar, to April 24<sup>th</sup>.

We must also listen to James who, in his letter to the 12 tribes of Israel, tells us our faith without works is dead. We Catholics can turn our votes into the good works that make our faith alive. We need to understand how we got to where we are and how it happened. Then use our votes to make sure we elect politicians who will stop the madness and bring us back to One Nation Under God.

Our Right to Life Chairman, Jerry Woodring, began a prayer vigil March 3rd that will continue throughout Lent in front of Planned Parenthood in Newton. Contact him to participate an hour at a time at rosiewoodring@gmail.com or call him at 973-383-0450. Being pro-life means being actively pro-life, these protests are good works that will make our faith live.

**Peace.**

**GK Rich Matrisciano**



**NEW SISTER TO INDUCT**

I am happy to tell you that Patricia Hefferan, will become a sister at our next meeting, on Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>. We will have the induction of Patricia, and then have our meeting. We will start at 6:30pm, so please arrive by 6:15. Those attending by Zoom I will be sending out the code on the weekend before the meeting.

**LENT: GIVE UP SOMETHING OR DO SOMETHING FOR SOMEONE?**

As the Lenten season is upon us, we once again ponder what will I give up? How about this year, you try to do something for someone ,each day. It could be as simple, as giving a smile, holding the door, giving someone the cart at Shoprite, and not taking their quarter. It may not seem that big a deal to you, BUT to that person it could make their day a little bit better.

God bless you,  
Pam

**Columbiette Upcoming Events**



See you on March 7<sup>th</sup>  
Please arrive on time (6:30) so we may start the meeting on time.

Save the Date  
**PIZZA FUNDRAISER NEWS**  
Villa Capri at 27 Hampton House Road, Newton has agreed to give us (\$1.00) one dollar for every pizza pie purchased) all day on Friday, April 8th (Friday before Palm Sunday)



**APRIL 24-Peggy Bopp Memorial Mass**  
**11:30 AM**  
**Saint Joseph's Church**



Susan Kadar, Amy Keegan, Michael Palumbo, Louise and Geoffrey Crann, the unborn, the people of Ukraine, and all who need or have asked for our prayers and all the unspoken intentions.

Please submit all newsletter prayer requests to Patty Savacool.

## Columbiette Meetings

### Dates and times

Sacred Heart Center- 20 Old Swartswood Road

### IN PERSON AND ONILNE

**New Meeting time 6:30 pm**

- ❖ Monday, March 7th
- ❖ Monday April 4th
- ❖ Monday, May 2nd
- ❖ Monday, June 6th

### Knights Upcoming Events



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The Columbiettes, at the suggestions of our Peggy Bopp, are sponsoring a campaign to seek our Blessed Mother's intercession for the United States of America.

Please support this endeavor to pray TWO MILLION HAIL MARYS. Please ask family members, friends, neighbors, church groups, etc. to pray

Hail Mary's to help in obtaining this goal. All Hail Mary counts can be e-mailed to: [hailmarysfortheUSA@gmail.com](mailto:hailmarysfortheUSA@gmail.com).

**Our tally so far is:**  
**1,562,381**



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**Prayer Chain Requests**

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The Squirettes of Mary, Circlette of Mary's Angels, sponsored by the Don Bosco Columbiettes is looking for more angels! If you know of any young practicing Catholic females aged 8-17 who are interested in joining this group, please have them contact Miriam Montagne for additional information. Meetings are held on the second Sunday of each month in the Community Center from 3:00-5:00 p.m.

**Catholic Action, Cultural, Social and Athletic**  
**"Know - Love - Serve"**  
**(Gamma - Phi - Delta)**

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