



WHISPERS OF FAITH



Don Bosco #7784

Grand Knight's Message

James McDonald

Dear Brothers and Sisters

Wow, an unusual Columbian Year, once again interrupted by the pandemic is rapidly coming to closure. Unfortunately, numerous programs and events were either cancelled or postponed. As restrictions for gathering in public are gradually reduced and vaccinations being administered, we should look forward to returning to normal life experiences.

Perhaps now with all of the unrest rising in various parts of the country, it is time to suit up in our spiritual armor. I wish to quote a verse appearing in "Back to the Bible" as appropriate for the times, "Back in the day, knights wore body armor to protect against arrows and swords. Nowadays, flack jackets protect soldiers from bullets. But when it comes to spiritual battles, God gives us something even more substantial to wear. Therefore, put on every piece of God's armor so you will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil. Then after the battle, you will still be standing firm. Stand your ground, putting on the belt of truth and the body armor of God's righteousness. [Ephesians 6:13-14](#)

A flack jacket can't stop the fiery arrows of Satan. That's why God lets us suit up with His righteousness. Satan can't get past that. So do yourself a favor, suit up.

I extend my thanks and appreciation to my Brothers and Sisters for their support and assistance during my second term as Grand Knight. It has been quite a life experience for me.

I wish to complete my term with this thought from St. Francis de Sales----"Have patience with all things, but chiefly have patience with yourself. Do not lose courage in considering your own imperfections, but instantly set about remedying them, every day begin the task anew."

Fraternally,

SK Jim Mc Donald, GK Council 7784

President's Message

Pam Raynor

Dear Sisters,

Recently, I learned that Supreme Council Columbiettes is authorizing State Councils to begin in person meetings where all Auxiliaries must follow specific State Department of Health Guidelines. The guidelines we must follow are to ensure the health and safety of all our Columbiette Sisters. We will have to wear masks, have only 25 people or 25% capacity of the Community Center. We must keep 6 feet apart, no food, and the room must be fully ventilated by opening doors and windows and or having air conditioners on for continuous circulation. Hand sanitizers must be available, single use towels for bathrooms, and if we use equipment like chairs, tables, and a podium we will need to clean and sanitize these items before we leave the meeting. Father ST will need to give us his permission to hold meetings. I have our executive board reading the official papers from Supreme and we will discuss the information at our executive meeting. Many extra eyes reading the guidelines will enable us to meet in safe and healthy manner. Miriam and I will be going to Convention so we will bring all the backpacks and can tabs. Last year we collected 52 pounds of tabs. I hope we can collect that amount again. Keep opening those cat and dog cans as well as the soup cans. Just a reminder about filling the backpacks. Please remember to keep the items less than 5 pounds. We have a Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, and a Sentinel for the 2021-2023 years. Yes, we still need a President. I pray each day for God's help that a Sister will come forward to say she will be our new President. May meeting Monday May 3rd, a Zoom meeting. Western Chapter Wednesday May 5th. Remember the Knights will be celebrating their 40th anniversary with a Mass at Our Lady Queen of Peace, in Branchville, followed with a brunch at Hampton Diner. It would be nice to see many Sisters at the celebration. Please try to attend the Mass at noon.

Pam



Congratulations to our Brother Knights on their 40th Anniversary!

May God Bless you and here is to another 40 years!



Knights Upcoming Events

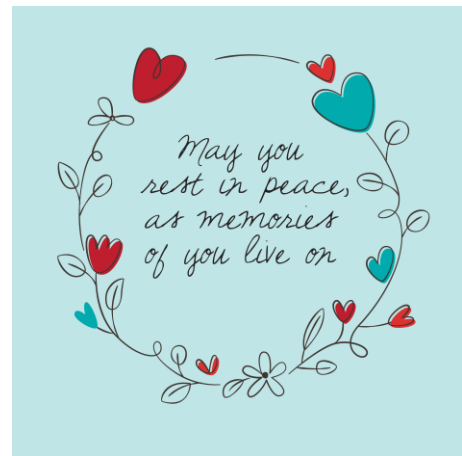


- May 2nd 40 Anniversary Mass---
12noon Our Lady Queen of Peace
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- ✓ May 2nd 40 Anniversary No Host
Brunch Hampton Diner 1:15pm
- ✓ May 6th Officers Meeting
- ✓ May 13th Council Meeting
- ✓ May 23rd Pentecost Sunday
- ✓ May 26th Fourth Degree Meeting
- ✓ June 3rd Officers Meeting
- ✓ June 10th Council Meeting
- ✓ June 23rd Fourth Degree Meeting

In Memory of Sister Columbiette and
Charter Member

Mildred Bugge

Thank you for all you years of dedication.



Thank you to everyone who supported our Pizza Fundraiser.

We raised \$230 !



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Susan Kadar, Amy Keegan, Carol Cohn, Michael Palumbo, Louise Crann, the repose of the the soul of Millie Bugge, all who need or have asked for our prayers and all the unspoken intentions.

Please submit all newsletter prayer requests to Patty Savacool.



COLUMBIETTE-UPCOMING EVENTS

**FUTURE COLUMBIETTES MEETINGS
ZOOM MAY 3, JUNE 7.**

**FUTURE WESTERN CHAPTER
MEETINGS: MAY 5, JUNE 2.**

**Major Degree Dates, May 16, and
June 6th Starting at 1:00p**

JUNE 25-27

2021 STATE CONVENTION

Get your backpacks ready!



SUB--SAVE UNBORN BABIES!

The Don Bosco Columbiettes #7784 of Newton, NJ are sponsoring a campaign to seek our Blessed Mother's intercession to **Save Unborn Babies**. Please support this endeavor to collectively say **ONE MILLION HAIL MARYS** by praying and reporting the amount of Hail Marys you have said. This campaign will run from September 8, 2020 (Our Blessed Mother's birthday) to May 31, 2021. A dedicated e-mail address has been set up at: **hailmarystosub@gmail.com** to receive tallies from anyone at anytime. You may also call 973-943-7930 and leave a message. Please ask family members, friends, neighbors, church groups, etc. to pray Hail Marys to help in obtaining this goal. Thank you for your assistance. The cumulative tally of all Hail Marys prayed will be updated as responses are received at: www.donboscocolumbiettes.weebly.com

**Our Tally so far is
1,706,830**



2020-2021 Columbiette Officers



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- [www.donboscocolumbiettes.weebly.com](http://www.donboscocolumbiettes.weebly.com)
- Facebook page at: Don Bosco Columbiettes for updated information on events.
- [www.squirettes-marysangels.weebly.com](http://www.squirettes-marysangels.weebly.com)

## Prayer Chain Requests

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## 2020-2021 Slate of Officers



Grand Knight - SK Jim McDonald  
Deputy Grand Knight - Richard Matrisciano  
Chancellor - Vacant  
Warden - SK Joe Logarzo  
Treasurer - Jim Kelly  
Advocate - SK Jason Rittie  
Recorder - Vacant  
Inside Guard - Tony Pagano  
Outside Guard - Thomas E Barry, Jr  
Trustees:  
3 yr - SK John M E Feret  
2 yr - SK Tom Hudak  
1 yr - Gerry Woodring

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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