



WHISPERS OF FAITH



Don Bosco #7784

Grand Knight's Message

Richard Matrisciano

Dear Brother Knights,

At the end of August, we had four new members take the CUF and become full members of our Don Bosco Council: Anthony Ippolitto, Carlos Luaces, Patrick Scuduilla, & Dr. Fred Bender. Congratulations to our new third degree Knights.

We are planning a recruitment drive around Columbus day, hoping to have enough new candidates to conduct another CUF in October or November.

On September 20th we had our annual council picnic at Swartswood Lake. Those who attended, including a lively group of Columbiettes, enjoyed great food, fellowship and perfect weather!

On September 25th our new officers were installed at St Joseph Church, in a ceremony led by our District Deputy Bob Tiscornia. List of new officers can be found on our website.

At our September meeting our members were presented two lifesaving opportunities. Each was a project that would save many lives. The brothers chose to invest in an ultrasound machine. The pros of this project include having the State Council match the amount we put in, thus doubling the funding. In addition, Supreme would then match that total amount meaning we would have four times what we as a council contribute. The ultrasound would be placed in a pregnancy resource center within the diocese. Congratulations to the Project Life committee for all the work to find two projects that truly are lifesaving!

Our Life Chairman Jerry Woodring has begun a prayer vigil at Newton's Planned Parenthood location. Contact him to see where you can fill in an hour to protect the unborn. Jerry spoke of the recent SCOTUS overturn of Roe V Wade and how our prayers and good works played a big part in the decision, but we must continue to fight the evil of abortion.



President's Message

Mary Ann Stanek

Dear Columbiette Sisters,



Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Installation Ceremony in the chapel at the Sacred Heart Center on September 6th. There were many comments on how nice it was to see the officers installed in such a beautiful setting. Additionally, the reception for Pam was well received with speeches, good food, camaraderie and smiles from both our members and outgoing president Pam Raynor.

Thank you, also, for supporting the Knights at their family picnic on Saturday, September 10th. The day was beautiful and it was a fun activity. If possible, please also join us on Sunday, October 2nd at the Life Chain Rally on the Green in Newton hosted by the Knights from 2:00-3:30 p.m.

We have 15 new backpacks to distribute at our October meeting. These are available free of charge on a first-come basis for you to take and fill for those youngsters in need. With all of the back-to-school sales, now is the time to purchase supplies for your backpack. All backpacks will be collected at our June 2023 meeting and brought to the state convention later that month. If you fill a backpack early, we can store it for you.

October is designated by the Catholic Church as the "Month of the Rosary" because in this month the Church celebrates "Our Lady of the Rosary" on October 7th. At Fatima, Portugal, when Our Lady was asked her name, she said, "I am the Lady of the Rosary." It was there that Our Lady taught us to pray the Rosary every day. Today, we desperately need Our Lady's intervention through the Holy Rosary to turn back the moral, spiritual and physical threat we face as a nation. There will be an "America Needs Fatima Rosary Rally" at St. Paul's Abbey on Sunday, October 15th beginning at 12:00 noon spearheaded by Columbiette Mary Beth Flora. Hopefully, we will have many Columbiettes present.

That leads me to a note on the upcoming elections. People of faith, especially Catholics, must become aware of what each candidate stands for. Too many are fooled by the lame stream media who play down candidates who seek to serve us and serve God. Seek the truth and vote for those who will best uphold Judeo / Christian values and morals while protecting our God given religious liberties. Let's not forget what leftist politicians did to the Little Sisters of the Poor and Christian business owners like florists, bakers and photographers.

Knight's Upcoming Events

Election day, November 8th

Respect Life Mass at Paterson Cathedral,
November 19th at 10am.

Pride in Priests Dinner at Hanover Manor,
November 21st at 6pm.

Deceased Member Mass, TBD

Peace,

GK Rich Matrisciano

FAMILY HALLOWEEN PARTY



Enthusiasm for our upcoming Family Halloween Party is spreading! Please let family and friends know about this fun event which will be held on Saturday, October 29th. More information will follow via e-mail and the bulletin after discussion at our October 3rd Auxiliary Meeting.

SQUIRETTES

www.squirettesmarysangels.weebly.com

Thank you to Patty Savacool, Catherine Testa and Ginelle Veenhuizen who stepped up as mentors for the Squirettes of Mary, Circlette of Mary's Angels. We are hoping to have our first meeting soon in the St. Joseph Community Center. Please let Mary Ann Stanek know if you are interested in helping.



God bless you all for your dedication and support of the Knights/Columbiette activities.

Yours sincerely in the peace and love of Christ,

Mary Ann

Columbiette Upcoming Events



**Life Chain Rally-October 2
On the Green in Newton**

**Auxiliary Meeting-October 3
Sacred Heart Retreat Center**

**Western Chapter Meeting-October 5
St. Anthony's in Butler**

**Squirette Meeting-October 9
St. Joseph Community Center**

**Rosary Rally-October 15
St. Paul's Abbey**

**Family Halloween Party-October 29
St. Joseph Community Center**

**Auxiliary Meeting-November 3
Sacred Heart Retreat Center**



SHARE THE RIDE PROGRAM

God's blessings on Kathy Barbieri, Mary Beth Flora, Dian Koster and Ginelle Veenhuizen who volunteered to "share the ride" to the Sacred Heart Retreat Center with those members who need transportation. Please call or e-mail Mary Ann Stanek several days prior to any meeting if you need a lift so that arrangements can be made.



People affected by Hurricane Ian, Derya Demirtas , Susan Kadar, Amy Keegan, Michael Palumbo, Louise and Geoffrey Crann, Patty Savacool, the unborn, the people of Ukraine, all who need or have asked for our prayers and all the unspoken intentions.

Please submit all newsletter prayer requests to Patty Savacool.



VOLUNTARY DONATIONS

Thank you, thank you, thank you for your generosity to the Mt. Carmel Food Pantry. We collected \$350 in cash and Shop-Rite/Weis gift cards. As seen in the picture, Treasurer, Kathy Draghi, presented Father Abuchi and Food Pantry Director, Charlene Nagy with our donations.

Donations for October will be for the Good Shepherd Food Pantry. They have requested paper towels, toothpaste, soap, toilet paper, dish/laundry detergents, powdered milk or cash to buy turkeys for Thanksgiving. Please remember that we are keeping a running total of donations throughout the year for the Feed the Hungry Program.

30-WEEK CLUB RAFFLE

It's back! The New Jersey State Council Columbiettes will host the 30-Week Club Raffle again this year. Proceeds from this program help assist with funds needed to run State programs. Drawings will be held Saturdays, from December 3, 2022 and commencing at the State Convention on June 24, 2023. Sign-up sheets and additional information will be available at our October meeting. The cost is \$30/ticket for 30 weeks. You are eligible for three drawings per week for 30 weeks. Anyone can enter, not just Columbiettes. These tickets make wonderful Christmas presents, birthday presents, thank you gifts or a "Just Because" gift for anyone.

**NEW CAMPAIGN
PEACE OF CHRIST**

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Hail Mary Campaign for the United States of America! Our new one-year goal will be designated for the Peace of Christ—that peace which only the Lord can give! This theme covers a broad spectrum of petitions such as peace in the world, serenity for yourself or others, forgiveness of our transgressions, etc. Your interpretation will be part of your intentions. It is now more important than ever to beseech our Blessed Mother's intercession with Jesus, her son, through the powerful prayers of the Rosary. Please support this endeavor to collectively say more than ONE MILLION HAIL MARYS by praying and reporting the amount of Hail Marys you have recited. This campaign will run from June 1, 2022 until May 31, 2023. A dedicated e-mail address has been set up at: hailmarysforthePOC@gmail.com to receive tallies from anyone at anytime. Please ask family members, friends, neighbors, church groups, etc. to pray Hail Marys to help in obtaining this goal. Thank you for your assistance.

OUR TOTAL SO FAR

665,282



2022-2023 Columbiette Officers

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- 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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 Outside Guard - SK Michael Holzli  
 Three Year Trustee - SK Mike Catalano  
 Two Year Trustee - Gerry Woodring  
 One Year Trustee - SK John Feret  
 Lecturer - SK Joe Logarzo

**HOW TO REGISTER FOR ZOOM**

**Step 1: Go to [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us) and click on the "SIGN UP, IT'S FREE" button that's at the top-right corner of the screen.**  
**Step 2: Verify your birth date. This will not be saved.**  
**Step 3: Enter your e-mail address.**  
**Step 4: An e-mail will be sent to the address you registered. Click on the confirmation link in that e-mail to begin using Zoom.**