



# WHISPERS OF FAITH



Don Bosco #7784

## Grand Knight's Message

Richard Matrisciano

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

*My first article since being elected Grand Knight of our Don Bosco council. It is a great honor to be elected by my brothers.*

*I see our council becoming more active in preserving and defending our Catholic faith from government overreach. A recent Rasmussen poll finds that some 82% of voters see religious freedom as important or very important. Yet, governments; federal, state and local, are passing laws that restrict our ability to profess the Gospel in public.*

*If we state our belief that God created us man and woman and created marriage between one man and one woman, we are attacked by the secular world. Christians are brought to court accused of hate crimes, some multiple times until they are financially ruined. What was their "hate crime?" Refusing to use their talents to celebrate events that go against what God professes as sin.*

*Right-to-Life continues to be under attack. Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly, during his first Annual Report spoke of the necessity to preserve the Hyde Amendment which is under attack by the present administration. He called on Knights to fight against such overreach.*

## President's Message

Pam Raynor

Dear Sisters,  
Welcome Back!!

I want to welcome each sister back to our 2021-2022 Columbiette year. We have a few sisters who have stepped up to take on positions as officers, and they are Agnes Gerrety as our new Vice President, Connie Pyne as our Secretary, Kathy Draghi moved from Secretary to Treasurer, and Colleen Testa has agreed to continue as our Financial Secretary. Mary Beth Flora will be our Sentinel this year. Miriam Montagne and I are staying on in our positions for the year.

I want to thank my sisters for their help during the Sussex County Fair this year. Whether you helped undust the cobwebs and swept the floors to get the booth ready for the start of the Fair in July or that you worked at cleaning tables, worked behind the counter as a cashier, runner, and or sandwich wrapper, THANK YOU!! You are amazing !!! I know that after working our shift we went home exhausted and proud to have helped the Knights. Please tally up your hours so that I can make a report at our October meeting of the hours we gave to the Knights.

Our Welcome Card will be coming soon, with information you will need all year long. We will have our first meeting of the year on TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:30 pm on ZOOM. It will be Zoom and I will send the information to get on and the agenda during the first week of September. I am still working on a venue for future meetings. Father ST has not given us permission to use the Community Center. He will give permission when he feels it is safe for everyone.

During Christmas 2020, we sent Father ST a donation and he purchased an arbor for the outdoor statue of Mary. Enjoy a quiet visit at the statue with Mary.

*We can change the hearts and minds of those who accept what the secular world professes as truth when we educate them using God's truth with understanding and compassion. Let us accept Jesus' mandate to profess the Gospel to the world.*

*Peace.*

*SK Rich Matrisciano*

## Knights Upcoming Events



- ❖ Don Bosco Officers Installation at Good Shepherd Saturday Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>. We will attend 5:00 PM mass together followed by the installation ceremony in church then a reception in the hall. All council brothers are invited along with officer's families. Those attending reception please let Rich Matrisciano know to know how much food to have [mentors1942@gmail.com](mailto:mentors1942@gmail.com).
- ❖ Blue Mass honoring police officers at OLQP Wed. Sept 29<sup>th</sup> 10:00. All Knight brothers and Columbiette sisters are urged to attend.

Back in June, Miriam and I went to convention with 55 pounds of tabs, 60 backpacks and 45 bags of toiletries. A reminder to the officers that there will be a training meeting on Sunday September 26, starting at 1:00 in Union. We will carpool to Union. Mark your calendar. During the year Delegates will need to go to the Western Chapter meeting. The meetings are in October, December, March, May, and June, and are the first Wednesday of the month. The Delegates are myself, Miriam Montagne, Agnes Gerrety, Connie Pyne, and Mary Beth Flora. In case a delegate is unable to attend, we have alternates, and they are, Kathy Draghi, Dian Koster, Pattie Losey, Catherine Testa, and Toni Dionisio.

As you know Ann Taggart our former DD and her husband Al recently buried their son. It was suggested to send a Mass card for a Mass at her church. The Mass for Alexander is for Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at five o'clock. We will carpool to St. Anthony's in Butler and afterward take Ann and Al out for a meal to show our love and friendship.

Thank you so very much for your time in reading our latest edition.

God bless you,

Pam



Don't forget to start buying your backpack supplies now. Many stores have items for 25 and 50 cents.



Susan Kadar, Amy Keegan, the repose of the soul of Alexander Taggart, Michael Palumbo, Louise and Geoffrey Crann, 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 Meeting

### Dates and times

❖ Tuesday, September 7th,  
@6:30pm Zoom

❖ Monday, October 4th

❖ Monday, November 1

❖ Monday, December 6th

❖ Monday, February 7th

❖ Monday, March 7th

❖ Monday April 4th

❖ Monday, May 2nd

❖ Monday, June 6th



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

Please support this endeavor to pray ONE 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: 118,267



**2021–2022 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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**2021-2022 Slate of Officers**

Grand Knight - SK Rich Matrisciano  
Chaplain - Rev. Philip-Michael F. Tangorra  
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Chancellor - SK Jim McDonald  
Financial Secretary - SK Thomas E. Barry, Jr  
Recorder - SK Thomas Hudak  
Treasurer - James Kelly  
Advocate - SK Jason Rittie  
Warden - SK Joseph Logarzo  
Outside Guard - SK Michael Holzli  
Inside Guard - Anthony Pagano  
Three Year Trustee - Gerry Woodring  
Two Year Trustee - SK John Feret  
One Year Trustee - SK Mike Catalano  
Lecturer - SK Joseph Logarzo

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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