

WHISPERS OF FAITH

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Don Bosco #7784

Grand Knight's Message

Thomas Hudak

Dear Brothers and Sisters.

With the New Year upon us, I would like to convey wishes to my Brothers, Sisters and their Families for a very happy 2019.

Ringing in a New Year can mean new dreams, new goals and new resolutions, and I hope you realize all of them, from my Family to yours best wishes for a happy, healthy and prosperous 2019.

I recently attended the NJ State Council Mid Term Grand Knights meeting. Several newly adopted initiatives are progressing as planned and include: On-line membership registration, increased use of technology to communicate and complete a variety of reports and documents. The Council has successfully instituted Parish Round Tables to assist our Pastors with a variety of projects such as American and Papal Flags for display; ushers at Mass, Parish Picnics/Events as well as serving on a number of Parish Councils such as finance and fundraising. In closing I would like to share a Statement of Faith with my Brother's and Sisters:

"Use Jesus as your perfect example to move forward in faith. Shake off the notion that you are not good enough. You are always more than enough in His eyes." (Source: Guideposts.org from Mornings with Jesus)

And please continue to pray for our Brothers and Sisters in distress.

Fraternally,

SK Tom Hudak, GK Council 7784

President's Message

Miriam Montagne

Happy New Year and welcome back Brother Knights and Sister Columbiettes.

I hope that 2019 is off to a great start and that you are preparing for Lent. I want to propose a Prayer Challenge to get us ready for the Lenten Season.

Why a Prayer Challenge? Prayers draw us closer to God.

We can use prayer as a way to open our heart to God.

We can use prayer to center ourselves to accept who we are and to become more present and aware.

We can use prayer to express thanks for all of the blessings that God has bestowed in our lives (past, present, and future).

We can use prayer as a method of forgiveness. Healing begins with forgiveness.

We can use prayer to connect with others. As we pray for each other's intentions, we become empathetic and compassionate to others needs. This connection with others will offer them strength as we realize that God is the spark of our being and theirs.

President's Message cont.

UPCOMING COUNCIL EVENTS

Upcoming events for the Council include:

- Wives Appreciation Brunch and Council Awards at Perona Farm
- St. Patrick's Day Parade in Newton,
- Diaper Drive
- Candy Drive for Folks with Intellectual Disabilities

Details to be announced



Columbiette positions available for a two (2) year term from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021: President

Vice President

Secretary

Sentinel

Treasurer and/or Financial Secretary can serve indefinitely provided they are duly elected annually by the Auxiliary.

Major degree is required in order to qualify as a candidate.

Please prayerfully consider filling one of these available positions. If you have any questions or would like to find out what the position entails, please contact Patricia Keegan at 862-268-4176. The Prayer Challenge will be to pray daily for half an hour whether a rosary mystery; chaplet of divine mercy; attend daily mass or read the daily readings from the USCCB website. This challenge will be from now until March 6th (Ash Wednesday). Prayer is a privilege and a spiritual discipline worth developing. By doing this exercise, you will establish a habit. When you establish a habit, it becomes a routine which will get you on your way to begin a prayerful Lenten Season.

Please feel free to share this challenge with family and friends.

Also, a reminder to record the Hail Marys prayed and email them to: hailmarysforpeace@gmail.com.

Miriam Montagne

"Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus" (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18).



Voluntary Monthly Meeting Donations

February 2019 - character band-aids for the children of RWJ and Goryeb Hospitals

March 2019 - gift cards for Manna House 🞏

Thank you for your continued generosity!

COLUMBIETTE UPCOMING EVENTS

February 2019

• 4th - Auxiliary meeting at 7 p.m.

<u>March 2019</u>

- 4th Auxiliary meeting at 7 p.m.
- 6th Ash Wednesday
- 13th Western Chapter meeting at St. Anthony's (Butler) at 7 p.m.
- 16th St. Patrick's Day parade in Newton
- 31st First and Major Degree at St. Francis DeSales (Vernon)

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Please submit all newsletter prayer requests to Patty Savacool.

WEBSITE & FACEBOOK PAGE

Don't forget to visit us at: <u>www.donboscocolumbiettes.weebly.com</u> and on our Facebook page at: <u>Don Bosco Columbiettes</u> for updated information on events.

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Palm cross outer dimensions: 26"x14"

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For additional information, please call Miriam Montagne at 201-230-1373.

Pick up of crosses will be held on the weekend of April 6- 7 (Palm Sunday) – Location: St. Joseph Community Center, after all masses (except Sunday 5 p.m.).



Super Bowl Time!



December Meeting Highlights



Nursing Home Sing-a- Long



"One Million Hail Marys" Campaign

We are seeking our Blessed Mother's intercession for world peace through prayer. Please support this endeavor to pray ONE MILLION HAIL MARYS. You can e-mail your tallies to:

hailmarysforpeace@gmail.com or write the number on a slip of paper and drop it into the container by Mary's statue in St. Joseph Church.

Personal names are optional—Mary knows who you are. God bless you for helping us with the venture! A cumulative tally will be recorded on the Columbiette website at:

https://donboscocolumbiettes.weebly.com

The tally so far is 268,360 but we still need 731,640!



2019 Dues -

Have you paid your dues? If not, please give Colleen your \$20 dues for the new membership year.

SQUIRETTES—SEEKING ANGELS



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 10-17 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)

E-mail donboscosquirettesofmary@gmail.com

Website www.squirettes-marysangels.weebly.com

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Newsletter Editor

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