



WHISPERS OF FAITH



Don Bosco #7784

Grand Knight's Message

Thomas Hudak

February 14th Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday celebrated as a day of love and meditation upon the passion of Christ as we embark on our Lenten journey.

THE WAY OF THE CROSS

The Way of the Cross is a devotion in which we reflect and meditate upon the passion of Christ. Through this devotion, we can experience Jesus' suffering as He made his way to Calvary, and feel His love—a love so great that He was willing to die for both ourselves and His Father. If we can begin to understand the human experience of suffering out of love for one another, we will then begin to understand the meaning of the Cross.

(source: Catholic Prayers and Devotions, Jesuit Edition June 2003)

My heart aches for the victims, and families in the horrible HS shooting in Florida. Let us offer our prayers for all those impacted by this horrific act of violence. May the healing hand of Jesus bring comfort and peace to all who mourn and grieve.

Fraternally,
SK Tom Hudak, GK Council 7784

Upcoming Council Events

- March 1—Council Officer's Meeting at 7:30—Sacred Heart Center
- March 4—The Legion Of Mary Paterson & Morris Curia Acies at 3PM—Our Lady of the Lake Church, 294 Sparta Ave., Sparta, NJ 07871
- March 8—Council Meeting at 7PM Rosary—7:30 Council Meeting Sacred Heart Center
- March 11—Wives Appreciation Brunch at 12:30-3:00 PM, Perona Farms, \$50 per couple
- March 17—St. Patrick's Day Parade, Newton—marchers needed

President's Message

Miriam Montagne

LENT is Love!

Almsgiving is to Love Others
Fasting is to Love Yourself
Prayer is to Love God

LENT is all about Love!

As we've entered the season of Lent on VaLENTine's Day, a day of love—so is Lent. You ask how so? This is because Lent is all about returning to your first love: Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lent begins with God's unconditional love for us. God loved us enough to create us and surround us with a beautiful world. But He gives even more. He promises to be totally faithful to us forever.

Lent is my favorite season of the liturgical year because it's an opportunity to get back on track to start anew. It gives me a chance to do a self-check on my spiritual health through the traditional pathways of Lent: prayer, fasting and, almsgiving. Lent gives me a chance to ask God if I were to die today if He would be pleased with who I am and what I've done in this life.

Lenten Prayer

Jesus, we know You came to love us, to forgive us, and to make us new. We give You all our troubles, large and small. Help us as we walk with You now on Your way of the cross. Amen.

Wishing you a successful Lenten journey,

Miriam

Upcoming Council Events Continued

March 23—Stations of the Cross 7:30PM—Good Shepherd, Deacon Tom Sullivan, Celebrant—Lenten meal to follow in Parish Hall

March 25—Palm Sunday

March 30—Good Friday

April 1—Easter Sunday

April 7—Applebee's Flapjack Fund Raiser Dominick Calabrese Assembly 2716 to benefit DAV, 8AM-10AM

April 14—Columbiettes Applebee's Flapjack Fund Raiser 8AM-10AM

April 14/15—Don Bosco Council Diaper Drive

April 16—Columbiette's Migrant Ministry Dinner in St. Joseph Community Center

April 20—Paterson Federation Meeting

April 22—4th Degree Exemplification Parsippany

April 29—Fifth Sunday Family Rosary

Candy Drive for Intellectual Disabilities to be announced.

Tentative Council Picnic June 30 at Swartswood State Park—details to follow

25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION SAVE THE DATE!!!

On Saturday, June 9, 2018, the Don Bosco Columbiettes will celebrate 25 fantastic years of existence with an evening combining camaraderie, fine food and dancing. All Knights and Columbiettes are invited to join us at The Lafayette House for this gala event. More details will follow as plans are finalized.



COLUMBIETTES—FUN FACT

Officers wear "jewels" on colored ribbons which are indicative of their respective office: President, Light Blue; Past President, White; Vice President, Red; Secretary/Financial Secretary/Treasurer/ Sentinel, Tri-Color (red/white/blue); Chaplain, Purple.

KNIGHTS—DID YOU KNOW?

What is the first principal of Columbian Knighthood?

- Prayer
- Charity
- Church
- Loyalty

Correct answer is b. Charity

Palm Cross Fundraiser

This fresh Palm cross is handmade with 10 fan sets of 6 Palm loops, 2 plastic lilies and a bow. The bottom of the wooden lath is cut at an angle for easy ground insertion. All crosses are individually wrapped in a clear poly bag.

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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 March 24 - 25 (Palm Sunday)—Location: St. Joseph Community Center after every Mass except 5 p.m. on Sunday.

Please mail your orders by March 3rd along with payment to:

Don Bosco Columbiettes #7784
P.O. Box 412
Newton, NJ 07860

Columbiette Quote:

I joined the Columbiettes because my mom told me to. And for once, I'm so glad I did what my mom told me to do. I had just moved to Newton and joining the Don Bosco Columbiettes allowed me to meet many wonderful Catholic women. It also allowed me to get involved in helping out the community by collecting school supplies and toiletries to help those less fortunate throughout the State, by making wreaths at St. Paul's Abbey for their Christmas sales, and by being involved in their many volunteer activities. Not only does this wonderful organization change the lives of those in need, it changed my life too.

~~Milissa Plescia, Western Chapter & Don Bosco Columbiettes Past President.

Please send me your quotes so that we can add them to our newsletter, Facebook page and bulletin.

COLUMBIETTE UPCOMING EVENTS**March 2018**

- 2nd—Stations of the Cross after 12:05 p.m. Mass and at 7:00 p.m. in St. Joseph Church (every Friday)
- 3rd—Dinner Murder Mystery (Lucy, I'm Dead) at Elk's Lodge, Bridgewater—doors open at 6:00 p.m.
- 5th—Auxiliary Meeting at 7:00 p.m.—Community Center
- 7th—Western Chapter Meeting (First & Major Degrees) St. Francis deSales Church, Route 517, Vernon at 6:30 p.m.
- 9th—Lenten Dinner in Community Center at 5:30 p.m. (Fish & Chips or Pasta & Salad at \$10/pp)
- 11th—Western Chapter Communion Breakfast at The Lafayette House, Cost is \$27.50/pp (All are welcome!)
- 11th—K of C Wives' Appreciation Brunch—Perona Farms
- 17th—St. Patrick's Day Parade
- 24th-25th—Pick up of Palm Crosses in Community Center
- 26th-30th—Holy Week
- 30th—Start Divine Mercy Novena

April 2018

- 1st—Easter Sunday
- 2nd—Auxiliary Meeting
- 14th—Applebee's Fundraiser (8:00-10:00 a.m.) \$10/pp
- 16th—Migrant Worker's Dinner at 8:30 p.m. in Community Center (Spanish Mass in Church at 7:00 p.m.)
- 20th-22nd—State Retreat

Facebook Page - you can find us at Don Bosco Columbiettes.

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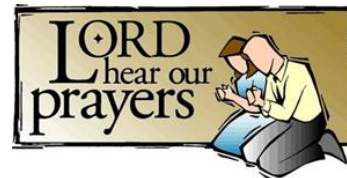
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Please submit all newsletter prayer requests to Patty Savacool.

TICKETS FOR MURDER MYSTERY DINNER STILL AVAILABLE!

DATE: March 3, 2018

TIME: Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

Dinner served at 6:30 p.m. with show to follow

COST: \$50 (Cash Bar)

PLACE: Somerville Elk's Lodge, 375 Union Avenue (Rt. 28)
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CONTACT: Miriam Montagne or Maureen Fiore ASAP for tickets

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Contact: Miriam Montagne at 201-230-1373 or
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February Meeting Highlights

- Decision to increase Good Citizen Scholarship Award amount to \$250 for the recipient
- Lenten dinner will be on Friday, March 9th before the Stations of the Cross
- March speaker postponed from February's meeting, Sr. Karen Dunn, Salesian Sister, from Sacred Heart Spiritual Center
- Approval to have Karen Ann Quinlan Hospice speaker at May 2018 meeting—topic to be “Hospice Care”
- AppleBee’s Flapjack Breakfast—April 14th tickets at \$10/pp available for purchase
- 2018 Charity Award candidate submission is Anne Savacool
- Villa Capri Fundraiser—March 23rd, Chairperson: Karen Glowatski
- Membership Recruitment—table at St. Joseph Community Center on the third Sunday of month (Hospitality Sunday) after the 9:30 a.m. Mass
- Migrant Worker’s Dinner—April 14th in St. Joseph Community Center
- Communion Breakfast—March 11th at Lafayette House—\$27.50/pp with Mass @ 11 a.m., brunch thereafter until 2 p.m.
- March in the St. Patrick’s Day Parade on Saturday, March 17th



Dear Sister Columbiettes,

I'd like to thank everyone for the love and support that you have shown our sister Columbiette, Patty Savacool and her family. You truly are a wonderful, caring group of women who in time of need come together to show love and compassion for one another. Please continue to pray for Patty.

DIVINE MERCY

Just a reminder for those familiar with the Divine Mercy Novena that Good Friday, March 30th is the date to begin this devotion.

For more information, you can visit: <http://www.ewtn.com/devotionals/mercy/novena.htm> or www.thedivinemercy.org.

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### **FIRST AND MAJOR DEGREES**

Please don't forget about the First and Major Degrees to be held on Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at St. Francis DeSales in Vernon. If you have not yet done so, this is the perfect time to make your Major Degree. A dinner will be served after the ceremonies. Please let Miriam Montagne know as soon as possible if you plan to attend. A carpool will be available for those who wish to share rides.

### Monthly Donations



- March—Gift cards (Supermarket, Walmart) for Manna House
- April—Coffee/tea/sugar/powdered creamer for Adult Day Care

### **Way of the Cross**

“We adore You, O Christ, and we praise You, because by Your holy cross, You have redeemed the world.”





**SQUIRETTES—DID YOU KNOW???**



The Squelettes of Mary, Circlette of Mary's Angels, sponsored by the Don Bosco Columbiettes will be celebrating their 5th anniversary on March 13th. This organization comprised of young girls is open to all practicing Catholic females aged 10-17. Meetings are held on the second Sunday of each month in the Community Center from 3:00-5:00 p.m. Contact Miriam Montagne for additional information.

**Catholic Action, Cultural, Social and Athletic**  
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**(Gamma – Phi – Delta)**

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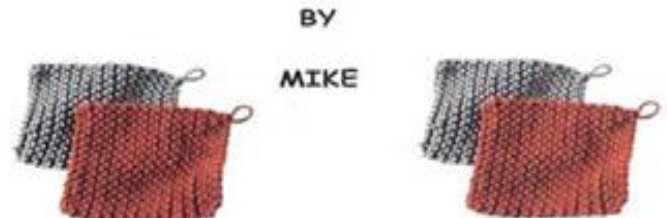
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