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## Grand Knight's Message

Happy New Year  
Brothers!



This past year has been a busy one for your Council and thanks to the efforts made we were awarded Star Council for the 2024-2025 Columbian Year. Thank you to all those who made this possible. Let us not sit back but instead, let us work together for another Star Council Award. We are well on our way to accomplishing this but we cannot sit back and think that others will take of reaching this goal. I'm counting on all of you to lend a hand. Don't wait to be asked, offers of help will never be turned down.

The two stumbling blocks are membership and Fraternal Benefits Seminars. Last year we achieved both but, not without a struggle. I plan on having a Membership Drive very soon and will be setting up an online benefits program to be viewed at the Council. Dates will be available soon.

We begin this year with a Basketball Challenge on Saturday, January 24th at 8:30am in the school auditorium, followed by a Blood Drive on Thursday, January 29th from 1pm to 7pm, also in the

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## Chaplain's Message

Happy New Year, Brother Knights!

As we welcome this New Year, we pause with gratitude for the blessings of the past year and the fraternity we share as Knights. Through faith, unity, fraternity, and charity, as members of St. Kilian's KofC Council #2204, you have continued to serve our parish, our families, and our Farmingdale community with steadfast dedication and enthusiasm.



May this New Year renew our commitment to Christ, strengthen our bonds as brothers, and inspire us to live our mission with even greater zeal. In the spirit of Fr. McGivney, let us move forward with hope, guided by our principles, confident that together we can be a powerful force for good.

Fr. George joins me in thanking Grand Knight, Dan Healy and our wonderful Knights for the many hours of service that you have given to St. Parish throughout this past year. And as we continue to build on the strong bonds of the faith and fellowship we together value and cherish, may God bless each of you and your families throughout the coming year.

Happy New Year! Best wishes for a joyful and peaceful start to 2026!

Msgr Mark Rowan  
Chaplain

## Editors Corner

The Mariner will be printed once a month with one issue for the months of July and August, for a total of eleven (11) issues by and for the Farmingdale Council #2204, Knights of Columbus.

Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month in the Council Hall located at the intersection of Morton Street and Garity Place. The mailing address is 1 Morton Street, Farmingdale, NY 11735-4340. The deadline for material for publication in the Mariner is the Friday that follows the 3rd Wednesday of the prior month. PLEASE keep this deadline in mind for articles you wish to have publish in the Mariner.



**Father McGivney  
Pray for Us**



## Good of the Order

Brothers those in need will always be with us. If you can remember to bring some kind of dry or can goods, such as tuna, vegetables, pasta cereal etc., to each meeting, the Council will arrange to get this food to the Parish Pantry.

We must always have new members flowing into our ranks and it is your privilege and your duty as a Knight of Columbus to recruit and retain the strength your needs to carry on the great works so well begun. You know as well as I do that there are many fine unselfish Catholic gentleman who would be Knights if we would but give them a word of suggestion and lead them towards our banner. I appeal to each and everyone of you to select one man that you deem worthy and lead him to us. Brother's please communicate to the Council that a Brother or family member is ill.

*Please keep the following Knights, Columbiettes, Family members and Friends in your prayers. Please also keep in your prayers all others who have requested our prayers, but due to miscommunications or timing, are not listed. God knows who they are and a simple thought to include them is sufficient.*

### Sick & Distressed

BISHOP JOHN C DUNNE

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NICK RUTIGLIANO SR

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SEAN FITZPATRICK

SAL CIUFFO

ANN CIUFFO

DANNY O'BRIEN

CHARLES MONTENERO

ALISSA MONTENERO

ELIZABETH MONTENERO

### Recently Deceased

GERARD BUETTNER

BRIAN FITZPATRICK

TOM SPERLAZZO

**Please inform the Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Financial Secretary  
of Any Brother that is Sick or has Passed Away.**

## Happy Birthday Brothers

### January

Michael A Anzalone  
 Louis K Cantone  
 Frank J Corrente  
 Daniel P Healy  
 Brian J Leger  
 Robert J Lizo  
 Anthony Lombardi  
 Brian J Mc Cutcheon  
 Christopher E Patterson



### List of Upcoming Important Dates

#### **JANUARY-2026**

- 1—NEW YEAR'S DAY
- 6—FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD
- 6—Council Meeting (Biz & Social) Tuesday, 7:30pm
- 19—MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY
- 20—Officer's Meeting, Council #2204, 7:30pm
- 24—Free throw challenge, 8:30am registration in the school auditorium
- 29—Blood drive, 1pm to 7pm in the school auditorium

#### **FEBRUARY-2026**

- 3—Council Meeting (Biz & Social) Tues, 7:30pm
- 14—ST VALENTINE'S DAY
- 16—PRESIDENT'S DAY
- 17—Officer's Meeting, Council #2204 Tues, 7:30pm

**You will be notified of any changes as soon as possible.  
 All Officers meetings will be held at the Council Hall**

## A PRAYER FOR OUR PRIESTS

**W**e thank you, God our Father, for those who have responded to your call to priestly ministry. Accept this prayer we offer on their behalf: Fill them with the sure knowledge of your love. Open their hearts to the power and consolation of the Holy Spirit. Lead them to greater union with your Son. Increase their faith in the Sacraments they celebrate as they nourish, strengthen and heal us.

Lord Jesus Christ, through the intercession of St. Jean Vianney, grant that your priests will be inspired to strive for holiness by the power of his example. As men of prayer, may they ponder your word, follow your will and faithfully lead the flocks you have entrusted to their care.

St. Jean Vianney, obtain for the Church an abundance of vocations to the holy priesthood. Through your intercession, may many faithful men hear Christ's call, and respond with courage and generosity.

Mary our Mother, guard with your maternal care these chosen ones. Intercede for our priests, so that by offering the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, they may be conformed more each day to the image of your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

St. Jean Vianney, patron of parish priests, pray for us!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
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### PRAYER FOR THE CANONIZATION OF THE VENERABLE SERVANT OF GOD MICHAEL McGIVNEY

*Founder of the Knights of Columbus*

**G**od, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Father Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (*here make your request*). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

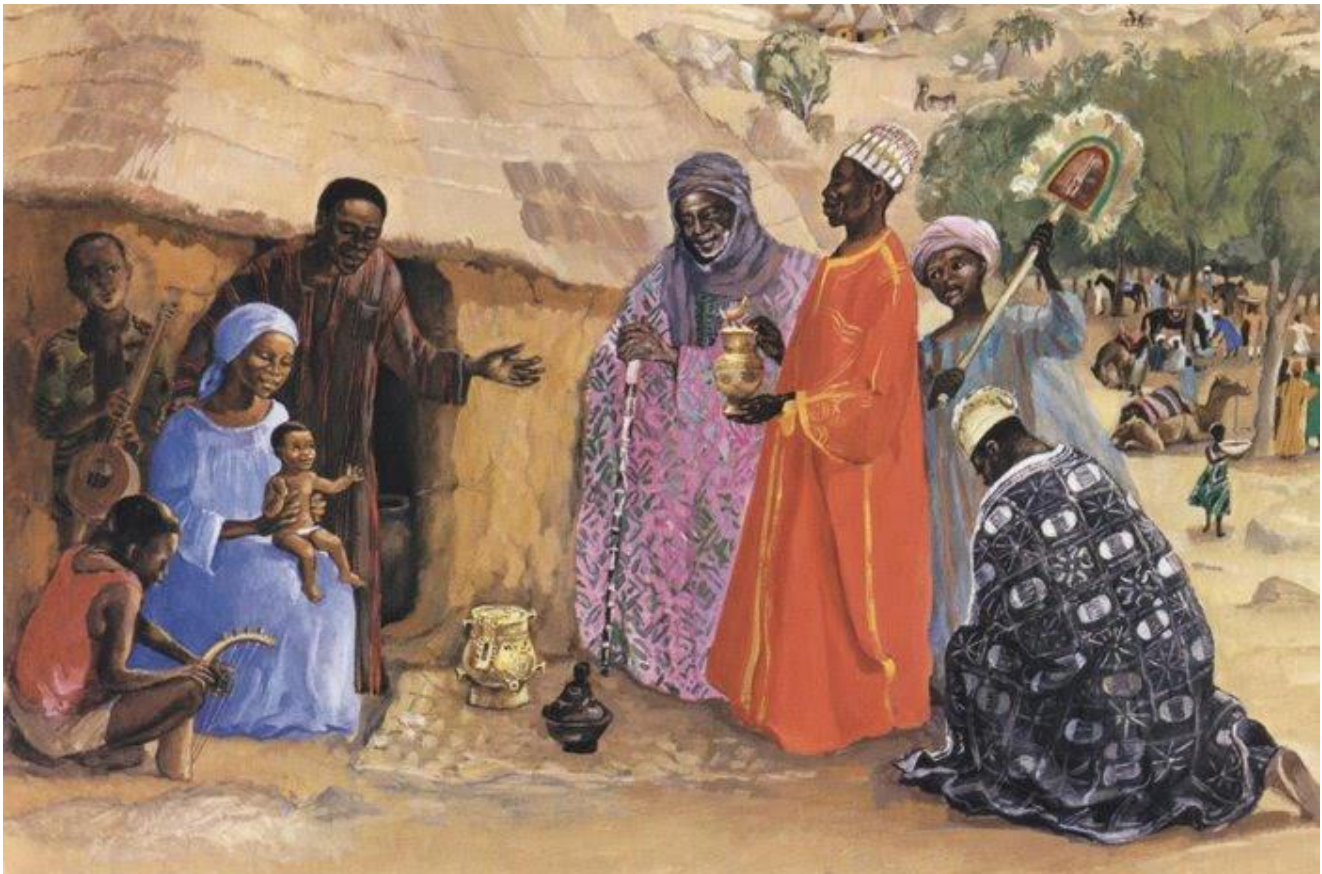
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*(Below left) accepting the Star Council award from DD Phil Goglas.*

*(Right) GK Dan Healy handing out Coats for Kids.*

*(Bottom) St Kilian Council members pose with GK Dan Healy and the Star Council award.*











*Knights from St Kilian Council (#2204) putting up the banner for the Christmas Gift Fair. It was later replaced with the “Keep Christ in Christmas” banner.*

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auditorium.

Last year we had many events including, but not limited to, Food Drives, Knight at the Races, "Novemberfest", Coats for Kids, plant sales, Christmas Gift Fair, blood drives, and we assisted the Church and Outreach in many of these fundraising events.

As of this writing, we have four prospects to join our Council. We need a total of ten by the end of June. I'm sure we all know someone waiting to be asked. The number one reason given for men not joining us is "I was never asked". Just ask, you'll be surprised at the result!

I know that everyone is busy so I'll keep this message short.

I hope you had a Very Merry Christmas and are looking forward to a Happy New Year!

Our next meeting is January 6th at 7:30pm. I hope to see you there.

Fraternally  
SK Dan Healy GK

Vivat Jesus!

## Suffolk Chapter Report

My Brothers and Sisters,

The Chapter is the fraternal arm of the "Knights of Columbus", working for you and your families. The Chapter has many programs such as the FAC (Fraternal Assistance) which is available to all brother Knights and sister Columbiettes who find themselves in financial difficulty. This is kept strictly confidential, so any one in need should not be afraid to reach out for help. There are scholarship programs for your children and grandchildren, if they plan to attend a Catholic High School. We offer track and free throw competitions for children up to fourteen years of age, where they can win scholarship money for their education. There are fraternal activities for all members and their families. Why not take advantage of what we have to offer by coming to our monthly meetings, on the second Friday of the month, and represent your Council.

The Chapter also collects eyeglasses, can tabs and every Christmas we collect teddy bears for needy children. THE CHAPTER WORKS FOR YOU, WHY NOT SUPPORT IT!!! REMEMBER, "CHARITY IS OUR MOST IMPORTANT PRODUCT".

Fraternally,  
Greg Warnokowski,  
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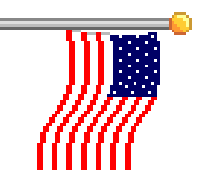
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