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#### Chaplain's Message



### Communion, Confirmation and Mother

May is all about the heart. Communions that take place at this time of the year remind us that at the heart of Christian worship is the Eucharist. The Body and Blood of Christ are the core of our union with the Lord, and seeing how he can take even insignificant things like a piece of bread and a cup of wine and make them bear the weight of divinity, reminds the Christian that Jesus can also take simple people like us and transform us into his Presence in our world. Amazing!

The people who receive the sacrament of Confirmation are made aware that at the heart of Christian life is the Holy Spirit. That power of God which motivates us to do good calls us to become channels of divine grace. People 'feel'

#### **Grand Knight's Message**

The weather is finally starting to get warmer and it feels great to be outside. We have a busy month ahead with the Spectrum Canteen, First Degree, Hot Meals, Friday Night Dinner, Memorial Mass, Memorial Day Parade, Veteran's Luncheon and our monthly meetings. So—no weather-related excuses! Get up, get out and help out. These things are all great and I know that I keep harping on getting involved but, more importantly, let's not forget all of the Mothers in our lives and make some time to be with them on Mother's Day to let them know how much we appreciate them. Father Michael J. McGivney founded this great organization to help strengthen the Faith of the men in his parish and to provide financial assistance in the event of their death to the mothers of their children and grandchildren. Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism but, first Mothers.

Mike Guastella

Grand Knight

the Spirit in the good they experience from the followers of Christ.

Smack in the middle of May is Mother's Day. The faith we grow up with is so often the result of a mother's love. She is the heart of the family. Her view of life is passed down to her children and quite often the basis of the faith she shares with her husband. She sees God working in their marriage as they support one another. She sees God channeling himself through their love for each other. She pours out her love upon all she nurtures and brings the warmth we treasure into our homes.

There are things that only the heart can tell us. Our faith and our families are the heart of our lives. Knights devote themselves to serving God and others as a reflection of the heart of Christ which seeks to touch all. Let us remember to say "thanks" to God and our loved ones for encircling us with the warmth of their loves.

#### **Intellectual Disabilities Drive 2014**

In spite of not being allowed to conduct our drive at the two intersections in Westwood due to the crossing construction, we still found our way to collect a total of \$8,000.00. **CONGRATULTIONS** to all involved and thank you for your dedicated help in achieving this amount.

All of the total collected goes to the Special Olympics, The ARC of Bergen-Passaic, New Concepts for Living and Spectrum for Living Development.

God Bless Our Charitable Works.

Mike Carpenter, Chairman

#### **Friday Night Dinner April 25**

Our first Friday Night Dinner of the 2014 year was a little bit low on attendance. We had about 90 people but we should have had more with such a great meal! Our kitchen crew, Frank, Reno, Tony, Ray, and John, make a great lasagna! We think the low attendance was due to the third Friday falling on Good Friday this year and of course my petition to change the date of Easter Sunday this year wasn't mailed in time.

At least for the rest of the calendar year, the Friday Night Dinner is the third Friday of the month!

Once again, thank you Mike for taking reservations.

Finally, I am looking for members to be host of this event. If you would like the easiest volunteer job with fringe benefits why don't you host ONE Friday Night Dinner?

Joe Laquidara

#### St. Andrew's Needs Ushers

Brothers,

St. Andrew's Ministry of Usher is looking for Ushers, both Male and Female. We need ushers for the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass.

If you or your wife would like to be an usher for that Mass, please contact Mike Daly at <a href="msdaly@optonline.net">msdaly@optonline.net</a> or 201-664-3463 or see me in the center aisle before or after the 12 noon Mass Sunday.

#### **Golf Outing Approaches**

Time is drawing near for the Annual Golf Outing at the River Vale Country Club on Monday, June 9th. This is our only fundraiser for the Scholarship Fund and we committed to meeting our goal of providing three \$1,000 scholarships to worthy candidates.

The event brings together a rather diverse group of individuals—some are good golfers and some are just into it for golf renovation. But they all have one thing in common—supporting a charitable function and to serve the good of those in need.

The information regarding the Outing is posted on our website and forms for participation and hole and gift sponsors can be printed off the site. An added bonus this year is that you can pay by using PayPal.

Do you know anyone who might like to play a round of golf with us? How about you? It would be a plus to see members of the Council supporting this effort and to exhibit the principles of Fraternity and Charity. Can you think of someone to donate a gift as a Door Prize as a thank you to the golfers? Encourage your employer to become a Hole Sponsor; it is only \$100.00 and they get a sign at the Golf Outing, their ad in the Chancellor and also on the Placemats that will be used at our events beginning in July.

Can you step up and assist those involved in this effort in some small way to help us meet our goal? If you want to help, call me at 201-664-3920 or email me at **r7429@optonline.net**. No one will be turned away.

Ray Polomski

Chairman

Calendar for April and May 2014	
<u>May</u>	
05/01 05/03 05/08 05/10 05/11 05/12 05/13 05/15 05/26	General Meeting 8:00 PM Hot Meals 9:30 AM Columbian Club 8:00 PM Veterans' Luncheon 11:30 AM Mother's Day Spectrum Canteen 6:30 PM First Degree 7:30 PM Officers' Meeting 8:00 PM Memorial Day
<u>June</u>	
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### Joseph F. Lamb Assembly

The Assembly has a few calls this month.

The Color Corps will participate at the **Pride in the Priest Dinner** on May 7th, 2014 being held at the Fiesta.

Officers' Meeting will be at Fairlawn on May 20th.

The General Meeting will be in Upper Saddle River at the Presentation Church on May 27th, 2014.

Please consider joining our Assembly. Our next Exemplification will be in October 2014.

Al Lukievics PGK,FM, PFN

#### Hot Meals at St. Joe's April 5th

This month we served about 45 people a hot lunch at St. Joe's Community Center in Paterson on Saturday, April 5th.

This is a first come first served luncheon we provide to all in need in the area.

Thank you Chuck, Mike and Mike for serving and Reno, Tony, Ray and Mike for cooking!

If you are interested in participating we are doing this the first Saturday of each month from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm.

Joe Laquidara

Deputy Grand Knight

#### **2014 Blood Drive**

Our Council's Annual Blood Drive was held on Saturday, April12, 2014. This year, our council and the Assumption Council joined together to host the blood drive.

Seventeen donors donated blood at the drive. Because two of the donors donated double red cells, we received credit for nineteen units of blood. A few additional donors who were unable to give blood on April 12th will give blood at the Blood Center and our Council will receive credit for these additional units of blood.

I want to thank all of the Brother Knights who donated blood. I want to give a special thanks to George Mulhauser and Reno Isidori who distributed signs advertising the Blood Drive to businesses in Westwood and Emerson. Thank you also to Kevin Mulveta who was the blood organizer for the Assumption Council.

Frank Zimmerman, PGK

#### **Next Friday Night Dinner**

The next <u>Friday Night Dinner</u> will be held on May 16th, 2014. The menu is Roast Pork and all the trimmings. Doors will open at 6:00 PM.

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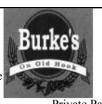


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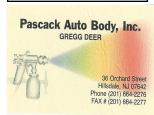




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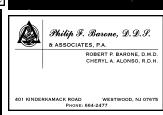
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