



# Secaucus Knightly News

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**Dedicated to fostering Vocations of Clergy & Religious Men and Women!**

***A Blessed and Happy Easter to Everyone!!!***

## **GK's Message:**

Dear Brothers,

I hope you and your families are having a blessed Lenten season as we enter Holy Week and the Easter season.

March was a busy month. Thank you to everyone who helped make our annual fish fry a success. The council was also well represented at the Mass for the Feast of St. Joseph. As Knights, our presence matters, as St. Joseph reminds us of our role as faithful Catholic men and fathers.

Deputy Grand Knight Don Caputo, Chancellor Peter Furka, and I had the honor of recognizing Oliver Buenafe and Benjamin La on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout. Peter noted the shared values of scouting and the Knights of Columbus, including fraternity and patriotism. We also thanked them and their troop for their continued support of our council.

We welcomed two new members, Dean Kelly and Marcelo Rodriguez. We remain on track with our membership goals, and with our insurance goals nearly complete, we are close to achieving Star Council status. COR, our monthly prayer and faith formation group, continues to meet on the last Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the ICC cafeteria. Now in our third year, COR has also helped support councils in Hoboken and Ridgefield. In March, we continued our Lenten tradition of reflecting on the Seven Last Words of Jesus.

### Upcoming Events

- Living Stations of the Cross: Good Friday at 7:00 PM at ICC. Knights are needed to assist and help ensure safety.
- Holy Saturday: Please join us in decorating the church and preparing for the Easter Vigil. Help is also needed

to restore the sanctuary after Holy Thursday, call time is 10 AM.

- COR: Last Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the ICC cafeteria.
- Beef Steak Dinner: Saturday, May 2nd at 6:30 PM. Tickets go on sale in April; sign-ups will be available at the April business meetings.

Vivat Jesus!

S.K. Jim Condino, Grand Knight

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### DATES TO REMEMBER!

Membership Mtg - Apr. 1st - 7 pm

ICC-Rosary for Peace - on Apr.3rd  
Good Friday Devotions start at 6:30 pm  
**LIVING STATIONS of the CROSS 7PM**

Officers Mtg. - Mon., Apr. 13th - 7pm

Membership Mtg - Apr. 15th - 7 pm

COR Meeting - Apr. 29th - 7 pm

Put "DTR" on your phone's calendar!

### Ask someone to join!

Do you know of someone who is male, at least 18 years of age and a practical Catholic that believes in the teaching of the pope and Holy See? Ask them to join us and their membership is free for one year. Advise them to go to [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org) and go to the "join us" page. Fill in the appropriate information and when checking out put in the promo code "Blessed McGivney" to receive the credit toward the membership cost for joining. Don't forget Council #12769! Need more info? Let Membership Chairman Sal know at [salm50@aol.com](mailto:salm50@aol.com).



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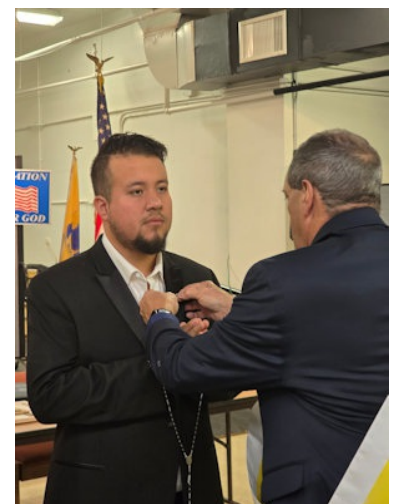
**WHO WE ARE**

- We are the sister organization to the Knights of Columbus.
- We are a group of Catholic Women who help promote the spiritual, social, and charitable welfare of those in our Parish, Community, and Sisterhood

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**Welcome  
to our council,  
Br. Dean Kelly,  
grandson of  
Former Master  
Paul Pinkman**



**Welcome to  
our council,  
Br. Marcelo  
Rodriguez**

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### **From Chancellor Peter ...**

March is a quiet month of Lenten contemplation, often including daily Mass, when we obtain critical Eucharistic support for the journey.

We are also called to deeply consider Fasting, Alms giving and Prayer, mostly done in secret, known only to our Father.

A handful of quiet deeds in support of the Sisters of Life included taking Sisters to and from Newark Liberty Airport for their ministry work.

My past USPS work allowed me to develop monthly Sisters of Life 'Thank You!' mailings with postal prices at deep non-profit discounts.

In support of the 'Call for Vocations,' Lady Judy and I have joined the Immaculate Conception team with Deputy Grand Knight Don Caputo to help foster Vocations.

Please join us in praying for men and women to discern 'The Call' to the Priesthood and Religious life!

I offered my mid-month donation of Blood Platelets for those who are in need, known only to the doctors and Holy Spirit!

The K of C leadership team was honored to offer tribute and awards to Eagle Scouts, Benjamin Mac La and Oliver Buenafe. Congratulations young men!

As Knights in the choir and other ICC ministries we closed March with Palm Sunday praising and singing of the Glory of Jesus' Triumphant entrance into Jerusalem!

Let us all pass through Holy Week together with Jesus and Rejoice in His imminent Resurrection on Easter Morn! Hallelujah!

Peace!

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### **Founder's Day**



**March 29th is celebrated as Founder's Day. It is the day in 1882 when the Connecticut government recognized the Knights of Columbus as a legal entity.**

**How did you spend the day?**

**All the News that Fits We Print!**

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**Patriotism and Fraternity**



**Well Deserved Congratulations to Troop 22's New Eagle Scouts, Benjamin Mac La & Oliver Buenafe!**

**Br Paul Pinkman (center) stands with his fellow Vietnam veterans at the Secaucus Vietnam Veterans Monument.**

**Thank you for your service!**

