

NEEDHAM KNIGHTS NEWS

Newsletter for the Needham Knights of Columbus
Fr. Daniel J. Kennedy Council 1611 - May, 2021



May 2, 2021

My Brothers,

Below is this month's newsletter. May, as you all know, is dedicated to honoring our Blessed Mother. Continue to pray to our Blessed Mother for the health and safety of our families, church, nation and World.

I thank you all for all that you continue to do to make our council great!

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,

Bob Timmerman, Grand Knight

MAY BUSINESS MEETING

On this coming Wednesday, May 5th at 7:30 PM, we will have our monthly business meeting. The meeting will be held via ZOOM only. Please use the following link:

Zoom Meeting link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88404507356?pwd=ek51cFFwUmo3K3NTVkhTY2hzK2xTdz09>

Meeting ID: 884 0450 7356

Passcode: 151545

MAY PROCESSION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

St. Joseph's Parish will celebrate the May Procession and Crowning of Mary on Sunday, May 9 at the 9:00 Mass. As customary, the statue of the Blessed Virgin will be crowned with flowers, and carried in procession. We Knights furnish the statue, the bier, the bearers and an escort. This is an old, familiar and treasured devotion, and our presence is always appreciated. This year, on account of the pandemic, many Brother Knights are attending Mass online. But, if you're attending in person, please consider

joining us to process with Mary! It will honor her, and reflect well on Council's vitality and commitment to parish life

Brothers should assemble in the front vestibule by 8:45 AM. Face masks required. Jacket and tie, please, and K of C lapel pin if you have one. At the end of Mass, weather permitting, we'll process to Mary's Garden for the crowning.

To reserve space consistent with COVID protocols, the parish would like an estimate of the number of Knights coming. So, if you plan to join us, please let Ted Harrigan know by Wednesday, May 6, at timothyharrigan@verizon.net, or cell 617-549-0560.

ALSO – BEARERS, PLEASE! To ensure we process without hitch, we need four Knights available and "trained" as bearers. So, can we get four Brothers to volunteer to be bearers? The ideal is four brothers about the same height – and on the younger side! Bearers are asked to arrive earlier, no later than 8:30, to do a dry run. Even better would be a 15-minute rehearsal on Saturday, if possible. If you're willing to serve as a bearer, please contact Ted Harrigan by Wednesday.

STATE CONVENTION RAFFLE TICKETS

The Annual State Raffle will be held during the DD/Grand Knight Conference at the end of June. Grand Prize is \$10,000. Proceeds from the raffle go to offset our per capita dues that we pay to the State Council. Our council must sell a minimum of 25 books. Books of tickets are \$15.00 and the council can retain \$5.00 per book. We will be selling the raffle tickets on Monday, May 10 and Wednesday, May 12 at the hall. This is an easy fundraiser for the council and maybe one of us will be a lucky winner.

EASTER FAMILY HOLY HOUR

Thank you to Father Joseph Kim for leading a us in an Easter Holy Hour this past Thursday. It was an hour well spent with the Lord. Thank you also to Deacon Bob Horne for livestreaming the event for more to be able to participate.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR THE 2021-2022 FRATERNAL YEAR

The nominating committee is hard at work putting together a proposed slate of officers for the coming fraternal year. The committee will make a report at the business meeting on Wednesday. Nominations remain open thru the June business meeting at which time a final report of the committee will be made and nominations will be closed and followed by the election. Thank you to Ted Harrigan, chair, and PGK's Paul Deeley and Mike Fraini for agreeing to serve as the nominating committee. Please reach out to Ted, Paul or Mike if you are interested in serving as an officer or if you would like to make a nomination.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership Director Ken Gustin needs your help in promoting membership so that we can attain our quota of new members. Please consider asking a friend, neighbor, relative or someone you may only see at church who you think would make a good member. All you need to do is give Ken a name and contact information and he'll take it from there. We will be running notices in the church bulletins seeking new members. Anyone who turns in a signed application for a new member in the month of April will be entered into a drawing to win a Knights of Columbus polo shirt customized with the council logo.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Thank you to the scholarship committee and Ken Gustin for getting the word out about our college scholarships. We will be awarding 4 scholarships this year, 2 to current college freshman who will be entering their sophomore year and 2 to graduating high school seniors who have been accepted to college. More information can be found on our website or by contacting one of the members of the scholarship committee. Serving on the scholarship committee this year are Bill Dermody, Jim Clark, Ron Gillis and Paul Bacigalupo

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of all who have died of COVID 19 over the last fourteen months, as well as those currently battling the virus. Pray also for the families and loved ones of all those who are sick or have lost their lives during this crisis. Please pray for all who have no one to pray for them and for the forgotten souls in purgatory.

OFFICERS FOR THE 2020 – 2021 FRATERNAL YEAR

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Recorder	Bob Parks		
Treasurer	Ron Hadley		
Financial Secretary	Bob Mullen		
Advocate	Michael Gillis		
Inside Guard	Paul Whyte		

