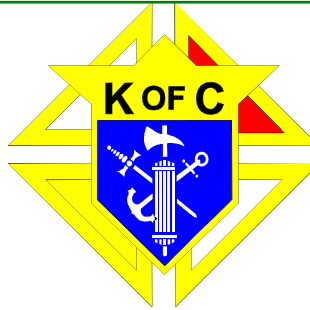


# ***A Knight's Life***

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**MARIA REGINA  
COUNCIL #12533  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

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## **GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT**

Friends,

I'm sure by now everyone is back to work and the kids back in school after the recess. The Easter and Lenten season just blew past, like most holidays these days. I hope everyone had taken the time and spent it with their family, for these are the times that count.

Spring has finally sprung. Looking around my yard I see the flowers starting to sprout and, in case you're wondering, I do watch the grass grow (just ask Fitz). Same thing is happening down at the council. The nominating committee has been charged and is meeting and working to propose a new slate of officers for the upcoming year. Either in this issue or at the next meeting their results will be known to the rest of us. After the vote in June, the seeds will be then planted for our continued growth. I hope everyone who wanted to run for an office got their resume in on time.

I need to thank Kevin and Gina, for another successful evening of wine tasting. I do remember sampling each of the wines, both reds and whites, after that it becomes somewhat of a blur. We had a good crowd with people tasting and dancing, so a good night was had by all. Thank You.

I would like to share with you a Homily I was fortunate enough to have heard at a mass at Saint James Church. I know we all have sat through hundreds if not thousands of these, but somehow this Homily made a point in a way I never heard before. I'll try and paraphrase it the best I can, but I probably will not do it justice. He started out with talking about the Jefferson Bible, which Jefferson penned off the King James Bible, but removing all the supernatural properties of Jesus. Basically Jefferson made Jesus a "Peaceful Philosopher", a man, nothing more. Then the priest brought Plato, Socrates and Aristotle in for comparisons. He then spoke of how the disciples, and how even Peter the strongest follower, denied knowing Jesus for fear of being associated and possibly being put to death. The priest further explained to everyone how each of the disciples died a horrible and torturous death except for John who was exiled for his beliefs. He then stated that no one was ever put to death for following a philosopher. Think about it, would anyone be willing to be put to death because the Romans crucified one Peaceful Philosopher? He then said think about this, you go from denying Jesus one day, to another where you accept death for preaching about what you saw and now believe. What happened between Good Friday and the Ascension that changed these men, 2,000 years ago? What would one need to witness to accept being tortured to death? I've been pondering this statement since I heard it. I thought this was a very strong statement. One that I believe takes it one step further than Faith. I'm sure I will use the comparison and logic in the future when I have those debates with others about Jesus.

Vivat Jesus  
Donald Piscitelli  
Grand Knight

From the desk of the Deputy Grand Knight:

The weather is finally starting to get warmer. The winter season is only a memory. Are we ready for the summer? The sun is shining, the birds are chirping and what are your plans for the summer?. Golfing, fishing, vacations? The reason I'm asking this is that we have a tendency to put in a few extra pounds over the winter. If the spring cleanup in the yard seems to get tougher each year, maybe its time to get your blood pressure checked? Stress test done? We have another busy year in the council and we need all the members to be well. Don't put it off any longer, make an appointment, to get yourself checked out. Do it for your family. When was your last physical? We all need to get more exercise and stay healthy.

One event in the future is the fishing trip that will be on July 25<sup>th</sup>. Capt BOBO will be driving the boat with his trusty dog by his side. Sign up early cause there is a limit to the boat.

4<sup>th</sup>- Degree News

5-11-09 March from Sacred Heart to Cure of Ares- 6pm t/o for honor guard

5-13-09 Officers meeting @ Memorare Council @ 7:30pm

5-25-09 Memorial Day Parade from Mass Park to Massapequa  
10am

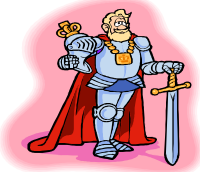
5-27-09 Assembly Meeting @ Memorare Council @ 8pm

10-11-09- 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification @ Melville Marriot

***MARIA REGINA COUNCIL 2009-2010  
PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS***

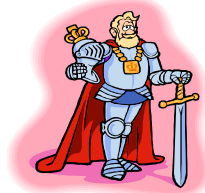
<b><i>Grand Knight</i></b>	<b><i>SK Michael Latva, PFN</i></b>
<b><i>Deputy Grand Knight</i></b>	<b><i>SK Frank Cox</i></b>
<b><i>Chancellor</i></b>	<b><i>John Rollins</i></b>
<b><i>Warden</i></b>	<b><i>SK Ralph Milone</i></b>
<b><i>Advocate</i></b>	<b><i>SK John Raymond, PGK</i></b>
<b><i>Treasurer</i></b>	<b><i>Jerry Woods</i></b>
<b><i>Recorder</i></b>	<b><i>Jim Dolan Jr.</i></b>
<b><i>Inside Guards</i></b>	<b><i>Charlie Madsen</i></b>
	<b><i>Peter Maresco</i></b>
<b><i>Outside Guards</i></b>	<b><i>Jim Laurice</i></b>
	<b><i>Tom Tierney</i></b>
<b><i>State Delegates</i></b>	<b><i>Grand Knight elect</i></b>
	<b><i>PGK Don Piscitelli</i></b>
<b><i>Alternates</i></b>	<b><i>DGK Elect</i></b>
	<b><i>DD Al Valente, PGK</i></b>
<b><i>Trustees</i></b>	<b><i>3Year Don Piscitelli, PGK</i></b>
	<b><i>2Year Mike Colucci, PGK</i></b>
	<b><i>1Year Kevin Keep, PGK</i></b>

***All positions are open, if you desire to run for a position contact our Nominating Committee Chairman, PGK Kevin Keep.***



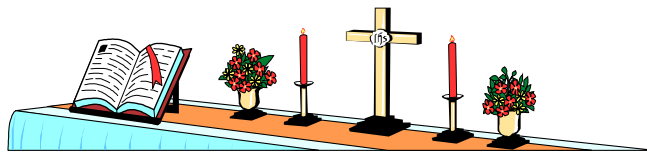
## **KNIGHT OF THE MONTH**

**APRIL 2009**



*This month's honoree is one of our Past Grand Knights, He currently holds a position on the Corporation Board, he is involved with our Church and has the dubious reputation of being long winded. This month he along with his wife Gina hosted our annual wine tasting night. It was a great success but no one remembers what happened. His heart is as big and long as his speeches, he is a true Catholic gentleman.*

*Let us stand and congratulate April's Knight of the Month  
SK Kevin Keep, PGK*



### **ROSARY NIGHT**

**THURSDAY May 28, 2009**

*Bring the family down to the council and pray the Rosary with us.  
Refreshments served afterwards.*

### **MARIA REGINA CORPORATION 12533 NOMINATIONS**

*There are 3 positions open for the Corporation Board.  
The following have been nominated:*

*Jim Laurice, Larry Caparco, Chris Pyzynski,*

*Anyone wishing to run for the Corporation Board must attend the next Council meeting where nominations will be taken.*

*Jim Dolan,  
Corporation President*

## *P.G.K. Testimonial Journal*

**Knights Of Columbus- Maria Regina Council #12533**

*In Honor Of*  
**SK DONALD PISCITELLI**  
*AD Journal Prices as Follows:*

<b>FULL PAGE AD:</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>
<b>½ PAGE AD:</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>
<b>¼ PAGE AD:</b>	<b>\$ 35.00</b>

*We are in the process of printing our annual journal in honor of our newest Past Grand Knight, SK Donald Piscitelli. This journal will be distributed at our tenth annual testimonial dinner to be held at The Sterling, on Saturday, September 26, 2009*

*It is tradition that most members attend this annual dinner and are encouraged to take out an individual ad or share an ad with other members for this memorable journal, whether they are able to attend this testimonial or not. Submission of journal ad deadline is September 4<sup>th</sup>, and must be accompanied by payment in full.*

*Please make checks payable to “Knights of Columbus #12533” and bring it to a meeting along with the completed form below, or you can mail to Chris Pyzynski @187 Wisconsin Ave. N. Massapequa New York, 11758.*

**If you have any questions please contact any of the following:**  
**Chris Pyzynski 516 249-5429**

*Blank forms available at the council and will be publish at a later date*

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***PGK TESTIMONIAL DINNER  
IN HONOR OF***

***SK Donald Piscitelli***

***Saturday, September 26, 2009***

***8 PM— 1 AM***

***@***

***THE STERLING***

***345 Hicksville road, Bethpage***

***\$65 PER PERSON***

***Includes Cocktail Hour, Sit Down Dinner***

***DJ, Dessert & Open Bar***

***Ticket Chairman:***

***PGK John Raymond 516-578-2726***

***PGK Mike Colucci 516-523-0401***

***Journal AD Chairman:***

***Chris Pyzynski 516-249-5429***

***RSVP BY SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2009***

## *Sick and Distress*

*If you hear of a Brother or family member that is sick or should anyone hear of the death of a Brother Knight please notify our Sick and Distress Personal*

*GK Don Piscitelli  
516-731-6204*

*or*

*PGK Kevin Keep  
516-779-9026*

## **SHIRTS & JACKETS**

*Maria Regina Council Shirts and Jackets available at Reasonable prices.*

*Contact : PGK Al Valente or PGK Mike Latva  
516-30305449 516-249-7261*



## **COUNCIL PICNIC**

**JUNE 27TH, 2009  
MARJORIE POST PARK**



***\$15 PP, \$5 per child, max \$40.00 per family.***

***Food, games and much more.***

***We are also planning to dedicate our Memorial Bench for our deceased members.***

***Contact Peter Maresco for more info and reservations***

***Phone: 797-2005***

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

<b>5/6/09</b>	<b><i>Executive Board Mtg</i></b>	<b>8:30PM Council Hall</b>
<b>5/7/09</b>	<b><i>Council Mtg</i></b>	<b>8:30PM Council Hall</b>
<b>5/17/09</b>	<b><i>Monthly Mass</i></b>	<b>9 AM Maria Regina</b>
<b>5/20/09</b>	<b><i>Corporation Mtg.</i></b>	<b>8:30PM Albany Ave</b>
<b>5/21/09</b>	<b><i>Council Mtg.</i></b>	<b>8:30PM Council Hall</b>
<b>5/27/09</b>	<b><i>4th Degree Assy Mtg.</i></b>	<b>Memorare Council</b>
<b>5/28/09</b>	<b><i>Rosary Night</i></b>	<b>7:30PM Council</b>

## **COUNCIL HALL RENTAL**

***Our Council Hall is available for rentals...***

***Birthday's, Christening,***

***Anniversaries, Meeting room, etc.***

***MEMBERS RATES AVAILABLE***

***Contact:***

***PGK John Raymond 578-2726***

**INSURING YOUR FUTURE**

Telephone: (516)-384-1468

From Field Agent Christopher Barron

email: [Christopher.Barron@KofC.org](mailto:Christopher.Barron@KofC.org)

***Father Michael McGivney created the Knights of Columbus in the 1880s during a period of economic uncertainty and hardship. He created the insurance program with Knight of Columbus as a way to protect families from unforeseen difficulties For some, today is a period of uncertainty as well. Now would be a perfect time to review your goals for your family and map out a plan to protect them for future.***