



# Knights Digest



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Summer 2021

## Calendar of Events

August 7th..... JFK Assembly Horseshoe Tournament  
 August 8th.....Roses for Life  
 August 11th..... Swim Club Pool Opening  
 August 14th.....Lobsterfest  
 August 22nd.....Roses for Life  
 August 28th..... Baseball Game  
 September 11th..... Family Barbecue w/911 Ceremony  
 September 12th.....Roses for Life  
 September 19th..... Fr. Kris Installation Mass  
 September 26th..... Blue Mass (Holy Spirit)  
 October 2nd.....Retreat (St. Michael)  
 October 8th.....Cigar Night  
 October 9th..... PGK Dinner  
 October 10th.....Roses for Life  
 October 16th.....German Night  
 October 19th..... Pride in Priest Dinner  
 October 24th..... Tailgate Party  
 November 14th..... Memorial Mass & Roses for Life  
 December 19th.....Appreciation/Christmas Dinner  
 April 9th.....Columbiette Tricky Tray  
 Fall..... Flea Market

Dates are subject to change based on the status of the social distancing rules in effect.

Life is like a play. It is not the length but it's performance that counts". Seneca.



## Baseball Trip Update

Hello all for those that have already sent in deposit for the Met game thank you. We have about 15 more seats available. The date is August 28th, we will need the balance by the end of June. This will give us time to send to Citi Field and then for our contact to send tickets back to us for the game. At the moment the schedule is showing this will be an evening game.

Any question let me know. 908-357-5673 or [mikepeter4275@gmail.com](mailto:mikepeter4275@gmail.com).



We are looking to do another German Celebration on October 16th Saturday afternoon 3pm-7pm. We would like to keep the price to the same as last year. More details to follow in

the near future.

## Past Grand Knight Dinner



As one year comes to end another Columbian year begins it is time to recognize our PGK Len Komar Jr. Under the severe circumstances of the Pandemic Covid 19 we would have to say he did a fantastic job. We will be honoring Len on October 9th at 7:30pm.

We are working on the menu and cost for the dinner. Those that are interested can contact PGK Mike Peter at [mikepeter4275@gmail.com](mailto:mikepeter4275@gmail.com) or call 908-357-5673 or can reach GK Phil Cababe at 908-858-0980 or [grandknightphilcababe@outlook.com](mailto:grandknightphilcababe@outlook.com)



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or preferably via email to: [tomdudek@outlook.com](mailto:tomdudek@outlook.com)

You must clearly identify all people in photos submitted and at what council event the photo was taken. Photos with alcoholic beverages will not be considered. Photos may also be submitted via email as hi-resolution image files. Hard copy photos will only be returned when accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

### Council Officers

*Chaplain*..... Rev. Msgr. Anselm Nwaorgu  
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*Deputy Grand Knight* ..... Gerry Aponte  
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*Recorder*..... Robert Pynckels  
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*Fin. Secretary*..... Luke Sangiamo  
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*Outside Guard*..... Chad Daren Wixson  
*Membership Director* ..... Gerry Aponte  
*Program Director*..... Mike Peter  
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*Advocate*..... Stephen F. Hehl  
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*Navigator* ..... Tony Oliviero  
*Columbian Club President* ..... Joe Marateo  
*Swim Club President* ..... Mike Harms  
*Columbiette President* ..... Fran Corcione

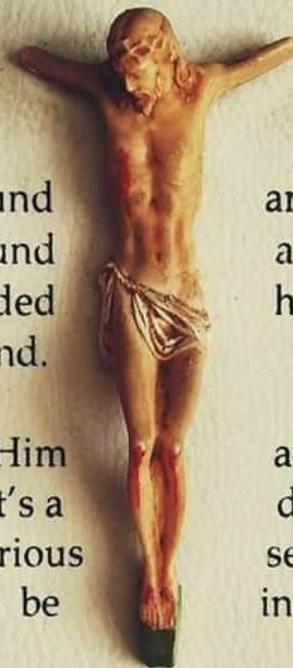
### Monthly Meetings

1st. Mon.-----Council Officers  
2nd Mon. -----Council Mtgs.  
2nd Thu. -----Columbiettes  
4th Wed. ----- 4th Degree Assembly  
4rd Thur.-----Columbian Club

## MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

### The Story of THE LOST HANDS

One morning as I knelt and prayed,  
I gazed at the statue of Christ in clay  
And lo! to my dismay  
He's got no arms and  
hands that sway.



I searched around  
roof to ground  
His wounded  
be found.

and searched from  
and even beyond  
hands could not

So I turned to Him  
Lord if it's a  
Why in His glorious  
He seemed to be

and asked our  
dream;  
seat  
incomplete?

Then kindly,

He replied:

YOU ARE MY HANDS  
...heal the wounds of the afflicted  
...care for the poor  
...give hope to the helpless  
...reach out to the weary  
...clothe the naked.

By doing this my child...you will  
RESTORE MY HANDS.

# Union Council 4504

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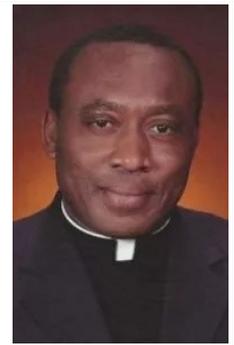


Ed Patterson, Tom Hornig, Bob Armstrong P.G.K., Mayor Goodkin, Grand Knight Ken Pinney, Jim Moran P.G.K., Roy Trupiano and Bill Patania.



November 1977, The Knights of Columbus mini park was dedicated on the corner of Winslow and Stecher. In time the original sign was lost. Council historian, Steve Nagy came across an old digest with the mini park article. The project began, council approved a new sign, township confirmed and the sign order was placed. Saturday June 12th Brother Knights, Allen Pascullo, Alex Rivera, Len Komar installed the new sign. Thanks to Gerry Aponte who dug the holes. We were warmly greeted by park neighbors Bogie and his dog Shadow.





## **The power of fatherhood in families**

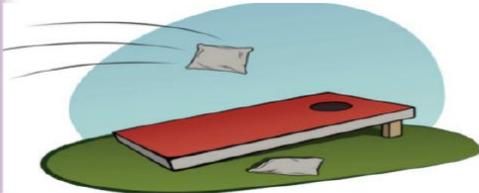
June is the month we celebrate fatherhood and so I would like to congratulate our fathers and to say to them, well done and thank you for being a father; a father that is present, that cares, that nurtures, that protects, that provides, that models, that encourages, that understands; a pillar of strength, support and discipline. Thank you for bringing us into this world and for hanging in there with us to make sure we turn out right; that we become what we are meant to be; that we grow up into decent human beings, with sensitivity toward others, appreciation of life's gifts, and a sense of responsibility for ourselves and for humanity. Thank you for being dad. Your work is endless and, many-a-time, thankless. But it is always worth it, no matter what, for in the end, your work shows up in how we turn out.

Being a dad is not an easy job yet you embrace it for the love you have for God and for your children. So we pray that God will continue to encourage you to do right by your kids. Please know that your children love it when you stay involved in their lives, providing discipline, monitoring their behavior, teaching them how to appreciate what they have and not to take things for granted, helping them pick up responsibilities earlier on in life, spending time with them having fun together, listening to them, helping them with homework, telling them stories about family origins, sharing meals together around the dinner table, and giving them guidance on how to navigate this world. As you may know, this type of presence helps cut down behavioral delinquencies and substance abuse among children. It also helps them do much better at school and to do the right things in life. Also while your children may not like it, at the time, they do however expect you not to let them get away with evil. They expect you to be strong in disapproving their misdeeds, to provide appropriate discipline, to use tough love and to put down your foot when necessary. Yes, they may resist and fight you, but don't worry, one day they will bless you for it. The Bible says, "No discipline seems pleasant at the time... Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it" (Hebrew 12:11). Moreover, your children are thrilled when they see you living out the values you are trying to teach them because they believe and learn more from what they see than from what they hear.

It is also helpful to know that your children tend to be more trusting of your guidance when you are open-minded with them. Remember that times, people, and tastes do change over time. Your kids may not live the same kind of life you had or do the same kind of things you did. Your kids are happy when you listen to what they have to say; when you support the things that they would like to become in life (as long as it is not self-destructive or misguided); when you are their first stop when it comes to encouragement. Your words matter a lot to them, and so, it is important that your words be life-giving, edifying, and encouraging.

Above all, thank you for loving your children, even when you are upset with them; when they are not measuring up to your expectations; when they disagree with you and you feel like throwing them under the bus. Your children need you as dads, no matter what, and so never give up on them. May the heavens reward you abundantly for what you do to keep your family going!

# Summer of Tournaments @ the Columbian Club of Union



**CORNHOLE**



**HORSESHOES**



**DARTS (Cricket)**

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## **HOW TO ENTER:**

- Register your team name and participants with a bartender or email Mike Harms @ [mikemarisolam@yahoo.com](mailto:mikemarisolam@yahoo.com)
- \$20.00 per team per tournament
- Deadline to register is June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021
- Tournament brackets will be posted @ Tiki Bar
- Trophies will be presented to winning teams



## **RULES:**

- Round Robin competition – July 3<sup>rd</sup> thru August 14<sup>th</sup>
- All tournaments are best of 3 games
- All tournaments run throughout the 7 week period based on each teams schedule and availability
- Team captains are to schedule times and dates emailing Mike Harms to ensure no conflicts exist
- Winning teams sign book (behind bar) with losing team signing to confirm

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*Sponsored by the Columbian Swim Club*



**KNIGHTS  
OF COLUMBUS**

**ANNUAL**

**FAMILY**



**BARBECUE**

**#FOOD #DRINKS #MUSIC #FUN**

**Saturday, September 11th**

**12:00pm till 6:00pm**

For Tickets Contact: John Bashaw @ 908-591-4338

Ticket Costs:

Family (2 Adults & 2 Children under 12) / \$50

Additional Children Under 12 / \$10

Adults and Children Over 12 / \$20



**STEADY SMOKE BBQ**  
TEXAS BBQ DONE RIGHT IN NJ



# LOCAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 4504 RECEIVES TOP AWARD



**Congratulations!**

**Council 4504 has earned the 2020-2021 Star Council Award!**

Congratulations to all the brothers who made this happen. Especially our Membership Director Gerry Aponte.

Union Knights of Columbus Council 4504 has received the distinction of Star Council, the international organization's top award for local councils.

The Star Council Award recognizes overall excellence in the areas of membership, promotion of fraternal insurance benefits, sponsorship of faith formation programs and service-oriented activities.

Shield Awards, Food Drive, Coat Drive, Intellectual Disability Drive, Roses for Life, supporting Challenger League are some of the programs

For information on joining the Knights of Columbus contact local Membership Director Gerry Aponte.



## German Night

We are doing a repeat of last year's German Celebration which will be held on Saturday, October 16th from 3pm-7pm. We would like to keep the price to the same as last year. More details to follow in the near future.



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## Shield Awards

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## August 2021

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Horseshoe Tourn.
8 Roses for Life	9	10	11 Pool Opening	12	13	14 Lobster Fest
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 Roses for Life	23	24	25	26	27	28 Baseball Game
29	30	31				

## September 2021

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11 Family Barbecue
12 Roses for Life	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 Fr. Kris Installation	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 Blue Mass	27	28	29	30		