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First New Jersey District

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Congratulations to Our New Officers!!!

Faithful Navigator's Message!

Worthy Sir Knights,

As I enter my term as faithful navigator of our assembly, I would like to extend my gratitude to our past Faithful Navigator, SK David Newlin and his officers for their leadership and dedication to achieve the Assembly Star Council award for two years straight !

Today, September 11th, is a day that lives in infamy! Millions of Americans sat in their living rooms and in offices watching in horror as hijacked planes flew over World Trade Center. 3000 people lost their lives as a result of this terrorist attack, at that moment and in the years that followed! Please let us take a moment to pray for the many people who were lost, including some of your neighbors.

May God bless our country to gather together for strength!

Vivat Jesus!

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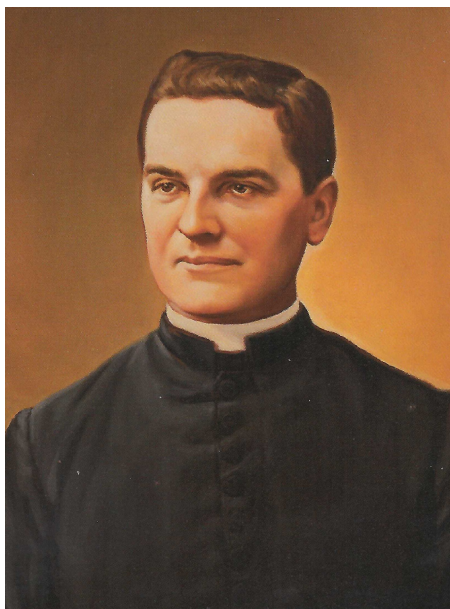
www.kc4d1543.org

DATES TO REMEMBER

Membership Meeting
Thursday, Sept. 11th at 8 pm
at Queen of Peace KofC Hall
194 River Rd, North Arlington

The Silver Rose Prayer Service
Tuesday, Sept 16th at 7:30 pm
Sacred Heart Church
324 Ridge Road, Lyndhurst

Installation of Officers
Thursday, Sept. 25th at 7pm at
St. Francis Church in Lodi
125 Union Street
[Repast follows the ceremony!](#)



Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

Founder of the Knights of Columbus

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (*here make your request*). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please report all favors received:

The Father McGivney Guild
1 Columbus Plaza
New Haven, CT 06510-3326 • USA
www.fathermcgivney.org

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The Supreme Honor Guard



Did you send your dues to Worthy Comptroller Neal McGarrity yet? His address is 814 Ninth Street, Secaucus, NJ 07094. Make checks payable to "Knights of Columbus". You can also pay at the meeting!

To submit photos or articles for the next issue, please send email to: SK Charles Schumacher, PFN at: info.kc4d1543@gmail.com before the 30th of this month.

Installation of State Officers



Neal McGarrity and David Newlin, with Lady Sophie, have stepped up to become District Deputies!



Fr. Ernie Rush and the knights at Our Lady of Mount Carmel at the Lyndhurst Council Installation.



Beyond Baptism BBQ at OLMC

Color Corps Training Available!

Message From Fourth Degree Director of Training

Upcoming Training and How to Participate

Here is a look into September for our first quarterly training of the new fraternal year:



September 22 – Drill Manual update, led by FVSM, and Fourth Degree Ceremonials Director, Mike Thumm.

Sir Knight Thumm will do a general overview of the manual, the importance of regular practice in all aspects of the manual and highlight the major changes that have been made to our Fourth Degree Drill Manual and Manual of the Sword.

Invited to this training are all Vice Supreme Masters, District Masters, Marshals, and all Assembly officers, including Color Corps Commanders.

Here's how you can participate:

The Supreme office will send a registration email to all listed Vice Supreme Masters, District Masters, and Assembly officers (That's why it's important to complete the 186 Officers Report form properly).

When you get this email, register for the training session. About one week before the training date, you will receive a second email from the Supreme office with the link to the meeting.

If you can't make the night of the training, still register. All those who register will be able to view the training On Demand on the Supreme site. If you don't register, you will not have that option.

We have some exciting things coming your way for the 2025-2026 Fraternal Year in the Fourth Degree.

If you have any other questions on training your members, please email me at MJPKNIGHT9282@aol.com.

Fraternally,

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Fourth Degree Director of Training

Knights of Columbus, Lyndhurst Council #2896

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Silver Rose
Prayer Service

The Silver Rose Prayer Service in honor of our Blessed Mother, Our Lady of Guadalupe will be held at Sacred Heart Church at 7:30PM on September 16, 2025 in both English & Spanish. All from our Catholic community are invited to attend.



State Deputy Jim Sweeney presents the 25 year certificate to GK Jim Condino and Fr. Vic Kennedy!



Honor Guard on duty!



PGK Rich Steffens welcomes the audience to the ceremony.



SK Don Caputo, DGK, PFN Charlie Schumacher and SK Jim Condino, GK at the Annual Family Picnic!

