

# The Knightly News

COUNCIL 4522

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## Monthly Newsletter

June 2023

### IMPORTANT DATES IN JUNE

Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> – 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Queen of Apostles Catholic Church  
12:00 Noon Mass, Bishop Burbidge, Celebrant

Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> – Officers' Meeting 7:30 PM via ZOOM

Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup> – Corpus Christi Procession, 5:00 PM Mass @ QofA – Need 4<sup>th</sup> Degree!!!

Wednesday, June 14<sup>th</sup> – General Business Meeting HYBRID - 7:30 PM  
via ZOOM AND IN PERSON – Guadalupe Center, QofA Campus

**NOTE: 2023/2024 Elections will be held during THIS meeting!**

**2023/2024 Budget will be presented**

Wednesday, June 14<sup>th</sup> – Flag Day

Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup> – Father's Day!

## Grand Knight's Message

Gentleman, I'd like to take a few minutes to remind you all of a few of the things this Council has encountered, overcome, and completed during the last six years:

- Supplied, prepared, and fed close to or exceeding 1,000 at Christ House, most recently this month, thanks to Brother Danny Restivo.
- Prayed together during more than 20 Corporate Communions.
- Supported five Annual Marches for Life
- Donated nearly 60,000 pounds of food to the Poor Sisters of St. Joseph, ACCA, and surrounding food banks.
- Supported 30 Seminarians primarily through our *Keep Christ in Christmas* program.
- Donated food and necessities to almost 100 families at Christmas
- Annually held or supported successful and highly soccer and basketball challenges at the Council and District levels.
- Supported Virginians with intellectual disabilities through successful KOVAR campaigns averaging several thousands of dollars each year.
- Supported Fr. Vives' 25<sup>th</sup> Priesthood Anniversary, and Fr. Diaz's 15<sup>th</sup> Priesthood Anniversary
- Held our Council's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration – attended by over 125 Knights, families, and parishioners.
- We've been able to make generous donations to QofA, QofA School, numerous pro-life entities, supported vocations and many more

Catholic centric charities too numerous to note due to our fiscal accountability and partnership with the Casey Club and charitable arm—the Casey 4522 Foundation

- Earned several State Deputy Awards and one Supreme Star Council Award

This Council has endured the Cold War, the Vietnam War, multiple economic crises, both Gulf Wars, 9/11, and COVID. We survived these challenges a committed group of Catholic gentlemen willing to sacrifice for the good of others. Currently, we are facing a challenge that we seemingly cannot endure together.

Sadly, I cannot define the challenge—our membership is growing, we are in an excellent financial position, and we've got a supportive parish and pastor. Yet for some reason, all the future good that we will potentially do is in jeopardy because we cannot find leadership for next year. There are no provisions for a council to exist without a Grand Knight.

Elections will be held on June 14<sup>th</sup> at the June General Business Meeting, and we will be accepting nominations from the floor. Currently we need nominees for Grand Knight, Chancellor, Treasurer, and Guard. No experience is needed for any of these positions; any 3<sup>rd</sup> degree member, including all newly exemplified members, are qualified for any and all positions. There is a team of experienced Knights who are willing to help and guide you, we just need your initiative. So there is no ambiguity, if we do not have a Grand Knight the council will cease to exist.

If you are interested in any of these positions or have any questions, please reach out to me directly at 443-458-8833 or [dpenrose@engineer.com](mailto:dpenrose@engineer.com).

We have been asked to support the Q of A church 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration after the Noon bilingual mass on June 4<sup>th</sup>. The Knights have been requested to prepare hot dogs and hamburgers; brother Rick Sacra is coordinating the entire event for the parish. Please reach out to me or Rick ([silverado261@verizon.net](mailto:silverado261@verizon.net)) if you are able to assist. Duties will include taking the grill from the Parish center garage to the parking lot behind Hannan Hall, grilling the food, cleanup and returning the grill.

Daniel Penrose  
Grand Knight, Council 4522



### **Knight of the Month**

The Knight of the Month for May is the unknown Knight who took the initiative to collect for KOVAR after a mass during the Mother’s Day weekend. Although this was a scheduled event, the Grand Knight was out of town and hence unable to personally supervise the collection. An enterprising Knight collected over \$50 on his own initiative and put the cash in the cashbox for discovery the following Monday. Many thanks to this dedicated, but as yet unknown, Knight.

### **Family of the Month**

The Family of the Month for June is the Sacra Family due to their unceasing support of the parish through service at the Sunday social, the parish finance council, and volunteering to organize the parish anniversary celebration.

### **2023/2024 Council and Casey Club Nominations**

*FS Roger Williams*

Typically, at the May General Business Meeting, the Nomination Committee would have presented its’ slate of Officers for this month’s June 14<sup>th</sup> election. Sadly, incredibly, the report was not ready—not because the committee wasn’t prepared, there were so many positions still without nominations, it didn’t make sense to give a “report”.

This Council, now going on to be 65 years old, is vital - VITAL to the Parish and the Community. We need you to listen carefully for God’s call to help. CHARITY doesn’t always mean, just stroke a check, or show up to serve fish. More often than not, it means giving of time—and not only that, taking a proactive lead in caring for others—others, outside of your immediate family. The Knights today are needed here in the

parish, the community and around the world. We need your time; we need you and your leadership skills. God is calling. Are you listening?

The elections are being held on June 14, 2023, at the MONTHLY General Business Meeting (yes, we have a monthly in-person meeting, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month). Currently, we have NO candidates for Grand Knight, Chancellor, Treasurer, or even Outside Guard. None.

Anyone willing to step up to one of these positions can expect the necessary help, guidance, and support from the Financial Secretary and the three Trustees and other seasoned Knights. Anyone willing to “run” for any of these positions or appointment to chair future committees or events or wanting to know more about the responsibilities of the positions—or better yet, of being a Knight of Columbus in good standing with the Order and the Council can contact any of the current Officers.

The Council, the State Council, Queen of Apostles Church, Queen of Apostles School, the Sisters of St. Joseph, ACCA, Christ House and ALL of those that we cumulatively support are counting on you!

Again, at this point, here is our “confirmed” slate of Officers:

Grand Knight	<b>NO ONE</b>
Deputy Grand Knight	Kevin Beck – (THANK YOU Brother Kevin!)
Chancellor	<b>NO ONE</b>
Recording Secretary	SK John Cosgayon
Treasurer	<b>NO ONE</b>
Warden	Dan Restivo
Advocate	SK Rick Sacra
Inside Guard	SK Hilowe Tesfa
Outside Guard	<b>NO ONE</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Trustee	SK Daniel Penrose
Past Grand Knight Delegate	SK Daniel Penrose

Gentlemen, we cannot run a Council with leadership at the top.... without leaders (i.e. responsible individuals willing to attend meetings, assume leadership roles in our various activities/efforts and follow through on projects until completion). We all believe in miracles—it would take one to have a successful Council without all the Officer positions filled...especially the Grand Knight and the Treasurer! Don’t consider yourself a “leader”. God will help you lead by trusting in Him. Look at it as another opportunity for a blessing. A blessing that you can in return, pass on to others.

The Casey Club slate of Officers is as follows:

President SK Roger Williams  
 Vice President **NO ONE**  
 Secretary SK John Cosgayon  
 Treasurer SK Craig Delaney

SK Vincent Guevara [vincentg97@gmail.com](mailto:vincentg97@gmail.com) is the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, and is being assisted by FS Roger Williams [sbrog11@yahoo.com](mailto:sbrog11@yahoo.com). If you are interested in running for a position or want to know what is involved before committing to a position, please contact a committee member or any one of the sitting Officers—as soon as possible.

**Emblem of the Order Explained**

*Wear it proudly every day!* The emblem of the Order dates from the second Supreme Council meeting on May 12, 1883, when it was designed by James T. Mullen, who was then Supreme Knight.

A quick glance at the emblem indicates a shield mounted upon a Formee Cross. The shield is associated with a medieval Knight. The Formee Cross is the representation of a traditionally artistic design of the Cross of Christ through which all graces of redemption were procured for mankind. This then represents the Catholic spirit of the Order.



Mounted on the shield are three objects: The fasces standing vertically, and, crossed behind it, an anchor and a dagger or short sword. The fasces from Roman days is symbolic of authority which must exist in any tightly bonded and efficiently operating organization. The anchor is the mariner’s symbol for Columbus, patron of the Order, while the short sword or dagger was the weapon of the Knight when engaged upon an errand of mercy. Thus, the shield expresses Catholic Knighthood in organized merciful action, and with the letters, K. of C., it proclaims the specific form of activity.

The colors are Red, White, and Blue. Red is then the symbol of Faith, of belief in Christ, in the Redemption and in the Knowledge and love of Jesus Christ. White is the color of the Eucharistic Host, pledge of God’s Eucharistic presence among men, of the infinite love God has for man and the overwhelming

affection which the God-man has for each individual. White is then the symbol of Christ-like Charity. Blue is the color of our Lady’s mantle, in which she wrapped her beloved Son, through Whom came salvation to a sinful world. Blue is then the symbol of Hope.

**Special Reprint in Celebration of Father’s Day  
 Men on a Mission by Joseph McInerney**



Suppose you had a choice: your dream car with all the options and a summer home on the shore, or a life of daily toil spent with people you truly love and who truly love you. Which would you choose? Think twice.

The answer lies in what really makes you happy. If there is more to happiness and fulfillment than material comfort, where can we turn to find the truth about these things? While there is always a limit to the number of things you can accumulate, or cars you can fit on your driveway, there is no limit to the amount of happiness a human heart can receive – or give. The same is true for love.

Ultimately, the human heart reaches out to the infinite and eternal love of God. The Second Vatican Council tells us that we should look to Jesus Christ to find the meaning of human fulfillment. “Christ...in the very revelation of the mystery of the Father and of his love, fully reveals man to himself and brings to light his very high calling” (*Gaudium et Spes*, 22).

**Mission: Redemption**

Christ’s role on earth can be depicted in terms of a mission. God the Father sends his only-begotten Son into the world to reconcile it to himself. In other words, the mission of Jesus is nothing less than to save the souls of all people from all time. Christ achieves this mission through his roles as priest, prophet, and king. As the perfect priest, Christ offers himself as the perfect sacrifice for the salvation of all humanity. As a prophet, he bears God’s message of reconciliation to the world, teaching about God’s love and mercy. As king, he rules the universe, exercising his authority through service and humility.



The mission of the modern-day father, like that of Christ, is the salvation of souls. The difference between them is the fact that Christ's mission is universal, concerned with the salvation of all mankind. The father's mission is concerned primarily with the salvation of his own family. Despite the difference in scope, the father has the same methods at his disposal to achieve this mission of salvation.

Through his share in Christ's grace in the sacraments of Baptism and Matrimony, a father shares the grace of Christ's death and resurrection with his children. He is also a priest in the sense that he brings his children to the sacraments, giving them a direct share in the grace of Christ. The father is a prophet – the bearer of God's message – to his children by fulfilling his obligation to teach them the Catholic faith.

Lastly, he performs Christ's kingly function as the spiritual head of his family. This headship is always exercised in a Christian manner, rather than a worldly manner. A father's obligation to lead his family in holiness is not a call to domination, but to service.

**A Father's Fulfillment**

Each week at Mass when reciting the Gloria we learn that Christ alone is the holy one. In living out the vocation of fatherhood, a man is called to imitate the holiness that led Christ to give his entire self for the love of his brothers and sisters. At its root, then, fatherhood is a call to holiness. The example of Christ shows that holiness consists in the radical gift of oneself for the sake of others.

Fatherhood is the mission that allows a man to give of himself unreservedly. Thus, it is through fatherhood that most men will find their greatest happiness. To avoid fatherhood for the sake of that dream car, or that special summer home, is to cheat yourself out of one of life's most rewarding experiences. By calling men to make a gift of themselves to others, God calls fathers to a life of remarkable holiness, indescribable happiness, and true fulfillment.

*Reprinted from <http://www.fathersforgood.org> Joseph McInerney, a graduate of the Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family, lives in Springfield, Va., with his wife and five children. He is also a member of Springfield Council 6153.*

**Casey Women's Club**

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup> and the Retiree Luncheon and Bunco will be on Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup>. May there be blessings and good health to all.

Geri Owen VP

**Don't Forget to Fly Your Flag!**

Flag Day is celebrated on June 14. It commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States on June 14, 1777, by resolution of the Second Continental Congress. The United States Army also celebrates its' birthday on this date. In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued a proclamation that officially established June 14 as Flag Day; in August 1946, National Flag Day was established by an Act of Congress, although it is not an official federal holiday.



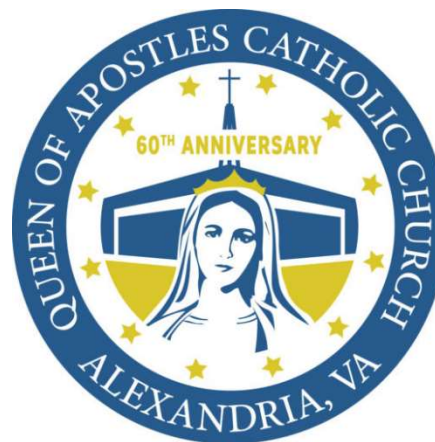
**June 2023 Birthdays**

- Daniel J Restivo 06-01
- Walter F Glowicki 06-02
- Robert L McMurrer 06-04
- Philip J Moser 06-05
- James William Amos 06-08
- PGK Roger L Williams 06-08
- Warren Whitlock 06-14
- Daniel J Stessalavage 06-16
- MAJ Robert J Ulses 06-16
- Michael M Hadeed Sr 06-19
- Vicente L Guevara 06-22
- Martin Oppus 06-24
- Daniel Brabbins 06-25
- Oscar Bradley 06-26
- Hilowe Tesfa 06-27



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MAY THE HOLY NAMES OF JESUS BE PRAISED AND HONORED BY ALL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND THEIR FAMILIES, AND MAY IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY RULE IN ALL OF OUR HEARTS UNTIL WE ATTAIN TO EVERLASTING LIFE! AMEN! ST. JOSEPH AND ST. DOMINIC, ORA PRO NOBIS!

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