

**UPCOMING
EVENTS**

November 2
Officers Meeting

November 11
Spaghetti Dinner
4th Degree Meeting

November 16
Council Meeting

November 23
Board Meeting

November 30
Past Grand Knights

Knights of Columbus Fairview Council # 4044

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MATTHEW COOKE-GRAND KNIGHT

Greetings My Brother Knights,

I hope this newsletter finds you and your family safe and healthy! Please remind everyone about our drive-thru Food Drive on Saturday, October 10th from 9am-Noon. There will be a special guest appearance from Santa himself! We will be practicing safe and social distancing. Nobody will be allowed to exit their vehicles so we can keep Santa and the other workers safe! We cannot allow anyone else to come and hang around that day. Thank you for the help and understanding! The officers have decided to make the Food Drive a monthly event, as the need is especially great this year. Anyone wishing to sign up for future events can find the information listed in the newsletter. A final update about our Council work is that we are in the process of donating approximately 120 winter coats to needy children at local schools.

Please pass the word about our "Fraternal Benefit Seminar" which is being held on Zoom on Tuesday, October 13th at 7PM. We as Officers are looking into acquiring Zoom or another media to try and get Council meetings out to the membership, as currently a 25 person maximum is allowed indoors, and we don't feel in-person meetings can be done safely at this time.

We had a wake service for Charter Member and past Faithful Navigator, Donald Gladu this month. Many of you know how much Donald meant to me, and surely what he meant to our Council. He will be missed.

VIVAT JESU!

Matthew Cooke, Grand Knight

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REPOSE OF THE SOUL

Please remember to keep in your prayers all of the Brother Knights and members of their families who have passed away, those who are sick and elderly, for all priests and religious vocations, for the life of the unborn, and remember to keep the men and women serving in our military safe, so they may return home to their loved ones.

We ask that you pray for the repose of the soul of Brother Knight Yvon Dion who leaves behind his wife Danielle, and Brother Knight Charles "Chuck" Folsom who leaves behind his wife Janet.

Matthew Cooke, Grand Knight

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FRANK FURMAN III, FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR

I can be reached at 413-527-7400 or furmanf@verizon.net



Honor Guard Rehearsal on Wednesday, October 7th at 7:00 pm is cancelled

An Officer's Planning Meeting will be held Wednesday, October 14th at 7:00 pm via zoom. I will be emailing the zoom meeting info to the officers. If you do not have zoom capability, I can always be reached by phone or email.

The regular meeting of the Assembly on Wednesday, October 14th at 7:00 pm is cancelled

VIVAT JESU Frank Furman III. Faithful Navigator, PGK

COUNCIL CHAPLAIN

November 1, 2020 "SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS"

"Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven." (Gospel for November 1, 2020 Mt 5:11-12)

There is a time for everything under the sun as we learn from the Book of Wisdom. This truth is the same for everyone regardless of whether we want it to be so or not. There is a time for rejoicing and dancing and there is a time for mourning. There is a time for living and there is a time for dying. When we truly walk the talk and convert to living a genuine Catholic Christian lifestyle inside and out, we are going to suffer.

This is so because there is a time for suffering. We all know this within. It's almost like it's built in. And we all from our natural aversion to suffering try our best to avoid it at all costs especially when that suffering occurs to a loved one. But there is another side to suffering or not suffering that we are missing in the midst of our pointless fleeing.

Challenge by Chaplain Reverend Dennis Skowera:

This month of October as we prepare for the Solemnity of All Saints on the first of November, as the Supreme Chaplain for the Knights, Archbishop William Lori challenges us monthly, I offer a challenge as well. Let us look differently at suffering. Let's look at suffering for Christ from God's perspective. After all God came to earth in **our** likeness, so that we would go to heaven with Him forever, in **His** likeness.

Suffering from God's perspective is when we suffer for Christ. And we suffer for Christ when we are living to the best of our abilities according to the will of God for our lives and denying our own wills.

Questions for Reflection:

Are we willing to "suffer" for our brother Knights and fellow Catholics in order to serve Christ?
 Are we willing to "suffer" to see the brother near us grow in his Catholic faith? Are we willing to "suffer" to live a holy life as we are called to do from our baptism? Are we willing to "suffer" to be like Christ?

Fr. Dennis



TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE

Although October is Tootsie Roll Drive month, the Council Officers have decided to err on the side of caution and cancel the drive because of the pandemic. We want to keep everyone safe and healthy. We must be cautious and wear our masks along with practicing social distancing during this pandemic.

The monies that we collect help those less fortunate than ourselves. I was wondering if you, as members of the Knights of Columbus, would consider making a donation to the drive. Your checks should be made payable to the Fairview Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive and mailed to 1599 Memorial Drive, Chicopee, MA 01020. As of the middle of September we have received \$700.

Thank you for all you do each year to make our Council the **NUMBER 1** Council in the state and for always being so willing to help when I call.

Elaine V. Boucher-Bogart, Drive Coordinator

FOOD DRIVE

The Council will be holding a Drive—Thru Food Drive on Saturday, October 10th from 9:00 am till 12 noon. We will accept both non perishable food items and monetary donations. Vehicles will be directed where to drop off your donation in the Council parking lot. This will allow us to conduct the Drive in a safe way. The donations collected will be made to the area Soup Kitchens and Food Pantries. There will also be a special guest from the North Pole greeting people as they come to donate. If you would like to help out at future Drives please call Deputy Grand Knight Steve Dubreuil at (413) 250-1677 or District Deputy Daniel Mashia at (413) 626-7257. Thank you to those who have signed up for this drive so quickly.

Steve Dubreuil, Deputy Grand Knight

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

We have begun the process of converting all current membership records to the Knights of Columbus Member Management System. While the Member Management System has been available to Councils for several years, our Council has continued to use the older and no longer supported FSPC system. With approximately 1,100 current Insured and Associate members in Council #4044, this is a significant and very necessary undertaking. My goal is to have it operational as soon as possible. I am hoping that it will be updated enough to use it for the 2021 Membership billing cycle, which will begin prior to December 31, 2020.

With the Member Management System, information is requested that is not available in some of our current records. Without complete information in the system, we are unable to communicate effectively with all our members.

With that in mind, please provide me with the following current information about your membership:

- Membership Number
- Member type (Insured or Associate)
- Member class (Regular, Honorary, Honorary Life, Disabled)
- Mailing Address
- Email Address
- Home Phone Number
- Cell Phone Number
- Marital Status
- If Married, Spouse's First and Last Name
- Current Parish name and location
- Your 1st, 2nd & 3rd, Degree dates if known

Please feel free to mail the information to my attention:

Fairview Knights of Columbus, 1599 Memorial Drive, Chicopee, MA 01020

Or Email it to me at: FS@kofc4044.com

VIVAT JESU! Francis Getto, Financial Secretary

INSURANCE

I hope all is well with you and your families. I am now the Assigned Field Agent for 4044!

We will be having a “Don't Worry, Retire Happy - A Free Knights of Columbus Virtual Seminar Open to the Public!”

All Welcome to this Online ZOOM Event!

Tuesday Oct. 13, 2020 @ 7pm

World renowned economist, speaker, and author, Tom Hegna, will share his

7 Steps to a SECURE Retirement!!

Must Pre-Register by Oct 10th, 2020

<http://KOFCNewEngland.2.vu/Hegna>

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October 2020

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4	5 Officers Mtg. 7:00pm	6	7 4th Degree Honor Guard cancelled	8Bingo 6:15pm	9 Tootsie Roll Drive	10 Tootsie Roll Drive Food Drive 9:00am—noon
11 Tootsie Roll Drive	12 Columbus Day Tootsie Roll Drive	13 Fraternal Benefit Seminar 7:00pm zoom	14 Spaghetti 4:30-6:30pm cancelled 4th Degree Mtg. cancelled	15Bingo 6:15pm	16	17
18	19Council Mtg. 7:00pm	20	21	22Bingo 6:15pm	23 Newsletter Deadline	24
25	26 Board Mtg. 7:00pm	27	28	29Bingo 6:15pm	30	31
All of our events are subject to change because of the virus.						