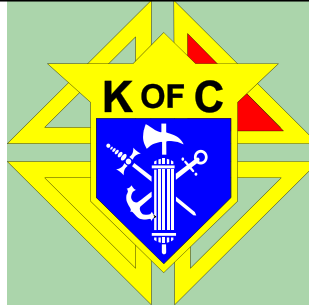


# ***A Knight's Life***

Meeting At Amvets Hall  
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**MARIA REGINA  
COUNCIL #12533  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**14th District  
July/August 2021  
Volume 23 Issue 1**

**COUNCIL MEETINGS 1ST AND 3RD THURSDAYS OF EACH MONTH**

## **GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT**

Brothers,

I want to thank all of you for electing me as your Grand Knight. This is truly an honor and privilege which I am thankful for.

This past year was extremely challenging for all of us. We have all been impacted by the pandemic in so many ways. We have all experienced heartache due to loss, illness, and financial hardship. I would like to personally thank our PGK Tom Knechtel and the Executive Board for their leadership, perseverance and their service during the past Columbian year. Tom led by example, thinking out of the box to keep our Council alive- many other Councils were not so lucky- Great Job my Worthy Brother!! I would also like to thank Faithful Navigator Frank Cox and the Nominating Committee for stepping up and taking their time to help serve our Council.

Looking forward to this coming Columbian year- it will be a challenge for our Council. We need to be more creative specifically with growing our Council and fundraising. We need to remember that every charitable organization is faced with the same problems and will be fighting for the same people and donations.

I will be working hard to build on our strong relationship with our Parish and Clergy. First, scheduling time to meet with our new Pastor to discuss how our Council can help him succeed. Second, increasing visibility within the church. We will be bringing back our monthly Knights Mass, and at the recommendation of our new Deputy Grand Knight, doing positive interactions with the parish like providing bottled water to parishioners after some masses. Our Council needs to be seen by our neighbors so they can understand what we do in support of our church and community.

I want to thank John Rollins, Kevin Fitzpatrick, Bob Lamberson for running our annual Summer Picnic. It was a great success and a lot of fun!! I also want to thank all of our Brothers who helped with transporting the food, setting up and of course cooking.

I look forward to working with our new and not so new officers and all my Brothers. I do hope that you can participate in our meetings and events in order to move forward with our charitable work this year. Oh, in case you forgot, we still have pizza after our Council meeting. If you haven't stopped by in a while it would be great to see you. If anyone is interested in chairing an event or want to help, please let me know. There will be a meeting on July 15 and another on August 19. The budget vote will take place at the August meeting for the upcoming Columbian year.

Vivat Jesus,  
Grand Knight, SK, Charlie Collora  
Maria Regina Council 12533  
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Mobile: 516-659-1246

## COUNCIL OFFICERS

Chaplain	Fr. Ignatius		
Grand Knight	SK Charlie Collora		
Deputy Grand Knight	SK Danny Schillinger	Trustee 1 Year	SK Alex Herrera PGK
Chancellor	SK Don Piscitelli, PGK, PFN	Trustee 2 Year	SK John Rollins, PGK
Warden	SK AL Valente, PGK,	Trustee 3 Year	SK Tom Knechtel PGK
Recorder	SK Kevin Keep, PGK	District Deputy	
Treasurer	SK James Tierney, PGK		
Financial Secretary	John Carroll		
Advocate	SK John Raymond, PGK		
Lecturer			
Guards	Vito Romano, SK Ray Mitchell		
	Tom Pfeiffer, John O'dwyer		



## Maria Regina Council Slate of Officer's 2021-2022 Columbian Year



<b>Grand Knight</b>	<b>SK Charlie Collora</b>
<b>Deputy GK</b>	<b>SK Danny Schillinger</b>
<b>Chancellor</b>	<b>PGK, PFN Don Piscitelli</b>
<b>Warden</b>	<b>PGK Al Valente</b>
<b>Recorder</b>	<b>PGK Kevin Keep</b>
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<b>Lecturer</b>	
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	<b>John O'dwyer, Tom Pfeiffer</b>
<b>Delegates State</b>	<b>PGK Tom Knechtel, GK Elect</b>
	<b>DGK Elect. PGK Al Valente</b>
<b>Delegates Conference</b>	<b>PGK Tom Knechtel, GK Elect</b>
	<b>PGK, etc. Al Valente</b>
<b>Congratulations to all.</b>	

## **Deputy Grand Knights Report**

Dear Brothers,

I am honored to serve and represent Maria Regina's Knights of Columbus Council #12533 as Deputy Grand Knight for the next Columbian year.

As we look toward the future, we should not forget the past and all who have gone before us. I would like to thank Past Grand Knight Tom Knechtel, the Executive Board, our members - especially the ones who stepped up and filled in whenever needed, and the Nominating Committee. We prevailed during this pandemic and other difficult times because of their hard work, sacrifices and time away from their families throughout these years.

I would like to reach out to our brothers to see what they are interested in. I'd like to make sure everyone has a voice, knows they are valuable members of the council, and feels that they are welcome. I look forward to all the great work we will do together for our parish, community, and families under the leadership of our new Grand Knight Charlie Collora and the Executive Board.

I am also going to reach out to other local organizations and our communities to inform them of all the great work that our council does, to see where we can support one another, and to recruit new members.

Our council picnic was a wonderful and fun event. I would like to thank all who made the picnic a success. It takes a lot of planning, volunteers and hard work - especially at the barbeque grills to make such a great event possible. Special thanks to John Rollins, Kevin Fitzpatrick and Bob Lamberson for organizing the council picnic.

Just a reminder that our fishing trip will be held on Sunday, August 15, 2021 from 1-5pm. The cost is \$70.00 a person. Beverages and food are included. Special thanks to Frank Cox for organizing this upcoming event.

Vita and I wish you and your families a safe and happy Fourth of July. Enjoy the summer!

Vivat Jesus,

Maria Regina Council 12533

Deputy Grand Knight, SK, Danny Schillinger

Email: [seabrez69@verizon.net](mailto:seabrez69@verizon.net)

Mobile phone: 516-672-2432

### ***Installation of officer's***

The council's installation of officer's will take place on Thursday September 2nd, 2021, Amvet's Hall, 7:30PM. Officers please arrive 15 minutes earlier. The attire for those officers will be either suit and tie or sport jacket.

Member's please come and show your support for the new board that will lead our council for the next Colombian year.

The council meeting scheduled for that night will be suspended for the ceremony.

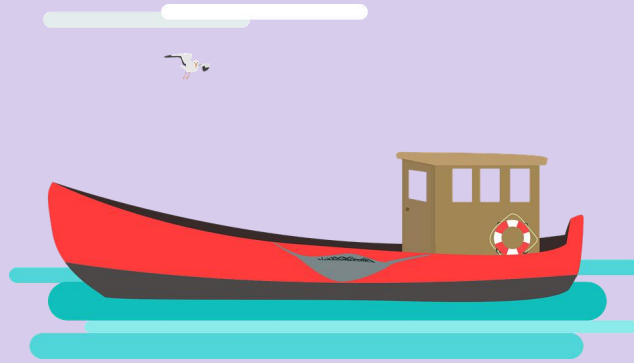
Thank You,

### **COUNCIL MEETINGS**

There will be only one Council Meeting for the Months of July and August.

July Meeting, 3rd Thursday - JULY 15th, 8 PM  
Amvet's

August Meeting 3rd Thursday - AUGUST 19th, 8PM  
Amvet's



Brothers,

Let's go fishing' we once again will have our own boat. We will try a nice Sunday afternoon trip to change the luck and maybe even catch a few fish. We will be going out on Sunday Aug 15th from 1pm to 5pm. With the cost of everything going up the price will be \$70 per person \$50 for Kids under 16, keep in mind, while we are a fun bunch people are more like to expand their vocabulary while drinking. The increase in price is solely because of the price for the boat I will continue to shop the sales to make sure we have all the food and beverages that we will need. I will be adding White Claws this year for those of you that don't drink beer. If you'd prefer wine or anything stronger you are more than welcome to bring it on board. As mention this is an afternoon trip. Please make sure you allow enough time to get to the boat on time. You can reach me by phone, text, or email. There aren't any restrictions as far as people but I will probably limit it to 60 people so we can be comfortable and hear each other speak. I'm looking forward to seeing you all. Please let me know as soon as possible so I can begin planning the food. Thank you all.

Fraternally,  
Frank Cox PGK 4eva  
631-433-1658  
fc1702@verizon.net



## Maria Regina Council Proposed Budget 2021 –2022

### PROJECTED INCOME:

Notes:

Membership	209 Minus 19 Life 7 at \$10	\$9,220.00	#'s as per FS
Children's Christmas Party		\$8,000.00	Increased \$820.00
C&B		\$500.00	
Trivia Night		\$0.00	
Donation from 4th Degree		\$400.00	
RSVP (refund from Supreme)		\$200.00	
50/50 Income Meetings		\$450.00	
Council Parties		\$800.00	
Christmas Magnets/Signs		\$800.00	
Chili Night		\$600.00	
Food drive refund supreme		\$500.00	
Food Drive Donations		\$600.00	
Picnic		\$200.00	
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$22,270.00</b>	

### PROJECTED EXPENSES:

Rent (to corp for hall meeting)	\$1,650.00
Room Rental (for parties)	\$1,200.00
Supreme-\$1.75 per 2 x's/State \$4.50 per	\$1,520.00
Badges, Plaques, PGK Ring	\$2,000.00
Convention	\$2,000.00
Supreme Supplies	\$400.00
F/S Supplies	\$400.00
Installation of officers	\$600.00
Deceased Members Mass	\$600.00
G/K Stipend	\$400.00
4th Degree (incl.\$75.00 hole sponsor)	\$200.00
4th Degree Exemplification	\$200.00
Scholarships	\$500.00
DD Stipend	\$100.00
Street Fair	\$50.00
Picnic	\$200.00
Nassau Chapter	\$60.00
Nassau Conference	\$40.00
Emergency/Relief Fund	\$1,000.00
Supplies Council Parties	\$490.00
Insurance	\$524.00
Repat DD Meetings	\$160.00
Nassau Board of District Deputies	\$60.00
Sign for Billboard	\$300.00
DD Fee	\$60.00
Calling Post	\$260.00
Bereavement	\$250.00
Council Christmas Party	\$600.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$15,824.00</b>

**PROJECTED DONATIONS****Notes:**

RSVP	\$1,000.00
Monthly Mass	\$500.00
ACDS	\$300.00
Adopt a Family	\$600.00
Church Christmas Donation	\$350.00
Easter Donation	\$240.00
Birthright	\$150.00
Catholic TV - Telethon	\$125.00
Misc. Expenses/Donations	\$881.00
Kids Need More	\$1,700.00
Life Center	\$200.00
Wheel Chair program 2 @ \$150.00	\$300.00
Luke Neuheidel Foundation	\$100.00
<b>TOTAL DONATIONS</b>	<b>\$6,446.00</b>

Projected Income	\$22,270.00
Projected Expenses	\$15,824.00
Projected Donations	\$6,446.00
Balance	\$0

**Notes:**

Membership dues 209 minus 19  
life 190 Minus 7 = 183 @ \$50  
Equals \$9150, 7 @ 10.00  
Equals 70.00 Plus = \$9220

Supreme Dues \$1.75 @190 = \$332.50  
2 x's yrly = \$665.00

State Dues \$4.50 @ 193= \$855.00  
\$855.00 = \$665.00 = \$1520.00

The proposed budget will be presented at the August 19th meeting for  
Membership review and hopeful approval, Thank You



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

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

**In Honor Of  
*SK Thomas Knechtel***

### **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 Thomas Knechtel. This journal will be distributed at our annual testimonial dinner to be held at The Sterling, on Saturday, October 16th.**

**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 30th 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**

**If you have any questions please contact any of the following:  
PGK Gary Kromer @ 1-646-423-5505**

**PLEASE COMPLETE YOUR AD AS YOU WOULD LIKE IT PRINTED**

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

***SK Thomas Knechtel***

***Saturday, October 16th, 2021***

***7 PM— 12 AM***

***@***

***THE STERLING***

***345 Hicksville road, Bethpage***

***\$75PER PERSON***

***Includes Cocktail Hour, Sit Down Dinner  
DJ, Dessert & Open Bar***

***Ticket Chairman:***

***PGK Alex Herrera @ 1-917-873-2773***

***Journal AD Chairman:***

***PGK Gary Kromer @ 1-646-423-5505***

***RSVP BY October 1ST, 2021***

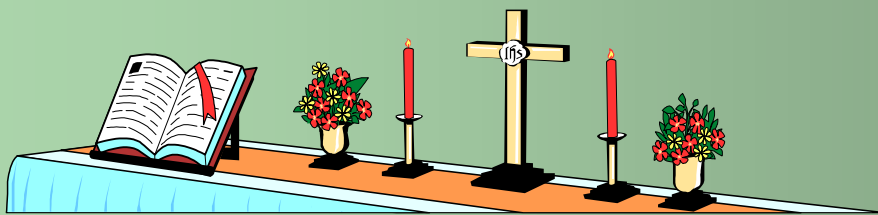
## ***Sick and Distress***

*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 Distressed personnel.*

**GK Charlie Collora**  
**516-659-1246**

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

## **Monthly Mass**



**MONTHLY MASS**  
**SEPTEMBER 19th, 9 AM**  
**MARIA REGINA CHURCH**



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# MARIA REGINA APPAREL

Maria Regina wearing apparel, prices vary depending on size. Jackets, Shirts and Sweat shirts available. **If you need a shirt immediately Al has some in inventory.**

**Contact PGK Al Valente @ 516-303-5449**



Executive Board Meeting Amvet's Hall	7/1/2021	7:30PM
Council Meeting Amvet's Hall	7/15/2021	8 PM
Executive Board St. Michael's Room	8/4/2021	7:30PM
Fishing Trip	8/15/2021	1 to 5 PM
Council Meeting Amvet's Hall	8/19/2021	8PM
Installation of Officer's Amvet's Hall	9/2/2021	7:30 PM →

## **Maria Regina Council Picnic 2021**

After the trying year of 2020 Maria Regina had a very successful council picnic.

Thank you to the chair persons, John Rollins, Kevin Fitz and Bob Lamberson. There were many hands on deck to help to make it an enjoyable day for all. Cooks, Don Piscitelli, John Cudabac all the wives' and brothers that helped. Thank You all.

Here are just a few photo's.



Prayers at our  
deceased members  
bench.







GK Elect, Charlie Collora



The Iron Chef's



Family and friends  
Enjoying the day



continued →



Deputy Grand Knight Danny Schillinger and his wife Vita with Father Ignatius and his friend a visiting priest from Nigeria. The priests won first and second prizes from our Council's 50/50.

Who says prayers don't work,...  
Enjoy Fathers.