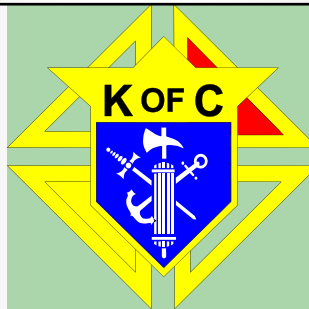


A Knight's Life

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

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COUNCIL MEETINGS 1ST AND 3RD THURSDAYS OF EACH MONTH



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Maria Regina Council 12533

Desk of the Grand Knight

July 1, 2023

My Brother Knights,

This will be my first report to you as newly elected Grand Knight.

I would like to thank our outgoing Grand Knight and his executive staff for all the dedication, work and sacrifices they have made for our council.

I would like to thank the nominating committee for their hard work and dedication to the task at hand assembling the next executive board for the coming 2023-2024 Columbian year.

I would like to thank all executive board members elect for their support of me and our council for the upcoming Columbian year. Lastly, I would like to thank you all my brothers for supporting me in my election as next Grand knight.

My Brothers we come once again that time of the Columbian year that I call "The changing of the guard" It is a time where we reflect on the Past Grand knight and his administration and all the dedication and work and sacrifices they have made to make our council; the special one that it is.

Following the examples set and practiced by the past grand Knights of this council I look forward to another exemplary year for our council.

I have been a Knight for over 25 years starting at Corpus Christi Council in Mineola and now a member of Maria Regina council for three years.

My vision for the upcoming year consists of the following elements:

- 1. Making a concerted effort to retain and enroll new members to our council. The members are what makes a council, their participation in our events, church events, masses, etc. is the lifeblood of the council and participation by all is highly appreciated. I plan to venture into new avenues and revisit those we have done in the past. Speaking to the parishioners from the pulpit after our Knight's mass or other masses, contacting the principal of Maria Regina School to make a presentation at Parent/Teacher conferences or "welcome to our school night" fairs, contacting the head of the CCD program to let those parents know we are here and invite those fathers to possibly join us, and to participate in Ministry fairs when scheduled to make our presence known there too.**
- 2. Working to plan and enact a new fundraiser devised by one of our past Grand Knights to benefit our parish and our council. Details on that to follow in the coming months.**
- 3. Working with our parish priests and their staff to finish projects started such as the storage trailer loaned to us by Fr. Jason and to participate in beautification projects on our church's grounds and statuary.**
- 4. Revisit events done in the past and since ceased during the Covid period. These events kept us in the public eye and once again is a possible source of new members. I also have some new "family oriented" events I would like to investigate that would be of benefit to our parish and our council.**

In closing, I look forward to your support of my executive board and me as we continue to make this council the exceptional one that it is.

**Thomas Pfeiffer
Grand Knight, Maria Regina Council 12533**

**Mobile: (516) 695-1742
Email: bajatmp1025@gmail.com**



DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT



Dear Brother Knights,

I am looking forward to serving as Deputy Grand Knight for Maria Regina in this upcoming Columbian year. I want to thank the Nominating Committee for their guidance and confidence in considering me for this role. I am excited to be working with Tom Pfeiffer, our Grand Knight. I had the privilege of working with him on a few things this past year and his vision and energy for the council were very encouraging. I look forward to helping him and the Council wherever and whenever needed. As Deputy Grand Knight I will be focusing on new membership as well as retention and inclusion. By inclusion I mean getting the new membership energized, and helping out with Council functions and leadership roles. We need to get our audience up out of their seats and onto the dance floor. I will need some mentoring from some of our seasoned members to help with those first few steps.

We have a few events coming up over the summer, starting with the Shootout for Soldiers

This is a 24hour lacrosse event benefiting American Veterans. As we have made our home inside the AMVETS hall these many years it is always good to support veterans as often as possible. Please come down and wear your council shirt. We have a K of C booth, and our Council is scheduled to run it from 6PM -9PM on Thursday night.

When: Thursday, July 13 through Friday July 14.

Where: John Burns Park, Merrick Road, Massapequa



If you have free time, the setup is Wednesday July 12, and tear down is Friday July 14 but please try to stop in at our K of C booth on Thursday. Please contact me if you are interested. Last year over 2,500 players played in front of 7,500 attendees and raised \$350,000 for the vets.

Fishing Trip

The Fishing Trip is a wonderful charity event. It will be Saturday, August 19th from 1PM-5PM out of Cap tree State Park. \$75 for adults, \$50 for children. There is still room! Please contact Frank Cox (631) 433-1658.

**Thanks,
James P. Dolan
Deputy Grand Knight
(516) 477-8713
laxdad255@verizon.net**



**Maria Regina Council 12533
Knights of Columbus**

July is a GREAT Month!

Why you ask?

Because you are having a Birthday!

Robert Action

John Barone

Brian Fortune

Dave Hoskins

Mike Latva

Anthony Lella

Mike Li Petri

Sean Murphy

Lawrence Papola

Eugene Roberti

Thomas Potter Jr



Happy Birthday Brothers!



**SHOOTOUT
FOR SOLDIERS**

POWERED BY  **RWB**



**Maria Regina Council 12533
Knights of Columbus**

**24 Hour Lacrosse Event
July 13th and 14th**

**Benefiting the Brave Men and
Women
who served of Country!!**

**Volunteers are needed
to support the Knights of Columbus and our Council**

**Event: Burns Park
Merrick Rd. Massapequa, NY 11758
Date: July 13th
Time: 6pm- 9pm (Our Council)**

**For more information contact:
Grand Knight Thomas Pfeiffer
(516) 695-1742**

Brothers,

With only one meeting in each of the summer months and just one newsletter this is my only opportunity to reach those that do not attend regular meetings. The Food Drive Fishing Trip will be Sat Aug 19 on the Eddie B III out of Captree from 1pm -5pm the cost is \$75 pp \$50 for those 16 and under. You will get all you're fishing needs, plus food, snacks, beer, soda, and water. You will also be entered into a boat pool with a cash prize going to the biggest keeper on the boat (decided by the 1st Mate) I will also run a 50/50 with the money going to the Food Drive Committee to stock the local food pantries. For the comfort of everyone in attendance there is a limit of 60 people. Sadly, as always, I've had very little response from our members and the boat is usually filled with friends of the 10 or so members that do support this event. We have always had a fantastic time, the boat stays in the bay so there is little concern about rough waters or being too far away from land. Please reach out ASAP, once I reach 60 that's it, I really don't want to turn anyone away and would love to have a lot of members getting together for a good time outside of the Council Chambers. I hope to hear from you soon, my contact information is listed below.

**Fraternally,
Frank Cox PGK 4eva, PFN
631-433-1658**



**Maria Regina Council 12533
Knights of Columbus**



Annual Fish Trip

\$75pp, children 16 and under \$50

- Includes fishing pole and bait, food, snacks, beer, soda, and water.
- 50/50 on board- going for food pantry's and homeless

Boat: Captain Eddie B III

Where: Captree State Park, Babylon

Date: Saturday August 19th

Time: 1pm to 5pm (please arrive by 12:30pm)



For more information contact:

**PGK Frank Cox
(631) 433-1658**

KNIGHT'S MASS

Sunday, June 18th was our council's last knights mass for this Columbian Year. Thank you to all our brothers and families who attended and supported our council. A special thanks to Father Jason who celebrated the mass and Deacon Gerry who gave a wonderful homily! Father Jason and Deacon Gerry thanked our council for all we do for our parish. We also presented Father Jason with a gift for his 10th Anniversary of his Ordination.





25th Anniversary Party

MARIA REGINA COUNCIL

CELEBRATING IT'S 25 YEARS OF
SERVICE TO OUR CHURCH AND
COMMUNITY



WHEN: JANUARY 20TH 2024

WHERE: **The Sterling**
345 Hicksville rd.
Bethpage

TIME: 7 TO 11 PM

COCKTAIL HOUR, DINNER
MUSIC AND DANCING

PRICE: \$90.00 PP

Contact :

PGK Charlie Collora 516-659-1246

PGK John Raymond 516-578-2726



25th Anniversary Journal

**Maria Regina Council is celebrating
it's 25th year of service to our church
and community**

Journal ad prices as follows:

FULL PAGE AD:	\$100.00
½ PAGE AD:	\$50.00
¼ PAGE AD	\$35.00

Submit your ad to Charlie Collora @
Ccollora@Verizon.net or John Raymond
@ jray144@aol.com.

Any questions please call Charlie Collora
@ 516-659-1246 or John Raymond @ 516-
578-2726

25th ANNIVERSARY JOURNAL
Knights Of Columbus- Maria Regina Council #12533

In Honor Of
MARIA REGINA COUNCIL CELEBRATING IT'S 25TH YEAR OF
CHARITY AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

AD Journal Prices as Follows:

FULL PAGE AD:	\$100.00
½ PAGE AD:	\$ 50.00
¼ PAGE AD:	\$ 35.00

We are in the process of printing our annual journal in honor of our 25th Anniversary. This journal will be distributed at our annual dinner to be held at The Sterling, on Saturday, January 20th.

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 December 20th, 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, or you can e-mail to John Raymond @ jray144@aol.com or Charlie Collora @ ccollora@verizon.net

If you have any questions please contact any of the following:

Charlie Collora @ 516 659-1246

or

John Raymond 516 578-2726

PLEASE COMPLETE YOUR AD AS YOU WOULD LIKE IT PRINTED

EXCHANGE OF JEWELS

At our June 15th Council Meeting we had our traditional exchange of Jewels. Maria Regina Council would like to thank Grand Knight Danny Schillinger for his service to our Council. We would like to congratulate Grand Knight Elect Thomas Pfeiffer and wish him a successful term leading our Council.



Additionally we also had our awards presentation. Congratulations to The Family of the year John & Maureen Carrol for the many years of service as our council's Financial Secretary





Knight of the Year, PGK Charlie Collora as our Program Director who is always involved in developing many programs for our council.



In Recognition of Twenty Years of Service and Support to our Council:

Rosemary Raymond and Eileen Valente.



Lifetime Achievement Award was presented To SK John Raymond, PGK.



Finally we would like to Thank our first Lady for her help and support throughout the year. Behind every man there is a great woman. Thank You Vita for sharing Danny with us.



Thank you to all our members who without we would not be able to help our Church, Community and the many charities we support.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL

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 Tom Pfeiffer
516-695-7142

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

Monthly Mass



MONTHLY MASS
NO MASSES FOR JULY/AUGUST
MARIA REGINA CHURCH



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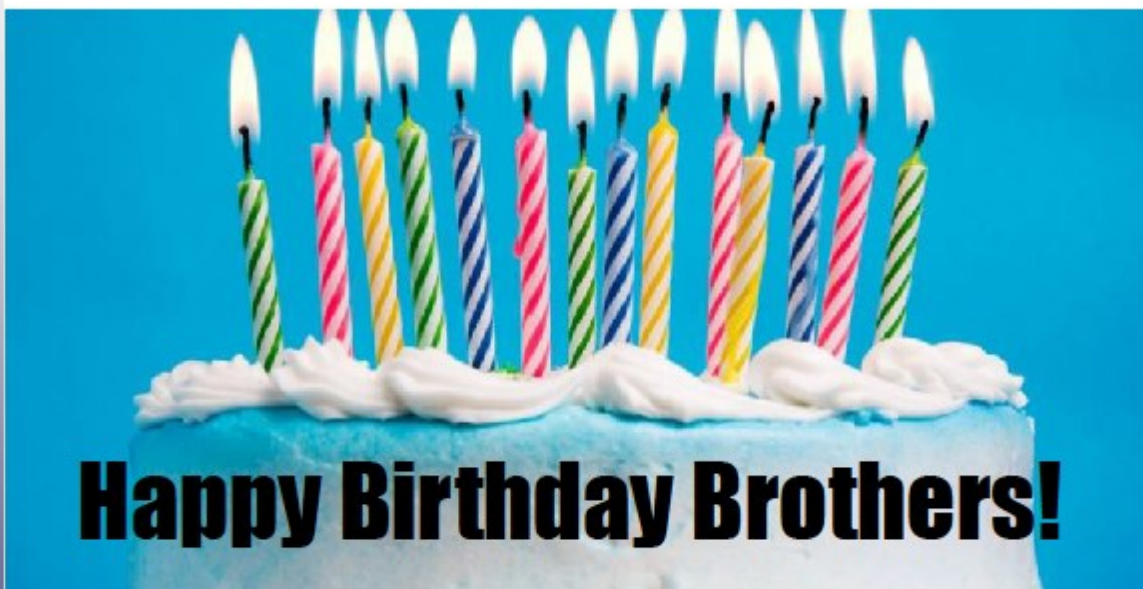


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Knights of Columbus**

August is a GREAT Month!
Why you ask?
Because you are having a Birthday!

Charlie Drago
James Farley
William Fazio
Kevin Fitzpatrick
Anthony Gentile
Tom Knechtel
Clifford Lindquist
Brian Miles
Anthony Migliorelli
Frank Molitor
Dennis Mulloy

Frank Nelson
Dennis O'Brien
Donald Pepino
Roger Perez
Anthony Polizzi
Richard Regina
Vito Romano
Richard Taliani
Carlo Treglia
George Vignola
Stephan Volino



Happy Birthday Brothers!

July 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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9	10	11	12	13 Shoot Out for soldiers	14 Shoot Out for Soldiers	15
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30	31					

The Executive Board meeting will be Thursday July 6th , 7:30 at AMVETS. ALL Officer's please attend, this is the first meeting for the new board and the budget will be presented.

Council Meeting is July 20th, 8PM , Amvets.

REMEMBER THERE IS ONLY ONE COUNCIL MEETING PER MONTH FOR JULY AND AUGUST. Shootout for soldiers 6-9PM see flyer for details.

Chapter Meeting held OLI

August 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 Exec Board Mtg	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 Council Mtg	18 Chapter MTG	19 Fishing Trip
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

The Executive Board Meeting is August 3rd, 7:30 at Amvet's
The Council Meeting is July 17th, 8PM, Amvets.
Our Fishing Trip Is August 19th, See the newsletter for details.





UPCOMING EVENTS

*September 7th, Installation of Officers,
7:30 PM Amvet's Hall. Details to follow..*

*September 9th & 10th, Water for Parish-
ioners, after all masses Sat. & Sunday.*

*September 16th & 17th, C&B and Mem-
bership drive after all Masses.*

*September 17th, Our Monthly Mass
returns, 9 AM. Maria Regina Church.*

*Please save the dates. September is a busy
month and we hope for a good turnout.
Thank You,*