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Grand Knights Message for April

Brothers and family members of our St. Andrew's council, I wish everyone a joyous and Happy Easter this spring.

We end our Lenten fish fry dinners on April 11th. I thank all our Brothers and family who helped for all our fish fries which started on March 7th. As always, a special thanks to PGK Frank Panzino for chairing our fish fries. Also, thanks to all our Brothers who cook in the kitchen, serve at buffet line, take orders, bartend, work at the door as well as set up and clean up after. Couldn't have done it without all the help.

On Friday, April 25 and Saturday, April 26, we are having our Intellectually Disabled Fund Drive at the Firehouse on Avenel Street from 3 to 7pm on Friday and 8 to 12 noon on Saturday. Look for our Brothers collecting in their yellow vests for this important fund which is given to various needy organizations. PGK Joe Kraus will again run and chair this fund drive. Thanks so much Joe.

We are presenting our "Shield Awards" this year on Sunday, April 27th starting with the 10am mass at St. Andrews Church. Honored recipients from the Woodbridge PD, Avenel Fire dept and Avenel-Colonia First Aid Squad will be presented with these awards back at the council hall at 11am after a continental breakfast. Come on out and honor our finest first responders.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all our new Brothers and recent transfers to come out to our council meeting on the first Thursday of each month at 8pm. We are not just about charity but are also a fraternal organization, so come and join your fellow Brothers for an hour of camaraderie.

Let us take joy this coming Easter as we celebrate the resurrection of the risen Christ.

God Bless and Vivat Jesus

GK Mike



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Columbian Year 2024-2025

Council Officers

Grand Knight	Curtis (Mike) Daley 732-388-6050 908-227-9277
Chaplain	Fr David Kosmoski 732-634-4355
Deputy Grand Knight	Bill Unger 732-634-6126
Chancellor	PGK Tom Botti 908-930-1859
Financial Secretary	PGK Frank Buczynski 732-887-5501 pgkfrank@gmail.com
Recording Secretary	PGK John Hugelmeyer
Treasurer	PGK Joe Kraus
Advocate	PGK Frank Pelzman
Warden	David Kearney
Guards	Michael Caracappa Javier Huerta
Trustees	3yr PGK Al Favale 2yr PGK Frank Panzino 1yr PGK Anthony Fazioli

Council Directors

Membership	PGK Tom Botti
Program	FDD/PGK Greg Schmitt
Church Activities	FDD/PGK Greg Schmitt
Lecturer	PGK Dennis Rinaldi
Family	PGK Tom Botti
Fraternal Activities	PGK Eric Potyrala 732-634-8620
Community	PGK Frank Pelzman

Remember to Call

Death of Member or Member's Family	PGK Jim Farese 732-331-5651 or GK Mike Daley
Sick or Hospitalized Member	PGK Eric Potyrala

Board of Governors

President	PGK Jim Farese 732-331-5651
Vice President	FDD/PGK Greg Schmitt 732-397-4907
Treasurer	Robert Indyke
Secretary	PGK Tom Botti
Past Grand Knights	PGK Joe Gornicz PGK Frank Panzino PGK Al Favale
Trustees	3yr PGK Carmine Farese 2yr Peter Orazi 1yr PGK Dennis Rinaldi
Third Degree	Joseph Jacob Mark Haidacher Anthony Joe Jesse DeLuca Chris Gowney
Grand Knight	Mike Daley
Deputy Grand Knight	Bill Unger
Honorary Members	PGK/PFN Phil Svoboda PGK Hank Werte

Chairman

Oasis	Cory Spillar 732-236-4501
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Payroll Chairman	
Building Maintenance	Joe Jacob

Important Phone Numbers

Council Home	732-636-9696
Booking Agent	732-675-1173
Insurance Agent Office	732-955-6730
Jim Fischetti Cell No.	917-573-9751
Bulletin	FDD/PGK John Scioscia 732-221-3436 Jscioscia913@gmail.com



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Calendar of Events

April

- 3 Council Meeting 8pm
- 4 Lenten Fish Fry Dinners 4:30-7pm
- 10 Officers Planning Meeting 8pm**
(Please note change of date)
- 11 Lenten Fish Fry Dinners 4:30-7pm
- 17 Holy Thursday
- 18 Good Friday
- 20 Easter
- 24 Board of Governors 8pm
- 25 Intellectually Disabled Fund Drive 3-7pm
- 26 Intellectually Disabled Fund Drive 8-12noon
- 27 Shield Awards Mass 10am
at St Andrews Church
- 27 Shield Awards Breakfast 11am
at Council Home
- 30 Convention Final Payment Due

May

- 1 Council Meeting 8pm
(Bring Rosary to Meeting)
- 6 Convention Meeting 7:30pm
- 11 Mothers Day
- 14-18 Convention at Wildwood
- 22 Officers Planning Meeting 8pm**
(Please note change of date)
- 26 Memorial Day
- 29 Board of Governors Meeting 8pm

Deceased Members for April

H	JOSEPH IMBRIACO	1971
	JOHN B. DE LUCA	1974
	JOSEPH STARK	1980
	WALTER MULVIHILL	1984
	WILLIAM POLLARD	1984
	MICHAEL COPERTINO, DEACON	1985
	ALFRED LEPORE	1992
	STEPHEN J. COHORSKY, SR.	1992
	LEOPOLD INTROCASO	1994
	ANGELO FARESE	1999
	WILLIAM J. JOE	2001
	ROBERT KOENIG	2001
	JAN RASIMOWICZ	2002
	ADOLPH (ART) STARZICK	2008
	STEPHEN S TYLER	2010
	GREGORY M. ALMASI	2014
	ARTHUR M. GRALA	2014
	GERALD J. SPILLAR	2015
	RICHARD J. LAGRIPPO	2015
	JOSEPH W. SABATINO	2016
	RAYMOND J CHROBOT	2019
	ROBERT C KAPEC	2020
	WAYNE G. SCHMITT, PGK	2020
	DALE C. STEVENS	2020
	GILBERT NELSON JR	2022



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Happy Birthday to

Edward Caplette	04/02
James E Castro	04/02
Kevin J Farese	04/05
Thomas A Bialkowski	04/09
John D Hugelmeyer PGK	04/09
Robert M Wasyluk	04/11
Gabriel Farese	04/12
William W Kenney PGK	04/13
Joseph De Palma	04/16
Michael J Small	04/17
Larry D Britt	04/18
William B Tango	04/19
Eduardo E Lopez	04/20
Delfin M De Los Reyes	04/21
Michael J Ducsak	04/21
Theodore F Superior	04/24
Robert V Pinto	04/25
FDD Gregory P Schmitt PGK	04/25
Michael A Caracappa	04/28
John F Taraska Jr	04/28
Mark J Haidacher	04/30

Fourth Degree News

Meeting Fourth Tuesday of the Month
Check with Faithful Navigator for Meeting
time and place

3' by 5' Flag kits with pole are available for
\$15.00

Contact: PFN Phil Svoboda (732)634-5820

Or PFN Mike Choma (732)259-3500

Or FN Ken Egan (908) 720-8073

Membership: The Fourth Degree is open to any
Third Degree member in good standing who is a
citizen of the United States.

*The primary purpose of the Fourth Degree is to foster the
spirit of patriotism by promoting responsible citizenship
with a love of and loyalty to the Knights' respective
countries through active membership in local Fourth
Degree groups called "Assemblies". Fourth Degree
members must retain their membership as a Third-Degree
member in their local council in order to remain in good
standing.*

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Brother Cory Spillar is the Councilman for
the Third Ward. Any Brother in the Third
Ward should feel free to contact him on
community matters at (732)236-4501.
Please feel free to pass this information
on the any residents who are in the Third
Ward.



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Columbian Club Corner

We had repairs made to two steel doors and some concrete work done. We hired an outside contractor, and the work is completed. I want to thank Jesse DeLuca and Anthony Joe for assisting since I was not able to be there.

In my other reports, we talked about buying new chairs for the banquet hall, and we are now going ahead and purchasing 210 of them.

I want to wish my brothers and their families a very Happy Easter.

God bless all,
Jimmy Farese

SCAMMER ALERT

If you receive a phone call for funds, gift cards, etc. at the request of Fr. David Kosmoski or of St Andrew Church, or any other parish member or organizations, please report this to the rectory.

Please be on guard for strange area codes, which are usually scammers. Never give money or private information over the phone; the scammers are professional, and the local police are conducting investigations in various scam attempts. Do not accept these phone solicitations. They are scams.

Fr David



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SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE **ESSAY CONTEST**

The Scholarship Committee of St. Andrew's Council #5088 is currently conducting an essay contest open to all children and grandchildren of living or deceased members of our Council #5088 who are continuing their education beyond high school (High School seniors and older.)

This year's contest will be based on a 250-word composition entitled:

*"The Importance of Charity in Society.
Its Impact and Benefits"*

Anyone interested in applying for this scholarship should send their composition to: Grand Knight Mike Daley, 109 Morrissey Ave., Avenel, NJ 07001. The entries must be RECEIVED by June 9, 2025, and will be judged anonymously on originality and content. Please include your name, phone number, and relation to a St. Andrew's K of C member on a SEPARATE sheet. DO NOT type or sign your name to the essay so we may ensure the anonymity of your composition. A total of \$1,000.00 will be set aside for this contest from the Thomas G. Kunigonis Sr. Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Any questions may be directed to PGK Frank Pelzman (732)855-1184



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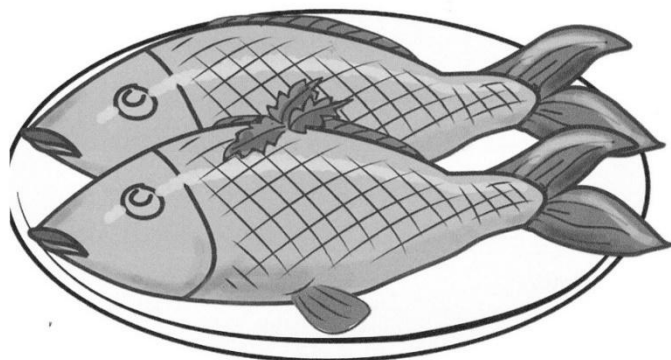
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LENTEN FISH FRY DINNERS FRIDAYS 4:30PM-7PM

**March 7th
March 14th
March 21st
March 28th
April 4th
April 11th**



**Eat in or take out
\$18 /\$15 seniors / \$10 ages 5-10**

**Choice of baked or
fried cod**

Macaroni & cheese

Cavatelli & broccoli

Baked ziti

coleslaw

macaroni salad

potato salad

garden salad

French fries

Cake and coffee

Soup - \$2

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Annual Shields Award

April 27, 2025

Honoring

Woodbridge Township Police Officer of the Year

Avenel-Colonia First Aid Squad EMT of the Year

Avenel Fire Company Firefighter of the Year

Begins with

10:00AM Mass at St Andrews Church

Awards Presented

11:00AM St Andrews Knights of Columbus

Council Home

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With a Continental Breakfast

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