

**** Apr 2017 – Jun 2017 ****

MEETING SCHEDULE

General/Business

4/18, 5/16, 6/20 at 8:00 PM.

Officers

4/11, 5/9, 6/13 at 8:00 PM

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brothers All,

As most of my fellow brother knights are aware, we had a St. Patrick's-St. Joseph's Night on Saturday, March 11th. It was a great time, and added to the fact, we filled the Annex with family, friends, brothers, our priests, Msgr. Anthony Sherman, Fr. Mark Bristol, and our Chaplain Fr. William McLaughlin. I would like to thank our Chairman Michael Proto and his Co-chairman Giuseppe Petruso and their committee who did a most outstanding job. I would also like to thank my wife Eva who baked 15 loaves of Irish soda bread, which many said they enjoyed. And one of our members and past-grand knight John Cawley had a birthday that night. A birthday cake was provided by his family and we all wished him a Happy Birthday. It was a sit down dinner of corned beef, cabbage, potatoes and carrots. In honor of St. Joseph we served Italian pastry and Irish coffee by Pat McGonigle. The proceeds of this event will go to the numerous charities that our council is involved with. I wish to thank all that attended and those who worked hard to make this a rousing success.

Thank you all and God Bless.

Vivat Jesus.

Fraternally,
Frederick Bedell, GK

MEMBERSHIP

If you know a Catholic gentleman who wishes to join our Council, call August Randazzo, FS, at 718-279-9096, or attend any of our meetings on Tuesday night at 8PM in the Annex.

MEETING SCHEDULE CHANGE

Our meeting schedule has been changed to twice a month. We will have an Officer's Meeting (2nd Tuesday), followed by a General Meeting (3rd Tuesday).

WELCOME

Welcome our newest member Fred Gervat. Fred transferred into our Council from Pelham Council.

50th ANNIVERSARY (5/21/17)

Our Council is 50 years old this Columbian year. Rather than have a Communion Breakfast to honor our Knight of the Year, we will honor our Knight of the Year at our 50th Anniversary celebration. The event will take place on Sunday, May 21, 2017.

The day will begin with 10 AM Mass at St. Anastasia Church. The celebration will be at LaGrotta Italian Restaurant, 254-12 Northern Blvd, Little Neck, NY 11362, from 1 PM – 5 PM. All members and their family are invited. The cost is \$45 per person.

Our Knight of the Year will be Joseph Stock, PGK.

To make reservations, call August Randazzo, FS, at 718-279-9096 or Michael Proto, PGK, at 718-229-7751. Please RSVP by May 7.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE (5/29/17)

The 90th Annual Memorial Day Parade will be held on Monday, May 29, 2017, beginning at 2:00PM. Members wishing to march in the parade should meet at our starting location, 55 Northern Blvd, Great Neck, in front of Starbucks. If anyone prefers to be in a car along the parade route, please call August Randazzo, FS, 718-279-9096, so that arrangements can be made. Hope to see you there.

NOTARY PUBLIC SERVICES

Any member or family member in need of Notary services may contact Brother August Randazzo, FS at (718) 279-9096. Services will be provided free of charge.

4TH DEGREE

Anyone wishing to take their 4th Degree, get your applications in as soon as possible. For more information, call August Randazzo, FS, at 718-279-9096.

FACEBOOK & WEBSITE

"Follow Us" on Facebook, [St. Anastasia KOFC 5911](#). Feel free to leave comments.

Check out our website at <http://kofc5911.org/index.html>.

Anyone who has any pictures or information for publication, email kofc5911@yahoo.com.

ROBO-CALLS

You will be receiving Robo-Calls periodically throughout the year. Please listen to the entire call for important information.

BLOOD DRIVE (6/04/17)

Council #5911 will be sponsoring a blood drive on June 4, 2017 from 8:45AM – 2:00 PM. Registration will be before/after each Mass at St. Anastasia Church, on May 27 and May 28. Our area has a blood shortage. If you can, please donate as it truly is the gift of life. For more information, call Giuseppe Petruso at 718-428-0462 or Fred Bedell, GK at 718-347-0874.

WORDS OF WISDOM ☺

(submitted by Vincent Lino, Sr.)

Compare 2 time periods.

1966	2016
Long hair	Longing for hair
KEG	EKG
Acid rock	Acid reflux
Going to a new, hip joint	Receiving a new hip joint
Rolling Stones	Kidney Stones
Disco	Costco
Passing the drivers' test	Passing the vision test
Hoping for a BMW	Hoping for a BM

PRAY FOR

- Brother Joseph Abt who is recovering from an illness
- All Law Enforcement Officers and their families, particularly those killed in the line of duty
- All of our service-women and men in uniform throughout the world, particularly in Afghanistan, as well as, first responders and Customs and Border Patrol Officers
- Vocations to the priesthood, diaconship and religious life

EAGLE SCOUTS

As Grand Knight of St. Anastasia Knights of Columbus Council #5911, I had the proud honor to present four young boys with Eagle Scout certificates from the Knights of Columbus. The Eagle Scout Court of Honor took place at St. Anastasia Parish in Douglaston on Saturday, February 25th. The boys, or should I now call them young men, achieved the highest honor in the Boy Scouts which is Eagle Scout.

These young men are as follows: Nicholas Chang, Douglas Yim, Bailey Lin and Michael Campese of Troop #153. They are dedicated to their various houses of worship and also to their community and to good works of charity. I know this for a fact because they helped my council and myself run two blood drives a year with their Scout leaders, and we have found their help immeasurable.

I myself was a Boy Scout 50 years ago and had found it quite rewarding. My good friend Harry Weymer and myself had belonged to Boy Scout Troop #114 in Queens Village in the 50's and 60's. We had numerous camping trips, and collected funds for toys and food for the needy. My friend Harry is struggling with brain cancer, but still remembers the times we had in the Boy Scouts and how it instilled in us what was important for us to become compassionate and responsible adults. I also had belonged to a Boy Scout Explorer Troop with another good friend named Dave Duffy and my cousin Ronald Moyne in Queens Village, and we learned much from our Scout master named Mr. Blinkenstaff. I feel this is a great organization to belong to for a young boy. It teaches good morals, charity to others and good citizenship, not to mention dedication to God and country.

So parents everywhere please consider enrolling your son into the Boy Scouts for you would be glad that you did.

Article was published in the Times/Ledger newspapers on March 3, 2017

OUR MOVE

Our Council has had full use of the Annex since our inception. The 1st floor is used for meetings and events. The 2nd floor is used for storage.

Recently Msgr. Sherman, the pastor of St. Anastasia Church, has expressed concern over the Church's projected financial deficit. Father Bristol attended our February Officer's meeting and requested the use of the 2nd floor. The Church wants to rent the space to clear the deficit.

In return for giving up the 2nd floor, our Council was given storage space in the Convent and access to the meeting rooms in the Convent. Msgr requested possession of the 2nd floor by March 1.

Usage of the 1st floor is unchanged. We can still meet and hold our functions on the 1st floor.

The Officers approved the request.

The items our Council wishes to keep were moved into the Convent. Thanks to Giuseppe Petruso, Ralph DiScala, Lenny Sabatino, PGK, Michael Proto, PGK, Richard Turello, Frank Ruggieri, Treasurer, Fred Bedell, GK, and August Randazzo, FS for helping with the move.

Hopefully, this will ease the financial burden on St. Anastasia Church.