

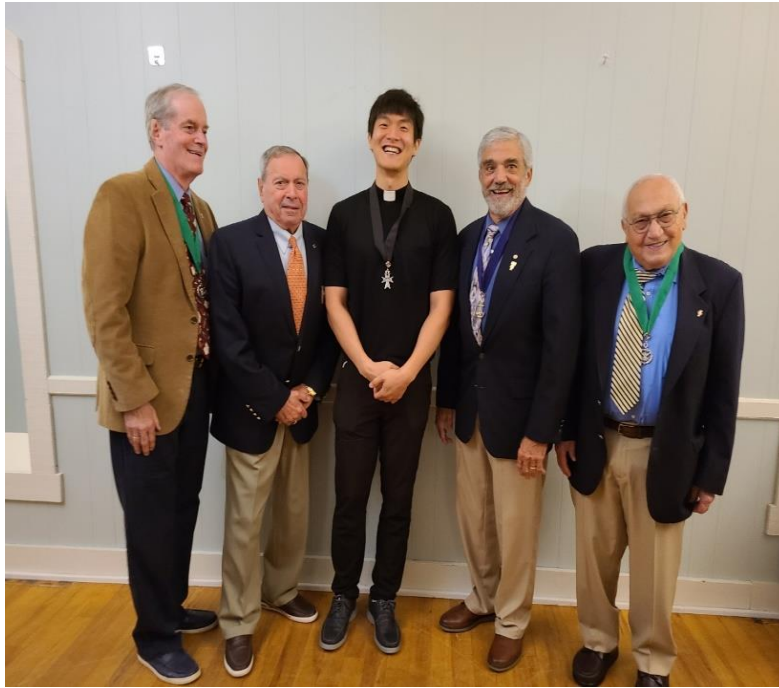


The Beacon

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2021-2022 Columbian Year



PGK Bob Chase, PSD John Marcello, Fr Peter Lee, Chaplain, GK Jim Gambardella, Tom Bianco, Trustee

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Grand Knights Korner

By [DGK Fouad Faraj Musleh & PGK Bob Chase]

Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus.
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

As I reflected the end of the 21-22 year and how our GK Jim Gambardella is battling cancer throughout the second part of this Columbian year, the Holy Spirit directed me to the scripture verse above (1 Thes 5:16-18). Jim is living it! He has maintained the joy of the Lord in his heart, praying unceasingly and throughout these difficult circumstances, he has been grateful. Jim – you have been a great example to us, and our thoughts and prayers are with you! We love you and look forward to celebrating with you after you deal with this ordeal.

The Fraternal Year 2021-2022 was another busy year for our council. We are proud to have worked together with the Fr Donnelly Council and were awarded at the State Convention with the State's Best Life Program of the Year by running the Mother of Life Pregnancy Open House Event. Big thanks to our FS Jerry, we have our own website for our council – <http://www.kofc-10557.org/>

Thanks to PGK Bob Chase who provided all the work done this past year:

- Support for Paul and Margie Carinci's sung rosary for the first vigil Mass February-June at St Augustine
- Collected and donated 300 Coats for children in need
- Replaced flags for veterans' graves at the North Burial Ground for Armistice Day and Memorial Day
- Support of seminarians' education
- Sold Christmas cards in support of the Keep Christ in Christmas program
- Sponsored speaker Mark Kravatz from Habitat for Humanity in April to share volunteer opportunities
- Sponsored speaker Dr. Harrop – COVID19, Youth & Mental Health
- Gave a \$1500 grant to St Augustine School to participate a Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council (WRWC) Program
- Sponsored Into the Breach Video Series
- Gave prizes to the boy and girl at St. Augustine School best representing the Knights' values of unity and charity
- Joined the Boy Scouts in putting away all Christmas decorations

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Our Council Activities

Elmhurst Clean & Green Cleanup
Before



Elmhurst Clean & Green Cleanup
After



From Left to Right: Family Director
Steven Calise, PGK Bob Chase

Elmhurst Clean & Green
Cleanup - After



From Left to Right: Family Director
Steve Calise, PGK Bob Chase

Flag Replacement – Veterans
Graves



L-R: Jack O'Neill, Brian Rego, Bob
Baker, Steven Calise, Bob Chase



Awards for Students Exemplifying Knight
of Columbus Virtues of Unity and Charity



L-R: Janet Rufful, Principal of St Augustine School;
Paul Morry, Community Director

Our Council Sponsoring Events

Our Council sponsored St Augustine School to WRWC Program

May 20 students from St. Augustine school participated in a K of C supported field trip to Riverside Park. The event was partnered with the Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council and featured learning about soil erosion, native plants, and pollinators. Students examined water life samples as predictors of pollution or cleanliness. The field trip was the culmination of six after school classes on river biology.



Council Education Director Amanda Peavey instructing students on sampling techniques



Students examining their samples



L-R Bob Chase, Toni Scaramuzzo, Science teacher; Amana Peavy, WRWC Education Director and Mike Geraghty, Program Director



GK Jim giving a \$1500 check sponsoring St Augustine School for WRWC Program.

Mike Kravitz, Habitat for Humanity Speaking @ St Augustine



L-R John Olobri, Treasurer; Steven Calise, Family Director; John Marcello, PSD, PGK; Mark Paul, State Community Director; Robert Lynch, State Program Director; Mark Kravitz, Executive Director, Providence Habitat for Humanity; DD Ken Maynard; PGK Bob Chase

Our Council Sponsoring Events (cont.)

Dr Daniel Harrop Talk – COVID19, Youth & Mental Health



GK Jim introducing Dr Harrop to start the evening. In the background is our Chaplain, Fr Lee and Paul Caranci is to the right monitoring questions coming from those attending online



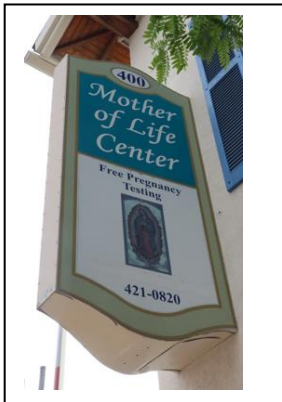
Dr Harrop sharing his expertise as Life Director, Paul Caranci listens



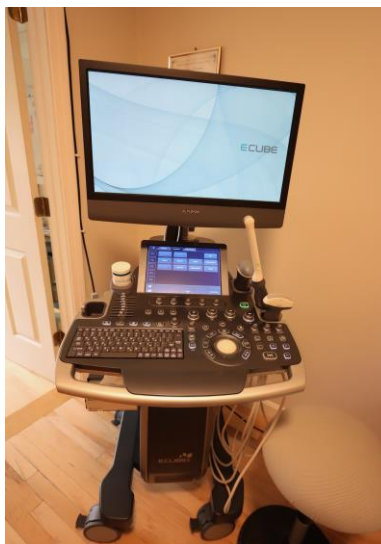
L-R: Fr Peter Lee, Assoc Pastor; Dr Daniel Harrop; Janet Rufful, St Augustine School's Principal; Fr Robert Forcier, Pastor; GK Jim Gambardella

Our Council Co-Sponsoring MOLPC Open House

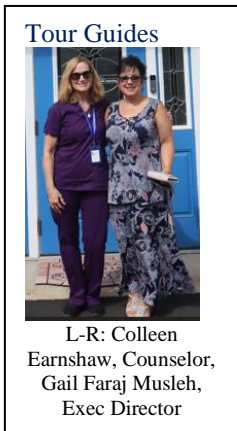
Thanks to the idea that started from State Life Director, Paul Gebhart of Fr Donnelly Council: Have an Open House for Knights and their families to attend a tour at the Mother Of Life Pregnancy Center to get a better understanding of the services they provide and have some fun eating good Italian sausages as well. It was a success! Both councils received the State's Best Life Program of the Year. Many members that went through the tour were surprised at the many services that the Center provides.



Brothers preparing the delicious Italian Sausages, Hot Dog and Chicken.
L-R: Richard Feole, Jim Gambardella, Arthur Andolfo



L-R: Richard Feole, Jim Gambardella, Gail Faraj Musleh, Arthur Andolfo



Tour Guides

L-R: Colleen Earnshaw, Counselor, Gail Faraj Musleh, Exec Director



Fr Joe Paquette, State Chaplain being welcomed by GK Jim Gambardella



State Deputy David Quinn

MOLPC Open House (cont.)

Awesome Brothers from Fr Donnelly Council



L-R: James Dempsey, Arthur Andolfo, Richard Feole, Paul Gebhart, Bob Gentile

What a crew!



L-R: DD Ken Maynard, Fouad Faraj Musleh, Steven Calise, GK Jim Gambardella, Mike Geraghty, SD David Quinn



L-R: Steven Calise, GK Jim Gambardella, Fouad Faraj Musleh

Brother Knights answered the call – brought donations



Jim welcoming the young ladies



Supreme Warden, Michael Benson



L-R: Arthur Andolfo, Richard Feole, Paul Gebhart, Colleen Earnshaw, Gail Faraj Musleh, Jim Gambardella, Fouad Faraj Musleh



Mother of Life
Pregnancy
Center

St. Augustine
Knights of Columbus Council 10557

2022 – 2023

Council Officers

Chaplain:	Rev. Peter Lee
Grand Knight:	Robert Chase
Deputy Grand Knight:	Michael Geraghty
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Financial Secretary:	Paul “Jerry” Scannell, PGK, FDD, PFN
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Recorder:	Paul Morry
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Trustees:	James Gambardella, PGK -- 3 Yrs.
	Robert J. Chase, PGK -- 2 Yrs.
	Thomas A. Bianco, PGK -- 1 Yr.
Lecturer:	Paul F. Caranci
Inside Guard:	Ronald Walsh
Outside Guard:	Richard Lufkin
<u>Directors:</u>	
Program:	Michael Geraghty
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