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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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Brother Tommy Tempesta Elected To Serve As Council's 57th Grand Knight



On Thursday, June 3rd at the monthly regular Business Meeting, our council elected Thomas Tempesta to serve as our Fifty Seventh Grand Knight. We are all are very happy and somewhat excited for the beginning of the new Columbian year. Tommy looks forward to working as our new Grand Knight and expanding the work of our the council. He is asking for everyone to actively recruit new members. Our programs, activities and social events depend upon us growing our council membership. Congratulations to all our new officers!

Everyone Should Recruit New Members Bring In New Ideas To Our Council

With the right recruitment strategy in place, we can ensure that every eligible Catholic man in our parish has the opportunity to join this council. A direct result of recruiting will be our council's ability to increase its charitable impact in our parish and community. While there are many examples of recruitment activities, all are meant to inspire you into action. By recruiting new members, our council is continuing Father Michael J. McGivney's vision and commitment of providing assistance to people in St. John Bosco Parish and the Port Chester and Rye Brook communities. Please offer the wonderful gift of membership to your sons, brothers, co-workers and neighbors.

Attendance Raffle Is Now \$79.00

With each meeting and event our council's attendance raffle continues to grow. Every Brother Knight has a chance. You must be there!

June Restaurant Raffle Chosen

The Prize winner for the June, \$100 certificate to Bartaco is Brother Knight Dave Mulvany. The Second prize \$10 "Refund Prize" went to Brother Knight Scott LaDore. The \$100 gift certificate to Pasquale's Ristorante will be given away in July. Best of luck!!!

COUNCIL MEETINGS

1st & 3rd Thursdays at: 7:00 PM



COUNCIL HALL RENTALS

Call : 914-939-4343

Rentals@KofC503.org



LADIES AUXILIARY

2nd Wednesday - 7:00 PM



Council Business & Events



July 15th... **Knights Social Meeting**... Dinner at 7:00 PM. Meeting at 8:00 PM.

July 20th... **Cook At Ronald McDonald House**... Meet at the council hall at 3:00 PM.

July 25th... **Kids Cafe**... Downstairs at 2:00 PM. Knights will gather at 11:00 AM.

July 30th... **Cigar Night**... 7:00 PM Downstairs. See Scott LaDore

Aug 11th... **Dinner Out**... 7:00 PM. See info below.

Resolutions To Be Voted On

We will be voting to donate \$500 to Hudson Valley Honor Flight. We also will be considering covering \$250 towards the cost of the Fourth Degree uniform for Brother Chet Edwards. We hope you will attend this meeting and support these requests.

Raffle To Benefit Council Scholarship

Our council will be offering scholarships to local high school graduates. Tickets are \$20 each. Prizes are 50/50 grand prize. \$250 second prize. \$100 third prize. For information, please contact Deputy Grand Knight Mark Scocchera: 914-934-2007 or scomar00@yahoo.com.



BEFORE CHRIST... Mount Carmel is a biblical place where the prophet Elijah dwelt. It rises 1,742 feet above sea level and towers above Israel's Mediterranean coastline. It was here where Elijah prayed to God for the salvation of Israel, which was suffering a terrible drought at the time. He continued to pray and sent his servant up the mountain several times to look for rain. On the seventh try, Elijah's servant returned with good news. "Behold a little cloud arose out of the sea like a man's foot" (1 Kings 1:44). Soon thereafter, torrential rains fell upon the parched land and the people of Israel were saved. Elijah saw the cloud as a symbol of the Virgin mentioned in the prophecies of Isaiah (Isaiah 7:14). The hermits who lived on Mount Carmel followed Elijah's example and prayed for the advent of the much-awaited Virgin, who would become the mother of the Messiah. The origins of the Carmelite Order can be traced back to Elijah and his hermitic disciples.

In the 13th century, during the Crusades, St. Simon Stock joined a group of hermits on Mount Carmel during a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. In 1247, he was elected the 6th superior-general of the Carmelites at the first chapter held in Aylesford, England. However, the order had difficulty gaining general acceptance and suffered much persecution and oppression from secular clergy and other orders which prompted the monks to have recourse to the Blessed Virgin in the year 1251.

On Sunday July 16th, 1251, as Simon Stock knelt in prayer, Our Lady appeared to him, holding the Child Jesus in one arm and the Brown Scapular in the other. She uttered the following words: "*Hoc erit tibi et cunctis Carmelitis privilegium, in hoc habitu moriens salvabitur*" (This shall be the privilege for you and for all the Carmelites, that anyone dying in this habit shall be saved). On January 13, 1252, the order received a letter of protection from Pope Innocent IV, defending them from harassment. St. Simon Stock lived a holy life for 100 years and died in the Carmelite monastery at Bordeaux, France on May 16, 1265.

To learn more... visit: [History - Our Lady of Mount Carmel | Our Lady of Mount Carmel \(ourladymountcarmel.com\)](#) or: [5 Things to Know About Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and the Brown Scapular - Word on Fire](#) Happy reading!



Pray The Rosary Every Day

