

# The Emblem

## St. Augustine Council No. 41

507 Shippan Avenue, Stamford, CT. 06902

**May/June 2012** 

(203) 964-1492 ext. 4

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS—2012**

May 1, 2012 Tuesday Men's Night Dinner (7:30pm) (Chicken Scarpiello) (Hall & Rotunda Room) May 4-6, 2012 Fri-Sun K of C State Annual Convention (Farmington, CT) May 8, 2012 Tuesday Council #41 Meeting (8pm) (Rotunda Room) May 10, 2012 Thursday Family Supper (7pm) (Chicken, Sausage & Peppers) (Hall) May 11, 2012 Friday The Celebration of the 65th Anniversary of Ordination of Msgr. Malanowski (See back page) May 14, 2012 Monday Building Board Meeting (7pm) (Rotunda Room) May 21, 2012 Monday Lafayette Assembly #109 Meeting (7:30pm) (Rotunda Room) May 22, 2012 Tuesday Council #41 Meeting (8pm) (Rotunda Room) May 27, 2012 Sunday **Memorial Day Parade** May 31, 2012 Thursday Theology at Knight, (Hall) (7pm)

Jun 5, 2012 Tuesday Men's Night Dinner (7:30pm) (Pork Roast) (Hall & Rotunda Room)

Lafavette Assembly #109 Flag Day Ceremony (1pm)(K of C Center flagpole) Jun 10, 2012 Sunday

Jun 11, 2012 Monday **Building Board Meeting (7pm) (Rotunda Room)** 

Council #41 Meeting (8pm) (Hall) (FIRST DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION) Jun 12, 2012 Tuesday

Jun 14, 2012 Thursday Family Supper (7pm) (Chicken Scarpiello) (Hall)

Jun 18, 2012 Monday Lafayette Assembly #109 Meeting & Election of Officers (7:30pm) (Rotunda Room)

Jun 21, 2012 Thursday Council Membership Awards Dinner (7pm) (Hall)

Jun 26, 2012 Tuesday Council #41 Meeting & Election of Officers (8pm) (Rotunda Room)

Note: All Men's Night Dinners (\$20) and Family Suppers (\$15) are open to all members and their guests.

### **COUNCIL OFFICERS**

Chaplain - Monsignor John Squiller **Grand Knight - John Morgan Deputy Grand Knight - Robert Riith Chancellor - Giuseppe Pampena** Recorder - Frank E. Lagan **Financial Secretary - Darrell Ingram** 

Treasurer - Donald W. Porter

**Lecturer - Larry Smith** 

**Advocate - Kevin Kallaway** 

Warden - Fred T. Morabito

**Inside Guard - Frank Noto** 

**Outside Guard - Thomas Finn** 

Outside Guard - Edward A. Mirek

Trustee (3 Year) - Anthony J. Uva

Trustee (2 Year) - John Braccia

Trustee (1 year) - Anthony Bellantoni



#### Flag Day Ceremony June 10

The Lafayette Assembly #109 will conduct a Flag Day Ceremony on Sunday, June 10, beginning at 1

The Ceremony will begin with the raising of the Flag, to be followed by 5th grade students of Stamford Catholic schools reading their winning essays. Each award winner will receive a \$50 award, a certificate of appreciation, and a US

Everyone is invited to this important patriotic event.

#### **Lunches Served Daily**

Monday - Friday from 11:30am to 2:30pm



## **URGENT** 4th Degree Members



Our Honor Guard/Color Guard is seeking new members to participate in the duties required for religious and civic occasions. Remember, this Guard exemplifies all the noble principles of our Order: Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. If you are interested in joining this prestigious Corps, please contact our Color Corps Commander Giuseppe Pampena at (203) 856-8742.

## Chaplain's Corner

#### From the Natural to the Supernatural

Brother Knights,

As you are driving your car at the legal speed, you happen to notice that you are coming toward a pothole in the road. What should you do? Well, obviously you simply slow down and steer clear of the pothole, so as not to damage your car, and most importantly not to cause bodily injury to yourself.

So too in the supernatural order. As you go about your duties of the day, you happen to observe those near occasions of sin: certain persons who habitually speak unjustly about their neighbor, or certain places of entertainment which feature X-rated movies/plays, or certain things which are items of pornography. What should you do? Well, since you recently made a firm resolution to avoid sin and its near occasions, you tactfully "steer clear" of those near occasions, so as not to commit a sin or sins which would injure your spiritual life.

Through the years you have developed a number of conditioned reflexes to certain stimuli. For example, your cell phone rings, and you answer it or turn it off. Again, while driving your car, you come to a traffic light that is red, and so you slow down and stop; the light turns green, and so you accelerate and drive on.

Now the question is: Can we develop a conditioned reflex to a stimulus in the supernatural order? And the answer is Yes. Consider, for example, a temptation to commit a sin. If such a temptation suddenly assails you, your instant reflex action should be twofold: 1) Quietly say brief prayers, e.g., Lord, have mercy; Mother of Perpetual Help, pray for me; Guardian Angel, guard me; etc. 2) Turn your attention elsewhere, to something good or indifferent. Of course, if the particular circumstances of the temptation require it, your instant reflex action should also be: to walk away, or to switch the TV channel, or to turn off the computer, etc. Always remember—If you react to the temptation immediately and effectively as aforementioned, the Lord will give you the actual grace needed to be spiritually strong, so as not to consent to the temptation.

Therefore, consistently work on developing this conditioned reflex in the supernatural order, and your spiritual life will certainly improve!

Monsignor John Squiller, Chaplain

#### **Message from the Grand Knight**

As spring turns to summer, I will conclude one year as Grand Knight. During this year, your Officers tried to add some new features, and we have been faced with several challenging changes. First, we are trying to reach out to our parish priests in a way that the Council has not done in the past. We invited our priests to events, and we will continue to do so. We invited priests who are not Knights to join, and we are encouraging those who are Knights to see or participate in the degrees of exemplifications. If you are a friend of your parish priest, invite him to the Hall for Men's Night or for a Family Supper. Help us reach out

We are bringing more "religious" events to the K of C Center. We re cently initiated a new program called "Theology at Knight" which aims to bring speakers to our Hall to refresh or inspire all of us to a greater understanding of our Faith. Look for our next program on May 31st.

We are also improving communications. We created two Facebook pages: one is entitled "Knights of Columbus, St. Augustine Council 41, Stamford, CT" and the other is entitled "Theology at Knight." We are posting event information, news, and other messages on those sites. Click "Like" on Facebook to be up-to-date as possible.

Lastly, we are facing challenges, because several of our most active members need to curtail their activities due to health or family circumstances. Several members have stepped up, but we still need your help. If you want to run any event, or help out at an existing event, we need you. See any Council Officer for more information.

I hope you enjoy the spring weather!

#### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS 2012 **DEADLINE JUNE 30, 2012**

Eligible applicants for a scholarship from St. Augustine Council #41 are as follows: a member in good standing, or the son or daughter of a member in good standing, or the son or daughter of a deceased member in good standing at the time of his death.

Applicants may apply for any year of college undergraduate study, or any year of a Catholic secondary school. The applicant who is awarded a college scholarship must enroll in a degree program for the following fall semester. The Scholarship Committee reserves the right to interview any applicant.

The applicant must complete the application, submitting the documents and information as indicated Applications which are incomplete will be declared invalid. The decision of the Committee will be final.

The winner(s) will be selected on the basis of scholarship and need. Applications can be picked up at our K of C Center, and mailed to John A. Macari, PGK 145 Westwood Road, Stamford, CT 06902. The applicant must return this application, postmarked no later than June 30, 2012.

If there are any questions, please contact John Macari at (203) 921-1040, or e-mail macari44@optonline.net

#### June 21, 2012 Awards Dinner

Brother Knights, on Thursday, June 21, our Council will be hosting the Annual Awards Dinner. We will be honoring all those members who have been in good standing for 25 consecutive years or more. During this celebration we will be presenting awards in five-year increments: 25yr, 30yr, and so on.

Letters will be mailed to all members who are eligible. If you are one of the members who receive a letter, please complete the response form at the bottom, and mail it to the Council no later than June 6.

The Dinner will be held at 7:00 pm at our Hall and will cost \$20.00 per person. Reservations can also be made by calling (203) 964-1492 ext 4. Please leave a detailed message and we will get back to you. Hope to see you there! Please invite your family and friends to this important event.

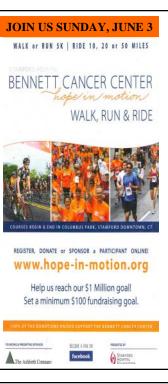
Kenneth M. Griffin



65th Anniversary of the Ordination of Msgr. Thaddeus Malanowski

Friday evening, May 11, the Lafayette Assembly #109, Fourth Degree, will celebrate the 65th Anniversary of the Ordination of Msgr. Thaddeus Malanowski, with a Mass and Dinner in his Honor. The Mass will begin at 5:30pm at Holy Name of Jesus Church, to be followed by a Banquet at the K of C Center. The cost of the Banquet ticket will be \$40 per adult, and \$20 per child, with the entire net proceeds going to the benefit of the Haitian Foundation, in Monsignor's honor.

For additional information on this event, please contact John Macari at (203) 921-1040 by May 5, 2012. An early response will assure your place at this memorable event.



#### **Brother Knights**

You and your family are invited to join us on Sunday, June 3 for the annual Hope in Motion Walk, Run & Ride event benefiting the Bennett Cancer Center. The registration fee is \$35, which will immensely help the Cancer Center's patients and their families who are provided with clinical For information please call Brother Don Porter at (203) 866-3783. We look forward to seeing you there!

7:00 am Registration 7:30 am Ride Begins 8:30 am Welcome 9:30 am Run Begins 10:30 am Walk Begins

**Ronald Blumenthal** 

## **Birthdays**

Chester J. Paradyse

#### **MAY**

#### Victor E. Fazio Kevin J. Malloy Domenick A. Garzone William F. Hickey Jr. James J. Lasko Timothy M. Samson Daniel F. Nosal Michael Battinelli Richard B. Cohen Joseph J. Nosal Donald J. Mc Namara Sr. Frank Leone Fred M. Delfino Jr. Bishop Basil H. Losten Peter S. Amico Salvatore Zaccagnino William P. Benison Robert A. Piscitelli Ronald M. Salvatore Dr. Ferdinand A. Pasqua Joseph J. Quigley Robert S. Bello Harry W. Whiteley Jr. Maris J. Kavulich Frank D. Suttile Paul J. Vodola Frank Fumega Donald N. Miller Kevin R. Kliff John D. Crosby Gerald J. Ursone Michael A. Vakos Giuseppe Pampena James M. Macari Joseph J. Santora Jr. Rev. Otto N. Lizcano Paul M. Deary Timothy W. Coughlin Vaughn A. Polcer Paul J. Fleming Christian J. Peterson Joseph P. Valentine Jr John J. Hart Jr. Mark Czamanski Vito J. Tiriolo Sean B. Blanche Dr. Joseph J. Marino Anthony M. Venezio Richard R. Ganino Frank J. Godfrend Dr. Kamel H. Ghandour

Ralph Battinelli

## **JUNE**

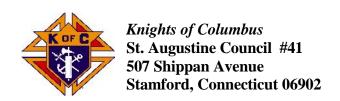
Robert J. O'Connor

| John J. Kuczo          | Stephen P. Grabowski    | William L. Sledzieski |
|------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Michael A. Demasi      | Frank J. Bellantoni     | Frank G. Shields      |
| Frank O. Bateman       | Rev. Edward P. Young    | Gene J. Lucadamo      |
| James C. McCarty       | Patrick J. Magee        | Gary R. McIntosh      |
| James P. Catino Jr.    | Paul G. Macari          | Robert M. Koczeniak   |
| James J. Santorella    | Christopher P. Griffin  | Anthony Richichi      |
| Barry J. Gostomski     | Arthur Murphy Jr.       | Michael D. Nemchek    |
| Msgr. William A. Nagle | Julio J. DelCarmine     | Gary B. Liberatore    |
| John W. Jordan         | Philip J. Franchina     | Frank M. Sinaguglia   |
| Gerald R. Bosak Sr.    | Steven V. Urso          | Edward J. Massaro     |
| Michael F. Salata Jr.  | Christopher M. Furnaros | John A. Arena         |
| Frank W. Woodtke       | John Corelli            | John R. Sharkey       |
| John C. Braccia        | Augustave M. Sabia      | Thomas J. Finn        |
| Emilio A. Lupinacci    | Ronald J. Kuzlik        | Keith Faugno          |
| Rev. Brian M. Gray     | John L. Mocker          | James P. Martin       |
| Michael M Vagnone      | David L Corpolongo      | Robert Sadowski       |
| Michael A Saxe         | Vincent Serricchio      | Pablo A. Coello       |

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