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Spirituality in Action

October 2019



Spiritual Outreach Call October 2: What Makes the Rosary So Powerful?



Join us for October's Spiritual Outreach Call on Wednesday, October 2 at 11 AM ET. Msgr. Jamie Gigantiello of the New York City Area will address the question "**What Makes the Rosary So Powerful?**". [Click here](#) for the dial-in instructions. Can't join us live? All of our Spiritual Outreach Calls are recorded and uploaded to [the website](#). As part of the increased collaboration among the three US Associations, members of the Federal and Western Associations have been invited to call in to the Spiritual Outreach Calls.

An Important Notice on the Upcoming Board of Councillors Election:

Members will soon be invited via email to cast their vote in this election online. Please keep an eye out for election-related messages from **Intelliscan, Inc.**, our consultant in the election process. Voting will end on Friday, November 8, 2019. The results of the voting will be announced at the Annual Meeting on Friday, November 15, 2019. *Members without email addresses will receive election packages by US mail.*

**Board of Councillors Dinner in
Boston**

**Cruise to Icon
of Our Lady of
Philermo**



The September 2019 Board of Councillors meeting was held in Boston. Local Knights and Dames were invited to join board members for Mass, celebrated by Msgr. Dennis Sheehan at Our Lady of Good Voyage, and dinner at the Boston College Club. [Click here](#) to read more about this evening's events.

Jubilant & Inspired American Team Returns from 2019 Order of Malta Camp



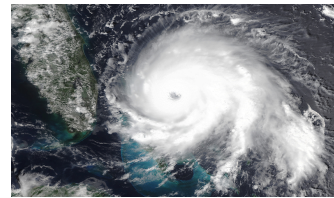
A team of disabled young adults and young Order of Malta members and auxiliary spent eight days at the 36th Order of Malta International Summer Camp in Germany. They stayed at the beautiful Ettal Abbey, building community and friendships to last a lifetime. [Click here](#) for more on the Maltacamp experience.

September Association Retreat



An additional 5 cabins were made available for the upcoming 2020 Order of Malta cruise to the Mediterranean to visit Malta and view the original icon of Our Lady of Philermo. If you are interested in joining, please [click here](#) to view the brochure.

Hurricane Dorian



On September 17th, a message regarding Hurricane Dorian was sent out to all members of the American Association by Camille M. Kelleher, DMOB, Hospitaller, and Kenneth Craig, KM, Vice Hospitaller. [Click here](#) to read their message and learn how you can help the Bahamas recover in the aftermath of Hurricane Dorian.

Pilgrimage for Life





Over 40 Knights, Dames, Auxiliary, and Year of Formation Candidates joined Bishop William Murphy, Bishop Emeritus of Rockville Center, for an Association Retreat in Medway, Massachusetts. [Click here](#) to read more about this retreat, which focused on the theme "Witness Today: Steadfast, Holy, Humble".

North American Prison Ministry Apostolate and Gatekeepers



One way Association members have been participating in prison ministry is through Gatekeepers, a Maryland-based non-profit that helps people released from prison reintegrate into society. Gatekeepers was founded by Bill Gaertner after he, himself, was released from prison in 2013. [Click here](#) to learn how our members are making a difference in the lives of prisoners every day.

New York City

January 23-24 in Washington D.C. Please save the date! Registration for this pilgrimage will open in less than 2 weeks. To learn more about this Association Pilgrimage, please [click here](#).

National Novena to Our Lady of Good Help



To mark the historic 160th Anniversary of Mary's appearance to Adele Brise in present-day Champion, the National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help will present the National Novena to Our Lady of Good Help on October 1-9, 2019. [Click here](#) to learn how you can join the Novena online or in person.

World Day of the Poor

As we approach the World Day of the Poor, on November 17, 2019, we encourage all Areas to plan an activity for local members to engage with and assist the poor in your Area. Every Area, large or small, can do something to live the charism of helping the sick and the poor while



[Click here](#) to read the NYC Area's September NewsFlash, which highlights the members' recent Feast of Our Lady of Philermo celebration, upcoming local events, and the appointment of Paul Beresford-Hill, KM, to the Order's Mission at the UN.

New York City and Westchester



Knights, Dames, and Auxiliary from the New York City and Westchester Areas gathered at the Cardinal O'Connor Residence, home for retired priests of the Archdiocese of NY, for a Mass in celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Philermo. Read more about their event [here](#).

Northeast Florida

to recognize Christ in the faces of the poor.

Upcoming Association Events

October 2

[Spiritual Outreach Call: What Makes the Rosary So Powerful?](#)

October 9

[Distance Learning Call: Malta Human Services Foundation & American Association Grants](#)

October 13

[Feast of Blessed Gerard, Founder of the Order of Malta](#)

November 14-16

[Investiture Weekend](#)

November 17

[World Day of the Poor](#)

November 19

[Feast of All Saints of the Order](#)

Share Your Story

If you would like us to feature a story about your Area in an upcoming email, please [click here](#) to email Tiffany Mazza. We encourage all Areas to submit at least one photo and a 2-3 sentence recap of your local Area event/activity.

Update Your Contact Information



Knights and Dames enjoyed a special Mass and lunch with Bishop Felipe J. Estévez, Bishop of the Diocese of St. Augustine, at the Diocese's Marywood Retreat Center on the banks of the St. John's River. [Click here](#) to read more about this event.

Local members brought [Abby, a therapy dog](#), with them on their visit to the elderly residents of Harbor Chase of Mandarin, a facility that offers independent living, assisted living, memory care, respite care and adult day care services.



Knights and Dames celebrated the 2019 [Founder's Day in St. Augustine](#) in observance of the 454th anniversary of the first Parish and Marian Shrine and first city in what is now the United States and Canada.

An [Area Grant was presented](#) to the Association of St. Jude, Inc., for a new stove in the parish hall of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, where members prepare and serve meals to the needy with the Association of St. Jude.



Knights and Dames closed out the summer season with a [Morning of Recollection](#) at the

Auxiliary Members:

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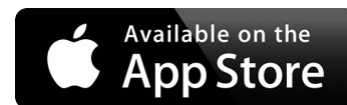
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Augustine, Florida in
observance of the
memorial of the death of
St. John the Baptist.

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