



**YMI ST. JOHN BOSCO COUNCIL # 613
MARCH 2022 NEWSLETTER**

Next Meetings: March 8th @ 7:00 p.m.

Please remember to wear your YMI Shirt!

Next Meeting will be in-person to be held in St. Cecilia's Lower Church).

Dinner: Corned Beef & Cabbage (\$15 fee)

We plan to be providing ZOOM meeting access ---access info to be provided in the next meeting agenda (to be sent a later date).

Council News & Activities:

Ladies Night: We are planning to hold our popular **Ladies Night** event this year on **Sunday May 1st beginning at 5:00 p.m. at Original Joe's Restaurant in North Beach.** Br. Bob Fiorito is working out event details with the restaurant and we hope to be sending out a flyer within the next two weeks. As the restaurant has a seating capacity in its banquet room, we will be taking reservations on a first come, first served basis.

Jim Calbaretta Essay Contest: We will be hosting our annual Essay Contest Awards Ceremonies via Zoom in the Spring. Further details about the awards ceremony will be provided as we get closer to the award date(s).

Delegates Needed: We will be needing 5 YMI #613 Brothers to serve as delegates for the YMI Grand Council Sessions to be held on June 20-23. As four of our YMI #613 Brothers have Grand Council positions, this means we can have nine YMI #613 Brothers in total at the Grand Council Sessions. This year's event will be held in **South Lake Tahoe at Bally's Lake Tahoe Casino** (formerly the Mont Bleu Casino Hotel). As we prefer to select our delegates at our March meeting, **please consider volunteering to be a YMI #613 delegate at this meeting or contacting Br Mike Amato at 650-296-6297 before then.** The Council will reimburse much of the travel expenses (i.e., hotel and event meals) for serving as a delegate, and it is a great way to meet YMI Brothers from other YMI Councils. Spouses and families are welcome to come to Tahoe too, as there are evening events that they can participate.

Elections: Per our By-Laws, Council elections for all YMI #613 offices and board positions will take place at the May meeting in even number years. As such, we will be asking for nominations at our April meeting. **Please consider serving a two-year term in the upcoming elections.**

Summer Picnic: Please save the date of **Sunday August 7th.** We will be resuming our annual summer picnic after a two-year break due to COVID. The picnic will be held at the **Bayview Shelter at Junipero Serra Park in San Bruno.** More details to be provided in the coming months.

Sweatshirts/Jackets: If any YMI #613 Brother is interested in ordering a YMI Sweatshirt or Lightweight Jacket, please let Mike Amato (650-296-6297) know. We have found a

vendor that can apply our YMI Logo onto these pieces of apparel, although they do not personalize the items with your name. A ballpark price may be approximately in the \$50-\$60 range but will depend on the item and quantity ordered and the size needed.

Red & White Mass: Please join us at the annual Red & White Mass on **Saturday March 12th** to celebrate the YMI Anniversary. This year's event will be held nearby at **All Souls Church in South San Francisco**. It begins at 4:45 p.m. with a YMI Banner Procession and Mass and the event concludes with dinner and our Pro Patria Raffle. The cost per adult is just \$25 (spouses/children are welcome to attend too) and **reservations are needed** so enough food can be prepared. Just go to the link below on the YMI website, print the document, and submit your reservation/payment **ASAP**. If questions about the event, you may contact **Br. Steve Cresci by phone at 415-297-5816 or by e-mail at scresci16@gmail.com**.

http://ymiusa.org/files/events/YMI_Red_and_White_Mass_2022.pdf

Pro Patria Raffle: Reminder to buy your YMI Pro Patria Raffle Tickets today. This is basically the only YMI fundraiser, and it fully supports the YMI Pro Patria Essay Contest prize fund, which rewards academic excellence. **The raffle drawing will take place on March 12th**. If you can't find your raffle ticket letter sent a few months ago, please contact our **YMI Grand Secretary Br. Mike Dimech at mdimech7@gmail.com**.

Meeting Matters:

- **Zoom Hiccup:** We apologize that we were unable to provide Zoom Meeting Access for our last meeting. The Wi-Fi in the room was not working that evening. We regret any inconvenience caused, and we are working to have the problem resolved before our next meeting.
- **Meal Coordinators:** Thank you to those that already volunteered, but **we still need YMI #613 Brothers to volunteer to coordinate dinner for the following months:**
 - April
 - July
 - October
 - November
 - December

Membership News:

- **Sick Bay:** Please remember **Br. Leo Ferraro** and **Br. Aldo Didero** in your prayers as both Brothers are dealing with various health issues. Also, we continue to pray for Br. **Dick Pisciotta** and his wife **Connie Pisciotta** who are battling medical issues.
- **Birthdays:** Happy Birthday to the following YMI #613 Brothers who will be celebrating birthdays in March. **Most notably, Fr. Armand will be celebrating birthday 102!**

John Bower
John Kavanagh
David Bennett
James Vavuris
Leo Ferrero
Bryan Handlos
Mike Amato
Brian Mullin
Michael White
Fr. Armand Oliveri