



# THE SHIELD

## Grand Knight's Message



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Next Council Meeting  
Thursday, November 10 @ 7:30 pm  
Live in the Parish Center

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### Worthy Brother Knights & Ladies!

We had another very busy month in October and at the beginning of November! On Saturday, November 5th, we had a very successful "Let's Celebrate" Dinner Dance. It was great to see a very nice turnout for the first dinner dance that we have had in about three years. I would like to thank the following Brother Knights and Ladies for all of their assistance with taking on this huge project and to pull it off with awesome reviews from all attending!

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| Pat Nocerino      | Tom Fitzpatrick  | Santo Loparo     |
| Tom Krivchenia    | Frank McEwen     | JJ Coyne         |
| Wally Vazques     | Terrell Clampitt | George Inderwies |
| Rita Wolanin      | Jean Wozniak     | Betty D'Amelio   |
| Rosie Harvey      | Karen Jajuga     | Robin LaChance   |
| Gabby Seguin      | Roe Resler       | Ken Seguin       |
| Paul Harvey       | Tom Wozniak      | John Ruckart     |
| Richie Resler     | Anne Harkins     | Tom Harkins      |
| Sue Engelmann     | Mike Engelmann   | Doug de Wolfe    |
| Carol de Wolfe    | Addy Coyne       | Emma Coyne       |
| Vincent Cristiano |                  |                  |

I would also like to thank and acknowledge the wonderful job that our volunteer servers did from our school!

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| Isabella Belongie | Nicholas Belongie | Kacie Kopech    |
| Joe Kopech        | Austin Boyle      | Brian Mendelhal |

As always, if I have missed listing anyone that helped at this event, I sincerely apologize.

### COUNCIL NEWSLETTER EDITOR & PUBLISHER

I am very pleased to inform you that our new Council, Assembly and Ladies Auxiliary Newsletter Editor and Publisher will be our Past Grand Knight, Sir Knight, JJ Coyne. Please wish JJ best wishes on taking on this awesome and very important responsibility. Thank you!

### NOVEMBER 2022 EVENTS:

- "Let's Celebrate" Dinner Dance Committee Meeting – Wednesday, November 2nd, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM in the Gathering Room
- Council Officer Meeting – Thursday, November 3rd, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM in the Gathering Room
- "Let's Celebrate" Dinner Dance Set Up – Saturday, November 5th, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM in the Parish Center
- "Let's Celebrate" Dinner Dance – Saturday, November 5th, 7:00 PM – 10:30 PM in the Parish Center
- District 40 Council Officers Meeting – Sunday, November 6th, 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM in the Gathering Room
- Council Business Meeting – Thursday, November 10th, 7:30 PM in the Parish Center
- Ladies Auxiliary Meeting – Thursday, November 10th, 7:30 PM in the Gathering Room
- Council "Hockey Challenge" – Saturday, November 12th, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM ESCS Gym

- Council “Philippe Road Pick Up” – Saturday, November 12th, 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
- Program Directors Meeting – Tuesday, November 15th, 7:00 PM in the Gathering Room
- Pinellas Hope Lunch Meal Prep – Thursday, November 17th, 9:00 AM Parish Center Kitchen
- Memorial Mass – Thursday, November 17th, 7:30 PM Chapel – Reception in Parish Center
- Kimberly Home Work Day – Saturday, November 19th, 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM 1189 NE Cleveland Street, Clearwater
- St. Vincent DePaul Thanksgiving Meal Delivery - Saturday, November 19th, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Parish Center Kitchen
- “Keep Christ In Christmas” Card Sale – Saturday & Sunday, November 26th & 27th, under PC Pavilion
- “Light Up For Christ” Light Install – Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 9:00 AM in the Courtyard
- Assembly Business Meeting & Social – Tuesday, November 29th, Location TBD
- Council Officer Meeting – Thursday, December 1st, 7:00 PM in the Gathering Room
- Caroling & Lighting of Christmas Lights – December 3<sup>rd</sup>, After 6 PM Mass
- Council Business Meeting – Thursday, December 8th, 7:30 PM in the Parish Center
- Ladies Auxiliary Meeting – Thursday, December 8th, 7:30 PM in the Gathering Room
- KOC Christmas Party – Friday, December 9th, 7:00 PM – 9:30 PM in Parish Center
- Full Family Breakfast with Santa – Sunday, December 11th, 7:00 AM – 12:00 PM in the Parish Center

#### K OF C FLORIDA STATE COUNCIL – RAFFLE TICKETS

We will continue the distribution and sale of the Knights of Columbus - Florida State Council Raffle Tickets at our Council Business Meeting on Thursday, November 10th, at 7:30 PM in the Parish Center. Please see Sir Knight Doug de Wolfe.

Thank you.

Blessings for an awesome month!

Vivat Jesus!

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## **Breakfast with Santa!**

*Please join us on Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, for an “All-You-Can-Eat” Full Family Breakfast in the Parish Center after all morning Masses. Scrambled Eggs, Sausage Links and 3 different pancakes (Plain, Blueberry and Chocolate Chip) milk, juice and our Famous Bottomless Cup of Coffee. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. \$7.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children ages 6-12. |*

**Free Souvenir Photo with SANTA!**



# COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP CORNER

Greetings My Brother Knights,

I would like to share an advertisement I read from one of our membership brochures that really moved me, that made me feel proud to be a Knight and to want to bring in more Catholic men to become Knights.

*I AM A KNIGHT: “WE ARE Catholic men building a bridge back to faith. There is much work to be done in this world. Good work. Necessary work. And that’s what the Knights do. Every day.*

*Assisting the sick and disabled. Protecting those who can’t protect themselves. Whether they are next door or halfway around the world. This is the journey we are on. Our path.*

*We do it to be better husbands, fathers, sons, neighbors and Catholics. We invest our time, our effort, and our resources into our values: Charity. Unity. Fraternity. Patriotism.*

*We come from many places. And Backgrounds. And stages in our lives. But we are all of one faith.*

*A fraternity of men striving to better ourselves and our world.*

*It’s one thing to say who you are. It’s another to live it. To put your values into action. That’s what we do at the Knights of Columbus.*

*That’s who we are. WE ARE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS!!!*

You may have noticed our Worthy Grand Knight’s comment in an email a couple weeks ago about “re-establishing ourselves as one of the top “Star Councils” in the State of the Florida. One of the criteria for this is meeting our membership goals of 15 new members by next June. Yes, meeting our numbers are important to us. But what’s more important is to share the good works that we do with others, share how this experience can be uplifting and how it can make us “be better husbands, fathers, sons, neighbors and Catholics.” Share this good news with our Catholic brothers, current Knights and Knights-to-be, and welcome them to join and/or reengage with our Council. Evangelize our Catholic brothers to become Knights so they too can have the opportunity to better their souls on their journey to becoming better Christians.

Peace Always!

Brian Riley

Membership Director

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**Informational Open House Schedule:**

Oct. 18, Dec. 13, Feb. 14, Apr 18, June 13

**Unified Degree Ceremony Schedule:**

Oct. 20, Dec. 15, Feb. 16, Apr. 20, June 15

**Look for more information from our Grand Knight.**

**Council Membership Report**

Total Membership	343
Insurance Members	142
Honorary Life Members	69
Honorary Members	7
2022-2023 Membership Growth vs Goal	1/15
2022-2023 Insurance Growth vs Goal	0/2

## COUNCIL OFFICERS 2022 - 2023

Grand Knight	Gene Jajuga, PFN, FFA	727-403-3261
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Fraternal Benefits Advisor	John Ruckart	813-855-5111
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Special Assistant to the Council	Gary Murphy	

### Happy Birthday Brothers. Many Happy Returns!

Dcn Vincent Alterio, Dennis Ayril, Francis Baluta, Donald Borbath, Herman Brames, Jacob Burnett, Nicholas Conte, Al Cruz, Gerald Custin, Ronald DeSantis, Tim Dolan, Michael Furman, John Gohman, Steve Ippolito, Gene Jajuga, James Jessup, Brian Jones, Mark Kapinos, William Kasak, Tom Krivchenia, John Liu, Santo Loparo, Andrew Lynn, Louis Lyons, John Malone, Christopher Mazzone, Joseph McHale, Cliff Merz, Darryl Miller, Kirk Nelson, Art Owens, Brandon Parrinello, Bradford Patterson, Brent Rochette, Juan Romero, Ronald Theriot, Ed Warticki

### Prayers for the Sick

Don & Marie Bishop, Marie Burke (d), Bryan McGuire (d), Tim & Barbara Rush, Susanne Papa, Devin Cote (d), Daryl Peck (d), Ron Lexa, Janice Schwonek, Guillermo Romero Sr (d), Cecile Sweeney, Mario Zaccario, Mohan Vaswani (d), Ben Perry (d), Audrey Hritz

Please pray for all our sick and deceased Brothers, Ladies, and family members. Please report illnesses and deaths to Sir Knight Paul Harvey, Lecturer, at (727) 286-7171 or [pharvey10@verizon.net](mailto:pharvey10@verizon.net)

## Support our Vocations Fund



Austin Smith



Benjamin Harris



Nicholas Gunn

Thank you for your continued support of the Vocations Fund. As most of you know we are making annual donations to three seminarians. Two of our three new seminarians this year are located at St. John Vianney College Seminary in Miami. Austin Smith, Sophomore Year who is from Nativity parish in Brandon. His birthday is 11/19. Benjamin Harris, Freshman Year from St. Theresa parish, Spring Hill. His birthday is 12/31. Nicholas Gunn, in his Freshman Year, is studying at St. Vincent's in Boynton Beach.

Please get your name on the list by giving \$5.00, \$10.00 or whatever you can in support of this worthy endeavor! We need to continue to support these young men and vocations but it will take everyone's help. Thank You!

Mark Barrett, David and Patricia Behrle, Patrick and Beatrice Boland, James and Jean Burris, John and Sharon Cathcart, Christopher and Debra Constantine, John Coyne, Joseph and Biagia D'Amelio, Douglas and Carol DeWolfe, Peter Demzak, Jerome Dewberry, Frank and Angela Di Mattei, Jonathan Di Mattei, Francisco and Mildred Diaz Estrella, Terry and Shirley Drake, Robert and Zoe Dufour, Robert and Patricia Ehrman, Philip and Janet Farney, Thomas Fitzpatrick, Charles and Raquel Friesema, William and Marie Gallant, John and Peggy Gohman II, Joel Gray, Gerald and Lorraine Grubba, Thomas and Anne Harkins, Thomas Hart Jr, Paul and Rose Marie Harvey, David and Donna Heezen, Kevin and Gidet Hernandez, Joseph and Sandra Hocherl, Jarret Honahan, George and Claire Inderwies, Steven and Anne Marie Ippolito, Eugene and Karen Jajuga, Shawn and Pattie Jajuga, Gregory and Kim Juedes, Peter and Nancy Jula, Matthew Killeen, William and Katherine Krajewski, Tom and Margaret Krivchenia, Frank and Deborah Laffey, James and Maria Lankford, Stephen Leger, Santo and Karen Loparo Jr, Frank and Juliann Marsalek, Frank and Cindy McEwen, Charles McEwen Sr, Kevin McMullen, Stuart Miller, James and Phyllis Montali, Adel Nammour, David Neal, Chris Nesci, James and Patricia Nolf, Thomas and Carolyn O'Rourke, Mark and Melissa Ostapowicz, Todd and Margaret Owers, Donald and Carol Palacheck, John and Susanne Papa, Gerald and Holly Pappa, Paul and Virginia Pappas, Brandon and Mirela Parrinello, Mark and Christine Peterman, Richard Roberto Jr, John and Kathleen Ruckart, Peter and Susanne Salesses, Morgan Sheaffer Sr., James and Karin Smith, Thomas and Janet Stanko, Matthew and Julie Sunski, Walberto and Ramona Vazquez, Steven and Jaclyn Verba, Eugene and Rita Wolanin, Mario Zaccaria, Patrick and Joan Alix, Victor and Suzanne Berggren, Donald and Linda Motika Borbath, Herman and Mary Jo Brames, Sal and Ingrid Burriesci, Robert and Nancy Carman, Anthony Crevello, Sean Donahoo, Zach Faraone, Mark and Elaine Feldman, Edward and Anne Fucillo, Joseph Guizzerotti, David and Paula Harvey, Karl and Lisa Held, James Jessup, James and Karen Kurzdorfer, Brian Lawandus, Francis and Carol Mahoney, Christopher Mazzone, William Mc Fadden, Michael and Maria Li McCarthy, Clifford and Michelle Merz, William Nies, George and Tracy Paradise, Thomas and Nancy Penders, Daniel and Teresa Peterson, Glen and Jennifer Petterson, Christopher and Carol Purcell, Richard and Rosalie Resler, Brian and Erin Riley, Juan and RoseMary Romero, Guillermo Romero, William and Mary Scott, Kenneth and Gabriella Seguin Sr, Jim and Nancy Shirer, Jugdesh and Sucheta Sujanani, Chuck and Elizabeth Sullivan, Roy and Linda Vanderveer, Brian and Carolyn Annis, Dennis and Joyce Ayril, Paul and Jacqueline Barry, Fred and Caroline Bennett, Robert and Ann Marie Bonvicino, Jonathan and Marianne Boyce, Tim and Stacey Bruggeman, Jacob and Mary Burnett, Patrick Carroll, Francis Cayer, Kenneth and Debra Chmara, Terrell and Victoria Clampitt, Joseph and Ellen Cortese, Anibal Cruz, Austin Davis, Eric and Bernadette Flores, Michael and Lisa Furman, Joseph Gajewski, Ward and Kathleen Griffin, Mark Gurley, Lawrence and Nancy Harkins, James and Janetze Hart, James Hayes, Michael and Anna Heider, Kenton and Sue Heuertz, Christopher and Celise Jones, Mark and Maryann Locascio Kapinos, William and Elizabeth Kasak, Brian and Christine Kearns, Richard and Cecilia Kembell-Cook Jr, Dan and Donna Kistel, James and Patricia Kleinsorge, Brian and Christina Lapointe, Milton Levine, Louis Lyons, Kenneth (Ken) Miller, Javier and Xiomara Ortega, Edmund and Diane Pagnott, Frank and Patricia Piro, Edward and Sandra Riley, Jeffrey and Roxann Rogers Sr, James and Drema Rooney, Timothy and Barbara Rush, Mario and Karen Russica, Kurt Salac, Daniel and Paula Saracki, Robert and Teresa Shafer, Hugh and Katie Siegel, Massimo Simeoni, Bryan and Krista Snyder, Gregory and Carolina Sohn, James and Darlene Stanley, Keith and Griselda Taylor Sr, Edward Warticki, Benjamin and Rosmeli Workman, Kevin Cordaro, Gerald Custin Jr, Timothy and Marcy Dolan, Christian Lyon, Edward Martinenko, Thomas and Gwendolyn Odmark, Bradford Patterson, Lawrence and Corinne Steinhardt, Skip and Margaret Vankleeck, John Willyoung, Darryl and Mary Miller

**Total Collected to Date: \$1,844.18**



Father Michael W. Cooper, S.J.  
Chaplain

# Chaplain’s Corner

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

“Hello, Saints.”

Father Al Bishoff is a 95-year old Jesuit, who is probably the most loved and revered campus minister and priest, wherever he has been assigned. He is a good friend of John Gohman when he was a Xavier University and Deacon Greg knows him through his daughter who is a student today at Xavier. I have known Al since I was in grade school because he was a camp counselor in his seminarian days.

Michael Cooper, S.J., Chaplain

P.S. You can get a picture of Father Al and even order his book by googling his name, Father Albert Bishoff

Al would always greet young people as well as adults with, “Hello, Saints.” The kids loved it, whether they were or not. It was a very positive and loving affirmation of their goodness and his love and appreciation of them. Al recounts how he ran into a former Xavier student and he called him by his first name, John. The young man appeared disappointed, and Al asked him why. The young man said he was hoping to be called “Saint”! Al always brought joy and humor to his greetings. The students deeply appreciated and so should we all.



GK Gene Jajuga presents Family of the Month for October to Joe & Betty D'Amelio

November is “the month of the holy souls.” Actually, in the Early Christian Community they greeted each other similarly, “Hello, Saint.” Sometimes we can think of “All Saints” as somebody else than us. I suggest we re-think that understanding of saints as someone other than us. It is time to celebrate the joy of being Catholic and Knights—a great blessing beyond price, as we will at our Memorial Mass on November 17.

## Service Program Directors 2022 - 2023

Program Director	Tom Krivchenia	727-366-5422
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Community Director	Jim Lankford	727-698-3489
Family Director	Tom Wozniak	727-214-8377
Public Relations Director	John Gohman	813-810-3735
Life Director	David Behrle PGK, PFN	727-723-1169
Vocations	Frank McEwen, PGK	727-239-2687
Retention Chairman	Frank McEwen, PGK	727-239-2687



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## Deputy Grand Knight's Report

### Worthy Brother Knights!

Thank you to all who assisted us in our second full family breakfast and the coffee and donuts which everyone loved. We have a lot going on this month, starting with our first dinner dance in 3 years. Thank you in advance for supporting the Knights in this event. This month we will be celebrating Thanksgiving. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to give thanks to God for all he has given us. We remember as we look back throughout our lives and remember with gratitude the many people who have helped us become the person that we are. They have helped us on our journey. It's a time to recognize the blessings in our lives that come from God, especially, our families. So, this holiday, spend time with the family and try not to eat too much turkey and stuffing and enjoy the day.

### From the Faith Director

We are having our annual Memorial Mass on Thursday November 17th at 7:30 PM. The Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Michael Cooper and Deacon Greg and the Color Corps will be present. We remember and honor our fallen brother Knights. We need a few people to help set up and restore the chapel. We will have a reception in the JBC until 10:30pm. We are, also, having an essay contest for our 8th graders.

### From the Family Director

From the very beginning, Fr. McGivney thought of the "Family" as a primary reason for the Knights of Columbus. So, whether your family consists of a house full of youngsters, or maybe just your spouse, "Family" is still very important. One program established by the Supreme is the "Family Fully Alive" Monthly devotion. This program asks families to invite God into their homes and cultivates each family as a miniature domestic church. Using the Family Fully Alive Booklet (#10162) as devotional guide, this program provides monthly themes, reflection, meditations, and group projects. Through prayer and reflection, each family has the opportunity to grow in holiness together. This is a flexible program that can be started at any time of year. Our council will order booklets for you, and we encourage families to use them throughout the year. Please let our Financial Secretary, Tom Harkins, know of your interest and he will order these

booklets. For additional information visit [kofc.org/familyfullyalive](http://kofc.org/familyfullyalive). We will start selling our Keep Christ in Christmas cards after all Mass on Thanksgiving weekend. We will be selling the Harold Angel Doll and Book. This is the enchanting story of an angel who has found her purpose of watching over children. The proceeds from the sales will go to the Knights. The Four Cousins Mysteries by Margaret Krivchenia, wife of our Deputy Grand Knight, will also be for sale. This is a series of four detective/mystery tales for ages 8-12. Book 4 is a Christmas mystery set in Asheville, North Carolina. Proceeds from these sales will go to support the Kimberly Home.

### From the Community Director

Brothers, as a part of our continued outreach to our greater community, we have two upcoming events with service opportunities for us. Both are scheduled for Saturday morning, November the 12th.

First, we will be picking up trash along Enterprise Rd. We as an organization, are responsible for the road from where it intersects with Philippe Parkway up to the railroad tracts west of the Church. This project should take no more than hour at the most. We will send a signup sheet for this. We will have vests for the volunteers. We will begin the cleanup at approximately 9:00AM. It is a very visible opportunity for the greater public to see us in action. Thank you all in advance.

Secondly, we will be hosting the Hockey Challenge contest in the gym of the school. This is a great event for us, and the kids who take part. The winners can advance to regionals and up to the state tournament. We will need up to 10 volunteers from 7:30AM till about 12:00. We will be sending a signup sheet for this also. Please consider volunteering for this event, as it should be a fun morning for a bunch of young people, and for us as well.

### From the Faith Life Director

40 Days for Life ended with the closing ceremonies on Sunday, November 5th at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church. Thank you all who participated in standing in front of the abortion clinic this past month. Thank you for donating to the Kimberly Home Baby Bottle drive to raise money for them. We will have the bottles on the tables of

the dinner dance. Anything that you can contribute will be much appreciated.

**THE FEAST OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**  
November 20, 2022

The Solemnity of Christ the King was established by Pius XI in 1925 and later, after the Second Vatican Council, it was placed at the close of the liturgical year. The Gospel according to Luke presents, as in a great painting, the kingship of Jesus at the moment of his crucifixion. The leaders of the people and the soldiers taunt “the firstborn of all creation” and put him to the test to see whether he has the power to save himself from death. Yet precisely on the cross, Jesus is exalted to the very “height” of the God who is love. It is there that he can be known. Jesus gives his life because he gives us God. He can give God because he himself is one with God. From the One who “is before all things, and in him all things hold together.” “The so-called “Good Thief” immediately receives forgiveness and the joy of entering the kingdom of Heaven. Jesus, from the throne of the cross, welcomes every human being with infinite mercy.” -Pope Benedict XVI

- Nov 26 Bl. Virgin Mary
- Nov 27 1st Sunday of Advent, Year A
- Nov 30 St. Andrew (Feast)

Vivat Jesus,  
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GK Gene Jajuga presents Family of the Month for August to John & Susanne Papa

**November Liturgical Calendar:**

- Nov 1 All Saints (Solemnity)
- Nov 2 The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)
- Nov 3 St. Martin de Porres
- Nov 4 Saint Charles Borromeo (Memorial)
- Nov 5 Bl. Virgin Mary
- Nov 9 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Feast)
- Nov 10 Saint Leo the Great (Memorial)
- Nov 11 Saint Martin of Tours (Feast)
- Nov 12 Saint Josaphat (Memorial)
- Nov 15 St. Albert the Great
- Nov 16 St. Margaret of Scotland St. Gertrude
- Nov 17 Saint Elizabeth of Hungary (Memorial)
- Nov 18 The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, St. Rose Philippine Duchesne
- Nov 19 Bl. Virgin Mary
- Nov 20 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of The Universe (Solemnity)
- Nov 21 The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Memorial) 34th or the Last Week in O.T.
- Nov 22 Saint Cecilia (Memorial)
- Nov 23 St. Clement, St. Columban, Bl. Miguel Agustin, Pro
- Nov 24 St. Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions (Memorial) Thanksgiving Day
- Nov 25 St. Catherine of Alexandria





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## FRATERNAL BENEFITS ADVISOR REPORT

November is National Long-Term Care Awareness Month. To mark the occasion, here are 10 interesting facts shared by the American Association for Long-Term Care Insurance.

# 1 - Americans are living longer, in large part due to advances in medical care and public health. Life expectancy in the US for those reaching 65 was 20 years on average in 2019.

# 2 - By 2030, one in five residents in the US will be age 65 or older.

# 3 – The number of people in need of long term support services (LTSS) in the United States is already at 14 million and expected to grow to 27 million by 2050.

# 4 – Average out-of-pocket costs are \$140,000 for those individuals who utilize paid long term support services (LTSS). Roughly 17 percent will spend over \$100,000 on LTSS. Almost 9 percent will spend over \$250,000 on LTSS.

# 5 – By 2040, the total prevalence of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias in the US is expected to approximately double from 7.2 million to nearly 13 million, with 8.5 million women and 4.5 million men expected to develop dementia.

# 6 – For those requiring high levels of LTSS, individuals and families pay 55 percent of long-term care costs out of pocket.

# 7 – Currently, the majority of older single-person households are female. Women comprised 74 percent of solo households age 80 and over.

# 8 – Some 7.5 million Americans have some form of long-term care insurance. Two-thirds of all new individual long-term care insurance claims pay for care needed by women.

# 9 – The long-term care insurance industry paid out \$11 billion in benefits to some 310,000 individuals with insurance protection in 2019. The number will increase each year as the current number of policyholders grow older and, as a result, are more likely to begin their claim.  
# 10 – 69.5 percent of new claims start after the policyholder reached age 80. If you live a long life, you are very likely to need long term care. You'll be very glad you have a policy to pay benefits.

LTC insurance helps protect all those assets you've worked so hard for over the years: your house, IRAs, savings, investments. Without LTC insurance many families would face a serious financial crisis.

Most people aren't eager to talk about long term care; but it's important to have a plan. Many people want to wait until they are in their 60s or 70s before they start to consider long term care. But at younger ages it's more likely you can qualify...and the price is less expensive when you're younger.

I can help design a plan to fit your needs...and your budget. With that you can have peace of mind that you will get the care you need when you need and where you want it.

Vivat Jesus!

John D Ruckart, FICF  
MDRT  
813-855-5111

Book an appt with me here: [kofc.ruckart.com](http://kofc.ruckart.com)



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# Faithful Navigator's Log

The Assembly Golf Tournament on October 2 was an awesome success. Approximately \$24,000 was raised to benefit the Gary Sinise Foundation. Special thanks to our tournament committee Gene Jajuga, Mark Peterman, Frank DiMattei, Ed Potter, George Inderwies, Tom Harkins, Paul Harvey, JJ Coyne, Mark Feldman, Jim Lankford, John Papa; and to the many volunteers who turned out on October 2 to support this worthy cause. Thank you to Color Corp members Ken Seguin and Tom Fitzpatrick for presenting the colors and to Janet Cote for playing the National Anthem.

During the month of November, the Church prays for all those who have passed on to eternity. We especially pray for Holy Souls in Purgatory. The Holy Souls are those who have died in the state of grace but have not yet attained Heaven. The Church teaches that we may shorten their separation from God through our prayers and good works. What a great privilege to be able to assist our deceased Brothers and Sisters in this special way.

The Council will host our Annual Memorial Mass on Thursday, November 17 at 7:00 pm. Please join us in honoring and remembering our deceased brother Knights who served Council 7109 so faithfully. We are truly blessed as members of the family of the Knights of Columbus to be united in Christ with one another and with those who have gone before us.

In a few weeks we celebrate Thanksgiving Day. What a wonderful tradition to devote a day to expressing our gratitude to God for the miraculous gift of life, and for all the sanctifying grace and blessings we receive. As we give thanks, remember all who daily struggle to exist under cruel totalitarian regimes or wallow in extreme poverty where obtaining the next meal is uncertain at best. As you receive each grace, a good way to give thanks is to pray it may also be bestowed on one who is lacking. As you pray grace before a meal, ask God to send food to one in need.

In President Lincoln's 1863 proclamation to set aside a day of Thanksgiving, he asks citizens "to fervently implore the interposition of the Almighty Hand to heal the wounds of the nation and to restore it as soon as may be

consistent with the Divine purposes to the full enjoyment of peace, harmony, tranquility and Union".

Lincoln's proclamation is timeless and remains relevant today. Political and religious divisions are unfortunately worsening. Common sense and natural law have been turned upside down. As God is dismissed, there is an inverse increase of coarseness, vulgarity, violence, and misery. This Thanksgiving, let us humbly ask the intercession of Mary, patroness of the United States, to restore our nation, heal our divisions, and keep our Republic faithful to its exceptional founding principles.

Brother Knights and Ladies, this Thanksgiving I can but wonder in gratitude at God's goodness in gifting the association, friendship, and fellowship with the likes of all of you!

"The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for what He is sending us every day in His goodness." – St. Gianna Beretta Molla

Vivat Jesus!

Frank McEwen  
 Faithful Navigator

Assembly Membership Growth	
Current Membership	143
Honorary Life Members	16
Honorary Members	1
2022/2023 Goal	0/6



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This month we celebrate Thanksgiving, and have mid-term elections. Thank you for voting. Let us give thanks to God for our many blessings, both individual and collectively, including Life and for all our freedoms. Let us remember to pray for those less fortunate, and for the souls in purgatory who have no one to pray for them. Please join with me in the following Prayer for Life, courtesy of Saint Pope John Paul II (KofC Prayer Card #4665-06):

*“O Mary, bright dawn of the new world, Mother of the living, to you do we entrust the cause of Life: Look down, O Mother, upon the vast numbers of babies not allowed to be born, of the poor whose lives are made difficult, of men and women who are victims of brutal violence, of the elderly and the sick killed by indifference or out of misguided mercy. Grant that all who believe in your Son may proclaim the Gospel of life with honesty and love to the people of our time. Obtain for them the grace to accept that Gospel as a gift ever new, the joy of celebrating it with gratitude throughout their lives and the courage to bear witness to it resolutely, in order to build, together with all people of good will, the civilization of truth and love, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life. Amen.”*

Another prayer for Life that I would like to share with you is the Memorare. It is being repeated publicly on air for the end of abortion, by Relevant Radio, 1380 am. Nearly 500 million recitations have been recorded to date – see [www.relevantradio.com](http://www.relevantradio.com) The new goal is 1 billion Memorare(s).

*Remember, O Most Gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided.*

*Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of Virgins, my Mother.*

*To thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful.*

*O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy, hear and answer me.*

*Amen.*

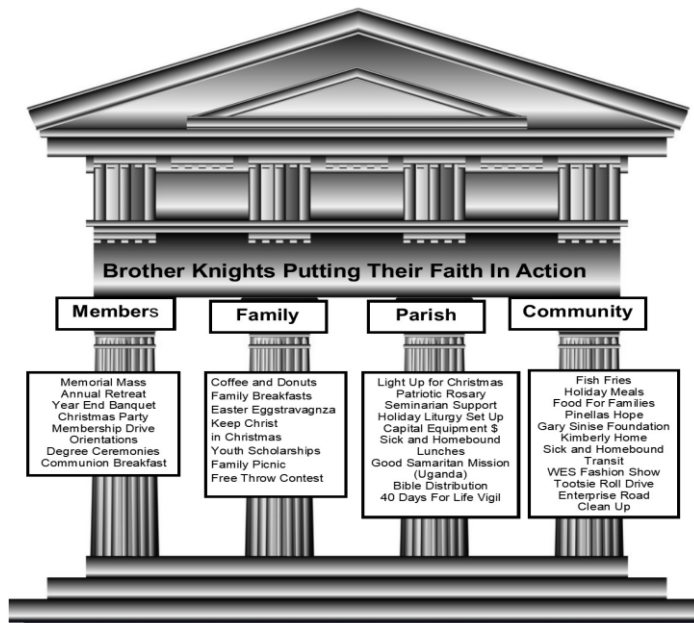


GK Gene Jajuga presents Family of the Month for September to SK Paul & Lady Rose Marie Harvey



**Celebrate Sunday**

Sunday is a day for family and gathering around the altar of God to celebrate His love for us. Psalm 128 tells us that all who fear the Lord will be blessed in many ways. Fear, in this sense, does not mean to be afraid of God but respect Him and seek to do His will.



**Psalm 128**

Blessed are all who fear the LORD, and who walk in his ways. What your hands provide you will enjoy; you will be blessed and prosper: Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your home,

Your children like young olive plants around your table. Just so will the man be blessed who fears the LORD. May the LORD bless you from Zion; may you see Jerusalem's prosperity all the days of your life, and live to see your children's children.

# SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT



## Fourth Degree

**Exemplification Nov. 26, 2022, Florida Hotel, Florida Mall,  
Orlando, FL**

The Florida Fourth Degree will continue a cherished Thanksgiving Weekend tradition by holding an Exemplification in Orlando, at the Florida Hotel located in the Florida Mall. The ceremony will begin at noon on Saturday, Nov. 26. The event also includes a banquet following the ceremony; Vigil Mass; Ladies Luncheon; and Patriotic Rosary.

There will also be a Ladies Lunch at noon.

The Exemplification will be followed by a Vigil Mass at 4 p.m., followed by a banquet at 6 p.m.

**The candidate fee is \$70.**

**The fee for a Priest is \$45.**

**The deadline is Wednesday, November 16.**

Please note the dress code for the exemplification. While tuxedos are no longer mandatory, candidates must wear a dark suit (not brown!) and black dress shoes. Candidates are encouraged to write the number of their new assembly on the back of their KofC membership card.

# PHOTO GALLERY



From the "Let's Celebrate" Dinner Dance held on November 5 at Espiritu Santo Catholic Church in the Parish Center.

This is the first Dinner Dance held in almost 3 years!



### O Lord Be Merciful To Me A Sinner

The Mass readings a couple weeks ago hit me that we are a broken people that live in a broken world. Yet we are individual creations of an all-loving and all forgiving God and made in His image and likeness. On the surface that seems a contradiction in terms. How do we solve that conundrum?

The answer is in the title. Accept the fact that we are sinners and often separate ourselves from the unconditional forgiveness and love of God. This has been the case since Adam and Eve used their free will to taste the forbidden fruit and all the great leaders of the Old Testament from Abraham on broke with their love of God in one way or another.

The Book of Sirach tells us, *“The LORD is a God of justice, who knows no favorites. Though not unduly partial toward the weak, yet he hears the cry of the oppressed....The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds; it does not rest till it reaches its goal, nor will it withdraw till the Most High responds, judges justly and affirms the right, and the Lord will not delay.”* What is justice? All too often we seem to think that justice is when we get what we want but, in truth, justice is when we get what we deserve. So, when we do break down, we can expect to be corrected in one way or another.

That wisdom from Sirach was followed by a parable in the Gospel of Luke about two people who went up to the Temple to pray. A Pharisee and a tax collector. *“The Pharisee took up his position and spoke this prayer to himself, ‘O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity -- greedy, dishonest, adulterous -- or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income.’* Meanwhile the tax collector stood off to the side and would not even look up to Heaven but beat his breast and said *“O Lord, be merciful to me a sinner”*.

Which of these two were justified before the Lord? You know the answer to that. Question is which one are we in our prayers and, more importantly, in our actions. Do we talk the talk **AND** walk the walk or do we just talk the talk?

To me this parable raises the question of free will. God gave us free will but we seem to consistently and persistently make bad choices all too often. So, is free will really a gift or is it a trap meant to punish us? God is **ALL** powerful, knowing, loving, forgiving but He is **NOT** all-controlling. Love cannot be experienced if one party is controlling the other. So, free will is

**THE** greatest gift that provides us the opportunity to conform our will to God’s and fully experience His love for us.

Here is a reflection on free will. Be a sinner not a Pharisee.

*“We can’t live in this world without adversity and our peace must be found in the humble bearing of suffering and contradictions, not in being free of them. In a sense, those who can best suffer, enjoy the most peace. They are masters of themselves. Given this, we shouldn’t necessarily pray for an easy life but for the strength to endure the difficult one that original sin delivered us into.”*

### Lines from the **Ladies Auxiliary**

Fall is here, and our holidays are fast and furiously approaching. Let us kept in mind the “Reason for the Seasons” . That we are blessed with family, friends, talents, and our abilities to serve others. Most importantly our gift of our Parish and our salvation. Deep breathes during the business and time outs so to enjoy the sounds, smells , and tastes of this season.

Thanksgiving comes to life with our ability to open our minds and abilities shared with others, let’s pray for those who have limited resources , those who have suffered loss of loved ones, and those who need direction of our Lord in their lives through these next months of holidays where some people feel so alone.

We are excited to help with our Knights events and support them with the first dinner dance since 2019-2022 K of C calendar. May the turnout be just a beginning of events which our Parishioners have missed. Thanks to all those Ladies who helped with the most successful Gary Sinise Golf Tourney yet.

Many blessing to all of save travels, reuniting of loved ones, and enjoying the time making more memories around that special table of giving thanks.

## *from the desk of Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly...*

“**GOD DID NOT** give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control” (2 Tim 1:7). These words from Scripture recently struck me as they were read at Mass. In the preceding days, I had been part of several conversations about the challenges of living our faith today, and I found that this verse from St. Paul spoke both to the tremendous gift we have been given in our Catholic faith and the responsibility we have to share this gift with others.

Whether it's young parents struggling to raise their family in a culture that seems obsessed with pushing adult agendas on children; a Ukrainian father, separated from his wife and children as he struggles for the very existence of his homeland; a college student lacking stable intellectual and spiritual support in an environment increasingly marked by confusion and instability; or everyday Catholics wrestling with their faith in the face not only of open hostility from the world, but also division and scandals in the Church — in each of these cases and more, there is a temptation to do less and to back away.

At times, the adversity is enough to make us give in to cynicism and discouragement and decide to lead a life of ready comfort and diversion — or at least one of general apathy, ready to settle for “good enough” in terms of our growth in virtue and personal excellence.

But this “easy” path leads to a far less meaningful life — and away from true fulfillment. Why? Because we were not made for that kind of life. We were made for a higher purpose, and in Jesus Christ we have been given the grace to live as children of God.

We are called to be great men — not just “pretty good” men. And to achieve this, we are given the very Spirit of God, who can lead us to a hope that will never disappoint and never give in to despair.

St. Paul reminds Timothy that we have been given a spirit of “power and love and self-control.” In his first letter to the Corinthians, Paul likewise makes clear that he has not been relying on his own skill or wise words, but on the power of God (1 Cor 2:3-5). And in his letter to the Church in Rome, he points out that even our suffering can lead to endurance, and thus to character, and to hope, infused in us by the Holy Spirit (Rom 5:3-5).

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Moreover, we have a responsibility to help other men recall and understand the Spirit they have been given. It is the duty of a band of Christian brothers, of Catholic gentlemen — of Knights. We Knights of Columbus are called to stand with one another, to encourage one another, and to rely upon our brothers to do the same for us when we are tempted to moments of discouragement.

During this fraternal year, more than 20 of our state councils in the United States and Canada will be exploring ways that Knights of Columbus can better support men in living their faith and embracing the Spirit they have been given in their baptism and confirmation. Local councils will be implementing new programs and structures as we consider how, as an Order, we can become, more and more, the men of faith and courage that Blessed Michael McGivney desired us to be. More will be shared regarding this pilot program in the future, and, God willing, a refined plan for incorporating this way of life in all councils will roll out in the coming year or two.

But our duty to live lives of faith waits for nothing, nor do the challenges facing us. By virtue of our baptism, we have been given the highest of callings, and it demands that we hold nothing back in service to Christ, our King.

Vivat Jesus!



## *from the Florida State Council Chamber...*



The goal of the membership team and of councils is to increase membership in our order. Many ask why growth in the order is so critical and why such emphasis is place on increasing membership. The answer is simple. Without growth our programs fail to have new ideas and become stagnant. The various charitable, church, council, and youth programs are what the Knights of Columbus are known for and those programs require new members.

In the State of Florida, and across the country, our order continues to grow. But we need to extend the benefits of membership to all Catholic Men. The insurance benefits alone are a reason that Knights of Columbus exist. But more to the point imagine if even half of the men in your local parish were Knights, think of the good charitable works that can be accomplished!

***Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson said "President John F. Kennedy once said about Americans that 'we are builders, and we build best when we build greatly.' I believe the same can be said of Knights of Columbus. My brother Knights, the Order has built greatly in the past; now it's our turn!"***

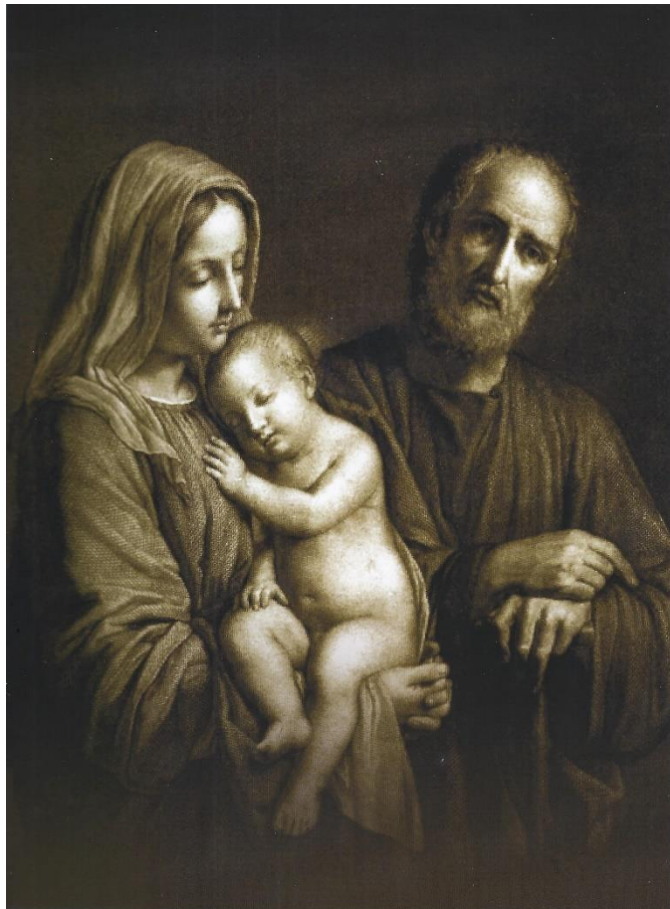
Today, the Order has grown to over 2.0 Million members, more than 55,000 here in the state of Florida. Our resources are utilized to support countless causes, programs, and parishes all over the world and most importantly in our local communities. And through continued growth, we not only preserve the goal of our founder, Father McGivney, we seize the opportunity to help parishes themselves prosper through the five key areas of service - faith, community, family, youth, and fellowship. Because of his vision and the hard-work of dedicated Knights, today the Knights of Columbus is a well-respected service organization of more than 300 local councils in the state of Florida. Councils that help their community and their parishes, flourish.



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### A Family Prayer

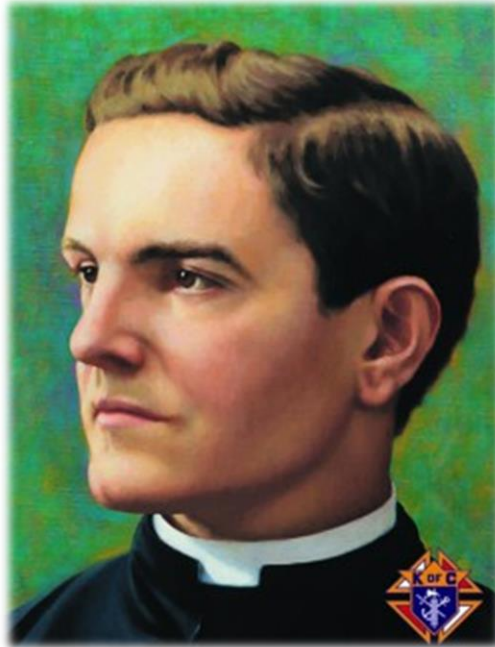
Heavenly Father, thank you for the gift of our family.  
 Enlighten our hearts and minds that we may live more  
 fully this vocation to love.

In our daily life and work,  
 May we reflect the self-giving love which you,  
 O Father, eternally show with your Son  
 and the Holy Spirit.

Let your love be evident in the peace that reigns in our  
 home and in the faith, we profess and live. May our  
 family always be a place of generosity, understanding,  
 forgiveness and joy.

Kindly give us the wisdom and courage to be witnesses  
 to your eternal design for the family; and grant that the  
 Holy Family of Nazareth may always guide our path to  
 holiness as a family.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
 who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy  
 Spirit, one God for ever and ever.  
 Amen.



***Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney***  
*Founder of the Knights of Columbus*

*God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request).*

*Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## *What's Happening???*



### Council Calendar of Events...

#### November 2022

- Nov 17 Memorial Mass & Reception @ 7:30pm in the Main Church
- Nov 19 SVDP Thanksgiving Meal Delivery
- Nov 26 "Keep Christ In Christmas" card sale
- Dec 3 "Light Up For Christ" light installation @ 9:00 am
- Dec 3 Caroling & Lighting of Christmas Lights after 6:00 pm Mass
- Dec 9 Council & Assembly Christmas Party
- Dec 11 Breakfast with Santa



### Assembly Calendar of Events...

#### November 2022



- Nov 17 Memorial Mass & Reception @ 7:30pm in the Main Church
- Nov 19 SVDP Thanksgiving Meal Delivery
- Nov 30 Assembly "Social" Meeting @ Ford's Garage

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**RECOGNIZE THE SIGNS OF SUICIDE RISK**

- Thinking about hurting or killing yourself
- Looking for ways to kill yourself
- Talking about death, dying or suicide
- Self-destructive behavior such as drug abuse, weapons, etc.
- Hopelessness, feeling like there's no way out
- Anxiety, agitation, sleeplessness, mood swings
- Feeling like there is no reason to live
- Rage or anger
- Engaging in risky activities without thinking
- Increasing alcohol or drug abuse
- Withdrawing from family and friends

**The presence of these signs requires immediate attention. Call us if you experience any of these warning signs.**



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God our Father, Giver of life, we entrust the United States of America to Your loving care.

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You alone are the true source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

Reclaim this land for Your glory and dwell among Your people.

Send Your Spirit to touch the hearts of our nation's leaders.

Open their minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany human freedom.

Remind Your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing Your will.

Through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, Patroness of our land, grant us the courage to reject the "culture of death."

Lead us into a new millennium of life.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

Amen.