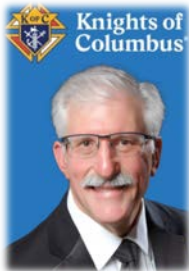




The Shield

Grand Knight's Message



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Worthy Brothers & Ladies,

As Fall winds down and the cooler weather comes, we move into the Holiday Season. It's a time to spend time with your family and friends and get reacquainted with those you only visit during the holidays. Thanksgiving Day is so much more than the turkey dinner with all the trimmings. It is the love, laughter and fun that we share with family and friends. Most of all, it is a time for us to reflect on the blessings God showers upon us each and every day. He walks with us in our joys and sorrows, holding our hand as we laugh and when we cry. So, we bow in gratitude for all the wonders that God does for us. Also, during this season, let us not forget those less fortunate.

We started the month off with our Tootsie Roll Drive collecting money for the three schools that we support for children with special needs. On the first weekend of October, we collected around \$1,300 after all the Masses. Thank you to all of you that volunteered to help hand out the Tootsie Rolls. A big thank you goes out to Mike Engelmann for organizing this event. We will be doing this again in February,

We also had our Coffee & Donuts on that same weekend in the St. John Bosco Center. We served 180 donuts and drinks to the Religious Education Students

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Next Council Meeting
Thursday, November 13 @ 7:00 pm
in the **Main Church**

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plus our regulars after all the morning Masses. Thank you to all who helped especially:

Tom Harkins	Joe D'Amelio	Betty D'Amelio
Paul Harvey	Matt Sunski	Tom Wozniak
Kay Strehle	Ed Amador	Mark Feldman
Jack Strehle	Tom Krivchenia	

On Saturday, October 11th we had our annual Council Picnic in Philippe Park. We had a great turn out of about 50 people spending time with friends and making new ones. We had a very competitive game of Corn Hole with Matt Sunski, Tom Wozniak, Gene Jajuga and Tom Krivchenia. Vince Cristiano, Gary Murphy and Frank McEwen also played Corn Hole with great excitement. The dee Wolfe family had a great time playing Croque.

Thank you to all who helped at Espiritu Santo Catholic School on Halloween with their Trunk or Treat and making this event a fun time for all the students and parents.

Upcoming Events

The Assembly is having one of their Coffee & Donuts on Sunday, November 9th after all morning Masses. This is one of the events that they use to raise money for supporting the veterans at Bay Pines. A sign-up sheet will be coming out soon.

We will be having our monthly Rosary on Thursday, November 13th at 6:15 PM in the St. John Bosco Center with Jerry Custin and Wally Vazquez leading. There is no Ladies Auxiliary meeting or Council Business Meeting this month. Instead, we will be having our Annual Memorial Mass on Thursday, November 13th at 7:00 PM. Fr Cooper will be presiding over the Mass as we honor and celebrate our lost brothers. We will have a reception following the Mass in the Parish Center with some light snacks and desserts.

We will have our annual Gary Sinise Golf Tournament at The Seven Springs County Club on Friday, November 14th with a shotgun starting at 12:30 PM. We are still looking for golfers to play in our tournament. We are still selling raffle tickets for the golf tournament with the winner getting on average \$1,200 dollars. Tickets will be available at the Coffee & Donuts and at the sign-up table at the golf tournament. We are still collecting bottles of liquor for the auction.

We will be installing the Christmas lights outside of the Parish on Tuesday, November 25th after the 8:30 AM Mass. We will need about 10 men to get all the decorating done in a very short time. A sign-up sheet will be coming soon.

Thanksgiving is on Thursday, November 27th. Enjoy time with family and friends. For those of you who are going out of town, have safe trips and we will see you when you return home. Happy Thanksgiving Everyone!

We will be putting up the Christmas trees and decorating the inside of the church on Friday, November 28th after the 8:30 AM Mass. We will meet at the garage by the church office at 8:30 AM to pull everything out and get things ready. I know that some of you will be traveling through the holiday, but if we can get 10-15 people, we can have the church decorated by noon.

We will start selling our Keep Christ in Christmas Cards after all Masses on Saturday, November 29th through December 14th. We will also have Nativity Scenes and car magnets for sale. Also, after the 6:00 PM Mass on November 29th we will be lighting up the courtyard with the 6:00 PM Choir singing Christmas Carols and we will be serving hot chocolate and cookies.

- KofC 7109 Officers Meeting – Thursday, Nov 6th 7:00 PM in the Gathering Room
- Coffee & Donuts – Sunday, Nov 9th after all morning Masses in the St. John Bosco Center
- Rosary – Thursday, Nov 13th at 6:15 PM in the St. John Bosco Center

- KofC 7109 Annual Memorial Mass – Thursday, Nov 13th at 7:00 PM in the Main Church
- Assembly 2474 Gary Sinise Golf Tournament – Friday, Nov 14th at 12:00 PM at The Seven Springs Country Club in Trinity
- Pinellas Hope Food Prep – Thursday, Nov 20th at 9:00 AM in the Parish Center Kitchen
- Kimberly Home Workday - Saturday, Nov 22nd at 8:00 AM at the Kimberly Home in Clearwater
- Light up For Christ Light Installation – Tuesday, Nov 25th at 10:00 AM in the Courtyard
- Church Decorating – Friday, Nov 28th at 8:30 AM by the garage at the church office
- Keep Christ in Christmas Card Sales – Saturday Nov 29th after all Masses in the Pavilion
- Keep Christ in Christmas Card Sales – Sunday Nov 30th after all Masses in the Pavilion
- Council Officers Meeting – Thursday, Dec 4th at 7:00 PM In the Gathering Room
- Keep Christ in Christmas Card Sales – Saturday, Dec 6th after all Masses under the Pavilion
- Keep Christ in Christmas Card Sales – Sunday, Dec 7th after all Masses under the Pavilion
- Rosary – Thursday, Dec 11th at 6:15 PM in the St. John Bosco Center
- Council 7109 Membership Meeting – Thursday, Dec 11th at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center
- Ladies Auxiliary Meeting – Thursday, Dec 11th at 7:00 PM in the Gathering Room
- Keep Christ in Christmas Card Sales – Saturday, Dec 13th after all Masses under the Pavilion
- Breakfast with Santa – Sunday, Dec 14th after morning Masses in the Parish Center
- Keep Christ in Christmas Card Sales – Sunday, Dec 14th after all Masses under the Pavilion





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Council 7109

Holy Moments

A Call to Brotherhood and Action

Brother Knights,

As we approach the close of the calendar year, we find ourselves at a crucial point in our journey not just as a council, but as Catholic men united under a shared mission of faith, charity, and fraternity. Our recruitment efforts are still short of our goal, and it is time for us to rise to the occasion **together!**

The responsibility of bringing new Catholic men into the Order does **not** rest on one Brother Knight alone. Recruitment is not a one-man job it is a **collective mission**, a sacred opportunity for each of us to extend an invitation into something greater than ourselves. We are called to be witnesses of God's love, instruments of service, and ambassadors of fraternity. This is how we grow not only in numbers but in **purpose**.

Matthew Kelly, in his timeless work *Holy Moments*, reminds us that *"life is a collection of moments — and we decide whether each one will be ordinary or holy."* Inviting a fellow Catholic man to join the Knights of Columbus is one of those **Holy Moments**. It is a chance to act with intention, to reach out and transform someone's life through faith and community. Think how one invitation could change the course of a man's spiritual journey, his family's faith, and his contribution to our parish.

Every Invitation Counts

Brothers, I urge each of you to look around at Mass, at parish events, in your ministries, even in your daily conversations. Who is that one man who might be searching for something more? Who could benefit from brotherhood, service, and the joy of living out his faith in action?

Every handshake, every conversation, every encounter is a potential *Holy Moment* waiting to happen. These moments are how we grow our order one relationship, one invitation, one act of courage at a time.

Remember: recruitment is not about asking for membership; it is about offering meaning, purpose, and community. It is about helping other Catholic men discover how to live their faith more fully as we do, side by side, in service to others.

Our next Exemplification Ceremony will be held on **November 19th, 2025 at 7:30 PM** in the Parish Center. Let us make this ceremony one to remember by ensuring that every seat is filled not just with existing brothers, but with new men ready to take that next step in faith.

Bring them. Walk with them. Invite them into the mission that has given us all so much fulfillment and purpose.

The Challenge for All of Us

Brothers, let us be clear this is **not a one-person mission**. This is the duty of **every Knight**. If each one of us brought just one man to consider the Order, we would not only meet our goal, but surpass it leaving a legacy of strength, faith, and unity for our council and parish community.

Let this month be a reminder: when we act with intention, when we seize the opportunity to create *Holy Moments* through invitation and brotherhood, we bring glory to God and ensure that His work continues through us.

Together, we can do this. **Together**, we can reach our membership goal. **Together**, we can continue building a council that truly embodies what it means to live a life of faith in action.

"Every Holy Moment begins with a simple choice to do something good, something right, something kind." – Matthew Kelly

Let us make that choice today, Brothers. Invite someone to join you in our mission. Let us finish strong not as individuals, but as one Brotherhood united in Christ.

Vivat Jesus,



SK Edward J. Amador

Chancellor, Captain, Director of Membership
Barney Gonyea Council 7109
Assembly 2474



Unity – Strength in Numbers

Informational Open House Schedule

2025-2206

Dec 17 | Feb 18 | Apr 15 | Jun 16

Unified Degree Ceremony Schedule

2025-2026

Dec 18 | Feb 19 | Apr 16 | Jun 18

Look for more information from our Grand Knight



Council Membership Report

Total Membership	331
Insurance Membership	127
Honorary Life Members	62
Honorary Members	08
2024-2025 Membership Growth vs Goal	01/15
2024-2025 Insurance	00/02

Assembly Membership Report

Total Membership	127
Honorary Life Members	14
Honorary Members	01
2024-2025 Membership Growth vs Goal	00/06



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Happy Birthday Brothers! Many Happy Returns!

Dn Vincent Alterio, Dennis Ayral, Francis Baluta, Benjamin Bergin, Donald Borbath, Herman Brames, Jacob Burnett, Mario Camario, Nicholas Conte, Anibal Cruz, Gerald Custin, Ronald DeSantis, Timothy Dolan, Michael Furman, John Gohman II, Craig Hare, Justin Harrington, Steven Ippolito, Gene Jajuga, Brian Jones, Mark Kapinos, William Kasak, Robert Kelly, Mark Kraf, Tom Krivchenia, Anthony Kuczej, John Liu, Santo Loparo Jr, Andrew Lynn, Louis Lyons, John Malone, Christopher Mazzone, Clifford Merz, Darryl Miller, Kirk Nelson, Arthur Owens, Brandon Parrinello, Brent Rochette, Juan Romero, Ronald Theriot

Prayers for the Sick

Marie Bishop, Sean Michael Cook (d), Tim & Barbara Rush, Ken Seguin, Susanne Papa (d), Ward Griffin, Elizabeth Inderwies, Linda Cooper (d), Bob Ehrman, Antonia Rosin (d), Frances Hamacher (d), Jacqueline Barry (d), Mary Branham (d), Mary Williams (d), Frank Schuster II (d), Kennedie McFadden, Sal Burriesci, George Smith (d), Pauline Sager (d), Vicki Nolan (d), Steve Gorey (d), Felice D'Elia (d), Stanley Kwiatowski (d), Ethan Griswold (d), Dick LaLuzerne (d), Fr Rich Rosin (d), Mary Duellk (d), Tony Doyle (d), Mary Frances Lowe, Dwight Rochester, Jim & Pat Nolf, Frank Diaz (d), Ed Warticki (d), Jack Mills (d), Bob Justiana, Madison Lentz, Helen Lentz, Kathleen Griffin, Karen Loparo, Taylor Dumke, Richard Roberto, Peter Saleses, Peggy Gohman, Barbara Papa, Kathy King, Richard Roberto, Joe LaGuardia, Michael D'Amelio, Steve Wozniak, Evelyn Harvey (d), Skylar Ruckart, Krish Sujani, Jack Greenwald, Don Bishop (d), Claire Inderwies, Matt Sunski, Colleen Spaeth, Frank Nunziata (d), Dave Weber (d), Nicholas Burriesci (d), Anthony Burriesci (d), Tania Carnet, Thomas Ziegler (d), Thomas Barrett, Chuck Friesema, Jerry Custin

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

Support Our Vocations Fund



Austin Smith



Mark Wegener



John Paul Grabowski

Thank you for your continued support of the Vocations Fund. As most of you know we are making annual donations to three seminarians. Austin and Mark are located at St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary, while John Paul is located at St. Joseph Seminary College. Austin Smith is from Nativity parish in Brandon. Mark Wegener is from St. Anthony the Abbot, Brooksville. John Paul Grabowski is from Catholic Student Center, USF Tampa.

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!

Edward & Violet Amador, Mark Barrett, Donald Borbath, James & Jean Burris, William Cullen Jr, Joseph & Betty D'Amelio, Douglas & Carol De Wolfe, Peter Demzak, Frederick & Suzanne Di Masi, Sean Donahoo, Robert & Zoe Dufour, Michael & Sue Engelmann, Thomas Fitzpatrick, Michael & Lisa Furman, Joel & Karen Gray, Robert & Catherine Gwinner IV, James & Anna Haitz, Thomas & Anne Harkins, Timothy & Ann Hartle, James Hayes, David & Donna Heezen, Joseph & Sandra Hoherl, George & Claire Inderwies, Steven & Anne Ippolito, Robert & M. A. Justiana Sr, Michael & Katherine King, Dan & Donna Kistel, Mark & Renee Kraf, William & Katherine Krajewski, Frank Laffey, Stephen & Ellen Leger, Milton Levine, Amaro Lionheart, Jerry Maratea, Frank & Cindy McEwen, Charles McEwen Sr, Kenneth (Ken) Miller, John Morgan, Adel Nammour, Chris & Leah Nesci, Thomas & Carolyn O'Rourke, John & Susanne Papa, Paul & Virginia Pappas, Mark & Christine Peterman, Robert & Vickie Pickard, Richard Roberto Jr, Kenneth & Gabriella Seguin Sr, Jason Seguin, Morgan Sheaffer Sr, James & Karin Smith, Thomas Stanko, John & Kay Strehle III, Matthew Sunski, Roy & Linda Vanderveer, Steven & Jaclyn Verba, Paul & Josefina Vilchez, Mario & Judy Zaccaria, Dennis & Joyce Ayrall, Jonathan & Marianne Boyce, Sean Casey, John Coyne, Gerald Custin Jr, James & Sylvia O'Neill, Michael & Mary Kathleen Dixon, Philip & Jane Farney, Mark & Elaine Feldman, Charles & Raquel Friesema, John & Peggy Gohman II, Michael Gutknecht, Thomas Hart Jr, Paul & Rose Marie Harvey, Eugene & Karen Jajuga, Shawn & Pattie Jajuga, Christopher & Celise Jones, Gregory & Kim Juedes, Richard Kembell-Cook Jr, Timothy Kielich, Matthew Killeen, Tom & Margaret Krivchenia, Jack Kuczej, Christian Kuczej, Thomas Kukulski, James & Maria Lankford, Brian & Christina Lapointe, Brian & Angela Lawandus, Santo Loparo Jr, Patrick Mackin, Michael & Maria McCarthy, James & Patricia Nolf, Brian & Lisa O'Connor, Gerald & Holly Pappa, Frank Pensabene, Daniel & T Peterson, Donald & Alexis Reed, Andrew Rodnite, Juan & Rosemary Romero, Peter & Susan Saleses, Daniel & Paula Saracki, William & Mary Scott, Jim & Nancy Shirer, Michael & Melissa Short, Massimo & Valeria Simeoni, Chuck & Elizabeth Sullivan, Keith & Griselda Taylor Sr, Thomas & Jean Wozniak, Patrick & Joan Alix, Patrick & Beatrice Boland, Sal & Ingrid Burriesci, Ryan Burriesci, Patrick Carroll, Joseph Celic III, Terrell & Victoria Clampitt, Joseph Cortese, Joseph Culmone, Hoyt Decker, Frank & Angela Di Mattei, Jonathan Di Mattei, Terry & Shirley Drake, Richard & Joan Ducheny, Frederick & Christi Elflein, Zach Faraone, Joseph & Megan Gajewski, Ward & Kathleen Griffin, Mark Gurley, Irving Hernandez, Kenton & Sue Heuertz, Jarret & Lesley Ann Honahan, Mark & Maryann Kapinos, William & Elizabeth Kasak, Brian & Christine Kearns, Robert Kenny, Raymond Kraker, Dennis Lentz, Francis & Carol Mahoney, Frank & Juliann Marsalek, Edward Martinenko, Kevin McMullen, Clifford & Michelle Merz, Anthony Metty, Darryl & Mary Miller, Thomas Myers, Javier & Xiomara Ortega, Todd & Margaret Owers, Edmund & Diane Pagnott, Donald & Carol Palacheck, Robert Papariella, Thomas Penders, Glen Pettersen, James & Suzanne Preston Jr, Christopher Purcell, Edward & Sandra Riley, James & Drema Servoss Rooney, John Ruckart, Kurt & Mary Lynn Salac, Julius & Minnie Silva, Thomas Smith, Bryan & Krista Snyder, Gregory & Carolina Sohn, James & Darlene Stanley, Jugdesh & Sucheta Sujanani, Alvah & Margaret Vankleeck, Walberto & Ramona Vazquez, Margaret Watson, Vincent Baldwin, Fred & Caroline Bennett, Thomas Bergevin, Victor Berggren, Jacob & Mary Burnett, Mark & Janet Busing, Jerome Dewberry, Timothy & Marcy Dolan, Eric & Maria Flores, Gerald & Lorraine Grubba, Lawrence & Nancy Harkins, Robert Kelly, James Kleinsorge, Stanley Lipiarz, Gerald & Renee Lubig Jr, John Malone, Will & Jennifer Maxwell Jr, Christopher Mazzone, James & Phyllis Montali, Michael O'Neill, Miguel & Sammantha Perez I, Guillermo Romero, John J Liu, John T Liu

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Father Michael W. Cooper, SJ
Chaplain

Chaplain's Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I look forward to celebrating our Memorial Mass for our departed brothers, including my father [William M. Cooper] and many good friends/fellow Knights. This Mass and the month of November come as a healthy reminder that we can tell our departed friends how much they mean to us, how they were gift and blessing for you. That's part of the meaning of the great "Communion of Saints." Our loved ones are still alive for us, and we can speak to them.

Memorial Masses and November as the month of the Holy Souls can remind us of our own mortality and our own "scorecard." Past habits may lead us to think of what we may have done wrong and forget the good we have done. Our loving and forgiving Lord is not interested "in nailing us." God wants us to learn from our mistakes and grow, that is, become better Knights and disciples on mission. Maybe ask the Lord how He looks upon you with love and hope and possibility.

Michael Cooper, SJ
Chaplain

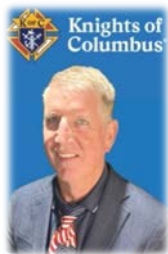


Hi y'all to Fall weather. Many of the Ladies had prior plans of cruises or road travel early October, so our attendance was low for our October 9th meeting. OUR NOVEMBER MEETING WILL BE REPLACED WITH THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMORIAL MASS on November 13th due to conflict of church events. We will be assisting our Knights with the upcoming annual Gary Sinise Golf Tournament the next day, November 14th. Please check the sign-up sheet for any further needs.

Consider attending the WES sponsored annual Advent by Candlelight event Friday, December 5th. This is a beautiful way to welcome in the Christmas season. Look for the upcoming sign-up tables by WES. Our next auxiliary meeting will be December 11 with sharing sweet treats, spirits, and fellowship. Discussions of our involvements for the Council/Assembly Christmas Party, and Breakfast with Santa will be the topic. Until we meet again, God bless you and yours during this season of Thanksgiving and remembrances.

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Deputy Grand Knight's Report

Worthy Brother Knights,

November will be a busy month. Our 9th annual Golf tournament will be on Friday the 14th at Seven Springs Golf & Country Club. We are still in need of more foursomes, so please make that day available. If you can't play, we are also looking for volunteers to help run the tournament. It is a great time. Other events will be the Coffee & Donuts to be held on Sunday the 9th from 7am to 12n. The KofC Memorial Mass will be held on Thursday the 13th at 7pm. There will be a reception to follow. We will be starting our Keep Christ in Christmas card sales on Saturday the 29th after all Masses and will continue through the morning Masses on December 14th. The Pinellas Hope Food Prep is on Thursday the 20th from 8am to 12pm in the Parish kitchen. We will install our Christmas lights on Tuesday the 25th at 9:30am and will flip the switch and Light Up For Christmas following the 6pm Mass on Saturday, November 29th. As you can see, we will need many volunteers to get everything completed.

Faith In Action



FAITH

COMMUNITY

FAMILY

LIFE

From the Faith Director

We will be having our annual Memorial Mass on Thursday November 13th at 7pm; this mass will be celebrated by Fr Cooper. This Mass is a memory and honor of our fallen Brother Knights. We will need volunteers to help set up for the Mass. There will be a reception following the Mass.

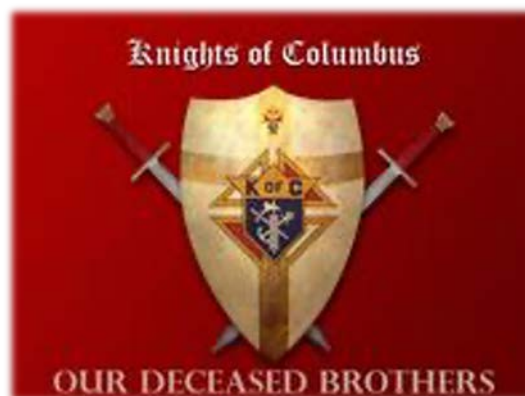
From the Family Director

We will be putting both the Poster and Essay contests in the church bulletin. We will be in need of volunteers to help with judging both of these events. The dates

for these events will be out once we confirm with the church office. Keep Christ in Christmas cards will be going on sale after all Masses beginning the Thanksgiving weekend. For those of you that like to sing, the Light Up For Christ Caroling will be on Saturday the 29th following the 6pm Mass.

From the Community and Life Directors

There is nothing to report at this time.



November Liturgical Calendar

- Nov 01 – All Saints, Solemnity
- Nov 02 – Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, All Souls
- Nov 03 – St Martin de Porres, Religious, optional memorial
- Nov 04 – St Charles Borromeo, Bishop, Memorial
- Nov 08 - Anniversary of the Dedication of Espiritu Santo Catholic Church, Solemnity
- Nov 09 – Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome, Feast
- Nov 10 – St Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church, Memorial
- Nov 11 – St Martin of Tours, Bishop, Memorial
- Nov 12 – St Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr, Memorial
- Nov 13 – St Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin, Memorial

- Nov 15 – St Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, optional memorial
- Nov 17 – St Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious, Memorial
- Nov 18 – Dedication of the Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles, St Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin, optional memorial
- Nov 21 – The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Memorial
- Nov 23 – Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, Solemnity
(Last Sunday in Ordinary Time)
- Nov 24 – Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest and Companions, Martyrs, Memorial
- Nov 25 – St Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr, optional memorial
- Nov 27 – Proper Mass of Thanksgiving Day
- Nov 30 – First Sunday of Advent

St Charles Borromeo, Bishop 1538-1584

Born in the Castle of Arona, into an influential noble family. It was common for the first son to inherit most of the family wealth and titles. It was common for the other sons to pursue careers within the Church, often becoming Bishops or abbots of renowned monasteries.

At 12 years old, Charles received the tonsure, propelling him toward an ecclesiastical vocation. Simultaneously, an uncle gave him the title of titular Abbot of Saints Gratian and Felin to begin his humanities studies.

Charles earned his doctorate in civil and canon law in December of 1559. Fresh out of school his life was about to change. Charles's uncle, Cardinal Medici, was unanimously elected as Supreme Pontiff on Christmas Day 1559, taking the name Pope Pius IV. Within a month the Pope called Charles to Rome and made him a Cardinal, even though he was ordained a priest.

Over the next four years, Cardinal Borromeo worked hard, exercising his new responsibilities. In November 1562 tragedy struck the Borromeo family when his brother suddenly died childless. He and Charles were the only living brothers bearing the Borromeo name. Without an heir, the family name would end, and the titles and inheritance would go to other noble families. For this reason, many in the family encouraged Charles to abandon his church career and return home to marry and have an heir. Even his uncle Pope Pius IV supported this idea.

Charles, however, decided to pursue his vocation, so he secretly arranged to be ordained a priest. Not even his uncle, the Pope, knew. After his ordination, Charles celebrated his first Mass at the tomb of Saints Peter and Paul.

Later he was ordained a Bishop in the Sistine Chapel, and five months later was appointed Archbishop of Milan at age 25. He devoted his career enforcing the decrees of the Council of Trent, igniting a Catholic reawakening within his vast Archdiocese that resonated throughout the Church. He adopted a simple lifestyle, engaged in fasting and prayer, donated most of his wealth to the needy and immersed himself deeply in the pastoral responsibilities. He made a significant impact, especially in Milan.

St Charles responded to God's grace and abided by the reforms of the Council of Trent. The people of Milan, who had largely abandoned the practice of faith, responded to his fatherly presence and renewal began in haste.

Supreme Knight's Challenge

Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly renewed his call for Knights to invite Catholic men into our brotherhood.

"Go for Two" - invite two men to join the KofC

Recruit 2 men 09/01 – 12/31, 2025, you'll be entered into a drawing to receive a cash prize of \$1,500!*

10 2nd-place winners get a customized, KofC-branded football.

Want 2 entries? Recruit 4 men before the end of the year!

Be sure these new recruits include your member number as their proposer.

This fall, you have the power to bring the KofC mission to more Catholic men – profoundly impacting their lives, their families and their communities.

It starts with a simple invitation, and then one more.

Let's go big this fall — let's go for two!



Fraternal Benefits Advisor Report

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Faithful Navigator's Log

Worthy Sir Knights,

As we enter November - a month rich with meaning for all who serve God and country - we are reminded of the importance of gratitude, remembrance, and service. These values are at the very heart of the Fourth Degree and define who we are as Sir Knights.

The month of November holds a special place in our Catholic faith - a time to remember, to give thanks, and to look forward with hope.

We begin with All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day, honoring those who have gone before us in faith and praying for the souls of our departed loved ones. Throughout November, we are reminded of the communion of saints - the unbroken bond between the Church on earth, the souls in purgatory, and the saints in heaven.

This month we proudly celebrate Veterans Day on November 11th, a time to honor all those who have worn the uniform of our great nation. Many among our ranks have served in defense of freedom, and we thank each of you for your sacrifice and example. Let us also take this opportunity to recognize and support the veterans in our parishes, neighborhoods, and families. Whether by attending a local ceremony, flying the flag, or simply offering a heartfelt "thank you," every gesture matters.

Just days later, on Friday, November 14th, we will host our 9th Annual Gary Sinise Foundation Charity Golf Tournament. This event has become one of our Assembly's signature contributions to veterans and other first responders, and it would not be possible without the dedication of our brother Knights, ladies, and volunteers. Your support - on and off the course - truly makes a difference in the lives of those who have given so much for our freedom.

As we approach Thanksgiving, our hearts turn toward gratitude for God's many blessings - faith, family, freedom, and fraternity. May we take time to count our blessings and reflect on all that we have been given. In gratitude, let us continue to serve others with charity and compassion, reaching out to those in need within our parishes and communities.

Looking ahead, as the liturgical year draws to a close with the Feast of Christ the King, we renew our commitment to serve the true King who reigns in our hearts and guides all that we do as Knights. We will soon turn our attention to the Advent and Christmas season, providing honor guards, supporting parish events, and celebrating together as a fraternal family. I encourage every Sir Knight to stay active and engaged - your presence and participation are what make this Assembly strong.

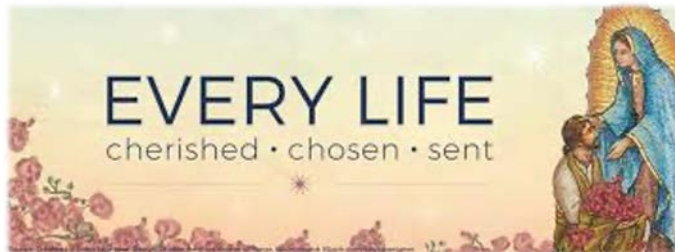
May God continue to bless you and your families, our veterans and first responders, and this great nation we are privileged to serve. May this sacred month inspire us to pray more deeply, serve more generously, and live ever more faithfully as Catholic gentlemen - "Faithful to God, Faithful to Country."

Fraternally yours in Christ,
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The Great Cloud of Witnesses: Month of All Saints and All Souls

November arrives draped in mist, with leaves falling like prayers for the dead, and the air heavy with both memory and promise. It is the month of the Holy Souls, the month when the veil between time and eternity seems thin, when the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church bends low to gather all her children into a single embrace of love.

On November 1, bells ring for the Feast of All Saints, the vision of the Church Triumphant unveiled. We lift our eyes to a great multitude beyond counting, clothed in white robes and crowned with palms of victory. They are not strangers to us. They are mothers and martyrs, laborers and kings, hidden servants and confessors. Their blood has watered the earth, their tears have sown eternity, and their crowns are proof that holiness is not reserved for a few but offered to all who dare to be faithful. Their stories echo not as relics of the past but as summons for the present, urging us to live with the same courage, fidelity, and flame.

On November 2, the Church bends her head in mourning and hope for the souls who wait in purgatory, clothed not yet in white, but wrapped in the refining fire of mercy. If All Saints is the trumpet of triumph, All Souls is the whisper of yearning. Love does not end at the grave. Memory does not end at death. Charity stretches beyond the veil, and our prayers become rivers of light flowing into the shadows of purification. Each Mass offered, each Rosary prayed, each indulgence gained is a torch carried into their night, guiding them closer to the dawn of heaven.

November is therefore no ordinary month. It is the liturgy of memory written on the calendar of the Church. Cemeteries become sanctuaries, tombstones become altars, tears become offerings, and the Eucharist becomes a ladder between worlds. In this holy exchange, the Church Triumphant, the Church Suffering, and the Church Militant beat together with one heart in Christ. Heaven intercedes. Earth labors. Purgatory pleads. And in the mystery of communion, love triumphs over the silence of death.

To live November well is to walk among the saints and kneel beside the souls. It is to let the heroes of heaven teach us that sanctity is possible in kitchens as much as in cathedrals, in hidden patience as much as in martyrdom. It is to let the souls in purgatory remind us that every sin leaves its scar and every scar must be healed in the furnace of mercy. It is to let our own mortality awaken us to the truth that time is not endless, and that eternity presses upon every choice.

So, what must we do? We must choose holiness, not as an abstraction but as a daily path. Choose a saint this November, study their life, and let their courage become your own. Pray for the forgotten dead, for the nameless buried in unmarked graves, for the souls no one remembers but heaven. Write the names of your beloved departed and place them near your altar, so that every prayer of yours carries their memory into God's presence. Visit cemeteries and bless them with holy water, turning silence into intercession. Offer Masses, Rosaries, indulgenced prayers, not as burdens but as gifts of love.

And to my brother Knights: November is the month that calls us to stand as guardians of memory and champions of hope. Let us gather our families and councils in prayer for the dead, visit the resting places of veterans and parishioners, and lift our voices in Rosaries and Masses that storm heaven on their behalf. Let us live as men who do not fear death, but who look it in the eye with the courage of saints and the charity of brothers. Let our works of mercy this month become bridges for souls and let our fidelity to prayer become a banner of light in a world that has forgotten eternity.

The bells of November toll like prophets, reminding us that time is short and eternity vast. The saints shine like constellations in the night sky, guiding us toward heaven's shore. The souls in purgatory cry out like children in the dark, begging for our prayers to carry them into the arms of God. Let us not be deaf to the bells, blind to the stars, or cold to the voices that plead.

Let us answer with courage. Let us answer with fidelity.
 Let us answer with love.

Ad Jesum per Mariam.



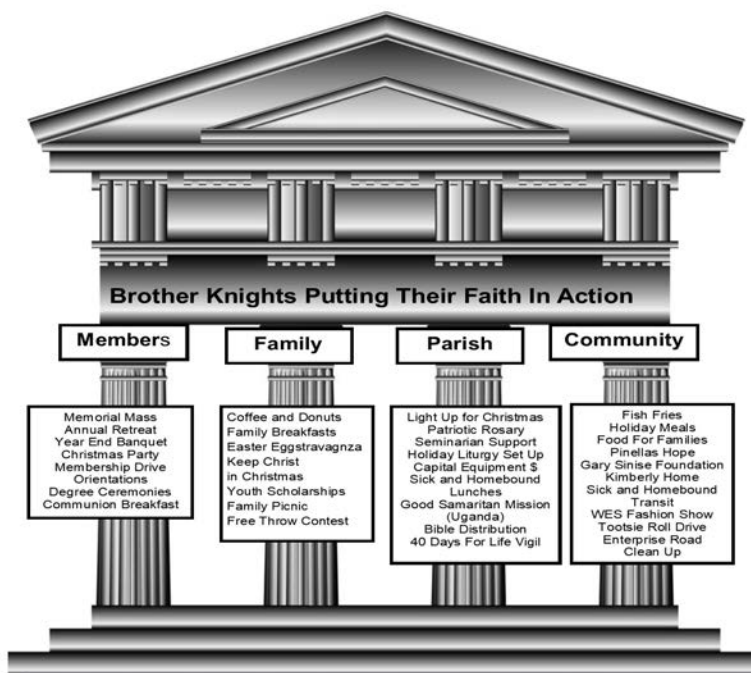
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Domestic Church Coats For Kids

Psalm 128 is short and on target. Faith without works is dead and what your hands provide you, you will enjoy. Great motivation for all that we do as Knights in our parish, community, and families. Our works bear great fruit in our families and community. They grant us God's peace.

I Corinthians 13 sums it up this way. "In the end, three things remain, faith, hope, and love. And, the greatest of these is love.



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, 6and live to see your children's children. Peace upon Israel!!

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Letter to the Editor

Seven New Saints For All Saints Day

On October 19, World Mission Sunday, Pope Leo XIV consecrated seven individuals as Saints of the Catholic Church. These included Ignatius Choukrallah Maloyan, Peter To Rot, Vincenza Maria Poloni, Maria del Monte Carmelo Rendiles Martínez, Maria Troncatti, José Gregorio Hernández Cisneros, and Bartolo Longo.

I did not research all the new saints, but they can easily be found if you choose. Here is information on Ignatius Maloyan. He was a bishop who perished in June of 1915 in the Metz Yeghern - the Great Evil - in which grave persecutions were perpetrated against Armenian Christians at the beginning of the 20th century. He endured evil, accepted martyrdom, and triumphed over malevolence.

In his homily, the Holy Father reflected on Jesus' question about whether the Son of Man would find faith on earth when He comes again. This is the focal point of this editorial. A timely topic given the division in our society today.

The Lord's question, said the Pope, reveals that faith is the precious bond of love between God and His people. He said the great "material, cultural, scientific, and artistic treasures" of our world are not to be undervalued but noted that their true meaning is lost without faith.

Pope Leo continued, "A world without faith would be filled with children without a Father, who would have no desire for life since there would be no hope left in their hearts for salvation. For this reason, Jesus invites us to pray always, so that our bond of love with God may be sustained and our hearts may welcome His salvation. Just as breathing sustains the life of the body, so prayer sustains the life of the soul," he said. "Faith, in fact, is expressed in prayer, and authentic prayer lives on faith."

He observed that Christians often face two temptations when we pray. One temptation is to let the scandal of evil overcome us and lead us to think that God does not care for our plight. At other times, we are tempted to treat prayer as a command to God, as we seek to make Him act justly according to our interpretation of reality. He added, "Jesus frees us from both temptations through His prayer on the Cross asking that God's will be done. When we are 'crucified' by pain and violence, by hatred and war, Christ is already there, on the cross for us and with us," he said. "There is no cry that God does not console; there is no tear that is far from His heart."

In closing, Pope Leo XIV invited Christians to embrace faith in every aspect of life, since faith sustains our commitment to justice and our desire for God's love to save the world. "Faith on earth," he said, "thus sustains the hope for heaven."

Interestingly, the readings for October 19 speak to this topic. In Exodus 17 we learn of Amalek's battle against Israel and Moses holding his staff aloft to support the Israelites. But his arms grew weary, and he needed help from Aaron and Hur to sustain his prayerful support. In Luke 18, Jesus told his disciples a parable about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary.

As Knights, there are two lessons:

- James 2 tells us, "Faith without works is dead."
- St. Frances of Assisi reminds us to "Pray incessantly, use words only when necessary."



From the Desk of Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly...

2025 Annual Report of the Supreme Knight

Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly delivered his annual report during the opening business session of the 143rd Supreme Convention Aug. 5

Excerpts from Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly annual report follow and included significant talking points surrounding being In Solidarity with Peter, Hope & Charity, Journey to the Philippines, Culture of Life, Faith Formation, Membership, Insurance & Investments, and Patriotism. These can be found in their entirety in the October 2025 edition of The Columbia magazine which can be found online at : <https://www.kofc.org/en/news-room/columbia/2025/october/annual-report.html>

It's good to be back in Washington, D.C. Our history in this city stretches back nearly to our founding. Our first council here was established in 1897 - and ever since, we have served both God and country.

I think of our long-running partnership with The Catholic University of America - especially in the founding of the Columbus School of Law. I think of how we helped construct the bell tower of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. I think of our strong support for the Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family. And in a special way, I think of our landmark pastoral initiative in our nation's capital - the Saint John Paul II National Shrine. In this city, we have worked hard to serve the Church and strengthen the faith.

We've also put our faith into action as Catholic citizens. Here in Washington, we have defended religious freedom for more than a century. We've marched for life for more than 50 years. And throughout our history, we have proudly stood with those who serve in the Armed Forces of the United States.

When I was state deputy of the District of Columbia, I had a front-row seat to so much of this work. And it gave me an even deeper appreciation for all our work around the world. The Knights of Columbus does amazing things. And thanks to you, my brother Knights, last year was one of our best years yet. You helped us advance in charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. And you gave witness to the hope that comes from Jesus Christ.

This is our mission - to be heralds of hope. To give hope to others through our service and sacrifice. We lift up the family and the faith. We lift up the vulnerable and the persecuted. And today, in a special way, we lift up our voices in thanksgiving. Our Lord has given us a new Holy Father to shepherd his Church. And the Knights of Columbus - each of us - are proud to stand with His Holiness Pope Leo XIV!

Our patriotism brings hope to all our nations. The same is true of our charity, unity and fraternity. And as we look to the rest of this great Jubilee Year, our witness is only beginning.

The world is searching everywhere for hope - in science, in politics, in ideology. But the world will find it only in Jesus Christ, the author of hope. As Knights, we point the way to him. And as we move forward, we draw strength from our Lord - and from the heroes of our past.

It has now been five years since Father McGivney was declared Blessed. His beatification confirmed his personal holiness and heroic virtue. And it gave us hope that our Founder will soon be numbered among the saints.

There are several remarkable healings attributed to Father McGivney. Each one renews our hope. And we give thanks to Jesus Christ, who is the ultimate source of our hope. The Lord is at the center of all we do. And after 143 years, he continues to guide the Knights of Columbus. We have come further than Father McGivney ever imagined. But we've only gone where Christ has called us to go. Now he's calling us to go even further. And we are ready.

Like every generation that came before us, we will move forward - in charity, unity and fraternity. We will serve our Lord by serving others. And we will sacrifice for them, like he did for us.

It is an honor to join all of you in this great work. Now let us put our faith into action once again - as heralds of hope in all we do.

Vivat Jesus!



From the Florida State Council Chamber...

A Strong Start Built on Faith

State Deputy Michael P Gizewski

As the Florida State Council of the Knights of Columbus steps confidently into the fourth month of the 2025-2026 fraternal year, the spirit of renewal is alive and well across the state. Local councils, energized by fresh goals and a clear mission, are advancing the timeless values of the Order: charity, unity, fraternity, and a deep commitment to spiritual growth. It is a time of building - of strengthening the brotherhood, expanding outreach, and deepening the faith that underpins every action.

At the heart of this momentum is a growing focus on membership. From Pensacola to Key West, councils have been actively recruiting new members, not only to increase numbers but to open doors for Catholic men to discover a deeper sense of purpose and service. The Knights of Columbus offer more than community involvement they offer a calling. Many men today are searching for meaning in a world that often feels increasingly divided and uncertain. The Knights provide a place where faith is not only professed but practiced, side by side with brothers who are committed to something greater than themselves.

The Florida State Council leadership has emphasized the importance of intentional membership inviting men not simply to join, but to belong. The focus is on integration and activation, ensuring that new members are welcomed, mentored, and quickly given opportunities to participate. When men are engaged from day one, councils thrive, families are strengthened, and parishes are enriched. The result is a ripple effect that touches every corner of Catholic life in Florida.

But numbers alone don't tell the full story. It is the work of charity that reveals the true heartbeat of the Knights. Florida councils have already completed dozens of charitable initiatives in just the first quarter of the fraternal year ranging from hurricane relief efforts and pro-life advocacy to food pantries, school supply drives, and support for seminarians. These acts of service are not done for recognition, but as an expression of Christ's love in action. When a Knight shows up to build a wheelchair ramp, distribute food, or support a single mother, he brings with him the quiet but powerful witness of a life rooted in the Gospel.

Behind every charitable effort is a bond of fraternity that gives the Order its unique strength. Brotherhood among the Knights is more than friendship; it is a spiritual kinship forged through shared mission and sacrificial love. Councils across Florida are investing in fraternal life organizing retreats, men's conferences, family barbecues, and father-son events that draw members closer together. In a world that often isolates men, the Knights provide a place of belonging, accountability, and encouragement.

These fraternal bonds are also essential to spiritual development, which has become a major emphasis of the Florida State Council this year. Knights are being called to a higher level of holiness not just to be "doers," but to be disciples. Across the state, councils are holding regular rosaries, Holy Hours, and spiritual formation gatherings, inviting members to grow in prayer, sacramental life, and personal holiness. After all, the Order is not merely a service organization it is a brotherhood of Catholic men united by faith and committed to living that faith boldly and authentically.

Spirituality is not something added to the mission of the Knights it is the foundation. It is what transforms good works into holy works. It is what elevates a council project from a task to a testimony. And it is what will ultimately lead the Florida State Council, not just to organizational success, but to sanctity. As councils across the state embrace this call, a deeper culture of spiritual leadership is taking root one that will bear fruit for years to come.

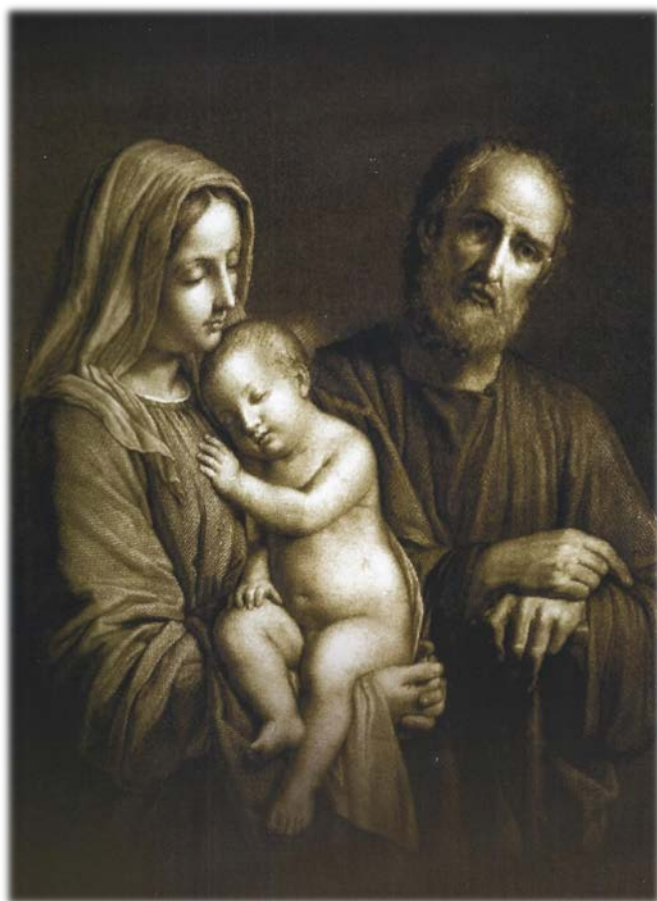
As the fraternal year continues, the Florida Knights of Columbus are not slowing down. If anything, they are accelerating. With strong leadership, a growing membership base, and a clear vision rooted in faith, the next nine months promise to be a time of extraordinary growth not just in programs or projects, but in discipleship, brotherhood, and spiritual maturity.

There is still much to do. But with charity as their mission, fraternity as their strength, and spirituality as their guide, the Florida Knights are proving that when Catholic men unite in faith, incredible things happen not only in their councils, but in their parishes, families, and communities.

Always remember Open wide the doors for Christ and he will enter and pass along the gift.

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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.

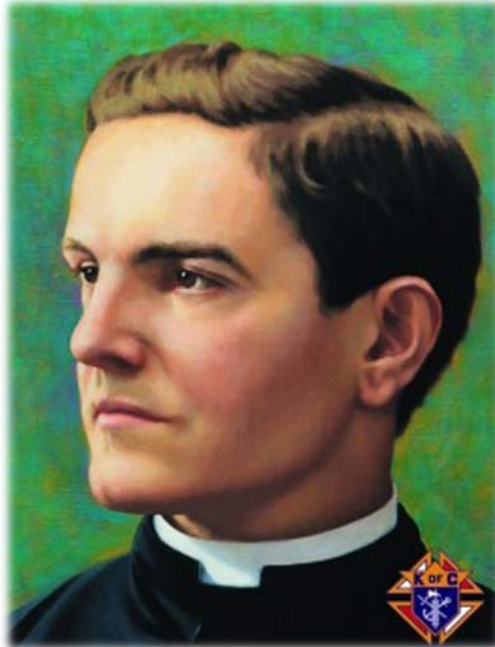
In our daily life and work,
May we reflect the self-giving love which you,
O Father, eternally show with your Son
and the Holy Spirit.

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 2025

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| • 11/13 Thu 6:15p | Rosary |
| • 11/13 Thu 7:00p | Memorial Mass |
| • 11/20 Thu 8:00a | Pinellas Hope Food Prep & Delivery |
| • 11/22 Sat 8:00a | Kimberly Home WorkDay |
| • 11/25 Tue 9:30a | Christmas Light Installation |
| • 11/28 Fri 8:30a | Church Christmas Decorations |
| • 11/29 Sat 3:30p | Keep Christ in Christmas Card Sales |
| • 11/30 Sun 8:00a | Keep Christ in Christmas Card Sales |
| • 12/06 Sat 3:30p | Keep Christ in Christmas Card Sales |
| • 12/07 Sun 8:00a | Keep Christ in Christmas Card Sales |



Assembly Calendar of Events...

November 2025

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| • 11/03 Mon 6:30p | Golf Tourney Committee Meeting |
| • 11/09 Sun 7:00a | Coffee & Donuts |
| • 11/10 Mon 6:30p | Golf Tourney Committee Meeting |
| • 11/14 Fri 11:00a | 9 th Annual Golf Tourney (12:30p Shotgun Start) |
| • 11/25 Tue 6:30p | Social Meeting @ The Varsity Club |
| • 01/31 Sat 9:00a | 4 th Degree Exemplification
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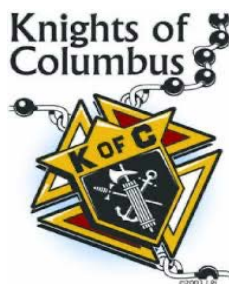
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Your will.

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.

