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March 2026

Grand Knight – Bryant Perszyk



Brothers All,

It was truly humbling to see such a tremendous turnout for the State Deputy's "Back to Basics" tour. Having 90 attendees—including our wives and brothers from across the entire district—sent a clear message: our council is vibrant, united, and focused on the things that matter (see article, page 10).

The State Deputy's visit was more than just a meeting; it was a powerful affirmation. It showed us that as a council, **we are focused on the important things**. His message was simple yet profound: **Keep Christ at the center of everything** we do. Whether we are conducting a business meeting or serving a meal, if Christ isn't at the heart of it, we've lost our way.

As we enter this holy season of Lent, I am asking every man in this council to move beyond simply "giving something up." Let's make this Lent about **Family Prayer**. Our homes are our first "domestic churches." I challenge you to be the spiritual leaders of your households—to pray with your wives and children, and to let that grace flow into how we treat one another as brothers.

Our Lenten Fish Frys are a cornerstone of our parish life during Lent, but let us remember that our service is an extension of our prayer. I encourage all of you to join us for

Stations of the Cross every Friday (see flyer, page 9) before heading to the hall. Let's serve our community with the spirit of charity we've been called to practice in our everyday lives.

The State Deputy reminded us that to keep our mission alive, we must grow. Our upcoming **Membership Drive is February 28 through March 1**, and my ask is direct:

Bring a candidate – There are men in our pews every Sunday who are looking for a sense of purpose and a brotherhood to belong to. They are simply waiting to be invited. Don't just tell them about the Knights—show them who we are.

Thank you for your dedication to our parish, our families, and our Order. Let's make this a Lent of true spiritual growth.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the prayers and well wishes for my wife Patricia. They meant a lot to both of us and went a long way in uplifting our spirits. Let's not forget to remember all our sick and keep them in our prayers.

Fraternally,
Bryant

Council Chaplain – Fr. Manny Lopez



Brothers in Christ,

The Church honors St. Joseph in a special way during the month of March. St. Joseph's Day, also known as the Feast of Saint Joseph, is celebrated on March 19th in the Catholic Church. It is a solemnity that honors Saint Joseph, the husband of the Virgin Mary and the earthly father of Jesus Christ.

St. Joseph was of royal lineage. The Gospels of St. Luke (**Luke 3:23-31**) and St. Matthew (**Matt 1:1-16**) trace St. Joseph's ancestry back to King David. Yet, we all know him as a humble carpenter.

One of the titles that the Church gives to St. Joseph is 'Terror of Demons'. St. Joseph is the epitome of a pure man: pure in thought, pure in heart; pure in body and soul. In face of such sublime purity and holiness, one can easily see how evil spirits would flee in terror from his

intercessions. His spirituality is the opposite of the evil ones.

I ask that you reflect on the holiness of St. Joseph, his faithfulness to God, and his fatherly example. Pray for his intercession to protect your family. Ask St. Joseph to protect Holy Mother the Church. Pray for his protection for departing souls.

Prayer to St. Joseph

Oh St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while he reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss his fine head for me, and ask him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, patron of departing souls, pray for us. Amen

Blessings,
Fr. Manny

District Deputy – Greg Gully



Brothers,

I am so proud of how all 3 councils in District 17 came out in force for the meeting with our Worthy State Deputy. We received a great message and personal stories from SD Michael Gizewski. Special thanks to Notre Dame council for hosting the event.

As we enter this holy season of Lent, the Church invites us into the desert — just as Christ entered the desert for forty days. In the Gospel of Matthew, we hear how Jesus fasted, prayed, and resisted temptation. Lent is not simply about giving something up; it is about drawing closer to the Lord and becoming the men God calls us to be.

For us as Knights of Columbus, Lent speaks directly to our principles: Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. Charity calls us to sacrifice for others. Unity calls us to stand firm in faith together. Fraternity reminds us that no brother should walk alone — especially in difficult times.

This is a season to examine our hearts. Are we leading our families in prayer? Are we serving our parish with

generosity? Are we visible witnesses to Christ in a world that desperately needs strong Catholic men?

There are men in our parishes who are searching — searching for brotherhood, for purpose, for a way to live their faith more fully. The Knights of Columbus is not just an organization; it is a band of brothers striving for holiness through service. When we invite a man to join the Knights, we are not just offering him a membership card — we are offering him a path to deeper faith, meaningful service, and authentic Catholic brotherhood.

Remember we were INVITED to be Knights. Bless a Catholic gentleman with an invitation

This Lent, let us renew our own commitment to prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. And let us courageously invite at least one man to walk this journey with us.

May this Lenten season strengthen our families, energize our council, and draw us ever closer to Christ, so that when Easter comes, we rise renewed — as better husbands, better fathers, and better Knights.

Vivat Jesus!
Greg

March 2026 Calendar

Feb 28-Mar 1	All Week-end Masses	Membership Drive (SMdM Church)
Sun Mar 1, 2026	9:00am – 5:00pm	Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities
Tues Mar 3, 2026	11:30am – 3:00pm	BINGO (SMdM Parish Hall)
Wed Mar 4, 2026	5:00pm – 6:00pm	Officer’s Meeting (SMdM Parish Hall)
	6:00pm – 7:00pm	Pre-Meeting Meal (SMdM Parish Hall)
	7:00pm – 8:15pm	Business Meeting (SMdM Parish Hall)
Fri Mar 6, 2026	After Way of Cross	Fish Fry (SMdM Parish Hall)
Sat Mar 7, 2026	9:00am – 5:00pm	Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities
Sun Mar 8, 2026	2:00am	Daylight Savings Time Begins
Tues Mar 10, 2026	11:30am – 3:00pm	BINGO (SMdM Parish Hall)
Wed Mar 11, 2026	6:30pm – 8:00pm	COR Program – ‘The Mass’ (SMdM Parish Hall)
Fri Mar 13, 2026	After Way of Cross	Fish Fry (SMdM Parish Hall)
Tues Mar 17, 2026	11:30am – 3:00pm	BINGO (SMdM Parish Hall)
	4:30pm – 6:30pm	Assembly 2810 Meeting (SMdM Parish Hall)
Fri Mar 20, 2026	After Way of Cross	Fish Fry (SMdM Parish Hall)
Tues Mar 24, 2026	11:30am – 3:00pm	BINGO (SMdM Parish Hall)
Fri Mar 27, 2026	After Way of Cross	Fish Fry (SMdM Parish Hall)
Sun Mar 29, 2026	10:00am – 10:45am	SMdM Parish Breakfast (Parish Hall)



March 2026

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April 2026 Calendar

Wed April 1, 2026	5:00pm – 6:00pm	Officer’s Meeting (SMdM Parish Hall)
	6:00pm – 7:00pm	Pre-Meeting Meal (SMdM Parish Hall)
	7:00pm – 8:15pm	Business Meeting (SMdM Parish Hall)
Fri April 3, 2026	3:00pm – 4:00pm	KofC Family Good Friday Observance (SMdM Church)
Sun April 5, 2025	All Day	Easter Sunday
Tues April 7, 2026	11:30am – 3:00pm	BINGO (SMdM Parish Hall)
Wed April 8, 2026	6:30pm – 8:00pm	COR Program – ‘The Bible’ (SMdM Parish Hall)
Tues April 14, 2026	11:30am – 3:00pm	BINGO (SMdM Parish Hall)
	4:30pm – 6:30pm	Assembly 2810 Meeting (SMdM Parish Hall)
Sat April 18, 2026	5:30pm – 9:30pm	4 th Degree Chaplain Dinner/Dance (Parish Hall)
Tues April 21, 2026	11:30am – 3:00pm	BINGO (SMdM Parish Hall)
Sun April 26, 2026	9:00am – 10:00am	Corporate Communion (SMdM Church)
	10:00am – 10:45am	SMdM Parish Breakfast (Parish Hall)
Tues April 28, 2026	11:30am – 3:00pm	BINGO (SMdM Parish Hall)

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(Editor’s Note: All items or articles for the newsletter must be submitted by the 20th of the month.)**

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So also faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead. **James 2:17**



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Eucharistic Adoration

“... could you not watch with me for one hour?” Matt (26:40)

Members of Notre Dame Council 10514 have committed to spend one hour a month in Eucharistic Adoration. The Knights Holy Hour takes place in the Adoration Chapel at Santa Maria del Mar Church from 11:00 AM to Noon each Friday. The request is for a volunteer to commit to either the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th Friday of each month. Any member that would like to commit to one Holy Hour per quarter, can sign up for the 5th Friday of the month. The Knight's Holy Hour times and reminders will be available through the Ministry Scheduler online program. Members can also volunteer for times other than on Friday morning. Although not required, members are asked to wear their green Notre Dame Council shirt to Adoration. Contact Bob Conochalla: (859) 509-2108 or bconochalla@gmail.com

**Field Agent – Larry Kennedy
“Permanent Life Insurance”**

Tax Day, April 15, will be here before you know it. Do you know if your tax rate or bracket has changed? If so, are you aware of the implications?

Your income throughout life can fluctuate, causing you to potentially end up in a higher tax bracket than anticipated. And following an election year, each new administration can change tax brackets and tax rates. As a result, you may not have as much disposable income or as much money to leave to family as you planned. This can be true earlier in life, or in retirement when your income sources may change.

You can protect yourself against these potential losses and build dependable cash value through permanent life insurance with the Knights of Columbus.

Permanent life insurance allows you to build cash value that you can access tax-free while you’re alive. You can also create an income tax-free inheritance for your loved ones after you pass.

Of course, we always recommend that you work with a qualified tax advisor or CPA. But permanent life insurance can be a useful tool for tax planning in a range of situations.

In partnering with you to secure your financial future and legacy, we’re fulfilling the mission of Blessed Michael

McGivney, who founded our Order 143 years ago this month.

I’d love to share how permanent life insurance may be able to help you prepare for the unexpected. If you have any questions, please come chat with me and we can schedule a time to meet.

Thank you!

Tax benefits assume all premiums are timely paid and are based on the claims-paying ability of the issuer. Any policy loans will impact the tax benefits by reducing the policy’s death benefit and cash values. Proceeds from life insurance policies may be subject to certain taxes based on individual circumstances. Tax laws vary by jurisdiction and may change over time. Knights of Columbus and its agents do not provide tax or legal advice and are not financial planners. Please consult with your financial, legal and tax advisors about your own particular circumstances.

Vivat Jesus!
Larry Kennedy

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Happy Birthday



- Ken Peckham 3/02
- Matt Altizer 3/04
- Raymond Mc Cabe 3/04
- William Roche 3/05
- Gregg Wilson 3/08
- Peter Farrell 3/11
- Lloyd Ginnish 3/11
- Richard Smindak 3/11
- John Pires 3/14
- Ernesto Castro 3/15

- Charles Gambaro 3/15
- Gerard Berni 3/17
- Jimmy Chen 3/17
- Sime Matulj 3/18
- Dr. Daniel Warner 3/18
- Doug Bentley 3/19
- Rob Mariani 3/19
- Dominick Calobrisi 3/21
- Ed Guy 3/21
- Jorgen Boriths 3/23

- Mark Sheppard 3/23
- Richard Toombs 3/23
- Tony Miller 3/24
- Ray Ruggiere 3/24
- Bill Zanette 3/27
- Peter Sesso 3/28
- Rev. Manny Lopez 3/30
- John Carney 3/31
- John Tatasciore 3/31



Happy Anniversary

- Antonio & Lucy Paulo 3/03/1973
- Ronald & Claudia Hamaty 3/04/1978
- Michael & Anne Arato 3/04/2000

- Timothy & Diane Postemski 3/15/1980
- George & Theresa Melendez 3/24/1993

Does your spouse know that you haven't given us your anniversary information?? If your anniversary is not listed, please email your information to our financial secretary, Mike Greene: OLPLPCouncil@gmail.com

Join for Free!

*Founder of the Knights of Columbus.
Blessed Michael McGivney,
Apostle to the Young and
Protector of Christian Family Life,
Intercede for Us.*



Father Michael J. McGivney

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January Knight of the Month
Armando Garcia



January Family of the Month
Ken & Elvie Peckham



Knights of Columbus Council 10514
'300 Club'



The Knights of Columbus are selling '300 Club' tickets for the 2026 calendar year. The cost is \$25 per ticket and is available to all parishioners and the public. A maximum of 300 tickets will be sold!! Ticket sales begin on the week-end of November 29-30, 2025.

Starting in January and throughout 2026, Notre Dame Council 10514 will have a drawing every month on the last Sunday of the month. The drawing will be in the Parish Hall after the 9:00 AM Mass at Santa Maria del Mar Church during the Parish Breakfast.

- Each month three winners will be drawn. The first two tickets drawn will win \$50* & the third ticket drawn will win \$25*.
- Bonus Drawing: an additional ticket will be drawn each quarter. The first ticket drawn will win \$100*. The second and third ticket drawn will win \$50* & the fourth ticket drawn will win \$25*. The \$100 bonus drawing will be held in March, June, & September.
- In December, an additional ticket will be drawn. The first ticket drawn will win \$500*. The second and third ticket drawn will win \$50* & the fourth ticket drawn will win \$25*.

* Each ticket holder is eligible to win multiple times during the year (12 monthly drawings a year, ticket holders are eligible to win once each month).



You can get your tickets from any Knight of Columbus member (just look for the green KofC shirts)!

Tickets are also available at the SMdM Parish Office (T-F).

Must be 18 years of age or older to purchase tickets.

Makes a great Christmas, birthday or anniversary gift too!

For more detailed information, visit <https://council10514.org/bingo-raffle/>



Proceeds Benefit Council 10514 Programs



Faith



Family



Community



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 IN ACTION**

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Pray the Rosary Every Day!

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Please enroll me in the Father Michael J. McGivney Guild:

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ZIP/POSTAL CODE _____

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The Father McGivney Guild,
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New Haven, CT
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300 Club Winners (January 2026)

Cora Declaro (\$50) – Flagler Beach
Paul Vitelli (\$50) – Palm Coast
Paul Dries (\$25) – Flagler Beach

The Real Presence: The Mass

A 30-minute film that shows what happens visibly and invisibly at every Catholic Mass.



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Knights of Columbus Bingo

EVERY TUESDAY AT SANTA MARIA DEL MAR PARISH HALL
SMdM PARISH HALL DOORS OPEN AT 11:00 AM
A FREE LUNCH IS SERVED AT 11:30AM WHEN YOU BUY A
BINGO PACK FOR ONLY \$15.00
BINGO STARTS PROMPTLY AT 12:00 PM
JACKPOT UP TO \$200.00

Contact John at 225-4456 or Tim at 904-710-6516



Honorary Membership Card Presented

Brother Rich Smindak was presented with an Honorary Life Card at the February business meeting. Honorary Membership is achieved after at least 25 years of KofC membership and the attainment of age 65.

Brother Smindak is an active member of the BINGO Committee as well as participating in many of the council's social and fundraising activities.

Pictured (L-R): DGK Bruce Zarajczyk, Bro. Rich Smindak, FS Michael Greene

Council 10514 Hosts Wine & Cheese Social

Family Director Dave Kriceri (standing w/mic) welcomed all parishioners from Santa Maria del Mar to the second annual Parish Wine & Cheese Social held on February 7th.

Attendees enjoyed a social hour with a variety of wine & cheeses, soda and tea served.



... A spiritual reminder from Deacon Bob Krol

MASS ETIQUETTE
(Do's and Don'ts When Attending the Mass)

FAST
Do not eat any food an hour before the Mass. Only water is allowed.

COME EARLY
Allow 10–15 minutes of meditation before the Mass.

DO NOT EAT
Eating is not allowed during Mass.

DRESS PROPERLY
This is to show decency and honor to God.

NO PHONES
Turn your mobile phones off.

PARTICIPATE
Sing, respond, listen, and pray.

GENUFLECT
Kneel your right knee in the direction of the tabernacle before sitting.

PARTICIPATE
Sing, respond, listen, and pray.

COMMUNE
Examine conscience beforehand.

THINK OF OTHERS
Respect the pew and queue.

BE STILL
Don't be in a hurry. Enjoy and feel God's presence and thank Him for His graces.

@thyflameoflove



**Knights of Columbus
Notre Dame Council 10514**



Fish Fry Every Friday* during Lent
(*Except Good Friday)

Serving begins in the SMdM Parish Hall
After 4:00 PM Stations of the Cross*

FREE for Stations of the Cross Attendees
(Donations accepted)

Gain Peace of Mind With A Free Legal Will



- Provide for your loved ones & designate guardians for minors.
- Create a gift in your will for your parish.
- Make healthcare, financial, & funeral choices.

Visit FreeWill.com/staugustinediocese to begin.



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Knights Serve Parish Breakfast



Santa Maria del Mar hosts a parish breakfast monthly. All parishioners are invited and there is no charge for the breakfast (donations are accepted). The Council 10514 Culinary Team (shown below) serve a delicious hot breakfast on the last Sunday of each month.

Come and join us!



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Lecturer and Directors***

* The Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, and Board of Trustees shall select the Chaplain in accordance with any rules established by the Bishop.

** The Financial Secretary shall be appointed by the Supreme Knight.

*** Newly elected Grand Knight appoints the Lecturer & all Directors.



Cor

Calling All Catholic Men of Santa Maria del Mar

All men of the Parish are invited to join us as we continue a new program sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, called **Cor**, which is Latin for "heart".

The mission of *Cor* is to refocus Catholic men on Jesus Christ and to form and strengthen them in faith and virtue through a brotherhood committed to **prayer, formation, and fraternity**.

We will meet and have refreshments in the Parish Hall on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 6:30pm to 8:00pm. **Please bring your Bible and Rosary!** The topics of the 2026 meetings are:

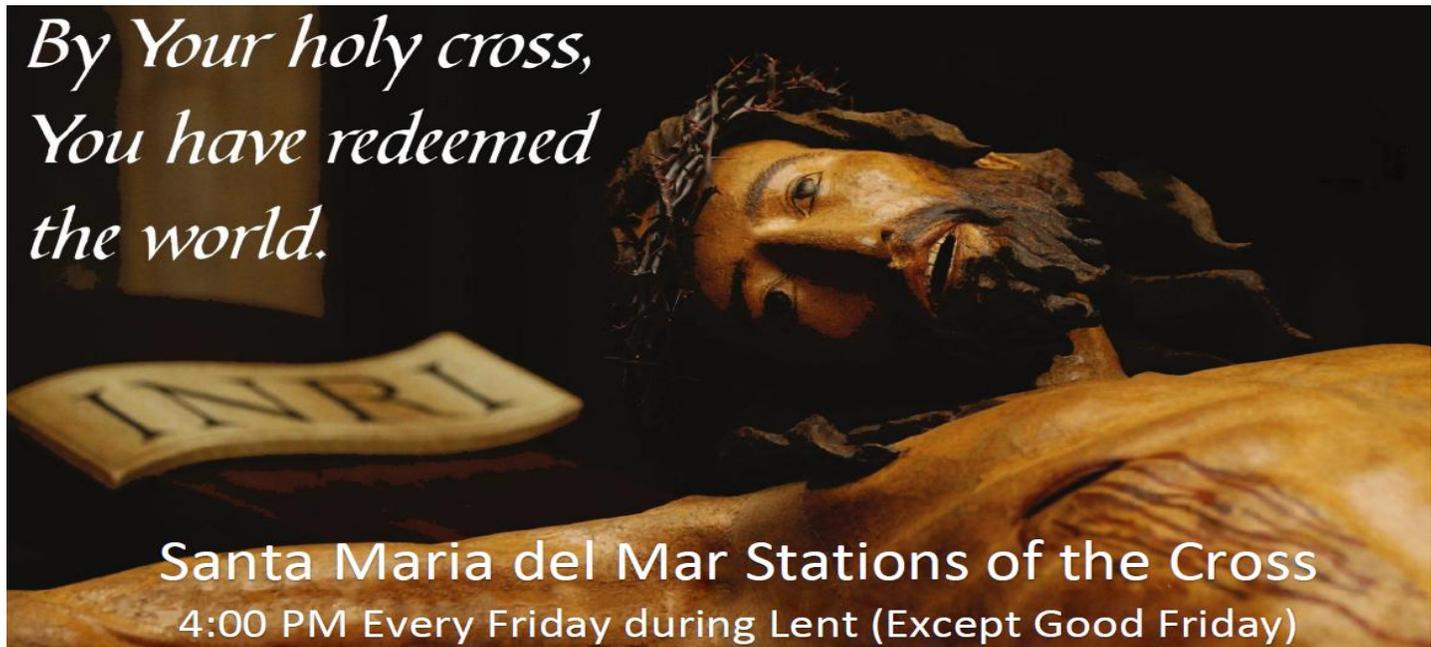
- March 11: *The Mass*
- April 8: *The Bible*
- May 13: *Fasting*
- June 10: *Spiritual Reading*
- July 8: *The Rosary*
- August 12: *Conclusion*

To participate in the *Cor* program, please contact one of the following members:

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For more information on the COR program, please visit the website www.kofc.org/cor

*By Your holy cross,
You have redeemed
the world.*



Santa Maria del Mar Stations of the Cross
4:00 PM Every Friday during Lent (Except Good Friday)



Faith in Action



Santa Maria del Mar
— EVERYONE IS WELCOME • YOU ARE GOD'S BELOVED! —

Friday Lenten Fish Fry @ Parish Hall following the Stations

Council 10514

Faith

Notre Dame Council 10514 hosts State Deputy Gizewski's 'Back to Basics' Tour



FL. State Deputy
Michael Gizewski

District Deputy Greg Gully (District #17) welcomed members of the Florida State Family to the Santa Maria del Mar Parish Hall on February 11th. All three councils in District #17 invited their members, wives, and fellow parishioners and guests to attend the meeting. In attendance were each respective Grand

Knight from each council; Notre Dame Council 10514 (Bryant Perszyk-Flagler Beach), St. Mary's Council 11961 (Darren Molony-Bunnell), and Mother Seton Council 17480 (Joseph Paul-Palm Coast). There were approximately ninety members, wives, and guests in attendance. Attendees came from as far as St. Augustine and Jacksonville to the north and Port Orange to the south.

The evening began with a light meal. Deacon and Brother Knight Stephen Johnson from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton began the meeting by leading the attendees in a decade of the rosary **(photo, bottom of page)**. This was followed by Grand Knight Bryant Perszyk of host Council 10514 introducing State Membership Director Danny McIntyre (who was accompanied by his wife, Carol). Brother McIntyre talked about the importance of the Knights of Columbus in evangelization and strengthening the church, through both spiritual and corporate works of mercy. He emphasized the importance of communication on both a local and statewide basis. The Order's outreach to Catholic men to join us is crucial to the continued success we enjoy. Brother McIntyre **(center photo)** interspersed three or four short (one or two minute) videos produced by the Supreme Council to bring additional clarity to his remarks.



State Membership Director McIntyre then introduced State Deputy Michael Gizewski for his presentation. SD Gizewski

stated that he was impressed by the number of ladies present. He remarked that the support of wives and family members plays a crucial part in the success of, not only individual Knights of Columbus councils, but his own personal efforts as state deputy to successfully lead a jurisdiction with approximately 57,000 members.

SD Gizewski touched on the many programs that the Florida State Council supports that 'piggyback' on the Order's Faith in Action Program. He encouraged each member to learn as much as they can about the state programs by going to the public portion of the Florida State Council website. He explained that every member in Florida can create an account at www.floridakofc.org and clicking on 'Member Login'. This will allow them to get timely information that is only available to members on the state's website. He explained that the Florida State Council has a 501(c)(3) called Florida KofC Charities, Inc. that is utilized to provide funding for local disasters, pro-life efforts, religious vocation assistance, provide coats for kids, food for families, and many other worthwhile charitable programs throughout the state of Florida.

The final part of program included a couple of short stories about SD Gizewski's personal life journey that brought him to where he is today. The stories were not only humorous at times, but deeply personal as they emphasized the importance that God has played in his life from childhood to the present. The program then concluded with questions being taken by SD Gizewski and State Membership Director McIntyre. A very poignant moment occurred when an attendee asked about the inspiration behind the creation of the State Deputy pin for his tenure. State Deputy Gizewski responded that he has a special relationship with the Blessed Mother. He highlighted the inclusion of baby Jesus in the womb and how it connects to his strong Pro-Life position and a personal situation in his family that dates back forty-eight years. He explained that everyone has a personal story of how God has been present in their lives. God inspires us to use his graces to lead others to Him through leading by example.



Council Spotlight

Knight of the Month

July	Pat Farley
August	Nick Caruso
Sept.	Tony Miller
Oct.	Rey Serrano
Nov.	John Pires
Dec.	Jim Jacobs
Jan.	Armando Garcia
Feb.	Doug Hill

Family of the Month

July	Jerry & Carol Chabon
August	John & Jill Bangert
Sept.	Ron & Emily Holland Schnellbacher
Oct.	Ray & Patricia Swansiger
Nov.	Pat & Jackie Mulvihill
Dec.	Steven & Jill Neyer
Jan.	Ken & Elvie Peckham
Feb.	Frank & Ginette Constantino

Supreme Chaplain's Challenge (March 2026)

A monthly reflection and practical challenge from Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori



So Thomas, called Didymus, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go to die with him." (Gospel for March 22, Jn 11:16)

Look at the bravery of Thomas! Jesus had just announced his intention to travel to Judea, where he had narrowly escaped getting stoned to death. Given the potential danger ahead, Thomas seems prepared for martyrdom. Later, of course, he and the other disciples would flee as Jesus was arrested, and Thomas would doubt reports of Jesus' resurrection. As fallible humans, our strength and resolve sometimes collapse into weakness. May we always seek the courage to follow Jesus faithfully, even when the going gets tough.

This month, as we continue through Lent, I challenge you to pray the Stations of the Cross each week — in your parish community, with your family or individually — with the intention of receiving the courage to suffer for Christ. A good resource is the Catholic Information Service booklet *The Way of the Cross: Traditional and Modern Meditations* (www.kofc.org/shopcis).

Questions for Reflection:

- Are you a good disciple of Christ?
- How can being a Knight of Columbus help prepare you to take up your cross and follow him?
- Are you willing to suffer for your faith if called upon?

Mary, Queen of the Knights, intercede to Jesus for those in need of his healing

SICK (Listing is for 3 months, but can be renewed for another 3 month period by notifying newsletter editor)

Janice Scifo, wife of Bro. Steve Scifo (3)
 Mary Dries, daughter of Bro. Paul Dries (3)
 Kim Hill, wife of Bro. Doug Hill (3)
 Brother Brian Taylor (2)
 Brother Jerry Chabon (2)
 Brother Michael Monlezun (2)
 Linda Dos Santos, wife of Bro. Tony Dos Santos (1)
 Brother Gerry Berni (1)
 Pat Perszyk, wife of GK Bryant Perszyk (1)

Shane Ryan, son of Bro. Kevin Ryan (P)
 Brother David Rogers (P)
 Brother Anthony Cataline (P)
 Linda White, wife of Bro. Don White (P)
 Deacon Brother Bill Senger (P)
 Brother Alan Pawlowski (P)
 Terri Slattery, mother-in-law of Bro. Rob Mariani (P)
 Barbara Elias, mother of Bro. Dave Elias (P)
 Helen Graff, sister of Bro. Andy Graff (P)

BEREAVED (Listing is for one year)

Brother Tom Wegleitner (3/25)
 Gina Rinalli, mother of Bro. Don Rinalli (3/25)
 Brother Duane Berreth (3/25)
 Brother Anthony Trocchia (5/25)
 Bro. Robert Lepri, father of Bro. Alex Boullion (6/25)

Brother Deacon William 'Mike' Moody (9/25)
 Odilia Tatasciore, wife of Bro. John Tatasciore (11/25)
 Brother Pat Martellucci (12/25)
 Brother Armando Garcia (1/26)

Prayer for the Healing of Loved Ones

Almighty God, look with mercy and kindness on our loved ones who are sick, especially those listed here. Grant them good health. Send your holy Angels to watch over them. Protect them from danger, and keep them safe from lasting injury or harm. May the life-giving grace of Your Divine Son relieve their suffering and bring them to a full recovery. Embrace them with Your constant love, and with the power of Christ's healing presence, that Your bountiful goodness may be their source of comfort, strength and joy. Amen.

Prayer for the Faithful Departed

O Loving Father, Source of all life, please accompany Your servants, listed here, from this earth, to the Kingdom of heavenly peace, rest and eternal life that You have prepared for us. Forgive any sins that have been committed, and welcome these departed souls into the joyful embrace of Your never-ending love. Amen



Trail Transition Program Presentation

The Trail Transition Program is a part of the Flagler County School system that works to transition young adults with disabilities into real vocational opportunities in the local business community. Participants in the program along with the school facilitators were on hand prior to the February Council 10514 business meeting to discuss the

mechanics of the program. Each of the participants in the program explained how they receive practical work experience from such companies as Publix and Advent Health in the local community. The program is one of the primary recipients of funds collected during the council's 'Campaign for the Mentally Handicapped'.



Deacon Offers Spiritual Direction

Deacon Bob Krol gave the Chaplain's message for members at the February Business Meeting. He spoke about how to prepare yourself for a prayerful and penitential Lenten season.

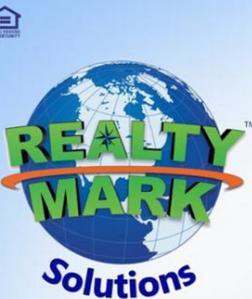
He invited everyone to attend the Stations of the Cross each Friday during Lent starting at 4:00 PM. Deacon Bob emphasized the graces obtained by receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation, attending Holy Mass and the reception of the Holy Eucharist.

Lent begins on February 18, 2026, Ash Wednesday.

Pictured (L-R): Deacon Krol and District Deputy Greg Gully



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