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## Knights of Columbus Mario "Chick" Alberghini Council 13277

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Officer elections are approaching. Please pray and consider about serving as an officer in our Council. Notify any current officer or trustee if you are willing to serve.

### EVENTS

- Apr 11: Fish Fry
- Apr 18: Good Friday
- Apr 20: Easter
- Apr 24: Assembly Meeting
- May 1: Council Meeting
- May 2: First Friday Adoration
- May 3: First Saturday Devotions
- May 4: Pancake Breakfast
- May 5: Golf Tournament
- May 12: SitS Meeting
- May 17: Armed Forces Day Dinner
- May 22: Assembly Meeting
- June 5: Council Meeting
- June 8: Pancake Breakfast
- June 9: SitS Meeting
- June 14: Flag Day 5K
- June 22: Installation of Officers
- June 26: Assembly Meeting

*(see website for our most up to date calendar)*

## A WORD FROM OUR LECTURER

### **Mercy Offers Hope**

The Sunday Gospel for this week (John 8:1-11) was about Jesus' merciful love for all sinners. He did not condemn a woman who was accused of adultery and threatened with being stoned to death. This story brings out another important point: We must guard against a natural human tendency to make judgments about people and situations that seem really far outside the boundaries of our societal norms.

We all know that sin is a characteristic human flaw called concupiscence inherited from the original sin of Adam and Eve. We are generally not dismissive of any sin, but we do tend to accept sin as a fact of life. That is, until we start categorizing sins. Then some sins shoot right to the top of a list of awful things that no one should do. We can quickly become judgmental about people who are involved in the sins we judge to be categorically terrible. Those sins and those people tend not to be acceptable to the rest of society. The natural reaction from those living within behavioral norms relevant to that category of sin is to put distance between them and the sinner. For particularly violent and immoral behaviors, that may well be a very prudent and acceptable thing to do.

However, we have to be careful not to put this protective distance between us and a sinful neighbor who we should be looking at with the eyes of a Good Samaritan. In general, we feel good about helping people in need. We like helping someone out of a difficult pit they have fallen into. But if we are not careful, we can look at the behaviors that put our neighbor in that pit and make unnecessary judgments about how they got there and whether or not they will fall into the pit again. Some situations are extremely dire, and we may not have the means to get them out of a pit that their sins dragged them into. But we must be careful not to make judgments. Even if all we can do is speak with them and offer a small kindness, then we have at least made them realize they are not alone. They are not lost in the abyss. Maybe they will begin to hope. Maybe they will eventually start climbing to reach us.

Peace Be With You,

Marc Barrett

## GRAND KNIGHT'S CORNER

### **Our Lenten Journey**

As the end of Lent draws near it marks the conclusion of a season of penance, prayer, and sacrifice. We Knights, as an organization, places great emphasis on spiritual growth, community service, and living out the principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism.

Below are a few reflections on how the end of Lent is typically observed:

1. **Easter Vigil and Mass:** The Knights, like many Catholic men, would attend the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday or the Sunday Mass of Easter. This is a time of rejoicing in the resurrection of Christ. It is a central moment in the Christian faith and a reminder of the hope and renewal that comes with Christ's victory over death.
2. **Celebration of the Paschal Mystery:** For the Knights, Easter is not just about a personal celebration but a communal one. As a fraternal organization, the Knights often come together to celebrate the Paschal Mystery of Christ's death and resurrection, reflecting on how this mystery brings them closer to their faith and to each other.
3. **Charitable Acts:** While Lent is often a time of penance, the Knights of Columbus emphasize acts of charity and service throughout the year. At the end of Lent, many councils reflect on how they have supported those in need during this season.
4. **Renewal of Vows and Spiritual Growth:** Lent is an opportunity for Knights to grow spiritually and strengthen their commitment to their Catholic faith and the Order's principles. At the end of Lent, they may renew their commitment to these principles, having spent time in prayer and reflection throughout the season.
5. **Fraternal Fellowship:** As a fraternal organization, the Knights also emphasize community. After the solemnity of Lent, they often gather in fellowship for an Easter meal or event. This is a time to rejoice in the resurrection and to celebrate the brotherhood they share, which is grounded in faith.
6. **Reflection on Sacrifices and Commitments:** Lent often involves giving up something or making a sacrifice to grow closer to God. For the Knights, this might also include reflecting on how they have lived out the spirit of charity and service during this time. It can be a moment to deepen their personal commitment to faith and fraternity.

In summary, for we Knight's, the end of Lent is a celebration of Christ's resurrection, a time to renew faith commitments, and an opportunity to strengthen the bonds of charity, unity, and fraternity. It's about giving thanks for the gift of Easter, for spiritual renewal, and for the opportunity to serve both God and neighbor.

## MAJOR EVENTS!

### Golf Tournament

The Mario “Chick” Alberghini Council 13277 Charity Golf Tournament Website is now live.

Our Charity this year will once again be the local Special Olympic Athletes. The funds raised will support athletes who qualify for state and national events.

The golf tournament be held at The Club at Hidden Creek on Monday May 5th, 2025. 11:30am registration and 1:00pm shotgun start.

Please use our “Volunteer” web page to signup to help in this wonderful event.

We need your help to reach out to sponsors and have your friends form a team. The Team Registration and Sponsorship Forms can also be found on this site.

[www.kofc13277.org/golf-tournament](http://www.kofc13277.org/golf-tournament)



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### Smokin’ in the Square!

The committee will be meeting periodically as we near the event in the Fall. Please contact Neal Carter if you would like to be involved.



## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

### Happenings

Our State Conference is 23-25 May (Memorial Day weekend) in Jacksonville. Primaries are Brian H. and Jon Brandon while our alternate is Joe Castro.

The next Kolbe Prison Ministry Retreat is June 5-7. POC is Dino Caputo.

Our Knight's Council is running a chocolate bar sale through Easter as a fundraiser for our sponsored seminarians. Boxes are \$60 and contain a variety of 30 bars each which can be sold individually. To participate in the sale, or to purchase chocolates, contact Chancellor Dino Caputo at 305-684-5678 or any of the Knights for assistance. We have also setup a Signup Genius link on our "Volunteer" web page. Individual bars will be available for sale at the front office.

### Reminders

As always, the minutes from each council meeting can be found on our website on the "Members" page under the "Minutes" option. Please review prior to the next council meeting and send any requests for edits to Tony Giangulio.

### Prayers for our Seminarians

*Rider Serpa*

*Brent Gorton*

*Jake Woods*



# CINCO DE MAYO Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>,  
after 9am & 11am Mass

## MENU:

WHITE CHOCOLATE CHIP & RASPBERRY PANCAKES  
PLAIN PANCAKES  
SAUSAGE & BACON  
CHEDDAR CHEESY SCRAMBLED EGGS  
COFFEE, JUICE & WATER

## CHEF'S SPECIAL:

MOCK MARGARITA PUNCH!

## SPECIAL DESSERTS:

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IT'S AN adventure!

## KNIGHTS IN ACTION

### St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Knights, family and parishioners enjoy an evening meal

## FACES & PLACES



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### Tree Planting

7 Magnolias and 16 Holly trees at the East entrance of the church.

Jim Brown, Marnie and Neal Carter spent four days digging holes, planting trees and installing the irrigation system.

They were joined by Al Johnson, Marc Barrett, Jon Brandon, Mike Nargi, Jacque LeBeau, Rory Harden and Mark Burson.

This beautification project done by this team of Knights, a Columbiette and a parishioner saved the church nearly \$20,000 in labor costs alone. Material costs saw another \$18,000 in savings.

Thank you Vincent Toups for allowing us to use his excavator and tractor. Without these pieces of heavy equipment we would not have been able to do this work.

Huge thank you to Jim Brown for taking three (3) days off from work to help make this happen. His hard work and commitment really encouraged everyone to keep going.

## FACES & PLACES



## KNIGHTS IN ACTION

### **Assembly**

For our pre-meeting dinner: Making Pfood Pfun!

## FACES & PLACES





## Member Birthdays

### April

Name	Birthday	Age
Rodger D Ballengee Jr	04-01-1969	56
Adam M Hall	04-01-2004	21
Steven C Rannals	04-01-1992	33
Christopher D Comia	04-02-1968	57
Thomas H Walmsley	04-03-1948	77
Gale L Taylor	04-05-1964	61
James L Schuchard Iii	04-06-1989	36
Robert J Bocock	04-07-1962	63
Orville L Madewell	04-07-1944	81
Walt L Del Vecchio	04-08-1949	76
Anthony P Giangiulio	04-08-1966	59
Mark A Nicholas	04-08-1963	62
Kenneth P Moerscher	04-12-1970	55
Jeffrey S Knapp	04-14-1964	61
Mr Christopher Decarolis	04-15-1982	43
Charles R Herbstreith	04-17-1965	60

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**April**

Name	Birthday	Age
Frank J Suarez Jr	04-21-1958	67
David R Kroeger	04-22-1962	63
Jerome P Rieskamp	04-24-1943	82
Robert J Schwenck	04-25-1957	68
Derek M Brown	04-27-1995	30
Carl J Filipiak	04-28-1996	29
John M Montalto	04-28-1946	79
John D Carroll	04-29-1969	56
Peter B Servais	04-30-1952	73

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## Member Wedding Anniversaries

### April

Name	Date	Wife's Name
David B Watts	04-04-2010	Monique Watts
Anthony S McWhorter	04-10-1985	Terri Mc Whorter



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## Years of Service

April

Name	First Degree Date/ Re-entry Date	Years of Service
James P Gary	04-01-1986	39
John M Montalto	04-01-1987	38
Paul R Wright	04-01-1988	37
Wayne S Swoboda	04-01-1993	32
S.K. Lance Rosa-Miranda	04-06-2002	23
Robert S Kruk	04-16-2004	21
Michael T Raymond Jr	04-12-2005	20
Jose A Fuentes	04-28-2005	20
Edward A Dowgwillo	04-22-2008	17
Joseph L Zdyb	04-22-2008	17
Chester H Watts Jr	04-29-2013	12

Joseph M Mazure	04-22-2015	10
Robert H Cohn Jr	04-18-2017	8
Jeffrey J Tousignant	04-17-2018	7
Jeffrey D Arnett	04-16-2019	6
Alejandro S Wright	04-16-2019	6
Brayden Maez	04-16-2020	5
William Muller	04-08-2021	4

**2024/25 Council Officers**

Brian Hagensick – Grand Knight  
Fr. John Kelly— Chaplain  
Mark McCafferty – Deputy Grand Knight  
Dean Caputo – Chancellor  
Tony Giangliulo – Recorder  
Jon Brandon— Financial Secretary  
Clay Olschner – Treasurer  
Marc Barrett - Lecturer  
Rich Striggow— Advocate  
Henry Langford – Warden  
Jim Proskovec – Inside Guard  
Harold Groat – Outside Guard  
Jeff Weaver – 1-Year Trustee  
Scott Rannals – 2-Year Trustee  
Dave Kroeger – 3-Year Trustee

**“THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS”**

This council of the Knights of Columbus serves the community of St. Sylvester and the surrounding area in support of our diocese.

**WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A KNIGHT?**

We are Catholic men who lead, serve, protect and defend. We share a desire to be better husbands, fathers, sons, neighbors and role models and to put charity and community first.

**2024/25 Assembly Officers**

Faithful Navigator - Joe Castro  
Faithful Captain - Henry Langford  
Faithful Admiral - Phil Price  
Faithful Pilot - Brian Hagensick  
Faithful Comptroller - Richard Huzil  
Faithful Purser - Felix Paulino  
Faithful Scribe - Jon Brandon  
Faithful Inner Sentinel - Dean Caputo  
Faithful Outer Sentinel - Richard Striggow  
Three Year Trustee - Ron Unterreiner  
Two-year Trustee - Neal Carter  
One-year Trustee - Warren Pfister

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