



**Knights of Columbus
St. Paul the First Hermit
Council 14222 – June 2026**



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Grand Knight Message

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We had an amazing meeting Wednesday evening.

We started with an Exemplification of new Member, Roger Mott, actually a former Knight. We had time for a Rosary then a great meal by Tom Felten, followed by a presentation by our Insurance Advisor, Alberto Fernandez, and Financial Advisor, Larry Kennedy.

We got our meeting rolling with a presentation to Paul Martin for his service as PGK.

The rest of the meeting was sped up for time constraints but we accomplished so much and have so much upcoming. Night at the Races... Huge Success!

June 26th is a Tootsie Roll Drive at Publix at SOUTHERN TRACE!!! Please sign up for a shift.

See you in July!

Happy 250th Independence Day everyone!!

Vivat Jesus!
Jim Schafer
Grand Knight

**MEMBERSHIP DUES NOTIFICATIONS HAVE BEEN SENT
PLEASE PAY ASAP BY MAIL OR AT ANY MEETING!**



Message from Dcn. John Rumplach

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“Fear No One – Do not be Afraid”

Christ gave His Twelve Apostles instructions for their first missionary journey. Jesus tells them “Fear no one,” and He uses the words “not to be afraid” – twice! He wouldn’t say it if they didn’t need to hear it. But why would they need to hear it and why do we need to hear it? It is because the disciples and all of us have to be fearless, to be a mark of Christian discipleship.

As they go out in Christ’s name to spread the Gospel in word and deed, they are going to run into serious difficulties. Jesus is warning his Apostles that they will meet up with persecution and hardship, just as He will, in a dramatic way, during His Passion. He is warning them that their mission will demand heroic courage, perseverance, and fidelity as they constantly face suffering, lies, mockery, and unfriendliness. They are going to run into people who will want to destroy them, humiliate them, and even kill them, just because they bear Christ’s name and are trying to spread Christ’s message. This fearlessness motivated Christ throughout His early ministry and allowed Him to face threats and violence. Fearlessness accompanied Him even as He went to His death.

Christ also told His disciples: “Beware of men: they will hand you over to the Sanhedrins and scourge you in their synagogues.” “You will be dragged before governors and kings for My sake, to bear witness before them....” You will be hated by all men on account of My name.”

Those same warnings apply to us, too. Being a Christian is not like joining a golf or tennis club, for it has its hardships that we all know. There is a spiritual and religious battle going on in this fallen world; society is changing. Yes, my brother Knights, today we are living in difficult times. It is so difficult that many of us fear turning on the television and watching the news. At times we sit home and think about the events that have and are still taking place. We worry about ourselves, we worry about our children and family members, but much more importantly, we must worry about the grandchildren and great grandchildren, and those who will be growing up in a very changing world.

So what will this world, this country, and our society be like when they become older. We can only imagine and pray.

So isn’t it true, that whenever we are truly following Christ and building up His Kingdom, the powers of darkness, the devil and his evil followers, don’t like it. All they do is to try to make it hard for us, just as they made it hard for the Apostles.

St Paul also understood this. One of his most famous passages is from his Letter to the Ephesians, Chapter 6, verse 11: “Finally, draw your strength from the Lord and from His mighty power. Put on the armor of God so that you may be able to stand firm against the tactics of the devil.” Don’t we, as Knights, have to put on a “shield of armor” and stand firm in our faith and beliefs?

So my brother Knights, as long as we stay united to Our Lord, grounded in His friendship and love, we are assured of the meaning, the purpose, and the everlasting joy – no matter how hard our pilgrimage through time may get. He wants to be our strength as we fight each day to be faithful ***KNIGHTS of His Kingdom.***

Yes, “*Be not afraid.*”

Now, my brothers, I tried to incorporate the meaning of father’s day into this article. But how does one address the words “***Fear no one, do not be afraid,***” on Father’s Day? You see, I did not fear my father. Yes, he would yell once in awhile, but he never hit us, as he was a large and strong man and was afraid of hurting his children. And he was a hard-working father who gave all to the family, like all of you.

So, who did I fear?? It was my mother, because she was the one who had the wooden spoon.

Happy Fathers Day! - Year Round!

Please keep Deacon John in your prayers for his complete recovery.

June Awards



Knight of the Month: John Olsen for all that he does for our Council as guard and the creation and chairing of the Exemplification Group and Ceremonial procedures.

Paul Martin was given his Past Grand Knight medal for the time he served as Grand Knight when our Council needed someone to step up and fill the position.



Joe Castriano
Honoree for the Exemplification Ceremony

Roger Mott, accompanied by his wife, receiving his Exemplification and becoming a Third Degree Knight. The Exemplification Ceremony was held before the meeting on June 20th.

Welcome to the Knights, Roger!



Looks like we have qualified for Star Council for fraternal year 2025-2026! Congratulations to us, Knights of Columbus Council 14222!

Mission Impossible has been achieved!

Newly Elected and Appointed Officers for the 2026-2027 Fraternal Year

Elected Positions

Office	Present Officer	Nominee
Grand Knight	Jim Schafer	Jim Schafer
Deputy Grand Knight	Bob Larson	Bob Larson
Chancellor	Paul Martin	Paul Martin
Treasurer	Leroy Henneke	Leroy Henneke
Advocate	Larry Waite	Joe Castrigno
Recorder	Gerry Becker (Acting)	Raymond (Mac) McClean
Warden	Mike Colvin	Mike Colvin
Inside Guard	Bob Harrison	Bob Harrison
Outside Guard	John Olsen	Steve Heintz
3 Year Trustee	Mark Carter	Larry Waite
2 Year Trustee	Joe Castrigno	Mark Carter
1 Year Trustee	Sean O'Connell	Sean O'Connell

Appointed Positions

Chaplain	Fr Rafal (acting)	Fr Rafal (acting)
Financial Secretary	Charlie Fenstermaker	Charlie Fenstermaker
Lecturer	Dcn Kevin Mukri	Dcn Kevin Mukri

Directors (appointed)

Program	Bob Larson	Bob Larson
Faith	Mark Carter	Mark Carter
Family	LeRoy Henneke	LeRoy Henneke
Community	Rich Rosica	Rich Rosica
Life	Joe Castrigno	Joe Castrigno
Membership	C. Fenstermaker	C. Fenstermaker
Retention		
Public Relations	Tom Felten	Tom Felten

Our “Thanks” to Joe Castrigno for holding the election proceedings and compiling the list.

Good Luck and God’s Blessings on this team to take us through this new Fraternal Year!

The Budget that was submitted by Charlie Fenstermaker was voted on at the June meeting and passed.

Knights of Columbus - Council 14222 - Room Bookings for 2026

Officers Meetings

All Officers are required to attend - All members are invited - Doors of Enrichment Center should be open by 5:30. Officers Meetings start at 6:00 p.m. sharp.

Officer Meeting	Jul 13	EC Rm C	6:00 PM
Officer Meeting	Aug 10	EC Rm C	6:00 PM
Officer Meeting	Sep 14	EC Rm C	6:00 PM
Officer Meeting	Oct 12	EC Rm C	6:00 PM
Officer Meeting	Nov 9	EC Rm C	6:00 PM
Officer Meeting	Dec 7	EC Rm C	6:00 PM

Council Business / Membership Meetings

Note: New Location - Enrichment Center

Note NEW TIMES

All members are encouraged to attend. Doors should be open by **5:30**.

Rosary at **5:45 in the Knights Grotto (weather permitting)**.

Dinner at **6:00-ish**

Business Meetings officially start at **6:30 P.M.** sharp

Business Meeting	Jul 22	EC Rm C	6:30 PM
Business Meeting	Aug 19	EC Rm C	6:30 PM
Business Meeting	Sep 23	EC Rm C	6:30 PM
Business Meeting	Oct 21	EC Rm C	6:30 PM
Business Meeting	Nov 18	EC Rm C	6:30 PM
Business Meeting	Dec 16	EC Rm C	6:30 PM

Our Successful Night at the Races - June 20, 2026! A good time was had by all!



Charlie Fenstermaker, Chairperson & his wife, Dee



Charlie & Dee paying all the Lucky Winners!!



Place Your Bets!!



Did somebody say "50/50"?
We had three 50/50 raffles during the evening!



Watching the race and rooting for the Big Winner!



Good crowd for “horsing around”



A good crowd for our first “Night at the Races”



Our Grand Knight praying for a win!



The FOODIES!

After this successful night, we’re hoping we can do it again in January!
By the way, does anybody know if “Stupid Horse” is still running??



Alberto Fernandez, our Insurance Field Agent



Larry Kennedy, Financial Advisor

At our June meeting, our insurance agent, Alberto Fernandez, gave a detailed description of what the Knights of Columbus organization can do for us and our families with insurance products and advice.

Larry Kennedy informed us of the services available for financial planning and advice that anyone can take advantage of. You do not need to be a Knight to take advantage of his services.



Our Team of Financial and Insurance Advisors

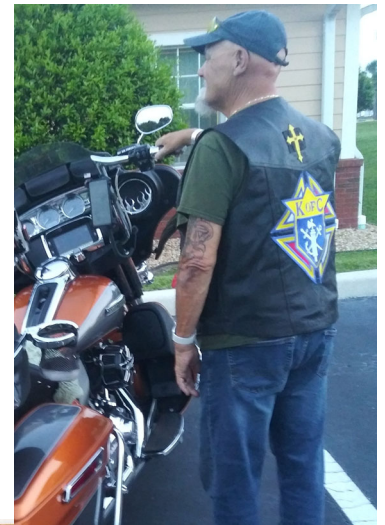
Proud to be your Insurance Agent and Financial Advisor... again!

Knights of Columbus, Florida State Council raffle tickets are in our possession and will be handed out at the next Membership Meetings. This is a fundraiser for the State and for our Council. Please participate as much as you are able to.




Brother Ron W. Spoke at our June meeting about his Knightriders club and what they do and they are always looking for more members.

So, if you ride a motorcycle and you'd like to join this informal ministry, check out their website:
helpforyou@agoravets.com




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For information contact Brother Ron W. — Guardian † Steward
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Knights of Columbus Booked Events at St. Mark's for 2026

Volunteers will be needed for ALL these events.

See "SignUpGenius" email for Volunteering for any event.

Installation of Officers TBD (Most likely September)

Christmas Dinner/Dance Ticket Sales	Oct 10 & 11	Outside Church All Masses
Christmas Dinner/Dance Ticket Sales	Oct 17 & 18	Outside Church All Masses
Christmas Dinner/Dance Ticket Sales	Oct 24 & 25	Outside Church All Masses

2 nd Membership Drive (w/Pulpit Talk)	Oct 31 & Nov 1	Outside Church All Masses
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2 nd Tootsie Roll Drive	Oct 31 & Nov 1	Outside Church All Masses
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Memorial Mass	Wed., Nov 11	Church 8:00 AM (Veteran's Day)
Memorial Mass Breakfast	Wed., Nov 11	Social Hall 9:00 AM

Christmas Magnet Sales	Nov 28/29, Dec 5/6, 12/13	Outside Church All Masses
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Christmas Dinner/Dance	Sat., Dec 12	Social Hall 6:00 PM
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Breakfast With Santa	Sat., Dec 19	Social Hall 9:00 AM
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Other Knights of Columbus Events in 2026

THIS COMING FRIDAY, JUNE 26th!!

**Tootsie Roll Drive at Publix
(Southern Trace Shopping Center-Route 466)
Friday, June 26 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Volunteers needed! Sign up with SignUpGenius
or call Tom Felten - 631-328-6907**

We pray the **Rosary** on the fifth Sunday of any given month. Volunteers (5) will meet at 11:00 a.m. in the Ministry Room and we process down the aisle at 11:15. *This year those dates are **August 30** and November 29. **Please consider volunteering.***

Tootsie Roll Drive at Publix (Mulberry Shopping Center-Route 42)

Saturday, October 3 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

† Rosary for the Respect Life Ministry at the Grotto after 8 a.m. Mass on Saturday, Oct. 17

Good News Items!

Mark Carter informed the Council of a possible Saturday morning meeting with breakfast, for the CORE program. This is a parish-wide men's event. Keep an eye out for more information.

Tom Felten brought two trays of baked macaroni for our June Membership meeting. Thank you for the money that was put into the donation jar to offset the cost of providing the dinner. Thanks to Larry, who was a great help, as usual!

**Please pray for Deacon Kevin's safe travels on his pilgrimage.
We hope to hear all about it when he can address the Membership at a future meeting.**

**Birthdays for July
Happy Birthday, Guys, and Many More!**

Rev. Louis Bihl
Henry Clemens
Jean Cormier
Charles Coutcher
Stephen Discala
Silas Griffey
LeRoy Henneke
Robert Johnson



Jack McGlone
Dcn. Kevin Mukri
Sean O'Connell
Charles Odders
William Pivnick
Dcn. John Rumplach
Richard Trepanier
Louis Wilkinson

**Does anybody know where our
tablecloth and aprons are?**

This space was intentionally left blank, because we got tired of putting this Newsletter together.



Pray for the souls in Purgatory who need our help to reach perfection.

Also, please remember all of those in our Council Family who are ill, hospitalized and in need of our prayers.

Especially:

Gino & Joan Aultta
Gerry Becker
Ron Bellonio
Jean Brett
Yvette Carter
Hank Casey
Lorilee Cinella
Rick Cinella
Jean Clark
Grace Colvin
Roger & Jerry Cyr
Bill Delaney
Chuck Demino, D.D.
Nancy Ellison
Kathleen Feenaghty

Jack Fennell & his wife
Tony Frank
Vern Garske
Steven Gillian
Kathleen Gross
Jean Henneke
Chris Joss
Betty Kloske
Henryk & Barbara Kulesza
Tom & Roberta Lane
Rebecca Larson
Patrick McCarty
Ron Moxey
Paul Murphy
Sean & Rita O'Connell

Paul Pitonzo
Jim Rose
Tom Rueck
Pat Schafer
Chet & Harriett Sedke
Bruce & Judy Schladen
Salvatore Sciandra
John Sloman
Pat Smelas
Bud & Sophie Stegmeyer
Jolene Sutherland & Family
Fred Targos
Bob Thomas
Lourdes Thomas
George & Pam White
Louis Wilkinson

- † **Charlie Fenstermaker** will be having surgery on his shoulder this week. Please keep him in your prayers.
- † **Deacon John** had emergency surgery and has recovered quite well as you can see his Reflection on Page 2. Please continue to pray for his complete recovery.
- † **Sean O'Connell** will be having an operation on his foot again, up north, please pray for his recovery. Hope we see Sean *running* around this fall!
- † **Rebecca Larson** is going through a rough time. Please keep her in your prayers.
- † **Gerry Becker** Our prayers and with good meds, Gerry is back on his feet and doing well!
- † **Steve Gilkeson** fell and broke his shoulder and arm.
- † **Jean Henneke**, had a procedure and is doing very well! Prayers DO work!
- † **Tom Rueck** Please keep him in your prayers.
- † **Jack Fennell** recently had eye surgery & his wife is completing cancer treatment.