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Our Grand Knight w/ future firefighter

Grand Knight's Reflection

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My dear Brothers, I write to you with a heavy heart because I am writing this to you on 9/11/24. I just left our church after services for firemen and police officers that passed on that tragic day. I lost a lot of friends and brothers that day including my best friend. When you read my message please say a prayer for all those lost souls.

I was so pleased with the help required in selling tickets for the installation dinner and look forward to meeting with all of the knights that are attending.

I was so moved by the help and support with the baby shower for Alpha house. The amount of donations that they received was incredible. My thanks go out to Tom Felten, Larry Waite, John Farr, Robert and Rebecca Larson, Paul Richard and others. They really worked with a purpose to make sure that the Moms and children of Alpha house can continue their great work. The best thing was that I got to know these people and understand how much they appreciate our council.

I hope many of you will come to the installation dinner and enjoy some delicious food for only \$10.00 a ticket. We will sell tickets at the door if you just let me or any of my officers know you are coming.

In closing I am so proud of my Knights and council and I know that if you come to more events that we will succeed in all of our endeavors.

God bless you all and keep up the good work.

Vivat Jesus

Grand Knight Michael Brooks



**Message From
Deacon Kevin Mukri**

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Two Saints that Knights Should Know About

On July 26 we honor two great saints, Saint Joachim and Saint Anne, the parents of Our Blessed Mother and grandparents of Our Lord.

These two saints are particularly important to Knights, as they are the patron saints of grandparents. Their names are not recorded in the Gospels. Their names come from an apocryphal, or false, document called the Gospel of James.

Although this document was found to be inauthentic, it does not mean that everything in this document is false. According to tradition, Joachim was a very wealthy and generous elderly man. He and his wife Anne were childless.

One day, before Anne conceived of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Joachim went to the temple to make an offering. The offering was rejected by a man named Rubin, most likely a Levitical priest, because Joachim was childless. At that time, if you were childless, many believed you were disfavored from Almighty God.

Distressed, Joachim left the temple. But remembering Abraham was given a child in his old age, embarked on a 40-day period of fasting and prayer in the desert, beseeching God for a child. Anne also prayed for a child. Nine months later, Anne bore a daughter, and the couple named her Mary.

Because of the vow they both made if they had a child, Joachim and Anne brought Mary to the Temple at the age of 3, where she took up residence until it was time for her to be married to St. Joseph.

What we know for certain is that the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Immaculate Conception, had parents. They loved her, raise her, and offered her to Almighty God. In fact, on a spiritual level, just as the Blessed Virgin Mary is our spiritual mother, so also Saints Joachim and Anne are our spiritual grandparents in the order of grace.

Pope Francis stated: "Mary grew up in the home of Joachim and Anne; she was surrounded by their love and faith: in their home she learned to listen to the Lord and to follow his will. How precious is the family as the privileged place for transmitting the faith."

I have spoken to many Knights who are grandparents and are worried sick as their children and grandchildren have left the Catholic faith. They have tried everything to bring them back, but are unsuccessful.

The world is full of evil and it is powerful. But so is the powerful intercession of Saints Joachim and Anne. They were not only grandparents of Our Lord, but they are both our spiritual grandparents too. Ask them to assist you in your efforts to bring family members back to the Catholic Faith.



Membership dues for fraternal year 2024-2025 are now due and payable !!



If you did not receive a dues invoice, please contact Charlie Fenstermaker, Financial Secretary, at 610-574-0304 or cfensty49@gmail.com. Membership cards are delayed due to an inventory issue with the printer. As soon as they are available, they will be distributed.

REMINDER: Council Meetings 2024

(Please save this schedule for future reference)

Officers Meetings			Start Time	
Enrichment Center	7-Oct	1 st Monday	2:00 p.m.	
Angel Room	4-Nov	1 st Monday	2:00 p.m.	
Enrichment Center	2-Dec	1 st Monday	2:00 p.m.	

Business Meetings (Note NEW TIMES)			Doors Open		Start Time
Social Hall	18-Sep	See Info below			
Social Hall Knights & Ladies	16-Oct	3 rd Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Rosary 5:45	Dinner 6:10 p.m. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Special Events

Installation Mass and ceremony on Wednesday, September 18.

We will start with **Mass in the Church at 4:00 p.m.** Then do the Council installation followed by the Assembly installation. That should take about 2 hours total. We will go to the Social Hall for dinner. The Council will lead dinner preparations and the Assembly will assist. Grand Knight Michael Brooks would like all **officers being installed to be at the church at 3:30 p.m. in jackets and ties, please.**

St. Mark upcoming events:

September 29 – It is the fifth Sunday of September, the Knights will be doing the Rosary at 11:15 a.m. We do need **five volunteers** to lead the congregation.

October 6 – Sixth Annual International St. Mark Parish Mass and Reception, Sunday, 12 Noon mass. For more details, please call 352-408-9687 or email digifran43@mac.com

October 9 – **St. Mark's Men's Retreat:** Wednesday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. \$20.00 fee. All parish men are invited. StMarkMensGuild.org/event/mens-retreat

October 12 – **America Needs Fatima** Rosary Rally, **Saturday**, 12 Noon at the Grotto located in front of the church.

October 12-13 – **K of C Membership Drive** at church – all masses, **need help !**

November 8 – **Tootsie Roll Drive** at Publix, Mulberry Plaza, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

What the Council and Assembly have been up to in August and September.

Knights Assist Respect Life Ministry

Submitted by Joe Castrigno, PGK

Michael Brooks, Tom Felten, John Farr, Jim Miller, Bob and Rebecca Larson, Paul Richard, Joe Castrigno and Larry Waite (a Knight and our go-to maintenance guy) assisted the ladies from Respect Life in setting up the tables for the Baby Shower on September 5th. Moving all the donated diapers, clothing, and other baby-friendly items was a major undertaking because of the generosity of our parishioners. The Knights moved all the baby gifts from the stage area, that were collected in church on the previous two weekends, to the tables for the ladies to complete an appealing display. Knights of Columbus members also helped in the kitchen and clean up afterwards.



Diapers and Wipes



Setting Up the Tables



Almost ready for guests

Joe and Bea Castrigno, Bob and Rebecca Larson, and Jim and Rachael Miller are also members of the Respect Life Ministry.

The Baby Shower donations were given to Alpha Center for Women to support women and their babies before and after pregnancy up to age 3.



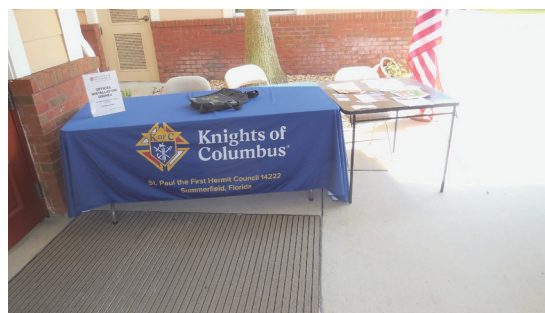
Another future firefighter



Mary Hughes collecting all the goodies



Flag Donation and Membership Drive - September 1, 2024



Never Forget!
9/11/01



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
Jean Brett
Rick Cinella
Jean Clark
Grace Colvin
Roger & Jerry Cry
Bill Delaney
Ted Deshaw
Roger & Nancy Ellison
Kathleen Feenaghty
Tony Frank
Vern Garske
Jean Gear

Kathleen Gross
Jean Hanneke
Chris Joss
Betty Kloske
Henryk & Barbara Kulesza
Tom & Roberta Lane
John Lathrop
Patrick McCarty
Paul Murphy
Sean O'Connell
Jim Rose
Lynn Rosica

Tom Rueck
Chet & Harriett Sedke
Bruce & Judy Schladen
John Sloman
Bob & Pat Smelas,
Bud & Sophie Stegmeyer
Tom & Jolene Sutherland
Fred & Mary Ann Targos
Lourdes Thomas
George & Pam White
Louis Wilkinson
George & Patricia Wood

and all those needing prayers for whatever reason, not published in this newsletter.

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