



THE COMPASS

Kissimmee, Florida

February 2024

Upcoming Key Dates

February

- ♦ 3 - State Spelling Bee—1000 Check in
- ♦ 7- Columbia Club Meeting 1700
- ♦ 7- Council 6624 Meeting 1900
- ♦ 14 - Assembly 1951 Meeting 1900
- ♦ 17– Columbiettes meeting 0900
- ♦ 21- Monthly Social
- ♦ 24 Captain's Ball
- ♦ 28 - Officers Meeting
- ♦ MARCH 2— Laps for Life

**** Boy Scouts meeting every Thursday 1900*

Bingo Every Tuesday & Friday 3:00 PM - 9:45 PM we can always use assistance please come out and Volunteer

State of Florida Council of the year



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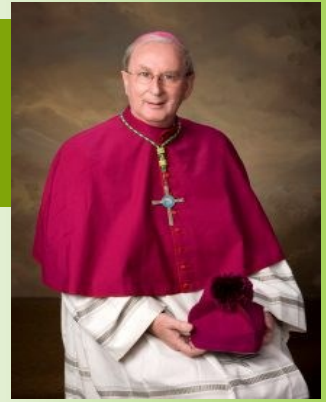
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A Light Brightly Visible by *Bishop Noonan*



My Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you this new year! As we journeyed with our Blessed Mother Mary and her spouse, St. Joseph, through the Advent and Christmas seasons, we heard Scripture readings about the desire for a child and the wondrous work of God who gifts us each child. Manoah, of the tribe of Dan, and his wife were unable to have children, yet they prayed mightily for a child. The angel of the Lord appeared to Manoah's wife and spoke of her bearing a child who would be consecrated to God from the womb. She dedicated the child, Samson, to God that he might glorify God all his days. "The woman bore a son and named him Samson, and when the boy grew up the Lord blessed him". We heard about Hannah who also prayed for a child and when Samuel was born, she dedicated him to God in thanksgiving. Elizabeth, Mary's cousin, was childless and in her old age, bore a son, John. She also dedicated him to God. The angel, Gabriel, visits our Blessed Mother, announcing that she will bear a child, and name Him, Jesus, for He is the Savior of all people. Catholics believe in the gift of life, from conception to natural death. We believe that the gift of life is given to us by God for God. Scripture foretells the coming of these priests, prophets and kings and we learn of their role in salvation history. Each mother or father dedicated the child born to God that through that child, God is known to all the people. We are called to be dedicated to God all the days of our lives. We receive this gift and wrap the child with God's love, teaching the child to know, love and serve God that God is glorified. The Sacrament of Baptism begins this relationship just as the conception of the child in the womb begins our own love relationship with the child and magnifies our love for God. The Sacrament of Baptism is a most beautiful and magnificent gift for ... it is a seal as it is our guard and the sign of God's Lordship. God fulfills a promise. Those who receive the gift of life also return to God what they have received, magnified. Receiving life becomes the splendor of God as each person touched by the birth of the child begins in his or her own way to participate in salvation history.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend John Noonan
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Worthy Brother Knights,

First off, I would like to thank everyone who pitched in to volunteer during this busy time of the year, including the Three Kings festival; Free Throw and Spelling Bees competitions for the youth of the parishes; and the Baby Shower Social for the JMJ Pregnancy Center and Holy Redeemer Moms that

Walk organization. Without your help, we would not be able to support this worthwhile programs. On March 2, 2024, the Central Florida Laps for Life will be held and they need your help. If you can, show up at Bishop Moore High School and help raise money to buy ultrasound machines. If you

can be there, you can still support our Council by donating on the Laps for Life website. Please contact Gerry Yeung or Larry McGrath if you have any questions.

Please come out and support the Father Holmes Assembly annual Captain's Ball on February 24, 2024 at the Council 6624 hall at 2000 Neptune Rd. It is open to the public and not only 4th Degree members can attend. For only \$30 per person, there will be a Mass at 4pm; Happy Hour at 5 pm, then dinner and dancing with a DJ. It should be a fun time.

Mark your calendars - our annual Heroes Night Social will be held on February 21, 2024. This evening is special as we get a chance to express our gratitude and support to the local law enforcement and first responders. Also there will be a Regional/District meeting held on Saturday, February 10, 2024

from 9-11am at the 6624 Council Hall. All Council officers and interested Brother Knights are invited to hear about new programs at both the Supreme and State level.

Finally, this fraternal year is rapidly coming to a close. All the Councils will elect their delegates and alternates to this year's Florida State Convention at the Hyatt Regency Orlando hotel from May 26-28, 2024. I would ask all of you to consider becoming an officer in your Council. With the new Charity, Unity, Fraternity Exemplification, you are all 3rd degree Knights and as such, can serve as an officer. The Trustees will soon be canvassing interested individuals so if you have an interest, just let them know.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Vivat Jesus!

Harry Rother — DD28



Robert Consolo
Grand Knight, Council 6624



Brother Knights All,

Greetings all, hope all my Brothers and Sisters are doing well. As we start this New Year, 2024, we hit the ground running. Wanna thank all those that came out to our Baby Shower Social. We heard great things from our guest speakers and donated to their cause as we do every year. Wanna thank Brother Jerry for helping to put this together, great job as always chairing our Pro-Life (ASAP). I also want to thank Brother Bob and Sister Lynn Birchlar for introducing our Council to the Little Souls, also thank them for making our Council look good for donating their 50/50 winnings back for our cause.

Congratulations to our Knight of the Month Tyler Edgcomb and our Family of the Month Brother Bill and Belinda Waggener.

Our Spelling Bee and Free Throw are well underway and want to also thank those that have taken time out to help out and volunteer to help Brother Willy. Special thanks to Brother Willy for working out the details and making our Council look good with the State. Please continue to help and volunteer as we give these kids something to achieve for.

As you all know we are entering our 50th Anniversary and we have a committee working hard on our plans to celebrate it. We welcome input from all on somethings we can do to help celebrate this milestone. Feel free to give our ideas to our DGK Bob Trace who is chairing this committee.

We hit a New Recorded High in Bingo; we out did ourselves again by make more money than we did last year. Wanna thank all those that make it a point to come out and volunteer every Tuesday and Friday. As I do in every Weekly Update we can use more help from the younger members, a lot of our regular members who Volunteer are getting older and we need our younger members to start getting involved. So, our older ones can pass on the torch. There is no reason why your younger member can't help out we have two shifts 3pm-6pm and 6pm-9pm. Come on down don't be afraid it fun and we all have a good time. We feed you and keep you well hydrated.

For those that come to the Hall on a regular you can see the upgrades that are going on. We are almost done working on the internet system. Our security system has been upgraded and we are working on upgrading our Kitchen. Work on the exterior will be starting up soon and we will be asking for help to paint the outside of the building, so look out for that blast coming soon. We have several projects that we are working on like the electricity, generator, plumbing and an extension to the building.

We have several other events coming up at the Hall so look out for those Weekly Update blasts. Even though Football is coming to an end doesn't mean our Sunday gathering is. We have Baseball and Basketball, or hell just to get together and enjoy each other's company and play cards or dominos. All are welcome and we are open to anyone just looking to hang out with friends and families.

I will end my report as I do every Compass with this please keep all our Brother's and Sister's in our prays as well as their families. Keep all who are sick, injured and in need of help. Keep the First Responders and Military personnel as well as our religious personnel.

Viva Jesus
Fraternally

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Robert Consolo Grand Knight, of St. Cloud -
Kissimmee Council 6624, Presenting
Tyler Edgcomb the Knight of the
Month for Febuary2024



Robert Consolo Grand Knight, of St. Cloud - Kissimmee Council 6624,
Presenting
Bill and His Daughter Balinda Waggener as
Family of the Month for
February 2024

Notary Public

A notary public is a public officer appointed by state government to serve the public in non-contentious matters, usually related to the signing of important documents. A notary public attests or certifies writings, such as deeds, to make them authentic and takes affidavits, depositions, and protests of negotiable paper. A notary public also administers oaths and affirmations, authenticates the execution of certain documents, and performs other official acts depending on the jurisdiction. A notary public acts as an impartial witness and a fraud -deterrent in transactions and documents. If you need documents notarized, we have at least 2 Notary Publics in our Council:

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Robert is also approved as an online Notary

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Three Kings Event.....



District Spelling Bee Winners



Regional Spelling Bee Winners





Baby Shower Social





Gerry Yeung, Faithful Navigator **Fr. Holmes Assembly 1951**



Worthy Sir Knights,

I trust this message finds you well and that 2024 has gotten off to a good start. This month in Florida we observe Susan B. Anthony Day on February 15 and Washington's Birthday on February 19. Susan B. Anthony was an anti-slavery abolitionist and a pioneer in the women's suffrage movement whose efforts culminated in the passage of the Thirteenth and Nineteenth Amendments respectively to the US Constitution. George Washington, known as the "Father of the Nation," led the Continental Army to victory in the Revolutionary War, presided over the drafting and ratification of the US Constitution, and served as the first President of the United States.

The annual Gerald Strohmeier Memorial Captain's Ball is coming up on February 24. Holy Mass will be celebrated in the Hall at 4pm by Fr. Emmanuel Akalue, Pastor of Holy Redeemer Church, followed by happy hour and dinner/dance starting at 5:30pm. It promises to be a fun evening of food, fellowship and entertainment. If you haven't yet purchased your ticket (only \$30 per person), you can do so by February 16. You will be asked to indicate your main course selection of beef or fish. Thank you in advance for helping to make this fundraiser a success to support the work of our Assembly and Color Corps, both of which I am happy to report are seeing growth in new members.

At our February business meeting, we will elect delegates to represent our Assembly at the Florida District Biennial Meeting hosted by Msgr. Bishop Council No. 2112 in Orlando on March 23, 2024.

Vivat Jesus!

Gerry Yeung--Faithful Navigator, Fr. William Holmes Assembly 1951 (914) 837-7008 broger8@gmail.com

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Gerald Strohmeier Memorial

Captain's Ball

Date: February 24, 2024

Tickets: \$30.00 per person

4:00pm Mass in the Hall

5:30pm Happy Hour in the Bar

Dinner and Dance

6:00pm-10:00pm

Guest Chef
Lora Fisher Sous Chef from
the Talking Stick Resort &
Casino in Scottsdale, Az
Brother Jim Edgcomb will
be assisting her



Knights of Columbus

Father Holmes Assembly 1951

Tickets are available at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 2000 Neptune Rd Kiss.
Fl., with any Knight of Columbus Member or your location K of C Council.

K of C Fr. Holmes Assembly No. 1951
2024 Captain's Ball
Response Form

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

TICKETS

*Note that the deadline for ticket orders is **FEBRUARY 9, 2024**. Tickets will not be sold at the door.*

OF TICKETS (\$30 PER PERSON) _____

GUEST NAMES (Use reverse side if necessary) _____

____ I am not able to attend but enclosed is my contribution of \$____ to help support the work of Fr. Holmes Assembly No. 1951.

JOURNAL

*Note that the deadline for Journal ads is **JANUARY 12, 2024**.*

Proceeds from our Annual Journal will greatly assist us in our work. Sponsoring an advertisement, a message of support, a memorial, or a business card are ways to help us. Our Journal size is 5-1/2" X 8-1/2".

Kindly circle your requested ad size below and email this form along with your camera-ready ads, artwork or business cards to Gerry Yeung at broger8@gmail.com. Alternatively, you can mail the form and ads along with your check to the address below.

Outside Rear Cover.....	\$600.00
Inside front or rear cover.....	300.00
Full page.....	120.00
Half page.....	60.00
Quarter page.....	30.00
Business Cards.....	12.00

Please make checks payable to Fr. Holmes Assembly No. 1951 and send to:

K of C Assembly No. 1951
% Richard Quesnell
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Kissimmee, FL 34744

Kindly direct any questions you may have to: Gerry Yeung at (914) 837-7008 or broger8@gmail.com.



President Jackie Choma
Columbiette Auxiliary #6624



Sister Columbiettes:

I hope this message finds you well and in good health. As you know State Convention is slowly coming up and you still have time before the Feb 13th deadline all monies must be in so our financial secretary can reserve your rooms and your dues must be current to go. Easter is coming up and Holy Redeemer has asked us to do the Stations of the Cross on March 8th 12 noon, if any Columbiette that would like to participate please contact me. We still need some of our columbiettes to help with bingo on Tuesdays and Friday's nights. Bingo starts at 5:30 for Q ups / 6:30 early birds / 7:00 regular games till 9 or 9:30 when we finish. I will be there to help you and don't be afraid to ask one of the Knights to show you how to call back a bingo.

If you didn't come to our last meeting on January 20th, we did accomplish in choosing several charities for this fiscal year. Our secretary Tammy Fisher will be taking on one of the charities and purchasing two new bikes for the Transition House in St Cloud to help some of the men to be able to have transportation to and from work. I would like to ask if some of the columbiettes could please bring in some toiletries for the Transition House at our next meeting February 17th, one of our Columbiettes Mary Puchein kindly volunteered to make the bags for the toiletries.

Don't forget that the Knights of Columbus has their socials on the third Wednesday of each month they start serving about 6pm and ask if each of you could bring a covered dish or desert to share. They usually have a guest speaker or have awards and entertainment, the Columbiettes are always welcome to come and that is coming from the Grand Knight himself.

Blessed Virgin Mary

Mary (Jackie) Choma

President-Columbiettes Aux 6624

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Blessed Virgin

April In Paris

***Sponsored by the :
Knights of Columbus
Columbiettes 6624
April 6th 2024
6 to 10 pm
Dinner, and
Entertainment
By: Diana Lynn
\$20.00 per person***

Get your
picture taken
in Paris

There will be a
cash bar

**For tickets call Jackie Choma at
(407) 319-7143 or ask a Columbiette**

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Febuary Calendar

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 7pm Scout meeting	2 	3  State Spelling Bee
4	5		7 5 PM Columbia Club Meeting 7 PM Council Meeting	8 7pm Scout meeting	9 	10 9am DD Reginal Meeting
11	12		14 7pm Assembly Meeting <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	15 7pm Scout meeting	16 	17 9am Columbiettes meeting
18	19 Presidents Day	20 	21 6:00pm Social First Responders	22 7pm Scout meeting	23 	24 Captain's Ball
25	26	27 	28 7:00pm Officer Meeting	29 7pm Scout meeting		

Birthdays

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| 1 Peter Roberson
Matthew Hudson | 17 John Clancy |
| 7 Frank Novak | 18 Stephen Messian |
| 8 Clemente Ramirez | 20 David Leonard |
| 9 Brenan Holmes | 21 Ivan Mercado |
| 10 Guillermo Caoile | Richard Sikorski |
| 12 Ronald Legendre | 24 Heriberto Hernandez |
| Kenneth Maher | Thomas Ring |
| 13 Jonathan Holmes | 25 Augusto Miranda |
| 15 Anthony Lettieri | 26 Ralph Knothe |
| Andrew Urban | 27 John Bontya |
| | 28 Stephen Knothe |

Prayer List

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| <i>Pete Bryant</i> | <i>Jamie Hedges</i> |
| <i>Jim Varney</i> | <i>Kitty Choma</i> |
| <i>Frank & Anna
Ruscheinsky</i> | <i>Dennis & Marlene Kent
family</i> |
| <i>Alice & Tony Costantini</i> | <i>Linda Quesnell</i> |
| <i>Billy Leonard</i> | <i>Doris Fortuno</i> |
| <i>Larry & Roberta McGrath</i> | <i>Luigi Rosa Family Member</i> |
| | <i>Sopher Family</i> |
| | <i>George Jackow</i> |
| | <i>Ron Munsch</i> |