



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FATHER THOMAS G LORIGAN COUNCIL 7027

WE ARE KNIGHTS, WE ARE PRO-LIFE!



COMING EVENTS

Date	Time	Event	Location
1		HAPPY NEW YEAR!	
1	10:00 AM	Mass - Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God	St Rose of Lima Church
4	7:00 PM	Officer Planning Meeting	Knight's Building
5	8:30 AM	First Friday Adoration with Benediction at Noon	Chapel
5	6:00 PM	Holy Hour - Adoration, Rosary, Litany, Benediction	St Rose of Lima Church
5	7:00 PM	Spaghetti Dinner after Holy Hour	Parish Hall
6	12:00 Noon	Rosary for America	Park Avenue & Dogwood
10	7:30 AM	VA Hot Dog - Meet at Parish Hall	VA Clinic
11	6:00 PM	Evening Prayer	Chapel
11	7:00 PM	Council Membership Meeting	Knight's Building
11	8:15 PM	4th Degree Assembly Meeting	Knight's Building
13	9:30 AM	Mid Year District Meeting	Nativity of Our Lord
14	8:00-10:00 AM	KofC Family Breakfast - 6:00 AM Set-up	Parish Hall
15	6:00 PM	CCMI Meeting	Knight's Building
17	8:30AM-7:00PM	Ladies Aux Yard Sale Drop-off	Parish Hall
18	8:30AM-5:00PM	Ladies Aux Yard Sale Drop-off	Parish Hall
19	7:00AM-5:00PM	Yard Sale	Parish Hall
20	7:00AM-1:00PM	Yard Sale	Parish Hall
20	1:00 PM	Yard Sale Clean-up	Parish Hall
21	9:15 AM	Study on the Eucharist	Parish Hall
25	6:00-8:00PM	Special Dance	Parish Hall
27	11:00 AM	Walk for Life	Seville Square - Pensacola
27	4:00 PM	Corporate Mass and Communion	St Rose of Lima Church
Feb.			
1	7:00 PM	Planning Meeting	Knight's Building
1	7:45	Council Audit	Knight's Building
2	8:30 AM	First Friday Adoration with Benediction at Noon	Chapel
2	6:00 PM	Holy Hour - Adoration, Rosary, Litany, Benediction	St Rose of Lima Church
2	7:00 PM	Spaghetti Dinner following Holy Hour	Parish Hall

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Parish Family Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction, January 5, 6:00-7:00 PM. (Spaghetti Dinner in the Hall afterward.)





Grand Knight's Report

Michael Stafford

Welcome: Welcome new Brother Knights: Michael Aldridge, Jace Fincher, Bernie Schultz and transferring in Sir Knight Rick Sturgis from Corpus Christi, TX. Welcome back Brothers Greg Leech and Michael Stevens.

New Year: Happy New Year everyone! I hope it will be a good one for all of you. What a better way to start the new year than attending Adoration this First Friday after the 8:00 AM mass or the **Holy Hour** in the evening at 6:00 PM. Spending time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time we could ever have and following that up with a resolution to get to know Him better this new year. "Every Holy Hour we make so pleases the Heart of Jesus that it is recorded in Heaven and retold for all eternity" - St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta.

Walk for Life: The Emerald Coast Walk for Life will take place on Saturday the 27th of January, 2024 at 11:00 AM. It will begin at Seville Square in Pensacola with guest speaker Lauren Eden, an abortion survivor, and most likely other pro-life speakers. Then the Pro-life witness walk in downtown Pensacola. I encourage you and your families to attend this Pro-life witness. Another quote from St. Mother Teresa - "Any country that accepts abortion, is not teaching its people to love, but to use any violence to get what it wants". I believe that the disintegration of the family, the removal of God from our country and the attacks on the Catholic Church are directly related to abortion. We must continue to pray and work to end all abortion. **Our Lady of Guadalupe**, pray for us and pray for our country.

Resolutions: Most of us, I am sure, are thinking of some type of resolution for

the new year. You know the usual, diet, exercise, eat right, declutter, personal improvement etc., and a whole list of things could be developed. Where is Jesus on our list? At the top, number one? Our Lord and redeemer who has given us everything should be there always and forever.

Prayer: O glorious St. Joseph! Through the love thou bearest to Jesus Christ and for the glory of His Name, hear our prayers and obtain our petitions. Jesus, Mary and Joseph, assist us.

St. Joseph, pray for us.

Blessed Michal McGivney, pray for us.

Vivat Jesus!



Field Agent's Report

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Happy New Year!

I hope all of you had a joyous and merry Christmas. All of us start the new year afresh. We make resolutions. Let's plan now to look back at the end of 2024 and be able to say, "I kept those resolutions to improve myself, to improve my relationship with my family and friends, and my relationship with God!" An improved prayer life is the goal of many. I know I've made that resolution almost every year. Some years I do better than others. But here are few things I've found about making resolutions that helped me. First, I don't want to make a resolution that is not possible to keep. I've got to be realistic. I can't go to an extreme. For example, to improve my prayer life, I can't go from praying for 15 minutes in the morning to reading a chapter of the Bible, attending daily Mass, reciting the rosary, and saying the Liturgy of the Hours each day. For me, that's too much of a jump. I'm going to follow that for a day or two and then something will get me off track. Myself, I need to take baby steps. Maybe start with saying the rosary each day. I've got to make my resolution achievable. The same is true of all those other resolutions we make. I can't go from being a couch potato to running six miles a day...but I could start by walking a mile each day as an achievable step in that direction. I can't starve myself trying to lose weight...but I could cut out snacks between meals as a start. Again, an achievable step. I might want to read more, so I can start by reading a chapter a day in a book. You get the idea. The

resolution has to be reasonable, achievable, and specific. Now here is one resolution that is reasonable, achievable, and specific: Resolve to meet with me to update the information on your family's financial needs analysis. (Or maybe you need to complete a financial needs analysis.) Let's see where you stand. Your financial health is critical to your family's future security. As your field agent I'm charged to meet with each of my members each year. We can take a look at your goals and aspirations and make sure you're on track to keep your family appropriately protected. I'll contact you soon to see if an appointment should be our next step. Vivat Jesus!



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Deacon's Teaching

By Deacon Chris Christopher

8 Things to Know About Epiphany

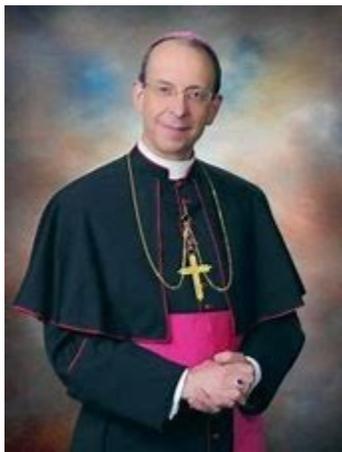
The Feast of "Epiphany." commemorates the mysterious visit of the *magi* to the Baby Jesus. Here are eight things about Epiphany:

1. **Epiphany** means "manifestation." It comes from Greek roots that mean "to show, to display" (*phainein*) and "on, to" (*epi-*). An epiphany is thus a time when something is shown, displayed, or manifested to an audience.
2. The **Epiphany** is the manifestation of Jesus as the Messiah of Israel and the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (*magi*) from the East. Their coming means that pagans can discover Jesus and worship him as the Son of God and Savior of the world.
3. **When is Epiphany celebrated?** This varies from country to country. In the United States, Epiphany is a holy day of obligation and is celebrated the first Sunday after Jan. 1.
4. **Who were the Magi?** The concept of Magi (*mágoi*) encompasses a wide range of meanings, from the wholly positive to the wholly negative. **These Magi are understood to be members of the Persian priestly caste.** Other possible meanings are - possessors and users of supernatural knowledge and ability – magicians - deceivers and seducers...
5. **Why did the magi come to see Jesus?** They had a prophetic nature that allowed them to identify the birth of the new "*king of the Jews*" astronomically. We know from Roman historians that speculation was rife that the ruler of the world would emerge from Judah. (cf. De Bello Judaico iii, 399-408)
[*Jesus of Nazareth: The Infancy Narratives*]
6. **Why did they go to Herod?** They probably assumed the newborn king would

be a son of Herod, the current "*king of the Jews.*"

7. **What was the star?** It is hard to know. Some question whether the star was a natural phenomenon, pointing out that it seemed to lead the magi to Jerusalem, disappear, and then reappear and hover over the house in Bethlehem. But Matthew says they merely report that they had seen the new king's star "*in the east*" (Matthew 2:2) which is why they went to Jerusalem. What Mathew does say is: "*When they had heard the king, they went their way; and lo, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came to rest over the place where the child was.*" [Matthew 2:9]
8. **Does this mean astrology is okay?** No. God may have arranged for certain signs to attend the birth of his Son, but this is the opposite of what astrology involves. On entering the Gentile world, the Christian faith had to grapple with the question of the astral divinities. Paul emphasizes that the risen Christ has conquered all the powers and forces in the heavens and that he reigns over the entire universe. The story of the wise men's star makes a similar point: it is not the star that determines the child's destiny, it is the child that directs the star
[*Jesus of Nazareth: The Infancy Narratives*]

Next month we'll look at **Why Do Catholics Observe Lent?**



Supreme Chaplain's Challenge

by Archbishop William E. Lori

Jesus rebuked him and said, "Quiet! Come out of him!" The unclean spirit convulsed him and with a loud cry came out of him. All were amazed and asked one another, "What is this? A new teaching with authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him." (Gospel for Jan. 28, Mk 1:25-27)

The unclean spirit immediately recognizes Jesus as the Christ and is aware of his power. As St. James tells us, "You believe that God is one. You do well. Even the demons believe that and tremble" (Jas 2:19). We must not take for granted who Jesus is, his presence in our midst and the power he has to help us. Let us always recognize that Jesus is actively working in our lives and seek him daily in our prayer.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to attend Mass and receive holy Communion more often than just on Sunday — daily if possible — to grow in awareness of Jesus' presence and power in the Eucharist.

Questions for Reflection:

Do you take the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist for granted? Does the way you dress for Mass reflect that Jesus is present? Do you remain conscious throughout each day of Jesus' activity in your life and turn to him frequently in prayer?

(From kofc.org select "Who We Are", "Our Faith", and "Monthly Challenge")



The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network

APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER

UNITED STATES

JANUARY

FOR THE GIFT OF DIVERSITY IN THE CHURCH

We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

<http://popesprayerusa.net/popese-intentions/>



Honors of the Months

Month	Knight of the Month	Family of the Month
Year 2023-24		
July, 2023	Ralph Crago	Dennis & Maria Flores
August, 2023	Edward Stanislawczyk	John & Jane Garton
September, 2023	Michael Gengo	John & Angela Berry
October, 2023	Art Sobilo	Michael & Brittany Hamel
November, 2023	Dcn Jeff Massey	Ron & Laurie Livorno
December, 2023	Douglas Blau	John & Maria Thaler
January, 2024		
February, 2024		
March, 2024		
April, 2024		
May, 2024		
June, 2024		

Knight of the Month

Grand Knight Michael Stafford presented the Knight of the Month for December to Douglas Blau on December 16, 2023 at the Council Christmas Party. Pictured are Msgr. Michael Reed, Douglas & Tia Blau and GK Michael Stafford.



Family of the Month

Grand Knight Michael Stafford presented the Family of the Month for December to John & Maria Thaler on December 16, 2023 at the Council Christmas Party. Pictured are Msgr. Michael Reed, Maria & John Thaler and GK Michael Stafford.





Knight of the Month

Grand Knight Michael Stafford presented the Knight of the Month for November to Dcn. Jeff Massey on December 16, 2023 at the Council Christmas Party. Pictured are GK Michael Stafford, Dcn. Jeff Massey, and Msgr. Michael Reed.



Sick & In Need Prayer List

Paul Hicks, Carol Cox, Ian McDonald, Claudia Barrett, Gene & Martha Skalsky, Ed McCarthy, Bill Glover, Mike Kassinger, Joan Haring and the Haring family, Mary-Etta Hinkle, David & Sharon Hinkle, Antonette Paterna and the Paterna family, Sterling VanGrowski, Dave & Donna Byers, Jim and Marianne Richardson, Jennifer Micklos, Norm Champagne, Jim Gentry, Ben Paul, The Livorno Family, Dean Dizon, The Paschal Family, John & Margo Recke, Joe Burgos, Dani Massey, Thea McDonald, Sharon Polchowski, Linda Davis & family, Walter and Christa Gross, Ed Horne, Beth McDonald, Sharon Dipkin, Jerry

Sciple, Dave McFadden, Nicole - sister of Justin Paul, Sylvia Mabley, Ronald J Gaus, James Gaus, Saveria Husslein, Robert Erisman, Bob Miller, Steve Gentry, Suzi Jones, Karen Lewis, Thatcher Kerzie, Mark Puno, R. Michael Cuninghame, Bob Edwards, Nicole Kinnard, Art Sobilo, Adam Rapach, Frank Ferraro, Wesley Smith, John Burkhalter, people of Ukraine, people of Israel, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Pope Francis, Bishop Wack, Msgr Reed, Father Christian, our deacons, religious, and seminarians (especially William Gibson).

Let us pray:

O Heavenly Father, God of Love, You gave us Your Son Jesus to be not only Physician of our souls but also Healer of our bodies and minds. Lord Jesus, We turn to You in this time of illness. Please come to us now, and lay Your healing hand on us and all who are in need of your Mercy. Let the warmth, peace and healing power of Your Spirit fill all of us now with Your life and love. We receive You, Lord Jesus!

Heal us according to Your Divine Will, Lord Jesus, and enable us to serve You with a healthy body, soul, and spirit. May Your Joy, O Lord, be our strength this day. Amen.

To submit a prayer request to be included here please send an email to info@kofc7027.com



Fourth Degree

St. Teresa of Calcutta Assembly 2823

SK Cesar Mascardo, PGK, FDD, RA1



Worthy Sir Knights,

I hope Christmas was a blessed and joyous occasion for all. As we enter a new calendar year, please keep in mind that all blessings come from the Almighty and is our source for all happiness and joy.

It was unfortunate that the 2023 Christmas Parade was canceled due to rain but we look forward for this coming year.

Our regular 4th Degree meeting will be on January 11th after the council meeting in the Knights' Building.

The Spaghetti Dinner after Adoration Prayer that is scheduled on the first Friday at 7:00pm at Parish Hall is on January 5th.

VA Hot dog is scheduled on the second Wednesday of each month.

There are some significant changes coming for the 4th Degree/Assembly ceremonial in reference to secrecy. This was addressed by the District Master, John O'Toole that was addressed at the Mid-Year meeting, but no details were yet available.

As this new year is upon us, let's take stock of ourselves, look at our relationship with God and with others, and our stewardship over all that God has given to us. Hold each area of your life alongside God's standards and pray to grow in faithfulness and holiness.

Thank you all for your time, talents and dedication. I look forward to the new year with anticipation! Thank you for all you do. Happy New Year to you all!

Vivat Jesus,

2023 Knights of Columbus Council 7027 Christmas Party

Just wanted to take this opportunity to say thank you to everyone that made the 2023 Knights of Columbus Council 7027 Christmas Party a success.

Thank you to the brother Knights and their family that went and participated in the event. Thank you for the fellowship, fun and enjoyment that we all shared. Thanks for bringing a side dish to share.

Thank you to the cooks...Deacon Jeff and Danielle Massey and their daughter, John Marchal and Vic Van Growski. The food was excellent.

The servers of the drinks, beer and wine...Margo Recke, John Stollman and Arturo Ojeda.

Thank you, Msgr Reed and Sister Margaret for being there as our spiritual guidance. The Sir Knights that helped me with the

Christmas Party...Tom Kubalewski, Bruce and Gerri Donatelli, Bruce Mabley, Brian McGuire, Arturo Ojeda, James Gaus, Michael Hamel, Michael Stafford and Santa Claus-Joey Davis.

Thank you Linda Davis for having the Photo Shop in the event.

Thank you Ladies Auxiliary for decorating and putting together the Christmas Party settings.

Thank you to the three kids from the youth group that helped in the event.

Thank you Ralph Crago for being the photographer for the event.

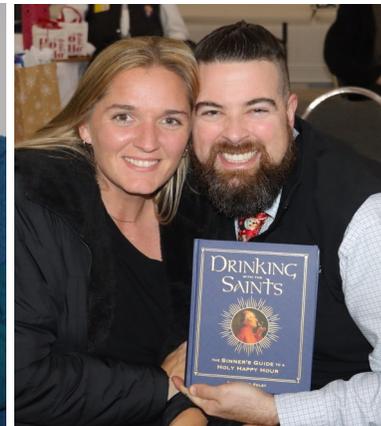
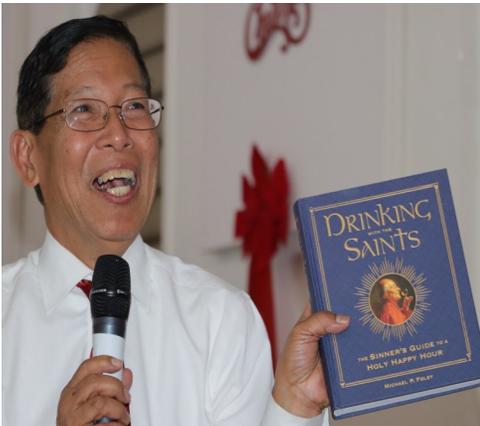
And if I missed anybody, I want to thank you for your generous time to help during the event and at the end of the event cleaning up.

The event was successful because of all of you...



Christmas Party

Food, Fun & Dirty Santa Gift Exchange. Some gifts finally found a home.





Council and Assembly Officers

Knights of Columbus Online Resources

Council 7027 web site has important information such as calendar, newsletters, and member only information.

<http://www.kofc7027.com>

State Council has important information about Knights in Florida.

<https://floridakofc.org/>

Supreme contains something for everyone.

<http://kofc.org>

Knights Gear is clothing and accessories K of C branded.

<http://www.knightsgear.com>

Knightline is a monthly publication with important information for leaders and members.

<http://kofc.org/knightline>

Invocations monthly publication of the Florida State Council.

<https://www.floridakofc.org/Invocation-State-Newsletter>

Knightcast An inspirational video series forming men on their journey to be better husbands, fathers, citizens, and Catholics.

<http://kofc.org/knightcast>

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Council 7027 Officer Fraternal Year 2023-2024		Assembly 2823 Officers Fraternal Year 2023-2024	
Chaplain	Msgr Michael Reed	Faithful Friar	Msgr Michael Reed
Grand Knight	Michael Stafford	Faithful Navigator	SK Cesar Mascardo
Deputy Grand Knight	James Gaus	Faithful Captain	SK Bruce Mabley
Chancellor	Mike Hamel	Faithful Pilot	SK Brian McGuire
Recorder	Thomas Kubalewski	Faithful Admiral	SK John Recke
Treasurer	Dale Sogor	Faithful Comptroller	SK Bill McDonald
Financial Secretary	Bill McDonald	Faithful Purser	SK Dale Sogor
Advocate	Walter Gross	Faithful Scribe	SK Thomas Kubalewski
Warden	Justin Paul	Faithful Inner Sentinel	SK George Elliott
Inside Guard	Doug Blau	Faithful Outer Sentinel	SK James Hull
Outside Guard	Michael Gaus	Faithful Outer Sentinel	SK Michael Hamel
Lecturer	Dcn Phillip Czajkowski	Color Guard Commander	SK John Recke
One Year Trustee	Raymond Kutch	Patriotic Liaison	SK Joey Davis
Two Year Trusteed	George Elliott	Trustee 3 Year	SK Stephen Schaffter
Three Year Trustee	Ben Urnick	Trustee 2 Year	SK James Gaus
		Trustee 1 Year	SK Bruce Donatelli

BIRTHDAYS

On behalf of your Council's Brother Knights, we wish you a very Happy Birthday.



Michael Canzoniero	01-01	Michael Gaus	01-09	Mark Engley	01-26
Christopher Manor	01-01	Brian Casey	01-11	Charles Newlan Jr	01-28
Mark Puno	01-01	Arthur Sobilo	01-13	Ronald "Rusty" Bradberry	01-29
Robert Bezick	01-03	Jason Doty	01-22	Sean Canning	01-29
Todd Jones	01-03	Joseph Paschal	01-22	Patrick Cooley	01-29
Douglas Blau	01-07	Paul Hicks	01-23		
Ralph Crago	01-09	Donald Tomer	01-23		