

THE COMPASS

Kissimmee, Florida



March 2025

Upcoming Key Dates

March

*Boy Scout's Fish Fry at Holy Redeemer Social Hall every Friday thru Lent *

- ♦1 Laps for Life
- ♦ 5- Columbia Club Meeting 1700
- ♦5-Officers Meeting 1800
- ◆5- Council 6624 Meeting 1900
- ♦ 5- Ash Wednesday
- ♦6- Boy Scout Spaghetti Dinner (at the Hall) 1700-1900
- ♦9- Time Change move forward
- ◆12- Assembly 1951 Meeting 1900
- ◆15– Columbiettes Meeting 0900
- ♦19 Monthly Social 1800
- *** Boy Scouts meeting every Thursday 1900

Bingo Every Tuesday & Friday 3:00 PM - 9:45 PM we can always use

State of Florida **Council of the year**



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March Calendar

| | SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
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| | | | | | | BUNCO | 1 Laps for Life |
| 2 | | 3 | 4 BINCO | 5 Ash Wed. 5 PM Columbia Club Meeting 6pm Officers Meeting 7 PM Council Meeting | 6 5pm Scout Spaghetti Dinner | 7 BUNGO | 8 |
| 9 | DetyLight Sevings Time | 10 | 11 Bingo | 12 7pm Assembly Meeting | 13 7pm Scout meeting | 14 BUNGO | 15 0900 Columbiettes Meeting |
| 16 | | 17 | 18 BINCO | 19 6:00pm Social | 20 7pm Scout meeting | 21 BUNGO | 22 |
| 23 | | 24 | 25 BUNGO | 26 | 27 7pm Scout meeting | 28 BURGO | 29 |
| 30 | | 31 | | | | | |

Birthdays

1 Rev. Rodolfo Ramon -Cabrea

- 2 Bro. Nelson Placa Jr. Robert Andrews
- 4 Wilfredo Alvarado Jr.
- 6 Richard Quesnell
- 7 Lawrence McGrath
- 9 Rev. Gabriel Ipasu

Rev. Fabian Gimeno

- 10 Robert Rao
- 11 Edward Meyer Rev David Vargas
- 13 Lawrence Gray

- 14 James Hardin Ronald Munsch
- 20 Donald Rinkus
 - Guy Samuelson
- 22 John Moschouris
- 23 Paul Corbley
- 25 Robert Schneck
- Joseph Wisnosky
- 26 Ruben Sanchez-Serrano
- 28 Francis Barney
- 30 Alton Downs
 - Jose Ramirez

Prayer List

Jim Varney

Frank & Anna Ruscheinsky

Alice & Tony Costantini

Billy Leonard

Larry & Roberta McGrath

Don Fischer and the Family

Ron Munsch

Robert Consolo

Jamie Hedges Kitty Choma

Dennis & Marlene Kent family

Dick & Linda Quesnell

Doris Fortuno

Luigi Rosa Family Member

Sopher Family

George Jackow

Pete Bryant Family

<u>A Light Brightly Visible by</u> <u>Bishop Noonan</u>



My Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

We are pilgrims of hope as our Holy Father names us this Jubilee Year. This Jubilee Year, we are reminded of our Baptism, crossing the threshold between heaven and earth as we begin our journey of conversion, sealed by the encounter with Christ. Christ is the "door" into which we cross, uniting us with the Father in union with the Holy Spirit. Christ is the heart of our journey, for it is through Him that we come to know, love, and serve God. In the Scripture from Isaiah, we also acknowledge the mission of Jesus the Eucharist; to be sent forth to love one another as God loves us all the days of our life. It is courageous for each one to humbly say, "Here I am, send me!" For when we are sent, we are like other prophets, bringing the Word of God to His people and we will discover people who choose not to listen, whose heart is hardened. Yet God builds up strength in us! Our Holy Father encourages us, saying, "the Jubilee is a season of grace. How I would like this year 2025 to be truly a year of grace, abounding in truth, forgiveness, freedom, justice, and peace! In the heart of each person, hope dwells as the desire and expectation of good things to come, and each of us is called to make hope flourish all around us." In St. Luke's writings, we hear Jesus call His apostles, saying they will be 'fishers of men.' Often, I think of this invitation specifically for those who are called to the Sacrament of Holy Orders; however, at the Sacrament of Baptism, we are all baptized as priests, prophets and kings and each one of us receives the invitation from Jesus to follow Him to be fishers of men; fishers in His name for all people. God calls us to have a relationship with Him. Our Holy Father tells us, "Jesus revealed God's love in the beauty of His humanity, dwelling in our midst, sharing our daily life, our efforts, and our dreams, being merciful to those suffering in body and spirit, giving sight to the blind and strength to the disheartened. The three attitudes of God are mercy, closeness, and compassion." Jesus is our model as we journey as 'fishers of men.' Our mission is to offer mercy, closeness and compassion to one another. Our mission is to smile the light of God upon despair; to offer our hand to someone who needs help; to hold close someone who is mourning; to feed someone who is hungry. By our daily living, people whom we encounter will encounter God because we receive Jesus the Eucharist and offer Jesus the Eucharist to one another. God created each person out of love and calls each person to love the fundamental and innate vocation of every human being. For those who are married, they understand the depth of this divine love as the two become one in God. "It is good, very good, in the Creator's eyes. and this love which God blesses is intended to be fruitful and to be realized in the common work of watching over creation: "and God blessed them, and God said to them: 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it" (CCC 1604). For those of you who are married, come celebrate your anniversaries with me at the Mass for Marriage on Saturday, February 8, 10:00 a.m., St. James Cathedral in downtown Orlando. Jesus tells us, "do not be afraid." He assures us of His everlasting love and gathers us to Him. In our uncertainty, as Peter voices, Jesus does not leave our side. He encourages us by His mercy. The presence of God always surprises us, as He does not come in the majesty of the heavens, but in our very nature and lives among us. He is with us now. Are we with Him?

May we follow Him as 'fishers of men.' Sincerely yours in Christ, Most Reverend John Noonan Bishop of Orlando





Harry Rother District Deputy– District 28



Brothers all,

I want to thank everyone, especially Joe and Kathy Martin, GK Robert and Chico, and the kitchen staff for making this year's Heroes Night Social a huge success. This event is our chance to personally thank our first responders for keeping us safe.

All the chiefs, honored guests, Heroes and their families thanked our Council for holding this social on their behalf. Kudos to our Brother Knights and families who brought delicious side dishes and tasty desserts. One firefighter said to me; "bring on the food and we will all come." We are already planning our annual Heroes Casino Night on Saturday, April 26, 2025 so mark it on your calendars.

It is a very busy time. On Saturday, March 1, 2025, the annual Orlando Laps for Life will be held at Bishop Moore High School, where we raise money for both ultrasound machines and support pregnancy centers. Please consider coming or donating to this worthwhile Pro-Life activity.

`Also on Saturday, March 1st through Sunday, March 9th, I will be at Bay Hill Golf Course for the Arnold Palmer Invitational Golf Tournament so will miss bingo and Council meetings. Remember to select your delegates for the State Convention and have the Financial Secretary send in the names by the end of March. Also, consider becoming a Council officer next year. Ask the Grand Knight and Trustees if you have any questions or would like to be considered for a position.

Finally, Lent begins on Wednesday, March 5, 2025. Please take time to pray and help out at our Church services during the Lenten season.



Robert Consolo Grand Knight, Council 6624



Brother Knights All,

Greetings all, hope all my Brothers and Sisters are doing well.

Want to thank all those who came out to helped with our Hero's Award Social, we had several First Responder that were recognized this year. We also wanted to welcome Veterans Affairs Police. Special thanks to Brother Joe Martin for all the work he has done with our Hero's Award Nights for the past several years, job well done Brother. Good Luck with your relocation to Tennessee, wishing you and Kathy all the best and for her better health. Let us welcome Brother Tommy (Chico) Rosa for taken the resigns from Brother Joe to continue recognition of our First Responders.

As we go into the month of March we begin with our Holy Days with Ash Wednesday, which leads us to Easter Sunday. On calendar for this month, we have a Boy Scout Spaghetti Dinner. Due to a lack of interest the Captain Ball Gala was cancelled. It is sad to see that we are lacking interest in something that helps support some of our functions within the Assembly. I hope this changes with future function we plan within our Council and Assembly. Keep your eyes out for future Blasts as we plan things within our Council that will be coming up. We may be requesting some help with this so keep an eye out for my blasts with this information. We have continued our tradition with supporting the 4H club and winning the bid for Brayden Leonard's (future Knight) pig in the auction on Feb 15th. He placed 2nd in his class with the Pig. Congratulations Brayden.

Please keep All our Brothers and Sisters who need our prayers because we have quite a few who need them currently. Let us keep special prayers going for Brother Richard **Sikorski**, Brother Don Fischer, Brother Tony Constantini, Brother Larry McGrath as they battle their health issues. Also keep all the people in War torn Countries, First Responders, Military and Clergy.

Viva Jesus Fraternally

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A DOLL STAND

The Knights of Columbus, Council 6624 has established the Joseph Kroskosz Scholarship for deserving students. Scholarships in the amount of **\$1,000** will be awarded for one academic year. Come by the Parish Office to pick up the application form or contact:

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<u>Notary Public</u>

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2025 First Responders Social







Michael Adamus, Faithful Navigator , Fr. Holmes Assembly 1951



Sir Knights,

I first want to thank all the Sir Knights that helped and supported the Captains' Gala. BUT.....

Unfortunately, we did not have it because we only had 15 tickets sold. I am very disappointed in this, that our Knights would not even come out and support the Gala. Not only is it a loss of revenue, but more importantly it is a blow to our fraternal loyalty. According to our Faithful Captain, this dinner is an opportunity to celebrate our Order (Assembly and Councils). I agree.

I'm not trying to place blame on anyone. I know that we're all busy, and that money is tight. But this is an annual event. We've been promoting it for several months now. I'm just not sure what we can do going forward.

There is one ray of light. We have enough ads to still make a booklet. We'll hand them out at Bingo and other events in the up-coming months. Advertisers were given the option to be reimbursed, but they maintain their ads. We did offer reimbursement to those who purchased tickets, most donated to the journal or back to the Assembly. Brothers, we will need to have a difficult discussion on the future of the Captain's Gala. Give it serious thought, and we'll discuss it at an upcoming meeting.

I want to Congratulate all the First Responders who were given awards at Council 6624 First Responder social. They all deserved it for their work in protecting our community.

Note from our Faithful Comptroller: I want to thank everyone who paid their dues on time. This year we didn't spend as much on stamps then we did in previous years. There are a couple of you who haven't paid yet but I know they will be in the mail very soon. Thank you again Jim Edgcomb- FC

Please keep all the Knights families in your prayers

Vivat Jesus!

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President Jackie Choma Columbiette Auxiliary #6624



My Sister Columbiettes and all:

We had a very nice meeting in February for Chapter on the eight and our auxiliary on the fifteenth. The chapter is holding their sock hop on the eight of March at Dr. Lawrence J. O'Rourke at the Knights of Columbus hall in Winter Haven. I have tickets for sale they are \$10 each we need to try and make as many of us to show up, many of them attended our spring auxiliary function and we need to be there for them. The doors open at 5, food, a cash bar,50/50,baskets, music, and dancing plus a floor show by Diana Lynn.

I want to thank all that brought in socks and gloves for the Transition House they were more than appreciative when they received them, they still will need more latter on. Some of our auxiliary members still have not paid their dues, notices were sent out. Our next meeting is not until March 15th so please mark it on your calendar, we will be initiating 2 new candidates between 9 and 10 am that morning so please be there early.

Please keep Don Fischer, Tammy's husband, and the family in your prayers. Tony Costantini is at home recovering from his hospital stay, he and Alice still need our prayers as well. Keep praying for our sister Columbiettes, brother Knights, and families, and those who need help. May the Lord our God bless all the lives that are lost and forgotten.

Blessed Virgin Mary Columbiettes 6624 President Mary Choma jackiechoma@gmail.com cell # 407-319-7143



Blessed Virgin



Socks and gloves for the Transition House

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Blessed Virgin

Central Chapter Columbiettes invites you to

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HOLY REDEEMER SOCIAL HALL

\$10 ADULTS / \$7 CHILD 10 & UNDER DINE-IN or TAKE-OUT

FRIED FISH, BAKED FISH, or CHEESE PIZZA COLESLAW & FRENCH FRIES DRINK & DESSERT

Sponsored by Boy Scout Troop 662 & Holy Redeemer Youth Ministry

APRIL 26TH 2025 5 :00 PM

FOOD 🗟 FUN 🏾 DRINKS 🗇 CASINO GAMES

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 6624 INVITES YOU TO A NIGHT OF FUN GAMES AND PRIZES WHILE ENJOYING BEVERAGES. ALL PROCEEDS GO TO OUR FAMILIES OF HEROES IN NEED INCLUDING THE POLICE DEPARTMENTS AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS OF KISSIMEE AND ST.CLOUD AS WELL AS OSCEOLA COUNTY SHERIFF AND FIRE RESCUE, LOCAL STATE HIGHWAY PATROL AND THE OSCEOLA COUNTY CORRECTIONS DEPT

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