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Blessed Fulton John Sheen – December 9

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Coming Events

Day	Start	End	Event	Location
10/1/2026	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	K of C Officer's/Planning Meeting	Risen Lord Room
10/3/2026	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	SK Jim Richardson Funeral- Sanctuary	
10/3/2026	12:00 PM	12:30 PM	Rosary for America	Park Avenue & Dogwood
10/8/2026	6:00 PM	6:30 PM	VESPERS	Chapel
10/8/2026	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	KOFC BUSINESS MEETING	Risen Lord Room
10/10/2026	6:00 AM	10:00 AM	Mistletoe Market Cleanup day 2	
10/10/2026	3:30 PM	6:00 PM	BOSTON BUTTS SALE #1 - VESTIBULE	
10/11/2026	8:00 AM	10:30 AM	KofC BREAKFAST for LIFE OPTIONS	
10/11/2026	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	BOSTON BUTTS SALE #1 - BREAKFAST AND VESTIBULE	
10/13/2026	6:00 PM	7:30 PM	COR	St Rose of Lima Room
10/20/2026	7:15 PM	8:15 PM	4th Degree Assembly Meeting	Risen Lord Room
10/22/2026	6:00 PM	8:00 PM	SPECIAL DANCE- HALLOWEEN	
10/24/2026			Life Options Golf Tournament	
10/25/2026	8:00 AM	9:00 AM	CORPORATE COMMUNION MASS	
11/5/2026	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	K of C Officer's/Planning Meeting	Risen Lord Room
11/7/2026	11:00 AM	12:00 PM	Regional soccer challenge	
11/7/2026	12:00 PM	12:30 PM	Rosary for America	Park Avenue & Dogwood
11/7/2026	4:00 PM	6:00 PM	BOSTON BUTT SALES #2 - VESTIBULE	
11/8/2026	8:00 AM	10:30 AM	KofC BREAKFAST for Kids House / Special Grandparents Breakfast	
11/8/2026	8:00 AM	12:00 PM	BOSTON BUTT SALE #2 - PARISH HALL / VESTIBULE	
11/10/2026	6:00 PM	7:30 PM	COR	St Rose of Lima Room
11/12/2026	6:00 PM	6:30 PM	VESPERS	Chapel
11/12/2026	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	KOFC BUSINESS MEETING	Risen Lord Room

The latest calendar of events can be found on the web at <https://kofc7027.com/events> . If you have an addition to the calendar send the information about when and where to info@kofc7027.com .



Grand Knight's Report

Michael Hamel

Many Hands, One Mission: Celebrating Progress and Building for the Future – October 2026

September was a busy and rewarding month for our council, filled with fellowship, service, faith, and community impact. Thanks to the dedication of our Brother Knights, their families, and our parish community, we celebrated several meaningful successes.

Our first breakfast back after the summer welcomed more than 100 people and raised nearly \$1,000 for the Santa Rosa Kids' House. The strong turnout and generous support made the morning a tremendous success. Our Family Picnic was also a hit, giving members and families an opportunity to relax, connect, and enjoy time together. In addition, Brother Knights completed a ground cleanup in preparation for the upcoming Mistletoe Market.

Our Western-themed special dance was a wonderful experience, and God truly moved in that place. The Men's Cor Group is also off to a strong third year as participants explore the lives of the Twelve Apostles. Finally, at our Corporate Mass on September 26, Brother Ray received his August Knight of the Month award. Congratulations to Brother Ray on this well-deserved recognition.

Behind the scenes, our communication and membership cleanup efforts are moving full steam ahead. We have contacted members and corrected more than 100 email addresses for council members who were not receiving regular communications, and our Facebook page is active again. We have also shortened the turnaround time between a Brother Knight spending money on behalf of the council and receiving reimbursement.

We are continuing to revamp our local website, kofc7027.com, with plans for a new online store and a one-stop location for members' council administrative needs. Membership is growing as well: during our first quarter, we welcomed six transferring members, and we are actively adding five new members once they complete their online exemplification.

I believe good next steps will need to include opening stronger lines of communication with the charities we support so that they can become more involved with our fundraising efforts. One immediate opportunity is the Life Options Breakfast coming up in October. Brother Bernie and his committee are also working diligently to complete the beautification of our new Knights Hall, and we remain on target to finalize the move in late November.

I will say, more involvement is encouraged across the board. As I mentioned last month, not everyone needs to devote all of their time to a cause. A couple of hours on a Saturday, picking up groceries for the food bank, or helping with one of our many ministries can make a real difference. If you are unsure where to start, please get with me directly. There is a place and a role for everyone. When the hands are many, the burden is light.

Thank you for all that you do and thank you for continuing to be the working hands of God for one another, for our Church, and for our community. Together, we can carry September's momentum into October and continue building a stronger, more connected council.

Vivat Jesus




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Brothers,

Nearly half (47%) of adults say they would have trouble paying living expenses within six months of their primary wage earner's death.¹ While no one wants to think about tragedy striking their family, planning ahead about how your family might manage financially can be an important part in caring for those you love.

Your decisions today have a direct impact on your family's financial future. By working with me to consider your life insurance and income replacement needs, you can prepare for the unexpected while also carrying forward a legacy that has been at the heart of the Knights of Columbus since our founding.

When Blessed Michael McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus in 1882, he was witnessing firsthand the precarious situation widows and orphans faced when a father died. He sought to create a way to relieve their burdens and care for those in need. Today, we are proud to continue that tradition of guarding what matters most to our members — their families and their faith.

Income replacement through life insurance can be one part of that protection. As your financial circumstances and family needs change over time, I'm here to help you consider whether your coverage continues to align with your goals and priorities.

That's why every year, we ask for an update on any big life changes — such as whether you've bought a home, had a baby or retired. This annual Financial Protection Survey gives my team important insight into your evolving financial needs so we can provide the personalized, faith-based service you deserve. It also helps us know how well we're fulfilling the Knights of Columbus mission in our roles as licensed professionals. Complete your survey online at <https://survey.kofc.org>

That mission is straightforward and hasn't changed for more than 140 years: to help Catholic men grow in faith, serve others and financially protect their families. Thank you for your time and thoughtful response. I truly appreciate the opportunity to serve you and your family.

1 LIMRA & Life Happens, 2025 Insurance Barometer Study



From the Deacon's Bench

By Deacon Jeff Massey



Brothers, Greetings as we end September and begin October.

Late in September, on Saturday the 26, we welcome the

Full Hunter's Moon

This is the month when game is fattening up for winter. Now is the time for hunting and laying in a store of provisions for the long months ahead.

It is also known as the Drying Rice Moon (Dakota) which describes the next process in preparing rice for winter.

Falling Leaves Moon is an Anishinaabe term. Freezing Moon (Ojibwe) and Ice Moon (Haida) refer to the increasingly cold temperatures of this period.

Migrating Moon (Cree) refers to the time when birds begin to fly south.

The Full Hunter's Moon will be the second full moon of Autumn.

Looking at the Liturgical calendar:

Thursday 1 October

Memorial of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus,

(Thérèse of Lisieux, "Little Flower")

Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Friday 2 October

Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels
Guardian Angel Prayer (Angel of God, Angele Dei)

*Angel of God, my guardian dear,
to whom God's love commits me here,
ever this day (or ever this night), be at
my side,*

*to light and guard, to rule and
guide.*

Amen.

It is important to note that: every individual soul has a guardian angel assigned at birth, has never been defined by the Church, and is, consequently, not an article of faith; but it is the "mind of the Church", as St. Jerome expressed it: "how great the dignity of the soul, since each one has from his birth an angel commissioned to guard it."

However...

the Enchiridion Indulgentiarum of 2004 grants partial indulgence to the faithful who have piously recited one of the prayers approved by the Church for the guardian angel, e.g. the Angele Dei.

Moving on...

Wednesday, 7 October

Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary

Why????

7 October is the anniversary of the decisive victory of the combined fleet of the Holy League over the Ottoman Navy at the Battle of Lepanto in 1571. On the Eve of Battle, knowing that the Christian forces were at a distinct material disadvantage, Pope Pius V called for all of Europe to pray the Rosary for victory, leading a rosary procession in Rome.

After the battle, Pius V instituted the feast of Our Lady of Victory in order to commemorate the decisive victory at

Lepanto, which he attributed to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Thursday 15 October

Memorial of Saint Teresa of Jesus,
(Teresa of Ávila)

Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Saturday 17 October

Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Antioch,
Bishop and Martyr

Monday 19 October

Memorial of Saints John de Brébeuf and
Isaac Jogues,

Priests, and Companions, Martyrs

(Canadian Martyrs, also known as the
North American Martyrs)

Eight Jesuit missionaries were Martyred
between 19 September 1642 and 8
December 1649.

Wednesday, 28 October

Feast of Saints Simon and Jude,
Apostles

Which brings us to the end of October.

I think it is worth noting that St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, is named after Saint Jude. The name given by its primary patron Danny Thomas, a lifelong Catholic.

As a "starving actor", Thomas had made a vow shortly before the birth of his first child: if he found success, he would build a shrine dedicated to St. Jude Thaddeus, a patron saint of hopeless causes.

I close with a quote from Danny Thomas:

All of us are born for a reason, but all of us don't discover why.

Success in life has nothing to do with what you gain in life

or accomplish for yourself. It's what you do for others.

Pax

Deacon Jeff

Life

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Brothers,

October is Respect Life month, focusing on cherishing and defending human life from conception to natural death. The first Sunday of the month is Respect Life Sunday, which is October 4. US Conference of Catholic Bishops provided guides and tool kits, focusing on prayer, education and advocacy, including localized efforts regarding the safety and distribution of abortion pills. The Hallow app has daily novenas featuring audio prayers led by bishops. You can sign up for prayer campaigns and updates through Respect Life prayer, and action. Remember, we are Knights and we are Pro-life.

Sick & In Need Prayer List

We lift the following individuals in prayer, asking the Lord to grant them healing, peace, and strength in their time of need. If you know someone who should be added—or if a listed name needs an update—please contact us at info@kofc7027.com:

July, Jim Gaus, Francis "Rocky" Rock, Kevin Smitley, Shirley Gaus, Michael Blackman, Bill Glover, Randy Van Buren, Maryanne Richardson, Dale Sogor, Larry Johnson, Bruce Mabley, **August**, Ed & Valerie Stanislawczyk, State Secretary, Edward Sleyzak, Walter Gross, Ian McDonald, Mike Lofftis, George Pfeiffer, **September**, Michael Stafford, Ben Urnick, For the repose of soul of SK Jim Richardson.

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.

Council #7027 Provisions for Monthly Meeting

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Meal/Food</u>
September 10th		
October 8th	Alex Wilson	Tbd
November 12th	Bernie Schultz	Chili
December 10th		
January 14, 2027		
February 11th	Dan Walker	Tbd
March 11th	Alex Wilson	Tbd
April 8th		
May 13th		
June 10th	Nick Amaral	Tbd
July 8th		



Fourth Degree

St. Teresa of Calcutta Assembly 2823

SK Cesar Mascardo, PGK, FDD, RA1



Sir Knights,

Let's get in the fall mood! Major holidays in the US for October 2026 include the federal holiday Columbus Day on October 12, which is also observed as Indigenous Peoples' Day, and Halloween on October 31.

An event of importance to mention for last month was on Sunday, 27th September at the 10:30 am mass, San Lorenzo Ruiz De Manila, Patron Saint of the Philippines was celebrated. There was a procession in which our fourth-degree color guard led to the Parish Hall where there was a reception which included a roast pig and various Filipino dishes. I wanted to thank the Sir Knights that volunteered and represented our assembly, Sir Knight Bruce Mabley, Sir Knight Joey Davis, Sir Knight Vic VanGrowski, Sir Knight Gilbert Saenz, Sir Knight Michael Hamel, Sir Knight Bob Bezick, Sir Knight Arturo Ojeda, Sir Knight Dan Walker and Sir Knight George Pfeiffer.

The first Friday of the month after Holy Hour we served spaghetti dinner after prayer. Thank you to Sir Knight Vic VanGrowski for cooking,

and Sir Knight Bruce Mabley, Sir Knight Arturo Ojeda and Sir Knight David Lambert for serving the meal. VA Hotdog at the VA Clinic is the second Wednesday of the month. We are trying to set up a Veterans Dinner in November for our veterans.

Our 2026 Sir Knight of the Year Award was selected among the four 2026 Sir Knight of Quarter Award winners. Sir Knight Vic VanGrowski was selected by the general assembly population which will be presented at the October Corporate Mass. Congratulations, Sir Knight Vic VanGrowski!

I want to thank Sir Knights that make the meeting so we can proceed with the business at hand. Thank you for all you do, your hard work, your time and dedication to our Order.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday, 20th October at 7:15 pm (3rd Tuesday). Food will be provided before the meeting.

Vivat Jesus!



Community

Bill McDonald

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We have had a very busy eight months in the food pantry. As you are aware, without volunteers and my brother Knights who help with our pickups, we would not be as successful as we have been. Thus far this year, we have fed around 10,000 people. We have received around 18,000 pounds of food from our local grocery partners. Without their donations we would not have the food needed to give out to our clients.

Honors of the Months

Month	Knight of the Month	Family of the Month
Year 2025-26	Richard Sturgis	Bill & Beth McDonald
July, 2026	Alexander Wilson	Roger & Emily Leblanc
August, 2026	Ray Kutch	Ed & Valerie Stanislawczyk
September, 2026	Justin Paul	Janet & Richard Nguyen
October, 2026		
November, 2026		
December, 2026		
January, 2027		
February, 2027		
March, 2027		
April, 2027		
May, 2027		
June, 2027		

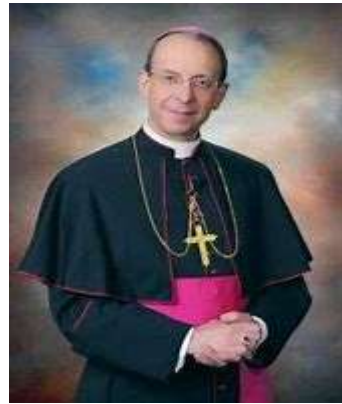
Knight of the Month

Grand Knight Michael Hamel presented the Knight of the Month for August to Raymond Kutch. Pictured are GK Michael Hamel, Kim and Raymond Kutch, and Msgr. Michael Reed.



Supreme Chaplain's Challenge

by Archbishop William E. Lori



They replied, "Caesar's." At that he said to them, "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." (Gospel for Oct. 18, Mt 22:21)

The Pharisees were trying to entrap Jesus into taking sides in the dispute. Are the faithful to be good Jews or good citizens? But Jesus says there is no conflict here. One can be a solid citizen and maintain his true and proper obligations to the civil government, as long as he gives primacy to his duties to God. We should keep in mind that the Knights of Columbus was founded with the understanding that faithful Catholics are also faithful citizens.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to study how the Knights of Columbus, at the time of its founding and throughout its history, has combated anti-Catholic bigotry and shown there is no conflict between love of God and love of country. The book *The Knights of Columbus: An Illustrated History* (2020) is an excellent resource.

Questions for Reflection:

Do you obey civil law and authority, even in smaller matters, or do you tend to rationalize infractions? Do you fulfill your civic duties, such as by voting? Do you consider moral issues when voting, beyond mere self-interest?

(From kofc.org select "What We Do", "Faith Formation", and "Monthly Challenge")

The Pope's Monthly Intentions

October



The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network
APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER
UNITED STATES

For mental health ministry

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

<https://www.usccb.org/prayers/popes-monthly-intentions-2026>

Council 7027 Membership Milestones

October 2026 Honorees: Celebrating Years of Faithful Service

We extend our heartfelt fraternal appreciation to the members of Knights of Columbus Council 7027 who commemorate the anniversary of their joining during the month of October. Bound together in brotherhood, their years of steadfast dedication reflect a deep and abiding commitment to one another and stand as a living testament to their faithful service to our parish and community.

Name	First Degree Date/ Re-entry Date	Years of Service
Larry E Hehr	10-01-1985	41
James M Cashman	10-01-1986	40
Edward M Rouse	10-22-1988	38
Michael J Canzoniero	10-01-1992	34
Christopher T Bickford	10-17-1996	30
Brian P Goley	10-12-2000	26
Michael W Gengo	10-07-2004	22
Mr Ronald G Santangelo	10-19-2004	22
Charles G Smith	10-11-2006	20
Mr Christopher Mark Ausdenmoore	10-21-2009	17
Mr Richard M Owens	10-04-2011	15
Philip J Germain Sr	10-22-2013	13
Cesar M Mascardo	10-22-2013	13
Timothy Maynard	10-22-2013	13
Bruce P Donatelli	10-13-2016	10
Mr Kevin L Mcdonald	10-08-2020	6
Mr Martin C Mosio	10-25-2020	6
Steven B Schaffter	10-18-2021	5
Sergio Diaz	10-20-2024	2
Frank Kowalewski Jr	10-18-2025	1
Ean Couch	10-19-2025	1
Craig Randall	10-19-2025	1
Steven Unser	10-19-2025	1
Chandler Vercher	10-19-2025	1
Dea William Brandt	10-20-2025	1

Council and Assembly Officers

Council 7027 Officer Fraternal Year 2026-2027	
Chaplain	Msgr Michael Reed
Grand Knight	Mike Hamel
Deputy Grand Knight	George Pfeiffer
Chancellor	Alex Wilson
Recorder	Michael Gaus
Treasurer	Ray Kutch
Financial Secretary	Bill McDonald
Advocate	Dcn Jeff Massey
Warden	Sergio Diaz
Inside Guard	Adrianne Cuyuch
Outside Guard	Ed Medina
Lecturer	Walter Gross
One Year Trustee	Mike Stafford
Two Year Trustee	Mike Simoneaux
Three Year Trustee	Jim Gaus

Assembly 2823 Officers Fraternal Year 2026-2027	
Faithful Friar	Msgr Michael Reed
Faithful Navigator	SK Cesar Mascardo
Faithful Captain	SK Bruce Mabley
Faithful Pilot	SK Gilbert Saenz
Faithful Admiral	SK Joey Davis
Faithful Comptroller	SK Bill McDonald
Faithful Purser	SK Brian McGuire
Faithful Scribe	SK Peter Axt
Faithful Inner Sentinel	SK Michael Gaus
Faithful Outer Sentinel	SK Bob Bezick
Color Guard Commander	SK Bruce Mabley
Patriotic Liaison	SK Gilbert Escobillo
Trustee 3 Year	SK David Lambert
Trustee 2 Year	SK Dan Walker
Trustee 1 Year	SK John Recke

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/Invocations-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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Birthdays

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

Ernest R Wilson 10-01-1947
David Mcchristie 10-04-1969
Joey M Davis 10-06-1956
Gilbert C Escobillo 10-06-1969
Kenneth J Paterna 10-07-1968
Trey Brock 10-08-1974
Jason Lauth 10-10-1979
Biomar De La Cruz 10-11-1999

Sidney J Roussell Jr 10-12-1958
Ronald G Santangelo 10-13-1954
Brian R Kassinger 10-15-1976
William R Rohan 10-15-1951
Steven B Schaffter 10-15-1948
Michael W Gengo 10-18-1969
Edwin L Grillot 10-19-1960
James M Hughes 10-22-1945

Raymond M Kutch 10-24-1955
Jace R Fincher 10-25-1989
Dennis M Flores 10-25-1954
Darryl J Fields 10-29-1971
Bruce P Donatelli 10-31-1957
William D Gibson 10-31-1970
Bruce E Mabley 10-31-1948

