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Respect Life Month

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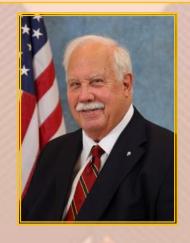
Newsletter—Oct 2024

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Osprey, FL

Council #15821







Words of Wisdom from our Grand Knight

Getting to YES

When I was leading sales with Sysco in Miami, we developed a Sales Training Program which gave our new sales associates the tools they needed to be successful. Our training program was so successful, that our Corporate Office took about 80% of it to call their own. A few years later, when I received a promotion to lead an Operating Company with Sysco, one of the things which I took from Miami to the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia, was the Sales Training Program.

This training program taught three very important things: 1) know your Company, 2) know your Market and 3) know Yourself. Like with most major corporations, we started with the basics. We taught them that there are five types of customers:

Suspects Prospects Customers Clients Advocates

The suspect phase is simple and was accomplished by simply driving up and down the streets or by looking in phone books which we had back then. The prospect phase was a bit more difficult and each suspect had to be qualified. Once a prospect responded with a yes and became a customer with their first order; the rest followed. Repeat customers are considered clients and if our sales person and our company did a great job for that client over the long term, the client became an advocate. He would recommend us or our sales person repeatedly.

We can use the same approach for recruiting new Knights. But before we get to the membership process, the first and most important step is to have a great recruiting leader. In our case, our Membership Chair is John Canevari. He is eminently qualified to hold this position and to recruit a Membership Team to pursue new potential members. When you talk with John, you will find out that his time with IBM was such that he identified, interviewed, hired and trained successful sales people. Step One accomplished.

Step Two is almost as easy as his "helpers" are YOU. In moving from Prospects to Customer, you have to satisfy a need for that potential customer or prospect. It typically takes five to seven sales calls to find the best avenue on how to close the sale. What most people fail to realize is that each prospect has a different hot button and a different reason to say yes. Our recruiting process is no different. This is why it is important that we band together and help each other recruit. We know already that each of us joined for a different reason, a reason very specific to us personally. Our prospects are no different.

By working together in groups, we have the ability to identify our prospects "why" for convincing him to join, and for the best qualified Team Member to step in and close the sale. For some people this is "getting to yes", I suggest that it is when we get to answering their "why". Once we identify their "why", we can move to explain the various ways that would support our prospect's "why".

As I said earlier, YOU are the clients and the advocates. Your personal experience is the most important tool in being able to fully satisfy any potential member's "why". "Why should I join?" By using Teams of Knights, we really are portraying our culture. You have already made the decision to join and this typically is one of the questions that prospects ask when comparing their "why" to our offerings, or your "why" from years ago. This is what is important to our prospect and his "why". It is important to him, just as it was important to you years ago.

As we continue John's annual plan, we must search for those men who would add to our culture, add to our membership and add to our success. In closing, let me challenge each of you by strongly urging that each Knight help recruit one new member this year; and again next year, ...

Vivat Jesus!

Chuck Donelson Grand Knight Knights of Columbus Council 15821





Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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LOTSON HALL

October 20th



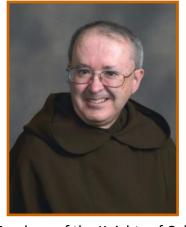




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Chaplin's Reflection

Sir Knight Fr. Anthony Armstrong

As the KofC website rightly points out, "Members of the Knights of Columbus, be they Americans, Canadians, Mexicans, Cubans, Filipinos, Poles, or Dominicans, are patriotic citizens. We are proud of our devotion to God and country, and believe in standing up for both. Whether it's in public or private, the Knights remind the world that Catholics support their nations and are amongst the greatest citizens."

An important part of the founding of the 4th degree was to counter the false charge that Catholics were not patriotic, even to the extent that they were out to undermine the USA. The belief was that you couldn't be patriotic and a Catholic. Even before John F Kennedy was elected the first Catholic president there was a lot of anti-Catholic bigotry going around about how he would be at the pope's beck and call, and things like that.

As I shared last month, patriotism is something that, as with everything else, is good when it is in a healthy balance. It is right and just to be patriotic about our country, or the country of our birth, but not to be nationalistic. As Pope St. John Paul II said in his last book, *Memory and Identity*, "Whereas nationalism involves recognizing and pursuing the good of one's own nation alone, without regard for the rights of others," he wrote, "patriotism ... is a love for one's native land that accords rights to all other nations equal to those claimed for one's own." "Patriotism is a love for everything to do with our native land: its history, its traditions, its language, its natural features. It is a love which extends also to the works of our compatriots and the fruits of their genius." So, patriotism is a good and healthy thing to have!

Whilst each country where the Knights have a presence has its own version of the 4th Degree Exemplification Service, each exemplification service focuses on the history of the Knights and of the Catholic Church in that particular country. But, although the exemplification service is different the goal in every 4th degree is the same: to be an active, patriotic citizen who is proud of his Church and proud of his country and who stands up for both.

I still remember, all those many years ago, when I made my own 4th Degree, being struck by the blessings of living in this country, of the natural beauty of the land, of the rich history of our nation, of the growth and progress that has been made in so many ways, and of the way that Catholics have been at the forefront of that change and growth. It continues to be both an inspiration and a challenge to me to grow in true and healthy patriotism, to continue to build up the country we love as our predecessors have done. They have done much, let us continue the job they have started.

Knights of Columbus



#1818 Calendar

December 2024 12 17 18 24

Thursday, October 17, Monday, November 11,

Wednesday, November 13, Thursday, November 21,

Wednesday, December 11, Tuesday, December 17th,

Saturday, December 21,

Monthly Meeting 5:30pm Rosary, 6pm Dinner, 7 pm Meeting

Bishop Mass Veterans Day Sarasota National Cemetery Time TBD, but normally at 3:00pm

Sarasota National Cemetery at 8:30am No Veterans Forgotten Monthly meeting-530pm Rosary, 6pm Dinner, 7pm Meeting

Sarasota National Cemetery at 8:30am No Veteran Forgotten

Christmas Party—Save the Date

Sarasota National Cemetery Placing Wreaths time TBD



Always pray. It's the most powerful

tool against worry, doubt, and fear.



Thinking about becoming a 4th Degree Knight? Reach out to Sir Knight Joe Frech at 703-505-3153 or frech.j1959@gmail.com The next close Exemplification is on Nov 30th @ Resurrection Church in Winter Garden, FL











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Knights of Columbus Florida State Council (floridakofc.org) State

Knights Gear

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New Council Shirt Provider



Council Nametag Provider









FROM THE MARKETING & CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE TEAM

We are excited to announce a special upcoming Fraternal Benefit Event - Investing in the Light of Faith.

Why should Catholics approach their investment decisions in the light of their faith?

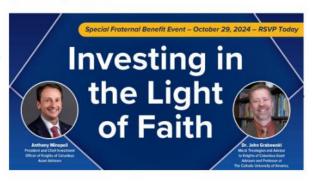
Join us for this special live webinar to hear perspectives from Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors Chief Investment Officer Anthony Minopoli and Moral Theologian Dr. John Grabowski. Please share news of this upcoming event with friends, KofC brothers and community members!

You won't want to miss it!

Event Promotion:

All agents can help by sharing the invitation with others. The generic flyer and email template are attached.

Webinar Details: October 29, 2024 8 PM ET | 7 PM CT | 5 PM PT





Join us at OLMC in the classroom.

Tuesday Oct 29th @ 7:30 PM for

Pizza & Refreshments !!!!

Followed by the 8:00 pm webinar !!!

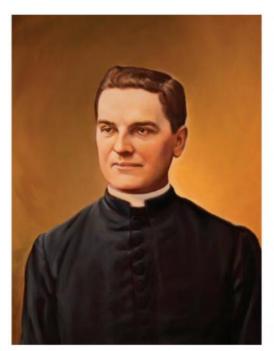
We need 2 to 3 Knights who have NOT

already attended a webinar to join us !!!!

It will help us qualify for STAR council

Please let me know if you are planning on attending so I can order enough Pizza!!! Rob

Email: rwucki@comcast.net or text: 262-646-0855



Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

Founder of the Knights of Columbus

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

> Please report all favors received: The Father McGivney Guild 1 Columbus Plaza New Haven, CT 06510-3326 - USA www.fatherm.givnov.org

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"I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love."

EPHESIANS 4:1-2

201 West Park Avenue, Tallahassee, Florida 32301-7715 * (850) 222-3803 * www.flaceb.org

Florida Bishops Oppose Extreme Abortion Amendment Vote No on Amendment 4

Florida Amendment 4, which will appear on Florida's November 2024 ballot, is an extreme proposal that legalizes full-term abortion with no protections for the preborn child, including when the child is capable of feeling pain. This proposed amendment to our state constitution would prohibit all restrictions on abortion before viability and create a broad exception that any healthcare provider could exploit to allow abortion up to birth.

Furthermore, the amendment would effectively overturn or seriously jeopardize common-sense state laws that have regulated abortion for years. These include basic health and safety requirements for clinics where abortions are performed, requiring a physician to perform abortions, informed consent requirements, laws limiting public funding of abortion, and parental consent requirements before a minor's abortion. These risks demonstrate the extreme nature of the amendment.

We urge all Floridians of goodwill to stand against the legalization of late-term abortion and oppose the abortion amendment. In doing so, we will not only protect the weakest, most innocent, and defenseless of human life among us but also countless women throughout the state from the harms of abortion.

Human life is sacred. The dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision of society. Direct attacks on innocent persons are never morally acceptable, at any stage or in any condition. In our state, human life is repeatedly being destroyed by abortion. Over 84,000 vulnerable and voiceless children were aborted in Florida in 2023.

This matter concerning the respect for human dignity and the fundamental value of human life is of grave importance to both our Church and our state. The threat of abortion remains our pre-eminent public policy priority. Therefore, we support a coordinated campaign to mobilize against the proposed amendment. To this end, we offer this prayer to defeat Amendment 4:

Ever-living God, you give life and desire a future for all your children. Take hold of our nation, state and community and awaken in every heart awe for the gift of life. Send your Spirit to strengthen us with wisdom and fortitude as we defend mothers and children in Florida from laws that disregard their health and safety.

Mary and Joseph trusted in you and welcomed Jesus into our broken world. God Almighty, we ask their intercession to protect the preborn and their mothers, and to guide all parents in raising their children. May they help us build a civilization of love by upholding the sacredness of life and accompanying pregnant women in need

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady, Mother of the Family, pray for us! St. Joseph, Protector of the Unborn, pray for us!

Most Rev. Thomas G. Wenski Archdiocese of Miami Most Rev. Gerald M. Barbarito Diocese of Palm Beach Most Rev. Frank J. Dewane Diocese of Venice Most Rev. John G. Noonan Diocese of Orlando

Most Rev. Gregory L. Parkes Diocese of St. Petersburg Most Rev. William A. Wack, CSC Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee Most Rev. Erik T. Pohlmeier Diocese of St. Augustine Most Rev. Enrique E. Delgado Archdiocese of Miami

¹ Florida law distinguishes between parental *consent* prior to a minor's abortion (Ch. 390.01114(5) which would be invalidated by Amendment 4 and parental *notice* of a minor's abortion (Ch. 390.01114(4)), which would be retained.



Oct 2024

OLMC Council #15821

Mike Monville

Knight of the Month



OLMC Council #15821

Bruce & Kathy Crisman

Family of the Month







Council Status Report

September, 2024

	Revenue E	xpense	Margin
50-50 Gen Mtgs	91.00		91.00
Badges / Shirts		227.31	(227.31)
Dues	380.00		380.00
Food For Families	500.00		500.00
Keep Christ in Christmas		82.52	(82.52)
Miscellaneous	50.00	50.00	0.00
Mtg Refreshments		100.00	(100.00)
Pancake Breakfast	488.00	94.32	393.68
Supplies		24.50	(24.50)
Taxes / Fees		23.55	(23.55)
Tillotson Hall Improvements		3,648.75	(3,648.75)
WEBINER		369.37	(369.37)
Grand Total	1,509.00	4,620.32	(3,111.32)

Deacon Tom Report

September 2024

	Revenue	Expense	Margin
Miscellaneous	50.00	50.01	(0.01)
Other Donations	1,100.00)	1,100.00
Sock Hop	1,422.62	<u>)</u>	1,422.62
Supplies		26.25	(26.25)
Taxes / Fees		143.32	(143.32)
Grand Total	2,572.62	219.58	3 2,353.04





Lecture's Minute

Darwin Reeck



The Virtue of Hope

October is the month of the Rosary. The three Divine Virtues are: Faith, Hope, and Charity. I will focus on the virtue of hope in this writing.

The older or archaic definition of hope is, "a feeling of trust". Certainly, when we think of hope as a feeling of trust, we would want to pray for an increase in hope. Increasing our trust in God can only have good consequences. But it is hard to trust in God. And it is easy to say that we trust in God, it is another thing to put that trust into action.

You have all experienced at some point in time in your life a moment when you had to place your trust in another human being. Maybe it was the pilot of the aircraft you flew on recently, or it was the driver of the car passing you on the road, or a cashier at the grocery store giving you change. You are providing trust in these people to do their tasks without there being an unsatisfactory result for you.

Now let's consider that classic trust exercise that people do for team building — where you have a participant turn their back to their colleagues and fall backwards waiting to be caught. This act of trust puts all of us into an uncomfortable space. When you are facing away from the crowd, doubt starts to seep in with thoughts of you weighing too much or they aren't ready for you when you fall or that they will even let you fall on purpose. It is scary to trust. It is hard. It is not in our nature to freely give our trust. But God trusts us! He gave us free will. What an act of trust! He chose to let you decide if you want Him in your life. And we could all say "NO".

Abraham didn't say "No". He took Isaac up on the mountain and was prepared to sacrifice him. Knife in hand, he was stayed by God's angel. Wow, that is trust! I see why he is the father of faith.

God wants us to trust in Him. The more we trust in God, the closer we will be to the path that He has chosen for us. It is not easy to trust God, but it is rewarding. So, the next time that you are praying the rosary, when you come to the first three beads for an increase in Faith, Hope, and Charity, remember that the increase in hope is not just an increase in a wish, but rather an increase in trust that God will deliver on all His promises.

Happy 40th Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations to Sir Knight Terry & Susan Leary on their 40th Wedding Anniversary & Renewal of Vows.

Their Anniversary was Oct 11th but Milton was an unwelcomed guest & delayed the celebration to Oct 18th.















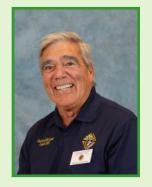
Hurricane Helene Relief

The Knights supported OLMC in collecting cloths & bedding for first the local victims of Hurricane Helene And then those affected in North Carolina.

We collected 2 x 100% full chruch van fills of goods.

All of the goods were delivered to Robert Toale & Sons On Tamiami Trail to be distributed.



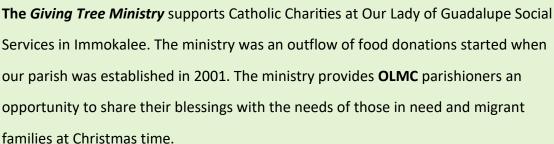


The Giving Tree

By Sir Knight Anthony Hopfinger PGK

Please reach out to Sir Knight Anthony Hopfinger PGK to help at:

Cell 412-496-6676 or Email ahopfinger@gmail.com



Originally the ministry was under the direction of parishioner Jo Kilgallon. Jo passed it on to late Sir Knight Bob Kelly, a charter Council member, and his spouse, Sue. In 2018, the Kelly's passed the torch to PGK Tony and Diana Hopfinger. Since the formation of our Council in 2013, the council has been involved with this effort. The Giving Tree ministry begins the Saturday after Thanksgiving. The tree is set up in the narthex and is decorated with over 500 tags that read "boy" or "girl" plus a range of ages. Parishioners are asked to take a tag and return it with a toy or gift card for that child.

Last Christmas our parishioners donated over 877 items including 62 bikes, 57 Pack 'n Plays, and 25 leaf bags containing toys and clothing. Over four thousand dollars' worth of gift cards were donated.

Each year a group of our Council members load these donations into a U-Haul truck.

Father Anthony accompanies Tony as they deliver the donations to Immokalee.

Delivery of the gifts is timed to support Our Lady of Guadalupe's parish Christmas party.

This year the truck will be loaded on **Tuesday, December 17th following the 8:00 am**Mass. Knights bodies are needed. Please consider volunteering for this worthwhile ministry.

















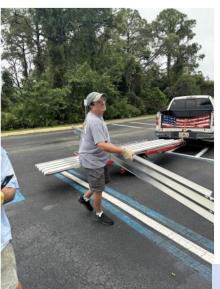






The Hurricane Response Team Shuttering up the Chruch pre Hurricane Milton, Oct 7th, 2024, & then removing them on Oct 12th. Thanks to: Mike Monville, Chuck Donelson, Mike Sellner, Steve Sellner, David Strout, Gerard Bernard, Mike Weisenbach, Lou Schwartz, Rob Wucki, Terry Leary, Lou Nagy & Tony Hopfinger PGK.

Knocked the whole building out in 2 hours up & 2 hours down !!!



















30th

Officers Meeting



November & December 2024

7:00 pm

Hall

<u>VOV</u>	1 st	First Friday Mass	OLMC	8:00 am Mass
	2 nd	Deacon Tom Grant Sock Hop	Hall	5:00 pm Start
	2 nd & 3 rd	Guadalupe Food Mission – Bag handouts	OLMC	After Each Mass
	2 nd & 3 rd	Keep Christ in Christmas Boxed Card	OLMC	After Each Mass
	7 th	Council #15821 Meeting	Hall	7:00 pm
	9 th & 10 th	Guadalupe Food Mission – Collection	OLMC	Before Each Mass
	22 nd	Pancake Breakfast Set up	Hall	8:30 am
	24 th	Pancake Breakfast	Hall	7:30 am to Noon
	25 th	Officers Meeting	Hall	7:00 pm
	27 th	OLMC Thanksgiving Dinner Set Up	Hall	8:30 am
	28 th	OLMC Thanksgiving Dinner	Hall	4:00 pm Start

DEC	5 th	Council #15821 Meeting	Hall	7:00 pm
	6 th	First Friday Mass	OLMC	8:00 am Mass
	7th & 8 th	Guadalupe Food Mission – Bag handouts	OLMC	After Each Mass
	10 th	Mass for the Departed Brothers	OLMC	8:00 am Mass
	13th	Set Up for KofC Christmas Party	Hall	8:30 am
	14 th	KofC Christmas Party / Concert	Hall	6:00 pm
	14 th & 15 th	Guadalupe Food Mission – Collection	OLMC	Before Each Mass
	14 th & 15 th	Keep Christ in Christmas Sale	OLMC	All Masses
	17 th	Giving Tree Truck Load & Creche Set Up	OLMC	8:30 am
	20 th	Pancake Breakfast Setup	Hall	8:30 am
	21 st & 22 nd	Keep Christ in Christmas Sale	OLMC	All Masses
	22 nd	FREE - Thank You Pancake Breakfast	Hall	8:00 am – Noon
	29 th ***5 th Sunday Fraternal Bruch Moved to Sunday Jan 5 th			ТВА



Prayer to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

O Most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, beautiful vine, splendor of heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this my necessity.

O Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother.

O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of heaven and earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart, to succor me in this my necessity; there are none that can withstand your power.

O show me herein you are my Mother. O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse. Sweet Mother, I place this cause in your hands.

Amen.





In just 5 months from its forming the <u>Deacon Tom Grant Memorial Scholarship Fund</u> has awarded scholarships to two Epiphany Cathedral School students whose parents or grandparents are parishioners at OLMC. Each student was awarded \$2,500 scholarship.



Mike LaVecchia, John Sellner, Alexander Sellner, Greg Crabill, Isabell Crabill, Jill Crabill, Chuck Donelson

The Knights are proud to support these students and their families as they pursue their Catholic education. You can reach out to Mike if you would like to support this wonderful program at

Meet Kathy

I know most of you know me as the quiet, shy, President of the Ladies Auxiliary. Okay, stop laughing! From elementary school through my junior year in high school, I always, unless assigned, sat in the middle of the classroom, hopefully to blend in, and I NEVER raised my hand. Well, all that changed when as a senior I had as my social studies teacher Sister Gonzalez, AKA Sister Godzilla. She decided to shake things up and move students around (believe it or not this happened the day after a



Parent/Teacher meeting!). Sister moved me first row right in front of her desk. Every day she called on me at some point to stand and discuss a home assignment or add to a classroom discussion. God, I thought I would never live through that year, but I did, and I came out a much better person. I am still nervous before every Auxiliary meeting, but once I am up front, I love it. Of course, it is easy when you are in front of the best group of ladies who have supported and encouraged you over the past year.

I love being involved in our church. I co-chair on the Funeral committee. I am a Eucharistic Minister. I was very involved with inputting and scheduling of pictures for the Church Directory. I am on the Event Committee; I usually help at every event the church and the Knights sponsor, and I help with the wine and cheese every month after Saturday vigil mass (I was one of the first to volunteer to help with this project, I think it had something to do with the wine!). Recently, I joined the Ministry of Arimathean. But I am not all church and no play, I love playing Chinese Mahjong in my neighborhood, and I teach it as well. I belong to a ladies Bible study group. I am a member of the Out & About Social Club, and like most women, I love going shopping and having lunches out with my girl-friends!

Stewart, my wonderful husband of 55 years, and I enjoy traveling. In our travels I have flown in helicopters, rode a camel, traveled inside a pyramid, and walked on a glazier, just to name a few things we have done. We just came home from Japan October 6! I have two beautiful daughters, two outstanding son in-laws, and three of the best grandchildren any grandmom could ever ask for, and my little girl, Izzy, our two-year old Maltese. We moved to Florida 10 years ago, and I love it here. I was born and raised in Baltimore and I don't miss any of those cold wintery days. We have made great friends here and I love entertaining in our home.

I hope in conclusion, that I have opened up myself to you, and you know me just a little bit better.



Kathy McEntee
President of the Ladies Auxiliary





power wash



On Friday September 20th the PSI wash team cleaned the Hall Patio. *A HUGE THANKS* to Knights:

Joe Procopio , Terry Leary , Mike Monville , John Erb , David Strout , Don Crandall , Chuck Donelson &

Rob Wucki. Thanks A.J. for keeping was hydrated !!!



Keep Christ In Christmas Box Card Pre-Sale Form!

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Total

Assorted Styles

Please Make checks payable to:

Knights of Columbus Council #15821 All orders due by Thursday Nov 7th Meeting *Payment is being accepted at the time of the order being placed

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Knights Exclusive Offer

Christmas Rosary \$15.00



Turn Orders into Rob

Save the Data



10th Annual Knights of Columbus #15821 Golf Outing Sat April 26th, 2025









Immokalee Food Drive

Bag Pick Up: Nov 2nd & 3rd, After Mass Food Drop off: Nov 9th & 10th, Before Mass

Thanks For Your Support



Would you like to help with this Ministry?

Reach out to Brother David Strout at:

davidstrout@Yahoo.com or 610-217-0185

We are actively looking for drivers to Immokalee on Mondays.







Knights of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Columbus[®] Council #15821 We meet the first Thursday of each



WHAT IT MEANS TO

We are Catholic men who lead, serve, protect and defend. We share a desire to be better husbands, fathers, sons, neighbors and role models and to put charity and community first.

Are you a practicing Catholic Man and over the age of 18? Are you new to the parish or a part-time resident and want to meet other men who share your values and interests? If you answered YES to these questions, we invite you to:

To learn more about the OLMC Knights of Columbus, Please reach out to John Canevari 941-441-5242 or johnjac1@gmail.com

I then heard the voice of the LORD saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?" I said, "Here I am. Send me!"

Isaiah 6:8

month in Tillotson Hall -7pm

Charity Fraternity Patriotism