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Council 7408

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This Month's Highlights <u>December 14th</u> Council Business Meeting <u>December 28th</u> Social Meeting

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If you had been at November's events...





Our 7408 Ship was in the Palm Bay Veterans Parade

Council 7408 received our Star Council Plaque



Bingo at the K of C Hall Monday

Doors open @ 5pm Games start @ 6pm







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Grand Knight's Message

Worthy Knights,

As November closes out, I hope that this newsletter finds you all well and having been able to spend some time with loved ones in the spirit of thankfulness. I know I am thankful for you and what you do to help our council and parishes.

Moving into December I hope that you will all remember our first core principle of charity. Remembering that giving does not always mean money. Oftentimes what is asked of us is giving of our time and talents. While this kind of charity is sometimes harder, it is also more often more rewarding.

I hope to see many of you at the Christmas Tree Lighting Party on December 5th. Don't forget you can RSVP here \rightarrow https://forms.gle/165zRBg1x3yb1j2u7

Good of the Order:

Knight of the Month Jerry Morris.

Family of the Month Jeanne and Tom Tremblay

Vivat Jesus!

Bradley Hood

Grand Knight









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Worthy Sir Knights, My best wishes to you and

My best wishes to you and your loved ones for a very Merry Christmas celebrating the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gift our Salvation. Too often this glorious celebration is expressed evasively expressed as Happy Holidays, avoiding true meaning. Keep Christ in Christmas.

Congratulations to Sir Knight Robert Bodycoat, newest member to the Fourth Degree and our Assembly. Welcome Bob!

I hope that you have special time to be with your families and loved ones this Christmas holiday season and look forward to 2024 and future Assembly activities.

For God and Country,

Mike Deschaine, PGK Faithful Navigator



HONOR GUARD: If you are interested in helping with Honor Guard duties, please contact SK Ron Hoenig at 618-604-8664. For those Sir Knights who do not have regalia, we do have some donated to us that would help alleviate the cost for those interested, until you are able to purchase your own. Ladies and Sir Knights if you have regalia that you are not using or have no longer need of and would like to donate or sell for the nominal price, please call one of the above Knights.



Deputy Grand Knight's Message



Knights,

I want to wish all of you a wonderful Advent Season!

As we move into the New Year, we are going to be Offering you new opportunities to grow your personal faith thru participating in the "renew our parish" program. Take advantage

of the opportunity while you can.

Our Fraternal programs have started up and will continue thru May. Check with the Program directors if you care to lend a hand.

Have a blessed month. May this festive Holliday season infuse your home and heart with eternal joys and happiness!

Have a Blessed month.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

VIVAT JESUS, Joseph Giesler Deputy Grand Knight





District Deputy Message



All,

We are almost at the end of the Calendar Year and the Holidays are upon us. I hope we all had a very blessed Thanksgiving with plenty to be thankful for. I know our District has been busy in our parishes helping those who are less fortunate than us. I know St Joseph's council just gave away coats and food bags before Thanksgiving and I was just at

University Park Elementary today giving away 4 boxes of coats with Council 3746 Father Gabriel. We had to Former District Deputies present fir this event SK JULES MOQUIN, Immediate Former District Deputy Larry Davis and myself the current District Deputy along with GK Frank Meyer who do this every year. What a wonderful thoughtful thing to do for these young families who really can barely afford to feed their families. This is the season of giving and sharing with others and I am so proud to be part of an organization that serves their communities and trust me folks we have 5 councils in our great District and each one of them is serving their communities well between food for families, special Olympics, rosaries, special masses, funerals, celebrations of life, right to life, youth sports for the schools, etc. We all deserve GOD'S Blessings for all we do and believe me he knows what we all do and blesses us every day with his Loving Heart. We are going into the second half of our year and need to start sharing what we do with others and start recruiting these Catholic Gentlemen and Lovely Ladies also please let us not forget our Ladies Auxiliary want to be able to keep doing what we are doing long after we are not able to do what we do! Nancy and I would like to wish us all a very Blessed Advent which is coming up and a Very Merry Holy Christmas Season. Please remember that Jesus is the Reason for the Season!

Patrick J. Farrelly DD 30





Pro-Life Corner



In this most joyful time of year, we reflect on the birth of Jesus of Nazareth, the Son of God. The miracle of God becoming flesh and blood.

We think of Family. We remember back to our own

childhoods.....decorating the family Christmas tree and the house, waiting for "Santa", going to Midnight Mass, opening presents on Christmas Morning. I think back in my own childhood and thank God for the all the Good Gifts he has given me over the years. Not physical gifts but all the intangible and spiritual gifts. The imperceptible little nudges God gives us in our lives.

To all the Knights in Council 7408 and their Families, Patty and I wish everyone a blessed Merry Christmas.

Mark & Patty Zarraonandia: Life Director – Pro-Life Couple PFOY









Ladies Auxiliary News



Dear Ladies and Knights,

I would like to thank everyone who helped and attended our Card Party that was held on November 4, 2023. I especially want to thank my Chairmen Nancy Farrelly and Nora Stoio who helped put the party together and Jo Kruempel for working on the gifts. We all had lots of fun playing Bunco and some enjoyed

bridge.

Our Ladies Christmas Luncheon will be held on December 12th at 11:30 at the Olive Garden Restaurant on New Haven Avenue in Melbourne. Hope all you ladies are able to attend.

We are still looking for new members with new ideas. Any Catholic ladies 18 or older are welcome to join. Dues are only \$10.00 per year. Come join us and meet new friends. We'd love to have you.

I pray each of you and your families have a happy, healthy and a safe Thanksgiving holiday.

God bless,

Andrea Smith

President





Spiritual Notes - Deacon Frank



I hope everyone had a fantastic Thanksgiving and now as we come into the season of when our Lord was born Christ mas! and I say it that way because I can't tolerate the X mas sign some use. Christ is not an "X" He is our Savior. God's son. and my thoughts turn to Mary as she Gave birth in a manger. A place filled with hay and straw and animals. As my name is Francs and I am a deacon and love animals. If you stopped off at my house, you would see many paintings of animals. One of my loves is painting. But I do other works of art. I have done all 15 stations of the cross and all the mysteries of the rosary. Plus, many more. Art has been flowing through my veins

since 5 years old. But that's beside the point of this newsletter, telling you of the many gifts one may have, as with anything, you need to practice, dancing playing an interment, singing, or doing art. I was quite surprised when the Diocese called and wanted to do a video and story on my art. Right now, I am working on doing the stations of the cross in bronze with pictures or sculptures which ever I like the best for each station. My feeling in depth was that people could not walk the stations without being restricted to when the Church was open or on Lenten season. Of course, for protection of the church and its contents for the situations we see happening now. I am working with a foundry in Florida to cast the plaques for me but each is at a cost of over \$1,000 so, to bring the outdoor stations to churches and schools it would need a sponsor to handle the expenses. these plaques are about 14" by 18" so my thoughts of a small 2" x 6" plaque under each station with a plaque in bronze with a memorial on it of some one that is at home with the lord now. All mounted on a concrete base. This will allow all the faithful wishing to walk the stations at any time. My thought was of what Mary must have felt as she walked with, the son to that place where he was to be nailed on the logs. I wanted the children to feel as Mary must have felt. "My son what are they doing to Him?"

So far, I have the First station in Bronze and the painting or sculpture is being worked on now, and if I go with the paintings, I can send a picture of it to Italy to be made into a porcelain photo as some have on third tomb stones. So as of now 80% of the work on 15 Stations are done. My gift to the future generations is my work. As the churches and monasteries and basilicas and cathedrals were all designed and built and paid for by others, for us now, I feel I need to do this now for posterity. As St. Francis did the stations so that the pilgrims of that day could walk the stations at home as the Holy Land was under attack by Muslims and others that did not care for our Faith and our Love of the Lord. I may be homebound but God's gift flows abundantly.

Sr. Deacon Frank Falotico, (SOSM) Life member of the Third and Forth Degree Life member Disabled American Veterans 43 years Ordained Deacon.



The Insurance Guy



Peace on Earth & Good Will to Men

As we approach the end of the year, and our thoughts turn to the angelic declaration of "Peace on Earth" and "Good will to Men!" We remember Pope Francis' Prayer for Peace where he prays "Lord God of peace, hear our prayer! Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance we may opt for dialogue and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last..."

In our lives there is much going on: scurrying around buying a Christmas tree, getting it decorated; looking for that perfect gift for our spouse, our kids and maybe grandkids. There are parties and school Christmas shows.

Seems like we're busier than ever.

But let me ask you to slow down for just a few minutes and consider some financial issues that come up at the end of the calendar year.

1. Because we're so late in the year, you may have met your individual or family deductible on your health insurance plan. Financially this may be the opportune time for some minor procedure to be scheduled; or that visit to a specialist you may have put off. The same is true about dental insurance and sometimes even for vision coverage. Check with your Human Resource office or your health insurance carrier for details.

2. When it comes to health insurance, do you have a Health Savings Account? Do you have to spend the money that's in there by year end? Some plans have a "use it or lose it" feature. Do you have to make a decision about how much to contribute next year? These are a couple of time sensitive issues. Again, make sure you check with your HR office or health insurance carrier.

3. If you have earned income for the year, will you contribute to a traditional IRA, Roth IRA, or 401k? Are you eligible to contribute more based on the "catch up" provision? Now is the time to start making plans.

4. Speaking of IRAs, have you received your required minimum distribution for this year? If not, the Internal Revenue Service penalty is a hefty 50% of the amount you should have received!

All of these issues come with rules and regulations, and each individual situation is different. I'd be happy to discuss them with you.

As we prepare to celebrate Christmas, let us be thankful for all the graces God has showered on us, especially the gift of his Son, our Savior!

Vivat Jesus,

John Barfield, FICF, CLTC

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Columbus Club Corner



Brothers,

We need more of you to step up and help cover the times we have hall rentals. These rentals help cover our operation expenses and less money council has to expend.

Call me at: 540-429-2626 if you wish to help with staffing for our rentals.

Call me also if you want to join the Columbus Club - we maintain the building both inside and outside.

Frank



Community Activities Director

Worthy Brother Knights



Bingo - Chairman Ron Hoenig and Brother Ben Adamo

The doors open at 5:00 pm for Monday Night Bingo. The Jackpot for the big game this week will start at around **\$650.00**, the jackpot was almost **\$1,000**, it was shared by two lucky

winners on November 20. Some of our games have payouts around \$150.00. Food and Drinks are being served. We have Hamburgers and Fries on the Monday night menu. Our Chicken salad sandwiches, and Hot Dogs are also popular items. Take a break from the mundane routine and get out Monday Night to hone your Bingo skills. Each attendee is given a blue 50/50 ticket that is entered in the end of month drawing which awards the winner with a cash prize totaling around \$200 on some months. You can have a light dinner and pick up an ice cream treat at the mid-way break. Look forward to seeing all of you on Monday evenings.

Monthly Spaghetti Dinners

Beginning January 5, 2024 on the first Friday of the month from 5 to 7 pm we will be serving Spaghetti and Meatballs, Salad, Garlic Bread, and Dessert. The sauces are with meat and without. Cost \$10 for an adult, \$5 children 15 and under, pay for at the door.

Friday Family Feast – Chairman Brother Terry Galvin and Brother Jerry Morris

Stop in and try one of our new specials!

Please note, it was decided to give the crew for Friday Fish a break. So, we will be suspending the Friday Fish Dinners

From October 1, 2023 and then we will start back up for Lent on February 2.

FIT Spaghetti Dinner

Our council 7408 Knights of Columbus will be out in force on the following date, Dec 6, 2023. We had a good turn out on Oct 18, (Come join us) Mass will be performed in the chapel of the Multifaith center before our FIT Spaghetti dinner service which consists of Spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, desert, and lemonade. The dinner is prepared and served in the multifaith Chapel on the FIT campus, we meet at 4:30pm to start preparations for the meal.

Soccer Challenge at St. Joseph School

On Nov 4, we supported the District Soccer Challenge, the winning students from each church in our District met at St Joe's to compete to go on to the Regional Challenge which was held Nov 18 at the MCC campus. We had students participate ranging in age from 9 years old thru 13. It was great seeing the kids take their kicks at the Soccer Challenge. The winners will be going on Dec 2 to the State Level of the Challenge which will also be held at MCC. Please note the registration will not be until 10 am due to the travel times for some of the participants.

All Souls Day

Nov 2 we had an honor guard at the church, all Knights were welcome to attend.

Ladies Card Party

Nov 4 the Ladies held their card party, I understand they had a good turnout.

Upcoming Parades

Nov 11 the Veterans parade was held in Palm Bay, Pat and Nancy Farrelly were pulling the float, Larry, Elin, Tony, and others rode in the float, Mike Deschaine, Joey Farrelly and Charlie walked the route. Dec 2 is the Holiday Light Parade in Palm Bay; Rick will be pulling the float this time. Parade start is 6pm.

Coats for Kids Handout

Nov 18, Tom Trembley, Bob, Mike, and Joe worked on the coat handouts this year, we have quite a few coats remaining, and Tom will be addressing our next step with the Council on how we will distribute the remaining coats.

Round Table at Saint Lukes

Nov 21 was the Round Table at Saint Luke's, 17 Knights and their spouses from Council 7408 were in attendance, Father Tony held Mass at 5:30 with the theme of Thanksgiving and being thankful for the many Blessings we have received. Shortly after Mass we retired to the Hall for some great food that Mike Lacey, wife and crew had prepared. Also, we had an assortment of potluck food from the attendees which made for a lot of food. Mike told everyone to take a to go container with them and make use of the food that remained after the dinner.

Spot Light Theatre Dinner

On Dec 3rd at 2pm the Spotlight group will perform "Christmas Anyone?" at the Bayside Performing Arts Center, 1901 Degroodt Road, Palm Bay, Florida 32908. The group had their annual dinner at our hall, the dinner was delicious and the raffle prizes awesome, for a 5-dollar donation you spun the wheel and had the chance to win 25-dollar gift certificates or raffle tickets or a choice from a table of stuffed animals. My lady had her eye on a Hippo, and we spun the wheel until we won it. Keep in mind the date for their show Dec 3, cost \$10.

Upcoming Events

December 1 - Eucharistic Miracles of the World at saint Lukes

December 2 - State soccer competition at MCC sign up at 10 am starting shortly after.

December 2 - Holiday parade

- **December 3 Spotlight Dinner Theater.**
- December 5th Tree lighting ceremony and dinner at our hall.

December 6 - FIT spaghetti dinner

Vivat Jesus Tony Krzeminski.



2023-24 Knight of the Month & Family of the Month Awardees

July: Knight of the Month: Gary Bradley Family of the Month: Shauna, Brock, Emma Gillespie

August: Knight of the Month: Mike Deschaine Family of the Month: Ted and Maria Krus

September: Knight of the Month: SK Richard Di Cicco, PGK Family of the Month: SK Frank and Anne Altro

October: Knight of the Month: SK Terry Galvin Family of the Month: SK Mark and Patty Zarraonandia

November: Knight of the Month: Jerry Morris Family of the Month: SK Tom and Jeanne Tremblay

December: Knight of the Month: Family of the Month January: Knight of the Month: Family of the Month:

February: Knight of the Month: Family of the Month:

March: Knight of the Month: Family of the Month:

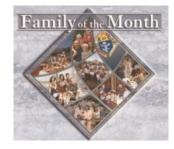
April: Knight of the Month: Family of the Month:

May: Knight of the Month: Family of the Month:

June: Knight of the Month: Family of the Month:

Knight of the Year: Family of the Year:







Calendar of Events Happening in November

lonth	Date	Event
	1	
	2	State Soccer Challenge at MCC – 10AM Palm Bay Christmas Parade
	3	Spotlight Theater Dinner
	4	Bingo Doors Open at 5 PM
	5	Tree Lighting Ceremony & Dinner
	6	FIT Spaghetti Dinner
	7	Assembly Meeting 4th Degree 7:30PM
	8	
	9	
	10	
	11	Bingo Doors Open at 5 PM
	12	Ladies Aux. Meeting 11AM Officer & Director Meeting 7:30 PM
	13	
	14	Council Meeting & 1st Degree 7:30 PM
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	18	Bingo Doors Open at 5 PM
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	25	MERRY CHRISTMAS
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	28	SOCIAL MEETING 7:30 PM
	29	
	30	
	31	New Years Eve



Information

Meetings

(All meetings are at the Council Hall unless otherwise announced)

Fourth Degree First Thursday at 7:30 PM

General Council (Business) Second Thursday at 7:30 PM

Columbus Club Second Thursday at 6:30 PM

General Council (Social) Fourth Thursday at 7:30 PM

> First Degree TBA by Grand Knight

Assembly Boosters Club Get Listed in our Boosters Club

The Ladies Auxiliary Pat & Nancy Farrelly Ted & Maria Krus Rich & Rita Wendt Terry and Mary Galvin Michael Deschaine Tony Krzeminski

See the Faithful Comptroller for payment.

Boosters Club

Get Listed in our Boosters Club

Gary & Diane Bradley Pat & Nancy Farrelly James E. Krempasky Peter Thibault Sr. The Ladies Auxiliary Ron & Judy Hoenig Jerry Morris Bradley Hood Kevin Kenna Bert Kaiser and Eileen Burns James Krempasky and Shirley Hollink Tony Kreminski Joseph and Victoria Ciambra Greg Hoenig

Cost to be a Booster is \$5 per name or \$10 a couple. See the Financial Secretary for payment.

Happy Birthday!

Jacob M. Apel Paul D. Batick Raymond F. Felderhoff Dennis A. James James E. Krempasky Anthony W. Krzeminski Richard H. Lepage Mark Pasquariello Joseph R. Petrick Reginald F. Potoczny Heriberto Ramos John C. Sciarretta William N. Struck



Information Cont.

List of Brothers & Sister who Rest in Peace

Peter Cote, John Pordon, Michael Finn, Robert Lannon, Fred Marano, Robert Meehan, Fred Mercier, Leonard Miller, Edward Parsley, Tim Chasey, Joseph Rinando, William Bloemen, Nannette Apel, Tony Colandrea, Kenneth Jagues, Doug Kalcik, Kevin Roberts, Frank Ferrante, Tim Holcomb, Fred Weinert, Nicholas Fiasconaro, Alrico Eric Macrorenhas, Juan Ferras, Gene Janutolo, Michael Uhaul, Rene Laimont, Mel Broom, James Duffy, Kenny Derenthal, Msgr. Cleo Schmenk, Linda Boland, Antoinette Kaye, Dorothy Mulligan, Irene Ryan, Bernard Seman, Fr. Edward Hamilton, Albert Sorrentino, Chester Milza, James Grossman, Pete Hoffman, Tom Boland, Ann Coyne, Bob Goldback, Thomas Opalewski, John Landry, Bill Holmes, Marcia Falotico, Bob Calarco, John Davis, Edward J. Dudek, Walter Carper, Mary Farrelly, Claudia Benifeito, Robert Rossman, Beryl Kruempel Dennis Yangco, Mark Schiro, PGK, PFN, FDW Bob Burgess, Mike Brown, Paul Gallant, Tom Lipton, Carol Desmaris, Phil Rosaci, Jeanine Lembcke, Bill Stearly, Thomas E. Smith, Marietta Janutolo, Deacon John Dunlop, Paul E. Phenix, Jr.

May they rest in peace and in the care of our Lord. Please pray for these brothers and sisters who have gone to their eternal reward. Council Information Address 6725 Babcock St. Malabar, FL 32950 321-312-6480 Mailing Address PO Box 60778 Palm Bay, FL 32906-0778

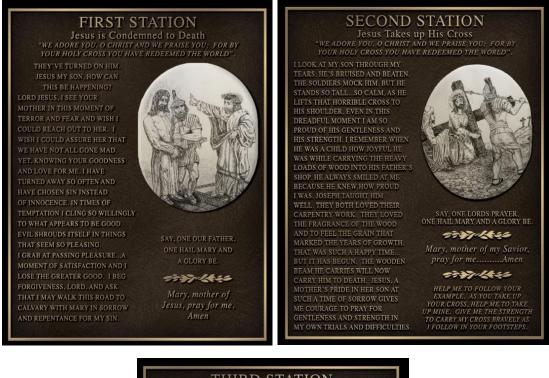
We're on the Web!

See us at:

https://council7408.wixsite.com/website



These are just some of the Bronze Stations of the Cross that our resident Artist, Deacon Frank Falotico is working on



THIRD STATION

Jesus Falls the First Time "WE ADORE YOU, O CHRIST AND WE PRAISE YOU; FOR BY YOUR HOLY CROSS YOU HAVE REDEEMED THE WORLD".

THEY'LL TRAMPLE HIM! ONE OF THE SOLDIERS IS LAUGHING



SAY: ONE OUR FATHER, ONE HAIL MARY AND A GLORY BE. 20171444

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More Pictures from November



RENT OUR HALL!





Security deposit - \$450.00 on all rentals (refundable)
2. Kitchen Rental - \$50.00
3. Whole Building - \$150.00 per hour
4. Kitchen (East) Hall - \$150.00 per hour
5. No Kitchen (West) Hall - \$75.00 per hour





St. Joseph Council 7408 40th Anniversary Polo Shirt Order Form

Date	 PAID
Name	 CASH
Phone	 СНЕСК
Email	 DATE
Address	

	Description	Size	Quantity	Unit Price	Amount
Mens	Polo Shirt Small	Small		33.00	
Mens	Polo Shirt Medium	Medium		33.00	
Mens	Polo Shirt Large	Large		33.00	
Mens	Polo Shirt Extra Large	XL		33.00	
Mens	Polo Shirt XXL	XXL		35.00	
Mens	Polo Shirt XXXL	XXXL		36.00	
Mens	Polo Shirt XXXXL	XXXXL		37.00	
Ladies	Polo Shirt Small	Small		33.00	
Ladies	Polo Shirt Medium	Medium		33.00	
Ladies	Polo Shirt Large	Large		33.00	
Ladies	Polo Shirt Extra Large	XL		33.00	
Ladies	Polo Shirt XXL	XXL		35.00	
Ladies	Polo Shirt XXXL	XXXL		36.00	
Ladies	Polo Shirt XXXXL	XXXXL		37.00	
				TOTAL	

Order will be submitted after payment received.

signature

Order taker, rec'd payment