

# **Knights of Columbus**

St. Joseph - Council 7408

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This Month's Highlights

<u>December 11<sup>th</sup></u>

Council Business Meeting

<u>December 25<sup>th</sup> - Canceled</u>

Social Meeting

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Sir Knight Ron Hoenig receives credit for any pictures in the newsletter unless noted otherwise If you had been at November's events...



Council 7408

Marched in the

Veteran's Parade



Knights attended
All Souls Mass



Bingo at the K of C Hall Monday.

Doors open @ 5pm Games start @ 6pm





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# Grand Knight's Message



Worthy Brother Knights and Sisters

I hope that you and your families have a blessed Advent season!

Vivat Jesus

Joseph A. Giesler
Grand Knight
Knights of Columbus Council 7408





# Navigator's Log



Worthy Brother and Sisters,

I hope that you and your family have a blessed Advent season!

Fraternally,

Joseph Giesler Grand Knight Council7408 Faithful Navigator Assembly 2932



**HONOR GUARD:** If you are interested in helping with Honor Guard duties, please contact SK Mike Deschaine at (321) 698-2136. 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



Brother Knights, families, and friends,

As we enter this beautiful season of Advent and prepare our hearts for Christmas, I am reminded of how blessed we are as a council and as a parish community. This time of year invites us to slow down, to reflect, and to remember the profound truth at the center of our faith: that Christ came into the world not in glory or splendor, but in humility and

love. His birth brings hope to the weary, light to those in darkness, and peace to every heart willing to welcome Him.

During this season of giving, I want to express my gratitude for the generosity and service shown by our brother Knights. Whether through our outreach programs, charitable collections, or simple acts of kindness, you all embody the mission of the Knights of Columbus in a real and meaningful way. Let us continue to be present for those in need, especially the lonely, the struggling, and the forgotten. May we bring Christ's love to them through our words, actions, and fellowship.

As we approach Christmas, I pray that each of you and your families experience the joy and warmth of Christ's presence. May your homes be filled with peace, your hearts with gratitude, and your spirits with renewed faith. On behalf of Council 7408, I wish you a blessed Advent and a very Merry Christmas!

Vivat Jesus,
Kevin Freedman
Deputy Grand Knight
Knights of Columbus Council 7408
St. Joseph Catholic Church





# District Deputy Message



Worthy District Deputy Eddy Merlet has nothing to report at this time.





### Pro-Life Corner



The sale of Christmas Ornaments was very successful. We sold 117 Ornaments. Patty and I will be handing out the Ornaments that were ordered after each Mass on December 6th and 7th.

Christmas-time always makes me think of the past. Past Christmases, places I was at when I was in the Military on Christmas, Nostalgia. Recently someone asked me, how long have I been a Knight. I had to dig through my footlocker. This December 5<sup>th</sup> will be 20 Years of being a Knight. I found my 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Certificate from Council 13243 - OLOG. This December's meeting will mark my 17<sup>th</sup> year with Council 7408 and my 17<sup>th</sup> year as the Pro-Life Director for this Council. I've been the Newsletter Editor since 2015. Boy, have the years flown by.

Merry Christmas to all my fellow Knights in Council 7408 and their Families.

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







## Ladies Auxiliary News



Dear Ladies and Knights,

Another year is flying past us and now we find ourselves in the Advent/Christmas season. I pray everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving and will all do well in the New Year.

The Ladies will celebrate our Annual Christmas Luncheon this year at Rooney's. Everyone seems to like their atmosphere and the ability to visit with one another before the Holidays. We hope to see you all there.

Don't forget the Christmas Tree Lighting and supper at the Knights Hall on December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

We are in the very early planning stages for our Fashion Show which will be held sometime in April after Easter. We'll let you know the date soon.

Please keep our ill and deceased members in your prayers and we'll see you all in the New Year.

God Bless Everyone,

Susan Burgess

President

## Spiritual Notes - Deacon Frank



#### IF YOU HEAR HIS VOICE HARDEN NOT YOUR HEARTS

My brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, If you feel Jesus calling to you, then help me to bring a bit of faith to those that teeter on the edge, with that help we maybe able to bring them closer to Jesus and to what His mother as she felt on the way to Calvary. As others in the past have left something to help us in our faith journey it is only right we do the same.

I am of Italian extract and if you have ever been to Italy you would know it is the country of Art and artists. Art is immortal it remains for hundreds if not thousands of years and worth more as time passes. I ask your help in this, I ask you to write to the pastor the assistant pastor, the Bishop that Out door stations of the cross are needed to help increase the Faith Journey of many. One that can be walked sat at and meditated on to be remembered, to see how Jesus Mother Mary felt and what we can do for our Selves in our Journey.

I have completed 10

Stations so far and paid for them out of pocket! 4 to go. I pray before Easter 2026

Being retired from service as a Deacon and now 90% home bound at near 90 years of age. I have received this call to put me art ability to put together these 14 stations of the cross on a bronze plaque 14" x 18" with a porcelain picture of the station. I have done many pieces in wood on paper and in stone. I designed a ring for Jostens the ring people for the Millennium and presented it to Pope John Paul. I received a letter from his secretary thanking me the later one stating it was placed in the Papal Museum.

The stations mounted of tomb stones would be apart by at least 5 to 10 feet to allow for meditations. The path covered with brick bricks about 5 apart in width and 70 to 140 feet in a line would contain 14 concrete benches and about 2100 bricks. There is a possibility the Parish, school, retreat center could make near \$150,000 in sales of the bricks. All with engraved memories or memorials.

This project would benefit the Parish the faith journey of the faithful and leave a lasting memorial. But we must all work to get this moving as the information of each station comes from the Marian Prayer book 1984 edition, I am quite sure the Bishop would come to bless them as they would be quite beautiful and a committee would also pave the walk with flowers and shrubs. As Churches are locked and a spiritual journey states from it's beginning. I need your help to make the VIA DELO ROSA a way of life for the faithful and to pray the Pray the Rosary at the end. Gods Love and Blessings be yours,

Thank You, In the Lords Service, I remain,

Senior, Deacon Francis Falotico, sosm 2185 Spring Creek Circle NE Palm Bay, Florida 32905

## **Insurance Guy**



Advent - The Gift of Protection

A Blessed Advent to you all!

As we anticipate the coming of Christ at Christmas, it's undoubtedly a busy time of year for so many of us. There are meals to prepare, gatherings to attend and gifts to buy, but we know these are labors of love. We love our families and want this holy time of year to be special for them.

These moments we share with our families are precious, and they should cause us to reflect on what it is we cherish in our lives and strive to protect. What would life look like if the unexpected were to happen?

I invite you this season to consider protecting what matters most through the gift of life insurance.

The right life insurance coverage can mean financial security for your family. It can mean the ability for them to have income to help minimize the impact of an untimely death on their level of financial comfort. It can shield against debt or remaining mortgage payments, so your family is protected if you or your spouse dies unexpectedly.

Depending on your policy, it could also be the seeds of a growing financial legacy — a foundation to give your loved ones so they can continue to build upon what you've worked for.

Simply put, life insurance is the gift of protection and stability for the most important people in our lives.

Let's schedule time to connect before the end of the year so we can explore affordable options together that can help make a big difference for your peace of mind in 2026 and for years to come.

Vivat Jesus!

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## Columbus Club Corner



Hello Brothers

We need help staffing our night time rental that is putting thousands into our Rental income each month.

We need more of you to step up once a month or more to cover current rental

Times of -

10:30 pm to 5:30 am total rental time.

Right now the need is for - 10:30 pm to 2 am and 2 am to 5:30 am

Your first time you will have someone with you to explain the ropes.

Contact me (540-429-2626) if you can cover any of the above times on:

November 28

December 5

December 12

December 19

December 26

Frank

540-429-2626

## **Community Activities Director**

#### 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, Nov 24 will be **around \$800.** 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. Our attendance has been increasing recently but there is still plenty of room for new players. Look forward to seeing all of you on Monday evenings.

#### **All Souls Day and Veterans Day Masses**

Was on Nov 2. At the 2pm Mass Thom and Ralph were ushers, also we had 4 Honor Guards in attendance, all the reports back were very favorable. The 9:45 Mass was our Veterans Day Mass which was well attended.

#### **FIT Spaghetti Dinner**

On Nov 5th, thanks to Joe Giesler manning his two burner gas stove we were able to keep up with the spaghetti needed to serve the students, We cooked around 12 lbs of spaghetti. Thomas, Ken, Tony, Joe and myself were kept hopping but everyone was fed.

#### Flag Retirement Ceremony

On Nov 6th we held our flag retirement ceremony. Joe Giesler, Joe Whitmayer, Kevin Freedman and others members read what the flag's colors stood for and also gave instructions on how the flag should be respected and the proper use and display of our flag. I found this ceremony to be quite moving, and this was the first time I witnessed this ceremony. Joe Giesler would like to perform this ceremony again for the older students at Saint Joe's school, sometime in the future.

#### **Veterans Parade**

On Nov 8th Rick pulled our float down Port Malabar Blvd in the Veterans parade, we had a full float with Knights, wives and friends of Knights waving to the parade goers wishing them a happy Veterans day. It was a beautiful day only starting to get hot towards the end of the parade. Most of the parade attendees managed to find shaded areas to watch from making for an enjoyable day at the parade.

#### **District Soccer Shootout**

On Nov 15 we held our District Soccer shootout at MCC the athletes started at 9:30am. I am happy to report one of our Saint Joe students, Adrian Iwezulu won his age group and can participate at the State level. Adrian was very impressive with his strong 20 point kicks. (His Dad was also a great help in stopping the runaway balls that flew past the goal, thanks Dad.) The next challenge will be on Nov 22nd at MCC. If you can come out and support the kids.

#### **Upcoming Events/happenings**

Dec 2nd Christmas Tree Lighting and dinner

Dec 6th Flea Market at Saint Lukes Church

Dec 6th Holiday Parade in Palm Bay 6pm start at Palm Bay EFSC

Tony Krzeminski - Community Coordinator



# 2025-26 Knight of the Month & Family of the Month Awardees

July:	January:
Knight of the Month: Jean Gellin	Knight of the Month:
Family of the Month: Ethen and Elizabeth Devoe	Family of the Month:
August:	February:
Knight of the Month: Anthony Krezminski	Knight of the Month:
Family of the Month: Frank and Ann Altro	Family of the Month:
September:	March:
Knight of the Month: Daniel J. Cochran	Knight of the Month:
Family of the Month: Zachery and Krystal Franciosi	Family of the Month:
October:	April:
Knight of the Month: Jerry Morris	Knight of the Month:
Family of the Month:	Family of the Month:
November:	May:
Knight of the Month:	Knight of the Month:
Family of the Month:	Family of the Month:
December:	June:
Knight of the Month:	Knight of the Month:
Family of the Month:	Family of the Month:
Knight of the Year: Family of the Year:	







Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Bingo Doors Open at 5PM	2 Christmas Tree Lighting and Dinner 5:30PM	3	4 Assembly Meeting 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree 7:30PM	5	6 Palm Bay Christmas Parade
7	8 Bingo Doors Open at 5PM	9 Ladies Aux. Meeting 11AM O & D Meeting 7:30PM	10	11 Council Business Meeting 7:30PM	12	13
14	15 Bingo Doors Open at 5PM	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 Bingo Doors Open at 5PM	23	24	25 MERRY CHRISTMAS	26	27
28	29 Bingo Doors Open at 5PM	30	31			



## 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

Rick DiCicco, PGK Kenneth Friedel Family Ted Krus Anthony Krzeminski

See the Faithful Comptroller for payment.

#### Boosters Club

Get Listed in our Boosters Club

Rick DiCicco, PGK Daniel Cochran Joe and Denise Giesler Ron and Judy Hoenig Frank and Anne Altro Kenneth and Mary Friedel Kenny Friedel Tony Krzeminski **Anthony Selario** Jerry Morris Lorraine Callagy **Bradley and Suzanne Hood** Joe and Teresa Widmayer James Krempasky and Shirley Hollink Robert Tumbiolo Kevin and Paige Freeman Joseph Gould Michael Wahlberg Stephen and Kathy Whitney Ethen and Elizabeth Devoe Catherine Imbriano Sue Burgess

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
James E. Krempasky
Anthony W. Krzeminski
Richard H. Lepage
Mark Pasquariello
Joseph R. Petrick
Reginald F. Potoczny
William N. Struck



### Information Continued

#### List of Brothers & Sister who Rest in Peace

Eugene Callagy, Thomas Pernice, Peter Cote, John Pordon, Michael Finn, Robert Lannon, Fred Marano, Patrick Steffens, Robert Meehan, Fred Mercier, Leonard Miller, Edward Parsley, Tim Chasey, Joseph Rinando, William Bloemen, Robert, Goldbach, Nannette Apel, Tony Colandrea, Kenneth Jaques, 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, Pablo Molina, Bob Calarco, Joseph Fliss, Dirk Kraus, John Malys, Leonard Hill, John Davis, Thomas Gourley, Russell Baxter, Edward J. Dudek, Walter Carper, Thomas Good, Mary Farrelly, Claudia Benifeito, Robert Rossman, Norman Measel, John Reddy, Beryl Kruempel, Dennis Yangco, Dennis Vukson, Mark Schiro, Henry Gartner, Peter Arbona, Gary Von Dross, PGK, PFN, FDW Bob Burgess, Gerald Burdick, Harry Vadney, William Hawk, Joseph Skoskie, Mike Brown, Paul Gallant, Tom Lipton, Robert Zerkowski, Carol Desmaris, Phil Rosaci, Jeanine Lembcke, Bill Stearly, Thomas E. Smith, Marietta Janutolo, Deacon John Dunlop, Sidney Durham, Bert Kaiser, Paul E. Phenix, Jr., Richard Wendt PFN, Fr. Robert "Bob" Hoeffner, Alain Fradette, Lu Berardi, Catherine Quinn,

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.

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### **Baptism Cross Sponsors**

Sponsor
Robert Tumbiolo
Kevin Freedman
Joe Giesler
Kenneth N C Friedel
Ron Hoenig

# Prayers for Sick and Grieving

### Please pray for the following:

The Friedel Family
The Colon Family
Jean Gellin
Pat Farrelly
Deacon Gary and his wife Charo
Zarraonandia Family
And anyone not listed who is in need of healing





God of goodness and compassion,

I place in Your hands all those who suffer from illness. Grant relief to their pain, strength in their weakness, and hope in their journey. May they feel Your presence and the tenderness of those around them. If it is Your will, grant them total healing and, above all, peace of soul.

Amen.



## Pictures from November











# More Pictures from November







## Rent Our Hall





- 1. Security deposit \$450.00 on all rentals (refundable)
  - 2. Whole Building \$150.00 per hour
  - 3. Kitchen (East) Hall \$125.00 per hour
  - 4. No Kitchen (West) Hall \$75.00 per hour





# St. Joseph Council 7408 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Polo Shirt Order Form

Date	PAID
Name	CASH
Phone	CHECK
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	



# SAINT JOHN PAUL II Assembly 2932 Polo Shirt Order Form

Date	PAID
Name	CASH
Phone	CHECK
Email	Section 2011 Control Control
Address	DATE

	Description	Size	Quantity	Unit Price	Amount
Mens – no pocket	Polo Shirt Small	Small		38.00	
Mens – no pocket	Polo Shirt Medium	Medium		38.00	
Mens – no pocket	Polo Shirt Large	Large		38.00	
Mens – no pocket	Polo Shirt Extra Large	XL		38.00	
Mens – no pocket	Polo Shirt XXL	XXL		40.00	
Mens – no pocket	Polo Shirt XXXL	XXXL		42.00	
Mens – no pocket	Polo Shirt XXXXL	XXXXL		43.00	
Mens - pocket	Polo Shirt Small	Small		42.00	
Mens - pocket	Polo Shirt Medium	Medium		42.00	
Mens - pocket	Polo Shirt Large	Large		42.00	
Mens - pocket	Polo Shirt Extra Large	XL		42.00	
Mens - pocket	Polo Shirt XXL	XXL		43.00	
Mens - pocket	Polo Shirt XXXL	XXXL		45.00	
Mens - pocket	Polo Shirt XXXXL	XXXXL		46.00	
ADD:	\$6.00 for Name			NAMES	
The order will be submitted after payment received.				TOTAL	
		_	signature		

Order taker, rec'd payment