



# Knights of Columbus

Msgr. Martin B. Power Council 14573



August 2025

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## From the Grand Knight



### Worthy Brothers and Sisters,

Welcome to the Fraternal Year 2025-2026. I want to express my gratitude to all the returning council officers for their commitment to another fraternal year, and to our newly elected members – Deputy Grand Knight John Pechar and Advocate PGK Mike Marzec. A special thanks goes to PGK Jose Montes as he embarks on his first year as Council Trustee; I truly appreciate him for always being available to take my calls and messages whenever I need assistance to handle Grand Knight stuff. Additionally, I would like to thank PGK, PFN Eddy Merlet for completing his three-year term as Council Trustee and transitioning into his new role as District (30) Deputy. Congratulations, Worthy DD! To say the least, July has been quite hectic: we have had the Council Activities and Budget Planning meeting, the Council Officers meeting, the Parish Round Table, my inaugural Council Meeting, and my first District Grand Knights meeting.

I would like to thank Worthy Financial Secretary Richard Becker, Worthy Treasurer Randy Lascody, Worthy Trustee PGK Dave AmRhein, Worthy DGK John Pechar, and Worthy Trustee PGK Jose Montes for dedicating numerous hours to develop the new activities plan and budget during the Council Activities and Budget Planning meeting. The activities and budget primarily align with last year's plan and budget, which was shared at the officers meeting. We convened the Council Officers meeting on the second Thursday of the month, where the officers evaluated and approved the activities plan and budget.

Alongside DGK John Pechar, Faithful Navigator Rob Light, and Lady Christie Marzec, who represented Ladies Auxiliary President Lady Becky Richard, I participated in the Parish Round Table with Worthy Chaplain and Pastor SK Father John Bosco Maison. We reviewed the council's activities from the last quarter, discussed the activities for July, and presented the 25-26 Council's activities scheduled to take place in the church and on the parish campus. Father John granted us the approval to proceed with this quarter's activities. The primary activities that Father John Bosco endorsed are those related to our founder Blessed Father McGivney: a Membership Drive, Novena, Corporate Communion and his feast day. Membership Drive is set for the weekend of August 9th and 10th, following all the masses. Additionally, we will hold the Blessed Father McGivney Corporate Communion mass on Sunday, August 10th, during the 11:30 Mass. These events will align with the Blessed Fr. McGivney Novena, scheduled from Monday, August 4th, to Tuesday, August 12th, after the morning masses, and will conclude with the morning mass at Ascension to honor his feast day on Wednesday, August 13th.



## **GK Rich Passarella (continued)**

The Blessed Father McGivney Banner will be prominently displayed outside the church entrance throughout the novena period. The Pastor has also approved the Knights to organize the Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 21st. We need all-out help for this activity so when Sign-Up Genius is posted please volunteer some time for this parish-wide event.

My first council meeting on Thursday July 17<sup>th</sup> in Knights Room was successful with only a few procedural hiccups which I can correct. The minutes were emailed and are posted on the Google Drive. Worthy SK Bill Quinn PGK, PFN has volunteered to take over the council and assembly shirts. More info to come. Worthy Lecturer, Deacon Chris presented a very thought-provoking video by Father Mike Schmitz from his July 13<sup>th</sup> homily, "Doing Makes A Difference". With right attitude, conviction and purpose we can turnaround the, "I'll get around to it or I would like to do it" to I did it. In Deuteronomy 30:14, Moses commands, "you have only to carry it out." My words, JUST DO IT. Deacon Chris requested - "listen to it carefully because it really speaks to us as Knights."

Our council hosted the Grand Knights meeting for the District Deputy on July 23rd in the Knights Room. Grand Knights from the five councils of District 30 attended the district presentation by Worthy DD Eddy Merlet. Also present was Worthy Region 3 Administrator, Rob Rasch, who supervises Districts 18-32. He provided valuable insights to the Grand Knights regarding membership, programs, and particularly faith programs. DD meetings are held quarterly. Also, the Florida State Council has reintroduced the Florida State Council Charity Raffle to raise funds for local councils as well as for Florida KofC Charities Inc. More information to come in near future.

There have been numerous requests for prayers for our brother Knights and their families, so let us "pray unceasingly" to Our Savior Jesus for his healing and for the intercession of our Blessed Mother Mary.

Remember to support the Blessed Father McGivney activities this month by participating in the novena, joining us for the council's Corporate Communion, and assisting with the membership drive. Our next council meeting is August 21<sup>st</sup>. BE THERE!

**Vivat Jesus,**

**SK Rich Passarella**  
**Grand Knight**

The next monthly Council meeting will be held on August 21 at 7PM in the Knights Room. Power Rosary at 6:15 in the Ministry Building, Room 313.

### **From Worthy Regional Administrator SK Gerry Grillo**

Family, Friends of Jacob Grillo's Family!

TY TY all for the Beautiful Funeral Service for my Awesome Son Jacob! 280 in attendance plus Church Staff attended the service at Ascension Catholic Church! We could not TY enough! Your attendance made my final speech a big tribute to our Awesome Son Jacob in your hearts forever!

Sherry, Jarrett, myself,

Love u All!



## **Council Notes**

- **Round Table** with Father John Bosco on July 15. This was the first roundtable with Father John by our newly elected Grand Knight. The opening ceremony for Flags for Heroes was discussed and Father John asked that we have the opening ceremony on Saturday instead of Sunday since Sunday is such a busy day with the normal Mass schedule. The opening ceremony could be held after 4:30 Mass on Saturday.
- **Membership.** As in years past, we will hold a membership drive during August — something very appropriate for the anniversary of the birth of our founder Blessed Fr. Michael McGiveny. The membership drive will be held on August 9 and 10 with Knights available for every Mass that weekend to answer questions from prospective members. We will be soliciting
  - We are now in our new Fraternal Year so the counter is reset and we need 13 new members this fraternal year — a reduction from 15 new members for years past. We need to meet our recruitment goal in order to be eligible for the Star Award. So now is the time to step up the recruitment efforts for any new prospective members.
  - As mentioned earlier, August is membership month in honor of our founder and we will be especially focusing on new members during the weekend of August 9 and 10.
  - We have one new prospect who has filled out the form 100 — Richard Miller. So we hope to have him at an Exemplification Ceremony this month on July 31.
  - SK Bean Beanblossom received information from Supreme on Honorary Memberships.
    - In April 2024, Supreme placed a temporary hold on generating Honorary and Honorary Life membership cards. Starting this month, card distribution will resume and the cards for members who achieved this status since April 2024 will be sent to Financial Secretaries and Faithful Comptrollers for presentation to the respective members.
- **Corporate Communion** will be held on August 10 at 11:30 Mass.
- **Annual Budget and Activity List.** Both of these items were discussed at the last Officer Meeting held on July 10. Both were approved at the meeting for implementation. We still need approval from the school for activities planned with them.
  - This year we have a clearly defined passthrough for funds that go directly to a particular program.
  - You can view the Annual Budget — [HERE](#)
  - You can view the 2025/2026 Fraternal Year Plan — [HERE](#)
- **Parish Picnic.** This is an event that needs long-term planning. Last year we enjoyed an excellent picnic spearheaded by SK Ken Raynor. Ken won't be able to chair the event this year so we are looking for a chairperson to take the lead for the picnic. We have the pavilion at Wickham Park reserved for Sunday, September 21. The chairperson will need to organize all that is required to make the picnic happen. This includes all logistics planning and work assignments including cooking cleaning, servicing, setup and take down, insuring grills are delivered to the pavilion and purchasing all food, drink and supplies. Of course the chairperson will have lots of help from brother Knights and Ladies from the Auxiliary. This is a big event but it is one that showcases the many talents of the Knights and provides an excellent recruitment tool to bring in new Knights. If you would like to volunteer as chairperson, please contact WGK Jose. If you would like to learn more about what exactly this job entails, contact either Ken Raynor or John Pechar who was chairperson before Ken.



## Council Notes

- **Renew Your Dues Now.** July 1st marks the start of a new Fraternal Year. Our membership dues for the K of C Council 14573 are due at the beginning of the Fraternal Year. Regular dues are \$40 per year. If you have any questions about your dues, email Richard Becker at [rit3722@gmail.com](mailto:rit3722@gmail.com). Below are two options to pay our dues:

1. Pay by check payable to "K of C Council 14573" and hand the check to Richard Becker (Financial Secretary) or Randy Lascody (Treasurer) at the next council meeting or mail it to: "K of C Council 14573, Attention: Richard Becker, 4825 Tiverton Court, Melbourne, FL 32934"



2. Pay electronically using a Credit Card, Debit Card, PayPal, or Venmo. This can be done from the Council's website Dues page by [clicking on this link](#). If that URL link does not take you to the dues page, visit the main page here — [Council Website](#).
3. Please remember that your membership dues support Council sponsored charitable contributions, operations, and per-capita assessments from Supreme and the Florida State Council. The combined annual Supreme and Florida State Council assessments must be paid by the Council for all members on the roster, even if the member did not pay his dues. Paying your dues avoids the Council from having to use someone else's dues or funds targeted towards charitable contributions to cover members who do not pay, therefore we ask that you please stay current with your membership dues.

- **Assembly Dues** were due on January 1. Please pay your annual dues of \$25 at your earliest convenience. Followup notices will sent to all members who have not paid their dues — you can pay in person or through the mail. Dues are the main funding for the Assembly so please pay promptly.

- **Ascension Thrift Store.** The store continues to fall short in having enough volunteers to support all the hours necessary to bring in the revenue needed to support the Social Concerns Ministry and the Ascension Catholic School. The store is a key source of revenue for these ministries. If you can spare a few hours, please consider volunteering. The Thrift Store is also looking for a number two person to help out John Casco. You can contact the Thrift Store to [volunteer here](#).

### ASCENSION THRIFT STORE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Below are QR code links to sign up to volunteer. Please consider joining this amazing group of people, for it is in giving that we receive. Feel free to pass this along to anyone who may be interested in helping out. Thank you for your time and consideration. May the peace and love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always.



WEDNESDAY VOLUNTEER



SATURDAY WAREHOUSE

**Ascension Thrift Shop is in need of  
TENTS AND SLEEPING BAGS**

Please bring donations to the Thrift Shop during hours of operation.

Thank you for your generosity.

For more information on volunteering, please call: 321-610-8742 or email: [info@AscensionThriftShop.com](mailto:info@AscensionThriftShop.com)



## Council Notes

- **Daily Bread.** In the past, the Knights have supported the Daily Bread facility on the fourth Sunday of the month with volunteers who served the noon meal. This is no longer provided at the Melbourne location. The future plans are to build Providence Place — a permanent, affordable multi-family apartment community with on-site resident services and amenities, prioritized for individuals and families facing homelessness in Melbourne. Currently, the staff at Daily Bread are organizing a mobile outreach program which we hope to support in the future. POC: SK Ric Robinson

- [Daily Bread Mobile Outreach](#)
- [When is Daily Bread closing, and why?](#)
- For more information on Daily Bread or to volunteer — [click here](#)



- **Council and Assembly Shirts.** We now have a new project officer who is our single point of contact for all things shirts and hats for the The Council and Assembly — SK Bill Quinn. Contact Bill for all of your Council and Assembly attire needs.
- **Bartman.** We will continue to use Bartman as a source for Council and Assembly attire. This company is owned and operated by a brother Knight and has proven to be very reliable in the past. Any Knight shirt, hat, or other item or clothing can be ordered from Bartman and can also be embroidered to your specifications. You can order the shirt to your specifications yourself by visiting their website, calling, or visiting their shop — or just see Bill.

### **Bartman Enterprises**

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## BISHOP NORBERT M. DORSEY CP ASSEMBLY #3482



## From the Faithful Navigator

### Sir Knights

History of the Fourth Degree – Part I (excerpt from *The Knights of Columbus: An Illustrated History*, pg. 40, by Andrew T. and Maureen H. Walther, SquareOne, 2020):

The embrace of patriotism was the natural outgrowth of the Knights' foundational conviction that Catholics could be good citizens. Adding the virtue of patriotism to charity, unity, and fraternity as a Fourth Degree had been proposed by Supreme Knight James T. Mullen in the 1880s. The Fourth Degree was formally added under newly elected Supreme Knight Edward L. Hern. On February 22, 1900, nearly 1,100 knights participated in the first exemplification of the Fourth Degree in New York City. Three months later, another 750 members took the degree in Boston.

Any Third Degree Knight in good standing who had been a member of the Order for at least six months was eligible for this optional degree. Fourth Degree Knights earn the title of "Sir" and become members of special groups called assemblies while remaining members of their local councils. The main purpose of the Fourth Degree is to "foster the spirit of patriotism by promoting responsible citizenship and a love of loyalty to the Knights' respective countries..."

Again, a huge shout out and thank you to SK John Pechar, SK Dave AmRhein, SK Phil Mathey and all who participated in the Flags for Heroes program! A resounding success, with a net profit of \$5,542.77 and \$1,385.69 going to the Assembly, next year's event is expected to be even grander from the standpoint that July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026, will also be our nation's 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Thank you to the Assembly officers who were able to help with the annual plan of activities and initial annual budget for this fraternal year. The Color Corps, led by SK Eddy Merlet, and all Council and Ladies Auxiliary members who were able to support Jacob Grillo's funeral as well as Father William Hanley of Holy Name of Jesus – you are greatly appreciated! It's support like this to those in need that makes our faith and the Knights of Columbus truly good and great. Also, a big thanks, again, to the Color Corps and all Council and Lady Auxiliary members who were able to support the Independence Day parade in Melbourne – The Knights of Columbus is one of the most visible arms of the Catholic Church ... especially the Color Corps. If not already a member of the Color Corps and interested in learning more, please contact either me or SK Eddy Merlet about joining. Please keep an eye out for upcoming events in the monthly activity sheet and God Bless!

Vivat Jesus

**SK Rob Light**  
**Faithful Navigator**

Next meeting is August 7 at 7PM in the Knights Room. Immediately before the meeting at 6:30 we will pray the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy.



## 2025-2026 ASSEMBLY 3482 PLAN OF ACTIVITIES

Date/Time	Event	Chairman
July 15 1500	Roundtable with Fr. John Bosco	Parish Office, WGK, FN, MP
August 10 TBD	Veteran Presentation Purple Heart Recognition	FC Ralph Carestia CCC Eddie Merlet
August 10 1130	Quarterly Council/Assembly Corporate Communion, Color Corps CCC Eddie Merlet	WGK Rich Passarella FN Rob Light
Sept 11 1200	911 Patriotic Rosary Ascension Catholic Church	PFN John Pechar SK John Autio
Sept 11 1800	911 Ceremony at Veteran's Center Merritt Island	SK Bobby Sullivan
Mid-Oct 1500	Roundtable with Fr. John Bosco	Parish Office, WGK, FN, MP
Nov 2 Sun Mass	All Souls' Day Mass	WGK Rich Passarella CCC Eddie Merlet
Nov 11 TBD	Veterans' Day Parade – Color Corps Assembly / Council / LA	CCC Eddie Merlet SK Bobby Sullivan
Nov 11	Veterans Flag Ceremony at Shady Oaks Cemetery following Veterans' Day Parade	SK Bobby Sullivan SK John Autio
Nov ???	Vietnam Disabled Veterans Fundraiser Dinner	SK Be Duong SK Bobby Sullivan
Nov ??? TBD	Quarterly Council/Assembly Corporate Communion, Color Corps CCC Eddie Merlet	WGK Rich Passarella FN Rob Light
Dec 13	Wreaths Across America at Shady Oaks and JS Sloan Cemeteries	FN Rob Light PFN John Pechar CCC Eddie Merlet
Jan 3-14	Prepare Form 1728 Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities Report – Due Jan 31	FN Rob Light FC Ralph Carestia
Mid-Jan 1500	Roundtable with Fr. John Bosco	Parish Office, WGK, FN, MP
Jan 10? TBD	Flag Retirement Ceremony at Knight's House American Heritage Girls	SK Jim Voltaire SK John Autio
Jan ??? 1600	Deployed Family Dinner St. George Parish Chapel 84 Harrier Ave., Satellite Beach, FL	FN Rob Light FC Ralph Carestia SK Frank Conley
Feb ???	Flag Retirement Ceremony at Knight's House Ascension Scout Troop 173 & Trail Life Boys	FN Rob Light SK John Autio
March 17 1000	Saint Patrick's Day Parade	CCC Eddie Merlet
March	Prepare Form TBP-1 "To Be A Patriot" Award	FN Rob Light FC Ralph Carestia
March	Prepare Form 2321 Civic Award Application	FN Rob Light FC Ralph Carestia
April ???	Ascension School Flag Retirement Ceremony	SK Bob Richmond
Mid-April 1500	Roundtable with Fr. John Bosco	Parish Office, WGK, FN, MP
May 4	Color Corps Marching of the Colors	FP Malachy MaGuinness
May 4 TBD	Quarterly Council/Assembly Corporate Communion, Color Corps CCC Eddie Merlet	WGK Rich Passarella FN Rob Light
May TBD	Vietnam Travelling Wall & Laying of Wreaths (Assembly/Council/LA) – Color Corps	CCC Eddie Merlet
May TBD	May Crowning (ACCW) Color Corps	CCC Eddie Merlet
May 25 TBD	Memorial Day Ceremony at Shady Oaks	SK Bobby Sullivan
June 27 1800	Flags for Heroes Flag Display Knight's House Lawn Area	PFN John Pechar PGK Dave AmRhein
July 4 1000	Independence Day Parade Assembly / Council / LA	CCC Eddie Merlet SK Bobby Sullivan



## August Birthdays

Heavenly Father, We praise You for all Your gifts to us. In a special way,, we thank You for our brothers as they celebrate their birthday. Bless them always in Your love. Bless us too, Holy Father, Help us all to praise You and give You glory Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Be Duong	August, 1
Jose Cardet	August, 3
Daniel Romano	August, 3
John Loft	August, 10
Paul Matthews	August, 11
Brendan Shea	August, 12
George Caddy	August, 15
Jose Montes	August, 15
Robert Richmond	August, 15
Robert Wells	August, 16
Stephen Cosgriff	August, 17
Ravi Raj	August, 20
Timothy Faulkner	August, 26
Robert Parker	August, 28
Jorge Ruiz	August, 28
Richard Yarbrough	August, 30

**\*\*Be sure to [let us know](#) if we miss any monthly birthdays\*\***

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2025****COUNCIL ACTIVITIES**

Monsignor Martin B. Power Council #14573  
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Council #14573 – 2024-25 Florida State Council of the Year

DATE	TIME	EVENT	CHAIR
Fri 1st	0900	Highway Cleanup (Knight's House)	SK R. Lascody
Sat 2nd Sun 3rd	<b>All Masses</b>	<b>Food for the Poor/ Red/Assembly Shirt</b>	SK Jerry Kelly
Sun 3rd	1545	Life Chain (Corner of Pineda and Wickham)	SK B. Sullivan
Mon 4th Tues 12th	0730	Blessed Fr. McGivney - Novena: 8/4 to 8/12 after morning Mass	WGK R. Passarella
Thu 7th	1830	Chaplet of Divine Mercy (Knight's Room – 312)	SK Ralph Carestia
	1900	Assembly Meeting (Knight's Room – 312)	WFN R. Light
Sat 9th	0715	Pray for Life (In Orlando, Meet at North Melbourne Home Depot)	SK Rey Sepulveda
Sat 9th Sun 10th	<b>All Masses</b>	<b>Blessed Michael McGivney Membership Drive</b>	SK Dave AmRhein
Sun 10th	1130	Council & Assembly Corporate Communion	WGK R Passarella WFN R. Light
Sun 10th	1400	Purple Heart Recognition Ceremony (Brevard Veterans Memorial Center)	See Notes*
Wed 13th	0730	Feast Day of Blessed Michael McGivney Mass Founder of the Knights of Columbus	WGK Rich Passarella
Thu 21st	1815	Power Rosary (LA Room – 313)	SK B. Sullivan

Thu 21st	1900	<b>Council Meeting</b> (Knights Room – 312)	WGK Rich Passarella
Thu 28 <sup>th</sup>	1900	Exemplification of Charity Unity and Fraternity (Knights Room - 312) (If candidates are available)	WGK Rich Passarella

**LOOK AHEAD**

DATE	TIME	EVENT	CHAIR
Sept 11th	noon	Patriotic Rosary in Church	SK J. Pechar
Sept 13th-14th	0800	Women's CRHP Retreat	
Sept 21st	noon	Parish Picnic at Wickham Park	We need YOU
Sept 27th-28th	0800	Men's CRHP Retreat	
Sept 27th - Oct 5th	0730	Novena for Life after morning Mass	SK Jose Montes

**Near Term Important Dates at Ascension Parish:**

- Each Wednesday: Holy Hour (1700-1800)
- Annual Purple Heart Recognition Ceremony at the Veterans Memorial Center Gray Hall. The event is sponsored by Chapter 453 of the Military Order of the Purple Heart. Special recognition of 9 Purple Heart recipients from Vietnam and Afghanistan and ceremony to recognize their sacrifices. Contact Donn Weaver @ 757-871-6576 for more information.

**Activity Chairmen Phone Numbers:**

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SK Rey Sepulveda	321-255-3706
SK Bobby Sullivan	321-223-2473
SK Jose Montes	321-795-8171
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## MCC Scholarships

We received a letter of acknowledgement and thanks from Nicholas Regina, President of Melbourne Central Catholic High School. The Council provides 3 scholarships each year for 3 deserving Ascension graduating students who plan on attending Melbourne Central Catholic next year. The school provides the names and we provide them 3 checks for \$500 each to help with tuition. These are in memory of Fr. Dan Freitas, Fr. Eamon Tobin, and Principal Anita Brady.



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June 25, 2025

Knights of Columbus #14573 Monsignor Martin B. Power  
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To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of the students, faculty, and staff at Melbourne Central Catholic High School, thank you for your \$1,500 gift to the **MCC Fund**, designated to Financial Aid & Scholarship.

Your investment supports the MCC mission to embrace our Franciscan charism -- inclusivity, generosity, humility and integrity -- as we form future leaders. This is as important today as it was in 1961 when we opened our doors.

I invite you to see your gift in action by visiting our website ([www.melbournecc.org](http://www.melbournecc.org)), following us on social media (we post regularly on Facebook and Instagram), or visiting us in person (contact us via email at [advancement@melbournecc.org](mailto:advancement@melbournecc.org) or via phone at 321-727-0793).

Thank you again for your support. Please note that you may want to keep this letter for tax purposes to verify that, in accepting this gift, Melbourne Central Catholic High School certifies that no tangible benefit, goods or services were received by any individuals or entities donating this gift. Your name will appear as Knights of Columbus #14573 Monsignor Martin B. Power in our Annual Report of Investors. Please contact the Advancement Office to specify otherwise.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Regina  
President

Gift Date: July 1, 2025

Gift Type: Check 2946, Check 2947, Check 2948



## Around the Ascension Community



Independence Day Parade in Downtown Melbourne



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FLORIDA STATE COUNCIL

#### *Mission Statement*

*Evangelize and proclaim our faith, protect families,  
and perform works of charity.*

*Through our witness and deeds  
attract Catholic men to our Order.*

*Build the Domestic Church through service,  
with the true understanding of the Eucharist,  
support our parishes, clergy, and communities.*

*Incorporate principled fiscal responsibility  
for charitable giving.*



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SK "Bean" Beanblossom Installed  
as Assembly Faithful Comptroller



Assembly Officer Installation Ceremony Held at Holy Name of Jesus on July 26



## Coats for Kids 2025



### Barnardsville Elementary School Barnardsville, North Carolina

SK Bobby Sullivan made a presentation at the July Council meeting on the Coats for Kids program for this year. He nominated Barnardsville Elementary School located in Barnardsville, North Carolina to be this year's recipient for our Coats for Kids program - 2025.

On September 27, of 2024 Hurricane Helene devastated North Carolina, primarily in its western Appalachian region, causing at least 107 reported deaths and major destruction of infrastructure and residential areas across several regions.

Forty Three people were killed in Buncombe County alone and nearly all of the county was left without electricity and water. Media reports indicate that more than 560 structures were destroyed and at least 901 structures sustained major damage in Buncombe County, with an additional 8,920 homes/buildings incurring minor or moderate damage.

Barnardsville was one of the hardest hit areas in Buncombe County. Barnardsville has a population of approximately 525 residents.

When I contacted the Buncombe County School District regarding our Coats for Kids program, Barnardsville Elementary School was recommended to be a recipient. The school has approximately 150 students ranging from Kindergarten to Fourth Grade. In this area, the high to low average weather temperature in the fall months is approximately 55 degrees and in the winter months that average falls to approximately 38 degrees.

Our Council will order 4 cases of light winter coats to be delivered to the school children. It is important that we order these coats as soon as possible, as multiple Council's will be doing the same. One year the coat order ended early then expected and we were unable to order the coats through the Knight's of Columbus.

If any Council member wishes to make a donation to support this program, additional coats will be sent to the school as well. Donations should be given as soon as you are able to do so, to our Council's Financial Secretary Richard Becker.



## “Go and Do Likewise”

Deacon Chris wanted all of us to reflect on the readings from July 13, the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Deuteronomy 30:10-14 and the Gospel Luke 10:25-37. First Moses talks about the law as something that is not way out there that you can't get to. We all know what needs to be done and we just need to do it. Then in the Gospel we hear Jesus talk about the scholar of law where as in Jewish tradition there are 613 laws they have to figure out. So the scholar asks Jesus which of the laws is more important. Jesus throws it back to him and asks him how does he read the law? The scholar summarizes this by saying to love God and neighbor. But he adds "And who is my neighbor?" Then Jesus gives him the parable of the Good Samaritan. At the end Jesus says "do this and you will live." Basically, you know what needs to be done so just do it. You all have probably heard Father Mike Schmitz speak and maybe have already heard his homily from July 13 — listen to it carefully because it really speaks to us as Knights.



### Luke 10:25-37

There was a scholar of the law who stood up to test Jesus and said, "Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

Jesus said to him, "What is written in the law?"

How do you read it?"

He said in reply,

*"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself."*

He replied to him, "You have answered correctly; do this and you will live."

But because he wished to justify himself, he said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

Jesus replied,

"A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead.

A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. Likewise a Levite came to the place, and when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight.

He approached the victim, poured oil and wine over his wounds and bandaged them. Then he lifted him up on his own animal, took him to an inn, and cared for him. The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper with the instruction, 'Take care of him. If you spend more than what I have given you, I shall repay you on my way back.'

Which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robbers' victim?"

He answered, "The one who treated him with mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

### Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Moses said to the people:

"If only you would heed the voice of the LORD, your God, and keep his commandments and statutes that are written in this book of the law, when you return to the LORD, your God, with all your heart and all your soul.

"For this command that I enjoin on you today is not too mysterious and remote for you. It is not up in the sky, that you should say, 'Who will go up in the sky to get it for us and tell us of it, that we may carry it out?' Nor is it across the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross the sea to get it for us and tell us of it, that we may carry it out?' No, it is something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts; you have only to carry it out."





## Flags for Heroes



The big event for July Flags for Heroes where sponsored flags were on display from June 29 until July 6. The flags celebrate heroes that have impacted someone's life. Heroes can be anyone — veterans living or deceased, clergy, fire fighters, police or teachers to name a few examples. All proceeds from the event go into the Knights benevolent fund. We had 130 sponsored flags on display. We also received sponsorship from 6 corporate sponsors. We were able to add \$4000 to our benevolent fund from sponsorships from Flags for Heroes this year.

The Flags for Heroes committee would like to extend a sincere thank you to all who participated in this program. Thanks to those who worked on the upgrades made to the knight's house mechanicals and participated with the "Flags for Heroes" program. This work benefits not only the "Flags for Heroes" program but other parish activities that occur at the knight's house. Pumpkin Patch, Trunk or Treat, Flag Retirement ceremonies and additional activities involving Ascension Scouts, American

Heritage Girls and Ascension Catholic students are other events that take place at the knight's house.

We Thank everyone for their tireless dedication and hard work in supporting our Council and parish. The individuals below participated with the upgrades at the Knights house, the planning and development of this year's Flag for Heroes program including, signing up sponsors of heroes before and after masses, set up of the field of flags, participating with the opening ceremony all of which made this year a success. So, we say thank you to:

Jose Montes, Ed Breznai, John Miller, Bob Richmond, John Autio, Joe Ameigh, Bob Caldo, Malachy McGuinness, Carl Cioci, Jim Peek, Jim Chatman, Kurt Friend, Rich Passarella, Ric Robinson, Bean Beanblossom, Jack Duggan, Tom Giblin, Randy Lascody, John Toppa, Bobby Sullivan, Felix Rodriguez, Jose Rodriguez, Paul Klein, Be Duong, Richard Becker, Eddy Merlet, Phil Mathey and Dominick Leone. Special thanks to all our Ladies Auxiliary members who support our council activities. We wouldn't be so successful without you.



A special thank you to Michell Timmer and her staff at Good Impressions Printing. You helped us in so many ways.

We would like to thank all the staff at Ascension for their support with all our activities. We are blessed. Thank you, Father John Bosco. our favorite...

- You can view the entire picture library for 2025 Flags for Heroes — [here](#).
- Visit the Diocese of Orlando website for their story on our Flags for Heroes display — [here](#).
- We also have some wonderful drone footage that — along with the many still photos — was made into a presentation by PGK Jose Montes. This was shown to the membership at this meeting. You can view the presentation — [here](#).

Flags For Heroes Committee Chairmen

John Pechar  
Dave AmRhein



## Monthly Council Meeting



**Passing the "Torch" — the Grand Knight  
Gold Watch From PGK Jose Montes to GK  
Rich Passarella**

Our Council has some amazing news to share: Msg. Martin B. Power Council 14573 has earned the 2024-2025 Star Council Award! This award highlights excellence in program activities, membership growth, promoting insurance, fraternal reporting, and compliance with Safe Environment standards. It's the Supreme Council's way of acknowledging these accomplishments. Even though we don't do this work for recognition, it's great to see the hard work of a dedicated group making a difference in the community being recognized when it's truly deserved. This success was made possible by the strong participation of council and assembly members, the fantastic support from the Ladies Auxiliary, the Parish clergy and staff, the school administration, and our parishioners who have consistently engaged and supported various activities.

A big thank you to everyone! Special shoutout to PGK Jose Montes, PFN Bill Quinn, and Past Ladies Auxiliary President Becky Richard for guiding us through an incredible fraternal year.

We'll be presenting the award soon!

Congratulations!

SK Rich Passarella  
Grand Knight



## Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to Father John Bosco and Father John. We are so thankful for your ministry of Priesthood. You are both such a blessing to our community!



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## From the Ladies Auxiliary



The dog days of summer go marching on from July into August. It's been a very hot and humid, and also rainy, summer so far, at least here in West Virginia. Our summers here tends to be only a couple of degrees off from there, and very similar in humidity. The big difference is early mornings and late evenings, which give a slight reprieve, before the sun rises and after it sets. I hope that you have all been enjoying a wonderful summer with family and friends. I hope all of your travels have been and will be safe. I wish you all good health and many occasions to make beautiful memories. I thank all of you beautiful ladies that have been continuing to support our Knights' endeavors and serve our community throughout the months that our Auxiliary has been on break. Don't forget that we will be having our next meeting in September, which our Vice President, Lyn Becker, will be leading. Until then, enjoy the rest of your summer!

Just a little "catch-up" on recognizing our Ladies who celebrated Birthdays and Anniversaries since we last met. As I accidentally left this section off on a couple of Newsletter submissions, let's start back in May...

### Happiest of birthday wishes go out to:

May 4 Mary Morano  
May 15 Janet Autio

June 10 Sally Ramsey  
June 17 Lan Duong  
June 28 Shirley Holby

(VERY popular birthday month!)

July 1 Janet Miller  
July 10 Janet Cardet  
July 10 Chris DeStefon  
July 11 Dorothy Ayers  
July 13 Angela Sullivan  
July 18 Maria Muscarella  
July 18 Susan Worchel

August 11 Phyllis Ceravolo  
August 28 Kris Webster  
August 29 Penny Conley

### Congratulations on another year of wedded bliss go out to:

May 7 Angela Sullivan and her hubby, Bobby  
May 11 Cathy Pechar and her hubby, John  
May 14 Olga Kelly and her hubby, John  
May 23 Suzy Winans and her hubby, Travis

June 2 Chris DeStefon and her hubby, John  
June 21 Susan Blair and her hubby, Doug  
June 24 Lyn Becker and her hubby, Richard  
June 26 Christy Terneus and her hubby, Deacon Bill

July 16 Gerry Hemel and her hubby, John  
July 17 Sandy Sepulveda and her hubby, Rey  
July 30 Sally Ramsey and her hubby

I look forward to seeing you all again in October!

YSIC,  
Becky Richard  
President, Ladies Auxiliary



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You're hopefully maximizing your contributions to savings plans like a 401(k) at work or Individual Retirement Account (IRA). What about other investment options that take your targeted retirement date and risk threshold into account? Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors, a wholly owned subsidiary of Knights of Columbus, has resources to help you understand your options. If you need assistance, I'm happy to connect you with a registered advisor.

Let's look at your finances together to see what plans you already have in place, and what gaps you may have to ensure you don't run out of income in retirement. Safeguard your future today — set up time to meet with me in the coming weeks!

**Vivat Jesus!**

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## Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney Novena

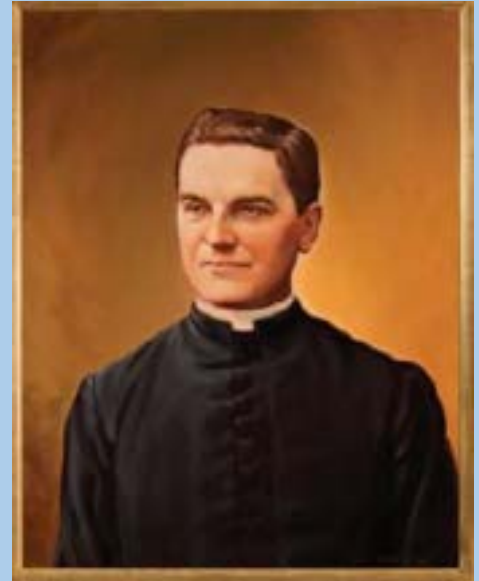
### (From Grand Knight Rich Passarella)

At closing of our council meetings, we pray for the canonization of our founder Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney, whose feast day is August 13<sup>th</sup>. In addition to that prayer, another way to honor him, or to seek his intercession, is to pray a novena.

#### What is a Novena?

“The word novena is taken from “*novem*,” the Latin word for nine. A novena is made up of nine days of prayer and meditation usually to ask God for special prayer requests or petitions. Novenas are often used to ask specific saints to pray for us.

Novenas are an ancient tradition that goes back to the days of the Apostles. Jesus told His disciples to pray together after His ascension into heaven, so they went to an upper room along with the Blessed Virgin Mary, (Acts 1:14) and joined constantly in prayer for nine days. These nine days of constant prayer by the Apostles at the direction of Jesus led up to Pentecost. This is when the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples as “tongues of fire” (Acts 2:1-4). This pattern of 9 days of prayer is the basis the novenas we pray today.”



#### Why pray a novena to Fr McGivney?

One reason to seek Blessed Michael J. McGivney's intercession is if you are suffering emotionally and financially from the loss of a family member, since his family's sufferings after his father's death had a great impact on him.” However, keep in mind that you can pray the Blessed Michael J. McGivney Novena for any intention!

#### Where to find a novena

This new fraternal year brothers and sisters, let us come together in prayer by praying the Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney Novena starting Monday August 4<sup>th</sup> to August 12<sup>th</sup> and then on Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> attend 7:30am morning mass at Ascension to celebrate his feast day.

You might have seen on this past weekend's bulletin an announcement that in anticipation of Blessed Michael McGivney's Feast Day this August 13<sup>th</sup>, our Council is planning to pray the Blessed Michael McGivney Novena, starting on Monday August 4<sup>th</sup> and completing the Novena on Tuesday August 12<sup>th</sup>. We are inviting all parishioners to join us after the 7:30 AM Mass each day (after the 9AM Mass on Saturday) to pray the novena, and we would like to have as many Council and Ladies Auxiliary members join us during those days.

Each of the 9 days the prayers are expected to take about 10 minutes and we invite you to stay after Mass to participate. We also need one volunteer for each day to lead the prayers by reading a script that will be provided. You can take a look at the script by clicking [HERE](#).

If you can help by leading the prayers for one or more of the days, please click on this [SIGN UP](#) to volunteer.

You can find more information on our website under the [Upcoming Events](#) page.

I hope many of you can participate as we pray this Novena to seek our founder Blessed Michael McGivney's intercession for our intentions and for the needs of others.

Visit [NOVENA TO BLESSED MICHAEL MCGIVNEY](#) from the Knights of Columbus.



### Who are the Knights of Columbus?

It is the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization. Founded in 1882 by Fr. Michael J. McGivney. It has over 1.7 million members in over 12,000 councils dedicated to the ideals of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.



### What do the Knights do?

We seek to serve our parish, families, school, and the community by focusing on Faith, Family, Community, and Life. Our activities include Food for the Poor, Social Concerns Drive, 40 Cans for Lent, Keep Christ in Christmas, Coats for Kids, Prayer for Life, Power Rosary, Baby Bottle Campaign, Trunk or Treat, Wheelchair Mission, Parish Picnic, Soccer Challenge, Free Throw Championship, Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest, Seminarian Support, Lenten Fish Frys, Highway Cleanup, Flags for Heroes, Deployed Spouse Dinner, Disabled Veterans Support, Support for Special Olympics, etc.

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### The Ascension Knights of Columbus will be conducting a Membership Drive after the August 9/10 Masses in honor of Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney's Feast Day

Ascension Knights will be outside the parish hall after the **August 9th and 10th** Masses to provide information about our council and Ladies Auxiliary. Membership is open to Catholic men 18 years old or older. **Please stop by the information table to learn more about this organization and how you can help serve the Ascension Community.**

### Why Join?

**Lead with Faith** – Access resources to help you become a better Catholic man, husband, and father.

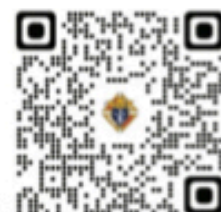
**Serve Others** – Engage in charitable works, provide coats for children, food for families, wheelchairs for handicapped, respond to community needs.

**Defend Your Values** – Stand for the unborn, support organizations that help women and their babies, defend marriage and the family, and support seminarians.

**Protect Your Family** - Access to top quality portfolio of insurance and retirement products backed by ethical and Catholic business practices.

### How much time do I need to dedicate?

We are lucky to be an active council with a lot of chances to be involved in activities. Participation is at your own pace. Life has many demands for your time and family is always first. Some members participate in one event per year, and others in many more.





# Pope Leo Meets with Supreme Knight, Supreme Chaplain

Fourth of July audience was K of C leaders' first with new pontiff

7/7/2025

As the United States celebrated Independence Day last week, Pope Leo XIV received Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori of Baltimore in a private audience at the Vatican. The July 4 audience was the first meeting of the U.S.-born pope with the leader of the Knights of Columbus and the chief shepherd of the Archdiocese of Baltimore, which in 1789 became the first diocese in the United States.

During their visit, the supreme knight and supreme chaplain pledged the Order's loyalty to Pope Leo and promised ongoing prayers and support for his pontificate. They also provided the Holy Father with an overview of the Knights of Columbus, highlighting the Order's charitable activity and men's faith formation programs.



Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori discuss the Order's priorities and top initiatives with Pope Leo XIV during a July 4 private audience. (Vatican Media)



## POPE LEO XIV RECEIVES K OF C LEADERS IN AUDIENCE

Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori met with Pope Leo in a private audience at the Vatican on July 4. The visit was an opportunity to inform the Holy Father about the Order's works of charity and faith formation, and to assure him of the Knights' prayers for his Petrine ministry.

**Read full story — [HERE](#)**



## 🙏 **Prayer Requests** 🙏

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### **Recently Deceased**

Jacob Grillo, son of WRA SK Gerry Grillo  
Bibi Chadwick, Mother of Lady Susan Blair  
Phyllis Powers, Mother of Lady Marcia Raynor

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Healthcare Providers and First Responders Worldwide  
Service Men and Women serving our Country Worldwide  
Victims of Hurricanes, Tornadoes, Fires and other Natural Disasters  
All those suffering from terrorist attacks, invasions by foreign governments, and loss of life and oppression in the Middle East and all war-torn areas

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### **All those in need of prayers for health issues**

SK Doug Blair  
SK John Miller  
SK Marc Worchel  
SK Werner Schulz  
SK Allen Allebach  
SK Chris Kelly  
SK Tony Cortes  
SK John Loft  
SK Paul Klein  
Brother Bill and Betsy Hampton  
Brother Richard Ceravolo  
Lady Jan O'Bryan-Wilson  
Mother of SK Paul Kuracz  
Genevieve Harris, granddaughter of Lady Kathy Harris and SK Jack Duggan

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### **All Those Men in Formation for the Sacrament of Holy Orders — Priest and Deacon**

Michael Anctil  
Jonathan Amgott  
Gavin Foreman  
SK Rob Light

### **Prayer for Blessed Michael McGivney**

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.



## Month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

The month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart. Since the 16th century Catholic piety has assigned entire months to special devotions. The month of August is traditionally dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The physical heart of Mary is venerated (and not adored as the Sacred Heart of Jesus is) because it is united to her person and is the seat of her love (especially for her divine Son), virtue, and inner life. Such devotion is an incentive to a similar love and virtue.

This devotion has received new emphasis in this century from the visions given to Lucy Dos Santos, oldest of the visionaries of Fatima, in her convent in Tuy, in Spain, in 1925 and 1926. In the visions Our Lady asked for the practice of the Five First Saturdays to help make amends for the offenses committed against her heart by the blasphemies and ingratitude of men. The practice parallels the devotion of the Nine First Fridays in honor of the Sacred Heart.

On October 31, 1942, Pope Pius XII made a solemn Act of Consecration of the Church and the whole world to the Immaculate Heart. Let us remember this devotion year-round, but particularly through the month of August.

Excerpted from *The Prayer Book* by Reverend John P. O'Connell, M.A., S.T.D. and Jex Martin, M.A.



O Mary Immaculate,  
in flame our hearts with  
one ray of the burning love  
of thy pure heart.

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Month of the Immaculate Heart observed by [Catholic Culture](#)





## The Father Leo Show Father Leo Patalinghug





## Bishop Robert Barron







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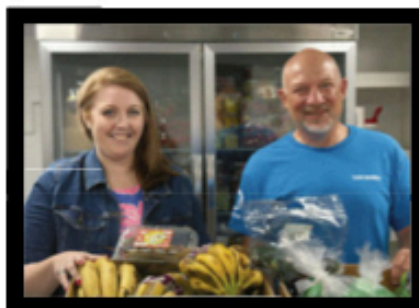
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#### *Housing*

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**New programs - new opportunities to serve!**

Contact [lindsey@dailybreadinc.org](mailto:lindsey@dailybreadinc.org) to volunteer in the food pantry, at mobile outreach, or in the food distribution center.



## Power Rosary



My Brothers and Sisters,

Monthly Power Rosary — Power Rosary every 3rd Thursday with SK Bobby Sullivan and SK Ralph Carestia — immediately before the membership meeting in the Ministry Building, Room 313 — 6:15 PM. Contact Brothers Bobby or Ralph if you want to lead one of the decades.

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They sought strength in solidarity, and security through unity of purpose and devotion to a holy cause: they vowed to be defenders of their country, their families and their faith.

These men were bound together by the ideal of Christopher Columbus, the discoverer of the Americas, the one whose hand brought Christianity to the New World. Their efforts came to fruition with the incorporation of the Knights of Columbus on March 29, 1882

***Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for  
brothers to dwell together in unity! (Psalm 133:1)***







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My God will fully supply whatever you need, in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus. (*Philippians 4:19*)

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