



FR. FINNEGAN NIGHTLINE

Council #14456 - Clearwater



1948-2005

AUGUST

OFFICER'S

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OUTSIDE GUARD

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Jay Langan
Tom Goodrich
Clyde Schreiner

COUNCIL'S MEMBERSHIP REPORT

August 12, 2025

Associate	87
Insurance Membership	62
Honorary Life Members	27
Honorary Members	5
Exemption	13
Total Membership	149



State Pin

TREASURER'S REPORT

July 30, 2025

Checking cash on hand	\$8956.66
Deposits	\$3024.00
Checks withdrawal & fee	<u>\$1003.27</u>
Checking on hand	\$ 10,977.39
Petty cash fund	300.00
TOTAL	\$11,277.39

SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Total dedicated funds	\$0.00
Funds available for general use	\$2367.59

Council Dress Code
Council Knight shirt, or collar shirt, slacks
NO SHORTS PLEASE

Your attendance is vital for the well-being of our council and its efforts to continue good work. Please make a special effort to attend our meetings. Summer is here and the Knights will continue our work.

*Our Next meeting will be Thursday, September 28th at 7 pm
In Room 1*

Here's a more detailed breakdown

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

Knights of Columbus Honorary Life members, who are 70+ years old and have been members for 25+ consecutive years, are exempt from paying annual dues, according to the Knights of Columbus. They are also exempt from per capita charges and assessments

HONORARY MEMBERS

Knights of Columbus Honorary members, generally those 65 or older with 25 years of continuous membership, are required to pay annual dues, but at a reduced rate compared to regular members. Specifically, they typically pay \$10 annually



John Ruckart – Field Agent
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John is driven by his deep Catholic beliefs and by the love and support of his family. John has been a Knight since 1992 and is dedicated to the mission of the Knights of Columbus and feels honored to serve in this wonderful organization. In following his desire to help others, he is grateful to have the opportunity to serve his brother's knights and their families, helping them achieve the financial security they strive for.



DEA Paul M. Koppie
State Evangelization & Faith Formation Director

The Heart of Our Mission

Blessed Michael McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus with a keen understanding of every man's call to holiness and a fatherly vocation. *Cor* (Latin for "heart") continues this mission by centering men's hearts on Jesus so they can be transformed by an authentic relationship with him and each other.



Cor

Everything flows from the heart. If you get the heart right, you get the man right — a man of faith who will courageously live out the mission God calls him to.

Christ is the heart of *Cor*. We invite all men to join us in uniting our hearts with his.

Please contact the Grand Knight if interested.



As you know each year Fr. Finnegan council #14456, chooses a seminarian for whom we provide financial and moral support. The recipient this year was Mark Wegener who has been serving this summer at St. Catherine's. Sunday, August 17, 2025, we presented a check for \$500.00 to assist him on his journey to the priesthood.



FAITH



FAMILY



COMMUNITY



LIFE

Faith

Our goal is to strengthen men and their families in the Catholic faith. Formation in our faith goes beyond mere facts or religious practice to an authentic connection with a loving God and his son Jesus Christ. Programs in this category are designed to draw us closer to God and the Church in a tangible and meaningful way.

Family

Father McGivney sought to strengthen the familial bond of father to mother and children to parents. His vision for family life was not only financial and material aid but also spiritual strength. Most of our time is easily spent in secular circles unless we intentionally create ways to live in the domestic church. These programs, created for families by families, help us to live this call.

Community

Knights are called to serve others. Our first principle is Charity – at home with our families and in our communities. When Knights of Columbus members come together as one through their council and parish, they accomplish great things.

Life

"Catholics must be committed to the defense of life in all its stages and in every condition" (St. John Paul II, 1995). The urgency of the threat to a culture of life in our world cannot be misunderstood. The Knights of Columbus vigorously defends the dignity of each human being at every stage of life. Councils and parishes can work to build a culture of life and a civilization of love through these important programs.



Michael Joseph McGivney

August 12, 1852 – August 14, 1890

Michael McGivney was an American [Catholic](#) priest based in [New Haven, Connecticut](#). He founded the [Knights of Columbus](#) at a local parish to serve as a mutual aid and [insurance](#) organization, particularly for immigrants and their families. It developed through the 20th century as the world's largest Catholic fraternal organization.

The cause for his [canonization](#) started in the [Archdiocese of Hartford](#) in 1996; in March 2008, [Pope Benedict XVI](#) declared McGivney "Venerable" in recognition of his "heroic virtue".^[1] On May 27, 2020, [Pope Francis](#) announced that McGivney had been approved for beatification, which officially occurred on October 31, 2020.

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"OPEN WIDE THE DOORS FOR CHRIST" is a powerful and fitting exhortation for the Knights of Columbus in this Jubilee Year. As men of faith, the Knights are called to welcome Christ into every aspect of their lives, into their homes, their parishes, and their communities. By echoing the words of St. John Paul II, we are reminded to live boldly and faithfully, opening our hearts to Christ's truth, mercy, and love.

Worn as a pin, it becomes a visible sign of commitment to evangelization, service, and the defense of life; encouraging all to embrace and share the Gospel in this special year of grace.

"JESUS IN MARY'S WOMB" is a profound symbol of the sacredness of life from its very inception. His presence as a child, unborn, reflects the divine value of every human life. The Knights of Columbus draws strength and inspiration from this mystery, standing firmly for the right to life from conception to natural death. As Mary carried the Savior of the world in her womb, so too must society recognize and protect the dignity of every human being at all stages of life.

We are a fraternity of men who love our God, love our Family, and love our country. We protect the children, we salute our veterans, and we pray to our patron Blessed Michael McGivney. We do all unashamed and with pride, because we understand that which is not against us is with us. For we are the Knights of Columbus protectors of the widows and orphans, and we wear it proudly so OPEN WIDE THE DOORS FOR CHRIST and he shall enter

Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael J. McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael J. 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.

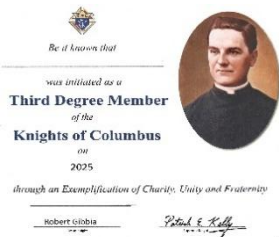
Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (*here make your request*). Through Christ our Lord.

AMEN

July 29, 2025



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2025/2026 COUNCIL OFFICERS INSTALLATION
Fr. Michael Finnegan #14456



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Transfer in from Connecticut: Paul Sorbera
3rd degree, 8/23/25: JOEL TEJEDOR, JUAN GONZALES



Excempfilcation
At
St. Matthews
8/23/2025



AUGUST
JACK FRANDEKA



St. Catherine of Siena Assembly #063



50th Anniversary Mass



SHINING ARMOR

Awarded for service to your council and our Order with distinction, the Shining Armor Award is awarded to those men that exemplify a true Knight of Columbus.

The Shining Armor Award program is designed for members to engage in and maintain an active level of participation in council programs and activities.

To qualify for the Shining Armor Award, during the fraternal year, brother Knights must:

- Be involved in at least 3 council Faith in Action programs.
- Attend at least 3 council meetings.
- Attend an Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity.
- Meet with your council's insurance representative or attend a fraternal benefits night.
- Sponsor at least one man who becomes a member of the Order

**See
GK Bob Gibbia
For
Ticket Books**



DONATION \$3.00 PER TICKET

SUGGESTION: \$10.00 PER BOOK, 4 TICKETS PER BOOK

COUNCIL KEEPS \$4.00 FOR THEIR PROGRAMS

\$6.00 RETURNED TO FLORIDA STATE COUNCIL

QUICK START DRAWING DECEMBER 16TH

ONE PRIZE TO SELLER \$250.00

TICKET BOOKS WITH PAYMENT MUST BE RETURNED BY NOVEMBER 20TH

**EARLY BIRD DRAWING MARCH
13TH**

**One prize to seller \$400.
Ticket stubs and payment due**

**FINAL DRAWING MAY 23, 2026
STATE CONVENTION
Rosen shingle creek, Orlando**



The members of Fr. Finnegan council #14456 helped serve 50 pancake breakfasts for the teens who went to summer camp this season and had a lock-in on July 24th-25th.

KNIGHTS WHO ATTENDED WERE:

GK Bob Gibbia – Jack Frandeka – Jay Langan – Mark Lobstein
Gary Jira – Mark Posgai – Miguel Molina - Peter Palmieri

thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Birthday Month



GARY BERRY – MICHAEL CALDERWOOD – CALVIN CONVERSE
 MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM – PETERFARGNOLI – CARLO GONZALES
 JAIRO PADIN – MIGUEL PEDROSA – GARRY RILEY
 CLYDE SCHREINER – JUAN SEGOVIA – WALKER SHELTON



HOLY ROSARY 5th FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

7:00 pm in the Chapel

August 31st

Requesting all Knights to PLEASE attend



Pancake breakfast are back!

*Our first Pancake breakfast will be on September 28th after 9:00am and after 11:00am masses
 Pancake setting up will be on Saturday, September 27th at 8:30 am. Please join us*

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HEALING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we pray that you will place your healing Hands upon all those who are sick. We beg you to have compassion on all those who are suffering so that they may be delivered from their pitiful circumstances.

DON CHILL

BERNARD
VAULT
St. Cecelia

MICHAEL
VAULT



Pastor Emeritus Fr. James Gordon. I.C from Blessed Sacrament Roman Catholic church in Seminole died on August 13, 2025, under Hospice care. Fr. Rick was by his side.