

*June, 2026*

# The Knight Knotables



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**Charity Unity Fraternity Patriotism**

## *From our Grand Knight Pete Arino...*

Brothers,

Our previous General Meeting on June 2<sup>nd</sup> was my last as Grand Knight of this council. It has been an honor and a privilege to represent you over the last two years. I had a great deal to learn, and I am still learning the nuances of the position, but I received a great deal of help along the way. I have many individuals to thank.

1. Brother Bob Hildreth, our previous Grand Knight, for smoothing out the transition process for me.
2. Our hardworking group of officers for their advice and guidance. They are the backbone of this council.
3. All the brothers in the general membership for your support for all our events, charities, Golf Tournament etc.

What I enjoyed the most were the friendships, the camaraderie and the care and concern that we show each other. What I also enjoyed were the first two questions that I was asked as Grand Knight, “Are you sure you want to do this?” and “Can you please keep the meetings short?”

Bill Martinez will be your next Grand Knight. He is a great communicator and organizer from all his years as a radio talk show host and as a disc jockey. He will continue to move this council forward.

So once again, thank you and God bless council 10718.

**Vivat Jesus!**

**Pete Arino  
Grand Knight**

## *Message from Our Worthy Lecturer*

It was an honor to attend our recent Knights of Columbus State Convention. As always, I try to come away with two or three ideas that could be valuable for our Brother Knights. One key takeaway was how effectively councils are using online membership and video exemplification tools. As you have heard me say, membership is essential. We are either growing or we are not. I also made valuable connections with other councils that are doing exceptionally well in this area. Some are adding more than 100 new members by keeping membership a regular focus each month—if not each week. I look forward to sharing more of what I learned in the months ahead.

I also shared the idea of developing a clear “branding statement” for what the Knights of Columbus represents. Together, we came up with the following:

*“We are a Catholic brotherhood dedicated to serving God, Family, Church, and Country, with a special mission to protect and support the most vulnerable in their time of need.”*

At Mass on our final morning, we were presented with a relic of Blessed Michael McGivney. By touching the relic, my Knights of Columbus rosary became a third-class relic. I also learned that this blessing may be shared innumerable times.

As for the 1764 Assembly, we are wrapping up our fiscal year after several successful fundraising campaigns that have enabled us to provide a record number of donations to local patriotic organizations.

**Vivat Jesus!**

Bill Martinez

*Bill Martinez, our Council Lecturer, and Grand Knight elect is a nationally syndicated talk-radio-show host. The Bill Martinez Show is broadcast live Monday – Friday at 1PM ET.*

*[www.billmartinezshow.com](http://www.billmartinezshow.com)*

## *Getting to know our Brother Knights better...*

***To get to know our Brother Knights better, we are providing personal profiles about some of our brother Knights in our newsletters. This month we feature Mike Mudd.***

Mike Mudd was born in New Jersey in 1952. Mike learned to play the accordion, and taught himself the organ and played the organ at St. Philip Church during Sunday Masses. After graduating from Stevens Institute of Technology in 1974 with a Bachelor of Engineering, he took a position with American Electric Power in New York City, and in 1982 a corporate relocation brought him to Columbus, Ohio where he raised his family. Mike was involved in the design, construction and operation of some of the world's largest (1300 MW) coal plants, then took a position as project manager for new technologies, and later was developer of power and cogeneration plants across the US, Canada, and Mexico. He then became R&D Manager, where he specialized advanced generation technologies, air pollution controls and coal gasification, becoming a recognized expert in the field.

In 2006, he became Chief Executive Officer of the FutureGen Industrial Alliance, leading development of the world's first zero emission coal fired plant using coal gasification and carbon capture and sequestration, in cooperation with the US Department of Energy. After retiring, he continued consulting for cutting edge technology projects, as well as the for U.S. Department of Energy and the government of Australia. Mike has authored more than 30 technical papers on new technologies, and served on advisory committees to the U.S. Secretary of Energy, the International Energy Agency, and the Electric Power Research Institute. He has also testified before Congress on new technologies, and has appeared on MSN and Bloomberg TV.

Mike joined the Knights of Columbus in 1976, and later became a charter member of the Christopher Columbus Chapter in Ohio and served as Grand Knight. After moving to Florida in 2012, Mike joined St. Christopher Church, where he served as a Eucharistic Minister. He became active in our Council, and has served as Lecturer and Trustee, and volunteered at parish meals and other events. He has played accordion at Council dinners and keyboard at the Hobe Sound Christmas parade and Breakfast with Santa.

Mike met his wife, Debbie, in 1971 when they were both members of the performing cast of *Up With People* and married in 1976. They have three children, living in Chicago, Clearwater, and California, and are blessed with four grandchildren. Throughout their 50 years of marriage, the Church has been the center of their shared life. Mike and Debbie have served as the lead couple of pre-Cana program, Eucharistic and hospital ministers, St. Andrew School Board in Columbus, and numerous Knights of Columbus activities. They also coached basketball, volleyball, track, and cross-country at St. Andrew School in Ohio.

Mike enjoys the good life in Florida, especially fishing, boating, and spending time at their condo in Clearwater Beach.

# Notes

- Many of us enjoy listening to the sermons delivered by Fr. Brian King when he says weekend Masses. Fr. King has a Facebook page where he posts a new message every day, and his sermons on Sundays. Enter Fr. Brian King in the search bar on Facebook, and click on his name. Friend him and you will receive his daily message and Sunday sermon.
- Welcome to our newest Brothers Scott Waddicor, Robert Sweeney and Bob Martin.
- Congratulations to the Knight of the Month Bob Sweeney and the Family of Month Sister Cheryl France and her sister, Theresa Farrell.
- It has been suggested that our Council form a Columbiettes women's auxiliary which would provide an opportunity for the wives of Brother Knights to become more active in our council programs. Patty Ario, wife of GK Pete Arino will be spearheading the effort.
- Notices for the next year's dues will be sent out on June 15. Please pay promptly using a credit card.
- We will be distributing holy cards on Fathers' Day after the Masses. Please help distribute them by stopping by the room across from the Rectory office before Mass to be assigned an exit.
- We are beginning to plan for the annual golf outing, our most important fund raiser, raising over 50% of the monies we donate to our charitable causes. The golf committee will be holding our first meeting on Tuesday June 9th in the Parish Hall at 6:30pm. We are in need of more brothers to join our efforts

*Our Council conducted the annual election of officers on June 2. Follows are the results of the election.*

		
<b>Knights of Columbus / St. Christopher Council 10718</b> <b>2026/2027 Fraternal Year - Council Officers</b>		
<b>Notes</b>		
These Positions, 3 Year Trustee, & Trustee Vacancies are elected by the Council Members at large	Grand Knight	<b>Bill Martinez</b>
	Deputy Grand Knight	<b>Mike Skinner</b>
	Chancellor	<b>Jonathan Knaus</b>
	Warden	<b>Joe Beck</b>
	Recorder	<b>Bob Hildreth</b>
	Treasurer	<b>Jack Walsh</b>
	Advocate	<b>John Bigos</b>
	Outside Guard	<b>Ed Jost</b>
	Inside Guard	<b>Paul Berkley</b>
Appointed by Grand Knight	Chaplain & Spiritual Advisors	<b>Father Aidan Hynes</b> <b>Deacon Jim Parrilli</b> <b>Subdeacon Elias Azzi</b>
	Lecturer	<b>Mike Mudd</b>
Appointed by Supreme Knight on Council recommendation	Financial Secretary	<b>John Landry</b>
3 Year Trustee & Vacancies are elected, other Trustees advance.	1 Year Trustee	<b>Jodi Bubla</b>
	2 Year Trustee	<b>Scott Rose</b>
	3 Year Trustee	<b>Peter Arino</b>

*Charity, Unity & Fraternity*

*Council Officers 2025-2026*

Grand Knight	Peter Arino	609-220-6235	
Deputy Grand Knight	Mike Skinner	772-342-9693	
Financial Secretary	John Landry	772-546-0281	
Chancellor	John Peterson	772-342-6756	
Recorder	Bob Hildreth	219-929-6123	
Treasurer	Paul Nelson	908-617-5067	
Advocate	John Bigos	772-402-5199	
Warden	Joe Beck	772-286-8244	
Inside Guard	Paul Berkley	772-546-1720	
Outside Guard	Ed Jost	407-430-5209	
Three-year Trustee	Scott Rose	518-577-2369	
Two-year Trustee	Ted Jonczak	772-546-1895	
One-year Trustee	Jodi Bubla	772-214-7641	
Lecturer	Bill Martinez	714-235-8900	
Spiritual Advisor	Subdeacon Elias Azzi	772-971-0706	
Chaplain	Fr. Aidan Hynes	772-546-5150	
Benefits Agent	Brian Todd	855-563-2467	
District Deputy			

## Helpful Links

Our Council Facebook page; Search@KoC10718 on Facebook or click the link below to visit our Council's page.

[www.facebook.com/groups/254805921362054](https://www.facebook.com/groups/254805921362054)

Knights of Columbus Supreme Council webpage;

[www.KofC.org](http://www.KofC.org)

Florida Knights of Columbus webpage;

[www.FloridaKofC.org](http://www.FloridaKofC.org)

Saint Christopher parish webpage;

[www.stchrishs.com](http://www.stchrishs.com)

Diocese of Palm Beach

[www.diocesepb.org](http://www.diocesepb.org)

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

[www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)

*Bill Martinez will be our 26<sup>th</sup> Grand Knight. Follows is a list of all of our Grand Knights through our 25 years.*

**Knights of Columbus**  
**St. Christopher Council 10718**  
**Grand Knights**  
(since inception October 14, 1991)

<b>Grand Knight</b>	<b>Terms</b>	<b>Start</b>	<b>End</b>
Robert Croisetiere	1	10/14/1991	6/30/1992
Joseph Zarro	1	7/1/1992	6/30/1993
Robert Thomas	1	7/1/1993	6/30/1994
Anthony Varricchio	1	7/1/1994	6/30/1995
Maurice Malacarne	1 of 2	7/1/1995	6/30/1996
James Banas	1	7/1/1996	6/30/1997
Maurice Malacarne	2 of 2	7/1/1997	6/30/1998
Joachim Heyer	2	7/1/1998	6/30/2000
Joseph Weiss	1	7/1/2000	6/30/2001
Vincent D'Amico	2	7/1/2001	6/30/2003
James Leatherman	1	7/1/2003	6/30/2004
James Parrilli	1	7/1/2004	6/30/2005
William Hoysradt	2	7/1/2005	11/1/2007
Joseph Bubla	1	11/1/2007	11/10/2008
Shawn Riddell	2	11/10/2008	6/30/2010
John Fraas	1	7/1/2010	6/30/2011
Peter Brennan	2	7/1/2011	6/30/2013
Joseph Daukantas	1	7/1/2013	6/30/2014
Louis Lwowski	2	7/1/2014	6/30/2016
Dean Busch	1	7/1/2016	6/30/2017
David Nagy	1	7/1/2017	6/30/2018
Eric Wolf	2	7/1/2018	6/30/2020
Scott Rose	2	7/1/2020	6/30/2022
Robert Hildreth	2	7/1/2022	6/30/2024
Peter Arino	2	7/1/2024	6/30/2026
William Martinez		7/1/2026	

## Upcoming Activities List...

Brothers, listed below are the current Council activities. Please mark the dates and times in your calendars. If it has been a while since you have been able to participate, please consider joining in. Many of these activities have been scheduled well in advance to make planning and attending easier.

<b>Knights of Columbus, St. Christopher Council #10718</b>			
<b>Upcoming Activities List - Updated &gt;</b>			<b>6/3/2026</b>
<b>Day</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Activity / Place</b>	<b>Comment/s</b>
<b>June</b>			
Tuesday	2	Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall Election of 2026/2027 Officers	7:30 PM
Friday	5	First Friday Mass / Church	9:00 AM
Saturday	13	Blood Drive / Parish Hall	9:00 AM-2:00 PM
Sunday	14	Breakfast / Parish Hall	After all Masses
Sat/Sun	20/21	Fathers Day Coverage / Church	After all Masses
Tuesday	30	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM
<b>July</b>			
Friday	3	First Friday Mass / Church	9:00 AM
Tuesday	7	Installation of Officers	7:30 PM
Sunday	12	Breakfast / Parish Hall	After all Masses
Tuesday	28	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM
<b>August</b>			
Sat/Sun	1/2	Dinner Ticket Sales / Church	After all Masses
Tuesday	4	Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall	7:30 PM
Friday	7	First Friday Mass / Church	9:00 AM
Saturday	8	Fundraising Dinner	PM
Tuesday	25	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM
<b>September</b>			
Tuesday	1	Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall	7:30 PM
Friday	4	First Friday Mass / Church	9:00 AM
Sat/Sun	12/13	Ticket Sales / Church	After all Masses
Saturday	19	Fundraising Dinner	PM
Tuesday	29	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM
<b>October</b>			
Friday	2	First Friday Mass / Church	9:00 AM
Tuesday	6	Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall	7:30 PM
Sunday	tbd	Breakfast / Parish Hall	After all Masses
Tuesday	27	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM

## *Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus*

On June 11, 2026, as part of the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the US bishops (USCCB) will consecrate the United States of America to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Catholics around the country are encouraged to join the bishops in celebrating the consecration of their nation to the Sacred Heart.

The act of consecration initiative will be celebrated by the USCCB during its 2026 Spring Plenary Assembly in Orlando, Florida on June 10-12. As part of the assembly, the bishops will concelebrate Mass and consecrate the US to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Parishes and individual Catholics are being invited to take part through 250 hours of Adoration and/or 250 Works of Mercy or to pray the Sacred Heart novena in preparation for the consecration.

The devotion to the Sacred Heart has deep historical roots, but the feast was officially established by Pope Pius IX in 1856. The devotion itself began to take shape in the 17th century through the mystical experiences of St Margaret Mary Alacoque, a French Visitation nun.

Between 1673 and 1675, St Margaret Mary received several visions of Jesus, in which He revealed His Sacred Heart as a symbol of His burning love for humanity. Jesus expressed His desire that the Church honor His Heart publicly and make reparations for the indifference and offenses committed against him.

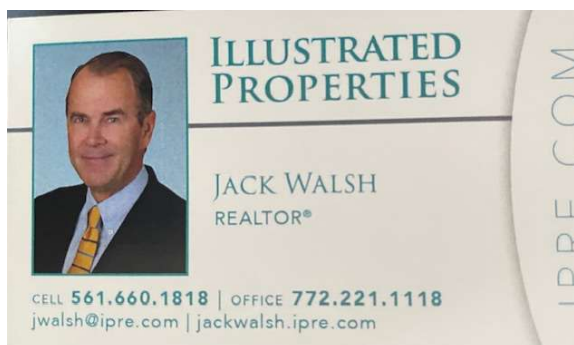
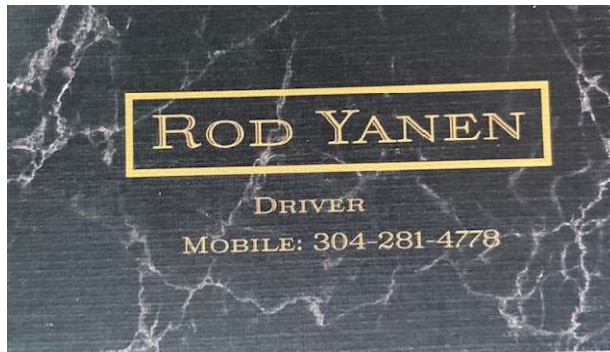
Jesus gave 12 special promises to St. Margaret Mary for those who honor his Sacred Heart faithfully. These promises encourage Catholics to develop a consistent devotion to Jesus' Sacred Heart. Here are all 12 promises of the Sacred Heart:

*"I will give them all the graces necessary in their state of life.*

- 1. I will establish peace in their homes.*
- 2. I will comfort them in all their afflictions.*
- 3. I will be their secure refuge during life, and above all, in death.*
- 4. I will bestow abundant blessings upon all their undertakings.*
- 5. Sinners will find in my Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.*
- 6. Lukewarm souls shall become fervent.*
- 7. Fervent souls shall quickly mount to high perfection.*
- 8. I will bless every place in which an image of my Heart is exposed and honoured.*
- 9. I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.*
- 10. Those who shall promote this devotion shall have their names written in my Heart.*
- 11. I promise you in the excessive mercy of my Heart that my all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the First Fridays in nine consecutive months the grace of final perseverance; they shall not die in my disgrace, nor without receiving their sacraments.*
- 12. My divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment."*

These promises have inspired many to practice the Nine First Fridays devotion, which involves receiving Communion on the first Friday of nine consecutive months in reparation to the Sacred Heart.

This is a new section of our newsletter that provides business cards of Brother Knights. If you have a business that you wish to let our council members be aware of, please send a copy of your business card to [mjremudd@hotmail.com](mailto:mjremudd@hotmail.com)



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