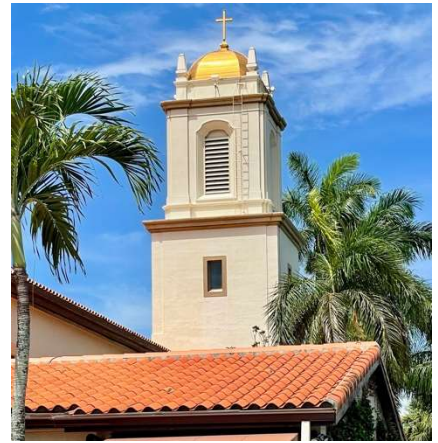


October, November 2025



The Knight Knotables

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Charity Unity Fraternity Patriotism

From our Grand Knight Pete Arino...

As I write this, we have just held probably one of the most successful Father Manning Golf Tournaments in our history. We have a net profit of approximately \$21,000 to distribute to worthy charitable causes.

I cannot give enough praise to our golf committee members who pounded the pavements to secure sponsors, collect gifts and sign up golfers for the event. This was accomplished through many hours of dedicated effort. I also wish to thank the many brothers who assisted us on the day of the event as well as my wife Patty who organized the auctions and filled the gift bags. The weather conditions were favorable, the feedback from the golfers was positive and an apparent good time was had by all

Just a reminder that our Memorial Mass in the Parish Church on Tuesday Dec. 2nd at 7:00pm to honor our deceased brothers will take the place of the general meeting. Please plan to attend and wear your council shirt if you can that night.

We have several busy months ahead of us with the Christmas Parade, Breakfast with Santa and our membership drive (just to name a few). I am sure we can count on all the brothers to make them a success.

This may be the last newsletter until 2026, so I wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year. Remember Christ is the reason for the season and may He bless us all with His saving grace.

Fraternally,

Pete Arino

Grand Knight

Message from our Field Agent

Brothers,

This time of year, we give thanks for the many blessings in our lives. Like many of you, I became a Knight out of love for my family. I wanted to join other Catholic men in becoming a better man, husband and father. I wanted to be a better protector of my family.

One way to protect your family is to start thinking about your family's future and how an extended care event could have a large impact. Do you know somebody that has experienced an extended care event – if so, how did that impact their family's situation?

I want to take this opportunity to help you prepare for the possibility that you or your spouse may one day need extended care. November is Long-Term Care Awareness Month.

With that in mind, I would like to share a valuable resource available to you and your family and would encourage you to check this out.

WhatCareCosts gives you access to view the costs of Skilled Nursing Homes, Home Health Aides and Assisted Living Facilities in your area and across the country. This service is available free of charge to all our members regardless of whether or not you hold an insurance policy with Knights of Columbus. Visit www.whatcarecosts.com/KnightsofColumbus and enter sponsor code "KofC" to get started. We want to help families focus on their time with their loved ones – not the financial cost of caring for them.

Lastly, I'd like to remind you of your 2025 Annual Survey and the opportunity to update the Knights of Columbus on your personal financial goals and share any updates you have had over the last year. If you haven't already filled it out, I strongly encourage you to do so.

This year, all survey respondents will be entered into a drawing for a Knights of Columbus RTIC® cooler, with several chances to win!

Please fill out the survey as soon as you can, either through the survey you received in the mail or online at <https://survey.kofc.org>.

Whether you have questions about the survey or want to talk about setting up an extended care plan, I'm here to help you. Thank you!

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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 John Landry, our Council Financial Secretary.

John Landry recently stepped up to become our Financial Secretary. He has also been instrumental in obtaining sponsors for this year's golf outing. He is originally from Massachusetts/Connecticut and moved to Florida part time in 2001, and he now lives in Hobe Sound full time. John and his wife, Ruth have been married for 47 years. They are blessed with two children and five grandchildren. Their son and family moved from New Jersey to Florida a few years ago, while their daughter and her family moved from Connecticut and now live in North Carolina. They feel extremely blessed that both their children have married devote Catholics and are raising their children within the Catholic faith. All the grandchildren are either in Catholic school or pursuing the Catholic education.

John has used the gifts our Lord bestowed on him throughout his career. He began as accounting manager for Allstate Insurance, was an operation manager for a textile company, worked for a vending machine company as a general manager, managed the Aerospace division of UNC, became president of an aerospace company, and ended his career owning his own medical advertising company. Yes, the Lord has been good to him, through all the good times and struggles this world throws at us, our Lord has been his constant Guide.

John realizes that giving back to his community is very important and has committed a lot of his time to coaching children's sports teams, involved in bible studies, volunteering at Saint Vincent DePaul, and joining the Knights of Columbus. He is also highly motivated to evangelize around his family, neighborhood and community. He realizes that all that he is and all that he has are gifts from our Lord, and is not to be kept to himself but passed on to others.

Notes

- We will not have a general meeting in December. Instead, we have our annual memorial Mass on December 2 in the church at 7pm. It is a touching service where we remember the members of the CCW, St. Vincent DePaul, and our Council who have gone before us. Please plan to attend.
- Plan on marching with us in the Hobe Sound Annual Christmas Parade on Saturday, Dec. 6. We have lots of fun marching in the parade and seeing all of the smiling faces of the bystanders. For those Brothers who do not wish to walk the entire parade, there will be seats available in the cars that are part of our group. We will be assembling at the church hall at 11am.
- Congratulations to the October Knight of the Month Nick Scuderi, and the Family of the Month the David Milton Family, and the November Knight of the Month Jesse Wolf.
- Welcome to our new members: Sean O'Connell, Jack Flannigan.
- Plan to join us at the breakfast with Santa after Masses on December 14. There will be live Christmas carols, and Santa will be providing gifts to the young children. Breakfast will be free for all children under 12.
- The participation by Brother Knights at our dinners and breakfasts continues to be outstanding. Having that much help allows the kitchen crew and serving/clean-up crew to function quickly and efficiently. Over 20 Brother Knights helped out at the October breakfast. Please continue to volunteer supporting our meals at the upcoming breakfasts.
- As we celebrate Veterans Day this past week, we acknowledge the many of our Brother Knights who are veterans. Many of the Knights in our Council are Viet Nam vets who endured significant hardships there, and have told stories about how they were not treated well when they returned after serving our country. To those Brothers, we are grateful for your sacrifice.
- Please continue to pray for our Brothers in need and especially for our family and friends who are undergoing treatment for cancer.
- In mid-December members of our Council will sing Christmas carols and present gifts to the residents of the Martin Coast Center for Rehabilitation and Healthcare Nursing Home in Hobe Sound. Please join us in this charitable event. Look for the details from an email from our Grand Knight in early December.

Charity, Unity & Fraternity

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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

Knights of Columbus Supreme Council webpage;

www.KofC.org

Florida Knights of Columbus webpage;

www.FloridaKofC.org

Saint Christopher parish webpage;

www.stchrishs.com

Diocese of Palm Beach

www.diocesepb.org

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

www.usccb.org

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.

Knights of Columbus, St. Christopher Council #10718			
Upcoming Activities List - Updated >			11/7/2025
Day	Date	Activity / Place	Comment/s
	November		
Tuesday	4	Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall	7:30 PM
Saturday	8	Annual Golf Outing / HRGC	7:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Sunday	9	Exemplification / Chapel	After 10:30 Mass
Sunday	16	Breakfast / Parish Hall	After all Masses
Tuesday	25	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM
	December		
Tuesday	2	Annual Memorial Mass / Church	7:00 PM
Saturday	6	HS Christmas Parade / Hall	assemble ~11:00 am
		SVdP Dinner Event / Hall	6:00 AM
Sunday	14	Breakfast / Parish Hall	After all Masses
Tuesday	30	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM
	January		
Tuesday	6	Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall	7:30 PM
Sat/Sun	tbd	Ticket Sales / Church	After all Masses
Saturday	tbd	Fundraising Dinner / Parish Hall	tbd
Tuesday	27	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM
	February		
Tuesday	3	Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall	7:30 PM
Sat/Sun	tbd	Ticket Sales / Church	After all Masses
Saturday	tbd	Fundraising Dinner / Parish Hall	tbd
Tuesday	24	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM
	March		
Tuesday	3	Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall	7:30 PM
Sat/Sun	tbd	Ticket Sales / Church	After all Masses
Saturday	tbd	Fundraising Dinner / Parish Hall	tbd
Tuesday	31	Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall	7:00 PM

The 31st Father Manning golf outing was held on November 8. It was a resounding success, thanks to the hard work of the many committee members and the over 30 Brother Knights who volunteered that day. With 108 golfers and great weather the golfers were full of compliments on the well-run outing. Special thanks to Patty Arino who spent hours planning, coordinating, and assembling the awards and gift packages.





The Star Council Award was presented to Grand Knight Pete Arino. Two years in a row for our Council.



Making Advent a Spiritual Adventure

Advent comes from the Latin *adventus*, meaning “coming” or “arrival.” For Catholics, it’s the season of preparing for Jesus—celebrating His birth at Christmas and anticipating His return at the end of time.

Advent isn’t just a countdown to Christmas. It’s a season of hope, reflection, and readiness. While the world rushes with shopping and decorating, Advent invites us to slow down, pray, and make room for Christ.

HOW TO LIVE ADVENT WELL

Slow Down

Don’t let December pass in a blur. Create small moments of stillness—say a prayer before meals, take a few deep breaths in the morning, or sit quietly with God for five minutes.

Daily Reflections

Choose a Bible verse, saint quote, or short meditation each day. Write down what you notice about God’s presence. Simple tools like devotionals or apps can help keep you on track.

Pray Creatively

Prayer doesn’t have to be long or formal. Light a candle with a quick prayer of gratitude, whisper a blessing for someone you meet, or try an Advent tradition like the wreath or Jesse Tree.

Acts of Charity

Prepare your heart by serving others. Hold the door, donate food, send an encouraging message, or help a neighbor. Small acts of love reflect Christ’s coming.

Remember the Gift

Amid the holiday buzz, pause and remember the reason we wait: Jesus Himself. His presence transforms our lives—and we are called to share His light with others.