



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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**JUNE 2026
NEWS & NOTES**

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A MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

The month of May is dedicated to our Holy mother by the Church. We recognized and celebrated all Mothers at our May Social where a chicken parm dinner was served and prepared by our kitchen captain, Brother Tom Diemer and his crew, a big thank you for a job well done.



May is also the month for election of officers for the upcoming year and am pleased to announce we have elected a full slate with some of our younger members stepping up. We also had our annual State Convention in Orlando this month, with two of our members representing our Council.

It is also the month of graduations, with St. Paul holding theirs on 28th. which unfortunately I was not able to attend as Joyce, and I were at our Granddaughter's High School graduation. She attended Cardinal Gibbons High School in Raleigh S.C. with a class of 400 graduating and even larger classes in the forth coming years. Which reenforces my belief that our Church is alive and well and continuing to grow.

As always, I thank you for your support of the Knights and the Church and please continue to keep our Military, First Responders and those in need, in your prayers.

Vivat Jesus!

GK Bill Collins



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Knight of Month (Pg. 2)



Family of Month (Pg. 2)





**“DO YOU NOT HAVE
ONE HOUR TO
SPEND WITH ME”
EVERY FRIDAY
9am Until 12 Noon
St. Paul’s Church
Exposition & Benediction
Everyone Welcome!**



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KofC5644.org

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PLEASE PRAY FOR...



Clyde Brock, Tom & Carol Cane, Pat Detweiler, Sandra Duris, Anthony Durkin, William Ehrbar, Melody Fraser, Stephen Gabriel, +Eliana Jo Garro, Susan Gaucher, Ron Golembiowski, Jim Gorman, Terry Graham, Maria Iturbe, Dixie, Edward, Kathy, Ken and Marianne Lynch, Greg Matthews, Linda Mello, Bob Nixon, Mark Ochalek, Annette Osborne, Dawn Pauline, Al & Elaine Ragona, Tom Schweitzer, Joann Siedhoff, Jim Suleski, Kelly Way, Walt & Marilyn Young, Vince Zedler.



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Knight of the Month is Doug Rollins. Sir Knight Doug has been a Knight for 18 years, currently serving as a Trustee for the Council and for the 4th Degree Assembly. He's a veteran kitchen crew member, pitching in at special events and Council meeting dinners. He's an EMHC for St. Paul's.

Your service as a Knight and to the Church are greatly appreciated. Congratulations on being selected Knight of the Month for May 2026!



FAMILY OF THE MONTH

The Family of the Month for May is Sir Knight Vince & Mary Clare Zedler! Vince has been a Knight for 12 years and a 4th Degree for almost 2 years. He can always be counted on to volunteer where needed. The past several years Vince has been the council Retention Committee Chairman, calling members in jeopardy of being suspended for non-payment of dues. He and Mary Clare have supported numerous Council and Church activities including the Respect Life Ministry, Mary Clare chairs the JMJ baby bottle fundraiser; yearly bringing in thousands of dollars. She also proofreads the weekly bulletin for St. Paul Parish's Communication Coordinator.

Your service to the Knights and St. Paul Parish are greatly appreciated. Congratulations on being selected: Family of the Month for May 2026!

LADIES' AUXILIARY



Greetings:

The KofC Ladies' Auxiliary want to wish everyone a happy, healthy and safe summer. We will be having the

Installation of new Officers on Thursday June 11th at the BMMMC. The Board Members for the year 2026-2027 are Cindy Diemer and Kathy Cornell - Co-Presidents, Treasurer - Denise Gonzalez, Corresponding Secretary - Jan Huber, and Secretary - Barbara Klein. We are looking forward to accomplishing our planned mission of supporting the church, priests, school, parish activities, and charitable donations.

Wishing the best spiritual enrichment for our Youth during the VBS and retreats. The youth are the backbone of our future in Faith and community. Congratulations to ALL graduates of SPCS and best wishes for continued success in your education journey.

Faith over Fear in ALL things... Always!!

Cindy Diemer
Kathy Cornell
Co-Presidents
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St. Paul Council 5644

Monthly Mass Intention



During 2026, the Council is sponsoring a Monthly Mass for the Intention of All Living & Deceased Members of St. Paul Council #5644

Wednesday, June 24 at 8:30am
Wednesday, July 22 at 8:30am
Wednesday, Aug. 26 at 8:30am
Wednesday, Sep. 23 at 8:30am
Wednesday, Oct. 28 at 8:30am
Wednesday, Nov. 25 at 8:30am
Wednesday, Dec. 23 at 8:30am

The 2026 Annual Memorial Mass for the Deceased Members of Council 5644; Will be Sunday, November 15 at 9am

Membership Meeting Highlights

The May Membership Meeting was held on the 20th; meetings are held the 3rd Wed; Food Service: 5:15 to 6:15pm, Rosary 6:30pm, Membership Mtg. 7pm. (if no Exemplification)

Exemplification of Charity ~ Unity ~ Fraternity; All 1st & 2nd Degree Knights are encouraged and reminded they can immediately advanced to the 3rd Degree by merely attending an Exemplification; If you have not yet attained your 3rd Degree, sitting through this 30 minute ceremony automatically advances you! Contact your GK, Bill Collins.

Meeting opened with a prayer by Seminarian Theo Kanczurzewski, then GK Bill Collins led the pledge of allegiance. Motion made/seconded to approve minutes of the last meeting. The GK thanked Chef Tom & the Kitchen Krew for a delicious Mothers' Day Social dinner; newly ordained Dcn. Joseph Dau was presented a card & monetary gift.

Treasurer: Report on all current account balances; CD was renewed for another 6 Months;
- DD: Membership final push; FL KofC auto tag, need 3K to sign up with no obligation to buy;
- 4th Degree: Exemplification 6/27 in Davie, FL
- FS: Dues Notices going out June 1st;
- New Business: Nominations/Elections for the 2026-27 Fraternal Year were conducted: GK: Bill Collins, DGK: Dan Gonzalez, Chancellor: Jack Hickey, Recorder: Joe Huber, Treasurer: Chris Procise, Advocate: Monte Moon, Warden: Ryan Cimino, I/S Guard: Joey Landon, O/S Guard: Ray Crowell, 1yr Trustee: Doug Rollins, 2yr Trustee: Larry Huhn, 3yr Trustee: Kelly Way, thank you; Old Business: Lake Hills School presented \$700 donation from Citizens w/Disabilities Fund drive; SPCS 5K Fun Run raised \$10K for the school; July confirmed to host Parish Hospitality Weekend;
- Good of the Order: Mass for the Intention of St. Paul Council Living & Deceased members is 27th; Prayer List: In Memoriam: SK Joe & Jan Huber's infant granddaughter, +Eliana Jo Garro; GK Bill announced Knight of the Month for May: Doug Rollins and Family of the Month for May: Vincent & Mary Clare Zedler. Meeting was closed with the Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney at 7:45pm. Attendance = 21.

Attendance Drawing: \$12 Not Won by Mark Kubovcik. 50/50: \$30 - Won by Joe Huber; and Donated back to Seminarian Theo Kanczurzewski, Thank you!

Happy Fathers' Day!!

Next Meeting: Wed. June 17th



JUNE BIRTHDAYS



1 st Carlos Loureiro	14 th Kenneth R Prater
William P Myers	15 th James A Moursund
3 rd Michael J Balchus 80	Marvin F Nagel
Ronald W Palmer	17 th William J Spears 86
8 th John A Barzyk 96	23 rd Terry G Graham 83
10 th Robert D Ferrara 85	Michael G Nowakowski
Claude R Ouellette 84	29 th Michael A Anderson
11 th Dr Joseph Bono 88	Joseph C Vuono
12 th William J Mathias	30 th Kenneth F Aicardi 89
13 th Leslie L Kopasz 83	

MEMBERSHIP

As of 5/25/2026, the Council has 158 members: 69 insurance, 89 associate; 44 Honorary Life, 6 Honorary.

Tom Diemer, FS

Attendance Drawing: \$12 was NOT won by Mark Kubovcik
Next month's drawing will be \$15.

You must be present to win!

50/50 Raffle: \$30 was Won by Joe Huber and Donated to seminarian Theodore Kanczurzewski... Thank you!

You have to be present to play & win!



SCHOLARSHIP RAFFLE: 2026

Tickets SOLD OUT!



June 2026 Winners

1st Prize - \$100 - #0296 Bob Bartlett

2nd Prize - \$50 - #0347 Dwight Johnson

3rd Prize - \$35 - #0416 Donna Comis

4th Prize - \$25 - #0200 Marilyn Parmerter

The Knights graciously thank you for your

Continued Support of this Program!!


God Bless you!!



SAVE THE DATE

All-American Cook-out
SOCIAL - July 1st

Scholarship Winners/KOY & FOY



"How many reliable sources of peace do you have access to in this world of chaos and confusion? The Rosary just works. There is just something about it that calms our hearts and settles our minds. It puts things in perspective. It reaches deep down into our souls and puts us at ease, creating a peace that is rare and beautiful."

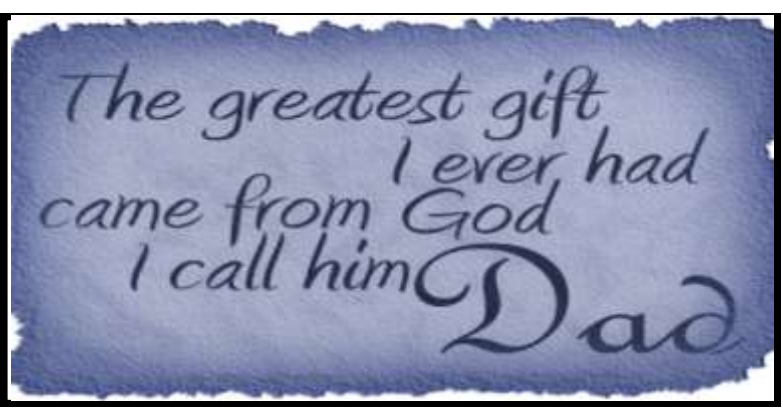
~ by Matthew Kelly (Rediscover the Rosary)
Ray Crowell, Faith Director

COUNCIL SHIRTS & VESTS

Show you're a member of the Knights of Columbus by purchasing a council shirt or vest.




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Peace be with You!

Happy June! A month for Dads & Grads, the start of summer, and school's OVER! Our anthem in high school was by the son of a pastor named Damon Furnier, better known as Alice Cooper, called "School's Out". "No more pencils, no more books, no more teacher's dirty looks". That was back when you could understand the words being sung. Of course, parents would plead: Turn that off!! It doesn't even sound like a girl singing! Mom, Alice is a guy, that's his stage name, geeze.

June also brings us the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ; historically known by its Latin name, Corpus Christi, celebrates the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist – Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. This is a foundation of our Faith, of our Beliefs. Yet today a survey of Catholics finds that increasing numbers doubt the presence of Christ in the Eucharist. This gave birth to The National Eucharistic Revival Initiative of the USCCB; which began on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ in 2022, continued through 2025. The Council of Bishops state: "we believe the Holy Spirit continues to ask Catholics across America to respond to four invitations. The first invitation calls us to a renewed encounter with WHO we worship. The second invitation calls us to discover in greater depth WHY we worship Jesus in the Eucharist and what this incredible gift means. The third invitation calls for a renewed attentiveness to HOW we worship. The fourth invitation focuses on WHAT we do in response – acting on our faith, bringing Christ to others, and spreading the flame of revival.

Take time to look within your hearts, maybe while contemplating on the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary. If need be, return to the Catechism of your youth and reconfirm your Belief in the Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist - Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity.

Please Pray for Vocations!


"Carry it with you Always...

And Pray it Often!

JUNE 2026

JULY 2026

June 1 St. Justin



June 2 Ss. Marcellinus & Peter

June 3 St. Charles Lwanga and Companions



June 4 St. Boniface



Friday Adoration: 9am - 12pm Church

June 6 St. Norbert



June 6/7 Corpus Christi



June 9 St. Ephrem

June 10 4th Degree Meeting ~ BMMMC ~ 7pm



June 11 St. Barnabas



June 12 The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Friday Adoration: 9am - 12pm Church



June 13 The Immaculate Heart of the BVM

June 13/14 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Flag Day



June 17 Council Membership Mtg ~ BMMMC

~ Dinner 5:15pm ~ Rosary 6:30pm ~ Mtg 7pm



June 19 St. Romuald

Friday Adoration: 9am - 12pm Church



June 20/21 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fathers' Day



June 22 St. Paulinus of Nola and

Ss. John Fisher & Thomas More



June 24 Nativity of St. John the Baptist



June 26 Friday Adoration: 9am - 12pm Church



June 27 St. Cyril of Alexandria



June 27/28 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 29 Ss. Peter & Paul



June 30 First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church



July 1 St. Junipero Serra



Scholarships Award Social Cook-out



July 3 St. Thomas

Friday Adoration: 9am - 12pm Church



July 4 Independence Day

July 4/5 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time



July 6 St. Maria Goretti



July 8 4th Degree Meeting ~ BMMMC ~ 7pm



July 9 St. Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions

July 10 Friday Adoration: 9am - 12pm Church



July 11 St. Benedict



July 11/12 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 13 St. Henry



July 14 St. Kateri Tekakwitha



July 15 St. Bonaventure

Council Membership Mtg ~ BMMMC

~ Dinner 5:15pm ~ Rosary 6:30pm ~ Mtg 7pm



July 16 Our Lady of Mount Carmel



July 17 Friday Adoration: 9am - 12pm Church



July 18/19 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 20 St. Apollinaris



July 22 St. Mary Magdalena



July 23 St. Bridget

July 24 Friday Adoration: 9am - 12pm Church



July 25 St. James



July 25/26 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 29 Ss. Martha, Mary & Lazarus



July 31 St. Ignatius of Loyola





Knights in the News



St. Paul Council 5644 2026-2027 Officers Elected



GK Bill Collins



DGK Dan Gonzalez



Treas. Chris Procise



Warden Ryan Cimino



Chancellor Jack Hickey



Recorder Joe Huber



Advocate Monte Moon



O/S Guard Ray Crowell



I/S Guard Joey Landon



1Yr Trustee Doug Rollins



2Yr Trustee Larry Huhn



3Yr Trustee Kelly Way



Financial Secretary Tom Diemer (seeking re-appointment)

St. Paul Catholic School's 8th Grade Graduation



Catholic H.S. Scholarship Winners Macie Allen and Kaylee Keel



Knights of Columbus Service Award Caiden Matthews



LA St. Marcellin Champagant Award Valeria Velilla-Pacheco and Andres Valentin



SK Chris Procise and Denise Gonzalez Presenters



Lake Hills School Principal and Assistant Were on hand to receive Our \$700 Donation from this year's Citizens with Disabilities Fund Drive...



Knight of the Month for May: Doug Rollins



Family of the Month for May: Vincent & Mary Clare Zedler



Huge Thank You! to the Kitchen Krew: Art Donnelly, Ken Lynch, Tom Diemer & Doug Rollins...



KofC 4th Degree Assembly 1675

1975 ~ 50th Anniversary Year ~ 2025



Coffee & Donuts for Vets

We will be at the Taveras V. A. Clinic Friday, June 5th from 8:30am until 10:30am serving coffee and donuts in appreciation to our veterans.



(Assembly Meetings: 2nd Wednesdays at St. Paul's Blessed Michael McGivney Center, 1320 Sunshine Ave.)

COFFEE & DONUTS TODAY
 08:30 to 10:30 
 Provided by the
 Knights of Columbus
 4th Degree
 Lake County Assembly 1675



The Assembly is in the process of re-establishing their Color Corps/Honor Guard

Any Sir Knight interested please contact our Faithful Navigator Tim Jaskiewicz
50% of the uniform cost will be covered through the support of the Assembly.



FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

ATTENTION!!

The 2026/27 dues notices for the new Fraternal Year, which begins July 1st, have been sent out.

Please return your payment as soon as possible.
If there is some type of financial issue, please don't ignore the notice, Please Contact Me.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Tom Diemer PGK/PFN
 Financial Secretary
 352-267-9502

Knights in the News



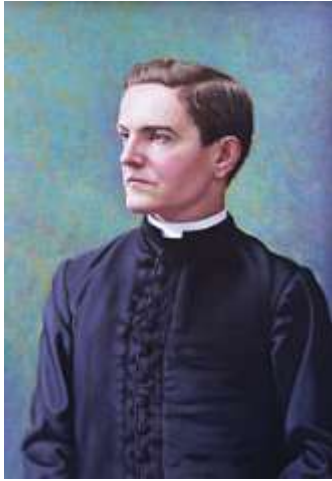
Brother Knight Dr. Dominic Nuciforo Honored

The Plantation of Leesburg Community Italian American Club Leadership Team and Scholarship Committee unanimously named the IAC Scholarship after Dr. Nick.

Brother Nuciforo started the scholarship program years ago by creating a street festival to fund the program. The scholarship will now be known as: "The Dr. Dominic Nuciforo IAC Annual Scholarship"!

Congratulations Brother Nick!!!

Brother Nick has been a Knight for 58 years. He is a person who goes out of his way to help other people. As a retired Professor and Administrator, he volunteered at St. Paul Catholic School; mentoring the eighth graders' essay writing and assisting teachers with Staff Development. He has also been a sustaining member of our council's college scholarship application review board. Dr. Nick is a man with a great passion for cooking. He has prepared delicious meals with the help of the Kitchen Krew for monthly socials and dinners. He volunteers at the food pantry and the yearly Giving Tree at St. Paul's.



BLESSED
MICHAEL MCGIVNEY
Pray for Us!

[A Litany of Blessed Michael McGivney](#)

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us. God, the Father of heaven, have mercy on us. God, the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy on us. God, the Holy Spirit, have mercy on us. Holy Trinity, One God, have mercy on us. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us. Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, ... Our Lady of Guadalupe, Star of the New Evangelization, St. Joseph, Spouse of Mary and Guardian of the Redeemer, St. Michael the Archangel, Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us. Humble Servant of God, ... Faithful Disciple of Jesus, Son of the Immaculate Heart, Obedient Son of the Church, Exemplary Priest of Purity, Zealous Priest of Christ, Gentle Shepherd of Souls, Devoted Parish Priest, Wise Counselor, Teacher of the Faith, Servant to All, Protector of the Poor, Defender of the Widow and Orphan, Friend of the Lonely and Suffering, Companion to the Imprisoned, Comforter of the Sick and Dying, Apostle of Christian Family Life, Father to the Young, Advocate of Workers, Evangelizer of Those Gone Astray, Champion of the Gospel of Life, Guardian of the Laity, Pastor of Immigrants, Exemplar of Charity, Model of Unity, Builder of Catholic Fraternity, Instructor of Christian Patriotism, Founder of the Knights of Columbus, Blessed Michael, humble in service, pray for us. Blessed Michael, devoted to the Sacred Heart, ... Blessed Michael, pure in heart, Blessed Michael, faithful in priestly duties, Blessed Michael, strong in suffering, Blessed Michael, peaceful in dying, Blessed Michael, conformed to Christ crucified, Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, spare us, O Lord! Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, graciously hear us, O Lord! Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us!

V/ Pray for us, Blessed Michael McGivney,

R/ That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray. God, our Father, inspired by the heroic example of the life and virtue of your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, 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 outcast. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.