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Special Olympics

2025 SPECIAL OLYMPICS SPORTS SEASON

• BASKETBALL

START- JANUARY 16, 2025 (THURSDAY NIGHTS)

TIME: 6:30 to 8:30 PM

PLACE - IMG ACADEMY EAST CAMPUS 5500 34TH ST WEST BRADENTON

• BOCCE BALL

START: JANUARY 11, 2025 - (SATURDAY MORNINGS)

TIME - 10 AM to 11:30 AM

PLACE: TRAILER ESTATE MOBIL PARK PARK LANE BRADENTON

• CYCLING

START- JANUARY 18, 2025 (SATURDAY MORNINGS)

TIME: 10 AM - 11 AM

PLACE - TBD

• TENNIS

START-- JANUARY 15, 2025 (WEDNESDAY NIGHTS)

TIME: 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

PLACE: IMG ACADEMY EAST CAMPUS 5500 34TH ST WEST BRADENTON

• TRACK & FIELD

START- JANUARY 13, 2025 (MONDAY NIGHTS)

TIME: 6:30 TO 8:30 PM

PLACE - IMG ACADEMY WEST CAMPUS 53RD AVE BRADENTON

• SOCCER

START-- JANUARY 14, 2025 (TUESDAY NIGHTS)

TIME: 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

PLACE: IMG ACADEMY EAST CAMPUS 5500 34TH ST WEST BRADENTON

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40 Days for Life

Participate in prayer vigils on two days on the sidewalks outside of the Planned Parenthood abortion facility in Sarasota



40 DAYS FOR LIFE PRAYER VIGILS

Thanks to OLA's 70 Defenders of Life who prayed to save Babies from Abortion and to Defeat Amendment 4!



KNIGHTS

SATURDAY OCT. 19, 2024

**Rick Kuebel
Bob Soper
Jim Cullen**

**David Husak
Mike Gonzales
Father Sebastian**

**Howard Glicksman
Tod Taylor**



**Totals: 9 KNIGHTS PARTICIPATING, FOR 14 HOURS
Plus 27 other men and women of OLA**

WEDNESDAY OCT 23, 2024

**John Joly
Bill Kopcsak
Jim Cullen**

**Warren Colmer
Tim Irwin**

**Tom Doecker
Chris Treston**

**Total: 7 Knights participating, for 13 hours
Plus 29 other men and women of OLA
Compiled by Jim Cullen, Life Director, 11-21-24**

OTHER OLA PARTICIPANTS

SATURDAY OCT. 19, 2024

**Lauren Kuebel
Glicksman
Roberta Brockway
Michele Skelton
Don Johnson
Maria Teresa Hoyos
Lily Henderson
Peter Mansour
Jonathan Rameau
Peter Lofquist**

**Elizabeth Densmore
Joanne D'Angelo
Vanda Soper
Mary Lamendola
Iris Morgano
Patty Taylor
Bart Henderson
Kathryn Martin
Debbie Creighton
Anita Hagen**

**Marisa NoceBernie
Gisela Siepmann
Wendy Gonzales
Suzanne Ewing-Chow
Enrique Hoyos
Beth Blanc
Carolina Nehdar
Miguel Odom
Steven Pastor**

Totals: 29 participants 44 hours total

WEDNESDAY, OCT 23, 2024

**Barbara Walsh
Bernie Glicksman
Jean Cipriano
Mary Lamendola
Mary Doecker
Iris Morgano
Luisa Melgar
Francesca Matthews
Steven Pastor**

**Joyce Schaefer
Leticia Louise
Beth Crawford
Rick Monaco
Katie White
Apres McLaughlin
Alexis Cremarius
Julie Kenney
Toni Aaronson**

**Elizabeth Densmore
Sue Wetzel Miller
Maureen Reed
Jeanne Manganello
Ana Cannato
Jay McLaughlin
Pat Kopcsak
Emmy Treston
Anita Hagen**

Totals: 27 participants 40 hours total

Brothers to Brothers

A 4th quarter holiday Brothers to Brothers lunch was held on December 4, 2024. The luncheon was held at Peridia Golf & Country Club who provided us with a holiday decorated setting and Christmas music to help bring the spirit of Christmas to the guest.

In attendance we had 29 brother knights socializing for 1 ½ hours helping make the brothers that can no longer be active feel like they are not forgotten and still an important part of our council. Several brothers assisted in transporting the brothers who were unable to drive to the luncheon and home.

Holiday music played with very good interaction with all brothers. Grand Knight Gordon reminded all in attendance they Knights and belong to a great fraternal group of men and with that if anyone has any issues with or during the holidays they should reach out to any brother knight who will in turn advise our Grand Knight to insure they have a blessed Christmas.

Grand Knight Gordon lead the brothers in blessing of our food prior to lunch.

The 29 guest, visitor and attendees were served an exceptional buffet prepared by Peridia.

1. PGK Jerry Graceffo	11. Br Jim Ryan	22. Br David Lawson
2. PGK John Joly	12. Br. Bill Dunn	23. Br Tom Ludwig
3. PGK Sam Bastianelli	14. Br Gordie Ormerod	24. Br David Moffa
4. GK Gordon Shellhaas	15. Br John Lawler	25. Br Bill Walsh
5. Br Steve Borkenhagen	16. Br Gordon Ormerod	26. Br Vinnie Alesi
6. Br John Gallo	17. Br Eddie Souza	
7. Br Mike Chapman	18. Br Paul Zedalis	
8. Br Tom Rokosz	19. Br. Paul Brown	
9. Br Dale McCall	20. Br Mike Novello	
10. Br Rich Macklin	21. Vinnie Cipriano	





Upcoming Events

White Crosses after 8am Mass January 15th
Recruiting after every Mass January 18 & 19
Blood Drive January 22nd
3192 Renewal of Vows and Social January 24th
Benefits night 6:30pm January 27th
Marina Jack's Cruise February 8th



State Council & District

Bishop Frank J. DeWayne celebrated the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on Nov. 24, 2024, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, to mark the start of the tour at St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish in Port Charlotte.

Bishop Dewane said these martyrs should serve as an example to all as they lived their faith with courage nearly a century ago.

"For these six young priests, they were clear who was King in their life, there is no doubt," Bishop Dewane said. "Christ must be the King for you and me. If someone else, or something else has taken that role, we have to look at how we set about changing that in the life we live."

The relics – tiny slivers of bone – are housed in a silver, cross-shaped reliquary and it was placed in front of the altar so people can pay their respects after Mass. The reliquary with the relics of the six priests was presented to the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus in 2001.

Supreme Council

Our culture needs your joy-filled witness to protect the dignity of every human life.

You're invited to Life Fest, a two-day, pro-life event leading up to the March for Life in our nation's capital this January.

Join the movement at EagleBank Arena in Fairfax, VA, on Jan. 23 and 24, 2025. The event will feature dynamic speakers, music, a relic chapel, Eucharistic adoration, confession and Holy Mass.



Purple Pass is now live, and individual tickets to the Patriotic Ball may be purchased by going to the following link below.

Table purchases can be purchases by contacting me only by emailing me at yinnie1248@outlook.com with the following information.

Full Names,
Meal Selection
Zip Code for the Credit Card being used.

<https://www.purplepass.com/events/296724-patriotic-ball---san-damiano-assembly-3192-feb-15th-2025>

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**Knights of
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***3rd Annual Exclusive Charter on
Marina Jack II
Saturday, February 8, 2025***

Hosted by:

***Brother Matt Cangemi 646-588-9802 &
Brother Michael Chapman 585-509-0610
They're ready to take your reservations!***

120 are expected to attend!

100 minimum allows us to have a private boat without the normal charter fee!

149 people is the maximum, so respond quickly!

**Departs 12:00 Noon – Returns at 2:00PM
(We receive an extra one-half hour at no charge!)**

Boarding begins @ 11:30AM

Cash Bar

Only \$57. per person which includes:

A beautiful cruise

A delicious buffet

**A \$5. donation to St Michael's Food Bank
gratuity and tax!**

***Each person will also receive one raffle ticket for a chance to win a
Dinner Cruise for Two!
(additional raffle tickets will be sold onboard)***



TMIY - Our Lady of the Angels - That Man is You! - Becoming a Man After God's Own Heart

We will now meet on Saturday, December 7 at the Annex Building located at 7704 County Road (CR) 675, Bradenton, FL 34212 AND watch two videos, twelve and thirteen.

On December 7, we will start at 6:30 am and conclude by 8:30 am.

We will resume the 2025 Spring TMIY Semester in the Parish Center on Saturday, January 11.

Please note that **you do not need to enroll in the Spring 2025 TMIY Semester** if you are already enrolled in TMIY and receiving emails.

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Grand Knight's Korner

Lord, in this holy season of prayer and song and laughter, we praise you for the great wonders you have sent us: for shining star and angel's song, for infant's cry in a lowly manger. We praise you for the Word made flesh in a little Child. We behold his glory and are bathed in its radiance.

Be with us as we sing the ironies of Christmas, the incomprehensible comprehended, the poetry made hard fact, the helpless Babe who cracks the world asunder. We kneel before you shepherds, innkeepers, wise men. Help us to rise bigger than we are. Amen.

Gordon Shellhaas
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