

Knights of Columbus NEWSLETTER

June 2025 - Issue 36

Happy Father's Day!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 08 KC Pancake Breakfast
- June 09 KC Fourth Degree Meeting
- June 14 Flag Day
- June 15 Father's Day
- June 19 Business Meeting & Book Club & 40 Hours Corpus Christi Adoration (thru June 21)
- June 22 Fr. Bill Retirement Potluck



KC BUSINESS MEETING

JUNE 19TH 7-8 PM • St. Ignatius Life Center

Contact: Phil Hoyle (719-659-0689)

KC STATE CONVENTION - MAY 23RD TO MAY 25TH

Our Council was well represented at the Florida State Convention. Thank you to all who participated—you demonstrated the spirit of service and fraternity that defines Council 7621. We look forward to implementing some great ideas and initiatives that we brought back with us.

VETERAN'S COLLECTION - MAY 24TH TO MAY 25TH

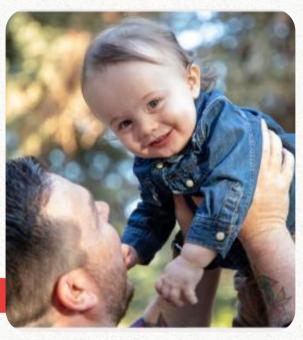
The collection for wounded veterans was a success thanks to the strong support from our Knights. Your efforts ensured that much-needed supplies will reach those who have served our country. This was a clear example of our commitment to service. Your involvement did not go unnoticed.

COUNCIL REFLECTIONS Grow our Council, Support our Parish, Grow as Catholic Men in Charity, Unity, Fraternity

CHARITY

, FRATERNITY

Thanks to the tireless work of our Retention and Recruiting Committee, we are very close to earning Star Council status—a mark of excellence and dedication. Special thanks to **Paul Carey** for his outstanding leadership in these efforts. Your work has strengthened our brotherhood and expanded our mission! It's also vital that all members attend the upcoming benefits briefings. These sessions not only support our Councils growth but also provide critical information to help protect our families and futures. Your attendance is a key part of reaching our Star Council goal—let's finish strong together!



Sir Phil Hoyle (Grand Knight)



Brother Knights, as the year comes to a close, it's a time to reflect on our accomplishments, learn from our challenges, and consider the impact we've had on those around us. Our events brought us closer together, helped us raise funds, and allowed us to serve others while living out God's call to do good. Spreading His word and doing what we believe He would want remains at the heart of our mission as Knights. I pray our new officers continue this spirit, and that we all return after summer refreshed and ready to continue His work.

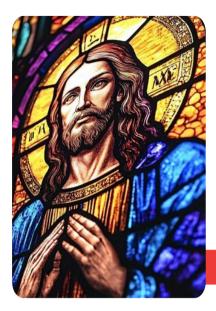
Sir David Creamer (District Deputy)

Faithful Navigator, Sir Knight Don Tobey welcomes our newest Sir Knights: Sir Knight Don Jackson and Sir Knight Jerry Fritz. Our next meeting is on Monday, June 9th at 7 PM. For information call 727-815-8912.

Sir Don Tobey (4th Degree Faithful Navigator)



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Bishop Parkes has graciously granted me permission to retire from active ministry effective July 1st. I am so grateful for the opportunity to serve the Lord as pastor of St. Ignatius of Antioch but at this time I feel called to care for my parents in their senior years and to embark on new forms of pastoral ministry as priest. I thank you for your prayerful support throughout my term as pastor. You have been a true blessing to me. Please be sure to sign up for 40 hours in anticipation of the Feast of Corpus Christi and if possible, please come to my farewell celebration following the 11:30 AM Mass on June 22nd. *May God bless you and your families always!*

Father Bill Swengros (Chaplain)

KC PANCAKE BREAKFAST - JUNE 8TH

The Knights will be hosting a pancake breakfast on Sunday, June 8th. Many volunteers are needed. Volunteering is a great way to connect with fellow parishioners—those familiar faces you see every Sunday but haven't had a chance to meet. Whether you're flipping pancakes or helping with setup, your time and energy will make a big difference. To volunteer, contact Phil Hoyle at 719-659-0689.

BOOK CLUB - JUNE 19TH



Mark your calendar for our upcoming book club on June 19th from 8–9 PM in the hall. We will be discussing *The Imitation of Christ* by Thomas à Kempis. Enjoy thoughtful conversation and insights with fellow readers! Contact Devin Akins at 603-680-0274 for more information.

40 HOURS CORPUS CHRISTI ADORATION - JUNE 19TH TO JUNE 21ST

This year's "40 Hours Corpus Christi Adoration" begins at 7 AM on Thursday, June 19th and ends at 8 AM on Saturday, June 21st. There are also available slots to attend the Masses on Saturday and Sunday and to lead the rosary. Please take a moment to sign up for one of these opportunities using the following link: <u>http://bit.ly/4mAtGCv</u>

HABEMUS PAPAM - WE HAVE A POPE!



We celebrate a new beginning for the Church with the election of Pope Leo, our newly chosen Holy Father. Let us lift him in prayer as he takes up the mantle of leadership with humility and strength. May the Holy Spirit guide him in the days ahead.

FATHER BILL'S RETIREMENT POTLUCK - JUNE 22ND



A heartfelt retirement blessing goes out to Father Bill. His years of faithful service, spiritual guidance, and genuine kindness have left a lasting mark on our parish and our council. We thank him and wish him peace, joy, and renewal in this new chapter. As we celebrate Father Bill, we're also looking for a few volunteers to help receive dishes, serve during the event, and assist with cleanup afterward. If you're able to lend a hand on June 22nd from 10 AM -5 PM please sign up here: <u>https://bit.ly/3ZFymNg</u>

DAY AT THE BALLPARK - JULY 13TH



Join the Ladies Auxiliary at BayCare Ballpark in Clearwater on Sunday, July 13th for a fun day out! The game starts at 12 PM (gates open at 11 AM). \$35 per person includes a game ticket, suite access, and all-you-can eat food and drinks. Contact JoAnn Corlett at 727-389-0518 for tickets.

SCRIPTURE OF THE MONTH

"Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?" — Isaiah 43:18-19

BAPTISMAL PROGRAM

Congratulations to the four individuals who were baptized in May!

SATURDAY, MAY 3RD - Thiago Magalhaes

Officiant: Fr. Bill Swengros - Baptism Team: Ann & Steve Thomas

SATURDAY, MAY 10[™] - Ava Robles Officiant: Fr. Bill Swengros - Baptism Team: Dave & Barbara Cardinal

SATURDAY, MAY 17[™] - Nolan Radabaugh Officiant: Msgr. Joseph Pelligrino - Baptism Team: Mike & Terry Grigsby

SATURDAY, MAY 31st - Aiden Jay Rivera-Vigo Officiant: Fr. Milton Rivera-Vigo