

# TOGETHER IN FAITH



St. Ignatius of Antioch Council 7621  
Tarpon Springs, Florida

**FINAL DRAWING TO BE MARCH 20th, 2025**

**Winter Raffle is Here!**

***Tickets are \$10 each***

**\$20 for Three Tickets**

**1st Place will receive 25% 2nd Place will receive 15%**

**3rd Place will receive 10%**

*Grandpa Richard*

***Have you got your ticket(s) yet?***

**IF NOT--> BUY ONLINE!**

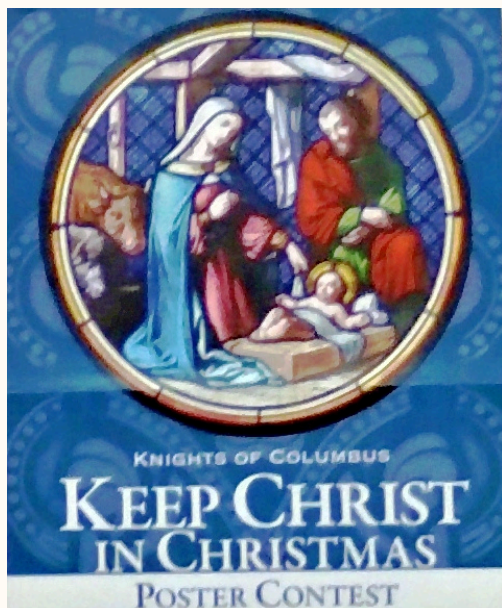
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**Keep Christ in Christmas  
Poster Contest**

**Entry Forms, rules & poster paper available  
in Faith Formation Office**

**FINAL DAY TO ENTER:  
DECEMBER 16TH**





# December Happenings



**Night of Love - Adoration**  
*Friday, Dec. 6th - 11am to*  
*Saturday, Dec. 7th at 7 AM*



## Final First Friday

*Volunteers Needed for set-up 2:30 PM*

## December 6th

*Come join in the fun!*

Downtown Tarpon Springs

Have  
you  
reserved  
your  
spot yet?

### KOC CHRISTMAS DINNER - DECEMBER 15TH

Cypress Run Golf Club

Social 5:00pm - Dinner 6:15pm

#### Entrée choice:

- ☐ NY Strip Medallions w/Demi-glacé
- ☐ Pasta Primavera (Vegetarian)
- ☐ Butter Crumb Cod

ALL entrees served w/sautéed mixed  
vegetable & baby baked potatoes  
(Includes House salad & dessert)

**\$37.50 per person**

(Includes one (1) Drink Ticket)

*House Beer /Wine / Soda*

**PAY AT THE DOOR W/CASH-CREDIT or CHECK**

RSVP by Friday,

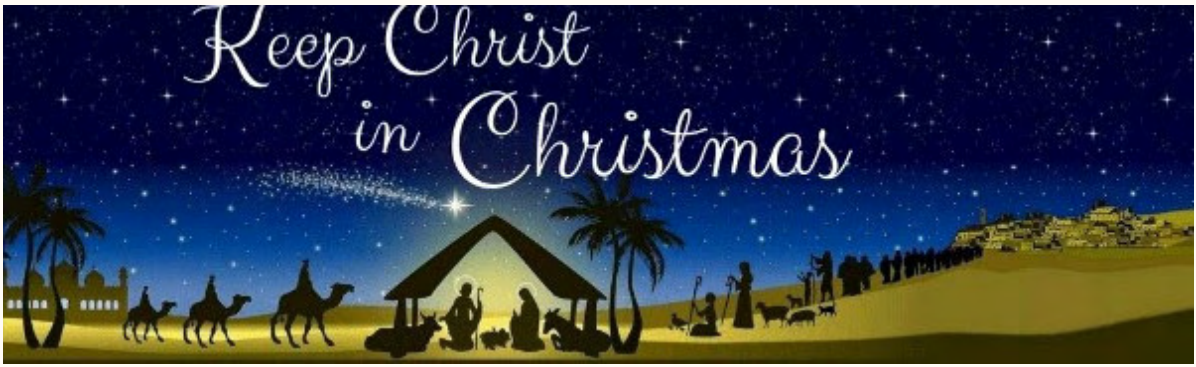
**December 6th**

at: 727-815-8912

**DINNER TICKETS  
AVAILABLE ONLINE**



# December Happenings (cont.)



Poster Contest - Last day to enter!

***Monday, December 16th***



**KOC Corporate Mass**  
**Sunday, December 29th**  
**7:00 AM**

**Wear your KOC Polo Shirt & bring the family**

*Keep us alert, we pray, O Lord our God,  
As we await the advent of Christ your Son,  
so that, when He comes and knocks,  
He may find us watchful in prayer  
and exultant in His praise.  
Who lives and reigns with You,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.  
Amen.*

*Collect Advent Monday I*



My dear brothers,

First of all, I pray that this Thanksgiving was a time of peace and joy for you and your loved ones. We can never thank God enough for all the blessings we receive each and every day. As pastor of Saint Ignatius, I can tell you that I am VERY grateful for our Council and the Knights do for me and for our wonderful parish. Thank you and may God bless you!

This Sunday marks the beginning of Advent. Advent is a season of joyful hope as we prepare for the “advent” or “coming” of Christ, who is our Hope. St. Bernard reminds us the preparation is threefold: the preparation for Christ’s future return in glory, the celebration of His Incarnation in history, and the recognition of His Presence among us here and now in mystery. How will you and your family prepare this year? How will you prepare your heart for the coming of Christ? What is the Lord calling you to do (or not to do!) to grow ever closer to Him? We should all pray and reflect on His Word every day, participate in the Holy Mass every weekend, go to confession monthly, and help others in need. But what more is He asking of you?

To help you get the most out of this Holy Season, the parish is offering an Advent and Christmas Guide. It is a wonderful booklet filled with daily devotions written by fellow parishioners. Each day provides a reflection, ideas on how to grow in holiness, and activities within the parish. Pick up your copy at Mass or download it from [www.SaintIgnatius.net](http://www.SaintIgnatius.net). My prayer is that it will be a blessing to you.

On Christmas Eve, our Holy Father will inaugurate the Holy Year. This Jubilee’s theme is “Pilgrims of Hope.” more than ever, the world needs Hope. Pope Francis is calling us to be discerners of hope as well as bearers of hope to those who feel “hopeless.” Of course we don’t have to wait until Christmas Eve fan the flames of hope by helping those in need. The Knights are also offering several activities throughout the Advent Season. You can read about them in this newsletter. Please mark your calendars and plan on being there to as many as you can!

Advent is a time of new beginnings, an opportunity to grow in Christ as we prepare for His coming. I pray it may also be one of great peace and joy for you and your loved ones.

*Fr Bill*

Fr. Bill Swengros  
Chaplain



# District Deputy Note - District 37

**Sir David Creamer**



Brother Knights,

*Merry Christmas!*

With the recent events, we have been made closer to those around us by more often noticing if someone was in need or needed help with something. With the Christmas holiday, we tend to get the charitable feeling and reach out to be kind to those who may need something to have a blessed and happy holiday. This year more than ever we need to look closer and find a way to be more giving of ourselves to make someone just a little bit better off.

Even if you have been affected by the storms, there is someone who probably is worse off than you. They may have lost everything, including a loved one during this period so being there as a friend would mean that much more.

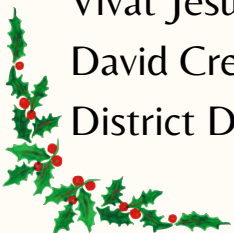
“Keep Christ in Christmas” is an important attitude to have and we should make a point of thinking what would Jesus do for us and at that point we know we should do as much as is possible. Christmas may only come but once a year, but we can try to make it last a long time by being there for others when they need us the most. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone.

May God bless us all for all that we do.

Vivat Jesus!

David Creamer

District Deputy 37





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# Grand Knight's Thoughts

## Sir Phil Hoyle



*Wishing **YOU** a fun filled*



**Happy  
Birthday**

Let our Grand Knight know  
he's remembered!

*(It's Tuesdaay, December 3rd)*





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
**FOURTH  
DEGREE**  
*Patriotic Degree of the Order*



ONE NATION UNDER GOD

Fr. Edward J. Farrell  
**Assembly #1774**

**St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church**

**4843 Mile Stretch Dr, Holiday, FL 34690**



**Fourth Degree**



# CHRISTMAS DINNER

*Monday, December 9th*

**6:00-10PM in the hall**

## **DINNER MENU**

- PRIME RIB      ● CHICKEN SUPREME
- BAKED WHITE FISH

(Includes: Entree', Salad, Bread, Roasted Potatoes, Veggie Medley & Dessert)

**\$30/person**

**RSVP: By Sunday, December 1st!**

Contact Don Tobey at **727-815-8912**  
with who's attending & your food choice(s)





## 12th Annual

# MEN'S ONLY MORNING

**Saturday, January 25th, 2025 | 8:00am - 11:30am**

St Ignatius of Antioch Catholic Church Hall 826 East Orange Street | Tarpon Springs, FL

Hosted by the Knights of Columbus Councils #7621, #6476 and #12196

When it comes to your health and wellness, no matter your age or stage of life, we want to be your partner and help you take an active role in living a longer, healthier life. Join us for a free, fun-filled morning of men's health screenings, a panel discussion with our physician experts, and door prizes. The OneBlood Mobile will be on-site. A continental breakfast and lunch will be provided.

**Free Event!**

 727-939-6404

 [AdventHealthNorthPinellas.com](https://AdventHealthNorthPinellas.com)

***Reservation Required Space is Limited***



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**Advent Health**  
North Pinellas



# **Happy New Year - 2025**



Thursday, January 16th:  
**KOC REGULAR MEETING - 7PM**

Thursday, January 16th:  
**Spiritual Program for Men - 8PM**

Sunday, January 19th:  
**KOC BIG Breakfast - 8AM to 1PM**  
**Keep Christ in Christmas Awards Ceremony - 11 AM**

Monday, January 20th:  
**KOC MLK Day Mass - 7:00 PM**

Wednesday, January 22nd:  
**KOC Respect for Life Mass 7:00PM**

Saturday, January 25th:  
**Advent Health Men's Clinic**



# **2025**