



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Mother Seton Palm Coast
Council # 17480



Join us: Third Thursday at 6 PM

4600 Belle Terre Parkway, Palm Coast 32137



Grand Knight Ralph Esposito Message

December 2024

What a great month we had just completed for many. For one, the great news from November 5th, as Amendment 4 got voted down. Many of the Knights throughout the state of Florida have to take a bow for this major accomplishment. Led by the determination of parishioners such as Priscilla Pasitano, and of course, our great Life Director Wayne Friday, and Father Jose, Father Rob, and Father Sergio, this helped make this prayer, a reality. Now we will have to fight this good fight again in 2026, but in the meanwhile, that gives us 24 months to educate many of the alarming 57% that voted yes.

November was also great for this reason. On Sunday the 3rd, we had a 2nd Exemplification during my term. We had seven great new members added to our Council 17480. Many have already asked what they can do to help. Believe me, there is a role for everyone. Needless to say, this brought our total to 35. This is since July 1st. I will repeat what I had said earlier, that I wanted triple star, and knew that was going to be tough to achieve. Never could I imagine that we will most likely have this goal, by Christmas. Two more brothers were added since, bringing our total to 37. Not sure if we lead the world, but we have to be knocking on the door. This was after gaining 6 from the Spanish roundtable 6 weeks ago. Great accomplishment Brothers. I would like to see each one of you take a Form 100 and try to bring someone in. Can we get 15 more and become a 4-star council? Talk about making a major statement! Great job to everyone involved to this point, as we enter month 6.

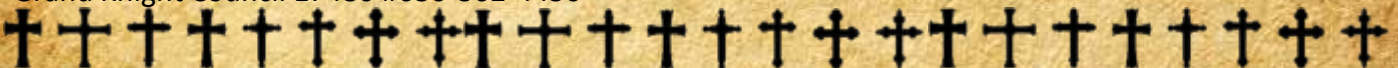
I hope everyone of you and all of your loved ones had a fantastic Thanksgiving. Ivette and I were surprised one week ago, when my first-born Adam, his wife Carissa, and daughter Regan, paid us a surprise visit. What a true blessing. My three other sons were in on this and have said that this was in the works for 5 months. It was an early Christmas present indeed. They will be here for at least another week. It must be awesome to work remotely, which allows them an extended stay! I truly hope that many of you have moments like this to share, if not during Thanksgiving, then hopefully at Christmas.

Here is to a happy, healthy and safe month of December. God bless you all!

Vivat Jesus!

Ralph Esposito

Grand Knight Council 17480 #630-362-4450



December 2024						
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Mark Your Calander

December 1 -3, 2024 – 40-Hour Adoration

December 1st 2024 Parish Game Day Noon to 6PM

December 7th, 2024 Parish Christmas Party

December 8, 2024, 3.30 pm – Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe Procession

December 14th 2024 Parish Christmas Dinner 6PM

March 24 – 27, 2025 — Lenten Retreat by Fr. William Garrott, O.P.

District Deputy Message Greg Gully

December 2024

Remember the reason for the season. A Savior was born in Bethlehem to give his life to grant us, sinners, eternal life. EVERY KNEE SHALL BEND AT HIS HOLY NAME. As members of our fraternal order let us always be thankful for the gifts bestowed upon us by JESUS CHRIST. Let's always pay it forward by helping those less fortunate.



Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ Amendment #4 is has been defeated. The Knights have been on the front lines of life issues since their inception. Although we won this battle the war for the protection of life is not over. The baby killers are already hard at work devising another scheme to place a new constitutional amendment on the Florida ballot. Lets keep the pressure on. Remember abortion is STILL legal in Florida. Babies are being killed every single day.

Now my primary concentration will be on membership and helping each council to achieve their goals. Your council is adding new members, performing fraternal benefit events and faith in action programs. Star Council is the goal. However Double and triple stars are not out of reach. You do NOT need to wait for a membership drive to offer a Catholic gentleman the gift of membership. That Catholic gentleman you see in church every week is a prime candidate for the invitation to join our brotherhood. In unity and fraternity, we can accomplish this.

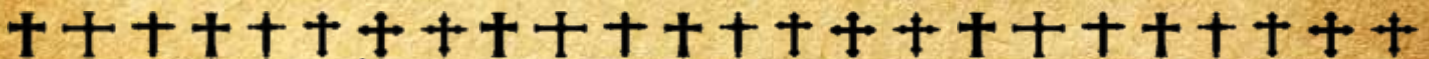
Please consider creating or joining a COR group at your Church. Open to ALL Catholic men of the parish. A great way to evangelize and show men that being a Knight is truly based on our shared catholic values.

In closing let's pray that Worthy FDD Kevin Ryan has a safe trip on his sleigh. Santa has departed for the north pole to get those lazy elves back to work.

Remember we were INVITED to be Knights.

Have a blessed Christmas season.

Vivat Jesus



School Crossing Guard



Brother Joe Lupo, better known to the children as "Bumble Bee", sports his bumble bee shirt and antennae on Wednesdays when the children come to Church for Mass. His nick name was given to him by one of the 8th grade girls last year when he wore this shirt. On Wednesdays when he didn't wear the shirt the children would always ask him – wears your bumble bee shirt.?

This was the first day that he wore the antennae which was gifted to him from District Deputy Greg Gully.

One of the children asked him where was his bee hive? The children got a good laugh.



Where did 2024 go? It seems like it was summer yesterday and yet we just celebrated the Thanksgiving holiday.

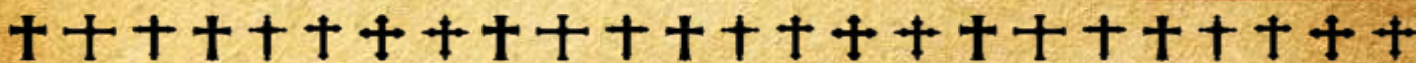
I hope you and your family had a great 2024. Now, we are all preparing to 'ring in' 2025.

Hopefully, you've established a few goals for the upcoming year. I've learned a great tip regarding resolutions. First, write them down. It's not too late if you haven't already done this. Commit your goals to paper and post it someplace you will see it often. Writing down a goal is the first step towards achieving it. It may not make sense at first, but I'm sure you have heard stories of the success this simple task can bring. Whether your goal is to exercise more, give more to charity, read more or watch less television, you're more likely to accomplish it if you write it down.

Second, resolve to have an expert look at your finances. I recommend that you have a team of experts help you, and I would love to be the first you sit with. Let's schedule some time to meet together, and I, your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, will provide an "insurance check-up" (at no cost!) that will evaluate any gaps in your family's life insurance protection. Now might be the perfect time to fill those gaps, not later. Keep in mind that unlike many other products, you don't just need money to obtain life insurance; you also need good health, and no one knows when your health could change.

Did I mention my check-up is free of charge? When was the last time you received something for free that could provide value to you and your family for generations? Call me today.

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SUPREME CHAPLAIN'S MONTHLY CHALLENGE

DECEMBER 2024

Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have the strength to escape the tribulations that are imminent and to stand before the Son of Man." (Gospel for Dec. 1, Lk 21:36) To remain watchful is a frequent exhortation of Jesus, for we do not know when the end will come. For most people, their end will come at the moment of their death. We trust in God's grace, but grace requires our response: We must not grow lax and presume we have plenty of time to repent. We must pursue holiness and seek God's will at all times so that we stand ready to meet him at any time.



Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori: This month, in which we celebrate the birth of Jesus, I challenge you to meditate on the poor shepherds who watched over their flocks on the night he was born and identify one way you can better incorporate watchfulness into your own life.

Questions for Reflection: Do you maintain a practice of daily prayer, regular examination of conscience and frequent confession, or do you sometimes grow spiritually lazy? Do you commit yourself to steady growth in holiness and virtue as preparation for the final judgment? Do you teach and encourage your loved ones to do the same?

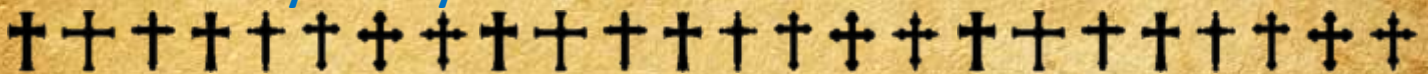
November 21st Meeting Awards



October Knight Family
of the Month
Priscilla
Pasitano



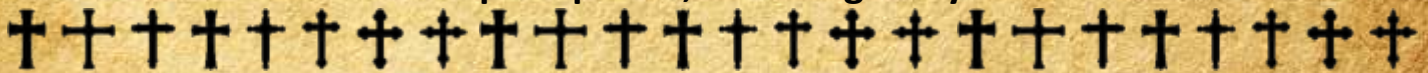
October Knight of the Month
Jeffery Hadley



Shinning Armor Award Presentation



Shown Left to Right. Joseph Paul, Anthony Girgus, Jeff Hadley, Joe Lupo,
Ralph Esposito, and Greg Gully.



Ministry Fair

Jeff Hadley works the
Knights of Columbus table
at the Ministry Fair
at St Elizabeth Ann
Seton Church



November 3rd Explication



**District Deputy
Greg Gully**



**Mike Tennyson
"Charity"**



**Ralph Esposito
"Unity"**



**Chris Daley
"Fraternity"**



Shawn Lynn II



Shawn Lynn



Bill Sharpe



Stephen Astacio



Tom Gailliot



Thomas Marron



James Colgate



Knights in Action

**Friday
November 2nd
Protect Life
Vote No on
Amendment 4**



**Amendment 4
WAS DEFEATED
on November 8th
2024**

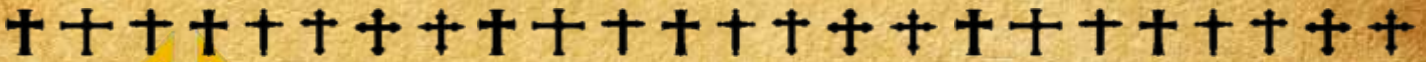


Tootsie Roll Drive



Saturday, November 10th from 9 am-5 pm
we will have a Tootsie Roll Drive. This will
take place at Island Walk. This
is located at the intersection of Palm
Coast Parkway and Old Kings Road.

CANCELLED



**Mass for the Knights who died this year.
November 9th officiated by Fr Jim**

Brother Knights Rest in Peace!

Victor Acocella

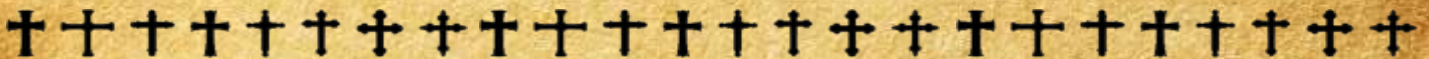
Angelo F. Cutillo

Salvatore M. Delle Ventura

John J. Derrig

Neil W. Dorian

Joseph W Paul



December Birthdays

Elignario Mazariegos Sr	12-02
Rev Sergio L Santos	12-07
Felix A Tartaglia	12-07
Patrick J Juliano	12-08
Jeffery Hadley	12-10
Rev Christopher Knight	12-11
John E Stankovich	12-15
John Furmanek Jr	12-17
Robbie W Golding	12-20
Hans W Smit	12-22
Thomas V Macron	12-30
Thomas Marron	12-31



STRANGE BUT TRUE

Before the June 1944 invasion of Normandy, a crossword puzzle that was printed in the London Daily Telegraph contained the words "mulberry", "Neptune", "Omaha", "overload" and "Utah". That may not seem to be a fact of much interest, but it turns out that those were all secret code words used by the Allied military in planning the upcoming offensive. The puzzle's author, a schoolteacher, was tracked down and interrogated, but the puzzle's content was ultimately caulked up to coincidence.



Coats for Kids exemplifies the Knights of Columbus' mission of charity and providing for the most vulnerable members of society. Since 2009 we have provided warmth to over 1 million children in need.



Thank You to Cable Works USA for donating the money to pay for the coats. Knights of Columbus coats for kids program. Distributed 192 coats in Flagler County. Mother Seton, St Marys and Notre Dame Councils participated led By Brother Mike VanHeusen.



Dan Lamperti, Tom Brand, Charlie Salerno, Joe Leahy, Greg Gully, Ralph Esposito, Mike Van Heusen, Robbie Golding, Anthony Girgus and Joseph Paul



Coats for Kids





Knights of Columbus

Award Recipients from 17480 Council



Greg Gully
EMS Chief 9-11 First Responder



Joseph Paul accepting for Owen
Thompson NYC Transit,



Chris Daley
USMC Vietnam Veteran



Tom Brand
US Navy Veteran,



ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON
GOLF CART RAFFLE
(YOUR CHOICE THE GOLF CART OR \$10,000)
ONLY 300 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD!



**TICKET
PRICE
\$100 EACH**

Raffle will take place once all
300 ticket are sold.

Tickets will be sold at the
Parish Office and after all
Masses starting in December.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
CHRISTMAS MEETING/DINNER
DECEMBER 19TH AT 6PM**



**The Christmas party is only
open to members that
attend monthly meetings
and their wives.**

**Those attending must
contact the GK for a
reservation and whether
they are eating beef or fish.**

**DON'T FORGET
TO BRING AN UNWRAPED
CHRISTMAS TOY.**

WE'LL SEE YOU THEN.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



OUR HISTORY AND HERITAGE

Founded on the principles of charity, unity and fraternity, the Knights of Columbus was established in 1882 by Father Michael J. McGivney, assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Conn., and a group of parishioners. Their intent? To bring financial aid and assistance to the sick, disabled and needy members and their families. Today, Father McGivney is being considered for sainthood.





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PIE SALE



Knights of Columbus Pie Sale November 23rd and 24th after all the weekend Masses. 10" Home Baked Pies: Pumpkin, Apple, Coconut Cream and Pecan. \$12.00 each. Also, home-made cookies available: Oatmeal Raisin and Chocolate Chip.



Knight of Columbus Elijah Cup Chalice

The Church lives by the Eucharist and relies on those who are especially devoted to Jesus in this way. **The purpose of the Knights of Columbus Elijah Cup Program for Religious Vocations is to encourage families and individuals to pray for and promote vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life.** We hope that those who bring the chalice home will continue to pray daily for religious vocations.

How the Program Works?

A regularly attending family or individual from the parish receives the chalice and commits to praying for vocations at home for a week. Each day the family or the individual prays for an increase in and perseverance of vocations. A binder containing prayers is provided. The following week, the chalice is passed to another family or individual who take it home and to prayer. The Lord will abundantly pour out His blessings upon those who pray for men and women in the priesthood and religious life.

If you are interested in receiving the Elijah Cup chalice, please call the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton church office at (386) 445-2246 and request that you be placed on the list.



Father Jose performed the Elijah Cup Chalice for Religious Vocations blessing at the Corpus Christie Mass on June 2nd.



Welmon Pippin donated the chalice in memory of his wife Barbara.



Wayne Friday build the case for the chalice.



**4th Degree
Deacon Perlito (Tom)
Alayu Funeral**



Perlito (Tom) Alayu May 15th,1951 – November 15th, 2024



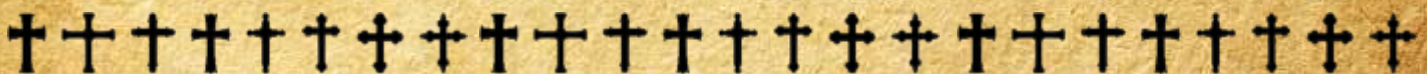
Deacon Tom passed away on Friday, November 15, 2024, after a courageous battle with stomach cancer. He is survived by his devoted wife, Cita; his son, Thomas Alayu (Cris Kellyn); his daughter, Phoebe Ballard (Kyler); his beloved grandchildren, Katy Trinity Alayu, Elijah Thomas Alayu, Christina Angelica Alayu, and Mary Ella Ballard; and his siblings Edgardo, Joventino, Andromeda, Mauro Jorge, Maria Aurora, Jacob, Jethro, Joshua, and Maria Ana.

Born in the Philippines on May 15, 1951, Deacon Tom immigrated to the United States in 1984. He was ordained to the permanent diaconate on May 19, 2007, and began his ministry at Queen of Martyrs Church in Forest Hill, NY, where he served from 2007 to 2008. He continued his dedicated service at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Palm Coast, FL, until his passing. From 2009 to 2013, he served as chaplain for the Apostleship of the Sea Chapter at Mayport, FL, offering compassionate ministry and spiritual support to seafarers. In addition,

Deacon Tom actively participated in enriching faith-based programs, including Marriage Encounter, Life in the Spirit Seminar, and Kerygma ministry where he helped individuals deepen their relationship with Christ and strengthen their commitment to Christian living.

Deacon Tom was a man of unwavering faith, profound compassion, and selfless dedication to serving others. His gentle warmth, spiritual depth, and steadfast commitment left an indelible mark on all who were blessed to know him. His legacy of love and service will be treasured by his family, friends, and parish community. May he find eternal rest in the embrace of the Lord he so faithfully served.

Fr. Jose



Brother Sylvio Reo Sylvain April 22, 1941 - September 11, 2024



Sylvio was a Spiritual Devout Catholic, a 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, a dedicated Husband, Father and Grandfather. He was a hardworking man, doing construction, a self-employed contractor and long-haul truck driver for many years. He also worked as a maintenance / janitor for Notre Dame Church in Waterville, ME. He retired in 2008 and then moved to the Sunshine State of Florida.

He enjoyed fishing, picking fiddleheads for many years in the spring (his favorite), woodworking, gardening, hockey and wrestling. Always full of energy, laughter and love, he was a jokester, he was a bright light in the room and loved by all. He will be missed dearly! Famous last words "Fait moi pas facher"