

TOGETHER IN FAITH



St. Ignatius of Antioch Council 7621
Tarpon Springs, Florida



*May you and yours truly enjoy
the Freedom and celebration of
this July 4th!*

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Council 7621 Officers-2024/25

Philip Hoyle Grand Knight
Marco Sandusky
Deputy Grand Knight
Jack Peeke Recorder
Don Tobey Chancellor/Media
Michael Moraca Lecturer
Alan DeFrain Treasurer
Chuck Hope Advocate
Bob Wright Warden
Edgar(Bud) Bradley
Inside Guard
Mitch Incorvaia
Outside Guard
Paul Carey-1 year Trustee
Steve Thomas-2 Year Trustee
Tom McKone-3 Year Trustee
Gary Cloutier
Financial Secretary
Fr. Bill Swengros-Chaplain



This Month's Events



Attn: NO MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 18TH



KOC Corporate Mass
Saturday, July 20th

4:00 PM

Wear your KOC Polo Shirt!

Share this Mass with your family and friends

Installation of Officers

Thursday, August 8th - 5:30 PM

Begins with Mass in the Chapel followed
by Ceremony and catered dinner.

All Officers, plan to attend!



For more information: www.kocognatius.org



Prayer for Our Nation

*Father of all nations and ages,
we recall the day when our country claimed its place among the family of nations;
for what has been achieved we give You thanks,
for the work that still remains we ask Your help,
and as You have called us from many peoples to be one nation,
grant that, under Your providence,
our country may share Your blessings with all the peoples of the earth.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

- Collect for Independence Day

My dear brothers,

As we celebrate the 4th of July, we give thanks to God for all the blessings we have received, especially the gift of faith, life, love, our family and friends, and the great gift of being able to call this great country of ours home. On Independence Day, we profess our great dependence upon God and offer prayers for our nation. May we never take for granted the sacrifices on which our nation was built or its foundational principles of which we pledge: "one nation, under God, with liberty and justice for all."

The Knights of Columbus were instrumental in adding the phrase "under God" to the Pledge of Allegiance in 1954. This reflects the Knights desire to build not only stronger and more faithful men and families, but also a stronger and more faithful nation. While the virtue of patriotism is the principle of the 4th degree Knights, it is embraced by every true Knight: We strive to be faithful Catholics as well as a faithful citizens. To that end, please join us for Mass this Thursday the 4th either at 7am or 9am. If that is not possible, please offer a decade of the Rosary: May the peace of Christ rule in our hearts, and His justice guide our lives.

As Catholics and as Americans, it is a both a right and duty to vote. Encourage others to register to vote and to be informed on the issues. With the recent changes to the election laws, those who wish to vote by mail must request a ballot before each general election. Let's do what we can to help others.

On another note, I would like to offer a word of thanks to John Donnell for all his help to me personally, our Council, and the parish. And I would like to pledge my support for our new Grand Knight Phil Hoyle and the our newly elected slate of officers. "Vivat Jesus!"

May God bless you and your loved ones this July. And may God bless America!

Fr. Bill

Fr. Bill Swengros
Chaplain



Grand Knight's Thoughts

Sir Phil Hoyle

Brothers of Council 7621,

Greetings and blessings to each of you! It is with great humility and honor that I take on the role of Grand Knight for our esteemed council. First and foremost, I thank God for His abundant blessings upon us. Each one of you has made unique contributions to our council, and for that, I am deeply thankful.

A special gratitude goes to John Donnell for his exceptional leadership over the past three years. Under his guidance, our council has flourished during a crucial period in our history. His personal commitment and example will continue to inspire us as we follow in the footsteps of Christ, following the example set by Father McGivney.

As your Grand Knight, I have set three primary goals for the upcoming year:

- **Grow our council**
- **Support our parish**
- **Strengthen our faith as Catholic men**

Let us be encouraged by the words of Philippians 4:13: ***"I can do all this through him who gives me strength."***

I eagerly anticipate the opportunity to meet and connect with each of you as we embark on this new council year.

Vivat Jesus!!

Phil Hoyle

Grand Knight



District Deputy Note - District 37

Sir David Creamer

Brother Knights,

FIRST IN FAITH & CHARITY

One of the slogans from our state convention is to remind us that we are Catholics first and of the important work that we hope to accomplish. As we begin our new Fraternal year, let us take pride in what we accomplished this past year.

We showed what good could be done while the participants enjoyed the fruits of our labor. With this behind us, we now will begin with new events that will help us raise funds for charity and to make the community of our Churches even more dynamic. With the dinners and breakfasts that we serve, we also must be sure that the participants know that their donations are going to good causes and not just into our coffers.

Making our presence known is good for our standings amongst the ministries in our parishes, but also so that others will want to join us in doing our work for the priests and churches. Continue to enjoy your summers, but always keep in mind that our influence is important and we must always be there if needed. Thank you all for what you have contributed.



Vivat Jesus!
David Creamer
District Deputy 37





KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**FOURTH
DEGREE**

Patriotic Degree of the Order ONE NATION UNDER GOD



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

Are YOU a Knight?

Are YOU Patriotic?

**Join the
Fourth Degree**



The next **LIVE** Exemplification is **Saturday, July 27th** in Pompano Beach, FL. Deadline to register your complete materials is **July 17!**

For more information, Contact Don Tobey, FN
at **727-815-8912**

ATTN: NO MEETING MONDAY, JULY 8TH!

Installation of 4th Degree Officers and Dinner is **after the 4:00PM Mass** on **Saturday, July 27th**. **Please dress for the ceremony.** *See you at Mass at St. Vincent de Paul Church.*

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church
4843 Mile Stretch Dr, Holiday, FL 34690

KOC Baptismal Program



Want to assist??
You don't have to be a
Knight, couples are
welcome!

Contact: Steve Thomas,
Baptismal Chairman
508-320-6423

Saturday, July 6th

Leonardo Tuma. The Celebrant will be Fr. Joseph Paek.
The Baptism team will be Marc and Pauline Hamilton.

Saturday, July 20th

Nora Pflueger. The Celebrant will be Msgr. Joseph Pellegrino.
The Baptism team will be John and Barbara Donnell.

Saturday, July 27th

Finan Jewell. The Celebrant will be Fr. Daniel Bot. The
Baptism team will be Mike and Terry Grigsby.

Are YOU Crafty?

Check out the next page to help us!

Baptismal Shell Project!



Greetings my fellow parishioners,

Above is one of the shells used in Baptisms, looks great, how would you like to be able to make these yourself. We are looking for a few volunteers to be part of the Baptism Shell decorating team

All the skills needed you already acquired by the third grade, such as cutting and pasting, finger painting etc. A few modern day skills are also utilized such as printing files from a Word Doc.

The Gold cross and the pink dove along with the calligraphy are all printed decals, you simply cut them out, paste them in the shell and when dry you slather the shell with a UV activated resin using your best pre-K finger painting skills. Set it outside in the sun for a bit and its done.

This might be something you can do with your children or grandchildren or if you're into crafts and crafting you might like to learn something a bit new.

If you're interested, let me know.

Steve Thomas

Baptism Team Leader

508 320 6423 call or text



**THIS AMENDMENT
HURTS WOMEN!**

2024 Florida ballot proposal: Amendment to Limit Government Interference with Abortion

LAW CHANGES:

- NO MORE time limits on abortions.
- NO MORE requirements that abortions be performed only by medical doctors.
- NO MORE parental consent for minors to have abortions.
- NO MORE safety requirements for abortion clinics.
- NO MORE medical informed consent.
- NO MORE 24-hour waiting period.
- NO MORE laws to regulate abortion at all.

CONSEQUENCES:

- Partial-birth and up-to-birth abortions would be LEGAL.
- ANY "health care provider" could perform abortions WITHOUT BEING A MEDICAL DOCTOR.
- Minors could get abortions WITHOUT A PARENT'S CONSENT.
- Injuries or death from botched abortions would increase.
- Women would have abortions WITHOUT KNOWING THE RISKS.
- More women would have abortions UNDER PRESSURE.
- Abortions performed ANY TIME, ANY PLACE, BY ANYONE!

THIS AMENDMENT GOES TOO FAR!



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