# TOGETHER INFAITH

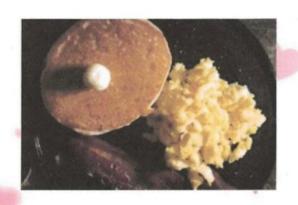


1900 - 2025

**CHARITY-UNITY-FRATERNITY-PATRIOTISM** 

February 22, 2025

#### What's Happening This Month!



Sunday, Feb. 2nd 8 AM to 1:00 PM

KOC Corporate Mass Sunday, Feb. 9th

7:00 AM





Don't Forget! - Feb. 14th

Happy Valentine's Day



Regular Meeting
7:00 PM in the Hall
FEBRUARY 20TH

Into The Breach - Family

Men's Spiritual Group - 8 PM

Session Two



**FINAL DRAWING - MARCH 20th, 2025** 

## WINTER RAFFLE

50/50 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%

Have you got your ticket(s) yet?

Get your tickets
Use this QR Code
-OR CLICKGET MY TICKETS



SCAN ME

#### KOC Men's Retreat

#### Men of the Parish:

Begin the year by standing with other men to sharpen your faith!



#### Being Catholic in a Broken World

Knowing. Defending. Evangelizing.

#### 15th Annual Tampa Bay Men's Conference

Featuring Trent Horn from Catholic Answers

#### Saturday, March 1, 2025

Higgins Hall at St. Lawrence Catholic Church, Tampa

6:30AM Rosary | 8:00AM Mass | 9:00AM-3:00PM Conference Program



For tickets or more information, scan the QR code or visit:



suncoastcatholicministries.com

#### Save this Date!

### Join us to celebrate our Catholic Heritage with other men!

Tickets are \$60 per person with special 2 for 1 Father/Son combo pricing.

High School/College Student single tickets are \$30 each.

Clergy and other religious are Free

Pricing includes lunch and a breakfast snack

It's open to ALL the men of the Parish!

Check out the special prices for High school/College students & 2 for 1 Father/Son combo pricing



#### Sunday, March 2, 2025 | 1 pm to 4 pm

Join us at a FREE classic car show as we recognize Colon Cancer Awareness Month, offer health screenings, share our services, enjoy music and win prizes. If you have a car to show off, drive it over! Let's get rocking and rolling! It's fun for the whole family! FREE LUNCHES PROVIDED TO DRIVERS OF REGISTERED CARS.

#### Awards for First, Second, Third and Best in Show!

Food will be available for purchase. Raffle prizes throughout the event.



1395 S. Pinellas Ave., Tarpon Springs

Parking Lot in Front of the Hospital

#### Free Event - Registrations are required!





AHNorthPinellas.com

#### Spiritual Thoughts

**Fr. Bill Swengros Chaplain Council #7621** 



"Amen, I say to you,
whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine,
you did for me." (Mt:25:40)

My brothers in Christ,

What a blessing to be Catholic! This year, our Lord has opened the floodgates of His Mercy to us through our Jubilee Year of Hope! It is a wonderful opportunity to grow in Hope and to share Hope with others! How? Our shepherd, Bishop Parkes, has asked us to focus on corporal works of mercy and, as a diocese, collectively perform more than a million acts of mercy in the coming months! Sound difficult? Not when you factor in the Knights! We are specialists in helping others!

Jesus taught us the importance of loving God with all our heart, soul, mind, and body and to love our neighbor as yourself (Mk 12). He also taught us that at the end of time we will be judged on how we care for others (Mt 25). Saint John Paul II taught us Jesus Christ taught that man not only receives and experiences the mercy of God, but that he is also called upon 'to practice mercy' towards others (Dives in misericordia, 14), echoing the messages shared by our Lord to St. Faustina. We will be judged at the close of time not only on how we loved God, but also how we extended His mercy to others.

Do you give hope to the hungry, thirsty, lonely, naked, sick, and imprisoned? Are you doing what you can to help our brothers and sisters in need? One way to help is simply to be active in our Council. Another way is to volunteer with our St. Ignatius Food Pantry, Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Upper Pinellas Pregnancy Center, Caritas Ministry, or volunteer to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion for our homebound, nursing home residents, or hospital. Pinellas Hope, the Shepherd Center and Metropolitan Ministries are also wonderful ministries of mercy. If you are interested in prison ministry, contact the diocese.

Another important way to help those in need is through our Annual Catholic Ministry Appeal. Our diocesan appeal funds hundreds of ministries serving thousands of people throughout our five-county diocese. Thanks to you, our diocese is the largest private provider of social assistance in Tampa Bay. We care for the poor, the homeless, and the elderly. We provide quality Catholic education and formation to our children, teens, and adults. We are in our local hospitals and prisons. We are in the fields helping the farm workers. We are sharing God's hope ... and it is through your generous donations. For more information, see dosp.org. (When you donate be sure to note that you are a parishioner of St. Ignatius.)

"Hope does not disappoint!" (Rm 5:5). May this Jubilee Year truly be one of great Hope for you and your loved ones as we courageously live the Gospel!

Fr. Bill Swengros Chaplain

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#### **District Deputy Note - District 37**

#### Sir David Creamer

Brother Knights,

We are now into the third quarter of our fraternal year and we must get even busier than we have been to accomplish as many good things as we can. Lent will soon be upon us to give us a mightier cause to work for, meanwhile we must focus on the events and tasks which we can pull off presently.

With each event, we have the opportunity to do good for others and to attract more candidates to become Brother Knights. Continuing with our charitable work is most important, but we can use those times to shine forth in our parishes so that others will want to join us in our work for the Lord.

Keeping our eyes open to see chances to help others out is an easy thing to do, but to try to bring others into our organization is extremely vital to keep us growing in the ability to help others.

Charity is our first precept and that which we should be proud and honored to be able to perform for others. Let us keep spreading God's message around and be active, Christian men who are great examples of what a Catholic should be.

May God bless us all for all that we do.

Vivat Jesus! David Creamer District Deputy 37



## Grand Knight's Thoughts Sir Phil Hoyle

**Greetings, Brothers of Council 7621!** 

February: A Month Dedicated to the Holy Family

As we embrace the month of February, traditionally dedicated to the Holy Family, let us remember the importance of leading by example—both within our families and in our council. As we learned in the first round of the Spiritual for Men Program, our thoughts and actions should reflect Christ's presence in our lives. This commitment is evident in the events we support, from our Big Breakfasts to initiatives like the Men's Health Screening.

I want to express my gratitude for your dedication. In reviewing the many hours of volunteer service, I am deeply inspired by how we, as Knights, shine through our participation in parish ministries. Your commitment makes a difference, and I truly applaud your efforts—thank you!

**Upcoming Events** 

Big Breakfasts – Continuing this month—don't miss out!

Spiritual for Men Program – A continued journey of faith and growth as Catholic men.

"Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command, I will lower the nets." – Luke 5:5

By listening to the Lord, we will find success.

A warm welcome to our new Knights and those returning! Remember, we are here for each other—please reach out to our brothers in need.

Vivat Jesus! Phil Hoyle Grand Knight

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



## Fr. Edward J. Farrell Assembly #1774

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

**Next Meeting is:** 

Monday, February 10th

7:00 PM in the Hall

"Do YOU want to be an Officer?"

Time to look at NEW Officers for next year!

For more information, Contact:

Don Tobey, FN

at **727-815-8912** 

**Dave Cruz** 

Region 4 Disaster Preparedness

**Guest Speaker** 

#### **KOC Baptismal Program**

This February, we have four children who will be baptised as Catholic.

#### <u>Saturday, February 1st:</u>

Benzen Zander Ocean Risola. The Officiant will be Fr. Joseph Paek. The Baptism team is Greg & Kim Perenich.

#### <u>Saturday, February 15th:</u>

Joseph Michael Pergola. The Officiant will be Msgr. Joseph Pellegrino. The Baptism team is Mike & Terry Grigsby

#### Saturday, February 22nd:

**Ava Rey DiMambro & Alina Julia-Gail.** The Officiant will be Deacon Mike Waldron. The Baptism team is Mark & Pauline Hamilton.

#### Want to assist??

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

Contact: Steve Thomas, Baptismal
Chairman

508-320-6423