

A Living Witness

aith in Action. These are words that resonate with any member of the Knights of Columbus. The members of St. Francis Xavier Parish in Live Oak and their Knights of Columbus Council 9720 got to see this lived out in a very special way.

Council Grand Knight Michael Flowers relates the story:

"Our members saw it lived out at a Lenten Fish and Shrimp Fry. As Grand Knight of 9720, I was inside preparing to serve meals on Friday, so I only saw a portion of this Knight's tale, but after discussing it with several Knights; I have learned the story in its entirety and now have the opportunity to relay it with pride.

"One of our Past Grand Knights and one of the longest

members of our Council is named Paul Schmitz. Paul is an Honorary Life member of our council who turned 90 in March. For years, at St. Francis Xavier Parish, if something needed fixing, you called Paul. The majority of the improvements to our parish for at least the last decade were taken care of by Paul.

"Now, let's go back to our Fish Fry. A homeless man appeared outside of our Parish Hall. He was in many layers of clothing, with a hooded hat, a long beard and he obviously hadn't bathed in quite a while. Several of the Knights that were outside mentioned to me they became concerned about his presence there. They were worried this man might be a problem or cause or a problem. They were worried he might be there to beg. They were worried about what to do if he did beg. The first I knew of this man's presence, was seeing Paul



bring a man inside and seat him at a table in our Parish Hall. He came over to me, where we were getting ready to serve. He told me the man was homeless and asked me that we feed him. I told him, of course, so I fixed a generous plate and took it over to him, while Paul got him something to drink. The man thanked us several times, and I went back to begin serving food, while Paul went back to frying shrimp (he is our official Shrimp fryer every Friday at every Fish Fry for years).

"I found out later from the Knights outside that while they were unsure what to do, Paul walked up to the man, introduced himself, shook him by the hand and asked him if he was hungry. He then led him inside, which is when he approached me about feeding him. One of the Knights said to me later, 'You know, Michael, we all knew the right thing to do, but our worry got in the way. We all knew the right thing to do, but Paul was the only

one that did it.' As I thought about that-it resonated with me. That is what being a Knight is all about. Not just knowing the right thing to do, a lot of us know that, but being the one that goes out there and does it is something different. That is when we see our faith in action. That is when we stand in the breach.

"Paul Schmitz has done that for many decades. In a world that often doesn't make a lot of sense, men like Paul Schmitz give me hope. Men like Paul give me courage. As a Catholic man, men like Paul make me proud. I am proud to be part of an organization that has counted him as a member

for decades. I am proud to call him my friend. He taught me a lesson that Friday. He taught all of us. Knowing the right thing doesn't mean anything, if we don't live it. Faith requires action.

"I pray for you and for me, that the next time we are faced with a similar situation, we remember the men like Paul, men who have kept our faith alive for 2,000 years. Men, who don't hesitate, but step up into the breach and live the life of silent witness that so many of us simply talk about. These men are true Knights. As long as it has men like Paul Schmitz, I have no doubt that our Order will stand strong for ages to come."

Council Honors New Arrival



"Never in all of my years in the Knights do I recall one of my Brother Knights having a baby," Our Lady of Hope Council 8086 of Port Orange Grand Knight Ernie Jackson exclaimed at the June membership meeting. "I guess that's because we're all getting old. Since this is a special occasion, I thought we should be something about it."

The Knights welcomed Luke Joseph Nelson, infant son of new Brother Knight John and Melissa Nelson.

Cutting the required 18-year requirement for membership short, Luke Joseph was born six weeks prematurely. After a short stay in neonatal care, the youngest is home with his family in Port Orange, and seemed to enjoy his visit to his first Knights' meeting.

Shooting For the Stars

By State Deputy Richard Hughes

s I write this, we have entered Holy Week, which is at the very center of Catholic faith. I hope and pray that your journey this week, and throughout the Easter season, brings you joy and spiritual renewal, particularly in this Jubilee Year of Hope.

The last quarter of the Fraternal Year is upon us. This is the time to finish your Council's Star Council requirements—membership, fraternal benefits events, programs, safe environment compliance, and critical forms. The good news is that as of April 11, 208 Councils have met over 50% of their membership goals, and all of those have a really good chance to meeting those goals by June 30.

The not-so-good news is that many of those Councils are behind in achieving other requirements for Star Council recognition. For example, of the 112 Councils that have already recruited at least 100% of their membership goal for the Fraternal Year, half of those still have not completed their FBE requirements; about 25% have not completed Safe Environment compliance requirements; and a few still have not completed their Forms 365 and 1728.

The Florida State Council succeeds only when the local Councils succeed, and my goal has been, since the beginning of the Fraternal Year, to see 200 Councils achieve the Star Council requirements. I encourage all of you to bring a renewed energy to your Council and meet these goals!. And don't forget to submit your Form SP7 to document your programs—although it is not due until June 30, it is MUCH better to submit this as early as possible, in case Supreme rejects the form and you must resubmit.



State Deputy Richard Hughes

Our State Convention is almost upon us. This will be a time, I hope, of fraternity between Knights from different parts of the State and a celebration of your council's achievements. It is also an important time to elect new State Officers and Delegates to the Supreme Convention. But time is running out for registration and booking hotel rooms.

I hope to see you in Jacksonville at the end of May!



id you know that the State of Florida Council has a YouTube Channel? Well, we do! This is a place where we can put in videos of the all the great things that we do as Knights in the State of Florida.

During the State Convention we took video interviews of some of the Dignitaries that honored us with their presence. You can

see the videos by **CLICKING HERE**

Please be sure to subscribe to the channel so you will be notified when new videos are added. If you have any videos that you would like to add that shows your Council doing good works please email Jim Clark, Broadcast Media Relations and Production Director at jclark1@gmail.com.

The Day That Defines Us As Christians

By State Chaplain Very Rev. Bob Kantor

"When Simon Peter arrived ... he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial clothes but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead." - John 20: 6-9

aster is the high point of our faithful life as Knights of Columbus. So many Christians come to church on Easter because the Resurrection is the most important defining event of our Faith. Jesus' birth, life, and teaching would have been enough, but God had something greater in store. Even

occasional churchgoers know this is the day above all days because Jesus really did rise from the dead. And we must celebrate!

One of the interesting things about encounters with the risen Christ in the Bible is that Jesus was not immediately recognized by those who saw him. Mary Magdalene mistook our Lord for a gardener. The

apostles who returned to their fishing profession realized it was Him at the seashore only after he prepared them a meal. The disciples on the road to Emmaus recognized Him in the breaking of the bread when they came together for dinner. Today also, God is not always immediately perceived in the events of our life. But rest assured that he is there in our joys and sorrows, in our triumphs and tragedies, and they all lead to eternal life with Him if we keep our eyes fixed on Him and remain faithful.

At Easter, the joyful hymns, white lilies, and proclamation of an empty tomb are more than mere tradition. Easter lives in us, raising our hearts and minds to God and giving meaning to suffering and sacrifice. Today, there are many in the world who are enduring the darkness of war in places like Ukraine and the Middle East, not

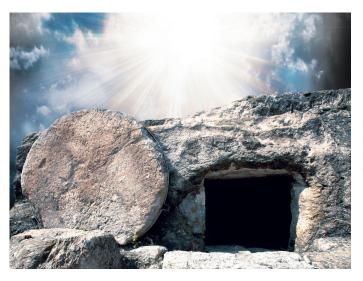


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far from where Jesus walked the earth. Others are recovering from terrible natural disasters that have caused death and destruction in our country and

around the world.

Where is God in all of that? Right who those are suffering most. God is And every Knight who performs an act of kindness to uplift or assist someone in need and in every council that supports our fraternal mission that reaches out to others. If we are true



disciples of Christ, our indwelling God makes himself known in us, and we must carry the light of the risen Christ to them. May the Risen Christ bless and strengthen you and your families this Easter. May you remain safe and well in body, mind and spirit. Vivat Jesus!

I Am The Light, The Life, And The Resurrection

By Former State Chaplain Reverend Salvatore Pignato

pril has been a very spiritual and fulfilling month. It has been spiritual because we have commemorated the fulfillment of the Promise of God to Adam and Eve, Jesus Christ, who is our light, life, and resurrection.

In the Old Testament, it is recorded that God promised to Adam and Eve a Messiah that would correct the damage they committed against themselves and their posterity and ultimately against all of creation. In the Easter services, the Catholic Church re-enacts in ritual and song the final events of our salvation through the Passion and Death of Jesus Christ who is true God and true man.

This truly is a spiritual event because the death of Jesus pierces the depths of every believing person

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in their soul. It unites us on a spiritual level with the suffering of Christ on the Cross and causes us to die on the Cross with Him because by baptism, we became the body of Christ. So, we are intimately connected to the mystery of salvation and have become a living participant in the Passion and Death of Jesus for the salvation of the world. In



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this spiritual participation, we are cleansed, and as St. Paul's says, we die to sin and are raised up on the third day with Jesus.

This month has also been a fulfilling month for each of us. The Promise of God to Adam and Eve has now been accomplished. The Messiah has now appeared. After twelve generations, God has acted and saved what He created. Eternity has been restored to us, and we are filled with the Spirit of God. Our humanity has been once more completed through the Sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross. Heaven and earth have been reunited.

The vision of God is once again in our grasp. Jesus has made everything right with His Father by His passion and death. In the Eastern Church there is a hymn we sing at the resurrection of Jesus, and it proclaims, "Christ is risen from the dead, by death He trampled death and to those in the tombs He granted life". Being absorbed by this hymn, we unite ourselves to the risen Christ, and we are totally fulfilled and satisfied as we, the Beloved, are totally united to the Lover who is Jesus Christ.

Supreme Chaplain's Challenge

By Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori

She said to him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world." (Gospel for April 6, Jn 11:27)

hese words belong to Martha, sister of Lazarus, as she and Jesus speak outside her brother's tomb. Her choice of words is important: "I have come to believe." This suggests her belief has evolved, that her previous uncertainty or ignorance about Jesus has blossomed into faith. Growing in faith is usually a process of moving from questioning or doubt to illumination and trust. How do we come to faith and then grow deeper in it? We do so through prayer, study and reflection. Let us continually deepen our faith in this manner.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to take part in a Catholic faith formation course, event or opportunity offered through your local council (such as Cor), your parish or diocese, or online.

Questions for Reflection:

Looking at the development of your own faith, how have you "come to believe" truths about Christ and/or the Catholic faith? What teachings do you still have questions about? What areas of your faith would you like to develop further? Where can you find resources — or whom can you ask for resources — to help you deepen your faith and understanding?



On March 30, 2025, 1,700 athletes from 11 Florida counties gathered in Bradenton for the Special Olympics Florida West Coast Regional Summer Games.

The games included tennis, bocce ball, basketball and cheerleading. Volunteers included 24 Knights from Saints Cosmas & Damian Council No. 13341, 13 wives and friends of Knights. They assisted with the games by helping set up the venue, support

the coaches and teams, and provide meal assistance. The dedication and enthusiasm of the Knights and their families were evident throughout the day. Their contributions not only ensured the smooth running of the event but also provided much-needed encouragement and support to the athletes, making the Summer Games a memorable experience for all involved.

Lorigan Council Serves Breakfast



ather Thomas G. Lorigan Council 7027 in Milton recently served a family breakfast at Saint Rose of Lima Catholic Church. The event served as a fundraiser for Majella House, a local non-profit maternity home for homeless pregnant mothers and their children.

All of the food and drinks were donated by the Knights of Columbus council for the cafeteria-style menu that included scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, grits, biscuits and gravy, coffee and juice.

The meal was free of charge, although donations were welcomed.

Many thanks go out to all who supported this breakfast fundraiser.

At 6:00 am, the first twelve knights arrived at the parish hall to start setting up the hall and preparing the food. The menu, served cafeteriastyle, included

There is no price for the meal. Donations are welcomed. Table Decorations were provided by Debra Stafford and Jean Kimball of the Saint

Rose of Lima Ladies Auxiliary.

Council Financial Secretary Bill McDonald recorded one special interaction that day.

"At our monthly breakfast, my wife, Deacon Jeff Massey and I were sitting at our table collecting donations. There was a young Latina lady who came up and gave us a letter size envelope. We were putting it away after we counted it. And I looked up to thank her for such a generous donation and she disappeared. I saw her dressed in white, my wife saw her dressed in tan with glasses, and Deacon Jeff saw her dressed in rose color.

"I got up from my seat and went around asking young ladies dressed in those colors if they had given us the envelope and each of them said no. I continued to scan the room and could not see or find her. Just as fast as she appeared she had disappeared! The envelope she gave us contained sixteen \$100 dollar bills that were brand new.

My wife, [Grand Knight] Jim Gaus and I met with Mary Beth Cyr [President of Majella House, Inc.] the following day. We presented her with a

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check for \$2580, after the presentation, I inquired if there was a special need for \$1,600, and she told me that they had just replaced the septic system and that Majella House's portion was \$1,600. We talked about this miracle and Mary Beth told us about a book called the 'Colors of Mary." In this book, it tells of the colors that Mary will wear. She will be in White, a rose-tinted tan or pure Rose. These are the exact colors that myself (white), my wife Beth (tan) and Deacon Jeff (rose) saw this young woman wearing.

All Proceeds
From Today's
Breakfast
Benefits the
Majella House

"It is incredible for me to believe that Mother Mary would appear to an ordinary person, however after putting everything together I now know that what each of us saw was an apparition of Mary delivering to us the exact amount that Majella House needed. All three of us were blessed to be the conduit for helping such an important and amazing organization as Majella House."



Church of the Epiphany Council 12569 of Port Orange recently celebrated the 25th anniversary of being chartered.

Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly sent a letter of congratulations to the council.

District Deputy 20 John O'Malley presented the certificate to Grand Knight Bob Reiderman on behalf of Florida State Deputy Rick Hughes. The Council's biggest event – an annual car show – has been scheduled for November 22 on the parish grounds.

Council Hosts Host Silver Rose



he new calendar year brought an early return for the Silver Rose pilgrimage to Brother Knights and faithful of Florida. While St. Thomas à Becket Council 16236 hosted the Silver Rose last August at Incarnation, the Council's home parish of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter – the Council's round table – stepped into the breach to host Silver Rose at St. John Fisher Ordinariate quasi-parish in east Orange County on March 12.

The prayer service was supported by eight of the 16 Knights of the St. John Fisher Round Table. Round Table Coordinator and District Deputy 24 Michael Coleman served as emcee for the prayer service. Brother Larry Brummer read the Liturgy of the Word and led the Act of Consecration from St. John Paul II's Evangelium vitae. St. John Fisher Knights Charlie Cacciatore, Chad MacInnes, Tim Brown and Bill Bacon were joined by District Warden 24 Bob Shaw (a Council 16236 Knight at Incarnation) to lead the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary.

Knights on Bikes Wendell Ripoll of Fr. Charles Spellman Council 6125 in Rockledge and Grand Knight Al Therriault of Holy Spirit Council 18557 in Mims attended the prayer service and transported the Silver Rose for prayer services to follow.

The St. John Fisher Silver Rose prayer service was supported by a three-man choir of parish music director Brother Cristian Caiola, parishioner Peter DeVita, and St. Joseph parish music director Steven Rabanal, leading the faithful in chant of Salve regina, Psalm 63, and Hail Holy Queen (Salve regina coelitum). Most sublime was the choir's offering of the Litany of Loreto in an arrangement by Nicholas Lemme, professor of Gregorian chant, sacred polyphony, and voice at Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary in Denton, Nebraska. A portion of the choir's offering can be heard at https://www.facebook.com/orlandocatholic/videos/859266129658895/

The St. John Fisher Round Table looks forward to hosting the Sacred Heart Icon Holy Hour on Easter in April.

Panhandle Assembly Has Busy Week

n Monday, Mar Assembly assisted Silver Rose ceremony and the following Sunday posted the colors at a Vietnam Veterans Day ceremony. Assembly 3236 Niceville, FL is comprised three councils: of Niceville, Bluewater Bay and Destin.

On Mar 17, 2025, Assembly 1564 of St Mary Church in Ft Walton Beach hosted a Silver

Rose Rosary and Mass. Since their color corps is just getting restarted, they asked Niceville for some help, so a joint Honor Guard from both Assemblies participated. The following Sunday, the Amvets in Valparaiso, FL held their annual Vietnam Veterans Memorial Day Ceremony and Assembly 3236 posted the colors. Over 200 people from the local community attended and three local mayors addressed the crowd.

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Like many Assemblies, after the new uniform change, the color corps declined in membership. Nevertheless, there is still a continued demand for the Honor Guard, especially by families when a loved one passes. Often, when a Knight who was very active in the KofC passes, the family expects an official presence at his Funeral Mass to honor his memory. Many pastors also like an Honor Guard at a Confirmation Mass or when the Bishop comes, although not all do. Sometimes, when a Knight moves to a new location, he doesn't

transfer his membership to the local council or Assembly, but the family still asks for recognition of his service.

Over time, Assembly 3236 managed to build up to 10 color corps members which seems to satisfy requirements, sometimes two events at the same time. In Florida, we have many very active councils who do great things, but only the 4th Degree has a color corps, which represents, to the public, all the facets of the Knights of Columbus: charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism.

Council Sponsors CPR/AED Training

t. Ignatius Council 7621 of Tarpon Springs recently sponsored an adult CPR/AED training and certification session in conjunction with the Tarpon Springs Fire Rescue Dept.

The course was taught by Deputy Chief Administration Richard Walsh. In addition to inviting its members, the Council opened this valuable training to neighboring Councils and the members of the Parish at large.

The class size was limited to 12 due to classroom space

constraints, but due to trainees out on sick call and one away on business, the class convened with eight members present.

Deputy Chief Walsh gave a thorough overview of current CPR practices which have evolved over the years. For those who took CPR training years ago, it was a sorely needed refresher. Since there were ample training mannequins, each trainee had one, and the course started with the hands on portion of instruction. For those who have never done this type of training its not as easy as it looks to do it "right," but as Chief Walsh kept impressing on us, poorly done CPR is far better than no CPR



at all.

The second portion or this session centered on the correct procedure to operate the AED devices mounted on the wall in many parishes and businesses.

As a result of the course, Tarpon Springs now has eight newly certified CPR/AED responders. While the councils funds many events over the course of a year, this training might actually be the difference between life or death.

Council 7621 urges that every council should discuss sponsoring this program for their parish and community.







Florida State Council State Convention

Important dates for the upcoming State Convention

March 31st- Election of Delegates must be certified by the Financial Secretary

April 1st- Supreme Roster must be current to calculate the State Per Capita for the 2025-2026 FY

April 7th- Deadline submit State Award Forms

April 8th- Deadline to submit Resolutions to State Advocate

April 15th- State Rosters need to be current for the Necrology repo

May 1st- You must have your hotel reservations completed or risk not getting a room at the Hotel.

Mid-May- Individual registrations must be completed

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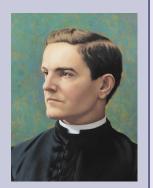
Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael J. McGivney

od, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor.

Through the example of His life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling His commandment of charity and building up His Body which is the Church.

Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue His work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Blessed Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will.

Through His intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request).



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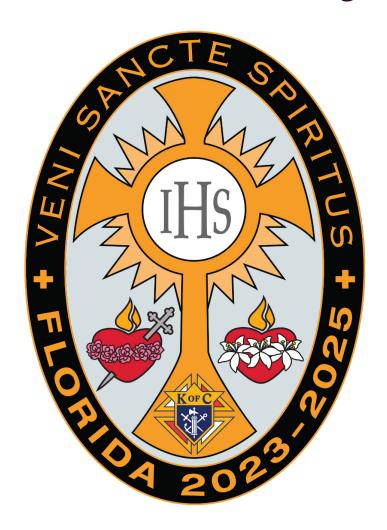
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