

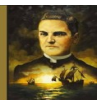
# Knights of Columbus

Council #12196 & Bishop Greco Assembly #2160



*"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." Matt 5:14-16*

**"Vivat Jesus"**





# Knight's Messenger

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## Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights and Ladies Auxiliary,

Greetings! I am honored to serve as your Grand Knight. It has been inspiring to see our parish come together for social initiatives benefiting St. Luke's and our community. Let's continue to grow in numbers and in faith, serving our parish together.



I extend heartfelt thanks to Father Paul Kochu for his 14 years of dedication to our parish, both pastorally and his work on the church building and grounds. We will have him close at heart always.

This month, We welcome Father Rich as our new pastor. Let's support his vision for our parish, and may his service bring us blessings and graces.

Finally, I thank Dennis Deperto for his hard work as Grand Knight. His dedication and perseverance are admirable, and I hope he continues to guide us for many years.

Many things to do, Let's get to it.

Yours In Christ,

Efrain Valles, GK





**COUNCIL No. 12196**  
**MEETS** 1st Tuesday of Month

Officers meet 3rd Tuesday of Month

### **Prayer for First-Responders**

Dear Lord, we pray for our first-responders and essential workers.  
Please protect them and keep them safe, bless them and draw  
them near to your heart. In Jesus name, Amen



## July 2024 Council Activities

**July 2nd:** Knights of Columbus Business Mtg.  
7 PM Parish Hall

**July 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th:** Eucharistic Adoration after  
8am Mass - 8:30 till 9:00 AM

**July 6th & 7th:** Meet and Greet our new Pastor  
Fr Rich Rosin after all Masses - Hall

**July 16th:** Knights of Columbus Officers Mtg.  
Parish Hall 7PM-

**July 18th:** Parish Rosary 7 PM - Church

### **Future Events**

Please refer to the calendar at the end  
of the newsletter for more activities

## **SICK and DISTRESSED**

***Please keep in your prayers our Brother Knights & Ladies. Pray for the repose of the souls of all brother Knights, those who are having medical problems and for those who have lost a loved one.***

***Also, remember the men and women of our armed forces, first responders, fire and police!***

## **Publication Deadline**

***Before the 1<sup>st</sup> of Every Month***



**St Luke Catholic Church Palm Harbor Mass:**

**Click for: [Bulletin & Mass Times](#)**

## Chaplain's Message



### July 2024

Dear Brother Knights,

The month of July is of great significance to our parish as Fr. Richard Rosin takes charge as our new pastor. As the Knights of Columbus, we extend a warm and hearty welcome to Fr. Rosin as he begins his new ministry as our pastor starting July 1, 2024. We are thrilled to have him with us and look forward to his leadership and guidance. We also pray for his success and God's abundant blessings as he embarks on this new journey. Let us pledge our full support and commitment as we continue our efforts to make our parish a vibrant and spiritually enriching community.

Let us work eagerly alongside him and assist him in any way possible to fulfill our shared mission. We welcome Fr. Rosin and wish him a time filled with laughter, joy, growth, and fulfillment in our parish.

This month we also celebrate the 248<sup>th</sup> Independence Day of our country. It's a day of celebration of our nation's freedom and a reminder of the courage and unity of the Founding Fathers. It is a vital reminder of the sacrifices made for our freedom, the enduring spirit of democracy, and the importance of unity. For us as Knights of Columbus, it highlights our commitment to faith, church, family, and patriotism, urging us to honor those who fought for our liberties and to actively contribute to our community and nation's prosperity.

Happy Independence Day!

Fr. Camilo Simoes SAC  
Chaplain



**FEATURE NEWS** | Thursday, April 11, 2024

# Florida Bishops Oppose Extreme Abortion Amendment

**They are urging all Floridians to vote 'no' on Amendment 4 that has been placed on the November 2024 ballot**

By Florida Catholic staff - Florida Catholic

TALLAHASSEE | The [Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops](#) is urging all Floridians to vote 'no' on Amendment 4. An extremely grave amendment that has been placed on the November 2024 ballot that seeks to erase pro-life protections by inserting language into the Florida Constitution banning regulation of abortion. Here is the bishops' statement:

Florida Bishops Oppose Extreme Abortion Amendment Vote No on Amendment 4 Florida Amendment 4, which will appear on Florida's November 2024 ballot, is an extreme proposal that legalizes full-term abortion with no protections for the preborn child, including when the child is capable of feeling pain. This proposed amendment to our state constitution would prohibit all restrictions on abortion before viability and create a broad exception that any healthcare provider could exploit to allow abortion up to birth.

Furthermore, the amendment would effectively overturn or seriously jeopardize common-sense state laws that have regulated abortion for years. These include basic health and safety requirements for clinics where abortions are performed, requiring a physician to perform abortions, informed consent requirements, laws limiting public funding of abortion, and parental consent requirements before a minor's abortion. These risks demonstrate the extreme nature of the amendment.

We urge all Floridians of goodwill to stand against the legalization of late-term abortion and oppose the abortion amendment. In doing so, we will not only protect the weakest, most innocent, and defenseless of human life among us but also countless women throughout the state from the harms of abortion.

Human life is sacred. The dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision of society. Direct attacks on innocent persons are never morally acceptable, at any stage or in any condition. In our state, human life is repeatedly being destroyed by abortion. Over 84,000 vulnerable and voiceless children were aborted in Florida in 2023.

This matter concerning the respect for human dignity and the fundamental value of human life is of grave importance to both our Church and our state. The threat of abortion remains our pre-eminent public policy priority. Therefore, we support a coordinated campaign to mobilize against the proposed amendment. To this end, we offer this prayer to defeat Amendment 4:

## **Prayer to Defeat Florida's Abortion Amendment**

Ever-living God, you give life and desire a future for all your children. Take hold of our nation, state, and community and awaken in every heart awe for the gift of life. Send your Spirit to strengthen us with wisdom and fortitude as we defend mothers and children in Florida from laws that disregard their health and safety.

Mary and Joseph trusted in you and welcomed Jesus into our broken world. God Almighty, we ask their intercession to protect the preborn and their mothers, and to guide all parents in raising their children. May they help us build a civilization of love by upholding the sacredness of life and accompanying pregnant women in need. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.  
Amen.

Our Lady, Mother of the Family,  
pray for us!

St. Joseph, Protector of the Unborn,  
pray for us!

# FIELD AGENTS



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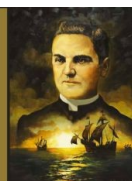
John and his wife Kathleen were married on Valentine's Day in 1997 and are blessed with 4 wonderful children, Matthew, Haley, Johnny and Allison. They are also proud grandparents to 3 awesome grandkids, Clay, Bentley and Annabelle.

John lives in Oldsmar in the same house he was raised in since the age of 4. Along with having proudly served, and recently retired, as an officer in the US Army Signal Corps after 29 years, he also volunteered in the BSA as Cub Scout leader and Scoutmaster for over 13 years. John also currently serves as the Chair of the Oldsmar Veteran's Advisory Board.

John has many favorite pastimes but spending quality time with the family is always top of his list. His family enjoys going to Disney, family get-togethers, visiting their son in Savannah, boating, cruising and traveling to fun and different places. John's hobbies include computers, 3-D printing, drone flying, and playing with the latest tech gadgets.

John is driven by his deep Catholic beliefs and by the love and support of his family. John has been a Knight since 1992 and is dedicated to the mission of the Knights of Columbus and feels honored to serve in this wonderful organization. In following his desire to help others, he is grateful to have the opportunity to serve his brother knights and their families, helping them achieve the financial security they strive for.

**"Vivat Jesus"**



# Bishop Greco Assembly #2160 Announcements

## Fourth Degree



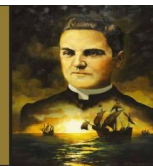
The Fourth Degree is the Patriotic Degree of the Knights of Columbus, and it comprises of 17% of the membership of the Order. The distinctive uniform of Sir Knights make them the most visible arm of the Order to the public.

### Purpose

As Fourth Degree Knights, our purpose is to:

- Promote and strengthen the patriotic spirit of the civic community,
- Educate its members and others, both in the teachings of Holy Mother Church, and the history of the USA,
- Promote by example the highest type of citizenship so necessary for the preservation and perpetuation of the Republic form of government and its democratic institutions,
- Oppose dissemination and spread of doctrine dangerous and contrary to our form of government, and to the Divine law of faith and morality; and,
- Support by word and deed, the duly constituted authorities of local, state, and national government, and to recognize excellence in public life.
- The Fourth Degree, both collectively and individually, supports those religious, civic, and charitable causes which are designed to implement one or more of these five objectives.

**“Vivat Jesus”**



Knights of Columbus  
**FOURTH**  
**DEGREE**  
*Patriotic degree of the Order.*



# Knights of Columbus®

## District Deputy Report

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



**June 30, 2024**, was our beloved Father Paul's last day as our Pastor at St. Luke. Let us continue to pray for him.

*Lord Jesus, High Priest, we pray for the retirement of our Pastor, Father Paul Kochu. While we will greatly miss him. We pray with gratitude for his love and concern for us. We ask You to bless him for the countless years of service he has provided and will continue to provide to Your people throughout our Diocese in his mission of prayer and intercession. We pray he may experience peace and joy in his retirement, continuing to hold close the love of Your Sacred Heart. Amen.*



YOU ARE INVITED TO

# MEET & GREET

FR. RICHARD ROSIN,  
PASTOR

July 6-7  
After All Masses  
Parish Hall

Refreshments  
will be served.

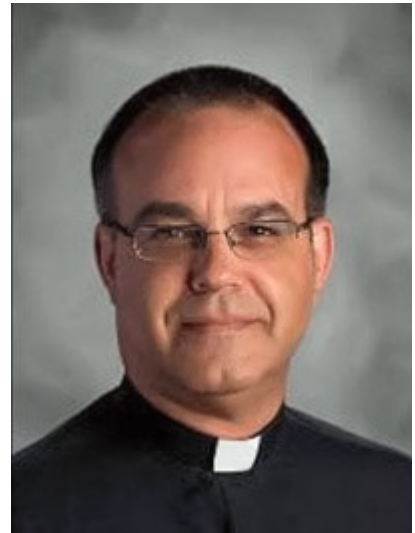


# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

## Knights of Columbus Council #12196 Welcomes You

We are excited to welcome **Fr. Richard Rosin**, as our new Pastor here at St Luke the Evangelist.

Father Rosin was born in Astoria, New York and was ordained to the priesthood for the Salesians of Don Bosco on May 28, 1995. He first came to the Diocese of St. Petersburg in 2010 with the Salesian order, working from 2010 to 2015 as a Guidance Counselor at St. Petersburg Catholic High School. From 2015 to 2017, he served as President of the school, after which he was assigned to a parish outside the Diocese of St. Petersburg.



In 2020, Father Rosin expressed an interest in becoming a priest of the Diocese of St. Petersburg and was permitted by his Provincial Superior to return to our Diocese, living outside his religious community. He served as Parochial Vicar of St. John Vianney Parish, St. Pete Beach for two years and has provided ministry as Parochial Vicar of Espiritu Santo Parish, Safety Harbor, since July 2022.

Join us in welcoming Fr. Rosin and please pray for his ministry!





## **2 Knights of Columbus fly helicopter rescue missions to Haiti, saving almost 150 people**

CV NEWS FEED // Two Florida Knights of Columbus who flew three helicopter rescue missions into Haiti this spring saved 143 trapped people.

The Knights of Columbus newsroom [reported](#) that Florida Congressman Cory Mills on March 10 asked Knight Anthony Marinello to fly into Haiti and rescue a group of American citizens who had been trapped by gang violence as they visited an orphanage in the country's capital, Port-au-Prince. Marinello was the 13th pilot Mills' office had called. The other 12 were unable or unwilling to take on the mission.

Marinello, a former law enforcement pilot, called Benny Matos, a close friend and colleague, to enlist his help.

"When he said these Americans were serving an orphanage, the first thing I thought about was Father McGivney and his care for orphans," Matos told KofC. "My 'yes' was instant after that."

Matos, Marinello, and two other men entered Haitian airspace around 2:30 a.m. on March 12, then touched down for 67 seconds to receive 14 trapped American citizens. After minor complications at an airport in the Dominican Republic, where they stopped to catch a shuttle to Santo Domingo and change planes, they made it back to the U.S.

According to KofC, the Florida government asked Marinello to do another rescue mission within days of completing the first, as the government estimated that 400 to 600 state residents were trapped in Haiti.

The second mission was performed in coordination with Haitian officials, but complications and encounters with armed Haitians slightly impeded the mission, leading to a narrow getaway with 14 evacuees safe in the helicopter.

Marinello and Matos eventually made a third trip, where they flew back and forth between the northern city of Cap-Haïtien and Port-au-Prince in the south, picking up groups of eight to 10 people from the capital.

KofC reported that the two Knights were personally responsible for the rescue of 143 people out of over 700 evacuated from Port-au-Prince. However, they remained humble and brushed off comments about heroism, saying that they just did their duty.

"Our code—and anyone else who's served in law enforcement—is that we respond when someone's in trouble," Matos told KofC. "It didn't matter if it was average Joes or corporation presidents. All we knew was that people needed to be saved, and that was enough for me."

"When you get the call, you have to go," Marinello added. "Some jobs are just more dangerous than others."

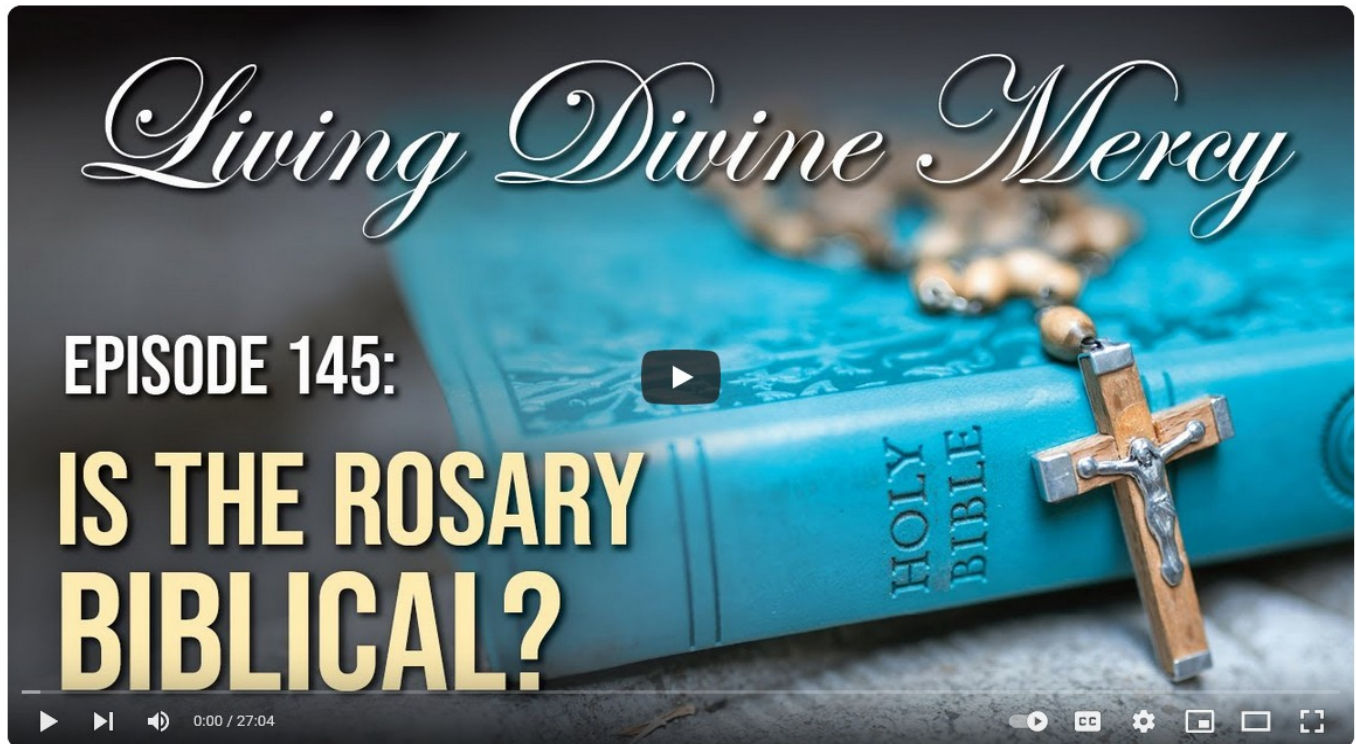
According to KofC, Marinello explained to his wife why he went on the rescue missions.

"She'd ask me, 'Why must you help those people? Why do you put yourself at risk?'" he said. "Because, I told her, who's going to help them if I say no? I was the 13th helicopter company they called. The 12 in front of me all said no. So at what point do you say yes?"

"Sometimes you have to sacrifice and put your life on the line for others," he added.



# Is the Rosary Biblical?



(Click the image to listen)

Some people say the Rosary is not based on the Bible. Nothing could be further from the truth, starting with the first chapter of the Gospel of Luke! Join Fr. Chris Alar, MIC, as he reveals the mysteries of the Rosary found throughout the New Testament.

Then hear the story of Fr. Eric Bergman and St. Thomas More Parish near Scranton, Pennsylvania, and how an entire town was transformed through the power of prayer. Watch Fr. Chris Alar, MIC, and the Marian Fathers and Brothers from the National Shrine of The Divine Mercy on our weekly show, "Living Divine Mercy," airing on EWTN every Wednesday at 6:30 pm EST, with an encore presentation on Mondays at 9:00 am EST.

Through teaching segments, Bible and St. Faustina Diary excerpts, as well as real-life examples of people who are living Divine Mercy in their lives, you will learn why Jesus said Divine Mercy is mankind's last hope of salvation! Ep. 145: Is the Rosary Biblical?

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# In Memorandum

*Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

Mike Giacalone 08/18/20

Brian McParland 5/10/21

Ken Listle 8/18/21

Eugene Wittman 11/20/21

Richard Sweeney 8/27/21

“Ted” Kostanski 11/07/21

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Walter Schwacke 09/02/23

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Terry Biondi 8/19/21

Mary Cabano 11/22/21

Molly Garofolo 02/22/21

Myra Grayem 11/18/21

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Nancy Lay 07/02/22

Peggy Caufield 10/5/2022

Carol Murray 09/10/2023

Muriel Crane 12/2/23

Lucille Matejka 12/10 /23

Teresa Schum 02/13/24



As we enter heaven, we will see them, so many of them, coming towards us, and thanking us. We will ask who they are, and they will say 'a poor soul you prayed for in purgatory.'  
Ven. Fulton Sheen



**BISHOP VS. PRESIDENT** Bishop Thomas Tobin of Providence, RI, called out President Biden for his abortion advocacy. "Devout Catholic' Joe Biden continues to fervently support and promote the death of unborn children in abortion," Tobin wrote in a tweet Wednesday, putting quotation marks around "devout Catholic" to indicate his opposition to the cultivated image that Biden surrogates use to defend positions at odds with Church teaching. [READ](#)

**PRO-ABORTS FREAK OUT** Pro-abortion influencers on social media unleashed a torrent of hatred and mockery against pro-lifers after a new Texas pro-life law went into effect this week. Legendary Star Trek actor George Takei called the Supreme Court "the real death panel" for approving the "vigilante justice" of Texas allowing pro-life advocates to sue anyone who aids or abets a woman

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### **The Loop**

## **OUR MISSION**

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# In Case you missed it:

This event took place on June 26, 2024. However, you can still watch the replay by clicking the picture.

Jun 11, 2024 |

## Silver Jubilee Mass of Bishop Gregory Parkes to be Celebrated on June 26th

You are invited to celebrate an important milestone in the life of Bishop Gregory Parkes by attending a Mass in thanksgiving for his vocation as a priest and bishop.

If you cannot attend in person, pray along view the livestream below.

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### Silver Jubilee Mass of Bishop Gregory Parkes

This year is our bishop's Silver Jubilee of priesthood. Thank you for joining us in prayer to celebrate this important milestone. This Mass is celebrated in thanksgiving for Bishop Parkes' vocation as a priest and bishop. This livestream is from the Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle in St. Petersburg.

Broadcasted 6/26/24 10:55am - 6/26/24 12:37pm

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# HELLO Summer

**Ladies Auxiliary Members:**

Thank you for making our 2023-24 year such a success! Enjoy your summer, and catch your breath for our 2024-25 year!

Jean, Deb, Alice, Renee and Kathi



## July 2024

### \*Dedicated to Precious Blood of Our Lord



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b> <u>Saints Feast Days for July</u> (click)	<b>2</b> K of C Meeting 7 PM Parish Hall	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Eucharistic Adoration after 8AM Mass 8:30AM -10:00AM Every 1 <sup>st</sup> Friday of every month	<b>6</b> Meet & Greet Pastor Richard Rosin after all Masses Parish Hall
<b>7</b> Meet & Greet Pastor Richard Rosin after all Masses Parish Hall	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <u>St Benedict Feast Day</u> (Click)	<b>12</b> Eucharistic Adoration after 8AM Mass 8:30 AM -9:00 AM	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> K of C Officers Mtg. 7PM Parish Hall	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Parish Rosary in Church 7:00 til 7:45p 	<b>19</b> Eucharistic Adoration after 8AM Mass 8:30 AM -9:00 AM	<b>20</b>
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<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>			

#### \*Overview for the Month

The month of July is dedicated to the Precious Blood. The feast of the Precious Blood of our Lord was instituted in 1849 by Pius IX, but the devotion is as old as Christianity. The early Fathers say that the Church was born from the pierced side of Christ, and that the sacraments were brought forth through His Blood.

"The Precious Blood which we worship is the Blood which the Savior shed for us on Calvary and reassumed at His glorious Resurrection; it is the Blood which courses through the veins of His risen, glorified, living body at the right hand of God the Father in heaven; it is the Blood made present on our altars by the words of Consecration; it is the Blood which merited sanctifying grace for us and through it washes and beautifies our soul and inaugurates the beginning of eternal life in it."