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JUNE 2025 NEWSLETTER

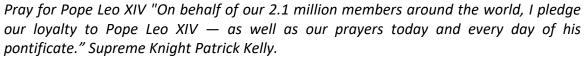


Welcome to June, as we celebrate Ascension Sunday on June 1 and say goodbye to the Easter Season on Pentecost, June 8. June is the month devoted to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. In which Christ's Sacred Heart is a symbol of God's love, expressed most profoundly in the Blessed Sacrament. The Eucharist, God's giving of Himself, is celebrated on the Feast of Corpus Christi on Sunday, June 22. The Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on June 27 this year, on the Friday 19 days after Pentecost.

Catholic feasts in June start with the Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, on Jun 9, the day after Pentecost, considered "the birthday of the Church". Other feasts include The Most Holy Trinity Sunday (Jun 15); Corpus Christi (Jun 22); St. Thomas More (Jun 22); St. John the Baptist (Jun 24), Immaculate Heart of Mary (Jun 28); and Sts. Peter & Paul (Jun 29).

All Brothers and family members are inivted to join in the Efficacious Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus for the Relief of Suffering, recited in the church chapel during Eucharistic Adoration each Monday at 1:30 PM. This novena was recited every day by Padre Pio for all those who asked for prayers.

<u>THE POPE'S PRAYER MESSAGE for MAY 2025:</u> That the world might grow in compassion. Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.





Watch the www.kofc7121.org/calendar for additions and corrections to events that might not have been announced in time for publication of this newsletter. Please email your news and articles for the next newsletter to kofc7121@gmail.com

See the GOOD OF THE ORDER web page for the list of Brothers, family members and friends in need of prayers, especially Ken and Josephine Scher, Pat Petrick and Mac McGowan. Prayers are also requested for those sick or in distress. Names are added to this list as announcements are received.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE BROTHERS BORN IN JUNE



Happy Birthday to the dozin' dozen Brothers who celebrate being another year older and better looking in June. Special birthday bonus for triskaidekaphobia this month goes to Tony Grandinetti. Watch out for mirrors, ladders and black cats Tony!

Other notable celebrations this month include National Hug Your Cat Day (June 4), June Bug Day (June 7), Flag Day (June 14), Father's Day (June 15), Juneteenth on the 19th, and the Summer Solstice at 10:41 PM EDT on Friday, June 20. A big shout out to all of our Birthday Brothers as we wish them all a great big HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

BROTHER	BIRTHDAY	AGE
Herb Zieglmeier	06-01	88
Bob Kalinoski	06-03	78
Bob Briscoe	06-08	65
Ken Robinson	06-09	74
Tom Blackstone	06-11	69
Richard Bucher	06-12	66
Tony Grandinetti	06-13	52
Dean Cox	06-14	61
Wayne Wolfenbarger	06-19	65
Lenley Rafuse	06-21	63
Michael M Bauer	06-24	73
Thomas Alexander	06-30	73

COUNCIL BUSINESS AND MISCELLANEOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The <u>kofc7121.org</u> council website (temporarily out of order, under construction) allows use of shared file and document storage on the Google Drive. Files can be viewed by anyone who has the file link.

Click here to view the Final Minutes of the April 24, 2025 meeting

Click here to view the Draft Minutes of the May 22, 2025 meeting

Please review the draft minutes of the previous meeting for expedited corrections / approval at the next business meeting. By using these electronic media files, we are able to simplify business meetings and more efficiently conduct informed discussions.

BUSINESS MEETINGS ARE HELD IN THE COMMUNITY CENTER

COUNCIL 7121 BUSINESS MEETING



4th THURSDAY
St. Anthony Hall
(Community Center)
JUNE 26

Recitation of the Rosary at 6:30 PM - Business Meeting starts at 7:00 PM

COUNCIL 7121 RACKS PLAQUES AT STATE CONVENTION

At the 2025 Florida State Council Convention in Jacksonville on May 24, District Warden Brian Foy and Grand Knight Bill Remy stopped to pose with the Council 7121 awards for Division 2 (medium-sized councils):

1st Place in Publicity Activities, 3rd Place in Newsletter and 3rd Place in Faith Activities. Also note the small award in Bill's right hand - a "Challenge Coin" from the Florida Special Olympics in recognition of our donation of \$5000 over the previous two years. The awards are the result of outstanding efforts by the Brothers of Council 7121, and a tribute to FS Rick Cozby's ability to file a huge pile of state report forms on time.



ROSARIES AND PRAYER BOOKS PRESENTED



GK Bill Remy presented rosaries (left) from the St. Therese Rosary Guild and "How to Pray the Rosary" booklets to 19 new members of St. Anastasia Parish at a reception for the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) Monday evening, April 29, in St Jude Hall.

At the First Holy Communion reception on May 11, Bill also presented First Communion Mass Books to the Communicants, including Colleen Altizer (right).







ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2025-2026 FRATERNAL YEAR

At the regular business meeting on May 22, the following slate of candidates was presented by GK Bill Remy:

GK-Brian Foy

DGK-Dave Morrison

Chancellor – Bill Coleman

Recorder-Frank Merenda

Treasurer – Dennis Tucker

Advocate- Chuck Nitsch

Warden – Steve Barthelmes Inside Guard – Nicky Demato

Outside Guard -

Trustees – Bill Remy (1st year)

Tom Kelly (2nd year)

Kevin Dooner (3rd year)

Financial Secretary and Lecturer are appointed positions, not elected.

Nominations from the floor were solicited before the election. There being no further nominations, Chuck Nitsch moved, and Bill Remy seconded, to approve the slate by acclamation. Motion passed. **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW OFFICERS!**

WELCOME TO DISTRICT 16 – SAINT JOHN PAUL II COUNCIL 16492



We now have both the oldest and one of the newest councils in our district: Council 611 - "First Council Florida" - was chartered on October 13, 1901, the first Knights of Columbus Council in the state of Florida. Council 16492 was chartered June 5, 2016. They are well organized and conduct many successful Faith, Family, Community and Life programs. We look forward to working with our Brothers, the Nocatee Knights.

D	Council Name	Address
11046	Father Rene Robert	1112 FL-16 Saint Augustine, FL 32084
611	First Florida	267 St George Street St Augustine, FL 32084
16492	Saint John Paul II	127 Stone Mason Way Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32081
13337	Saint Thomas Becket	6175 Datil Pepper Rd St Augustine, FL 32086
7121	Saint Thomas More	5205 A1A South St Augustine, FL 32080

MORE THAN A FOOD DRIVE WRAPS UP A GENEROUS YEAR

The final food drive of the fraternal year on May 10-11 collected around **1700 lbs** of food, a vanload of homeless ministry non-food items, and **\$4735** in cash and gift card donations. Totals for the year were **10,000 lbs** of food, a dozen van loads of homeless and needy items, and **\$31,375** in monetary donations as recorded in the <u>Food For Families report</u>.

Below, Caroline Volk, Sr. Anne and Susie received \$1790 in monetary donations to the Homeless Ministry in this drive. While we take the summer off, people are still hungry and homeless. Please continue to bring your donations to the St. Martin De Porres Outreach Room anytime it is open. THANK YOU to all the Brothers who helped with handing out, collecting and delivering the food and homeless ministry items. Special thanks to the Brothers who faithfully and generously support this act of charity.



LAST CALL FOR BLUEBERRY PANCAKES ON JUNE 8!

The Sunday morning Knights Kitchen Krew grilled, fried and baked their way to another successful family breakfast on Sunday, May 18, serving 120 guests. "Manning" the line were Herb Zieglmeir, Steve Comando, Kevin Dooner, Nicky Demato, Delores Jambard and Nancy Keszthelyi.





After Both Masses!

BLUEBERRY PANCAKES - EGGS - SAUSAGE -HOME FRIES - JUICE - COFFEE -

\$7/PERSON - BEST DEAL IN TOWN! Children 8 & under EAT FREE!

Don't miss the final Pancake Breakfast before the summer break!

COUNCIL 7121 DONATES TO ALPHA OMEGA MIRACLE HOUSE BABY SHOWER



Left: GK Bill Remy hands Heather Crawford (Anastasia Church Missions) a \$200 check from Council 7121 during the LAOH meeting on May 19 as our contribution to their baby shower for Alpha Omega Miracle Home. We also received a thank-you email from Maureen Leahy Rice, President of the LAOH:



To: Brian Foy bfoy11@yahoo.com, Knights of Columbus Council 7121 <kofc7121@gmail.com> Dear President Brian & AOH BROTHERS,

I am so very grateful and happy for your participation and generosity at the LAOH/ Alpha Omega Baby Shower.

Brothers you were wonderful and so generous. Thanks for joining us in the Presentation to and by Alpha Omega. It was nice that the AOH Brothers took time to join us in the Eats and Socializing. We look forward to working with you in the future.

Big Thanks to Bill Remy for your presentation of the check from the KofC.

In Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity

Maureen Leahy Rice. VP, State Catholic Action

SUPREME COUNCIL ASAP REBATE CHECKS DELIVERED



Checks were delivered to the St. Joseph Neighborhood Center and St. Gerard Campus last month. The checks were from Supreme Council as rebates for Council 7121's donations of \$1000 to each through the Supreme Council's Aid and Support After Pregnancy (ASAP) program.

Sister Kathleen Carr (center), General Superior of the Sisters of St. Joseph, St. Augustine, receives the \$100 check from Bill Remy (right) and Dave Look (left) in her office at the SSJ Motherhouse on St. George Street on May 13. The photo was taken by Sr. Stephanie Flynn, Board Chair of St. Joseph Neighborhood Center.



CORPORATE COMMUNION 5th SUNDAY JUNE 29 8:00 AM MASS

Corporate Communion Mass is an opportunity for all the Knights of Council 7121 and their families to sit and pray together in a show of unity and fraternity

COLUMBUS DAY KNIGHTS GOLF TOURNAMENT IN FULL SWING



THE PARISH CORNER

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

S:45am in the St. Joseph Room!

The Bible Timeline divides the Bible into twelve color-coded time periods that make the narrative thread easier to follow and will introduce you to the wonderful narrative of Scriptum: way that will transform your life.

Contact: Deacon Steve at stephenkassebaum@comcast.net





Respect Life Ministry is preparing for the celebration of Fatherhood. We cherish the gift of life that we receive from our fathers and pray for all fathers to whom God has entrusted the family in a very special way. Our Ministry will be selling Father's Day cards and Father's Day Prayer cards for all deceased Fathers as it is a fitting time to ask for God's special blessing on all fathers.

We appreciate your participation in our annual fundraiser. Stop by our tables in the Narthex, North and South entrances to pick up your—Father's Day card or Father's Day Prayer card before and after Masses on May 31st & June 1st and June 7th & 8th.

The Respect Life Ministry wishes all fathers a Happy and Blessed Father's Day!!

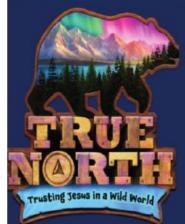
St. Martin De Porres **Community Outreach Room**

Located off the church narthex- open Mon-Fri 8:30am 10:30am and 30 min after all weekend Masses

Donations of non-perishable food items, gently used clothing and shoes are gratefully accepted at this time.

We ask that you please keep in mind the limited space in the Outreach Room and the shape and weight of the packages you are dropping off. Some of our distribution angels have physical limitations.

To be part of this wonderful ministry, please contact Deacon Steve at stephenkassenbaum@comcast.net



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

DATE: JUNE 16-20 TIME: 9A.M. - 12NOON

PLACE: ST. ENDA OF ARAN **FORMATION CENTER**

the Knights Kitchen Krew on Friday morning, June 20 for the thrill of the grill as we prepare and serve a picnic lunch for the VBS kids, their parents and VBS staff.

HELPING HANDS MINISTRY is a parish service ministry that assists with parish social events,

offers families the option of a bereavement reception after a funeral, and provides a monthly Saturday fellowship after the 4PM Mass with Wine & Cheese.



We are in need of some more hands for occasional service and backup to help us provide this loving care to the parish and bereaved families.

If you are interested in being a part of this special ministry, please contact Linda Larson larsport@bellsouth.net



Gentlemen! Do you want to play a more active role in your parish? Join the Knights of Columbus! Just call or text Rick Cozby,

Financial Secretary: 410-322-3248 The Knights: We make things happen!

(open to all Catholic gentlemen 18 years and older)