



KoC 15675 Newsletter

6819 Krycul Ave. Riverview, FL 33578

MAY 1, 2024

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YOUR input is greatly appreciated. Email to
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MAY Birthdays

David Torres - 2
 Julio Cruz - 3
 Michael Carruthers - 6
 Ronald Carlson Sr - 11
 Joseph Bilella Jr. - 14
 Thomas Donohue - 23
 Roberto Batista - 24
 Mark Lee - 28

If you haven't paid your 2024 Council dues it is now past due. Please remit payment to Ron Carlson or contact him to make arrangements for payment.

Grand Knight Report

The Month of Mary

The Catholic Church dedicates each month of the year to a specific theme or devotion. The month of May is dedicated to the Virgin Mary.

The following prayer was composed by Saint Alphonsus Ligouri, not only a saint, but also a doctor of the Church:

Most holy Virgin Immaculate, my Mother Mary, to thee who art the Mother of my Lord, the queen of the universe, the advocate, the hope, the refuge of sinners, I who am the most miserable of all sinners, have recourse this day. I venerate thee, great queen, and I thank thee for the many graces thou has bestowed upon me even unto this day; in particular for having delivered me from the hell which I have so often deserved by my sins. I love thee, most dear Lady; and for the love I bear thee, I promise to serve thee willingly forever and to do what I can to make thee loved by others also. I place in thee all my hopes for salvation; accept me as thy servant and shelter me under thy mantle, thou who art the Mother of mercy. And since thou art so powerful with God, deliver me from all temptations, or at least obtain for me the strength to overcome them until death. From thee I implore a true love for Jesus Christ. Through thee I hope to die a holy death. My dear Mother, by the love thou bearest to Almighty God, I pray thee to assist me always, but most of all at the last moment of my life. Forsake me not then, until thou shalt see me safe in heaven, there to bless thee and sing of thy mercies through all eternity. Such is my hope. Amen.

Let us all renew our consecration to the Virgin Mary this May.

Vivat Jesus!

Larry Wynja
Grand Knight



District Deputy Report

Dear Brother Knights

Rather than my usual message about Knights of Columbus activities, I thought for this month I would share the below article "Why I am Catholic" written by my Daughter-in-Law Tracy Ingham which was recently published in The Catholic Spirit, the newspaper of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis.

Thinking back on Evelyn Waugh's famous Book Three title in "Brideshead Revisited," I am Catholic because like "a twitch upon the thread," God gently calls me and protects me when I need it most.

On Jan. 5, 2023, my 26-year-old son, Christopher, who was diagnosed with autistic spectrum disorder and struggled with alcohol, took his last breath. After abruptly falling ill, he required CPR twice before the ambulance reached the hospital. Since that time, he hadn't opened his eyes or moved, save for distinct shudders in his face and body at the exact moment the priest put oil on his forehead when administering the anointing of the sick.

After praying a final Hail Mary as a family over his body, I intensely wanted to stay with my son. But God had other plans for me. It is through this experience that I can tell you why I am Catholic: One, I chose this religion for myself and my children; two, having Mary in my life has helped me immensely; and three, asking saints for intercessory prayers has drawn me close to Jesus when at my lowest. Exposure to Catholicism, after my baptism and parents' divorce, mainly consisted of my grandmothers taking me to Mass and teaching me the rosary. Not long after I gave birth to Christopher, I distinctly recall God pulling on my thread as I looked at my newborn baby and knew I needed to raise my children Catholic. Soon after, I completed the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults — now known as the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults — and entered full communion with the Church.

When I felt alone and lost after my son died, I related to Mary through the rosary. She also had lost her son. Through prayer I came to understand that God had called my son home. Mary knew my needs, and God sent condolences from family, friends and even strangers touched by my son's story, which we posted on the CaringBridge website.

Closer to home, one of my three daughters, who had previously declared she wasn't Catholic, felt a twitch upon her thread when she started a Bible study with classmates. Similarly, our oldest daughter began leading Bible study at college, and our youngest daughter has shown interest in attending a Catholic high school.

Although I needed support from many for my healing, I also needed the Church. Intercessory prayers to saints have now become commonplace for me and they bring graces and love from God. Last fall, the relics of St. Therese of Lisieux and her parents — Sts. Louis and Zelie Martin,

patron saints of illness, mental illness, marriage and parenting — were at our church. How amazing for them to literally come to me. I believe it was another way God helped my husband and me be strong for our children and each other while dealing with the loss of our son.

Losing my son has been difficult but it has helped me see God's presence in my life. Like a twitch upon a thread, he has reeled me in through my grandmothers, Mary and intercessory prayers to saints. Being Catholic has opened countless ways for God to show me love.

Vivat Jesus
Bill Ingham, DD 47

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY:	4:00 PM 6:00 PM Spanish Español
SUNDAY:	8:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:00 PM Spanish Español
	9:45AM
MONDAY:	12:15 PM
TUESDAY:	12:15 PM
WEDNESDAY:	12:15 PM
THURSDAY:	12:15 PM Spanish Español
FRIDAY:	12:15 PM

What it means to be a Knight by Fran Nason



Prayerfully consider being a "mentor" for new Brother Knights. My initial thoughts include:

☐ Monthly phone call reminders and follow ups regarding meetings.

☐ Developing a personal relationship that new members know they can count on you. Please let your GK know if you are interested and are willing to "Make a friend. Be a friend. Bring a friend to Jesus through the Knights of Columbus. The most common response to the question "Why are you not a Knight of Columbus?" is that no one asked the individual. What are you waiting for? Go ask.

Look at yourself in the mirror and ask if you did that one little thing. Did you ask someone you know to join the Knights of Columbus?

Contact our Worthy Grand Knight and he will work with you to get the new member into the Council.



Insurance Agent Report



May 2024 Council Meeting Remarks

I'd like to start by asking a question...What's your biggest asset? Some of you may say it's your home. Others who own a business may say that's their biggest asset. There may be some who have saved well and put aside a substantial amount of money for retirement in a fund like an IRA or a 401K.

But I would suggest that your earning power is your most valuable asset. Consider this: a 35-year-old who makes \$50,000 a year will earn \$1.5 million dollars before retirement at age 65. That's quite a sum, but consider this: with only a 3% increase in pay each year, that figure grows to nearly 2.5 million dollars before retirement! But...you say, that's all well and good, what are the chances I'm going to become disabled and unable to work? According to United States government statistics a staggering 1 in 4, yes, 25%, of 20-year-olds will become disabled before reaching age 67. And according to the Social Security Administration, 95% of those disabilities happen outside the workplace...so worker's compensation will not pay.

Some companies generously give disability benefits to their employees. If you are one of those lucky ones...congratulations! Now the question is...how long are those benefits payable and how much of your income is covered and how much of that benefit is taxable? Seven of 10 Americans say they would feel a financial pinch in a month or less without their paycheck. Fortunately, I can help sort out all these issues. The Knights of Columbus offers a flexible disability income insurance policy. It can be tailored to supplement what you currently have through work or it can stand alone to safeguard your paycheck and provide protection against catastrophe. I can help you design a plan with the right monthly benefit, the right benefit period and all the other variables that go into customizing a plan that is right for you and your family. And our policy pays benefits regardless of whether or not the disability is work related.

So what if your last paycheck was your last paycheck? Let's make sure that doesn't happen by scheduling a time meet and review your specific situation. I know the time will be well spent.

Vivat Jesus!
John Holtzhauser

KOM



The Knight of the Month for April is **Bill Churchill, PGK**. Bill, along with his wife who is an honorary Knight (or should be) has been instrumental in all our fundraising efforts. **Ask him about it.**

FOM



The Family of the Month for April is the **Roberto and Carol Batista Family**.

New Member



Let's welcome Alfredo (Freddy) ... Our newest member.



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Important Dates May - June

Officers Meeting. **Monday May 6, 2024**, 7 pm, White House

Council Meeting **Monday May 13, 2024**, 7 pm, White House

VA Summer Party / Cook Out May 18, 2024, 11 am to 2 pm at JA Haley Hospital 13000 Bruce B Downs in Tampa

Officers Meeting. **Monday June 3, 2024**, 7 pm, White House

Council Meeting **Monday June 10, 2024**, 7 pm, White House

May

Su	M	T	W	R	F	Sa
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	5 6 Officers	7	8	9	10	11
12 Mothers Day	13 Council	14	15	16	17	18 VA Summer Party / Cook Out
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30	31	

June

Su	M	T	W	R	F	Sa
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2	3 Officers	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 Council	11	12	13	14	15
16 Fathers Day	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

The first person to see me at the June Council Meeting at tell me the secret number (28) will win a \$10 gift card to Dunkin' Donuts

Our Members in Action

On April 20, 2024 Dave Farrugia and guest speaker Jeff Davis at the Submarine Memorial Services at Veteran's Park.



Operation Code Vet Project

Dave! Great work from the Knights!
THANK YOU
THANK YOU
THANK YOU!! We couldn't have done this without the Knights of Columbus!!!!

Christine Zien-McCombs M.Ed.

Community Outreach Officer

Code Enforcement Department

Founder/President

Operation Code Vet, Inc



Circled above are Dave Farrugia and Larry Langowski among 30+ Volunteers that showed up on Sat April 27 for the Operation Code Vet painting project.



Election of Officers for 2024-2025

Resurrection Council 15675

PROPOSED Slate of 3rd Degree Officers for 2024-2025 Fraternal Year

- Chaplain – Fr. Daniel Kayajan
- Grand Knight – Larry Langowski
- Deputy Grand Knight – James Nixon
- Chancellor – James Kelly
- Financial Secretary – Ron Carlson Jr.
- Warden – Roberto Batista
- Recorder – Martin Bahl
- Treasurer – Pedro Torres-Chamoro
- Advocate – Steve Berg
- 1 Year Trustee – Larry Wynja
- 2 Year Trustee – Matt Billa
- 3 Year Trustee – Ricardo Soriano
- Lecturer – Dave Farrugia
- Inside Guard – Jose Rivera-Olivo
- Outside Guard – Julio Rivera-Smith

We will be voting at the June meeting !

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