



Grand Knight's Report

October is Respect Life Month. "Respect Life" sounds laudable but what does it mean? Is it merely being pro-family and against abortion, issues the Knights have supported for years, or is there more? In his recent letter to our diocese, Bishop Wack calls on us to honor "...the inherent dignity of every human person, through prayer, education, pastoral care, and advocacy."

He stresses that most immigrants coming into the United States are seeking a better life but burdened by the complexities of an immigration system that requires major reform. Most Americans have immigrant roots. For me, my family tree grew from the "open borders" that characterized US immigration in the 1800s. After my ancestors came to the US, they settled in Burlington, Vermont. My paternal grandparents had Irish and French-Canadian roots; my maternal grandparents roots were English. My wife's ancestors were immigrants from England who farmed in Washington and Idaho. All were seeking a better life in America.



Catholic social teaching promotes dignity for all people, working for the common good, helping others reach their full potential, and uplifting those who are marginalized. The words of Pope Francis remind us, "Migrants and refugees are not pawns on the chessboard of humanity." Bishop Wack adds, "we must resist the dangerous narrative that every immigrant is a threat; someone to be parodied, punished, and deported."

As disciples of Christ, are we doing enough to help those in need, including the undocumented? One way we can help is by contacting our elected representatives to promote immigration reform.

Vivat Jesus!

Peter Blaise

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BISHOP WACK RELEASES LETTER ADDRESSING IMMIGRATION SITUATION

As the Catholic Church in the United States observes *Respect Life Month* throughout October, Bishop William A. Wack, CSC of the Catholic Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee is releasing a letter to those under his spiritual care throughout Northwest Florida on the immigration situation. Bishop Wack invites the faithful to *"set aside partisan talking points and reflect instead as disciples Jesus Christ,"* asking:

"As a pro-life people, can we support the separation of families with mixed immigration status? Can we, in good conscience, endorse policies that deport a working father – knowing the devastating impact it will have on his family – without also acknowledging his contributions to our communities? Can we accept that more children are being pushed into the foster care system because both parents have been deported? Can we continue to ignore the cry of the mothers and fathers, sisters and brothers – members of our own parishes – with whom we share the Eucharist every Sunday?"

Grounded in longstanding Catholic teaching on the rights of migrants and the responsibilities of elected officials, the letter provides a framework to form our consciences so that we do not forget the struggles of many immigrant families in our midst.

To read Bishop Wack's letter in its entirety, click on the link below:

[Bishop Wack Pastoral Letter on Immigration - 101425.pdf](#)

September Knight of the Month

Mike Rosenbleeth

Our September 2025 Knight of the month regularly attends the Daily Rosary Group, Daily Mass and the That Man is You (TMIY) Men's group. He also volunteers at Friday night bingo, both as a floor worker and kitchen volunteer. At our recent Oktoberfest, he checked attendee's ID's and issued wristbands.



Mike helped support our parish by installing and mounting video monitors in new building and conference room. He assisted with outdoor landscaping by helping to fill in low areas and level around walkways, planting grass seed, cleaning up flower and plant beds and installing new mulch around buildings and the parking lot. In addition, he helped to move excess building materials from the new building

into KoC pavilion storage area.

Mike provided major support to Holy Family Catholic Academy by installing storage cubicles in the classrooms and helping move furniture from a donor's home to the classroom. For this and all else that he does, we have selected Mike Rosenbleeth as our September Knight of the Month.

Upcoming Events

Oct 26	Pancake Breakfast at Parish Hall 8 a.m.—noon
Nov 1	ALL SAINT'S DAY
Nov 1	Pasta Dinner at HNJ (COR Team)
Nov 2	Daylight Saving Time Ends (2 a.m.)
Nov 4	Election Day
Nov 6	Council Meeting at COR (Seton Hall) 7 p.m. (Dinner and Social at 6:15 p.m.)
Nov 9	Parish Picnic noon-4 p.m
Nov 11	VETERAN'S DAY
Nov 20	Assembly 3236 Meeting at HNJ, 7 p.m. (Dinner & Social at 6:15 p.m.)
Nov 21	Bingo at HNJ (COR Team)
Nov 27	THANKSGIVING
Dec 7	Council Christmas Party at COR (details forthcoming)
Dec 8	Comfort & Joy Advent Concert (Mass at 5:30 p.m., Concert at 7 p.m.)

September Family of the Month

Steve & Patti Wolfrom

The Family of the Month is Steve and Patti Wolfrom. Steve is a past grand knight and continues to help the council by coordinating the Oktoberfest and St. Patrick's Day fundraisers at 3rd Planet Brewery. He serves as a Sacristan, Eucharistic minister, and parish council member. Steve also serves the Knights as a bingo cashier, assists with pasta dinners, pancake breakfasts, Knights workdays, and assists parishioners and widows.

Steve is also a past president of Mid-Bay Bridge Rotary where he continues to serve on the leadership team for fundraisers and social media. He also is the building chair for the Arts and Design Society and weekly site coordinator for the Emerald Coast Plein Air Painters Group.

Steve's wife Patti is the President of the Pensacola-Tallahassee Council of Catholic Women, Publicity Chair of the Christ Our Redeemer CCW and past Vice President of Niceville Catholic Outreach. She is also a member of COR choir, lector, assists at our bingo nights, past Parish Council member, a member of Building Community Ministry to plan COR Gala, and a member of Impact 100 of NW Florida.

For all that they do, we would like to thank Steve and Patti Wolfrom for their service to the Council, the church and the community.



Pensacola Ice Flyers vs. Macon Mayhem

4:05 p.m., Sunday Jan 18

For tickets, email jwpurka@gmail.com

or text 850.974.1491

**Join Your Brother Knights for
Hockey in Pensacola**

Tickets are \$20

Cash or Check to Joe Purka



OKTOBERFEST 2025



The Council's Oktoberfest celebration, held at 3rd Planet Brewing on Saturday, Sept 20th was,



by far, the most successful Oktoberfest held over the past five years. We sold more brats and pretzels than

ever before and a number of sponsors increased their donations, thus reducing the cost. Gross sales totaled \$18,014.99. German potato salad was prepared by Matt French and the sauerkraut came from American House. Expenses were \$5,152.92, giving us a net income of \$12,862.07. The ladies of CCW provided sweets for a donation that

complemented the menu. Thanks to all the Knights and wives who worked and supported the event.

