KNIGHT VISION



Council 13527 Newsletter

June 2024

Grand Knight's Report

Brothers—please know I'm deeply honored to be your new Grand Knight. In accepting this honor, I can't help but reflect on the rather circuitous path that led me here.

We know recruitment is an ongoing need within the Knights of Columbus. Any time that topic arises, I remember how I was recruited years ago—not by a Knight but by brother Knight Vince Warsheski's wife, Chris, who was a force of nature! I had known Vince and Chris since our time at Holy Name of Jesus in the 1980s. Back then, my primary focus was on music. Come to think of it, that really hasn't changed a whole lot!

In the late '80s, my family and I left Niceville for other Air Force assignments. Truly, we never thought we'd return here. However, twenty-one years ago, we did return and found very familiar faces within the new-to-us Christ Our Redeemer parish. I had yet to take the plunge into Knighthood. Even though it took a while, Chris finally went into full recruiter mode during a Sunday morning pancake breakfast, and I was hooked!



Initially, I was a card-carrying Knight who rarely attended meetings. Volunteering to help with the first Knights St. Patty's food tent at 3rd Planet served to change that. Today, I revel in the relationships I have with my brother Knights. I have much to learn, but more importantly, I'm looking forward to what is to come.

Peter Blaise

Upcoming Events

| June 29 | Executive Board Meeting, 7 p.m. |
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| July 4 | Independence Day Holiday, (Council Meeting rescheduled) |
| July 5 | Bingo at HNJ (A Team) |
| July 6 | Pasta Dinner at HNJ (COR Team) |
| July 11 | Council Meeting , 7 p.m. |
| Juy 18 | Assembly 3236 Meets at HNJ, 7 p.m. |
| July 28 | Knights at the Ballpark Pensacola Blue Wahoos vs. Biloxi Shuckers |
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Council Installs New Officers



Christ Our Redeemer Council 13527 conducted an installation of new officers on Wednesday, June 19th for the 2024-2025 fraternal year beginning July 1. Worthy District Deputy Travis Robinson installed Peter Blaise as the new Grand Knight, replacing Steve Wolfrom who had served as Grand Knight for the past two years. Following the installation, the Knights and their ladies enjoyed a Council dinner at Tisano's Italian Restaurant in Bluewater.



Grand Knight Peter Blaise Deputy Grand Knight Bernie Busovne Chancellor **Dave Carter** Recorder Ralph McDonald John Wohleber **Treasurer Financial Secretary Lenny Smales** Advocate **Dan Rooney** Warden Jim Thennes **Inside Guard Greg Muntzner Outside Guard** Ryan Wehmeyer Lecturer Ken Rodriguez 1-Year Trustee Jim Yurack 2-Year Trustee **Stuart Lewis Steve Wolfrom** 3-Year Trustee





CHAPLAIN'S COLUMN

Deacon Tom Dwyer

Summer tends to slow us down, either because vacations decimate the workforce, or the effects of Florida heat weigh upon us. It is for me, however, a perfect time to explore the hidden riches of our faith.

Between the time that you read this, and the time of the next newsletter, the Church will celebrate some of its greatest saints: Aloysius Gonzaga (an early Jesuit who died at the age of 23); the English martyrs Bishop John Fisher and Thomas Moore (victims of King Henry VIII); the nativity of John the Baptist; Cyril of Alexandria, a Doctor of the Church; Irenaeus of Lyons, Bishop and martyr; Peter and Paul, apostles, both martyred in Rome; Junipero Serra, early Spanish Franciscan mis-

sionary to California; Thomas, apostle martyred in India; Mary Goretti, 12 year old martyr of purity; Augustine Zhao Rong, first native-born Chinese priest and first Chinese priest to be martyred (along with 19 companions); Benedict, considered as founder of western monasticism and patron of Europe; Camillus, soldier turned religious founder; Bonaventure, a Franciscan theologian and Doctor of the Church, a contemporary of Thomas Aquinas.



With the benefit of the internet it is a "snap" to both track the Church's calendar memorializing its saints, and to obtain insightful biographic information. Consult https://mycatholic.life/saints/saints-of-the-liturgical-year/.

The most hopeful benefit I get of exploring the lives of the saints is to discover events of personal conversion that give me encouragement in my own personal striving to follow Jesus more faithfully. Happy summer!

Knights at the Ballpark

Join your brother Knights and their families for an afternoon of baseball in Pensacola on Sunday, July 28, 2024. Pensacola's Blue Wahoos will host the Biloxi Shuckers. The game starts at 4:05 p.m. and seats are only \$15 per person, so bring the whole family. Contact Joe Purka at 850-974-1491 or email jwpurka@gmail.com with the number of seats you wish to reserve.



Assembly 3236 Installation of New Officers



The Niceville-Bluewater Bay Assembly 3236 installed new officers for the fraternal year on Thursday, June 20th at Christ Our Redeemer. Vice District Master Tony Jette installed the Assembly officers, beginning with Father Bob as the Assembly Chaplain. Jim Reese from Holy Name of Jesus, was installed as the new Faithful Navigator, replacing Bob Garcia of COR. Following the ceremony, Sir. Knights and their ladies held an informal dinner at Hurricane Grill & Wings in Bluewater.





Bosso 2024 Bingo Schedule — COR Team

Team A Steve Wolfrom 850-333-7229

Team B Stuart Lewis 865-661-3602

April May Nov Dec March July Aug Oct. 10 30 25 22 27

Bingo is one of the best fundraisers that our Council has to support many of our charitable programs and scholarships. Bingo is held at Holy Name of Jesus Parish Hall every Friday starting with Early Bird Bingo at 6 p.m., followed by Regular Bingo from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Council 13527 runs the Bingo once every four weeks. We always need volunteers as callers, floor workers or kitchen workers. If you can spare a few hours on a Friday evening once every eight weeks, contact Steve or Stuart.

Beer & Brats Courtesy of the CCW

The Ladies of the Council of Catholic Women at Christ Our Redeemer treated the Knights to a Beer & Brats dinner prior to the June 6th council meeting. This has become an annual June event with the CCW showing their appreciation for the Knights' assistance throughout the year. The selections also included a variety of soft drinks, chips, and an assortment of baked goods for dessert. Thank you Ladies for the dinner and your continued support of our activities.





Planning for Your Future

Brothers, summer is a time of transition. You may know someone who recently graduated high school or college and is now heading into the workforce. Or you may know a couple who is getting married this summer. These are all joyous occasions that we can celebrate.



Any transition is a good time to think about your financial situation and your loved ones. Though life insurance may be the last thing on a young adult's mind, it's the perfect time to start preparing financially for the future. For my younger brother Knights, I have two pieces of good news. First, the younger you are, the more affordable permanent life insurance can be, and the simpler the underwriting process is. At a younger age, you're less likely to have health or medical problems that could make coverage more expensive. The second piece of good news is that you have options. Maybe you're not yet sure you want permanent life insurance. In this case, you might choose a term insurance policy, which is an affordable option for temporary needs. If you should decide later that you'd prefer per-

manent coverage, you may have the option to convert your term insurance.

This summer, no matter where you are in your journey through life -- whether you're undergoing a life transition, or you simply feel that now is the time to think about your financial future -- I encourage you to make an appointment with me. To discuss or set an appointment, email at timothy.pugh@kofc.org or call at 850-678-0962. Vivat Jesus