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“The Greatest Love Story of all time is contained in a tiny white host.”

(Venerable Fulton J. Sheen)

Grand Knights Report

APRIL IS DEDICATED TO THE HOLY EUCHARIST AND THE HOLY SPIRIT

The month of April is considered the start of Spring with new flowers springing up, the annual Spring cleaning ritual, and a sense of new beginnings. In the church, April is also a month dedicated to the Holy Eucharist and the Holy Spirit. The focus on the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist and the mystery of the Trinity provide a opportunity to renew our dedication to the core principles of Unity, Charity, and Fraternity. Our Chaplain, Fr. Daniel, has agreed to share his insights about the Eucharist at this time of the year.

Dear Brother Knights,

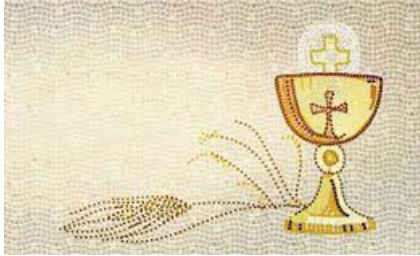
I hope you are well. Amongst the many topics that could be addressed, there is a fittingness in this time of the Eucharistic revival for my first contribution to the K of C Newsletter be on the Eucharist. There is an even greater fittingness that I write these words to you on Holy Thursday – the day in which Jesus instituted the Eucharist and in the same moments, founded the priesthood. One can immediately see there is a connection between the priesthood and the Eucharist. Without the priesthood, there is no Eucharist. The Eucharist, in turn, is the source and summit of the Christian Life. It is the source which nourishes and sustains all of us in this world of darkness and tribulation.



A good question that I do not believe has been clearly answered is: “Why is there a Eucharistic Revival in the first place?” It is relevant to each of you because it speaks to the state of the world and the state of the Church. The reason there is a Eucharistic revival right now is because hardly anyone believes in the true presence of Jesus – body, blood, soul, and divinity – in the Eucharist. I dare say: if Catholics understood this truth, then we would see people flooding to the nearest Church at all hours to adore, worship and simply be with our God, who is present in a humble, little host.

Grand Knights Report

(Fr. Daniel continued . . .) .



And why would we do that? Because we desperately need God. We were created by God to be with God. That is why nothing in this world can ever satisfy us or will ever satisfy us. That is why we are always left with a deep ache within our hearts searching for something more. There is a restlessness in our world today like never before. Sadly, it is because we as a society are trying to remove him or make him irrelevant.

We also desperately need God because we are weak. We are very weak. We fall to the same sins again and again and again. There never seems to be any hope. Receiving Jesus in the Eucharist is what gives us the strength to persevere in the battle and overturn the tide of it. However, we must do so with faith.

Jesus said to St. Faustina: "I am the same under each of the species, but not every soul receives me with the same living faith as you do, my daughter, and therefore I cannot act in their souls as I do in yours."

Recall the passage when Jesus visited his hometown of Nazareth: "He could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands upon a few sick people and healed them. And he marveled because of their unbelief" (Mk 6:5). Great faith begets great results; small faith begets small results or none at all.

Also recall the passage of the woman who had an incurable disease for twelve years. When she touched the fringe of Jesus' garment, "immediately her flow of blood ceased." Jesus then said: "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you!" (Lk 8:45). Many people were "touching" Jesus, yet only the woman who touched him with faith was healed.

It is the same in regards to Jesus in the Eucharist. Many people receive the Eucharist every day or every week and yet there is no change.

Brother Knights, as we go forward, I invite you to make an act of faith when you receive the Eucharist. "I believe Lord, help my unbelief!" Open yourselves, open your hearts to Jesus in the Eucharist with that same faith that he can heal you, and allow him to transform your life. It may not happen like a lightning bolt from the sky, but I promise that if you step out, something will happen.

Your brother in Christ,

Father Daniel Scanlon



Grand Knights Report

KNIGHT'S MASS -

On March 13th we had our monthly “Knight’s Mass” at the 8:00 a.m. Mass in the main church and it was also a Holy Day of Obligation. Father Daniel was the celebrant, and the rosary was prayed before the Mass starting at 7:30 a.m. with Adoration following the Mass both in the Chapel. The rosary and the Mass were dedicated to those on the Good of the Order list with a special intention for our Advocate, Brother Joe Tiffany. Please join your Brother Knights and their wives for the “Knight’s Mass” this month on Wednesday, April 10th.

WEBSITE UPDATE -

Our #7826 website has had a facelift. Our previous design was one continuous page which required a long scrolling process to view all the section of the website. We now have seven discreet pages that can be viewed by using the main menu bar at the top of the webpage. More changes will be coming as we solidify our design.



CRUISE RAFFLE -

April continues our sale of Cruise Raffle tickets at church and with our Council members. It is a major fund raiser for our Council. Brothers Dan Bulinski and Steve Melchiore, with the support of Gary and Margot Ellis and others, will be selling tickets after the weekend Masses during April. Please volunteer to help them with ticket sales and support this major Council fund raiser during the month!



STM K of C WEBSITES –

The STM parish web page and our STM Council #7826 website have been updated to ensure current information and events are available in a timely manner to all members. Our Council website address is www.kofc7826.org. Check out our FACEBOOK page at **Knights of Columbus Council 7826 St. Thomas More.**

Please use these websites and pass it along to your friends, relatives and associates that may have an interest in the Knights of Columbus and our St Thomas More Council activities.

Faith In Action

MARCH PANCAKE BREAKFAST -

Our final Pancake Breakfast for 2024 was held on St. Patrick's Day, March 17th, in the Chelsea Center after the 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Masses and there was evidence of several smaller and 1 large leprechaun.

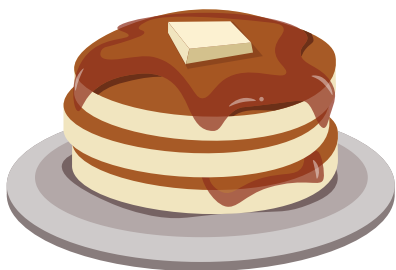
Thanks to the generosity of the over 250 parishioners we served, the total donations amounted to almost \$900. Thank you to all!



Faith In Action

PANCAKE BREAKFAST (continued . . .) -

A special “thank you” to Brother Chris Pariseau and his team leads: Jack Rodman, Sue Bracy, and John Caesare, and all those who volunteered to work at the breakfast. Together we DO make a difference!



Faith In Action

NEW 4TH DEGREE - "SIR KNIGHTS"



"Sir Knight" Ted Kovacic and our District Deputy Dr. Steve Wyer with the Grand Knight.



"Sir Knight" Daniel Flynn with the Grand Knight

OUR LADY OF CHARITY ASSEMBLY #3089 -

The next Assembly meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 8th at 7:00 p.m. in the Chelsea Center at St. Thomas More. If you're interested in becoming a 4th Degree "Sir Knight" please contact Dr. Steve Wyer, Charlie Culkin, Joe Tiffany or the GK for details.



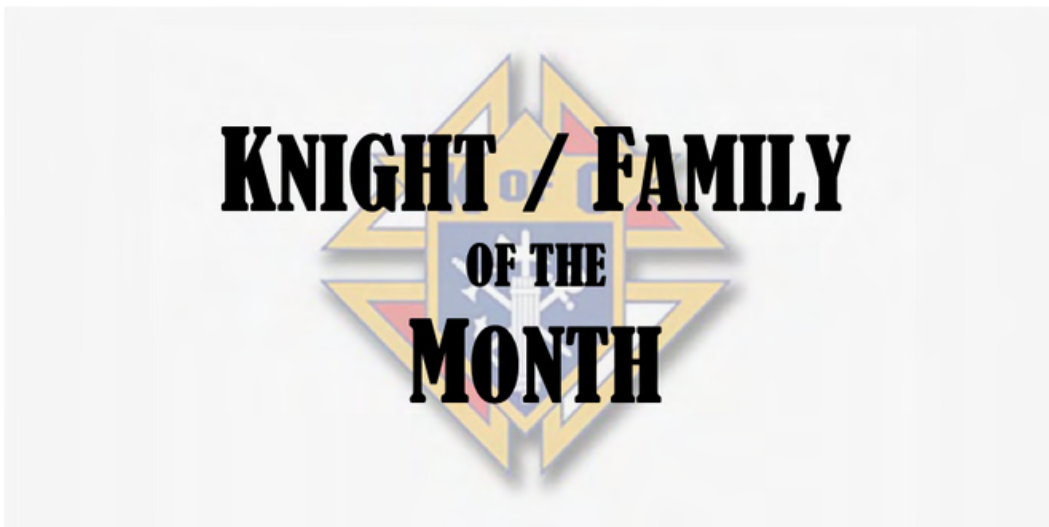
DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT OPENING -

Our current Deputy Grand Knight, Charlie Culkin, will complete his term at the end of June '24. This is a great opportunity for a Brother Knight to STEP-UP and become a leader in our Council as the Deputy Grand Knight. If you are interested in this position or becoming an Officer in our Council, please contact DKG Charlie Culkin or GK Ralph Neller, at rneller65@outlook.com to discuss. We need YOU to STEP-UP and become a leader!



Brother Dan Flynn playing at St. Patrick's Day Mass

Faith In Action



KNIGHT OF MONTH - DENNY ARMSTRONG

Brother Denny Armstrong was awarded last month’s “Knight of the Month” given his many hours of volunteer work with the Tootsie Roll Campaign and Spring Training Baseball.

FAMILY OF MONTH - KEVIN & JUDY DEADY

Our March “Family of the Month” was Kevin and Judy Deady for their generosity to volunteer extra hours with the Tootsie Roll Campaign and for their work with the STM Golf Outing this year.



Parish News



FOOD PANTRY -

Thank you to all the Food Bank volunteers and their spouses for your in-person participation and your monetary support. As you may know, the supply chain remains a challenge, and food supplies are in still in short supply.

Given today’s economy, we still have 75-100 families in need every week. The weekly bulletin lists the items we critically need. Your donations are greatly appreciated by the pantry and those families we serve.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES FEED THE HOMELESS -

This year’s Confirmation class had a special “Day of Service” as part of their preparation for Confirmation. They made lunches to feed the homeless and those in need throughout our community.



Under the direction of Robbie Anderson, the Director of Religious Education, they travelled to over five different locations in Sarasota to distribute lunches to the homeless.

Our Council was able to cover the food costs for this “Day of Service” in support of the Confirmation candidates and their outreach to those in need within our community.



Committee Corner



SMPC 2024 BENEFIT DINNER - LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL!

This year's SMPC Benefit Dinner was held at Michael's on East. Those in attendance were: Mike Mazur, Nancy Brand, Greg & Michelle Sokolik, Charlie & Jeanette Baldelli, Kevin & Judy Deady, Sabina & Josef Bogner, Frank & Imelda Moeslein, Neal Corrado, Fr. Daniel, and Ralph & Carol Neller.



Committee Corner



RIGHT TO LIFE MINISTRY -

It's been a busy Spring! We rallied for our Monthly 40 Day For Life vigils as a Knights team in Jan, Feb and March. Several of us partook in another successful 40 Day for Life which wrapped up on Palm Sunday with over 70 People at the closing event and we gathered and broke bread with fellow Knights and Spouses along hundreds of other defenders of Life at the Annual Community Pregnancy Center Gala at Lakewood Ranch Country Club and in late March at the annual Sarasota Medical Pregnancy Center Gala. Lastly and perhaps most importantly we have prayed for and need to continue to pray that the hearts of our country, our culture and our society will turn away for the sin of Abortion to a Culture of Life!

The US Supreme Court and Florida Supreme Court are making huge decisions that will either give the go ahead or prevent the evil of killing a baby in the Mothers womb. In FL, it will be about keeping an amendment off the Nov 5th Ballot that would enshrine aborting a child up until the moment of birth! Mind boggling that this is even conceivable and viewed as a choice! How twisted our thinking has become? The US Supreme Court is deliberating on the use of the Abortion Pill, which first starves and expels a baby without a doctor's supervision and avoids a surgical abortion. It is dangerous especially if taken after 10 Weeks of gestation, which sex traffickers could care less about and it's availability has now exploded to include over 60% of annual abortions.



Only prayer to Our Lady and Our Lord can be the "battering ram" as Fr. Daniel Scanlan so passionately shared with us at our March KofC meeting to overcome the evil in our midst.

Our next opportunity to gather and pray for our Monthly 4th Thursday commitment is April 25th from 9-1. Last month we had 14 people show up for one hour and that was without some of our most dedicated prayer warriors - Ed Plankey, Johnnie Turner and Jim Meyd. We know that by showing our presence at Planned Parenthood that women can be swayed to go instead to CPC and perhaps never enter PP. Saving a life and saving a soul is in God's hands, we are merely his instruments. See you on the sidewalk!

We would like to close with the following....Happy Anniversary of the Gospel of Life! Have you read it? It was written in 1995 by St. John Paul II, but it is every bit as relevant today as it was then. It truly was a gift to the whole world! If you haven't read it, take some time to read at least the 2-page Brief Summary. If you like it, try the Compendium, the Study Guide or the whole original document linked in the first sentence after clicking on the link below marked "many resources are available." – "March 25 marks the anniversary of the papal encyclical *Evangelium vitae* (The Gospel of Life)."

For Life, Vivat Jesus!

Neil and Brian

Committee Corner



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SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE-

Our Council offers a Cardinal Mooney Catholic High School scholarship program for children and grandchildren of parents and grandparents who are registered parishioners at St. Thomas More. The scholarships available range from \$1,000 up to \$2,500 and most are sponsored as memorials from Brother Knights or their surviving families.

This month we will highlight the annual \$2,500 scholarship offered through the generous donations of the family of Richard A. Schwehr, a former Sir Knight of our Council.



Richard Schwehr was born on August 8, 1927, the son of an original homesteader in North Dakota.



Richard's elementary education was in a one room school house. He graduated from Assumption Abbey High School in Richardton, North Dakota. After 4 years in the 82nd Airborne, he was honorably discharged as a Sergeant First Class. He married, moved to Cleveland, Ohio and earned a degree in Mechanical Engineering from Fenn College which later became Cleveland State University. After more than 31 years of working for Caterpillar and travelling around the world, Dick retired and he and his wife Sybilla moved to Florida. They were active members of St. Thomas More Parish in Sarasota. Dick was a member of the Knights of Columbus where he became a 4th Degree Knight and a member of the Color Corps. Dick firmly believed in the importance of education for everyone. Upon his passing in September of 2016, his family donated the funds to the Knights of Columbus to start this scholarship program which the Knights have named in Dick's honor.

Application forms and guidelines are available by email request or at the Parish Office. The deadline for submitting completed applications is May 3, 2024. If you have any questions about the application process or are interested in sponsoring a scholarship through our Council program, please contact Steve McElroy, Scholarship Committee Chairman, at mcelroyfs@verizon.net or 941-539-4263.

Committee Corner

SPECIAL OLYMPICS -

Volunteers are the backbone of the Special Olympics organization. Volunteers range from coaches, unified partners, mentors, officials, and event coordinators. Volunteers are needed for bowling, swimming and winter competitions. We are in search of incredible individuals who are willing to volunteer as Coaches.

Please see the flyer below regarding upcoming Special Olympics’ events in our local area.



2024 Special Olympics Florida Region 3 Summer Games

<p>Region 3 Summer Games Competition Saturday, April 13 7:00 am - 3:30 pm IMG Academy 5650 Bollettieri Blvd. Bradenton, FL 34210 Register Here</p>	<p>Region 3 Cycling Competition Saturday, April 13 7:30 am - 1:30 pm Bayshore High School 5401 34th St. W Bradenton, FL 34210 Register Here</p>
<p>Region 3 Athletics and Cheerleading Competition Saturday, April 13 7:30 am - 3:00 pm Manatee High School 903 33rd Street CT W Bradenton, FL 34205 Register Here</p>	

More Opportunities Coming Soon!

For more information on in-person volunteer opportunities or group volunteer opportunities, please reach out to
 Debbie Jackson
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Special Olympics Florida - West Coast
 700 Riverview Center Blvd., Suite 107 Bonita Springs, FL 34135
 (352) 910-4147
 www.specialolympicsflorida.org

The event on April 13th at IMG Academy is the one most in need for volunteers. Sports include: athletics, basketball, bocce, cheerleading, cycling, soccer and tennis. The Volunteer Contact is Debbie Jackson: 352-910-4147.

If you’re interested in volunteering, you can download the flyer on the Special Olympics website and then open in a separate window in order to click on the links under each event/location.

Bayshore High School
 Manatee High School
 IMG Academy

If the links don't work for you, please let me know and I will ask Deborah Jackson with Special Olympics for additional guidance on how to access.

Fraternally,

John Cesare
 johncesare1@verizon.net



Committee Corner

2024 SPRING TRAINING BASEBALL SEASON IS THE MOST SUCCESSFUL EVER!



Brothers Dr. Steve Wyer & Jack Rodman

For the thirteenth consecutive year, St. Thomas More Council 7826 and Incarnation Council 15332 operated a concession stand at Ed Smith Stadium during the 2024 Baltimore Orioles Spring Training Baseball Season. For the fourth season, the Councils operated the Outdoor Patio Grill Concession Stand – AND WE DID VERY WELL!! For the 16-game schedule, the stand rang up \$169,659 in gross sales for an average of \$10,604 per game. Pretty good for a stand just selling hamburgers, hot dogs, sausage with peppers and onions, draft beer, soda, water, popcorn, potato chips, cracker jacks and peanuts. We served 7,468 customers for an average of 498 per game.

The above sales resulted in the two Councils generating \$33,382 in revenues. The earnings came from commissions – 10 percent of net sales – and tips. The commissions totaled \$15,616. However, the big revenue source was credit card tips, which totaled \$16,234.



Sister Julie & Chris McDevitt

In addition, the Councils received \$1,532 in cash tips. For the year, the Councils earned an average of \$2,086 per game – \$976 in commissions and \$1,110 in tips. After deducting expenses, each Council should receive around \$15,950. The amount is an estimate until the final accounting and check is received from the Baltimore Orioles, which should be in mid-April.



Brother Charlie Ballschmeider with Incarnation Brother Steve Christie

Committee Corner



The success of the 2024 Spring Training Season was all due to the great work and commitment of the volunteers from each Council. This year, 30 Brothers and Sisters from St. Thomas More worked ball games – Denny Armstrong, Charlie Ballschmieder, John Baumann, Ken Berberich, Rob Carver, John Cesare, Charlie Culkin, Scott Deahna, Corey DeVito, Gary Ellis, Margot Ellis, Mike Giudici, Jerry Hayes, Tony Kolankiewicz, Kevin Maguire, John Malloy, Tom Maniuszko, Dan Martin, Chris McDevitt, Julie McDevitt, Ralph Neller, Jeff Noccioli, Ray Paleczny, Chris Pariseau, Jack Rodman, Max Streibel, Dr. Steve Wyer and Teresa Wyer. They worked hard, but they had fun doing it. Special thanks goes out to Spring Training Baseball Director Charlie and Grill Chefs Dr. Steve and Teresa Wyer who worked every game! They were the first ones to arrive and the last ones to leave the ball park for every game. Also, the following individuals worked a number of games during the season – Denny Armstrong (10), Ray Paleczny (5) and Ken Berberich (5) Thank you.l



**Grand Knight Ralph with Incarnation Brothers:
Dale Haas and John Marcinek**

To celebrate all these volunteers hard work, a “Thank You Cookout” has been planned on Wednesday April 24th at Incarnation Parish from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm. The event will be held outside the Finegan Center in the parking lot, where hamburgers, hot dogs, potato salad, cole slaw, potato chips, cold beer and wine will be served. It is a well-deserved thank you to the volunteers who worked this Spring Training Baseball Season.

See You at the Ball Park Next Season!!

Charlie Culkin
Director, Spring Training Baseball

Committee Corner



GOLF COMMITTEE UPDATE -

The 3rd Annual St Thomas More Knights of Columbus Council 7826 Golf Outing - will be held on Monday, May 6th at Serenoa GC. Please join me in recognizing the Golf Committee members - Ken Berberich, Ralph Neller, Corey DeVito, Joe Tiffany, Chris Pariseau, John Malloy, Richard Lamb, Ed Plankey (please keep Ed in your prayers), Charlie Culkin, Max Streibel, John Spinale, Kevin Maguire, Rob Carver, Gary Ellis, John Baumann and Kevin Deady.

Further - let's recognize our Volunteers who work - while the golfers are "having fun" - at the bag drop, registration, mulligan sales, 50/50, gift baskets, raffle, auction items, Hole-in-One spotters, Closest to Pin spotters, and photographer - among other duties at the event The Volunteers are - Trish Berberich, Carol Neller, Denise Caledonia, Gary Ellis, Margot Ellis, Derek Noll, Mary Lamb, Max Streibel, Sue Bracy, Chris Pariseau, Sally and Tom Reed, Joe Tiffany, John Spinale, Sandi Dombeck, Charlie Culkin, Dr Steve Wyer, John Cesare, John Baumann, Ray Santelli and John Koitsch.

We are showing 27 golf teams, or 108 golfers. Last year, we had 25 teams, so our event is being well received by our golfers and golf team captains.

Through the efforts of the Golf Committee members- we have 66 Hole Sponsors and 5 Major Sponsors of the event.

We have a "goodie bag" for all the golfers - that is awesome and will be well received by all.

For \$100 - the golfers enjoy a light breakfast, BBQ lunch, driving and putting range and other amenities - and 18 holes of wonderful golf at Serenoa GC.

Through the efforts of the Golf Committee members - we have over \$5k of value - for the raffle baskets and auction items.

We have a \$25,000 Hole-in-One prize (insurance policy) for a lucky golfer if he/she has a hole-in-one. Hole #17 at Serenoa / Par 3.

Many of the Knights not mentioned in the above - are golf captains, golfers, personal hole sponsors and donors - thank you all! for the support of our golf event.

Serenoa GC is "ready to host" our event - let's "pray" for good weather. .

Thank you!!!!!!! for your support of our Golf Outing.

Ken Berberich
Chair - Golf Committee



Council Good of the Order

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS:

- John Baldelli (son of Charles Baldelli)
- Alec & Shirley Berardinelli
- Ted Bogusz
- Dave Bracy
- Erin McAlonie Brady (daughter of John McAlonie)
- Pat Cesare
- Jean DeVito
- Gary Ellis
- Pat Guadagno
- Jerry Hayes
- Janek Jakubiuk
- John Koitsch
- Don & Jeanne Leonard
- Sheree Levanti (wife of Ken Levanti)
- John & Kay Maier
- Jon McAlonie
- Ron McCluskey
- Jim Meyd
- Judy Moore (wife of Joe Sommer)
- Thomas Nate
- Kevin Noccioli (brother of Jeff Noccioli)
- Margie Noll
- Mary Ann O'Brien (mother-in-law of Jeff Noccioli)
- Hank and Christopher Peppard (son of Hank Peppard)
- Ed Plankey
- Nancy Risbano (wife of George Risbano)
- John & Craig Spinale (John's son)
- Joe Tiffany
- Johnnie Turner
- Tom Reed
- John Spinale
- David and Donna Woodford (wife of David Woodford)
- Dr. Steve Wyer
- Fr. Gordon Zanetti

Please keep our recently departed Brothers and their families in your prayers: Jim Beck, George Risbano, Leon Leroux, Jack Shaw, Lee Dusoe, and Dan Borgemeyer.



If you know of any Brother Knight in need, let us know, and we will make sure that he is contacted. If you have any questions or needs, please contact (Ralph Neller, Grand Knight) at his email address rneller65@outlook.com or my mobile 513-708-0528.

STM K of C WEBSITES –

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SPECIAL THANKS TO:

Brothers James Alexander and Dan Martin for their kind assistance with this Newsletter!

Council Birthdays

MARCH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS



April 1 - Thomas Meirink
 April 10 - Mas Streibel
 April 10 - James Treloar
 April 13 - Peter Haleas
 April 17 - David Mandrgoc
 April 18 - Phil Arsenault
 April 24 - Victor Ferrulli
 April 26 - Jeb Kingseed
 April 27 - Fernando Villalta
 April 27 - Antonio Cervantes
 April 27 - John Regan
 April 28 - Ronaldo Landayan

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Council Upcoming Events

Thank you for your support of these future events!

UPCOMING EVENTS



- An insurance FBE webinar is scheduled for April 2nd at 8:00 p.m. You can register at : <http://tinyurl.com/KofC>
- The Officers' Meeting is scheduled for April 3rd at 7:00 p.m. in the Spirit Center.
- Our Lady of Charity Assembly Meeting (4th Degree) will be held on Monday, April 8th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Chelsea Center at St. Thomas More.
- Our monthly "Knight's Mass will be on Wednesday, April 10th, at the 8:00 a.m. Mass. We will pray the rosary prior to the Mass beginning at 7:30 a.m. with Adoration to follow the Mass.
- The Council Business Meeting is scheduled for April 11th at 7:00 p.m. in the Spirit Center
- Our Choir Appreciation Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, April 13th after the 4:00 p.m. Mass in the Spirit Center.
- There will be a Corporate Communion at the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 14th. Following the Mass we will have our April Social at the Stoneybrook CC
- Our monthly Exemplification Ceremony is scheduled for Tuesday, April 17th beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Spirit Center.
- Spring Training Baseball "Thank You Cookout" will be held on April 24th beginning at 5:30 pm behind the Finegan Center at Incarnation.
- The monthly Right to Life Prayer Walk will be on Thursday, April 25th between 9:00 - 1:00 p.m. in front of Planned Parenthood.
- Sunday, April 28th, Fr. Henry's Reception will be held in the Chelsea Center after the 12:00 p.m. Mass.



Insurance Advisor

NEWS FROM OUR FRATERNAL FINANCIAL ADVISOR

April 2024 Council Message

We spend six weeks each year during Lent fasting, praying and almsgiving. We hope to unite our fasting and praying with Jesus’ 40 days of fasting and praying in the desert, to focus on preparing both our inner and outer selves to celebrate the great Easter feast. We give alms to identify with that great sacrifice of God giving His only begotten Son. With Easter on March 31 this year, I hope this finds that you had a very blessed celebration of this central Christian feast! Easter certainly brings thoughts of newness and renewal. We hope our fasting, praying and almsgiving renews our closeness to God.

As Spring settles in, I observe the many rituals of the season. I think of newness and renewal. Outside garden beds are prepared for new planning. I see the new blossoms on trees and flowers reaching full bloom, the lengthening of daylight, and a rush of sounds and sights not seen for many months. Schoolchildren begin to count down the days to summer vacation. Parents do the same counting down...perhaps without the joy of the children!

Spring seems to elicit looking forward. As I look forward this Spring, I am renewed in my mission to meet with my members. I want to keep you apprised of any changes you might want to consider in your insurance program. I hope you will keep me apprised of any changes in your circumstances. Adjustments can be made to make sure that you are on the path to reach your goals.

The Order offers a diverse array of products and services to help you do that. Together we can complete or update your financial needs analysis. This can show where you stand and helps discover any gaps in protection you might have. Our products: life insurance, retirement annuities, long-term care insurance and disability income insurance, are our core products to help protect you and your family.

I’ll call on you soon to see if it makes sense to arrange for a meeting.

Vivat Jesus!

God bless,

Brian DeBlauw, Financial Advisor

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Calendar - APRIL, 2024



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SC – Spirit Center

CC – Chelsea Center

C - Church

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
		2 Fraternal Benefit 8:00 pm webinar @ http://tinyurl.com/KofC	3 Officers' Mtg 7:00 pm SC	4	5	6
7	8 Assembly Mtg 7:00 pm STM CC	9	10 Knight's Mass 8:00 am C	11 Council Mtg 7:00 pm SC	12	13 Choir Appreciation Dinner 5:00 pm SC
14 Corporate Communion 10:00 Mass & Stoneybrook Social @ 11:30 am	15	16 Exemplification 6:30 pm SC	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Baseball "Thank You Cookout"- 5:30 pm Incarnation	25 Prayer Walk 9- 1:00 pm Planned Parent	26	27
28 Fr. Henry's Reception 1:00 pm CC	29	30				
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