



Knights of Columbus®

KNIGHTLY NEWS



OUR LADY OF HOPE COUNCIL 8086



Grand Knight's Report

Brother Knights,

A great month for Council 8086! We held our Duck Derby and earned over \$12,000. Two members of OLOH church won money! See Pages 13-14.

We thank Chris and Ashley Camacho for their great work with the Masquerade Ball! Nice to see a fairly new member and his spouse step up to take on organizing this special event and make it an overwhelming success. It was a big hit! See Pages 9-12 for photos.

Nice turn out for the OLOH Life Chain. Hopefully, we made a mark and helped save a life from abortion. See Page 13.

Our pets were blessed by Fr. Matt and Fr. Paul. Nice turn out and the annual event is very well appreciated by our parishioners—and their furry family members. See P. 16 for pictures.

Our Catholic School Car Raffle Fundraiser is in full swing, see ad on Page 19. Get your tickets soon. We are only doing online tickets this year. Use the QR code in the ad.

If you haven't taken your 3rd Degree just click the link on Page 18. We are also having an in-person Exemplification on November 18 at 6pm. If you can attend this, please email SK Dave Vaden at dave@davevaden.com

New members see Page 5 to order your Knight shirt.

Special shout out to Walt for writing a book about the 60s. We are proud of him! I have my copy...ask Walt how you get your copy. More on Page 5.

God Bless!

Ernie

NOVEMBER EVENTS

11/6	Vets Bingo 10am
11/7	Rosary 745am
11/8	Veteran Dinner 530pm
11/9	Breakfast
11/11	Veterans Day
11/18	Exemplification OLOH 6pm
11/18	Council Meeting 7pm
11/25	Cor at Sacred Heart NSB
11/30	Donuts & Coffee all masses
11/30	Epiphany Church Car Show

DECEMBER EVENTS

12/2	Officers Meeting 7pm
12/5	Rosary 745am
12/7	Knights Christmas Party 5pm
12/9	Rosary 6pm
12/9	Council meeting 7pm
12/11	Turn in State Raffle Tickets
12/12	Food Drop GDP 9am
12/16	Cor at OLOH 630pm
12/24&25	Christmas
12/28	Donuts & Coffee

Dear Brother Knights,

As we enter the month of November, we are invited to pause and remember — to remember with love those who have gone before us, and to give thanks for the many blessings that God continues to bestow upon us.

In this sacred month, we celebrate All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day, moments when we recall the great communion of the Church — those in heaven who now share in the glory of God, and those holy souls who are still being purified and journeying toward eternal life. We hold in our hearts the memory of our beloved dead — family members, friends, and all who have touched our lives with love and faith. Let us lift them up in prayer, trusting in God's mercy and the hope of resurrection.

November also invites us to a spirit of gratitude. As we approach our national holiday of Thanksgiving, we take time as a community of faith to count our blessings — for the gift of life, the gift of faith, and the gift of one another. Gratitude opens our hearts to joy and strengthens our trust in the goodness of God. May this month deepen our faith, renew our hope, and fill our hearts with peace and gratitude.

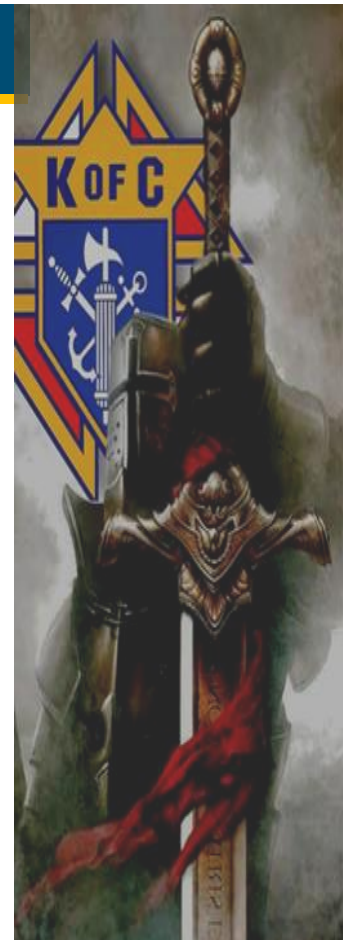
Sincerely yours in Christ,

Father Matt



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DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT

SK JOHN O'MALLEY



Wow! Council 8086 had a fantastic final weekend of recruiting, ending up with 22 new members for October! Actually, that's of Oct. 29 – with three more days to add additional members. **That's enough to make 3-Star Council for the third time since 2000 – with 49 for the year, 327-percent – three times the formidable goal of 15 new members for the year.** Also, we achieved 3-Star in 2020 and 2021, when the goal was reduced due to the pandemic.



Supreme announced the Fishers of Men challenge at the beginning of the Columbian Year in July. First prize is \$2,000, plus a film crew from Supreme paying a visit to document our efforts. **On our last call with State, membership director Danny McIntyre announced that 8086 was No. 1 in the entire Southeast Region, comprising 14 jurisdictions.** Two other states were close, though. We'll have to wait until the final numbers come in after the contest ends on Oct. 31, and see if Ernie's "Operation Tush Push" gets us over the goal line!

If you recently receive an envelope from Florida KofC Charities with motto, "Florida Knights support Special Olympics," please consider returning it with a small donation. There will also be a similar envelope for vocations in December and the popular KofC Helping Life mailing labels in January. The three programs make up the "Triple Crown." Last year, only ONE of the 260 councils in Florida earned the Triple Crown. Our individual small gifts add up, and will significantly impact the tremendous work of Special Olympics, the education of seminarians and saving (and enhancing) lives.

If you're not a Fourth Degree Sir Knight, we're working on a very special opportunity only one hour away early in 2026. If you are a Sir Knight, it's an excellent opportunity to experience the new and improved Exemplification ceremony. Stay tuned for details!

Keep up the great work!

SK John O'Malley.

District Deputy 20 "Men on a Mission"

Faith in Action COR DISTRICT 20 FLORIDA

Nov 25 — 6:30 PM at Sacred Heart, NSB

OPEN TO ALL MEN IN OUR PARISH. They do not need to be a Knight.

Cor exists to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through prayer, formation, and fraternity.



Contact SK John O'Malley at 386-631-6889 or jomalley1@cfl.rr.com for more information.

Are you disabled? If so, please register with **Wes Wengren,**
wwengren429@gmail.com.

To view the FL State Council info, click below: <https://www.floridakofc.org/>



Knights of Columbus
Council 8086

Celebration of Life

2026 Annual Fundraiser
January 10, 2026
Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church
Port Orange, FL

Saving the lives of the unborn one at a time

Vito M Benedetto
Life Director
Vbenedetto65@aol.com
631-388-1051

Faith in Action

Resources for Women

Our Life Director SK Vito Benedetto and Pat Waggoner, widow of our Council's original Life Director and past Grand Knight SK Jim Waggoner, present two checks to the Director of Resources for Women Paola Sanchez on October 24th at the Center's annual Light Up the Darkness fundraising gala. Our Council donated \$2,000 for the Daytona Beach Center and \$400 to provide mothers, who choose life, with after-pregnancy support.



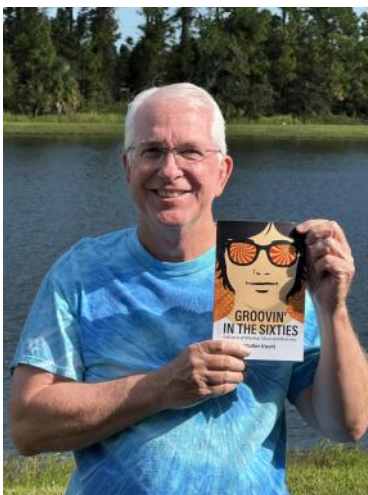
If you want to help our Council continue to Save the Lives of the Unborn, please attend the Celebration of Life Fundraising Dinner on January 10. See Page 4 for more information.

GET YOUR SHIRT

8086 Knights Shirts

TO ORDER: Contact Lacey's

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Walt wrote a book. Check it out.

POLO: \$42-\$45, XXL \$2 extra
DRIFIT T-SHIRTS: \$10, XXL \$2 extra
COTTON T-SHIRTS: \$8, XXL \$2 extra

Features 8086 Logo, US Flag, Your Name

OTHER STYLES AVAILABLE: MEN ON A MISSION
Crewneck Sweatshirt: Small-XL \$18, XXL \$20, 3X \$22

Hoodie Sweatshirt: Small-xl \$26, XXL \$28, 3X \$30

Full Zip Up Hoodie: Small-XL \$32, XXL \$34, 3X \$36

****These prices are for screen-printing of Men on a Mission logo.**

Pope Leo XIV

Click to Watch



https://youtube.com/shorts/hJ_shTDg-7g?si=LGCCz4APUjCd3bJr

Thanks from the CCW

Hello Ernie,

Just wanted to thank you & the Knights personally for all you did to make the "Morning of Reflection" so nice for all who attended. I couldn't believe how quiet you all were while we did the Rosary & you were all gone when Jasmine began! No one left so that was a good sign! God blessed us with no rain but we decided on Friday to do the rest of the sessions after Mass in the Parish Center just to avoid confusion!

All went well and I think all that attended were blessed with the experience! We got many compliments which I give all to the glory & praise to God! Even on CCW Sunday, with the KoC Pancake breakfast, all of the full sheet cake was gone!

The video that Deb put together with Liz (& new pictures) was a nice added touch right before the 11am Mass began!

Please convey our CCW gratitude to your crew of helpers! God bless you all!

Blessings,

Mary Tully
President
OLOH CCW
robertbass2@aol.com

COUNCIL DONATES \$,4000 WORTH OF COATS TO LOCAL STUDENTS

This year, Council 8086 provided \$4,000 worth of coats to Fr. Lopez Catholic High School and the following local elementary schools: Sugar Mill, Horizon, Spruce Creek Port Orange, South Daytona, Turie T Small, Holly Hill and Westside.

The Knights of Columbus launched the coats initiative in 2019 to keep kids warm in harsh winter climates. With many families with young children struggling in tough economic times, there was a clear need to provide warm winter coats to children in their communities.

Since the program's inception, the Knights of Columbus in the United States and Canada has given away more than 167,000 coats to children in need. Council 8086 is one of approximately 2,000 Knights of Columbus councils that hold annual coat drives in their communities.



Council 8086 Program Director SK Tim Mell Council and Brother SK Ron Holland are pictured with Spruce Creek Elementary School Principal Andrea Hall and some of the donated jackets.

Council 8086 are Fishing for Men



It sounds so simple, yet the data points to the compelling fact that millions of Catholic men are just waiting for the invitation.

47% of members report they joined the Order because they were invited to do so by a friend, family member or pastor.

All our Knights are fishermen. Pictured is a fishing party consisting of: Ernie, Tim, Fr Matt, Adam, Vito and John. It is time for you to go fishing and they are biting. If a Knight recruits two new Knights they could win \$1,500 from the Supreme Council.



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH Nov: Tom Anderson

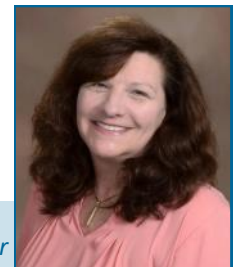
Tom Anderson may be one of our newest Knights, but he is already one of our most active. We are recognizing Tom for jumping right in there to volunteer with the monthly Grocery Disbursement Program and other programs.

Originally from Queens, NY, Tom lived in New York and New Jersey his entire life, until his family moved to Port Orange a decade ago to be closer to his parent's winter home. His wife, who was a OLOH parishioner since they moved here, had been trying to get him to come back to the Church for some time. After several family illnesses and deaths, **Tom knew it was time to come back to the Church.** He returned last January. He now volunteers along with his wife at the Grocery Disbursement Programs. He said, *"We've been very fortunate throughout our lifetime, and think it's time for us to help other less fortunate families."*



FAMILY OF THE MONTH NOV: OLOH Office Staff

This month, our Council is honoring the heart of our church family—the Our Lady of Hope Office Staff. We want to thank this special group of women for their tireless service and dedication. Their skills, hard work, and strong faith keep our parish community operating on a day-to-day basis and enrich our Faith Formation and Church Ministries. *They are all a blessing to our Church!*



Maureen Kealhofer
Business Administrator/Operations Manager



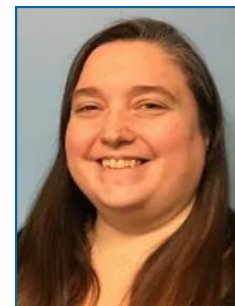
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Minister of Music/
Funeral Services Coord



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH OCT: SK Dennis Flesch

Last month, we honored Our Faith Director SK Dennis Flesch for all that he does for the Knights and our Parish. Dennis has done an exceptional job as our Council Faith Director. Most notably, he started the Rosary session prior to the start of our monthly meetings. It has been well attendance.

Dennis has been a member of Council 8086 and a Knight for seven 7 years. He became a 4th Degree in 2022. In addition to serving as our Council Faith Director for three years, he is also an officer in Assembly 2794.

Dennis and his wife Pam moved to Port Orange from Kentucky. They are founding members of Our Lady of Hope Church. He is also in the Funeral Ministry and an usher for our parish.

He feels it is important to be an active member of OLOH. Being an active member of our Church Community, provides a sense of belonging and provides opportunities for service and worship. He also believes spiritual and personal growth are his rewards for being active in our church community.



FAMILY OF THE MONTH OCT: The Camachos

It's not very often that a family is recognized more than once as our Council's Family of the Month — especially in the same year.

But, Chris and Ashley Camacho are truly deserving of this special recognition.

Last Spring, our Family Director and his event organizer extraordinaire wife Ashley were asked to come up with a new format for the Knight's annual Fall Dinner Dance. Attendance at the event had been declining the past few years. They willfully accepted the challenge and worked diligently for the next six months, picking the fun Masquerade Ball theme and planning every aspect of the event from the decorations and menu to the entertainment and adding, for the first time at a Knights' event, child care for young families wanting to have a night out. Their hard work and out of-the-box creativity provided us with a super fun, sold out evening where the upbeat music brought all ages onto the dance floor and the event raised funds for our OLOH youth ministry.



Everyone who knows the Camachos would expect no less from them. Married since 2011, Chris and Ashley move at lightening speed to keep up with their three active girls: Abigail (14), Amelia (9) and Charlotte (7) in Dance, Girl Scouts and other activities. Additionally, this year their two youngest girls are attending Sacred Heart Elementary School, where Ashley now works, while completing her teaching degree.

Ashley also continues to serve as the Second Grade Faith Formation catechist at OLOH, where she runs the nursery. Her goal is to one day open up a Special Needs ministry giving children with special needs more individualized Faith Formation classes.

The Camachos believe it's important for their family to be involved in their church community. They said they tell their children "that one day when we are gone, the church is still going to always be there. Being apart of the 'now' is so important so when they are older they are able to look back to see what we were apart of and will continue to do so."

Masquerade Ball



Both Chris and Ashley Camacho provided the Knights and our friends a superb party this year.

This year our October Party was in the format of Masquerade Ball. People dressed up and packed the house. Our parish members "the Thumbicks" using their DJ skills and equipment provided great musical entrainment for everyone. People danced the night away.

Our youth were servers and when they were done serving provided some dance routines for everyone. We even had childcare while their parents enjoyed the party..

Next years, party planning is already in the works, so don't miss that one.

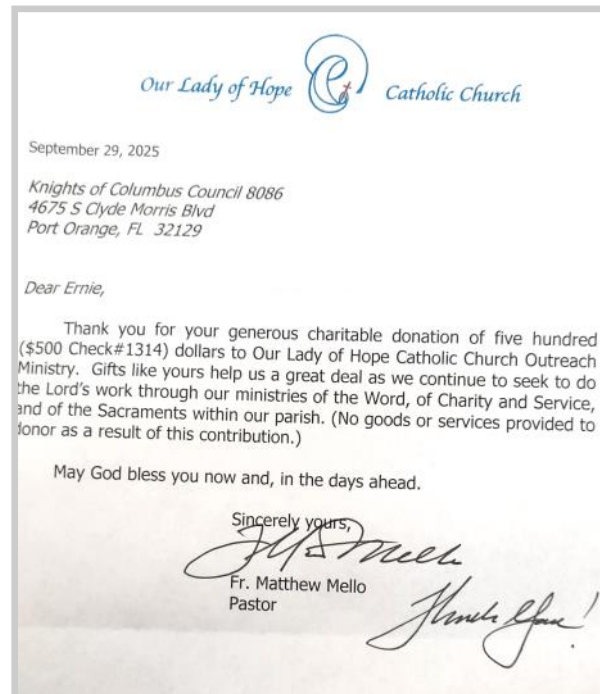
Masquerade Ball (cont)





Thanks

from Fr. Matt



Faith in Action Life Chain



The Knights of Columbus encourages others to choose life through public support of the pro-life cause. Our Knights organize and participate in a life march in front of our parish to encourage people to stop abortion and protect life. We thank all our parishioners and Knights for putting on this display of solidarity to support life.



Faith in Action Duck Derby

Founded by SK Tim Mell, the Annual Duck Derby is a fundraising icon in the KofC state-wide. This year, the Duck Derby generated \$12,338 - Council 8086's largest fundraiser! The revenue will help pay for our charity efforts.



All of this year's winners were from purchase of a Quack Packs.

Congratulations to our winners:

- **1st Place:** \$1,000 - Jessica Marco
- **2nd Place:** \$500 Paul McNamara
- **3rd Place:** \$250
Mary & Richard Abbott
- **4th Place:** Anne O'Hara





St. Francis of Assisi was born in the 12th century, lived in Italy, and founded the men's Order of Friars Minor. He is remembered for his generosity to the poor, his willingness to minister to the lepers, and for his love for animals and nature. He is the Catholic Church's patron saint of animals and the environment. Each year Council 8086 puts on a pet blessing, Fr Matt & Fr Paul come and bless the animals of Our Lady of Hope Parishioners. It is always a fun and blessed day. Thanks Fr Matt & Fr Paul.

November BIRTHDAYS

1 Aldo Marino
1 Dave Vaden
2 Robert Stanton
3 Michal Wlodarski
5 Jerry Steele
8 Todd Carlin
9 Cade Sapala
9 Ryan Starosa
10 Andrew Giannini
10 Anthony Semione
10 Bob Thomas
11 David Roberts
11 Jeff Samluk
12 Rich Kortes
12 Bill Millson
12 Ken Robinson

12 John Rodgers
13 Rich Adamski
17 Ron Holland
20 Rob Riccio
21 Tom Antalek
26 Chris Acebal
26 John Feore
26 Steve Marchese II
27 Reinaldo Cintron
27 Ken Tracy
29 Ernest Izummuo
30 Eugene Cicone
30 Bill Madison



Knight's Intentions

Please pray for our Brothers and their Families who are sick or in need:

Roschen Family, Steve Grossman, Iryna Zaratuk, Rich Lorenz, Antumes Family, Scott Strauss, Jimmie Scott, Jim Amngan, Dave Arundel, Chris Arundel, Bill Browning Family, Gene Cicone, Dave Domann, Tom Kyrz, Fonzie Langiotti, Stephen Martino, Steve Morris, Michael Orris, Mike Popp, Sam Tedesco, Carol Zall, Bill Sileo, Gene Cicone, Gary Hunt, Chuck Greiner, John and Mary Hoag

*Please Pray for the Repose
of the Soul of our Brother
SK George Cline
SK Gary Hunt*



Eternal rest grant unto him,
O Lord. And let perpetual light
shine upon him. May he rest in
peace. Amen.

Faith in Action 3rd Degree Online



Earn your 3rd degree by clicking on link below and watching the video. The Florida State Council conducts a **live "Virtual" Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity 7:00 PM every Thursday.**

<https://www.floridakofc.org/Events-and-Exemplifications-Calendar?fldEventID=1166554>

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Friday, April 10, 2026 at 9:30 PM

Our Lady of Hope Parish Center | Port Orange

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Council 8086

Faith in Action Casino Night



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TO BENEFIT CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
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OUR LADY OF HOPE PARISH CENTER
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\$200 "GAMBLING MONEY"
HORS D'OEUVRES AND DRINKS

Faith in Action Food for Families



FREE FOOD PICK UP & GROCERY DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

Friday, Dec 12 at 9 am

Our Lady of Hope Church

**Need Food Come Get Food. NO COST!
VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO HELP DISTRIBUTE FOOD**



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