



# Knights of Columbus®

# KNIGHTLY NEWS



## OUR LADY OF HOPE COUNCIL 8086



### Grand Knight's Report

#### Brother Knights,

**Pope Leo XIV invites us to pray the rosary** throughout October to invoke God's peace. A rosary will also be prayed in St. Peter's Square on October 11 as part of the Jubilee of Marian Spirituality.

Here at OLOH we have several opportunities to join as prayer warriors! 🙏🏻  
**On Oct 11th, the Grace and Gather ministry will pray the Holy Rosary in Rooms 6-7 at 5:30 pm. On Oct 14th, we encourage brothers and their families to support Pope Leo XIV by joining us for the Knights' monthly Rosary at 5:45pm. Additionally, the Rosary is prayed weekdays at 7:50 am before morning mass.**

We thank Tim Mell (for his hard work), Tom Mies, John O'Malley, Vito Benedito, Paul Macmaria and Adam Schmidt for their ideas and support of "Wheel Chair" Weekend. It was a huge success. **Keep up the great work 8086!**

**If you haven't paid your dues yet, please do so.** You can mail a check to Wes, give him cash or pay by credit card on [knights8086.com](http://knights8086.com). In December, we will be sending a list of delinquent members to State for reassignment to the alternative council.

**Directive from the OLOH Church**—"All speakers to your groups must be vetted. Right now, we are leaving this up to each ministry leader. No matter what their/your beliefs or opinions are on a subject, they cannot speak against the Catholic Church or any of its teachings. If they do, they will be banned from speaking to any of our parish groups, per Fr. Matt. And your group may lose its vetting privileges. This is a Diocesan requirement." (In our case the GK, or DGK has approval authority, so please inform me *prior* to any guest speakers, etc.)

**A thought about Revenge** - mentioned in both the Old and New Testaments of the Bible. God warned His people to avoid seeking revenge and to let Him avenge them and bring about perfect justice how He saw fit. When we want to retaliate, we should keep in mind that causing another person harm will never undo the harm you have already endured. When you have been victimized, it is tempting to believe revenge will make you feel better, but that isn't the case. *When we take the scope of Scripture into view, what you learn is that God knows the pain and hardship of injustice, and He promises that He will make things right for those who have been mistreated.*

**God Bless!**

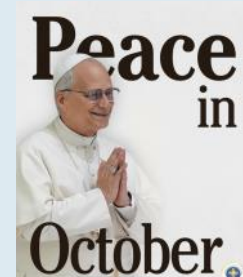
*Ernie*

### OCTOBER EVENTS

- 10/3 ROSARY/ HOLY HOUR, 7:45 AM
- 10/4 Pet Blessing, 1-2 pm
- 10/5 March 4 Life 12:15pm
- 10/10 Essay Contest Ends
- 10/11 Duck Derby Sales 8am
- 10/12 Duck Derby, 10 am
- 10/12 Breakfast
- 10/14 Rosary @church 545pm
- 10/14 Council Meeting 7pm
- 10/18 Masquerade Ball 530pm
- 10/24 GDP 9am
- 10/26 Coffee & Donuts
- 10/28 Cor Sacred Heart 630pm

### UPCOMING IN NOVEMBER

- 11/8 Veteran Dinner 530pm
- 11/9 Breakfast
- 12/15 Council 1st Aid/CPR 6pm



Dear Brother Knights,

The month of October is one of two months in the Church dedicated to the memory of our Blessed Mother, the other being May. In these Marian months, we give Mary special honor with increased devotion, and in many parishes a Marian hymn is sung at each of the weekend liturgies.

**Mary is a powerful intercessor.** As the Mother of God, she embraced discipleship with supreme trust in God's vision and plan, watching her Son grow, standing at the foot of the Cross, and rejoicing in the hope of the Resurrection. She is a model of unwavering faith, even in the most difficult times.

**In a world that often feels divided and polarized, Mary also shows us the way of prayer and unity.** May we, as Knights, come together in fraternity and patriotism, dedicating ourselves to her intercession. She has never failed us, and she will not fail us now.

We know that suffering is part of life, but our Lord and His Blessed Mother remind us that suffering is never the end. Beyond it lies the glory of God, which no hardship can ever outweigh. **This October, as we turn our hearts to Mary, let us renew our supreme trust and hope in God.**

*Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Father Matt*



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## DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT

SK JOHN O'MALLEY



Each month, the District Deputies from across Florida participate in a Zoom call with State Deputy Mike Gizewski and the state officers and staff.

A highlight of the September call was **State Membership Director Danny McIntyre calling out the council with the largest membership intake – not only in the state of Florida, but in the entire Southeast Region.**



*"You'll recognize the name because we call it out many times every year at the State Convention," McIntyre said. "Our Lady of Hope Council 8086!" As of Sept. 24, Council 8086 had already surpassed its goal of 15 new members for Star Council. In fact, our Council is credited with 30 new recruits – good for 2-Star Council. GK Ernie Jackson assures me there are at least two new members also being processed. Can we reach 3-Star?*

**Our Lady of Hope Council 8086 recently held its first Wheelchair Weekend, and the results are extremely gratifying.** An initial estimate was that we had taken in more than \$8,500 in donations. That would be at least 56 new wheelchairs to deserving people from around the globe. The KofC Wheelchair Mission estimates that each new wheelchair directly impacts the life of at least 10 people. That's 560 people. *Another example of the Knights 8086 making a difference!*

**Please join us for the Rosary on First Friday (Oct. 3) at 6:45 a.m., and before our monthly membership meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 14, at 5:45 p.m.**

**October will be highlighted by our council's biggest fundraiser of the year, the Duck Derby, on Sunday, Oct. 12, at City Center.** Also please don't forget Cor on Tuesday, Oct. 28, at Church of the Epiphany at 6:30 p.m.

*SK John O'Malley.*

District Deputy 20 "Men on a Mission"

## Faith in Action COR DISTRICT 20 FLORIDA

**Oct 28 — 6:30 PM at Port Orange, Epiphany Church**

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](mailto:jomalley1@cfl.rr.com) for more information.

***Are you disabled?*** If so, please register with **Wes Wengren,**  
**[wwengren429@gmail.com](mailto:wwengren429@gmail.com)**.

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



## FAMILY DIRECTOR REPORT

Get tickets Now

Free Childcare

Council 8086 General Meeting



## JOIN TODAY



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HELP US TO HELP OTHERS, A FEW HOURS A YEAR CAN  
MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE. Council 8086, Our Lady of  
Hope Church.

CONTACT ADAM AT [ADAM\\_R\\_SCHMIDT@YAHOO.COM](mailto:ADAM_R_SCHMIDT@YAHOO.COM)  
OR 773-963-2419



## FAITH IN ACTION

## WHEELCHAIR WEEKEND COLLECTED \$8,500

Since 2007, Knights across the U.S. have been having "Wheelchair Sunday" parish drives to raise funds for the delivery of wheelchairs. The weekend of Sept 13-14, Council 8086 started this important program. This life changing mission that helps children, teens and adults around the world to have their prayers answered with the gift of hope, freedom, dignity, independence...*a wheelchair!*

I am proud to report that so far Council 8086 has collected over \$8,500!! But, there are still many who need a wheelchair. If you haven't already contributed to this worthy cause, please consider making a donation. You can complete the application below and return it to our next meeting or contact Program Director SK Tim Mell for more information or additional applications at [timnell1@att.net](mailto:timnell1@att.net). Or, you can make an online donation at <https://amwheelchair.org/donate/> and list Our Lady of Hope & Council 8086.



**Knights have sponsored the delivery tens of thousands of wheelchairs worldwide! \$150 donation will deliver a brand new wheelchair to a child, teen or adult in need of Hope, Dignity, Freedom & Independence.**

☐ \$150 ☐ \$300 ☐ \$450 ☐ Other \$\_\_\_\_\_ (Any amount is greatly appreciated)

Donor/Contact Name\_\_\_\_\_ Council 8086\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Check enclosed ( ☐ I am interested in attending a wheelchair distribution ) ☐ Credit Card ☐ Visa

☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express ☐ Discover Name as it appears on card \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**With a donation of \$150 you will receive a beautiful certificate of thanks with a photo of a wheelchair recipient. CERTIFICATE WILL READ: American Wheelchair Mission wishes to thank:**

☐ Donor (above) ☐ Council Above ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

For the Gift made: ☐ No designation ☐ In the Name of ☐ In Honor of ☐ In Memory of

\_\_\_\_\_



## KNIGHT OF THE MONTH: SK Dennis Flesch

He has been a member of council 8086 and a Knight for 7 years. and became a 4th degree on 29 January, 2022. He is currently the Faith director for council 8086 and held this position for 3, years. Also an officer in a Assembly 2794.

Both his wife Pam and are from Kentucky. Pam was born in Cincinnati, OH and I was born in Covington, KY.

In April of 1980, I was transferred to Port Orange, FL. We are Founding members of OLOH. He is in the Funeral Ministry and an usher for our parish.



He feels it is important to be an active member of OLOH by being an active member offers Community and belonging, spiritual growth and accounting, opportunities for service and worship. Dennis has started a Rosary session on meeting nights and hopes attendance continues to be well attended.

He believes in spiritual and personal growth is his reward for being active in my church community.



## FAMILY OF THE MONTH: OLOH STAFF

# To be revealed at a Later Date

# 8086 Knights Shirts

**TO ORDER: Contact Lacey's**

**503 Herbert St | [4burgnow@gmail.com](mailto:4burgnow@gmail.com) | 386-767-0932**

**POLO:** \$42-\$45, XXL \$2 extra  
**DRIFT 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.*

**BROTHERS: IT'S TIME TO PAY YOUR DUES FOR NEW FATERAL YEAR**

Pay your dues Online ...use this link.

<https://knights8086.com/dues-online>



If you don't want to pay online contact SK Wes Wengren at [wwengren8086@gmail.com](mailto:wwengren8086@gmail.com) or 407-733-2558. Dues are required to be in good standing. Knights that do not pay dues could be moved to the affiliate council.



# Pope Leo XIV

## Click to Watch



[Pope Leo XIV Reveals the Truth Behind the Tragedy of Charlie Kirk Death - YouTube](#)



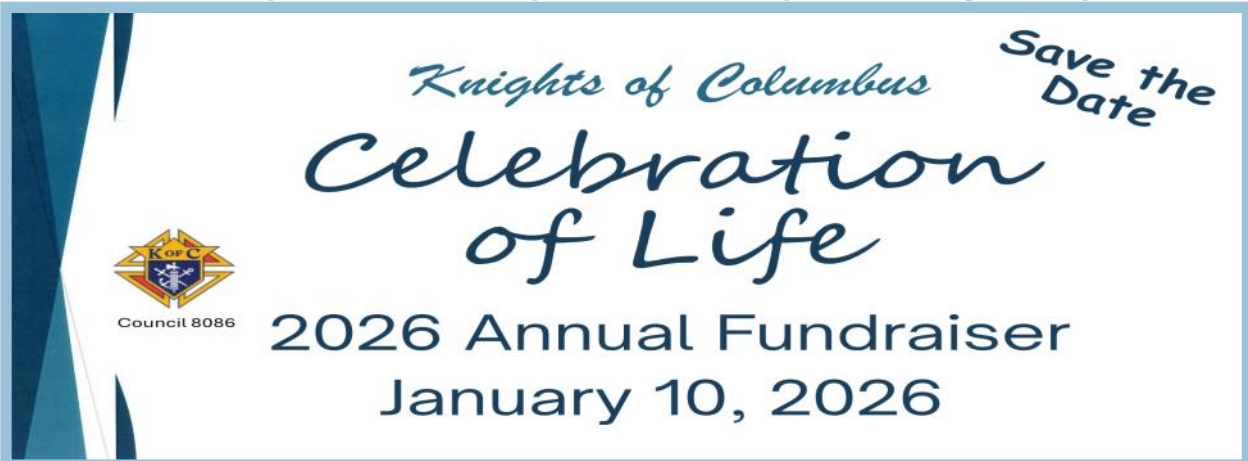
Putting up Crosses for “Right to Life Month”, each cross represents children that were never born. Council has inspiring prayers read before mass and finically support the Catholic Right to Life Program through donations.







**Start your new year off by saving a life**



## **Church Has Always Condemned Abortion**

By Fr. William Saunders

***Given the revelation of the Old and New Testaments, with special emphasis on the mystery of the incarnation, the Roman Catholic Church has condemned the practice of abortion.*** Several examples of teaching which span the first three hundred years of our Church include the following: The "Didache" ("The Teachings of the Twelve Apostles," c. 80 A.D.) asserted, "You shall not procure abortion. You shall not destroy the newborn child." The "Epistle of Barnabas" (138) also condemned abortion. Athenagoras (177) in his "A Plea on Behalf of Christians" (a defense against paganism) emphasized that Christians consider as murderers those women who take medicines to procure an abortion; he condemns the killer of children, including those still living in their mother's womb, "where they are already the object of the care of divine providence." Tertullian, (197) in his "Apologeticum" likewise asserted, "To prevent birth is anticipated murder; it makes little difference whether one destroys a life already born or does away with it in its nascent stage. The one who will be man is already one." In the year 300, the Council of Elvira, a local church council in Spain, passed specific legislation condemning abortion (Canon 63).

After the legalization of Christianity in 313, the condemnation against abortion remained. For instance, St. Basil in a letter to Bishop Amphilochius (374) clearly pronounces the Church's teaching: "A woman who has deliberately destroyed a fetus must pay the penalty for murder" and "Those also who give drugs causing abortions are murderers themselves, as well as those who receive the poison which kills the fetus."

While many other examples could be offered, the key point is that ***the Roman Catholic Church from the beginning has consistently upheld the sanctity of the life of the unborn child and condemned the act of direct abortion.*** To oppose this teaching contradicts the revelation of Sacred Scripture and Christian tradition... As Catholic Christians, must pray for a change of heart in all citizens and courageously teach and defend the sanctity of human life, particularly that of the defenseless, innocent unborn children.

# October BIRTHDAYS

2 George Rubino  
4 Mike Mann  
5 Mike Pettit  
6 Greg Lilly  
6 Joe Vinti  
6 Steve White  
7 Al Citro  
9 Rich Lorenz  
9 Jeff Trunzo  
12 Tim Carnago  
14 Wayne Mcenany  
15 Victor Fonseca  
17 Trevor Jones

20 Khanh Dau  
20 Dave Poulin  
21 James Arundel  
23 Melvin Dougherty  
24 Anthony Binz  
28 Mike Orris  
28 Tom Reilly  
29 Mike Smarra  
29 Cole Stevens  
30 John Covitt  
30 Rick Polo  
31 Tom Anderson



## 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 Kyrzcz, Fonzie Langiotti, Stephen Martino, Steve Morris, Michael Orris, Mike Popp, Sam Tedesco, Carol Zall, Bill Sileo.



**FAITH in ACTION**



Honorary Life Members of 8086 receive their HLM car window emblem



## SHINING ARMOR AWARD



Jake Mays receives Knight of Month

New members have one year from the date of entry to the Council to earn this award

To qualify for the Shining Armor Award, during the fraternal year, brother Knights must:

- Be involved in at least three Council service programs.
- Attend at least three Council meetings.
- Meet with their Council's insurance representative.
- **Recruit at least one new member.**



Tim Brown receives 3rd degree rosary & pin from online exemplification.



Tom Hilpert receives 8086 Coin & Shining Armor Award



Judy and Steve Martino receive Family of Month





Homeless veterans are eligible for the same disability compensation and pension benefits as other veterans, but the VA also offers specialized programs like the HUD-VASH program for permanent housing, and Homeless Veterans Community Employment Services to help with job placement. The VA provides resources and services to help homeless veterans access their earned benefits.

A homeless Veteran can also get their VA disability check by establishing a stable address with the help of the HUD-VASH, contacting the VA's National Call Center for homeless Veterans at 877-424-3838 or establishing a local P.O. Box.

## Blue Mass Feb 8th, 2026 11am

Come celebrate and honor our brave.

Pancake breakfast to follow Mass.

Displays on site.

*The safest mass you will ever attend.*



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