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KNIGHTLY NEWS



OUR LADY OF HOPE COUNCIL 8086



Grand Knight's Report

Brothers,

It has been a busy month. I'm please to report that several things we are required to do by Supreme have already been accomplished! Our Chancellor SK Adam Schmidt has already recruited 19 new members! Deputy Grand

Knight SK Vito Benedetto is looking for mentors to help our new knights connect and guide them through the first few months as new members in our great Council. Our leadership has completed "Protecting God's Children" certification. And, we have one of the two required Benefit briefings set for September 10.

In this issue, you will discover some of the Faith in Action and other activities we did over the past month. *Well done brothers!*

- **Our Exemplification format enabled brothers to welcome new members and wives.** Special thanks to Fr Matt, SK Dave Vaden, SK Vito Benedetto, SK Bob Gilligan, SK Dennis Flesch, SK Jim Baskin, The 4th Degree Color Guard, SK John O'Malley and event orchestrated by SK Tim Mell. The Exemplification was dedicated to our fallen brothers Michel Le & Miguel Nin.
- **Our Council's annual Blue Mass was a huge success and honored our Hometown Heroes, chaired by SK Dave Vaden.**
- **OLOH participated in the Knights Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose Pilgrimage.** Thanks to the Knights on Bikes and SK Dennis Flesch!
- **SK Mike Godbout won the Distinguished Educator Award** at Fr. Lopez High School and led the Steubenville Youth Trip that our Council helped fund. Great work!
- **Many Knights and their wives participate every month in the Grocery Distribution Program (GDP),** founded by Fr. Matt and SK Bill Piper, chaired by DN Steve Gross. To date, OLOH provided free nutritious food to over 3,200 families!
- **Another new Knight program is the Car Raffle to raise funds for Catholic Schools** in the Eastern Deanery of Volusia County, headed by SK Hank Nolin. See Page 5.
- **By popular request, T-shirts for our wives/girlfriends will soon be available.**
- **Hope to see you at our next meeting in the church hall. If you are unable to attend, we now offer an online option to view our meetings from anywhere in the USA.** You will receive an email with instructions... *It will be easy to link on.*

God Bless,

SK Ernie Jackson

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

- 9/3 OFFICER MEETING
- 9/6 ROSARY BEFORE MASS
7:30 am
- 9/6 CAR RAFFLE KICK OFF
Fr. Lopez HS, 6 pm
- 9/8 BREAKFAST &
CAR RAFFLE Tickets
OLOH, 7 am
- 9/8 DUCK SALES
Destination Daytona,
9 am
- 9/18 COR MEETING
Sacred Heart, 7 pm
- 9/27 GROCERY DIST PROG, 7 am
- 9/27 CAR RAFFLE TICKETS
Fr. Lopez HS, 6 pm
- 9/28-29 PRAYER CARDS
All Masses
- 9/29 COFFEE & DONUTS
- 9/29 MARCH FOR LIFE, 1 pm

LOOKING AHEAD: OCT

- 10/1 OFFICERS MEETING, 7pm
- 10/5 PET BLESSING
OLOH, 1:30pm
- 10/8 MEETING &
EXEMPLIFICATION, 7 pm
- 10/10-12 DUCK DERBY, 10 am
- 10/15 COAT DRIVE STARTS
- 10/16 COR MEETING, 7 pm

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

A Message from Fr Matt Mello

Dear Brothers in Christ,

As we look ahead to the fall and approach the season of Advent and the celebration of our Lord's birth, we are excited about the many activities that lie before us. The fall season brings a wonderful array of events, including the Pet Blessing, our Veterans Day celebration, the Dinner Dance, and much more.

Recently, we had the privilege of celebrating our Blue Mass, where we honored our law enforcement officers and first responders. I extend my heartfelt thanks to all who participated and helped make this a meaningful and successful occasion.



At our recent Exemplification, we welcomed many new members into our Council. It was truly uplifting to see everyone gathered together in fraternity and unity. As we continue throughout the year, may we encourage and welcome even more into our brotherhood.

Let us continue to pray for one another and support each other in our shared mission.

**Sincerely yours in Christ,
Father Matt**



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New Exemplification Format includes Brothers & Wives

At our Aug 13 meeting (Father McGivney's Feast Day), our Council held our first newly-formatted Exemplification. By hosting this ceremony during our meeting, we were able to bring in eight new Knights in the presence of their brothers.

This Exemplification was attended by wives and families, who participated in the ceremony by pinning on our emblem and presenting the rosary to the new Knights.

The new Exemplification format was well received by all. We will have the next Exemplification on Oct 8 to bring in 11 more brothers.



DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT

SK JOHN O'MALLEY

After getting off to a great start to the new Columbian Year in July, we continued to carry the momentum into August. **We've already surpassed our goal of 15 new members, with nine recruits in July and another nine in August for 18 total.** Only Switzerland Council has one better – we're 1-2 in the state.



The transition to the new meeting room is working out great. The parish hall is much roomier and we didn't lose any attendees in moving from the second Thursday to second Tuesday. **Hope to see everyone at our next meeting on Sept. 10 (which is also our first to two required Fraternal Benefit Events).**

Interested members are also invited to our monthly officer meeting, 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall on Tuesday, Sept. 3. Learn more about the inner workings of our group and how to get more involved.

Also, Cor resumes on Wednesday, Sept. 18 at Sacred Heart's parish center at 7 p.m. It's open to all Catholic men over 18 – a great opportunity to learn more about our Catholic faith.

*John O'Malley,
District Deputy #20*

*To view the FL State Council info, click below:
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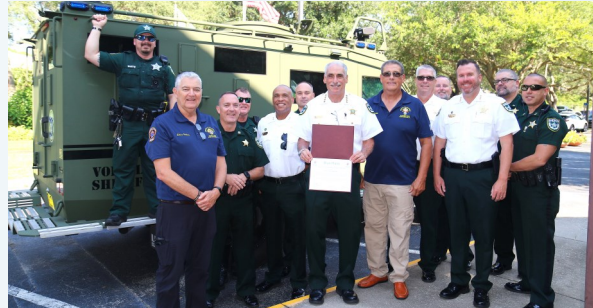


FAITH IN ACTION

Blue Mass Honors Our Hometown Heroes

PHOTOS BY SK JACQUES ROCH

On Sunday, August 18, the Knights of Columbus Council 8086 hosted its annual Blue Mass to honor our local Fireman, EMTs, and police. Over 52 first responders attended this mass. They were honored with a huge applause by all attending the packed church. Fr Matt gave a moving talk about how our community needs and appreciates our first responders. Special thanks to SK Dave Vaden, who chaired and commanded this event.



KNIGHT'S SILVER ROSE PILGRIMAGE

On August 7, Our Lady of Hope was honored to host the Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose at morning mass. Faith Director SK Dennis Flesch provided parishioners with the history of the Rose.

The Silver Rose Pilgrimage has been a Knights of Columbus tradition for 58 years. Today, eight roses travel along different routes that include Canada, the United States and Mexico. At every stop on the Pilgrimage, it's an occasion for Knights and parishioners to pray for the respect for life, the spiritual renewal of each nation, and the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Council 8086 Knights on Bikes members SK Ernie Jackson, SK Dave Vaden and SK Rick Polo worked along with fellow Knights on Bikes from the state to transport the Rose to parishes through out Florida.





KNIGHT OF THE MONTH: SK Mike Godbout

SK Mike Godbout is being honored for the outstanding work he did the first year of the new COR program to bring the three councils of District 20 together in unity for prayer, study and spiritual motivation. Thanks to Mike's efforts, District 20's COR meeting format is being hailed as a model for other districts in Florida to follow.

We are proud to also recognize Mike for being named one of the 2023-24 Distinguished Catholic Educators by the Orlando Diocese of Catholic Schools. Mike, who is pursuing his doctorate in theology, teaches theology and coaches track and field, cross country and softball at Fr Lopez Catholic High School. He is beloved by his students. Mike's enthusiasm and school spirit are infectious as he teaches Faith Formation and instills Catholic identity to his students. Mike is starting this school year in his new position as the Director of Mission Effectiveness and Campus Minister. *Congratulations Brother on your well-deserved award!*



Orlando Diocese Superintendent of Catholic Schools Dr Erika Wikstrom presents the 2023-24 Distinguished Catholic Educator Award to SK Mike Godbout for his exemplary work at Fr. Lopez Catholic High School.



FAMILY OF THE MONTH: The Pettits

OLOH Parish is a second home to SK Damian Pettit, his wife Jess and their son Joseph. The son of Deacon Mike Pettit, Damian has been actively involved in the parish since his family moved here in 1984. He became a Knight in 2015 and earned his Fourth Degree the following year.

Jess started to attend OLOH when she was dating Damian. He proposed to her at our church, they were married here on Aug 13, 2017, and their son was baptized here. She said OLOH has had a huge impact on her faith journey.

"I'm glad to have such a great parish to raise our son," said Damian, noting "Our Council, I feel, mirrors our parish in its vibrancy...I am proud to be among its ranks."

The Pettits feel being active church members sets a good example for their son. They are both Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and involved with the F.A. I.T.H. Ministry. Jess also helps with the RICA Ministry.

In May, they worked together to start the new Rosary Night Ministry at OLOH. The fellowship brings parishioners with a strong faith together. Everyone is invited, but Jess stresses that families are definitely welcome! The Rosary Night Ministry generally meets the third Saturday of the month. The dates are listed in the Church Bulletin.



Faith in Action COR DISTRICT 20 FLORIDA

SEPT 18— 7 pm at Sacred Heart Church, New Smyrna Beach

OCT 16 — 7 pm at Our Lady of Hope, Port Orange

Men attending do not need to be Knights of Columbus. *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.



Religious Youth Conference has Meaningful Impact

Council 8086 provided funding in last year's budget to help strength the faith of our next generation of Catholics. Our donation helped a group of students from Fr Lopez Catholic High School attend the Franciscan Steubenville Youth Conference in Orlando in July.

Under the leadership of SK Mike Godbout, who is a teacher at Fr Lopez High School, the students participated in the high-energy conference along with thousands of other Catholic teens. The teens encountered Jesus Christ through dynamic speakers, engaging music, the Sacraments, small group discussions, and fellowship. As noted in two of the many thank you notes our Council received from the grateful participants (included below), the experience provided them with a closer connection to Jesus and his teachings, and helped equip them for leadership and evangelization.



Knights of Columbus Council #8086

Gentlemen:

I wanted to thank you all for your generous donation to Father Lopez Catholic High School that made it possible for a group of our young teens was able to experience the Franciscan Steubenville Youth Conference. Illuminate 2024 did just that! It was an amazing event that was able to allow these teens to deepen their faith and love in The Lord and to see others do the same.

The speakers, the music, mass and adoration were so moving. I, as one of the chaperones did get to worship and experience this too. I embraced the tears that fell from my eyes and I watched Fr Louis carry the monstrance through the crowd. I applauded and cried again as I saw the amount of young men and women that are thinking about a life as a sister, brother or priest. So many!!! This is our future and this type of event will help ensure that.

I am having trouble writing this because I'm crying again (go figure).

Just know that we all greatly appreciate all you do for our communities and especially these special young women and men of Fr Lopez.

Thank you and God Bless all of you.

Sincerely

Barbara Cassidy



To the Knights of Columbus 8086,

I would like to express my profound gratitude for providing me with the opportunity to develop a deeper relationship with God. As a rising senior, the process of applying for college can be quite frustrating but after my experience with Jesus during a night of adoration, I was overtaken with an overwhelming sense of relief, acknowledging Jesus' presence in both my good times and bad. For me, this was the first time attending a Christian Youth Conference and I enjoyed every moment of it immensely. From praise and worship to the silence of adoration, I have felt a deeper connection with God. Another memorable moment for me was the speakers who shared both their ups and downs in their relationship with God. Although each speaker's story differed, I felt as though there was at least one lesson which could personally relate to my life. In addition, the number of teens who attended this Conference was inspiring as was the energy in the room, knowing that you are not alone in enduring struggles in your faith. As a result of the Steubenville Conference 2024, I am now a stronger Christian who is ready to evangelize God's salvation for all of us.

God Bless,
Khandis Murray



GROCERY DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

Faith in Action

Key Church and Knight leaders meet at 7 am on the last Friday of every month in the Our Lady of Hope Church parking lot to start setting up for the drive-thru Grocery Distribution Program (GDP). At 9 am, the remainder of the 20-plus volunteers, consisting of Knights, their wives and others from the parish, arrive to man the four stations where people will load up their cars with needed groceries.

When the Second Harvest truck arrives, the volunteers start unloading and filling the stations with food. We give away meats, can goods, fresh fruits and vegetables. Each month, the work crew distributes food to hundreds of local residents.

What are the qualifications to receive the food? You need to have a car or bike to carry food, and provide your name and the number of people in your family. Each vehicle is able to pick up for one family that is unable to get to the GDP.

SK Bill and Mary Piper are the Knights driving force behind this effort, as they have a calling from God to help feed the hungry. Just think that in less than two hours this program provides hundreds of people with food to stop the hunger. This program is making a significant impact in our community.

The program is always looking for more volunteers to help. Please consider helping, even if for only one or two times. Several wives help out every month. Everyone is welcome. Contact SK Piper at 386-589-6109.



September BIRTHDAYS

Edward Alpi	1	Mike Godbout	17
Chase E Hether	4	Walter Smith	17
Jacques Roch	4	Juan Junco	19
Robert Falkenberg	11	Joseph J Decilla	21
Gregory Johnson	11	Roger Sullivan	21
Elia Nader	12	Steven Casserly	22
Joe Fazzie	13	Edouard Le May	23
Fr Titus J Kachinda	13	Arthur Lungi	23
Michael Marchese	13	Joseph Mc Cauley	24
Cole Zonca	13	John O'Brien	25
Michael Hoblin	15	Thomas Gould	27
John King	15	Dan Blake	28
Donald Miller	15	Michael Kennedy	28
Daniel Brownsberger	16	Joseph Marchese	30



Knight's Intentions

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

Joann Ammonn, Ralph Aneduri, Tom Cercelli, Patty Clig, Kim Daley, Bob Dytkowski, Dennie Flesch, Natalie Francis, Steve Grossman, John Hennessy, Robert Higgins, John Hylander, Robert Imodo, Hilda Junco, Amy Kalksener, John King, Anya Koszas, Fr. David Kelley, Richard Krassa, Steve Martino, Ted & Linda Merrell, Dawn Morris, Jean Nolin, Chris Panos, Barbara Parziale, Ken Raab, Bob Rodriguez, Dave Roberts, Else Ryas, Natalie Serrano, Steele Family, Roger Sullivan, Joe Vargara, Joe Wheeler, Bob Williams, Tony Delemonte, Ralph Aneduri, Chris Panos, and Ed Wojohowski.

A Note from a Brother in Need

The Spiritual Bouquet for Healing arrived today by mail from our Council. This has been an uphill battle since my diagnosis back in February and I believe all the prayers are helping. Please thank everyone for me.

*God Bless,
John King*

WELCOME NEW COUNCIL 8086 MEMBERS/RECRUITS!

- ♦ Michael Smarra
- ♦ Brian Behrens
- ♦ Mark Riley
- ♦ Thomas Antaley
- ♦ Robert Menello
- ♦ Marcus Velez
- ♦ Joe Gerbino
- ♦ Dr. Bob Gangi
- ♦ Alex King
- ♦ Rafael Batista
- ♦ Anthony Montalvo
- ♦ Steven Smatt
- ♦ Todd Seger
- ♦ Nicholas Benvenuti



FROM SUPREME KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

The Gift of Children | The Mission of the Family

The Gift of Children is the third part of *Into the Breach: The Mission of the Family*, a dynamic new video series that proclaims the truth and beauty of the Catholic vision of marriage and family life in the modern world. It explores the unique roles of men and women in marriage and their responsibility for raising children. The series also examines the significant challenges facing Catholic families in a world where the nature of the family itself has become a battleground.

Ctrl-Click on this link to hear message: https://youtu.be/OY-p0ceVRrw?list=PL8dhS0o-trLjif_DlzMn1zbN5iaannC14

NEXT BENEFITS TALK

Tuesday, September 10
7pm in person
at Knights Council Meeting



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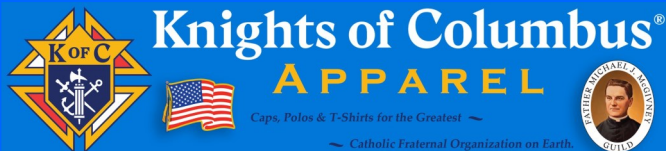
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