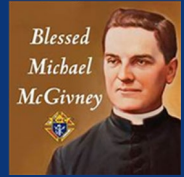




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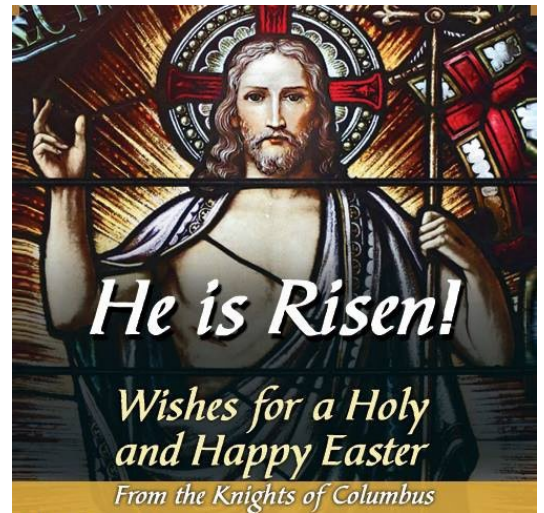
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## Grand Knight Message – SK Dan Kimble

Brother Knights, as we celebrate this glorious season of Easter, we are reminded that the Resurrection is not just a past event, but a living reality that calls each of us to deeper faith, renewed purpose, and joyful witness. The empty tomb is a powerful sign that hope conquers despair, light overcomes darkness, and life triumphs over death.

As Knights of Columbus, we are uniquely called to be men of action grounded in faith. This Easter season invites us to reflect more intentionally on how we live out our principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. Are we bringing Christ into our homes through prayer and example? Are we supporting our parish not only with our presence, but with our time and talents? Are we reaching out to those in need, especially the vulnerable, the lonely, and the forgotten? Let this be a season where we renew our commitment—not only to our Order, but to our vocation as Catholic men. Small acts done with great love can transform lives, including our own.



April offers many opportunities for us to come together in faith and service. On April 2: Veterans Nursing Home Visit – Bringing companionship and gratitude to those who have served our nation; on April 3: Good Friday – Solemnly remembering Christ’s sacrifice; on April 5: Easter Sunday – Celebrating the joy of the Resurrection of our Lord; on April 11: *Cor* – Strengthening our brotherhood through prayer, formation, and fraternity; on April 14: Officers Meeting – Leading our Council; on April 15: Habitat for Humanity Workday – Living our faith to provide a home for a family; April 26: Blood Drive – Donating life-giving blood for those in

need; and on April 28: Council Meeting – Gathering to discuss and guide the ongoing works of our Council. Additionally, we continue our tradition of serving Coffee & Donuts after all Sunday Masses throughout the month, with the exception of Easter Sunday. Your participation helps build fellowship within our parish.

This month, we want to highlight the Life activities within our Faith-In-Action program. At our Council Meeting in March, we received our new pro-life banner for display in the Social Hall and use during our pro-life activities. Please take a closer look at our Life program activities and see where you can make a difference.



Photo at left: Grand Knight SK Dan Kimble and Deputy Grand Knight SK Michael Ernst displaying the new "Love Life, Choose Life" banner at the Council Meeting on Tuesday, March 24, 2026.

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Brothers, the world needs faithful Catholic men now more than ever. Let us not be passive in our faith, but active, visible, and committed. Invite a fellow parishioner to join us. Reach out to a brother you haven't seen in a while. Be proud of your faith and your role as a Knight.

I wish you and your families a joyful and blessed Easter. May the risen Christ strengthen you, guide you, and fill your hearts with His peace. Vivat Jesus!



## Deputy Grand Knight Message – SK Michael Ernst

### **Faithful Men, Living the Resurrection**

April moves the Church from Lent's shadow into Easter's light, sharing the hope Christ's Resurrection brings. When we enter our church, we see the risen Lord above the altar—a reminder of His victory over death.

He first appeared to Mary Magdalene, who stood outside the empty tomb, crying, not yet understanding what had happened. When Jesus called her by name, she recognized Him and went to tell the disciples about His Resurrection. In the locked upper room, Christ would appear to show them that His rising meant life after death — the mercy we celebrate today.



Divine Mercy invites us to trust Him fully—in the days ahead and in the life that awaits. It guides our hearts each day, shaping how we love, act, and carry one another's burdens. We encounter Divine Mercy in the image of Jesus, with rays of grace streaming from His heart—bringing forgiveness and life. We also experience it through the Chaplet, placing our burdens in Christ's hands and relying on His mercy to guide us as we fulfill our daily responsibilities.

The Church has always depended on men formed by God over a lifetime. They accept responsibility without seeking attention, and their authority flows from humility. Discipleship is lived each day—in prayer, in service to family and parish, and in choices guided by Christ. Every council reflects the character of its men. When they pray, act with conviction, and persevere, the council becomes a brotherhood. Our council was built by the devotion of the men who came before us, strengthened by those who serve today, and continually renewed as Christ works within each of us.

I am grateful for each of you—for the sacrifices you make, the prayers you lift, and the quiet ways you serve our parish and one another. Jesus reminds us that even the smallest act of love for a brother is done for Him. In seeing your faithfulness, I see Christ at work in our midst, and it inspires me to serve alongside you with the same dedication and humility. Happy Easter, brothers, and may the joy of the Resurrection fill your hearts and homes.



## District Deputy Message – SK Chuck Armstrong

Greetings from the Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and our State Deputy, Michael Gizewski. It has been great to see all that Council 8791 is doing and I look forward to all that will yet be accomplished during balance of this Fraternal Year.

Christ is Risen! Alleluia! Alleluia! As we celebrate this glorious Easter season, I extend my heartfelt blessings to each of you and your families. Easter is the cornerstone of our faith—a powerful reminder that through Christ's victory over death, we are given the promise of new life, hope, and eternal joy.

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Photo at left: District Deputy SK Chuck Armstrong.

As Knights of Columbus, we are called not only to believe in the Resurrection, but to live it. Our principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism take on even deeper meaning in the light of the empty tomb. This is a time to renew our commitment to serving others, defending our faith, and being visible witnesses of Christ’s love in our communities.

I encourage each of you to embrace this season with renewed zeal. Attend Mass with devotion, spend time in prayer with your families, and seek opportunities to serve those most in need. Let your actions reflect the joy of the Risen Savior, and may your example inspire others to grow closer to Him.

Thank you for your dedication, your faithfulness, and your service to the Order and to the Church. May the blessings of Easter fill your hearts with peace and strengthen you in all that you do. Vivat Jesus!



## Knights of Columbus Supreme Council Update

### **Supreme Chaplain’s Monthly Challenge for April**

(Courtesy Knights of Columbus *kofc.org*.)

Archbishop William Lori, Supreme Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus, each month selects a brief passage from the Gospel reading of one of the Sunday Masses. shares a brief reflection on the passage, and issues a challenge for men to live for the month. Men undertaking the challenge can gather as a group and share their experiences living the challenge. The Supreme Chaplain’s Monthly Challenge is suited for *Cor* or may be done individually. By taking up the Supreme Chaplain’s Monthly Challenge, men take direct, concrete action to grow in their faith and help their brothers do so as well.



Archbishop William Lori, Supreme Chaplain.

#### This month’s Bible Verse:

Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of the bread. (Gospel for April 19, Lk 24:35)

The disciples on the road to Emmaus did not recognize Jesus until the breaking of the bread. Jesus promised he would be with us always, and the Eucharist is his fulfillment of that promise. We encounter his presence most profoundly in the Eucharist, where he is truly present — body, blood, soul, and divinity — under the appearance of bread and wine. The disciples’ experience on the road to Emmaus was no ordinary meal, but an encounter with Christ, who invites us, too, to enter into communion with him through the Eucharist.

#### Challenge by the Supreme Chaplain:

This month, I challenge you to remain in prayer and adoration for several minutes after Mass to grow in awareness of Christ’s true presence in the Eucharist.

#### Questions for Reflection:

Do you fully realize it is the true body and blood of Christ that you receive in the Eucharist? Do you habitually pray in thanksgiving after Communion for this immeasurable gift? Do you consistently participate in Mass on Sundays and holy days? Do you make an effort to attend more frequently, so that you might avail yourself of the graces of this great sacrament?



# Knights of Columbus Florida State Council Update

## Remember Founders Day

Michael Gizewski, State Deputy

(Courtesy *Invocation*, Newsletter of the Florida State Council, March 2026)

Photo at right: SK Michael Gizewski, State Deputy, Knights of Columbus Florida State Council.



Let me begin by saying how delicate and precious life truly is. After spending several days in the hospital, and at moments not even being certain if I would return home, I was reminded in a profound and humbling way that every breath is a gift from God. There were quiet hours of uncertainty, moments of reflection, and an overwhelming awareness that our lives are always in His hands. Through the intercession and prayers of so many of you—my wonderful brother Knights—I have been blessed to come home. For that, I am deeply grateful.

Founder's Month is not simply a time to commemorate history; it is a time to recommit ourselves to the mission. It is an opportunity to reflect on why we exist as an Order. We are not just another organization. We are Catholic men called to serve. We are husbands, fathers, grandfathers, sons, and brothers who understand that our vocation extends beyond our homes and into the heart of the Church. We are defenders of life, champions of charity, and witnesses to Christ in a world that desperately needs Him.



As we celebrate Founder's Day on March 29, let us do so with action. Our Lenten fish fries are more than meals; they are ministries. When we set up tables in the back of the church, when we greet parishioners with a smile, when we serve a plate of food with kindness and hospitality, we are doing more than fundraising. We are building community. We are creating a welcoming space where families gather, where conversations begin, and where men see firsthand the joy and strength of our brotherhood.

Those tables in the back of the church become places of invitation. They are where we draw in new members, where we speak about the mission of the Knights, and where we extend a hand to men who may be searching for something more. Many men today feel isolated. They long for purpose, for belonging, for a way to live their faith more fully. The Knights of Columbus offers that path. It gives a man the opportunity to grow spiritually, to serve alongside other faithful men, and to become a stronger leader in his home and parish.

When we conduct full membership drives, we are not simply increasing numbers. We are inviting men into a life of service and discipleship. We are inviting them to stand for charity, unity, and fraternity. We are inviting them to deepen their relationship with Christ and to bring their families closer to the Church. A man who joins the Knights does not walk alone. He becomes part of something greater than himself, a brotherhood that supports him, challenges him, and prays with him.

The reason we bring men into the Knights of Columbus is simple and profound: we bring them to Christ. We know from our own experience that the Order changes lives. It strengthens marriages. It forms fathers to be spiritual leaders. It teaches sons what it means to serve. It provides widows and families with support and compassion. It calls men to step forward in faith when the world encourages them to step back. My recent time in the hospital reminded me that our days are limited, but our impact does not have to be. Every call we make, every invitation we extend, every fish fry we host, every prayer we offer—these are seeds planted for eternity. We may not always see the fruits immediately, but God does. And He multiplies our efforts in ways we cannot imagine.

Brothers, we came out of difficult months. There are times when momentum slows, when energy wanes, and

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when distractions pull us in many directions. But now is the time to rise. Now is the time to recommit ourselves spiritually and fraternally. February and the months ahead must be filled with renewed zeal. Let us approach Founder's Month not casually, but with conviction. Let us make those phone calls. Let us personally invite men to join us. Let us stand proudly behind those tables and speak boldly about who we are. I stand before you today not just as a brother Knight, but as a man who has been reminded how fragile life is and how powerful our brotherhood can be. I am grateful to God for bringing me home. I am grateful to each of you for your prayers and friendship. And I am more convinced than ever that the work we do matters.

May we honor the legacy of Father McGivney by living our faith courageously. May we celebrate Founder's Day with action and enthusiasm. And may we continue to bring men into the Knights of Columbus so that together we can bring families closer to Christ and strengthen His Church for generations to come.



## U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Update

### **Bishop Noonan Retirement Announcement**

(Courtesy *Diocese of Orlando News*, February 26, 2026)



Photo at left: Bishop John Noonan, Diocese of Orlando

*The following is a letter to the faithful Bishop John Noonan offered on his birthday, February 26, 2026.*

My Beloved Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord! I am grateful to God for your faithfulness as I remember you constantly in my prayers, night and day. St. Paul reminds each one of us to stir into flame the gift of God! For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power, love, and self-control.

Today is my 75th birthday, and according to Canon 401 §1, I wrote a letter to our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, offering my retirement. I have served you, God's holy people, as bishop of the Diocese of Orlando since December 2010, and as auxiliary in Miami since 2005. I pray rejoicing to God for my priestly ministry since the Sacrament of Holy Orders was conferred upon me in 1983, and I ask always for His blessing to lead His people that the bond of heaven flourish upon this earth.

Even though I have sent my letter to our Holy Father as prescribed by Canon Law, the appointment of a successor may take time. In the Province of Miami, there are two other bishops last year who submitted their letters of retirement, and they also await word from the Holy See.

Some of you may not be aware of these rubrics, nor care about them, for your whole relationship with God is not dependent upon a member of the clergy. Some of you regret the idea of change or question how the next bishop will lead as a shepherd. When Jesus walked the earth, He prayed for the people He served; He often went into prayer before or after serving the people within His public ministry. Jesus asks us to pray for one another unceasingly. This is what I would ask of each one of you. Pray for one another. Pray for me, God's humble servant, as I pray for you. Pray for our Holy Father as he discerns who will be appointed the next bishop of the Diocese of Orlando. Do not ponder what the next bishop can do for you; rather, ponder how you can serve God and assist the bishop and all clergy in their ministry. None of us are present on this earth to only get something from someone. We are invited, through the Sacrament of Baptism, and our partaking in receiving Jesus the Eucharist, to serve one another; not to expect to be served. *(Continued on next page.)*



Pope Leo XIV tells us that we are living images of the Lord. We are to be with one another through a unity that overcomes distances with a compassionate love. Christ leads us to become neighbor, equal to, or indeed lesser than others. Our holiness springs from the conviction that Christ can only be truly received by giving oneself generously to one's brothers and sisters. Echoing this spirit, I suggest that we 'carry on,' not as we are, but as we are to be, growing in holiness.

Each one has been chosen, called, and sent as servants of the faith. During this season of Lent, as we prepare our heart to suffer the Cross with Jesus, may we come to know the gift of healing through His forgiveness that we are given eternal life. Through prayer, word and deed, may we forgive one another that His love flourishes the land. May a clean heart be the path of our pilgrimage to heaven.



## Vatican Update

### **Communion of faithful, not just clergy, shares role in safeguarding faith, Pope says**

(Courtesy *Catholic News Service*, March 18, 2026)

Photo at right: Pope Leo XIV greets visitors and pilgrims from the popemobile while riding around St. Peter's Square at the Vatican before his weekly general audience on March 18, 2026.

All baptized Christians share in the Church's mission and, guided by the Holy Spirit, are fit for renewing and building up the Church, Pope Leo XIV said at his weekly general audience. Every person who has been baptized is called to bear witness to Christ, and the whole Church, beyond its leaders, has a role in preserving the truth of the faith, the Pope said March 18 in St. Peter's Square.

Continuing his series of reflections on the Second Vatican Council, the Pope focused on the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church ("Lumen Gentium"), and the participation of the lay faithful in Jesus Christ's "priestly, prophetic and royal offices," that is, the offices of teaching, sanctifying and governing. Everyone enters the Church as a layperson, he said. Through Baptism and Confirmation, the faithful are "more perfectly bound to the Church" and are endowed "with special strength" by the Holy Spirit, so that they are "more strictly obliged to spread and defend the faith, both by word and by deed, as true witnesses of Christ," he said, quoting the document.



Photo at left: Pope Leo XIV greets visitors and pilgrims from the popemobile while riding around St. Peter's Square at the Vatican before his weekly general audience on March 18, 2026.

"This consecration is at the root of the common mission that unites the ordained ministries and the lay faithful," Pope Leo said. In fact, everyone is called to bear witness to the truth of the faith. The Doctrinal Commission of the Council specified that the sense of faith "belongs to individual believers not in their own right, but as members of the People of God as a whole," the Pope said.

The function of the Holy Spirit is to lead Christians to the truth, and because the entire body of the faithful is anointed by "the holy one," he said, "the Church, therefore, as the communion of the faithful -- which naturally includes the pastors -- cannot err in matters of faith."

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"From this unity, which the Magisterium of the Church safeguards, it follows that every baptized person is an active agent of evangelization, called to bear consistent witness to Christ in accordance with the prophetic gift which the Lord bestows upon His whole Church," he said. The Holy Spirit, who comes from the Risen Christ, he said, distributes "special graces" among all the faithful, who are then able to contribute to the renewal and building of the Church. The Pope concluded, "Dear friends, let us rekindle in ourselves the awareness of and gratitude for having received the gift of being part of God's people; and also the responsibility that this entails."



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✚ **Want to know more about the Council Officers positions?** Please visit [kofc8791.org/leadership](http://kofc8791.org/leadership).

✚ **Annual Election of Officers** – Pursuant to Article II of the By-Laws of Council 8791, the annual Election of Officers will be held at the Council Meeting on May 26, 2026. Nominations will be accepted beginning at the Council Meeting in April. A Nominating Committee was appointed by motion at the Council Meeting in March. Pursuant to Article II of the Council Operating Policies and Procedures, the Nominating Committee consists of three Knights who are not seeking election as an Officer: SK Jeff Delgado (who is not seeking re-election), SK Jim McCormick, and SK Rob Grant. The Nominating Committee will handle the nominating process. If you are interested in serving as an Officer for Council 8791, please contact a member of the Nominating Committee or attend the next Council Meeting on April 28, 2026. Thank you.



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# **Knight of the Month**

**SK Martin (Marty) Librizzi**

The Knight of the Month award recognizes a Brother Knight who exemplifies the core principles of our Order, and models and lives Christian virtues in service to our Council and our parish.

Deputy Grand Knight SK Michael Ernst announced that the Knight of the Month for March is SK Marty Librizzi. Since joining our Council, he always shows a strong commitment to our mission, working in the kitchen, manning the grill at our picnics, and helping with the installation of electrical poles at Mary's Peace Garden, among other volunteer activities. He has been a Knight for 47 years and lives our truth: "Where there is a need, there is a Knight." We thank and congratulate SK Marty Librizzi for being our Knight of the Month. The Knights express their thanks and congratulations.



# **Family of the Month**

The Knights of Columbus recognize a family each month that exemplifies the ideals of a Catholic Christian Family through their participation in our community at Prince of Peace. We did not announce a Family of the Month for March. The next Family of the Month will be announced later this month. We are always looking for our next Family of the Month. SK Harold Bennett, Family Director, has asked all Knights to identify deserving families in the parish for Family of the Month and contact him at [hlbenn@yahoo.com](mailto:hlbenn@yahoo.com).



# **Recruit and Welcome New Knights**

**Welcome SK Ramon Oyola and BK John McFarland**

At our March Council Meeting, we welcomed two new Knights to Council 8791: SK Ramon Oyola and BK John McFarland. SK Ramon Oyola is a transfer from another Council. He is now a parishioner at Prince of Peace and desires to serve our parish. BK John McFarland is a longtime Volusia County resident and has been a parishioner at Prince of Peace for about a year. Both SK Ramon Oyola and BK John McFarland introduced themselves to their Brother Knights, who expressed their appreciation and welcome.



BK John McFarland



SK Ramon Oyola

We invite all Catholic men in our parish to join Prince of Peace Council 8791, but we need your help. Please look around you at Mass. A personal invitation to join is always best. We want to share the many benefits of the Knights of Columbus, including promoting opportunities for spiritual growth and fellowship, emphasizing extensive charitable work and support for the Church, offering insurance and investment benefits for the whole family, and highlighting the legacy of our founder, Blessed Father Michael McGivney. The key is to personalize the message to the individual, to discuss specific interests, share positive experiences, and confidently ask him to join.

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The Knight of Columbus continues to offer one free year of membership for new Knights, in addition to the many benefits of the Order. We have a table filled with Council information available in the Social Hall and more on our Council website at [kofc8791.org](http://kofc8791.org). The Knights of Columbus has made it easier than ever to join, taking but a few minutes online. We ask you to assist and be active in recruiting new Knights. Please contact Chancellor BK Ron Nowviskie at [rnowviskie@yahoo.com](mailto:rnowviskie@yahoo.com) with any questions or for assistance in recruiting.



## Fourth Degree/Assembly 2901 Update

Assembly 2901, which includes our Council, continues to seek Council Knights to join the Assembly and become members of the Color Corps. Faithful Navigator SK Bill Whelan has announced that the Assembly will pay all of the Exemplification registration fee and pay half of the cost of the uniform for the Color Corps. Fourth-Degree membership is open to any Third Degree Knights of Columbus Council member. Assembly membership offers the opportunity for Catholic men to foster the spirit of patriotism and to encourage active Catholic citizenship. Fourth Degree membership is the highest level for a Knight, bestowed with the title of 'Sir Knight' (SK).



Photo at right: SK Bill Whelan, Faithful Navigator of Assembly 2901 and Treasurer of Council 8791.

The Fourth Degree Color Corps is a voluntary integral part of the Fourth Degree. The highly visible role of the Color Corps is the Honor Guard at masses of remembrance or other special masses and events, parades, funerals, First Communions, and Confirmations. Their iconic regalia features a jacket and crest, slacks, tie, and a beret. Contact Faithful Navigator SK Bill Whelan with any questions at [chicagobmw2006@yahoo.com](mailto:chicagobmw2006@yahoo.com).



## Programs and Activities of our

# FAITH IN ACTION



### Faith

SK Eugene Nelson, Faith Director

#### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

We ask our Knights to consider spending one hour each month in Adoration. You may use the Adoration Chapel, or participate in the Holy Hour on the First Friday of the month or any Friday of the month, or participate in other Adorations as available. Please report your total Adoration hours, if any, each month to our Faith Director.

#### Refund Support for Vocations Program (RSVP).

RSVP is the program that supports a Seminarian in our Diocese in their vocation studies. Our Seminarian this year is Chuan Trinh, who is the same Seminarian we sponsored last year. He is currently in the second year of his studies, sponsored through his home parish of the Basilica of St. Paul. We have provided him with our annual donation and prayers at Adoration to support his studies.

#### Lenten Spiritual Retreat.

Our annual Lenten Spiritual Retreat was held on Saturday, February 28, at the Carmelite Monastery. The schedule included Latin Mass, Fellowship in the Social Hall, and praying at the Stations of the Cross, all in the beautiful setting of the Monastery Chapel and Gardens. Thanks again to all who attended and to SK Dave Peterson for organizing the Lenten Spiritual Retreat again this year.

### Fifth Saturday Rosary.

Our Council supports the Fifth Saturday Rosary, held when a month has a fifth Saturday, in the Church Chapel at 5:00 pm following the Vigil Mass. The next Fifth Saturday Rosary is on May 30. Please consider joining us.

### Corporate Communion.

Our next Corporate Communion will be during the Easter season.

Please speak with SK Gene Nelson, Faith Director, for further information on Faith activities.



## Family

SK Harold Bennett, Family Director

### Family of the Month.

The Family of the Month recognizes a parish family that models Christian family values and lives them every day. In March, we were unable to select a family, but we will select a family in April. If you have a family to recommend for Family of the Month, please contact SK Harold Bennett at [hlbenn@yahoo.com](mailto:hlbenn@yahoo.com).

### Food for Families.

The Knights are committed to providing food for families in our community, and a financial donation was presented to the parish for the Food Pantry. We also encourage Knights to support the Food Pantry by bringing a grocery donation with you to Mass on the weekend.

### Building the Domestic Church.

The Council provides free booklets to help strengthen the Domestic Church, which is our families. The booklets vary and cover a variety of family topics. We maintain a kiosk of booklets in the Church vestibule.

Please speak with SK Harold Bennett, Family Director, for further information on Family activities.



## Community

SK Jay Young, Community Director

### Blood Drives.

Our Blood Drive, the fifth of the Fraternal Year, on Sunday, March 1 was successful with 12 pints donated and 14 individuals attempting to give. Our goal for the Fraternal Year in the Blood Drive Program remains 90 pints. We currently stand at 56 pints donated, with two drives remaining in the Fraternal Year, so we are still below where we should be to meet our goal in this program. Our next Blood Drive is on Sunday, April 26. Please give if you can and if you are unable, please ask a family member or friend to donate. If you have been unable to give in the past, but circumstances or medications have changed and you have not tried to give blood recently, please consider doing so.

### Habitat for Humanity.

The next workday for Habitat for Humanity is Wednesday April 15 (the third Wednesday of the month). We have contributed 182.7 hours to date with our "Weekday Warriors". As most of you know, SK Andy Wilbert also donates his hours from his Surveying Company, providing 140 hours for the first nine months of the Fraternal Year. For the Fraternal Year, we stand at 322.7 hours, exceeding our Fraternal Year goal and qualifying for 2 program credits in the Community Category with three months remaining. We are also on track for another consecutive record year for hours donated to Habitat for Humanity of Greater Volusia County. If you are interested in joining the Habitat Team and maybe learning a few more home building or maintenance skills, contact SK Mark Leary at [learymm4@gmail.com](mailto:learymm4@gmail.com).

### Social Services, Food Pantry, and Like New Shop.

Social Services is doing good and remains busy. We always need more volunteers at the Like New Shop. At the Food Pantry, we can always use more men to help pack the grocery bags and to assist with food pickup. Please contact SK Jay Young to help at [jyoung9508@cfl.rr.com](mailto:jyoung9508@cfl.rr.com).

### Veterans Nursing Home.

Our next gathering is Thursday, April 2 at 10:00 am. Please join us if you can. We had a good turnout last month on March 5. Thanks to the Knights who participated, many of whom are Knights from our Council. The veterans appreciate our presence and fellowship. Thanks to SK Bob Simcoe for his leadership of this service activity for our Council.

Photo at right: SK Roger Lanoue prepares the variety of donuts on March 29, 2026.

### Breakfasts: Coffee & Donuts.

Our next Breakfast is the Father's Day Breakfast on Sunday, June 21. We continue to serve Coffee & Donuts after Masses every Sunday, except on Easter Sunday. Thank you to the many Knights who provide support to our Coffee & Donuts and our Breakfasts.



### Lenten Fish Dinners.

Our final Lenten Friday Fish Dinner was held on March 27. We had a great turnout of approximately twenty-six Knights who helped over the six-week period, with a core group of about sixteen Knights who were there almost every week. Thank you for the great turnout and teamwork which resulted in 100% complimentary comments about the food and service from the parishioners and guests we served. These dinners are a much-anticipated annual parish activity and were again very well received. A preliminary tally indicates that this year we sold 41 of the six-ticket envelopes and 327 individual presale and walk-up tickets, for a total of 573 tickets sold. Our net revenue this year will be slightly more than last year. In addition to ticketed guests, we provided complimentary dinners to the priests, nuns, deacons, altar servers and a few other people there for the Friday night devotions, and we were able to feed most of the help most evenings. Also, we mailed 140 free dinner coupons to new parishioners registered since last Easter, and a total of 28 people attended and thanked Council 8791 for the unexpected welcoming gesture.

Here is a hopefully complete list of Knights who helped over the six-week period, with apologies if someone



is missed: SK Dan Kimble, SK George Graff, SK Guy Baratte, SK Jim Morris, SK Jay Young, BK J.C. Phillips, SK Jeff Delgado, SK Michael Ernst, SK Jim Burns, SK Jim Nunn, SK John Trollinger, SK Maurice Laffin, BK Michael Capdevilla, SK Mike Worley, SK Greg Scull, SK Rob Grant, SK Roger Lanoue, BK Ron Nowviskie, SK Ron Piasecki, BK Sebastian Nocita, BK Tom and Margaret Reilly, SK Tom Welter, SK Ken Crews, SK Russell Benett, BK Rob Littleton and SK Fred Boyle. Also, a big thank you to the many members who supported the dinners by buying tickets and attending. At left, is a picture of this year's "Happy Easter" cake we traditionally serve at the final dinner each year.

Please speak with SK Jay Young, Community Director, for further information on Community activities.



## Life

SK Angelo Salvo, Life Director

### Special Olympics.

From March 9 to May 15, Florida Special Olympics is conducting a law enforcement torch run. The Northeast Region Summer Games are set to take place on April 11 at 9:00 am at

Wolfson High School in Jacksonville. Volunteers are needed for setup, timing, scorekeeping, escorting, and supervising participants. If interested, please contact SK Angelo Salvo.

### Aid and Support After Pregnancy (ASAP).

Our Council made its annual pro-life donation to the Pregnancy Crisis Center in Daytona Beach as a part of the Aid and Support After Pregnancy (ASAP) Program. We recognize with the services and efforts of the Center and its staff. We always have the opportunity to form a group to support sidewalk counseling.

### Disabilities Campaign/Tootsie Roll Drive.

With our annual Disabilities Campaign/Tootsie Roll Drive, we have the opportunity to reach out in our community and ask for direct assistance in supporting the many services provided to children and adults with physical and intellectual disabilities. Planning is ongoing and three locations have been secured in addition to the Church. This will be an April and May activity. Please lend your support and volunteer. Please contact Grand Knight SK Dan Kimble or SK Angelo Salvo to sign-up.

### Pro-Life Banner.

Our Council has received a new Pro-Life banner for display and for use at Pro-Life events. The banner reads "Love Life, Choose Life," with the Knights logo and our Council name. It was shown at the Council Meeting by Grand Knight SK Dan Kimble and Deputy Grand Knight SK Michael Ernst. Please see the photo on page 1. We hope to display the banner in the Social Hall.

Please speak with SK Angelo Salvo, Life Director, for further information on Life activities.



## Highlight of the Month: Parish 60th Anniversary, Dedication of Mary's Peace Garden, and Luncheon

On Sunday, March 15, the Knights from Prince of Peace Council 8791, joined with the many ministries and organizations of Prince of Peace to celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the founding of the parish. The Diamond Jubilee Celebration included a Mass with Confirmation celebrated by Bishop John Noonan, Bishop of the Diocese of Orlando. The Dedication of Mary's Peace Garden followed, where the Bishop and the many parishioners who were instrumental in the planning, construction, and funding of the garden then cut the ribbon, officially opening the garden for prayer. A Luncheon in the Social Hall followed. The Knights played a key role in set-up of the Social Hall the day before and with the service of food to over 500 parishioners for the Luncheon. Thank you to the many Knights who gave of your time for this important event. Included at the Luncheon was a video documentary on Prince of Peace Catholic Church, with a section on the Knights of Columbus, Prince of Peace Council 8791 narrated by Financial Secretary SK Harold Bennett, who is a Past Grand Knight of our Council. Please enjoy the photos below.



Knights of the Color Corps salute during the opening procession of the 11:00 am Mass on March 15, 2026.



Bishop John Noonan presided at the 11:00 am Mass, assisted by Father Paul Parker, Deacon Bruce Gesinski, and Deacon Carlos Bom Conselho.



Bishop John Noonan speaks to the confirmandi and their sponsors at the Homily and prior to administering the Sacrament of Confirmation.



More than 700 parishioners filled the church for the 11:00 am Mass for Confirmation and the beginning of the 60th Anniversary Celebration.



Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary at the heart of the Peace Garden.



Bishop John Noonan and parish dignitaries prepare to cut the ribbon to officially open Mary's Peace Garden for prayer.



Bishop John Noonan blesses the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary.



Knights of Columbus Color Corps with the Bishop and Clergy.



Knights of Columbus Color Corps stands guard at Mary's Peace Garden.



Chancellor BK Ron Nowwiskie led the preparations for the Luncheon, joined by Marcia Rudman and Carol Bennett of the CCW.



As displayed on the screen, Financial Secretary SK Harold Bennett narrated the documentary section on Prince of Peace Council 8791.



Knights prepare for the serving line: Pictured (L-R) are: BK Peter Valdez, BK George Steinemann, SK Matthew Crowner, SK Jim McCormick, and Grand Knight SK Dan Kimble.



On the serving line: In the forefront: BK George Steinemann and SK Roger Lanoue. In the background: SK Jim McCormick and BK Peter Valdez.



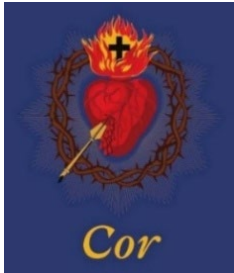
On the serving line: SK Maurice Laffin and SK Matthew Crowner.



# Upcoming Activities: Veterans Home Visit; Cor; Habitat for Humanity; Name Tag Sunday; Blood Drive



Our next visit with veterans is Thursday, April 2 at 10:00 am at the Emory Bennett Nursing Home. Please join us if you can. We spend time playing Bingo and talking with the veterans. They truly appreciate the opportunity for this interaction. We always come away with a sense of receiving more than we gave. Please consider joining us this month.



The next *Cor* is on Saturday, April 11 at 10:00 am in Room 7 in the Parish Administration Building. Created by the Knights of Columbus, *Cor* is a ministry filled with prayer, formation, and fraternity that focuses men on Jesus through building a Christ-centered brotherhood. We meet for one hour, and usually watch and discuss a video, discuss a recent Gospel reading, and pray a decade of the Rosary. We invite all Knights and all men of our parish to join us at *Cor* this month.



The next workday for our Habitat for Humanity program is Wednesday, April 15 (the third Wednesday of the month). More Knights are always welcome to assist with the building of our current home. If you are interested in joining the Habitat Team and maybe learning a few more home building or maintenance skills, contact SK Mark Leary at [learymm4@gmail.com](mailto:learymm4@gmail.com).



At all Masses on April 25 and April 26, the weekend of Good Shepherd Sunday, we will be holding our annual "Name Tag Sunday." This is a parish event, hosted by our ministries and staff, the Council of Catholic Women, the Vietnamese Catholic Community, and our Council. The goal is to ensure that everyone attending Mass wears a name tag. The purpose is to foster fellowship and create a welcoming environment for worship. Name tags will be available for parishioners and visitors to fill out before Mass, followed by light refreshments on Saturday and Coffee & Donuts on Sunday.



Our next Parish Blood Drive is Sunday, April 26, from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm. This is our sixth Blood Drive of the Fraternal Year, with a goal of 90 pints. All donors receive a \$10.00 e-gift card, a One Blood t-shirt, and a wellness checkup including blood pressure, pulse, temperature, iron count, and cholesterol screening. Appointments are available and recommended. Please give blood if you can or ask a family member, friend, parishioner, or neighbor to stop by to donate if they can. Thank you for your support.

**"For to this you have been called..." 1 Peter 2:21**  
**Vocations are Everybody's Business. Pray for Vocations!**





# Calendar of Council Activities

## APRIL 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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## MAY 2026

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## JUNE 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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- April 2 – Veterans Nursing Home, 10:00 am (1920 Mason Ave., Daytona Beach)
- April 2 – Holy Thursday, Mass at 7:00 pm (Church)
- April 3 – Good Friday, Services at 3:00 pm and 7:00 pm (Church)
- April 5 – Easter Sunday, Saturday Vigil at 8:00 pm; Sunday Masses at 7:30 am, 9:00 am, and 11:00 am (Church)
- April 12 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Social Hall)
- April 11 – *Cor*, 10:00 am (Room 7)
- April 14 – Officers Meeting, 10:00 am (Room 3)
- April 15 – Habitat for Humanity Council Workday, 7:00 am (Location TBD)
- April 19 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Social Hall)
- April 25 and 26 – Name Tag Sunday (Vigil Mass and Sunday Masses)
- April 26 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Social Hall)
- April 26 – Blood Drive, 8:30 am to 1:00 pm (Big Red Bus, Parking Lot)
- April 28 – Council Meeting, 7:00 pm (Social Hall)
- May 1 – First Friday Mass and Holy Hour, 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm (Church)
- May 3 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Social Hall)
- May 7 – Veterans Nursing Home, 10:00 am (1920 Mason Ave., Daytona Beach)
- May 9 – *Cor*, 10:00 am (Room 7)
- May 10 – Mother’s Day
- May 10 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Social Hall)
- May 12 – Officers Meeting, 10:00 am (Room 3)
- May 17 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Social Hall)
- May 20 – Habitat for Humanity Council Workday, 7:00 am (Location TBD)
- May 26 – Council Meeting, 7:00 pm (Social Hall)
- May 24 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Social Hall)
- May 25 – Memorial Day
- May 31 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Social Hall)

🚩 **Looking for the most current upcoming activities?** Please visit the Calendar at [kofc8791.org/calendar](http://kofc8791.org/calendar).



## Birthdays in April

Happy Birthday to our Brother Knights who celebrate their birthday this month:

- Daniel Armstrong – April 2
- Sebastian Nocita – April 3
- Ferney Giraldo – April 4
- Elbert Newton – April 7
- Russell Cormican – April 10
- Harry Wilson – April 10
- William Hagerty – April 13
- Jack Toia – April 15



- Emmanuel Gutierrez – April 17
- Chinh Pham – April 18
- David Baker – April 19
- John Peters – April 24
- John Cino – April 26
- David Batten – April 29
- Robert Mara – April 30



## Anniversaries in April

Happy Anniversary to our Brother Knights celebrating their wedding anniversary this month:

- Andrew and Sharon Wilbert – married on April 12, 1969 (57 years)
- Timothy and Mary Cleaveland – married on April 21, 1990 (36 years)
- Everett and Carolyn Evans – married on April 21, 1990 (36 years)



Congratulations to our Brother Knights celebrating their anniversary as a Knight of Columbus this month:

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|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Allen Driemeier (40 years)  | Gary Mayfield, Sr. (10 years) |
| Victor Dean (35 years)      | Daniel Armstrong (8 years)    |
| James Nunn (30 years)       | Erick Palacios (8 years)      |
| Elbert Newton (22 years)    | Thomas Reilly (7 years)       |
| Daniel Kimble (22 years)    | Maurice Laffin (3 years)      |
| William Taylor (21 years)   | Sebastian Nocita (2 years)    |
| Raymond Sevonty (17 years)  | Edmond Malone (1 year)        |
| Joseph Collins (16 years)   | James McGarry (1 year)        |
| William Corbertt (10 years) |                               |



## Knights Intentions

We pray for our Brother Knights and their families and friends:

### For those walking in a new life with the Lord:

- +SK John Yetto
- +Anthony Vakko, father of SK Rev. Justin Vakko, Pastor and Chaplain
- +Marilyn Fulweber, wife of SK Joe Fulweber
- +Shannon Sloan, stepdaughter of SK Skip Keating

### For those needing healing or a prayer of special intention:

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|---|--|--|
| SK James Morris                               | SK John McCarthy                               |  |
| SK Jack Toia                                  | BK Sebastian Nocita                            |  |
| SK Tom Welter                                 | SK Daniel Eppelheimer                          |  |
| SK Bob Simcoe                                 | SK Bob Guidotti                                |  |
| SK Paul Clare                                 | BK Joe Fulweber                                |  |
| BK Bob Falkenberg                             | SK Joseph Taibl                                |  |
| BK Scott Waddell                              | BK Frank Guillena                              |  |
| SK John Peters                                | SK Joseph Collins                              |  |
| SK Gene Nelson                                | SK Jerry Mackey                                |  |
| SK Marty Librizzi                             | SK John Malafronte                             |  |
| SK James Weite                                | Joan Nelson, wife of SK Gene Nelson            |  |
| Nancy Simcoe, daughter of SK Bob Simcoe       | Linda Guidotti, wife of SK Bob Guidotti        |  |
| Glenda Malafronte, wife of SK John Malafronte | Patricia Ostrowski, wife of SK James Ostrowski |  |
| Patti Ann Welter, wife of SK Tom Welter       | Calvie Dean, wife of SK Victor Dean            |  |
| Valerie Kruse, wife of SK Tom Kruse           | Mason Collins, grandson of SK Joseph Collins   |  |
| Nicki Collins, wife of SK Joseph Collins      | Beth Rodriguez, daughter of SK Joseph Collins  |  |
| Kathy Waddell, wife of BK Scott Waddell       | Jim Toia, brother of SK Jack Toia              |  |
| Nicole Carter, daughter of BK Ray Komara      | Matthew Morris, nephew of SK James Morris      |  |
| Melissa Kyer, stepdaughter of SK James Morris |  |  |



✚ **If you would like to add someone to Knights Intentions for our prayers,** please send an email with their name and prayer request to [knightsofcolumbus8791@gmail.com](mailto:knightsofcolumbus8791@gmail.com).

### **Prayer for Healing**

Almighty God, look with mercy and kindness on our Brother Knights and their family members and friends who are sick, especially those listed here. Grant them healing and good health. Send your holy Angels to watch over them. Protect them and keep them safe from lasting illness, injury or harm. May the life-giving grace of Your Divine Son relieve their suffering and bring them to a full recovery. Embrace them with Your constant love, and with the power of Christ's healing presence, may Your bountiful goodness be their source of comfort, strength and joy. Amen.



### **Prayer for the Faithful Departed**

O Loving Father, source of all life, please accompany Your servants, listed here, from this earth to the Kingdom of Heaven for the peace, rest and eternal life that You have prepared for us. Forgive any sins that have been committed, and welcome these souls into the joyful embrace of Your never-ending love. Amen.

### **Prayer for Those in Need of Prayers**

Father, we pray for all those who are in need of prayers and wish to remain anonymous, for those who have no one to pray for them, and for expectant mothers and their unborn children. Strengthen them to face each day with courage, faith and hope, knowing that You are with them. Amen.

### **+ Memorial Service for SK John Yetto**



On March 17, the Knights of Council 8791 came together to pay our respects at a Memorial Service for SK John Yetto, who passed away to his eternal rest on February 15 at the age of 81. SK John had been a Knight since 1965, joining at the age of 21, and a long-time member of Council 8791 and Assembly 2901. Knights were joined in attendance by our Regional Color Corps. We were grateful to have had this opportunity to share in this beautiful solemn service in memory of SK John. Please see the photos below.



Color Corps Knights stand guard.



Color Corps Knights lead the opening of the Memorial Service.



Proclamations are read from Assembly 2901 and Council 8791 by SK Frank Constantino and Grand Knight SK Dan Kimble.



SK Deacon Burce Gesinski presided at the Memorial Service.



Color Corps joins the congregation at the Memorial Service.



The Knights of Columbus Regional Color Corps.

### **+ Mass of Christian Burial for Marilyn Fulweber, wife of BK Joe Fulweber**



On March 9, the Knights of Council 8791 came together to pay our respects at a Mass of Christian Burial for Marilyn Fulweber, the wife of BK Joe Fulweber, who passed away on February 21 at the age of 89 after a brief hospitalization and many years of illness. Knights were in attendance at the Mass to support BK Joe Fulweber and his family. Father Ron Oser, former Parochial Vicar of our parish, presided. We were grateful to have had this opportunity to join in this solemn Mass. Please see the photos below.



Father Ron Oser leads the opening procession of the Mass, accompanied by BK Joe Fulweber and the family.



Father Ron Oser delivers a homily and a blessing to the family.



A member of the family eulogizes Marilyn Fulweber.



A family photo adorns the ambo and altar.



## Father Michael J. McGivney Guild

### His Vision, Your Prayers

You can play a key role in advancing Blessed Father Michael McGivney's cause for sainthood by joining the Guild for free and praying for his intercession and canonization. You will receive a quarterly newsletter, and your intentions will be remembered in a weekly Mass. Please visit: [fathermcgivney.org/join-the-guild/](http://fathermcgivney.org/join-the-guild/).



## Council Shirts Ordering

**Free shirt for new Knights; Additional shirts can be paid online at Council website**



Our Council shirts reflect our fraternity and unity, and enhance the visibility of the Knights to those we serve. The Council purchases personalized navy-blue Council shirts for all new members and transfers. There is no cost to you. The Council also handles orders for Knights who would like to purchase a new or additional shirt. Please complete the shirt ordering form and submit it to SK Bob Simcoe, who will take payment, order the shirt, and ensure it reaches you when received. You can also pay for your shirt through our Council website. Please contact SK Bob Simcoe at [rssimcoe@aol.com](mailto:rssimcoe@aol.com) with any questions.



## Council Website: [kofc8791.org](http://kofc8791.org)

Our Council website at [kofc8791.org](http://kofc8791.org) is a great source of information on the Knights of Columbus and Prince of Peace Council 8791, and includes updates about Council programs, activities, members, and supports our recruitment of new Knights. We are always looking to add new information. Please visit our website and invite others to do so. For any questions, please contact SK Dan Medved at [danielmedved@gmail.com](mailto:danielmedved@gmail.com).





## Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

*Founder of the Knights of Columbus*

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (*here make your request*). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Please report all favors received:*

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