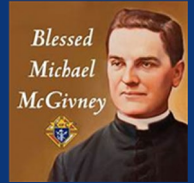




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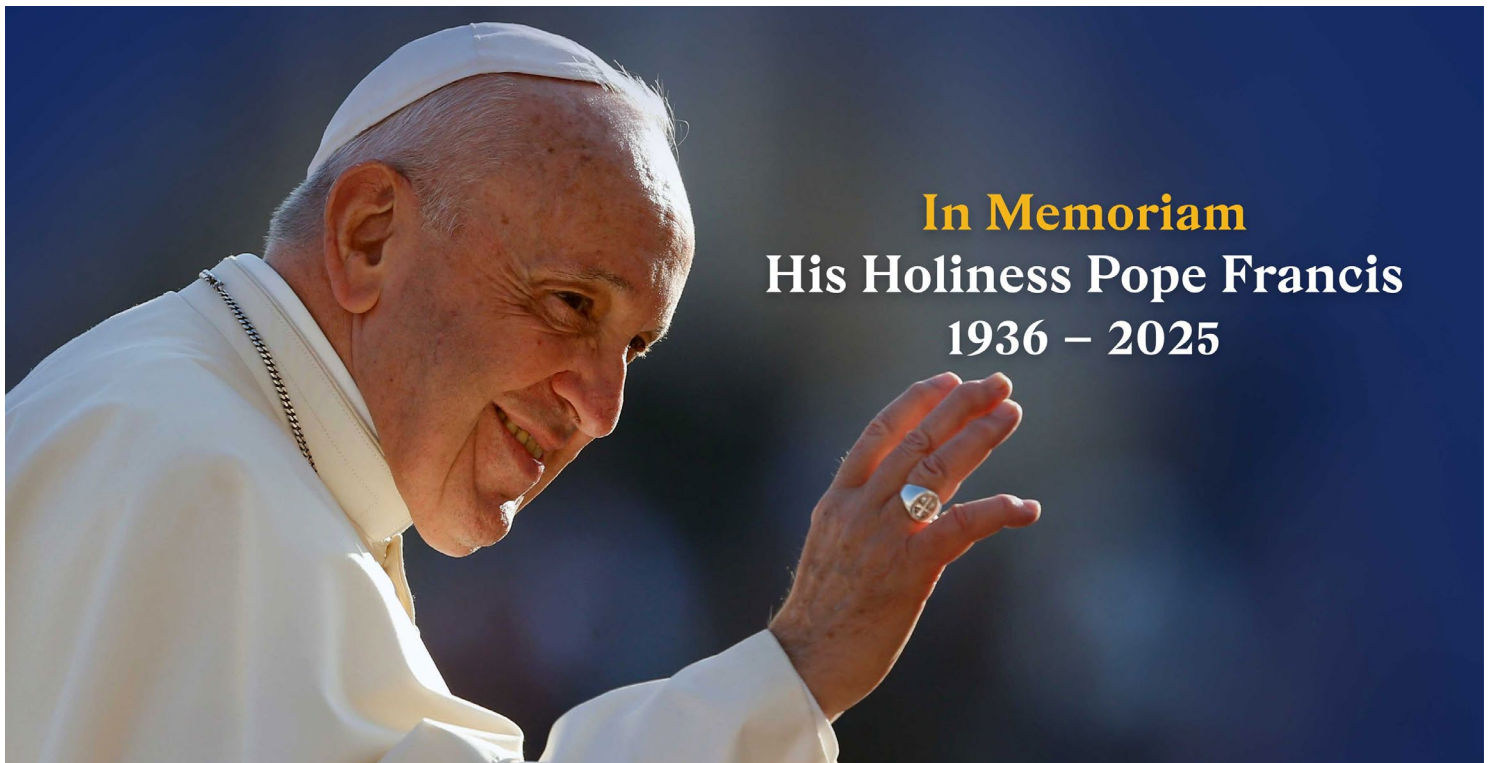
May 2025



Grand Knight Message – SK Michael Abbott

Hello Brother Knights! We must all continue to pray for EVERYBODY this month! As we build the Church during this Jubilee Year, our focus is on “Hope.” We “Hope and Pray” that we make it to Heaven. There is power in our prayer. Please use the power of prayer during the month of May and this Easter season.

Let me begin by reflecting on the passing of our Holy Father, Pope Francis, who we also called “the People’s Pope.” With deep sadness, respect, and love, we join Catholics and Knights around the world in mourning the death of Pope Francis. He led our Church with extraordinary humility, compassion, and courage. He reminded us that mercy is at the heart of the Gospel. His voice, his presence carried well beyond the walls of the Church, inviting peoples of all backgrounds to join together in peace, justice, and love of one another. Please join all Knights in praying for the eternal repose of his soul and in giving thanks for his life and witness. May Pope Francis rest in the peace of the risen Christ whom he so faithfully served. *(Message continues below.)*



We had a busy April with the Special Olympics, Holy Week, and SK Jack Toia’s 90th birthday celebration. Just for the record, SK Jack is actually older than Social Security (really). But he is always young at heart. I hope everyone had a most blessed and happy Easter.

In May, we will remain busy. We begin with our Council Raffle on May 3, followed by Name Tag Sunday on May 10 and 11, and our Parish Picnic on Sunday, May 18. Please provide your support when and where you can. At our Council Meeting on Tuesday, May 13, we will have the election of Officers for the next Fraternal Year. See more information in the article below. The theme of the month for building the domestic church is "Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary." We pray to the Blessed Virgin Mary for her intercessions and support of our faith and service.

We also recognize with great love and gratitude our mothers on Mother's Day on Sunday, May 11. May we always remember the love of our mothers and all they have done to nurture and protect us throughout our lives. Please spend time on that day reflecting on the sacrifices of your mother and those who provided you with motherly love in your life. May God forever bless our mothers.

Thank you, Brother Knights, for everything you do for the Community, our Parish, and Council 8791. Remember, UNITY and FRATERNITY! Have a safe Memorial Day weekend! God bless!



District Deputy Message – SK Charles Armstrong

Greetings from the Supreme Knight, Patrick Kelly, and the State Deputy, Rick Hughes. As many of you know, I have been going through medical treatments. I have made good progress, but it has kept me away from many Council and District events in the last several months. I look forward to joining you at your Council Meeting in the coming month. Your Grand Knight has kept me updated on the happenings of your Council and the number of service activities provided to the Parish and the community last month. My thanks to all Council Knights for all you do as Knights of Columbus. See you soon. Vivat Jesus!



Spiritual Advisor Message – SK Deacon Bruce Gesinski

The Original Horse Whisperer

A few years ago, actually I think it must have been quite a few years ago, there was a movie called the Horse Whisperer supposedly based on a horse trainer named Monty Roberts. Having been around horses for most of my adult life, having owned horses, and having helped train horses, I have read a lot about training horses and have been to seminars let by some of the most famous horse trainers in the United States. You are probably wondering what any of this has to do with anything spiritual, or anything to do with the Catholic faith, and with good reason. Just as a side note, did you know that horses are mentioned in 26 different books of the Bible for a total of 188 times?



I was re-reading and contemplating the Gospel proclaimed on Palm Sunday at the procession with palms – Luke 19: 28–40. In versus 30–32, Jesus tells two of His disciples to go into the village. He said, "Go into the village opposite you, and as you enter it you will find a colt tethered on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it here. And if anyone should ask you, 'Why are you untying it?' you will answer, 'The Master has need of it.'" So those who had been sent went off and found everything just as He had told them. (Luke 19: 30–32) There isn't much there that would grab your attention other than the disciples are going to get a colt that doesn't belong to them or to Jesus.

Versus 35–37 say, “So they brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks over the colt, and helped Jesus to mount. As he rode along, the people were spreading their cloaks on the road; and now as he was approaching the slope of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of his disciples began to praise God aloud with joy for all the mighty deeds they had seen.” At first look, there doesn’t seem to be much there either. But let us take a little closer look at what this says.

A colt is a young, unneutered male horse or donkey. Anyone who knows anything about animals knows that unneutered males can be a little on the spirited side, especially horses. So, His disciples bring Jesus a colt on which no one has ever sat. This is a young male horse or donkey that has never been ridden. They throw their cloaks over the colt and help Jesus get on it. He then rides along the road with a crowd of people throwing their cloaks on the road in front of them. As they get closer to the city, people are shouting and yelling and waving palm branches and throwing the palm branches into the street.

If any of you have ever ridden a horse that was the least bit skittish you would know how extraordinary this scene is! People are yelling and shouting, throwing cloaks and palm branches into the street while Jesus calmly rides a colt who has never ridden before down that street. Anyone who has raised horses or trained horses would know how improbable this is. My only answer is that Jesus is the original Horse Whisperer.



Lecturer Message – SK Michael Ernst

Knights Without Pay: A Marian Call to Arms

This May, as spring awakens new life, so too does a deeper call stir the heart of every Knight—a call not to comfort, but to courage. The passing of Pope Francis reminds us that the Church advances not through grand displays of power, but through the quiet fidelity of those who serve in silence—undaunted, unseen, and unshaken.



Photo at right: His Holiness Pope Francis received Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly in a private audience at the Vatican on December 20, 2024. The Supreme Knight provided an update to the Holy Father on notable activities of the Knights of Columbus.

St. Teresa of Ávila once wrote, “Let us be knights without pay, not looking for reward, but rather seeking to serve and suffer in the service of the King, helping Him carry the cross, and helping the Church by our prayers, our obedience, and our dedication—without turning back.” These words feel especially urgent now. Pope Francis often echoed the same spirit—not with the language of knighthood, but through his tireless call to become “missionary disciples.” He urged us to be people of prayer first, to love with boldness, and to step into the wounds of the world carrying healing in our hands. Let us begin again, as Pope Francis would say, “with the joy of the Gospel.”

Daily prayer—short, honest, and faithful—is not a luxury. It is your armor. It is your sword.

This May, as we honor Mary, Queen of the Knights, pray the Rosary with renewed devotion. She, too, walked the road of the Cross. She, too, stood firm in silence and strength. Knighthood isn’t earned through applause, but through quiet acts of mercy, steadfast brotherhood, and daily sacrifice. We help Jesus carry the Cross when

we serve the poor, support parish events, and even stand up for life in a culture that too often devalues it. As “knights without pay,” we serve not for reward but out of love for Christ.

To support the Pope means to live the Gospel with clarity and conviction. Our fidelity and witness keep the mission of the Church alive—in our parish, our community, and our families. Pope Francis reminded us often that “the saints can be found next door.” The Knight who quietly tends to his aging parent, the brother who still shows up to meetings despite pain, the man who gives instead of grasps—these are the ones who walk toward heaven with purpose.

Let us be like them. Let us be them.

This May, let your life be your prayer, your service be your song, and your courage be a testimony to the Church that Pope Francis so lovingly led. The call is Marian. The cross is Christ’s. And the time is now.

Vivat Jesus.



Knights of Columbus Supreme Council Update

Supreme Chaplain’s Monthly Challenge

(Courtesy Knights of Columbus kofc.org)

Each month, Archbishop William Lori, Supreme Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus, selects a brief passage from the Gospel reading of one of the Sunday Masses of the month. Archbishop Lori shares a brief reflection on the passage and issues a challenge for men to live for the month. The next 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 also 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. Are you ready for the challenge?



Archbishop William Lori
Supreme Chaplain

May 2025 Monthly Challenge:

He said to him the third time, “Simon, son of John, do you love me?” (Gospel for May 4, Jn 21:17a)

When, following the Resurrection, Jesus revealed himself to his disciples at the Sea of Tiberias, why did he ask Peter three times whether he loved him? It has often been seen as a penance for Peter’s earlier threefold denial of Christ. But perhaps there’s something more — perhaps Jesus was pushing Peter to reflect more deeply on what it means to love him. Sometimes, we speak the words “I love you” by rote, without grasping their true meaning. May we always be mindful of what it means to truly love someone and to love as Christ taught us.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to identify one way you can demonstrate true love of God and neighbor. Then pray about how to concretely undertake that sacrificial act of love — and put it into action.

Questions for Reflection:

What does it mean for you to truly love Jesus? Do you know anyone — or is there a particular saint — who has shown you what true love looks like? What are some specific ways you can grow in your ability to truly love?



U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Update

USCCB Statement in Remembrance of Pope Francis (Courtesy USCCB, April 21, 2025)

Photo at right: Pope Francis in 2013.

WASHINGTON – Upon the news from the Holy See announcing the passing of Pope Francis on April 21, Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, issued the following statement in remembrance:

Pope Francis will long be remembered for his outreach to those on the margins of the Church and of society. He renewed for us the mission to bring the Gospel out to the ends of the earth and offer divine mercy to all. He has also taken advantage of the present Jubilee to call us to a profound hope: one that is not an empty or naïve hope, but one grounded in the promise of Almighty God to be with us always. Even with his roots in the Piedmont region of Italy, the first Pope from our American Continent was marked by his experience as a Jesuit and a shepherd in Buenos Aires. He brought that experience and vision with him to his ministry for the universal Church.



Recently, he expressed anew prayerful hope in his letter of support to the Bishops of this country in our attempts to respond to the face of Christ in the migrant, poor, and unborn. In fact, he has always used the strongest and clearest expressions in the defense of the dignity of the human person from conception to natural death.

I last saw him at the Jubilee Mass for the Armed Forces, Police, and Security Personnel. Despite the challenges of his health, he was with us and even used a slight gesture to salute the group of bishops who concelebrated the Mass before he boarded the vehicle to return to Santa Marta.

The passage from this life of the Bishop of Rome calls us to pray for his eternal rest and to continue on our path to a deeper union with the Lord Jesus. We remember his leadership in inspiring nations, organizations, and individuals to a renewed commitment to care for each other and our common home.

The Bishops of the United States unite in prayer with Catholics here and around the world and all people of good will in gratitude for the life of our revered shepherd. We mourn the passing of our Holy Father and beg Saint Joseph to accompany him. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord.

Jubilee 2025 – Pilgrims of Hope in the Month of May



Jubilee 2025 invites you to be a pilgrim of hope. For Christians, hope is anchored in the encounter with Jesus whose life, death, and resurrection reveals God's transforming love. Our hope in God is renewed constantly in the gift of the Holy Spirit, the love of the Father and the Son, who is given, even now, to the community of believers. The Holy See has designated a number of Jubilee Days throughout 2025 to recognize and celebrate different groups of people and various ministries in the Church.

In May 2025, we have the Jubilee celebrations listed below. Please

click on those of interest for more information.

May 1-4 - [Jubilee of Workers](#)

May 4-5 - [Jubilee of Entrepreneurs](#)

May 10-11 - [Jubilee of Musical Bands](#)

May 12-14 - [Jubilee of Eastern Churches](#)

May 16-18 - [Jubilee of Confraternities](#)

May 30 - June 1 - [Jubilee of Families, Children, Grandparents, and the Elderly](#)

The Jubilee Year will offer the faithful opportunities to participate in various jubilee events at the Vatican and in their own dioceses. Additional information about Jubilee events and materials, including the Calendar of Events. Please see the main Jubilee 2025 website at <https://www.usccb.org/jubilee2025>. [St. James Cathedral](#), [Basilica of the National Shrine of Mary, Queen of the Universe](#), and [Basilica of Saint Paul](#) have been designated as a Jubilee pilgrimage sites for the Diocese of Orlando. Information about events in our diocese is available at <https://www.orlandodiocese.org/events/jubilee-year-of-hope/>



Vatican Update

Pope was a Pastor first, which is a lasting gift to the Catholic Church

(Courtesy Catholic News Service, April 23, 2025)



Pope Francis was a pastor first, "so consistently, so spontaneously and with such deep conviction," that it will remain a gift to the Catholic Church, said Cardinal Michael Czerny. The cardinal, who served as prefect of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, spoke with Catholic News Service April 22, the day after Pope Francis died at the age of 88.

Photo at left: Pope Francis greets Canadian Cardinal Michael Czerny during an audience at the Vatican December 21, 2019. Czerny, prefect of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, reflected on the social teaching of Francis during a panel discussion March 13, 2023, hosted by Georgetown University's Initiative on Catholic Social Thought and Public Life to mark the pontiff's 10th anniversary.

"Pope Francis will be remembered as a pastoral pope," he said. "The word 'pastoral' is easy to use, and you can apply it to many things, but to see it lived consistently by the person with the highest responsibility in the church is a really important contribution." Cardinal Czerny, 78, said it is not that previous popes were not pastoral, but Pope Francis excelled at "showing how the church was first and foremost interested in the welfare, the salvation, the happiness, the development of people and ready to reach out as far as possible, to accompany people in their path of salvation and of development." Making the pastoral a priority — learning "to go out and bring the Gospel to reality, to all creation" — is something the church needs "to relearn" with every generation, the cardinal said. "And Pope Francis showed us how."

Cardinal Czerny, a Jesuit like Pope Francis, said the late pope clearly embodied the Jesuit ideal of "finding God in all things." "He was able to find God and to hope to meet God in every circumstance and in every person," the cardinal said. "He never gave up on 'these people' or on 'that situation,' and that's also a gift of our spirituality, which, in a sense, overcomes a false distinction between what's religious and what isn't." One of the aims of the spiritual exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Jesuit order, is to help believers focus on finding "the freedom to serve God and to serve people free from the forces, the powers, the confusions that

can lead us in the wrong way," the cardinal said. "I will personally remember him for his freedom," he said. "I found him so free in his attitudes, in his reactions and his responses."

Unlike his two predecessors, Saint Pope St. John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI, Pope Francis did not participate in the Second Vatican Council. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1969, four years after the council ended. But, Cardinal Czerny said, "his legacy to the church at large will be his renewal of the implementation of Vatican II, and precisely the implementation of Vatican II as a pastoral council. This is something that we urgently needed, and which he began wholeheartedly and developed in many interesting directions, but always very, very faithful to the council, always rooted in the council."

Pope Francis advocated tirelessly for the people and issues Cardinal Czerny's dicastery focuses on most: migrants, refugees, the poor, peace and the environment. Asked if people accepted the pope's teaching on the Christian requirement to "listen to the cry of the poor and the cry of the earth," the cardinal said, "In fact, the people have accepted it. The governments haven't."

"I think he has reached people — ordinary people, parishes, other communities, Christian movements, and also groupings and movements of people outside the church," the cardinal said. "He has reached them widely and deeply." "And it's a real pity that governments are opting for short term gain, populism, with their eye only on the next election and on the bottom line," Cardinal Czerny said. "It's up to people to correct their governments, and I really hope this will happen."

The cardinal said the migrants, refugees and poor people he works with have reacted to Pope Francis' death much like he has. "First of all, we're shocked because we didn't expect it; seeing the Holy Father on Sunday doesn't prepare you for hearing that he died on Monday morning," he said. But "at the same time, the real feeling is not the shock or even the sorrow, but gratitude," he said. "We can't help thinking of him without gratitude, without thanking God for this pastor, this pastor with the smell of the sheep, who has guided and encouraged the church so much over the past 12 years and who leaves us with hope and with a lot to do."

Last words of Pope Francis: "Thank you"

(Courtesy Catholic News Service, April 23, 2025)

Pope Francis' final moments were peaceful, and he managed to give one last farewell to his nurse, Massimiliano Strappetti, before slipping into a coma early April 21, Vatican News reported. Among his last words were his thanks to Strappetti late April 20 when he said, "Thank you for bringing me back to the square," referring to the pope's surprise appearance after giving his Easter blessing from the central balcony of St. Peter's Basilica.

Pope Francis, who was still recovering from pneumonia, did not attend the Easter Mass April 20, but he did appear shortly after noon to give the solemn blessing. "The pope wanted to make one last significant surprise by going to St. Peter's Square for a ride in the popemobile," Vatican News said in a report April 22. However, the pope was a little unsure and asked Strappetti, "Do you think I can do it?" The nurse reassured him that he could, Vatican News reported. *(Article continues on the next page.)*



Photo at right: Pope Francis, in the popemobile, greets people in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican after giving his Easter blessing on Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025.

For 15 minutes, Pope Francis rode around St. Peter's Square and a portion of the wide boulevard leading to the square, filled with about 50,000 people. He blessed a few babies and tried to wave; the crowds were thrilled, waving and running where possible to get a closer view. We did not know then that it was the last time we would see our beloved pope, Pope Francis. May God bless Pope Francis.



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Upcoming Election of Council Officers for the 2025-2026 Fraternal Year

Prince of Peace Council 8791 will hold its election of Officers for the 2025-2026 Fraternal Year at our next Council Meeting on Tuesday, May 13 at 7:00 pm. The meeting will be held in the Father Michael McGivney Room in the Parish Administration Building. All Knights are welcome and encouraged to attend. Nominations were accepted by Deputy Grand Knight SK Dan Kimble and from the floor at our April Council Meeting. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor at our May Council Meeting prior to the election. The nominees of Officers for the 2025-2026 Fraternal Year currently are:

- ✚ Grand Knight: SK Daniel Kimble
- ✚ Deputy Grand Knight: SK Michael Ernst
- ✚ Chancellor: BK Ron Nowviskie. BK Ron Nowviskie has agreed to serve again, but will defer if there is another Knight who wants to be Chancellor. The Chancellor position is responsible for Council recruitment and membership. The person would not be responsible for the many other activities led by BK Ron Nowviskie. Please let Deputy Grand Knight SK Dan Kimble know if you are interested in serving as Chancellor.
- ✚ Recorder: SK Daniel Medved
- ✚ Treasurer: SK John McCarthy
- ✚ Advocate: SK Bob Simcoe
- ✚ Warden: SK Jeff Delgado
- ✚ Inside Guard: BK Sebastian Nocita
- ✚ Outside Guard: SK Angelo Salvo
- ✚ One Year Trustee: SK Russell Benett
- ✚ Two Year Trustee: SK Gene Nelson
- ✚ Three Year Trustee: SK Michael Abbott

Deputy Grand Knight SK Dan Kimble has made recommendations for the appointed positions for Fraternal Year 2025-2026, appointments he will make if elected as Grand Knight. They are:

- ✚ Chaplain: Rev. Fr. Justin Vakko, Pastor
- ✚ Spiritual Advisor: SK Deacon Bruce Gesinski
- ✚ Financial Secretary: SK Harold Bennett (previously appointed by the Supreme Knight)
- ✚ Program Director: SK Michael Ernst
- ✚ Faith Director: SK Gene Nelson
- ✚ Family Director: to be determined
- ✚ Community Director: SK Jay Young
- ✚ Life Director: SK Angelo Salvo
- ✚ Lecturer: to be determined

If you have any nominations for the elected Officer positions or recommendations for the appointed Officer and Director positions, please speak with Deputy Grand Knight SK Dan Kimble.



Knight of the Month

The Knight of the Month 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.

At our April Council Meeting, Deputy Grand Knight SK Dan Kimble announced that the Knight of the Month for April is SK Angelo Salvo. A Knight since 2012, SK Angelo Salvo currently serves as our Life Director and Outside Guard, and is very active in supporting our various activities, including the coffee car at Coffee & Donuts every Sunday. Deputy Grand Knight SK Dan Kimble presented the Knight of the Month certificate as recognition. All Knights expressed their appreciation and congratulations.



SK Angelo Salvo receives the Knight of the Month Award from Deputy Grand Knight SK Dan Kimble on April 8.



Family of the Month

Each month the Knights of Columbus would like to recognize a family that exemplifies the ideals of a Catholic Christian Family through their participation in our community at Prince of Peace. They are representative of the many families and individuals that support our Parish with their time and talents, but we are always looking for more families and individuals to help our community.

The Family of the Month for April was delayed for our holy days. The family will be announced at Mass the weekend of May 3 and 4, and acknowledged in our Parish bulletin and next Newsletter.



Recruit and Welcome New Knights



At our April Council Meeting, Chancellor BK Ron Nowvieskie introduced one prospective new Knight for our Council to consider for membership. Jim McGarry completed his Exemplification. He is a parishioner and regularly attends Mass and other liturgical activities. He is a longtime local resident and is looking to become more active in the Parish and with the Knights. All were in favor of his membership. BK Jim McGarry joined the meeting and took a moment to introduce himself to his Brother

Knights. All congratulated and welcomed him to our Council.

We want to invite all Catholic men in our Parish to join our Prince of Peace Council 8791. We need your help. Please look around you at Mass and consider extending an invitation. We have a table filled with Council information available after each Mass on Sundays in the Parish Hall. You may also send their name to our Chancellor, BK Ron Nowvieskie, at rnowvieskie@cfl.rr.com or they may join the Knights of Columbus online by visiting kofc.org/joinus. Please also encourage them to see our Council Website at kofc8791.org for more about our Council and the Knights of Columbus.



BK Jim McGarry



Fourth Degree/Assembly 2901 Update

SK Mike Worley, Assembly Representative and Color Corps Commander, reported for the Fourth Degree that the Color Corps has been handling a few call outs, including the Mass of Christian Burial for BK James (Jim) Peabody and the opening ceremony for Bunnell Park, where the Color Corps presented the colors. The Color Corps also supported the Silver Rose Prayer Service on March 16. The Assembly is always looking for more Knights. The primary purpose of the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus is to inculcate a love of country and impress the duties of citizenship. The motto is Patriotism, which is enlightened and informed by Catholicism. The Fourth Degree is the highest and Honorary Degree of our Order. Please contact SK Mike Worley at worley0101@aol.com or Faithful Navigator SK Jay Young at jyoung9508@cfl.rr.com if you are interested in becoming a Fourth Degree Knight and joining Assembly 2901.



Programs and Activities of our FAITH IN ACTION



Faith

SK Eugene Nelson, Faith Director

Fifth Saturday Rosary.

Our Council leads the Fifth Saturday Rosary following the Saturday Vigil Mass whenever there is a fifth Saturday in a month. We had a Fifth Saturday Rosary on March 29. It was well attended by Knights and parishioners. The next Fifth Saturday Rosary is this month, on May 31. Please consider joining us.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

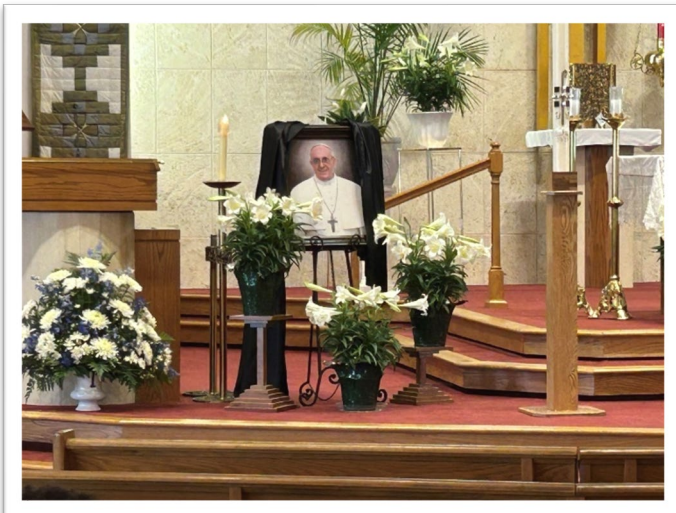
Our Council supports the First Friday Mass and Holy Hour with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament as a Faith activity. We encourage our Knights to consider spending one hour each month in Adoration. You may use the Adoration Chapel, or participate in the Holy Hour on any Friday of the month, or participate in other Adoration as available. Knights are asked to report their Adoration hours monthly to SK Gene Nelson. It is a wonderful Faith activity. Please participate as able.

Photo at right: Father Justine Vakko, Pastor, leads the congregation in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following First Friday Mass on Friday, April 4.



Daily Mass and Holy Hour Dedicated to Prayer for the Eternal Rest of Pope Francis.

On Friday, April 25, our Parish dedicated the daily Mass and the Holy Hour to the memory of and prayer for the eternal rest of our Holy Father, Pope Francis. There were more than 100 parishioners in attendance, including at least 12 Knights. During the Holy Hour, we prayed the Rosary, with our Parish ministries leading the prayers during each decade. SK Harold Bennett represented the Knights of Columbus. Thank you to all who attended.



A portrait of Pope Francis adorns the altar for daily Mass on Friday, April 25, and throughout the Masses on Divine Mercy Sunday.



Father Justin Vakko, Pastor, delivers a homily of reflection on the papacy Pope Francis during the daily Mass on Friday, April 25.



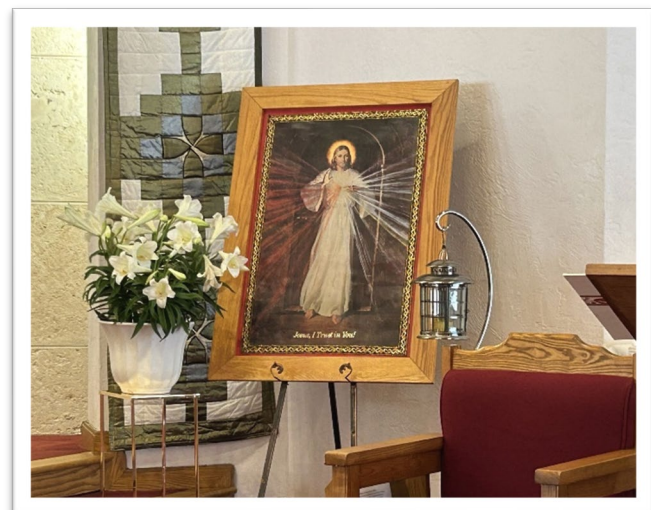
Father Justin Vakko, Pastor, leads the congregation in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament during the Holy Hour on Friday, April 25.



SK Harold Bennett leads the congregation in a decade of Rosary prayer.



The words of Pope Francis were featured on the video boards in the vestibule of the Church on Sunday, April 27.



A portrait of our Lord Jesus Christ, our Divine Mercy, on the altar for all Masses on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 27.

Silver Rose.

We continue to reflect on the special Faith and Life activity held on March 16, as the Silver Rose arrived at Prince of Peace Catholic Church on its pilgrimage through the United States. The Knights of Columbus and Deacon Bruce Gesinski led the Silver Rose Prayer Service, a rosary-centered occasion for the Knights and parishioners to pray for the sanctity of human life, for the spiritual renewal of our nation, and for the advancement of the message of the Blessed Virgin Mary as Our Lady of Guadalupe. The Silver Rose commemorates Juan Diego and the miracle of the roses, part of the visitation of Our Lady of Guadalupe. As Catholics, we are called to be a people of life. Thank you to the many Knights and parishioners who participated in our Silver Rose Prayer Service this year.

Icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

We expect to have the opportunity to host the Icon this year, but have yet to receive the dates from the State Council. We will let you know as soon as we have any more information. Through the Pilgrim Icon Program, councils will organize a Holy Hour featuring an icon depicting the most famous image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, painted in 1767 and venerated in the Church of the Gesù in Rome. The purpose is to spread devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and pray for Our Lord to make his heart our own.

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. For the month of April, we will announce the Family of the Month at Mass this coming weekend. The family will be highlighted in the Parish bulletin and our next Newsletter.

Food for Families.

We will be making a donation for food for families to support families that need additional assistance. This is an annual budgeted donation from our Council.

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



Community

SK Jay Young, Community Director

Blood Drives.

Our next and final Blood Drive of the Fraternal Year will be on Sunday, May 18. Please give blood if you can or ask a parishioner, family member or friend to donate if they can. If you have any questions about your eligibility to give blood, please come to the bus and they will discuss this with you. Our last Blood Drive was on Sunday, March 23. It was our best effort since January 2023 and the second-best result in the last five years. We collected 22 pints from the 24 people who came to donate. Thank you, thank you, thank you! We are at 83 pints to date, toward a goal of 90 pints for the Fraternal Year.

Habitat for Humanity.

The next workday is Wednesday, May 21. We contributed 10 hours in April, for a total to date of 225.2 hours from our Wednesday Weekday Warrior Crew, and with the addition of SK Andy Wilbert's 60 donated hours for his surveying, have a current total of 285.2 hours. We have already exceeded our goal of 200 hours and have once again set a Council record this year for hours contributed to Habitat for Humanity of Greater Volusia County. If you are interested in joining our Habitat Team and learning a few more home building and maintenance skills, please contact Mark Leary at learymm4@gmail.com.

Social Services, Food Pantry, and Like New Shop.

Demand and activity remain significantly up at both the Food Pantry and Like New Shop again this month. There is a lot of need in our community. In March, we served 813 families, a total of 2,261 families so far this year, including 1,195 bags of food, in addition to diapers, clothes, and paid utility bills. We have 130 volunteers at the Like New Shop, but can always use more. More help is also welcome in the Food Pantry, especially to assist with unloading the food truck. Social Services has purchased a brand-new big truck for the Food Pantry. We always need more volunteers. Please contact SK Jay Young at jyoung9508@cfl.rr.com if you can assist.

Veterans Nursing Home.

We were unable to participate in a monthly visit with our veterans at the Emory L. Bennett Nursing Home this month in order to attend the Mass for BK Jim Peabody. We thank our Brother Knights with Council 8086 for filling in. The veterans appreciate our council and assembly members for taking the time to spend with them, so please join us if you can for our next visit on Thursday, May 1 at 10:00 am.

On April 24, SK Bob Simcoe attended an awards ceremony luncheon in recognition of organizations for their ongoing service and dedication to the Veterans of Emory L Bennett Memorial Veterans Nursing Home. Prince of Peace Council 8791 was recognized and received a Certificate of Appreciation. Our thanks to SK Bob Simcoe, SK Russell Benett, SK Michael Orris, SK Ron Piasecki, SK Marty Librizzi and all the Knights who attend this ministry and Community activity each month.

Photo at right: Certificate of Appreciation presented to Prince of Peace Council 8791 for its service and dedication.



Breakfasts; Coffee & Donuts.

Our next Breakfast will be the Father's Day Breakfast in June. Thanks for your help with Coffee & Donuts. There will be no Coffee & Donuts on Easter Sunday. We always welcome more Knights to assist with the Coffee & Donuts ministry. Please contact Chancellor BK Ron Nowviskie at rnowviskie@cfl.rr.com with any questions. Thank you for your support.

Lenten Fish Dinners.

Our Council sponsored Lenten Fish Dinners for the first six Fridays of Lent this year, concluding on April 11. Thank you for a great turnout of Knights for all six meals, both helping with and attending the dinners. Please see the photos below from the last dinner. We had plenty of help each Friday and everything went very smoothly.



This year, we served 657 people compared to 724 and 604 in 2024 and 2023, respectively. About a third of the dinners were takeout rather than dine-in. We mailed free dinner coupons to approximately 85 households who joined the Parish since last July 1, and 14 new parishioners responded. A special thank you to the Knights who stayed late after the final dinner on April 11, to help reset the Parish Hall for the CCW Fashion Show the following day, and to those who helped with the Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter services and decorations in and around the church. Our profound thanks to BK Ron Nowviskie for his planning and organizing.



Ready to serve: (L-R) SK Jeff Delgado, SK Jay Young, and SK Russell Benett.



Providing hospitality: (L-R) SK Jim McCormick and Grand Knight SK Michael Abbott.



In the dining room: (L-R) SK Roger Lanoue, BK J.C. Phillips, and SK Jim McCormick.



In the kitchen: (L-R) SK Ron Piasecki, BK Sonny Nocita, SK Michael Worley, and SK Guy Baratte.

Name Tag Sunday.

Name Tag Sunday will be held the weekend of Saturday and Sunday, May 10 and 11. Our Council will be assisting by manning tables to pass out name tags to arriving parishioners and visitors before all Masses. We will need volunteers. Please lend your support.

Parish Picnic.

The annual Parish Picnic will be on Sunday, May 18 this year, beginning at 10:45 a.m. The Parish will provide hamburgers, hotdogs, and beverages, and parishioners are asked to bring additional picnic and side dishes and desserts. We will again host it inside in the Parish Hall, with some tables in the breezeway. We will need all hands on deck. More to come by email. Please lend your support.

Council 8791 Raffle.

The Council Raffle is one of our primary fundraisers each year and it is in progress. Tickets were distributed through the Parish bulletin, and additional tickets were distributed to Knights for purchase or selling. We are giving away \$125 dinner certificates to ten locally owned restaurants in Ormond Beach. First Prize is the pick of five certificates from the ten. The Second Prize is the pick of three certificates from the remaining five, and the Third Prize is the remaining two certificates. Tickets are \$5 each, three for \$12, five for \$15, and ten for \$20. Your support is appreciated. The winning tickets will be drawn on Saturday, May 3, at 6:30 pm.

Garden Club.

Our Knights support the Garden Club. It usually meets on the third Saturday of each month, from 7:30 am to 1:30 pm. The next get together is expected to be Saturday, May 17. Please join us if you can.

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



Life

SK Angelo Salvo, Life Director

Special Olympics.

Our Council supports Special Olympics Florida. On Saturday, April 5, Special Olympics Florida held its main annual event in Volusia County, the Northeast Region Summer Games, at Mainland High School in Daytona Beach. Please see the article and photos below. Thank you to SK Angelo Salvo, SK Matthew Crowner, and SK Russell Benett who represented our Council in providing support

to the athletes. Upcoming events include the tennis championships on May 2 in Altamonte Springs, track and field championships on May 9 at UNF in Jacksonville, and the State Summer Games on May 16 and 17. Please contact SK Angelo Salvo for more information at angelosalvo@hotmail.com.

Citizens with Disabilities Campaign.

Our Citizens with Disabilities Campaign, known as the “Tootsie Roll Drive,” concluded with a total of \$1,969 raised. We had a good effort for the limited dates and locations. We will get an earlier start next year. Proceeds will be split between the special education students at the five elementary schools in Ormond Beach and the ARC. Thanks to all the Knights who participated in making this campaign a success, especially our Deputy Grand Knight SK Dan Kimble.

Pro-Life Activities.

The Pregnancy Crisis Center always welcomes volunteers to pray for or with women who are considering ending a pregnancy. This last month, Council 8791 also presented a check to the Pregnancy Crisis Center for \$500 as part of the Knights of Columbus national program “Aid and Support After Pregnancy” (ASAP). Pregnancy Crisis Center Executive Director Joanne Roberts accepted our donation from Grand Knight SK Michael Abbott and Financial Secretary SK Harold Bennett. We continue to pray and commit to the protection of life. Please also see the Legislative Update below for updates on advocacy to change the laws to further protect life.

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

Photo at right: Grand Knight SK Michael Abbott and Financial Secretary SK Harold Bennett present our Council’s annual donation to Joanne Roberts, Executive Director of the Pregnancy Crisis Center in Daytona Beach on April 15.



Event Highlight of the Month: Special Olympics



**Special
Olympics
Florida**

On Saturday, April 5, Special Olympics Florida held its largest competition of the Special Olympics in Volusia County this year, the Northeast Region Summer Games, at Mainland High School. We had three Knights attend, SK Russell Benett, SK Matt Crouner, and SK Angelo Salvo, as we supported the basketball and bocce competitions, cheering on the athletes. Thanks to those who attended. Please see the photos below.

The mission of Special Olympics Florida is to provide year-round sports training and competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for people with intellectual disabilities who wish to participate, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in the sharing of gifts, skills, and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes, and the community. The ultimate objective of Special Olympics Florida is to help people with intellectual disabilities participate as productive and respected members of society at large, by offering them an opportunity to develop and demonstrate their skills and talents through sports training and competition, and by increasing the public’s awareness of their capabilities and needs.

The Knights of Columbus has a unique partnership with the Special Olympics and has helped disabled athletes train for and compete in games around the world. Knights of Columbus councils have assisted with all aspects of the program from fundraising to feeding the athletes, organizing and judging events, and providing equipment and awards. Without the support of the Knights, participants would not be able to train for the events that they love. Participating councils provide at least \$2,000 in donations or 200 service hours in a fraternal year.



Knights SK Angelo Salvo and SK Matthew Crowner gather with Special Olympics volunteers at Mainland High School on April 5.



The Special Olympics basketball venue at Mainland High School.



SK Matthew Crowner.



SK Angelo Salvo.

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





Honoring our Knights Veterans on Memorial Day

Memorial Day is May 26. We pause to reflect, remember, and thank those who have served our nation in uniform, especially those who made the ultimate sacrifice.



Knights of Columbus Prince of Peace Council 8791 wants to recognize our Brother Knights who served in the Armed Forces of the United States of America. Thank you for your service and sacrifice in protection of our freedoms and our nation. We are forever grateful, and we are honored to have you among us as our Brother Knights.

Below are the names of our Brother Knights Veterans who have made us aware of their service. We know there are others who also served. We are grateful to all of you, named and unnamed, for your commitment and service. Thank you.



ARMY

Edwin Baden, Russell Cormican, Ken Crews, Jack Erthal, Joe Di Blasi, Robert Guidotti, Skip Keating, Martin Librizzi, James McCormick, and Christopher Sidor.



NAVY

Chuck Armstrong, Gary Bowden, Joseph Collins, Victor Dean, Robert Kindergan, Maurice Laffin, Mark Leary, James Morris, James Ostrowski, John Van Buren, and Jim Weite.



MARINE CORPS

Daniel Armstrong, Gabriel Savage, Marty Tse, and Andy Wilbert.



AIR FORCE

Michael Abbott, Harold Bennett, Bob Knapik, Tom Kruse, Ron Piasecki, Roy Rearden, and John Stottle.



Members of the Catholic War Veterans

Harold Bennett, Russell Cormican, Joe Di Blasi, John Malafronte, James Ostrowski, and Ron Piasecki.

If you have served our nation in uniform, we want to add your name to our service list above. Please send an email to knightsofcolumbus8791@gmail.com and let us know. Thank you.

Prayer for Memorial Day (from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops):

God of power and mercy, you destroy war and put down earthly pride. Banish violence from our midst and wipe away our tears, that we may all deserve to be called your sons and daughters. Keep in your mercy those men and women who have died in the cause of freedom and bring them safely into your kingdom of justice and peace. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Pro-Life Legislative Update

The 2025 Session of the Florida Legislature is drawing to a close on May 2 or when a state budget is passed. Several Bills are being considered by both the House and Senate that relate to the protection of life and may be of interest to our Knights of Columbus.

The Unborn Child Parent's Survivor Act (SB 1284) allows parents to file civil lawsuits for the wrongful death of an unborn child. It recognizes an unborn child as a separate legal entity and extends legal protections to ensure accountability in cases of negligent or intentional harm. The legislation creates new avenues for parents to seek damages for emotional and financial loss resulting from the wrongful death of their unborn child, further humanizing the unborn in state statute. This bill passed the Judiciary Committee (6 to 4) on April 1, and the Appropriations Committee (5 to 3) on April 11. It is currently in the Rules Committee.

The Initiative Petitions for Constitutional Amendments Reform Act (HB 1205), which strengthens signature verification, limits out-of-state petition influence, increases transparency to protect Florida's ballot process, and makes it much more difficult to amend the Florida Constitution by well-funded outside groups as almost happened with the recent pro-abortion and legalized marijuana amendments that were narrowly defeated in November. This bill passed its final committee and then the full House (76 to 31). It is awaiting Senate action.

The Office of Faith and Community Act (SB 820), which codifies the Office of Faith and Community within the Executive Office of the Governor to build collaborative relationships between faith-based organizations and state agencies. This bill passed the Government Oversight Committee (6 to 1) on April 1, the General Government Committee (9 to 3) on April 15, and the Appropriations Committee (14 to 4) on April 22. It passed the full Senate (27 to 9) on April 24 and is now in Messages to the House.

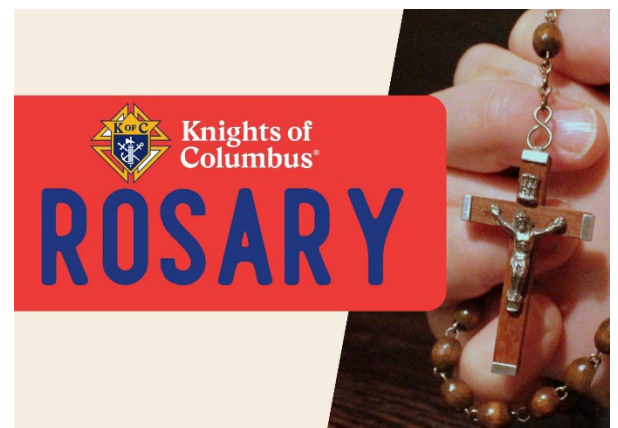
The Fetal Development Educational Act (HB 1255) revises multiple education policies to protect students and foster a more positive learning environment, including restricting the use of taxpayer funds for political activism and enhancing discipline standards. On April 23, the House passed this bill with an 86-27 vote. Most notably, the bill requires that 6th through 12th graders (with parental consent) receive comprehensive fetal development education through high-definition videos, helping students better understand and respect the miracle of human life. Despite intense opposition, the bill prevailed and now awaits a final vote in the Senate.

For more information on bills of interest, please visit Online Sunshine Florida at www.leg.state.fl.us. Thanks to BK Ron Nowvskie for keeping our Council updated.



Fifth Saturday Rosary

The Knights of Columbus Rosary Program encourages devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, patroness of our Order, and emphasizes the importance of prayer in community and as a family. The Rosary Program encourages councils to schedule regular Rosary prayer services. Our Council hosts the Fifth Saturday Rosary, a Faith activity for our Knights and parishioners. We gather in the Church Chapel to pray the Rosary each fifth Saturday of the month at 5:00 pm following the 4:00 pm Vigil Mass. The next fifth Saturday Rosary is this month, on Saturday, May 31. Please consider joining us.





Upcoming Events: Council Raffle; Name Tag Sunday; Parish Picnic; Blood Drive



Our 2025 Annual Knights of Columbus Prince of Peace Council 8791 Raffle is almost complete. Tickets were distributed within Mass bulletins on Sunday, February 23. This year, we are giving away \$125 dinner certificates to ten locally owned restaurants in Ormond Beach. First Prize is the pick of five certificates from the ten. The Second Prize is the pick of three certificates from the remaining five, and the Third Prize is the remaining two certificates. Tickets are \$5 each, three for \$12, five for \$15, and ten for \$20. The drawing will be held on Saturday, May 3 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall.



At all Masses on May 10 and 11, the weekend of Good Shepherd Sunday and Mother's Day, Council 8791 will again be facilitating "Name Tag Sunday" for our Parish. This is a Parish event hosted by our ministries and staff, the Council of Catholic Women, the Vietnamese Catholic Community, and our Council. You may recall that last year's event was featured in Columbia magazine. The goal is to ensure that everyone attending Mass is wearing 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 in the Parish Hall on Saturday and Coffee & Donuts in the Parish Hall on Sunday.



Our annual Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, May 18 beginning at 10:45 a.m., and will mark the end of Religious Education classes for the school year. The Parish will provide hamburgers, hotdogs, and beverages, and parishioners are asked to bring additional picnic and side dishes and desserts. The Parish Hall kitchen will be open to keep your potluck dishes hot or cold while you are at Mass. Please come and enjoy great food and visit with your fellow parishioners. We will need assistance in the kitchen and dining room. Watch your emails.



Our next Parish Blood Drive is Sunday, May 18. This is our last Blood Drive of the Fraternal Year, with a goal of 90 pints. We are at 83 pints so far, and the need never stops. Please give blood if you can or consider asking a family member, friend, parishioner, or neighbor to stop by to donate if they can. Thank you for your support.



Calendar of Council Activities

May 2025

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May 1 – Veterans Nursing Home, 10:00 am (1920 Mason Ave., Daytona Beach)
 May 3 – Council Raffle Drawing, 6:30 pm (Parish Hall)
 May 4 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Parish Hall)
 May 10 – Name Tag Sunday, 4:00 pm Vigil Mass (Church)
 May 11 – Mother’s Day
 May 11 – Name Tag Sunday, all Masses (Church)
 May 11 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Parish Hall)
 May 13 – Officers Meeting, 6:00 pm (Room adjacent to Father McGivney Room)
 May 13 – Council Meeting, 7:00 pm (Father McGivney Room)
 May 18 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Parish Hall)
 May 18 – Parish Picnic, 12:00 pm (Parish Hall and Breezeway)
 May 18 – Blood Drive, 8:30 am to 1:00 pm (Red Bus in the Parking Lot)
 May 21 – Habitat for Humanity Council Workday, 7:00 am (Location TBD)
 May 25 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Parish Hall)
 May 26 – Memorial Day
 May 31 – Fifth Saturday Rosary, 5:00 pm (Church Chapel)
 June 1 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Parish Hall)
 June 5 – Veterans Nursing Home, 10:00 am (1920 Mason Ave., Daytona Beach)
 June 6 – First Friday Mass and Holy Hour, 5:30 pm (Church)
 June 8 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Parish Hall)
 June 10 – Officers Meeting, 6:00 pm (Room adjacent to Father McGivney Room)
 June 10 – Council Meeting, 7:00 pm (Father McGivney Room)
 June 15 – Father’s Day
 June 15 – Father’s Day Breakfast, 8:00 am to 11:00 am (Parish Hall); Coffee & Donuts (Parish Hall)
 June 18 – Habitat for Humanity Council Workday, 7:00 am (Location TBD)
 June 22 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Parish Hall)
 June 29 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Parish Hall)



Birthdays for May

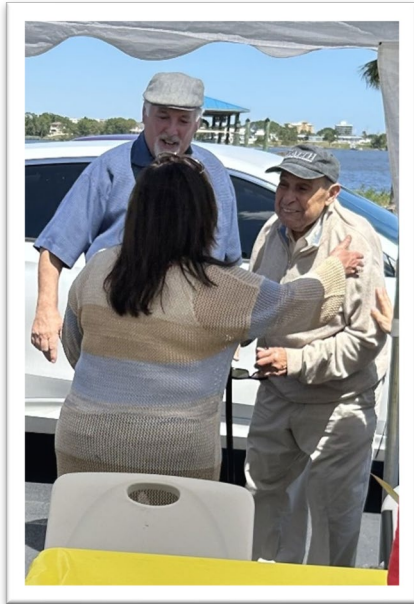
David Renschen – May 2
 Andy Paine – May 5
 Alphonse Savarese – May 5
 Colin Ventrella – May 5
 James Ostrowski – May 9
 Rev. Fr. Bernard Kiratu – May 13
 Joseph Schneider, Jr. – May 14
 Nicholas Bellino – May 18



Kenneth Crews – May 22
 William Rodriguez – May 23
 Ernest Bellak, Jr. – May 24
 Erick Palacios – May 24
 Shawn Rosado – May 24
 Joseph Mikulan – May 29
 Leonard Drolet – May 31

Birthday Party for SK Jack Toia

On April 12, the Knights joined an abundance of family and friends of SK Jack Toia, as a surprise, to celebrate his 90 years of life. It truly was a surprise for SK Jack, and required him to miss serving at the Saturday Vigil Mass. If you know SK Jack, you know that was a big sacrifice for him. He was overwhelmed with the love and support of so many at the party. Lots of good company, good food, cards, cake, and gifts. Thanks to his son John for including the Knights in this celebration and for hosting the party. Please enjoy the photos below.



SK Jack Toia arriving in style to his riverside party.



Grand Knight SK Michael Abbott greets and welcomes SK Jack Toia.



Knights gather with SK Jack Toia, including (L-R) SK Angelo Salvo, Grand Knight SK Michael Abbott, SK Dan Medved, SK Jack Toia, SK Mike Worley, SK Zack (from Council 8086) and SK Michael Ernst. Also In attendance but not pictured, SK Jay Young, SK Ron Piasecki, and SK Michael Capdevilla.



Knights hold down a table close to the refreshments, (L-R) SK Michael Ernst and his wife Kristine, SK Michael Abbott, SK Ron Piasecki, SK Angelo Salvo, and SK Dan Medved.



Anniversaries for May

Happy Anniversary to all Brother Knights celebrating a Wedding Anniversary in May. We know of and convey our best wishes to the following Knights and their spouses:

SK John and Glenda Malafronte – married May 11, 1968 (57 Years)

SK Kenneth and Elaine Crews – married My 12, 1978 (47 Years)



Congratulations to all Brother Knights celebrating their Annual Anniversary as Knights of Columbus in May:

Robert Simcoe (65 years)

James Weite (51 years)

James McCormick (48 years)

John Yetto (46 years)

Arthur Keating (37 years)

Henry Lumbra (37 years)

Robert Kindergan (37 years)

Alan Eaby (26 years)

Daniel Medved (24 years)

David Batten (15 years)

Jeffrey Delgado (14 years)

Edward Fisher (14 years)

Matthew Fuller (14 years)

John Scibilia III (14 years)

Robert Mara (6 years)

Thank you



Prince of Peace Council 8791 – Our History

As we continue to celebrate our 40th year as a Council of the Knights of Columbus, Prince of Peace Council 8791 highlights moments in our Council's history each month in our Newsletter. It's just for the fun of looking back and reflecting on the many accomplishments and services over the last 40 years. Do you have any old historical photos of our Council? If so, please pick a few and submit them to knightsocolumbus8791@gmail.com. We look forward to featuring them in the coming months.



From 2013: SK Skip Keating, SK Russell Benett, and SK Bob Simcoe join Brother Knights for a District meeting.



From 2013: SK Greg Scull, SK James Harbord, and Jay Peck getting ready for a St. Patrick's Day Dinner.



Knights Intentions

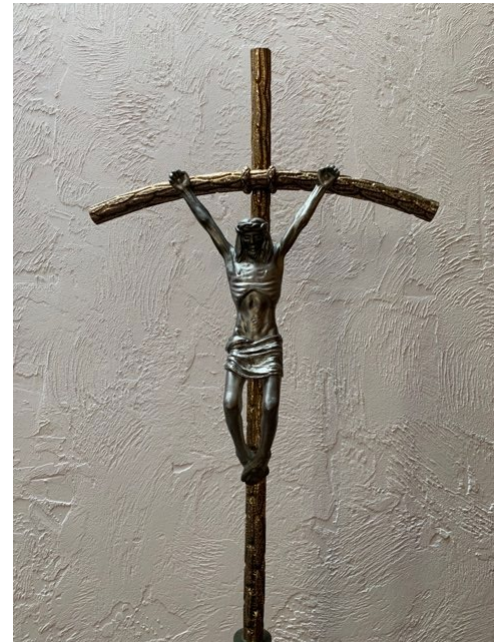
We pray for our Brother Knights and their families and friends:

For those walking in a new life with the Lord:

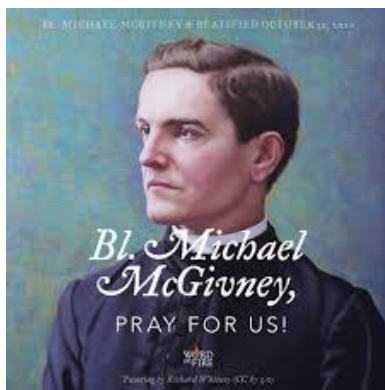
- +Brother BK James Peabody
- +John Nocita, brother of BK Sebastian Nocita

For those needing healing or a prayer of special intention:

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| SK James Morris | SK John McCarthy |
| SK Jack Toia | SK Tom Welter |
| SK Michael Abbott | SK Gene Nelson |
| SK Chuck Armstrong | BK Eugene Allen |
| SK Bob Simcoe | SK Bob Guidotti |
| SK Jack Erthal | SK Marty Librizzi |
| SK Paul Clare | BK Joe Fulweber |
| SK Daniel Eppelheimer | SK Jim McCormick |
| BK Bob Falkenberg | SK Joseph Taibi |
| SK Jay Young | |
| Nancy Simcoe, daughter of SK Bob Simcoe | |
| Marilyn Fulweber, wife of BK Joe Fulweber | |
| Carol Bennett, wife of SK Harold Bennett | |
| Patricia Ostrowski, wife of SK James Ostrowski | |
| Valerie Kruse, wife of SK Tom Kruse | |
| Fred Klippel | Tina Davis |
| Pat Rogerson | Melissa Woods |
| Mason Collins | Margret Mackey |
| Chris Collins | Louis Perry |
| Kirk Lymburner | |



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.

Mass of Christian Burial for BK James (Jim) Peabody

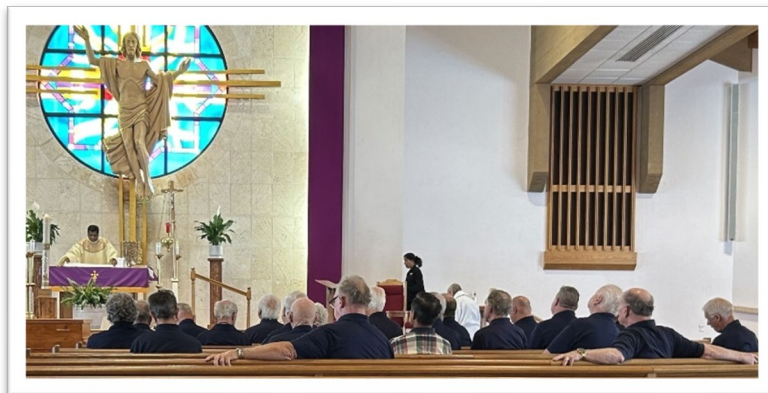
On April 3, we came together to pay our respects at a Mass of Christian Burial for our Brother Knight BK James (Jim) Peabody, who passed away at the age of 82. He was a Knight of Columbus and active member of our Council for more than 15 years. Mass included more than 25 Knights of Council 8791, and along with our Knights of Columbus Color Corps, a total of 39 Knights. Thanks to all who attended and prayed for our Brother Knight and his family. Please see some photos below.



Knights gather as Mass begins.



The Assembly Color Corps readies for the Mass procession.



Knights seated together at Mass.



Grand Knight SK Michael Abbott makes a presentation to the family of BK Jim Peabody.



SK John Malafronte proclaiming the readings during the Mass.



Knights during the recessional of the Mass.



Knights Color Corps after Mass. Pictured includes SK Mike Worley and SK Bob Simcoe from Council 8791.



Knights enjoy the reception following Mass. Pictured in the foreground are SK John Trollinger, SK Bob Simcoe, and SK Mike Worley.



Knights at the reception following Mass, including (L-R), BK Sonny Nocita, SK Ron Piasecki, SK Jim Morris, BK Ron Nowvskie, and SK Leon Consolatore.



More Knights at the reception following Mass, including (L-R) Grand Knight SK Michael Abbott, Faithful Navigator SK Jay Young, SK Russell Benett, and Deputy Grand Knight SK Dan Kimble.



Council Shirts Ordering

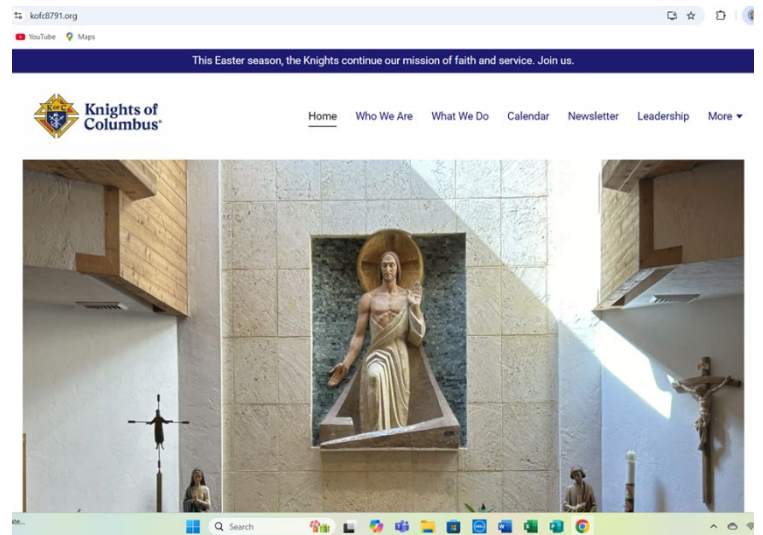


Council 8791's blue shirts reflect our fraternity and enhance the visibility of the Knights to those we serve. The Council purchases personalized blue Council shirts for all new members and transfers. New members are asked to complete the shirt ordering form so we have your name as you want it to appear on the shirt and the correct size. There is no cost to you. The Council also facilitates orders for Knights who would like to purchase a new or additional shirt. You need to complete the shirt ordering form and submit it to SK Bob Simcoe with your payment (either \$35 or \$37 depending on size). He will provide you with the form, take payment, order the shirt, and ensure it reaches you when received. Please contact SK Bob Simcoe at rssimcoe.dd18@gmail.com.



Council Website: kofc8791.org

Our Council website kofc8791.org is a great source of information on the Knights of Columbus and Prince of Peace Council 8791. From the homepage, use the index at the top to click through to the other sections and links. The website is focused on both internal and external communication, serving as a resource for us and for anyone to learn more about the Knights of Columbus and our Council. We want the website to be a valued source of Council information, with useful updates about Council programs, activities, and members, and to support our recruitment of new Knights. Please visit our website and encourage others to do so.



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