

# Knights News

Knights of Columbus Fleming Island, FL Council 11220



September 2024



Serving Sacred Heart Parish \*\*\*Business Meetings -- 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month at 7:00pm in the Activity Center\*\*\*

| Sacred Heart Mass Schedule |                              |  |  |  |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Saturday Vigil:            | 5:30 pm                      |  |  |  |
| Spanish Mass:              | 7:30 pm (Saturday)           |  |  |  |
| Sunday:                    | 8:00 am & 10:30 am           |  |  |  |
| Weekdays:                  | 8:00 am (Monday thru Friday) |  |  |  |
| Holy Days:                 | 8:00 am and 7:30 pm          |  |  |  |

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Ceremony 12<sup>th</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Mtg. 16<sup>th</sup> – Charity Event 24<sup>th</sup> – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of

the Universe

28<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving

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5<sup>th</sup> – Business Meeting

September

2<sup>nd</sup> – Labor Day

## 2024-25 Council Officers

| Chaplain: Fr. Marek Dzien           | 604-284-3811 |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Grand Knight: Mike Cruz             | 904-742-3205 |
| Deputy Grand Knight: John Molley    | 904-612-6357 |
| Chancellor: Ron Warner              | 904-887-3566 |
| Recorder: Scott Olivolo             | 904-710-1330 |
| Financial Secretary: Joe Pourciau   | 904-284-2475 |
| Treasurer: Mike Dezsi               | 904-529-1502 |
| Lecturer: Charles McGarvey          | 301-461-1419 |
| Advocate: Lee Pourciau              | 727-410-4786 |
| Warden: Jim Foley                   | 904-718-8784 |
| Inside Guard: Bruce Mathews         | 904-284-2493 |
| Outside Guards: Chuck Brown         |              |
| One Year Trustee: Carl Volz         | 904-710-9396 |
| Two Year Trustee: Pat Beckham       | 541-590-5501 |
| Three Year Trustee: Scott Sheffield | 954-232-1326 |
| Newsletter Editor, John E Meller    | 004 642 6257 |
| Newsletter Editor: John F. Molley   | 904-612-6357 |

Council Website: kofc-council11220.org Council Facebook Link: https://www.facebook.com/groups/441070446255794

To receive the newsletter via email, send your email address to: johnfmolley@juno.com

Note: Newsletter input deadline is the 21<sup>st</sup> of each month.

# **COUNCIL MESSAGES**

## Message from Grand Knight: Mike Cruz

Hello, Brothers.

I pray this newsletter finds you and your families well. Please continue to pray for our Brother Knights, parishioners and family members that are on our pray list as well as for our great nation.

A special "Thank you" to our Brother Adam Foley for donating the materials to build the platform for our new storage shed. "Thank you" to all our Brothers who volunteered to help build it. Also, "Thank you" to Brother Joe Pourciau for storing and cleaning the cabinet and other items.

You may have noticed the list of new parishioners in our recent church bulletin blessing our parish with over a hundred individuals and/ or families. Our parish Welcoming Committee will be doing a luncheon for them on Sunday, Sept. 8th, after the 10:30 Mass. I will be joining them and request 2 or 3 other Knights to help recruit new members as well as help breakdown after the event.

The VOTE NO on Amendment 4 movement is gaining traction. PGK Ron Warner has teamed up with Brother Bob Raspa and his wife to have Vote No pins made. These will be available for all Brothers at our next meeting. Brother Patrick Beckham has doorknob hangers to distribute throughout our Fleming Island community's. Please contact Patrick if you would like to get involved.

We are desperately seeking a Life Director and a Family Director. We need to have these positions filled ASAP and these individuals must go through Safe Environment training in order for us to have a chance at making Star Council again this year. If you feel you are called for one of these positions, please contact me or any officer ASAP.

If you are interested in attending our next meeting via ZOOM please rely to myself or Brother John Molley and we will send you a link. It should be an easy thing via tablet or computer.

As always, please try to help our Brothers in need, and if you know of someone or their family member (parishioner or non-parishioner) that is in need, please let us know so we can help. We are looking for a few volunteers that would like to assist PGK Ron Warner small jobs for parishioners in need. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Brother Ron Warner or myself.

Brothers, "Thank you" for all you do!

Vivat Jesus, Brother Mike Cruz Grand Knight

## KofC Merchandise:

License Plate Holder - \$10



If interested, please contact Mike Dezsi at 904-365-9909 or michael.dezsi@att.net.

## KofC Shirts

If you are interested in purchasing a KofC golf shirt, you can do so at:

### Logo Xpress

2245-6 Plantation Center Dr., Fleming Island (across from Fleming Island High School). The cost will be the price of the shirt (see their catalog) plus embroidering. You can also take them your own shirt and have it embroidered. To view the shirts, go to their website, <u>www.logo-x-</u> <u>press.com</u>.

or

5 Star Design 2124 Palmetto St Middleburg, FL 32068 (904) 291-5253 Call or stop-by for pricing.

## KofC Name Badges

If you would like a KofC name badge for your suit jacket and/or shirt, please contact Scott Olivolo (904-710-1330 or <u>solivolo@comcast.net</u>). The cost is \$25.

## **COUNCIL MESSAGES**

## Knight of the Month

Adam Foley. Adam is a nonlocal (lives in the FL Keys) member of our Council. He graciously donated supplies to help us build our new shed.

Thank you for your continuous - Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

## Family of the Month

**Bill & Jannell Dawson.** Bill is a Brother Knight and a Liturgy Reader. Jannell is a Eucharistic Minister. Thank you for your continuous - Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

Annunciation School collects aluminum can tabs. Please collect your tabs and bring them to the office or give them to Brother Zarko.

If you are in need of landscaping and/or pressure washing services, please contact Brother Knight and PGK Ron Warner at 904-887-3566.

Waste Not Want Not needs paper bags. You can drop them off in the Narthex at the Church.



3<sup>rd</sup> – Dennis Witt 9<sup>th</sup> – Tom Brennan 13<sup>th</sup> – Bill Pappas 16<sup>th</sup> – Rich Hay 18<sup>th</sup> – Bill Dawson 20<sup>th</sup> – Bob Olson 21<sup>st</sup> – Paul Zauner Tony Dean 26<sup>th</sup> – Richard Rohloff Robert Natalie 27<sup>th</sup> – David Steinberg

28<sup>th</sup> – Bill Scott

Joe Helinski

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL!

(Note: If I did not list your birthday, I apologize. I must not have you on my list; simply send me an email with your name & birthday so I can add you to the list.)



CONGRATULATIONS TO: Bill & Alma Scott Fred & Gayle Bellock Bob & Rachel Sroka Zarko & Suzanne Vecerkovic Curtis & Jennifer Stubbs Bill & Debra Beyrle Noel & Paula David John & Mary Ann Steinberg

(Note: Anyone who would like to have their anniversary mentioned in the newsletter, please send me an email with your spouse's name and your anniversary date.)

## Prayer Intentions

Paul & Jenny Anthertz Ron Warner Ron Llewellyn **Dick & Carol Trache** Chuck Brown **Bob Rawling** Stephen Mayette Ninfa Flores Al Karolewicz Paulette Robert Ski & Gemma Wojciechowski Pat Winkeler **Dennis Witt** AC Fairbrother Joe & Bonnie Brundage Charles McGarvey Ed & Grace Mathews Mary Powell Pat & Susan Beckham Fr. Mike Pendergraft Patric Patterson Bob Sedam Jim Folev Tom Foley **Clonnie Yearout** Dennis DeCocker Dr. Tim Bowers Ed Szymanski Becky Szymanski Karen McCallan Amanda Spaulding **Rachel Vatlerott** Gary Miller Ron Dill Phil Leatherbury Thomas & Angela Connor Jenn Cruz Joshua & Susan Elwood Eileen Elwood Adela Marcos Margaret Beattie Rod Zeck **Berchem Family** Tara Scott Sheffield, Pat Beckham, Carl Volz, & Paul Stark (Permanent Deacon Candidates)

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### Council 11220 2024-25 Committee Chairs

Community: Scott Olivolo Faith: Pat Beckham Family: *NEEDED* Life: *NEEDED* Program: *NEEDED* Membership: Scott Sheffield

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#### sheff9@gmail.com

If you'd like to serve as one of the "**NEEDED**" Committee Chairmen, please email GK Scott Sheffield at <u>sheff9@gmail.com</u>. If you'd like to serve on one of the Committees, please email the Chairman directly.





Our new storage shed.

# September 2024

| Sunday | Monday                 | Tuesday                             | Wednesday | Thursday                     | Friday                 | Saturday |
|--------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|------------------------|----------|
| 1      | <sup>2</sup> Labor Day | 3                                   | 4         | <sup>5</sup> Council Meeting | <sup>6</sup> Adoration | 7        |
| 8      | 9                      | <sup>10</sup> 4th Degree<br>Meeting | 11        | 12                           | 13                     | 14       |
| 15     | 16                     | 17                                  | 18        | 19                           | 20                     | 21       |
| 22     | 23                     | 24                                  | 25        | 26                           | 27                     | 28       |
| 29     | 30                     |                                     |           |                              |                        |          |



## Florida Bishops Oppose Extreme Abortion Amendment Vote No on Amendment 4

Florida Amendment 4, which will appear on Florida's November 2024 ballot, is an extreme proposal that legalizes fullterm abortion with no protections for the preborn child, including when the child is capable of feeling pain. This proposed amendment to our state constitution would prohibit all restrictions on abortion before viability and create a broad exception that any healthcare provider could exploit to allow abortion up to birth.

Furthermore, the amendment would effectively overturn or seriously jeopardize common-sense state laws that have regulated abortion for years. These include basic health and safety requirements for clinics where abortions are performed, requiring a physician to perform abortions, informed consent requirements, laws limiting public funding of abortion, and parental consent requirements before a minor's abortion.<sup>i</sup> These risks demonstrate the extreme nature of the amendment.

We urge all Floridians of goodwill to stand against the legalization of late-term abortion and oppose the abortion amendment. In doing so, we will not only protect the weakest, most innocent, and defenseless of human life among us but also countless women throughout the state from the harms of abortion.

Human life is sacred. The dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision of society. Direct attacks on innocent persons are never morally acceptable, at any stage or in any condition. In our state, human life is repeatedly being destroyed by abortion. Over 84,000 vulnerable and voiceless children were aborted in Florida in 2023.

This matter concerning the respect for human dignity and the fundamental value of human life is of grave importance to both our Church and our state. The threat of abortion remains our pre-eminent public policy priority. Therefore, we support a coordinated campaign to mobilize against the proposed amendment. To this end, we offer this prayer to defeat Amendment 4:

Ever-living God, you give life and desire a future for all your children. Take hold of our nation, state and community and awaken in every heart awe for the gift of life. Send your Spirit to strengthen us with wisdom and fortitude as we defend mothers and children in Florida from laws that disregard their health and safety.

Mary and Joseph trusted in you and welcomed Jesus into our broken world. God Almighty, we ask their intercession to protect the preborn and their mothers, and to guide all parents in raising their children. May they help us build a civilization of love by upholding the sacredness of life and accompanying pregnant women in need.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady, Mother of the Family, pray for us! St. Joseph, Protector of the Unborn, pray for us!

| Most Rev. Thomas G. Wenski  | Most Rev. Gerald M. Barbarito                                   | Most Rev. Frank J. Dewane   | Most Rev. John G. Noonan     |
|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Archdiocese of Miami        | Diocese of Palm Beach   | Diocese of Venice           | Diocese of Orlando           |
| Most Rev. Gregory L. Parkes | Most Rev. William A. Wack, CSC Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee | Most Rev. Erik T. Pohlmeier | Most Rev. Enrique E. Delgado |
| Diocese of St. Petersburg   |   | Diocese of St. Augustine    | Archdiocese of Miami         |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>i</sup> Florida law distinguishes between parental *consent* prior to a minor's abortion (Ch. 390.01114(5)), which would be invalidated by Amendment 4, and parental *notice* of a minor's abortion (Ch. 390.01114(4)), which would be retained.