



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

## THE EAGLES VIEW



October/November 2020

**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST COUNCIL 11421  
BOCA RATON, FL.**

### **THESE MEN THEY CALL KNIGHTS**

Worthy Brothers,

Our parish is a fellowship, a body, bound together by our faith. St. John the Evangelist Parish is our immediate family, made up of each of us individually; the church grounds are our spiritual family's home.

Covid-19 has created an economic shortfall for our parish due to falling attendance and subsequent reduced collections. This won't last forever, but for now it is the reality of the moment.

The falling revenues have created a budget gap. There are ongoing maintenance requirements that need attention, in addition to the fact that the church is now over twenty years old, and as such many things are getting old and in disrepair. There are multiple items that need immediate attention, i.e. the failing air conditioning system for one, that are very expensive.

The St. John's Finance Committee will be sending out a letter outlining the current economic situation and will issue a call for donations. Please read the letter and be generous in your responses to help us, our family and our home, in this time of extraordinary need.

Vivat Jesus!

Ted Kelley  
Grand Knight

**IN SOLIDARITY WITH OUR PRIESTS**

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## **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Those who are sick or in distress and need our help and prayers:

Please keep these people and their families in your prayers:

- Albert Blake (Al's father) by Bro. Al Blake
- Harry Orlando & Family by GK Ted Kelley
- Mike Nolan & Family by Ron Sawchuk
- Dea. Paul Murray & Family by GK Ted Kelley
- Rachel Traino by Bro. Tom Traino
- Marie Collins by Bro. Joe Galea
- Mike Ratigan by GK Ted Kelley

Harry P. Orlando passed on Thursday, August 20<sup>th</sup>. Harry was 82 years old. He and his wife Cheryl were parishioners of St. John the Evangelist for many years. Harry was a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree knight and served as a Lecturer and as a Trustee to our council. Harry was a retired history school teacher from New Jersey. Harry had deep passion for helping children and people with disabilities. I guess that's why Harry was always a willing participant when it came to our Tootsie Roll Drives. We extend our sincere sympathies and prayers to the families of Harry. May God give Harry eternal rest in Heaven. A memorial mass will be held for Harry Orlando on Sunday, October, 25<sup>th</sup> at the 9:30 mass. If you are able to attend this Mass, wear your council shirt to show support to our brother Harry.

Michael Nolan passed away on Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Mike was 67 years old. Mike and his wife Rosemary of 36 years were parishioners of St. John the Evangelist for many years. Mike was a 3<sup>rd</sup> degree knight and a member of our council for over 8 years. Also, Mike was a 23-year Navy veteran serving as a sonar technician of the rank of senior chief petty officer. Mike and his wife participated for many years with the coffee and donuts program. We extend our sincere sympathies and prayers to the families of Mike. May God give Mike eternal rest in Heaven.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

The dues for this year are \$38.00. Our current membership is 121 members. Our quota for this year is 6 new members.

**PGK Marty Knecht** is our Membership Director. If you know of anyone who would like become a Knight, please have them contact Marty by phone at 561.212.9483 or email [marty.knecht@gmail.com](mailto:marty.knecht@gmail.com)

The new membership year started on June 15<sup>th</sup> and renewal notices have been sent. Notice of Intent To Retain letters have been sent and if you received this letter, please pay your dues before November 1<sup>st</sup>. If for some reason you can't pay now because of the pandemic or other reasons, please make the financial secretary aware.

Membership cards are available for pick up in the blue index card box located on the counter at the left side of the church vestibule. Contact the Financial Secretary for other arrangements to get your membership card.

If you have any changes to your address, phone number or email address please get those changes to **Jim Falzone/Financial Secretary**. Jim can be reached by either phone or email. **561-716-9777** or [JFAL64@gmail.com](mailto:JFAL64@gmail.com)

## **ACTIVITIES FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER & NOVEMBER**

### **OCTOBER**

Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm  
Officers Meeting (ZOOM)

Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30pm  
Membership Meeting (ZOOM)

Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup> @ 12:00Noon  
St. John the Evangelist 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Golf Tournament  
Boca Lago Country Club

### **NOVEMBER**

Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> , 7am- 7pm  
Election Day

Wednesday, November 4<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm  
Officer's Meeting

Monday, November 9<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30am  
Membership Meeting (ZOOM)

Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>  
Boynton Beach Soup Kitchen

### **St. John the Evangelist 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Golf Tournament:**

This year the parish annual golf tournament comes with a few changes. The golf tournament will be played at the newly renovated Boca Lago Country Club on Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup> starting at Noon. In addition, the COVID-19 pandemic has caused the tournament dinner to be cancelled and the Auction will have an on-line format. This year's field of players will be limited to 80 golfers. Golf registration is \$125 person, includes golf with cart and a box lunch. Pick up a registration form at the Parish Office. There are a few spots left. The golf tournament contact info is: [Golf Tournament Registration](#) and [Sponsorship Donations](#), Terry Condon, 561.302.9873 [condonboca@gmail.com](mailto:condonboca@gmail.com)

### **Parish Renovation Projects:**

Currently, the parish renovation projects have been put on hold while other more important projects are being done by other contractors. Recently, the church and the parish hall were inspected by the insurance company and the inspection report revealed some safety violations that need to be resolved. Therefore, Father Dominic has solicited the Knights to help with some of the items on the list. The council officers met and agreed that this would be a great opportunity for our council to show our support to the church and to get back together again doing what we do best; supporting the needs of the church.

Our first project will be painting the wheel stops at all the parking spaces in the parking lot. Grand Knight Ted will be sending out more information on this work. If you are interested in helping, contact GK Ted at 561.756.0808 or email [ted@allkelley.com](mailto:ted@allkelley.com).

### **Boynton Beach Soup Kitchen:**

Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup> Brother Alan Daniello has arranged for our council to volunteer at the Boynton Beach Soup Kitchen. Since the passing of executive director Enrique Zuanetto, the Soup Kitchen is going through some changes. The Soup Kitchen has plans for an expansion and a makeover. The facility will be expanded to almost twice its original size and will be completed in the Spring 2021. Therefore, there is a lot clean-up work that needs to be done before the expansion work can start. Our council will be helping with the cleanup of the facility. If you can help with this charitable need, contact GK Ted Kelley at 561.756.0808 or email [ted@allkelley.com](mailto:ted@allkelley.com).

### **Christmas Wreaths:**

Plans and preparations are being made for the Council to sell Christmas wreaths as a fund raiser. Look for more details coming from our GK Ted Kelley at the next Council meeting. The net proceeds from the sale of wreaths will benefit the parish of St. John the Evangelist.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY BROTHERS

### October

2 – Stefano Montanari  
6 – Matthew Sherman  
8 – Peter Sinz  
10 – Thomas Agostino  
11 – Alexis Perdereaux

21 – Kevin Wetterman  
26 – Scott Spencer  
29 – Jim Urbanek  
30 – Albert Blake  
30 – Michael Ratigan

### November

1 – Timothy Williams  
5 – Hector Favazzi  
7 – Paul Kelly  
13 – Michael Morris  
16 – Richard Inserra  
16 – Mike King

17 – Joseph Tosto  
21 – Alan Daniello  
21 – John Hennessey  
25 – Leonard De Angelo  
28 – Douglas Donney

## COUNCIL HAPPENINGS

### **Installation of Council Officers:**

Council officers were installed at a ceremony held on Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup> after the 4PM Mass. District Deputy Dr. Osmany Periu officiated the ceremony along with the honor guard from the 4<sup>th</sup> degree Assembly 3092. Each



officer to took an oath for their respective office and received the jewel representing their office to wear at the council meetings. The wives that were present were given a rose as a token of appreciation for their support.

This year has been a very tough start for council due to the COVID-19 pandemic and will continue to be until we are free from the virus. The council officers are working hard to find ways to serve our community and supporting our church and priest. If you are called upon to help, give you support. We wish the officers a very successful year.

### **Sir Knight Romero Andrade:**



Brother Romero (r) and his wife Katia and Romero's friend DGK Alex Kraemer (l) of St. Jude's made the trip Jacksonville, FL to attend the Fourth Degree, Florida District De Soto Province exemplification ceremony on Saturday August 22<sup>nd</sup>.

The exemplification was held at Assumption Catholic Church with over 100 brother knights in attendance. Sir Knight Romero is our council's Advocate and has been a member for 2 years. Romero and his wife are members of the Supporting Life Ministry group and the Coffee and Donuts Program. When Romero is not working at his business, he is helping out at Boca Helping Hands.

Congratulations to Brother Romero and Brother Alex.

### **New Member:**

Welcome Mark Quinn is our newest member for this year. Mark joined our council by the online exemplification ceremony on September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Due to the COVID-19 we are unable to hold in person ceremonies. Mark is a father of three children and is the owner of a property management business. Mark serves on St. John's Finance Committee. Mark looks forward to being a member of our council and sharing his gifts and talents whenever he can to benefit our council and community. We welcome Mark in to our council.

## ISN'T IT GREAT TO BE A KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS

## **COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE NEEDS OF THE CHURCH**

### **Marian Icon:**



The Marian Icon was on a pilgrimage throughout the Florida jurisdiction this past year and was on display at St. John the Evangelist's weekend Masses of September 29<sup>th</sup>. The Marian Prayer Program raises the awareness of the plight of Christians who are persecuted for their faith and to stand in prayerful solidarity with them. At the end of the Mass, Father Domonic lead the parishioners in prayer for this faithful adoration.

### **Council Award:**



Our council was awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, in Division 2 for Memorial & Healing Mass Cards at the 2020 Florida State Council Convention. Brother PGK PDD Ron Sawchuk chairs this program and if you know anyone who is in need of prayers contact Brother Ron.

In the past, Brother Ron was very active with the Catholic Charities programs at the State level and he continues to support helping life programs by overseeing this program for our council. We congratulate Ron and thank him for his time and support.

### **Boca Helping Hands:**

During the summer Brother Charles Coward lead a group to clean up the storage room and kitchen in the Parish Hall. From the cleanup there was 376 pounds of non-perishable food donated to Boca Helping Hands. The Council received a thank you letter from Bill Harper, Director of Food and Warehouse Operations. Boca Helping Hands is currently distributing over 6,000 bags of non-perishables each month. Boca Helping Hands is asking for help to support their program. Big thank you to Brother Charles and the group for cleaning up the storage areas and for serving the needs for the community.

### **Colleen Hathaway Retirement:**

St. John's bookkeeper Colleen Hathaway retired in August and the Council approved \$200 towards her retirement. Colleen served as St. John's bookkeeper during Father O'Flaherty's tenure. She was a very dedicated employee and we wish her a wonderful and relaxing retirement. In Colleen's thank note, she stated she plans to remain as an active member at St. John's and hopefully to see us soon.

### **Message from Lecturer Alan Daniello:**

"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven". Matthew 18:15-18.

The bible continues to tell us, "where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them". Matthew 18:20

If someone has done wrong to you, Jesus said to talk to that person. If this does not resolve things, go with one or two others and talk again. If this still does not resolve the situation, go to the church and ask if anything can be done with the Church's intervention. If none of those steps resolve the wrong done to you, then practice sincere forgiveness. What we resolve on earth will be resolved in heaven. Therefore, we need to pray together and do what we can to resolve wrongs against us. Jesus is telling us He will be with us in our times of need, we are not alone. We must continue to have faith and forgiveness, and we must continue to encourage each other to pray together.



### **Brother Marty Knecht, Advocate for the Diocese of Palm Beach:**

Have you been married outside the Church?

Have you been divorced and are interested in remarrying or have remarried?

Would you like to learn more about the annulment process? There is information about annulments to St. John's web page under Marriages. Here is a link: <https://www.saintjohn-bocaraton.com/sacraments/matrimony/>  
Just click on **Annulments - The Facts and Myths** for all the information.

If you answered Yes to any of the above questions, then you should contact Marty Knecht at 561-212-9483 to receive answers to your questions in a completely private and confidential setting at St. John's.

Marty is a parishioner at St. John's, a brother Knight, and is a fully trained and authorized Advocate for the Diocese of Palm Beach. He has served as an Advocate in the Dioceses of Palm Beach and Orlando since March 2004 and comes highly recommended by all the Tribunal Judges he has worked with.

### **Who is a Knight:**

We are Catholic men building a bridge back to faith. There is much to be done in the world. Good work. Necessary work. And that's what the Knights do. Every day.

Assisting the sick and disabled. Protecting those who can't protect themselves. Whether they are next door or halfway around the world. This is the journey we are on. Our path.

We do it to be better husbands, fathers, sons, neighbors and Catholics. We invest our time, our effort, and our resources into our values: Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism.

We come from many places. And backgrounds, And stages in our lives. But we are all of one faith. A fraternity of men striving to better ourselves and our world.

It's one thing to say who you are. It's another to live it. To put your values into action. That's what we do at the Knights of Columbus.

That's who we are.

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### **Helping Life Program**

Sponsored by St. John's Knights of Columbus

### **Ron Sawchuk – Helping Life Program Coordinator**

To support All Life", following the Catholic Church's teaching from conception to natural death"

In 2016 the Council started the Helping Life Program to encompass the entire parish. You do not have to be a Knight - men, woman, and children can participate. The purpose of this program is to help people in our community who are in need. Currently, the Supporting Life group is taking a summer break and will not resume until later this Fall.

### **Programs, Contact Coordinator, Mission:**

#### **Supporting Life Ministry – Jim Etue—772-359-1190**

Through programs we help the families in need, the new born, and the homeless.

**Boca Helping Hands (BHH):** Bi-weekly trips to BHH to make hygiene kits are currently postponed until the COVID-19 pandemic is over.

#### **Birthline/Life Pregnancy Care Centers:**

Birthline/Lifeline is an organization supported by Catholic Charities that help women who need testing, ultrasounds, counselling, medical referrals and material assistance for their babies. A few pickup and deliveries of baby items were made by Brother Jim Etue and PGK Ron Sawchuk this past month. Nothing is planned at this time.

**AVDA (Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse, Inc.):**

AVDA provides assistance to women and children who are victims of domestic abuse. Brother Bruce Kendall made contact with AVDA and offer any assistance the council can do for AVDA during this pandemic.

**Right to Life:**

Protects and defends the most fundamental right of humankind from the beginning of life to natural death. On the first weekend of each month, a “**Rose for Life**” is brought up and placed in the sanctuary at each Mass as a reminder of our Christian commitment to respect the dignity of all human life. If you would be interested in placing the rose before Mass please contact **Don DePasquale at 561.487.3366**

We are always looking for new members. If you are interested please contact **Sharon Goldasich at 561-756-0580** or **Jim Etue at 772.359.1190**.

**Prayer for Life**

God of life and love, you created us in your image and sent Your Son to bring us life. Instill in us a respect for all life, from conception until natural death. Empower us to work for justice for the poor. Nourish us that we may bring food to the hungry. Inspire us to cherish the fragile life of the unborn. Strengthen us to bring comfort to the chronically ill. Teach us to treat the aging with dignity and respect. May we be especially sensitive to the life of the handicapped and incarcerated. Bring us one day into the glory of everlasting life. We ask this through Christ or Lord. Amen

**HAVE YOU INSURED YOUR MOST VALUABLE ASSET?**

I am was assigned to serve you and your Council as the Benefits Advisor and Insurance Agent. You and your Council are very important to me and I am excited to have an opportunity to support our mission in my capacity for the Council. In the future I will be sharing valuable information to you. For now, please know I am here, I am experienced and capable, I understand the priority of you and your wishes and needs. Give me the opportunity to demonstrate this for you soon.

As a new agent to you (I have been serving councils now for 5 years) I recommend that we invest some time to review what you have and also what you have planned for yourself and your family in the future. This meeting will enable me to best serve you and your family.

Either myself or my assistant Debbie Pontikes will reach out in the future to find a time that is convenient. If, however, you wish to or have reason to reach out to us; I am at (561) 439-8617 o/ or 561-310-8065 m. Debbie can be reached at 561-899-6731. My email address is [steve.schuler@kofc.org](mailto:steve.schuler@kofc.org).

Be Safe + Be Well + God Bless

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