

Knights of Columbus

Father John H. Patrick Council No. 13207



March 2025

In our Lenten journey towards Easter, let us remember the One who "humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross" (Phil 2:8).

During this season of conversion, let us renew our faith, draw from the "living water" of hope, and receive with open hearts the love of God, who makes us brothers and sisters in Christ.

~ Pope Francis

FRATERNAL YEAR 2024-2025 **JULY 1 – JUNE 30**

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A MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT



Brothers,

I write to you as my wife, Mary Watt, and I have just returned from the momentous Fourth Degree 125th Anniversary and Exemplification of the Knights of Columbus held at the magnificent Saint Patrick's Cathedral in New York City on February 22, 2025. It was a truly inspiring event, made even more special by the participation of our own Brother John Brown. Accompanied by his wife, Beth, he took part in the exemplification and is now a Fourth Degree Knight. Congratulations, Sir Knight John Brown!





Please read more about our experience on this momentous day in the Fourth Degree Updates section on page 11, particularly, the unveiling and dedication of a bronze statue of Blessed Father Michael J. McGivney. Reflecting on this experience, I am reminded of the unwavering dedication each of you shows to our Council and parish community. Whether serving on the Leadership Council, Welcome Committee, or as Ushers, Lectors, and Eucharistic Ministers, your commitment does not go unnoticed.

Your presence at events such as Mass at the Village, the funeral services for Fr. Roland Julien and Br. Joe Bouvier,

St. Francis Catholic Academy Souper Fun Sunday, and A Woman's Answer Banquet is a testament to your devotion. You have also generously prepared and served meals for OCIA candidates, filled Christmas baskets for those in need, and participated in our Advent

Day of Reflection. To each and every one of you who gives your time and energy so selflessly—thank you!

As our fraternal year continues, we have more opportunities to come together in faith and service. Upcoming events include another Wass at the Village, our Lenten Day of Reflection, the Silver Rose prayer service, and, of course, our beloved Fish Fry Dinners. As you all know, the Fish Fry Dinners are our most significant fundraiser. Brothers Bob McCann and Tony Stefanowicz have stepped up as cochairs, with the Council of Catholic Women generously offering to provide soup at each dinner. But we need all hands-on deck! Help will be needed for setup, food service, and cleanup. Many hands make light work, so I encourage each of you to find time in your schedule to lend a hand.

With Ash Wednesday fast approaching, I leave you with this Lenten Prayer:

Father, in the wilderness of the Jordan, you sent a messenger to prepare people's hearts for the coming of your Son. Help me to hear his words and repent of my sins, so that I may clearly see the way to walk, the truth to speak, and the life to live for Him, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Vivat Jesus!

GK Joe D'Amata

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HOLY FAITH- KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13207

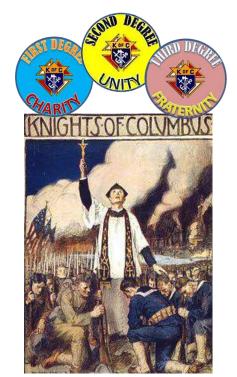
Come meet your Brother Knights and Officers at the next **Business Meeting**, held on the **1**st **Thursday of every month, starting at 7 pm**. Meetings are held in the **Ministry Building at Holy Faith**, in the **Conference Room** immediately on the right as you enter the building. Meetings last about one hour or so with a variety of topics discussed, such as upcoming events, degree installations, social activities, recognition of Knights and families.

When was the last time **YOU** attended a meeting or had your picture taken at a Knight's event? See **YOU** there!

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Date	Day	Event	Coordinator	Location/Time		
		Man	ch 2025			
3/2	Sun	Coffee and Donuts	GK Joe D'Amata	Holy Faith, after all Sunday Masses		
3/5	Wed	* ASH WEDI	* ASH WEDNESDAY- LENT BEGINS *			
3/6	Thu	Council Business Meeting	GK Joe D'Amata	Holy Faith, Ministry Building, 7 pm		
3/7	Fri	1 st Lenten Fish Fry Dinners	Tony Stefanowicz, Bob McCann	Holy Faith, PLC, After the 6 pm Stations of the Cross		
3/8	Sat	Day of Reflection for All Parishioners	GK Joe D'Amata, Jon Meinholz	Holy Faith, PLC & Church 8:30 am- 1 pm		
3/14, 3/21, 3/28	Fri	2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th Lenten Fish Fry Dinners	Tony Stefanowicz, Bob McCann	Holy Faith, PLC, After the 6 pm Stations of the Cross		
3/30	Sun	Coffee and Donuts	GK Joe D'Amata	Holy Faith, after all Sunday Masses		
		Apr	il 2025			
4/3	Thu	Council Business Meeting	GK Joe D'Amata	Holy Faith, Ministry Building, 7 pm		
4/4 & 4/11	Fri	5 th & 6 th Lenten Fish Fry Dinners	Tony Stefanowicz, Bob McCann	Holy Faith, PLC, After the 6 pm Stations of the Cross		
4/12	Sat	Easter Baskets for Migrant Families/ Purchase	Bob McCann	TBD		
4/13- 4/19	SUN- SAT	HOLY WEEK from PALM SUNDAY to HOLY THURSDAY to GOOD FRIDAY to HOLY SATURDAY (Knights are involved in many of the activities)				
4/19	Sat	Refreshments for New Catholics in the OCIA Program	Bob McCann	Holy Faith, after 8:30 pm Vigil Mass, on the Patio of the Rectory Backyard		
4/20	SUN		EASTER			
May 2025						
5/1	Thu	Council Business Meeting	GK Joe D'Amata	Holy Faith, Ministry Building, 7 pm		
5/4	Sun	Coffee and Donuts	GK Joe D'Amata	Holy Faith, after all Sunday Masses		
5/4	Sun	MAY CROWNING OF S PANCAKE BREAK		- Breakfast on the Patio of the Rectory backyard, after all masses		
5/12	Sun	Mother's	Mother's Do	ıy		
5/12	Sun	Corporate Communion	GK Joe D'Amata	Holy Faith, 9:30 am Mass		

Note: Dates and events subject to change. Please check with GK for latest information.

GREETINGS FROM OUR FIELD AGENT



Dear Brother Knights and Family.

It feels like the new year just began, and yet we're already here in March!

Maybe you've set resolutions and goals for the year. Are financial goals on that list? Every year, at a minimum, I recommend reviewing your finances. There are four things to include in your review.

First, have you experienced any major life events in the last year? Things like getting married, welcoming a baby, changing careers or purchasing a home are good reasons to consider life insurance. If you already have insurance, make sure your policy matches your current financial goals and responsibilities. Consider, too, that if your policy is dependent on your current employer, you could be underinsured.

Second, review your retirement goals. Do you know how much money you'll need to retire comfortably? And if so, are you on track?

Third, the new year is a good time to review your will or trust. Have you experienced a recent life event that would make you want or need to adjust? Now is the time to check.

Finally, consider if you're missing an opportunity to grow your assets. With faith-based investment options through our affiliate, Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors ("KoCAA"), you can pursue your financial goals with products that adhere to Catholic investment guidelines. Our Agency can connect you with one of our team members that is registered to offer you investment options through KoCAA.

It's not too late to make a resolution to review your finances!

I'd love to sit down with you, discuss your goals and conduct a complimentary needs analysis. If you have any questions, please come chat with me and we can schedule a time to meet.

Vivat Jesus! Fraternally & sincerely,





COME JOIN US FOR FAITH, FELLOWSHIP AND FISH FRY DINNERS!

Together with the COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN



... and for the next 5 Fridays in Lent, our council will be providing Fish Fry dinners after the Stations of the Cross.

See YOU there!

COUNCIL EVENTS: DECEMBER 2024- FEBRUARY 2025

Council Christmas Party December 15, 2024



GK Joe D'Amata and his wife, Mary Watt, hosted the Council Christmas Party at their home on Sunday afternoon on December 15, 2025. Besides the decorative display of Christmas lights and ornaments at their home, they had plenty of food for council members- from a delicious baked ham to dessert to drinks. They both expressed their appreciation to those who attended (far left, then clockwise around the table): Wayne Woolschlager, Paul Wheelhouse, Joe D'Amata, Eileen & Bob McCann, Beth & John Brown, Mary Watt, Tony & Rita Stefanowicz and Ricky Neumann (not present when picture taken) and for the thanks they have received.

Well done! Thank you, Joe and Mary!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP AT COFFEE AND DONUTS!

Thank you to all the Knights that have helped from the past weekends- from December to February: Bruce Pitts, Danny Stevenson, Tim Sagul, Tony Stefanowicz, Carl & Debbie Fischer, Joe D'Amata, Richard Neumann, Rich Powell, John and Beth Brown, Paul Wheelhouse, Bob McCann, Bill Ryan, and Jon Meinholz. If anyone is missed, let us know so we can thank you for your help!

Commitment and dedication: that's what it takes from volunteers to be available and willing to serve coffee and donuts on a regular basis after morning masses on the first Sunday of each month. See **YOU** there!

WELCOME COMMITTEE CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PLAY AND COOKIE EXCHANGE DECEMBER 15, 2024

The CCF Children at Holy Faith presented the play, **WOW!**, on Sunday, December 15th at 12:30 pm. Many cookies were brought by parishioners and many were prepared and served by the **Welcome Committee**, many of whom are Knights and their spouses: **Allen & Ann Amos**, **John & Martha Woeste**, **Carl & Debbie Fischer**. They also prepared and served refreshments and other snacks! Thank you for all that you do!

Each year, Jon Meinholz plays the role of St. Nick. This year was no exception. Thanks, Jon, for again supporting our youth!



COUNCIL EVENTS: DECEMBER 2024- FEBRUARY 2025 (CONT.)

ADVENT DAY OF REFLECTION **DECEMBER 7, 2024**

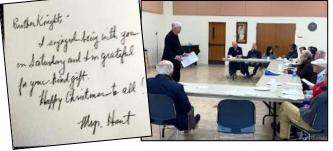
On Saturday, December 7, 2024, our Council hosted an Advent Day of Reflection for all parishioners. Those in attendance celebrated Mass and had time for confession and private reflection before being addressed by Monsignor Vincent J. Haut after lunch. Msgr. Haut led the group in a reading of Chapter 1 of Pope Francis' most recent encyclical letter - Dilexit Nos, On the Human and Divine Love of the Heart of Jesus Christ.



Brothers Wayne Woolschlager, Bob McCann, Jon Meinholz, Larry Clark, John Woeste and Paul Wheelhouse were joined by 10 parishioners for the event. At the end of the meeting, Msgr. Haut was presented a check of \$500 as a thank you for his time and effort.

Thank you to Jon Meinholz for purchasing the food and setting up breakfast and lunch!





COUNCIL **SUPPORTS**

October 2, 2024 & **January 29, 2025**



Our Council responded to requests by the OCIA to provide dinner for OCIA candidates, catechumens, and sponsors as they prepare to enter into the Catholic faith. They meet every Wednesday night to learn more about our faith, with other groups and ministries providing meals as well.

On Wednesday, October 2, Council 13207 provided dinner for the OCIA candidates and sponsors. There were 15 persons served who enjoyed jambalaya and salad prepared by **John** & Beth Brown, a sandwich platter and a fruit and cheese platter put together by Joe D'Amata, dessert whipped up by Bob McCann and Richard Powell. Thank you, Brothers, for answering the call.

Then, on January 29, 2025, chili was cooked up by Joe D'Amata & Mary Watt while dessert was provided by Carl Fischer and Bob McCann. Thank you all for helping out!

COUNCIL DONATES TO THE VA CENTER

During the Council's meeting in December 2024 council, the council unanimously voted to donate \$150 to the VA Center

for **Development** and Civic Engagement.

Tim Sagul delivered the check to the VA Center in January 2025.



COUNCIL EVENTS: DECEMBER 2024- FEBRUARY 2025 (CONT.)

CHRISTMAS BASKETS DONATIONS FOR MIGRANT WORKER FAMILIES-DECEMBER 16 & 18, 2024

On Saturday, December 16th, our council shopped at Aldi's in Butler Plaza for food to put in the Christmas "baskets" for 12 families of migrant workers. Thanks to **Bob McCann**, **Tim Sagul**, **Tony Stefanowicz** and **Paul Wheelhouse** for getting this done! The baskets were delivered the following Monday to **Victoria Gomez de la Torre**, **Migrant Education Office of Alachua County** whose staff distributed them to migrant worker families in surrounding counties

Once shopping was done, members met for a Christmas luncheon at **Texas Roadhouse** in Celebration Point.

The following Monday, the baskets were delivered to the Migrant Education Office of Alachua County.



MASS AT THE VILLAGE

Friday December 13, 2024

Brothers Tony Stefanowicz, Tim Sagul and Bob McCann attended Mass at The Village on Friday,
December 13th, with Fr. Jose presiding. Also
present was resident **Brother Larry Clark.**They then visited with **Brother Walt Visniski.**

NEXT: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Presentation of the **Lectionary**, donated by the Council, at 2 pm Mass at the Village.



Our Council donated \$2,250 to Camp I Am Special from proceeds made from the Tootie Roll Drive organized by **Allen Amos**. This camp fosters and celebrates the quality of life for people with intellectual and developmental differences and other disabilities.

COUNCIL MEETING WITH DISTRICT DEPUTY, FEB. 6, 2025

District Deputy Nick
Mrozinske attended our
February Council Meeting and
spoke about restarting "Live"
Ist-3rd Degree Ceremonies
on February 11 at St.
Augustine's Council 13900. The
ceremony was held with GD
Joe D'Amata and FS Bob
McCann attending and
participating in the degrees.



COUNCIL EVENTS: DECEMBER 2024- FEBRUARY 2025 (CONT.)

FR MIKE WILLIAMS 60TH **DIAMOND JUBILEE** WELCOME COMMITTEE SERVES ALL

FEBRUARY 2. 2025

Congratulations to Fr. Mike Williams for celebrating 60 years as a priest! More than 200 persons wished him well on his achievement.

Thank you to **Debbie and Carl Fischer**, **Ann and** Allen Amos, John and Martha Woeste who volunteered as part of the Welcome Committee to setup and prepare food and drinks, greet and serve parishioners, and clean up afterwards. Great iob!

SOUPER FUN SUNDAY AT SFCA **FEBRUARY 2. 2025**

St. Francis Catholic Academy held its 18th annual soup tasting competition featuring soups from over 30 local restaurants and caterers. One of the judges was Jon Meinholz who enjoyed taste testing all the delicious soups.



OTHER COUNCIL DONATIONS

A WOMAN'S ANSWER

\$500 to sponsor a table at the AWA Annual Banquet for Life held on February 15, 2025. Those attending included Joe D'Amata & Mary Watt, John & Beth Brown, and Ricky Neumann. This donation supports the KofC Aid and **Support of Pregnancy Initiative.**

HOLY FAITH YOUTH GROUP

\$263 for the **Youth Group** was delivered to TiAnna McCabe, Director, by GK Joe D'Amata in December 2024. Donation was from proceeds made by the council while cooking hamburgers and hot dogs at the All Hallow's Eve Festival.

ADOPTED SEMINARIAN LOC HYUNH

\$500 to support **Seminarian Loc Hyunh** was voted on by the council in December 2024 and is credited under the KofC Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP). By agreeing to make an annual contribution of \$500 or more to an individual seminarian to help with his expenses, the council is eligible for a refund of \$100 from the Supreme Council.

ANNUAL ALTAR SERVER AWARD PRESENTATION AND CORPORATE COUMMUNION

FEBRUARY 16, 2025



Council #13207 had its 3rd Corporate Communion this fraternal year on February 16, 2025 during which the Annual Altar Server Award was presented to Maritza Huerta. Her parents, Roberto and Amy, are very devout. She has an older sister. Mixtli. in

college and a younger brother, Roberto, currently in CCF.

Maritza is a senior at Buchholz High School enrolled in the AP Scholar program with Honors in Math (Geometry) and Foreign Language (AP Spanish). Her extracurricular activities include the Key Club, Spanish Club and Lacrosse. As a member of Key Club, Maritza assisted at Windsor Assisted Living and went caroling. She also joined PAGASA at Grace Marketplace.

At Holy Faith, Maritza is an active member of the Youth Ministry, helping at various events such as the All Hallows Eve Fall Festival. She has served at the altar at different times in her life, previously when she was in third grade and now again at Holy Faith. In between, the family moved to Mexico.

Maritza has been described as reverent and authentic. She became an altar server because she thought it would be a great opportunity to dedicate more time and effort to Jesus. Maritza sees altar service as an honor and says that it makes her feel closer to Jesus. Although she finds it difficult navigating the variety of

instructions, she does enjoy being able to engage with her fellow servers and other church staff.

GK Joe D'Amata and DGK Wayne Woolschlager presented Maritza with a \$500 scholarship and crucifix at the end of mass.

Maritza would like those considering altar service to "Just try it and see how you like it".





DAY OF REFLECTION IN LENT

On March 8th, at the request of Fr. Jose, the Knights of Columbus will host a Lenten Day of Reflection for everyone in the parish in the Father John M. Phillips Parish Life Center.

The agenda for the day is:

8:30 am to 9:00 am Meet and Greet

9:00 am to 9:45 am Mass to be celebrated by **Fr. Cristian Vergara**

9:45 am to 10:30 am **Rabbi Jonah Zinn** will speak about sacrifice and salvation from

the Jewish perspective. Rabbi Jonah will address and explain the theological teachings, how they are put into practice, and the Jewish

understanding of salvation.

10:30 am to 12:00 pm Letty Valentin will speak about sacrifice and salvation from the

Christian and Catholic perspective.

12:00 pm to 1:00 pm Lunch served by the Knights of Columbus

Coffee and donuts as well as lunch will be provided by the Knights. Thanks to **GK Joe D'Amata** for organizing this event and **Br. Jon Meinholz** for preparing for and coordinating these refreshments.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH/ KNIGHT OF THE MONTH DECEMBER 2024- FEBRUARY 2025



December

FOM- Tony and Rita Stefanowicz for their efforts at the Assembly's Charity Golf Tournament in October, from selling golf and raffle tickets to serving hot dogs and water at the 9½ hole.

KOM- Allen Amos for organizing the Tootsie Roll Drive after Sunday masses on one weekend, raising more than \$2,000 for Camp I Am Special.

January

FOM- GK Joe D'Amata and his wife Mary Watt for hosting the Council Christmas party and providing the baked ham, dessert, beverage, and fellowship.

KOM- DGK Wayne Woolschlager for presiding over the November and December Council Meetings and ushering at every Sunday Mass at 6 pm.

<u>February</u>

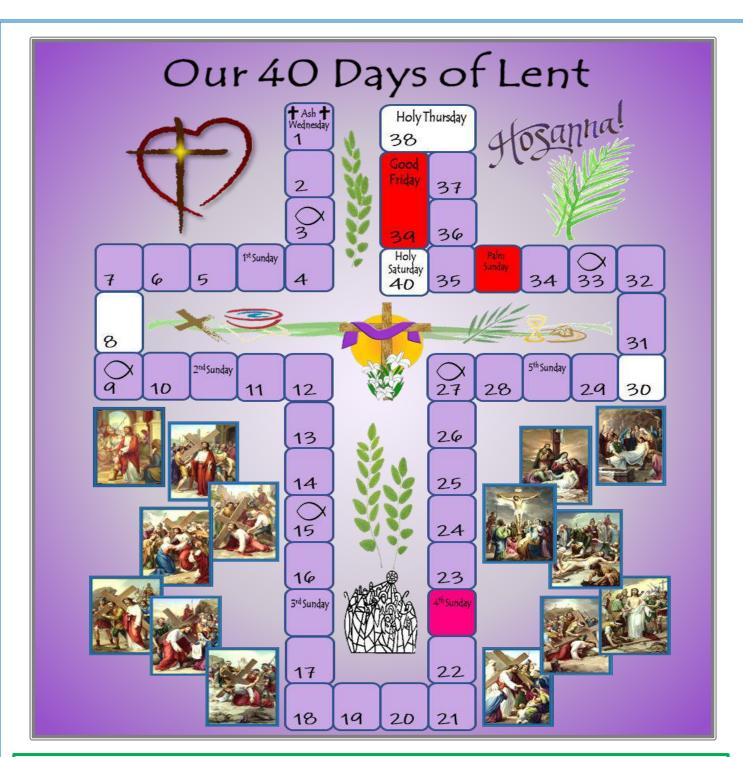
FOM- Debbie and Carl Fischer, Ann and Allen Amos, John and Martha Woeste for preparing and serving food as part of the Welcome Committee, particularly at Fr. Mike Williams's 60th Anniversary Celebration as a Priest.

KOM- Jon Meinholz for helping out in so many ways, including volunteering as a judge at the St. Francis Catholic Academy Souper Fun Sunday.



Congratulations to Each and Everyone!







... AND DON'T FORGET TO COME JOIN US!

Together with the COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN



Starting Friday, March 7th

... and for the next 5 Fridays in Lent, our council will be providing Fish Fry dinners after the Stations of the Cross.

See YOU there!



KOFC ASSEMBLY #1817



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A Message from the Grand Knight describing the

125th Anniversary of the Fourth Degree

February 22, 2025

... The ceremony began with the impressive entrance of the Color Guard, lining both sides of the grand center aisle. Following them, the Knights of Columbus 126th Pipes and Drums band filled the cathedral with stirring music, setting the stage for the arrival of esteemed guests, including members of the Supreme Council, the McGivney family, the Most Reverend William E. Lori (Archbishop of Baltimore, Vice President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, and Supreme Chaplain), and His Eminence Timothy Cardinal Dolan, Archbishop of New York.



One of the most significant moments of the day was the unveiling and dedication of a bronze statue of Blessed Father Michael J. McGivney. Created by sculptor **Chas Fagan**, the statue now stands at the cathedral's St. Joseph's Altar, ensuring that the legacy of "America's Parish Priest" endures in "America's Parish Church." For those of you who are Fourth Degree Knights, you will be interested in knowing that the exemplification has evolved—most notably, family and friends are now welcome to attend. The cathedral was packed, with candidates seated at the front and their loved ones filling the back and side pews.

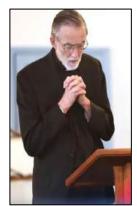
His Eminence Timothy Cardinal Dolan presided over the Mass as the principal celebrant and homilist. In his homily, he spoke passionately about his love for the Knights of Columbus, the Chair of St. Peter, and the profound importance of service.

Following the ceremony, we gathered at the New York Hilton Midtown for a banquet featuring a delicious meal—beginning with a baby arugula salad, followed by a sumptuous short rib and sea bass duo, with a decadent honey baked Alaska for dessert.

The evening was a fitting conclusion to an extraordinary and inspiring day.

Father Roland Julien, RIP

Fourth Degree Faithful Friar July 22, 1938 - December 26, 2024



Father and Brother Knight Roland Julien, a beloved priest of the Diocese of St. Augustine, entered eternal life at the age of 86. A man of deep faith, unwavering compassion and quiet humility, Father Julien's nearly six decades of ministry left an indelible mark on the countless lives he touched.

He was ordained to the priesthood on April 25, 1965, at Mission Nombre de Dios, St. Augustine. Father Julien

had many roles and responsibilities throughout the 17-county region of the Diocese of St. Augustine- from St. Petersburg to St. Augustine to Crestview to High Springs. In 1980, Father Julien was named pastor of St. Patrick Parish in Gainesville, a role he held for 35 years until he retired from full-time ministry in 2015.

Under his leadership, St. Patrick's experienced significant growth: construction of a new church, expansion of its school facilities and establishment of vital ministries. He was instrumental in starting a Catholic radio station, WWLC 88.5 FM, to broadcast Catholic programming in the Cross City area. Father Julien served as president of St. Francis House in Gainesville and co-founded the Action Network, both advocating for resources for vulnerable populations.

Fr. Julien was past Faithful Friar of Assembly #1817 and attended many meetings to provide spiritual guidance.

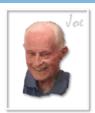


A Funeral Mass was held at St. Patrick's Church on January 6. Bishop Erik T. Pohlmeier was the principal celebrant and Father Michael Williams was the homilist. The Honor Guard was present at the mass, represented by **GK Joe D'Amata** and **Color Corp Commander Ron Spitznagel**.

"Well done, good and faithful servant."

WE REMEMBER JOE! BROTHER AND SK JOSEPH PAUL BOUVIER

OCTOBER 5, 1938- DECEMBER 23, 2024



From Family of the Month for **Brother and Sir Knight Joe and Annette** in our Council's February 2018 Newsletter to re-starting the Altar Server of the Year Award in our council (which he started in his previous council) to Fish Fry Dinners to a smile of his face, we remember his dedication, contribution, and commitment to the Knights and his faith. Much is written in the insert below about Joe and Annette so read it.

BOUVIER FAMILY FAMILY OF THE MONTH- DECEMBER

Brother and Sir Knight **Joseph and Annette Bouvier** and family are being honored for **Family of the Month for December.** Joe became a Knight in 1998 and a 4th Degree member in 1999. He transferred to our council in 2017 and, over the years, has been Chancellor, Deputy Grand Knight (4 times), Grand Knight (3 times) and currently Trustee. Joe is responsible for re-starting the Altar Server Recognition Award in our council this past year.

In March 1963, Joe was sent to Nashua to open and manage a Pizza Place. Towards the end of the month, Annette walked in to try out the pizza. Joe told his boss that "that's the girl I'm going to marry". He found out where she worked from her girlfriend and, on her birthday, April 4th, he brought her a pizza for lunch. Annette went back to thank him and they married in August 1963.

Joe is from Biddeford, Maine, where he graduated from Biddeford High while Annette is from Nashua, New Hampshire where she graduated St. Louis High, both in the late 1950s. After graduating, Joe later worked as a machinist for Pratt Whitney in Connecticut and GTE Products in Nashua NH, then had to retire on disability and moved to Florida.

Annette worked in banking in CT and NH and was President of the American Bankers Association In Florida, they lived in Largo for 4 years, then moved to Dunedin for 31 years where Annette worked in banking for 3 1/2 years, then as an Insurance and Finance Manager at Harberson RV Dealership for 22 years.

They have a daughter, Cheryl, who's married to John. They have a granddaughter, Beth, who attends UCF in the Aerospace Engineering Program, and a grandson, Adam, who is in 7th grade at Westwood in the Cambridge Program and plays trumpet in the band

Joe is a fan of the NY Giants, NY Yankees, UF (football, baseball, basketball) and Ohio State football. His favorite baseball players are Mickey Mantle and Yogi Berra. They have volunteered at their local church weekly Bingo games where Joe did payouts and Annette called Bingo (she really misses Bingo).

Both have been involved in many, many church ministries and Knights' activities- from chairing Basketball Free Throws contests (where winners went to regional and state levels, even one who won at the State level) and Tootsie Roll Drives; starting Altar Server of the Year Award as well as Priest and Religious Appreciation Dinners; to being officers in the JFK and St. Michael's Ladies Auxiliaries, in Dunedin and Clearwater, respectively. And there's more, just ask Joe and Annette about them.

We knew him as Joe but, did you know, as a youth his family knew him as Paul Joseph or just Paul. Friends knew him as Butch. When he discovered a mistake on his birth certificate, he went by the name of Joe as an adult.

Joe served in the Army- first on active duty for 6 months at Ft. Knox (he tanked) then 9 years in the Army National Guard. Before coming to Florida in 1981, he got a job working in restaurants- Pizza by Charlie (where he met Annette- see insert), then progressively wanting to be owner from Italian Kitchen to Pizza by Cheryl (named after his daughter).



For this we are thankful to having known Joe (Paul, Butch) and Annette and their family.

BROTHER AND SK JOHN EVJEN- REST IN PEACE 1927-2024

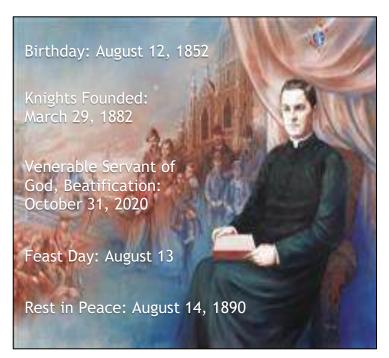
Recently, our council found out that **Brother and Sir Knight John Evjen** had passed away on July 16, 2024 after a long illness at the age of 97 years in Rochester, MN. He was a member of Council #13207 and Honorary Life member of the Knights of Columbus having originally joined in December 1964 with re-entry in September 1968. He was also a member of Assembly #1817. **Bruce Evjen**, John's son, informed the council about his dad's passing after an inquiry was made concerning John's health and provided additional information about him.

As a young man, John's wandering took him away from his home state of Minnesota and family when he joined the Army and then the Navy. He went to college and became a Professional Electrical and Mechanical Engineer with GE. His job took him far and wide, and he lived in many different states. Cross country car trips, camping trips, sailing and in later years travel abroad. He loved to travel. And by his side on every journey was **Beverly**, his wife.

According to one of his daughters, "His engineering knowhow paired with his depression era *Make Do or Do Without* mentality meant that growing up we rarely saw a professional repairman in our home. Dad was in charge of appliance repair. As a result, Mom went years without a working oven. She became queen of the no bake treats at church bake sales. And who needs a working dishwasher when there was a steady supply of child labor. And living in the sunshine state means there is ample opportunity for line drying when clothes dryer breaks. Mom could also *Make Do or Do Without*." Please keep John and his family in your prayers.

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Brother Knight	Date	Salutation!			
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Tony Stefanowicz	3/24	Happy Birthday!			
Greg Jasinski	3/28	Happy Birthday!			
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Fr. Clyde Salitrero	4/3	Happy Birthday!			
James Vignola	4/27	Happy Birthday!			
Brian Gorman	4/29	Happy Birthday!			
Stephen Meinholz	5/11	Happy Birthday!			
Juan Carlos Delgado	5/22	Happy Birthday!			
Evan Smith	5/22	Happy Birthday!			
Pablo Orengo	5/25	Happy Birthday!			
Felipe Rodriguez	5/25	Happy Birthday!			
Frederick Brown	5/26	Happy Birthday!			
Carl Fischer	5/26	Happy Birthday!			
Willian Ryan	5/27	Happy Birthday!			
Stephen DeRobertis	5/30	Happy Birthday!	X,		
To all!	3/1/25 –	Нарру, Нарру, Нарру			
(and if anyone is missed)	5/31/25	Birthday!			

BLESSED FR. MICHAEL MCGIVNEY IMPORTANT DATES



SEE PRAYER FOR THE CANONIZATION OF BLESSED MICHAEL MCGIVNEY

Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

Founder of the Knights of Columbus

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

Please report all favors received:
The Father McGivney Guild
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New Haven, CT 06510-3326 • USA
www.fathermcgivney.org

PRAYER FOR LENT

God of goodness and mercy, hear my prayer as I begin this Lenten journey with you. Let me be honest with myself as I look into my heart and soul, noticing the times I turn away from you. Guide me as I humbly seek to repent and return to your love. May humility guide my efforts to be reconciled with you and live forever in your abundant grace. Transform me this Lent, heavenly Father. Give me the strength to commit myself to grow closer to you each day. Amen.

PRAYER REQUESTS



If you know of a member, a family member of a member, a friend, a parishioner who is in need, please let us know at the meeting or, if unable to come to a meeting, alert the Grand Knight Joe D'Amata by email or text so that your intention can be presented and prayers may be offered.

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BRIEF SUMMARY OF MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES OF ELECTED OFFICERS IN KOFC COUNCIL

Grand Knight

- Presides over all meetings
- Appoints program and membership directors
- Appoints committees as needed
- Ensures the submission of all paperwork required by the Supreme and State Councils
- Has a working knowledge of the kofc.org website,
 Officers Online and Member Management
- Maintains working relationships with the council's chaplain, district deputy, field agent and general agent, as well as with other local service organizations

Deputy Grand Knight

- Assists the GK with operation of the council and duties assigned by GK
- When GK not present, presides at council meetings

Chancellor

- Has the duty of strengthening the members' interest in council activities
- Recommended to serve on the council's Admission Committee

Treasurer

- Receives money from Financial Secretary and deposits it in the proper council accounts
- Responsible for paying all council expenses, including assessments from the Supreme Council

Recorder

 Responsible for keeping and maintaining a true and permanent record of all actions of the council

Advocate

- Acts as parliamentarian for the council
- Should have a working knowledge of Robert's Rules of Order, Charter, Constitution & Laws, council bylaws, and Method of Conducting Council Meetings

Warden

- Responsible for supervising and maintaining all council property
- Sets up council chambers for meetings and degree exemplifications

Inside/Outside Guards

 Attend the doors of the council chamber, checking for current membership cards and allowing entrance

Board of Trustees

- Consists of GK and three other elected members
- Supervises all financial business of the council and conducts the semiannual audits
- Elected for terms of three years, two years and one year and, at each regular election, the position of each trustee will be voted upon, moving up one position



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Knights help the CHURCH

Knights are Part of the COMMUNITY

NINSURANCE needs for Families are met

• **MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENT** Practicing Catholic, 18 years or older

• BUSINESS MEETINGS

The Heart of the Knights

What are Families?

- 1st Thursday of each month, at 7 pm, Ministry Building, Holy Faith Catholic Church
 - SOCIAL MEETINGS

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