



FR. FINNEGAN NIGHTLINE

Council #14456-Clearwater



MARCH 2026

GRAND KNIGHT Bob Gibbia 727-290-8777	DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT Miguel Molina 813-334-8021	CHANCELLOR Joseph Garisto	TREASURER Jamie Pennell	FINANCIAL SECRETARY Roger Quandt
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ADVOCATE Chris Fleck	RECORDER Nathan Freeby	WARDEN Shelton Walker	LECTURER Peter Palmieri	GUARDS Jack Frandeka Gary Berry	TRUSTEES Jay Langan, Tom Goodrich Clyde Schreiner
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TREASURER REPORT: February 2026

Checking on hand: 01/31/26	\$ 9,777.52
Deposits	\$ 1,518.00
Checks withdrawal & Fee	\$ 822.17
Checking on hand 02/28/26	\$ 10,473.35
Petty cash fund	\$ 300.00
TOTAL	\$ 10,773.35
Dedicated Funds in checking Account (Car show, Golf)	\$ 998.48
Checking Account & Petty funds Available for general use 2/28/26	\$ 9,774.87

Our next Business Meeting will be:

April 23rd, 7 pm

Room #1

COUNCIL'S MEMBERSHIP REPORT

MARCH 3, 2026

Associate members	72
Insurance Membership	59
Honorary Life Members	26
Honorary Members	5
Exemption	15
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	131



SAVING ACCOUNT

Cash on Hand 01/31/26	\$ 2,367.71
Deposit: (Interest)	\$.02
Total dedicated funds	\$ 0.00
Funds available for general use On 9/30/25	\$2,367.73



2026 State Convention General Information

The 122nd Annual Meeting of the Florida State Council, otherwise known as the 2026 State Convention, will be held May 22-25, 2026, at the Rosen Shingle Creek 9939 Universal Blvd Orlando, FL 32819

Fr. Finnegan Delegates are:

DELEGATE: Grand Knight Robert Gibbia

Alternate: Jamie Pennell

DELEGATE: Deputy Grand Knight Miguel Molina

Alternate: Peter Palmieri

Exemplifications of Charity, Unity and Fraternity

Presented by the Florida State Council

New candidates or to advance your 1st and 2nd Degree members to the 3rd Degree.

Please note that the English Exemplifications are held every Thursday during weeks 1-4 at 7pm.

the Spanish Exemplifications are held on the 3rd Wednesday and the 5th Thursday of the month at 8 pm.



MARCH

MICHAEL DUFFIN

Mike has taken on many responsibilities for our council. Notably, he managed the organization of the Golf Tournament, which is a significant undertaking and requires substantial effort and coordination.

In addition to the with the tournament, Mike plays a vital role in every pancake breakfast event. He consistently helps with the setup and serves during the breakfast itself, from start to finish.

EXEMPLIFICATION OF THE FOURTH DEGREE



The next Fourth Degree Exemplification Ceremony within the Archdiocese of Miami, will take place on June 27, 2026. The location will be at St. Bonaventure Catholic Church in Davie, Florida. This special Exemplification will commemorate the 250th Birthday Anniversary of the United States of America. Let us continue to build a legacy of faithful service — united in fraternity, rooted in faith, and proudly patriotic. We encourage you to bring your 2026 family, so that they too can be witnesses to this historic patriotic event.

St. Bonaventure Catholic Church
1301 SW 136th Avenue, Davie, FL 33325
Registration 9:30-10:30 AM
Exemplification: 11:00 AM
Holy Mass: 1:00 PM
Luncheon: 2:00 PM
Adjournment: 3:45 PM

To register, visit the Florida state council website at: www.floridakofc.org

- From the landing page menu, select Fourth Degree
- Select Fourth Degree Forms
- Select Exemplification Candidate Registration Form (complete and print)
- Select Candidate Appropriate Dress Form (print and sign)
- Select Fillable Form 4 – complete and print out

The completed forms should be brought to your council Financial Secretary along with your payment. The FS will submit the forms and your payment to the appropriate Assembly Comptroller for processing.



Golf Cart Ministry

Brother Knights,

Fr. Finnegan Council #14456 is currently in need of volunteers to assist with parking lot transportation before and after Saturday, 4 pm and Sunday 9:00 and 11:00 am masses.

This important ministry helps parishioners who may need assistance getting to and from the church safely and comfortably. If you are willing to serve by driving the golf cart for shifts before or after Mass, we would greatly appreciate your help!

For more information or to sign up, please contact

BOB GIBBIA, Grand Knight

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Knights of Columbus
F O U R T H
D E G R E E
Patriotic degree of the Order.



March 24, 2026

St. Catherine of Siena, Assembly 063,
Honor Guard provided a solemn, disciplined
presence at the funeral for

SK JOE DUST

The presence serves as a final act of loyalty and a visible
sign of the Church's support for the deceased and their
family.



What is an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion?

A Eucharistic Minister is a parishioner, selected by Sister Kathleen and Rober Gibbia who serves, distributes, and administers the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ during Holy Communion or Eucharistic Celebration of the Church Service. In the Catholic Mass, they are referred to more accurately as "Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion"

Eucharistic Ministers are called not only to minister the Body and Blood of Christ, but to have and maintain a strong faith, a sense of awe, and an inclusiveness of others as the foundation for their ministry. The ministers accomplish this by strengthening their faith from within and sharing it with the faithful at communion time. Eucharistic Ministers must be comfortable in establishing a relationship with each communicant in what is most likely the most intimate moment in the liturgy.

We are in need for Eucharistic Ministers at all weekend masses, please help us with this important minister at St. Catherine of Siena.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, SEE GRAND KNIGHT ROBERT GIBBIA



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

April 26th

Set up: Saturday April 25th

8:30 am



Saturday, April 18th

Fr. Finnegan council #14456

Will be hosting a Barbeque luncheon

At Pinellas Hope

Will be serving

Hamburger, hotdogs and fixings

Please sign up to help

Your attendance is vital for the well-being of our council and its efforts to continue good work. Please make a special effort to attend our meetings. Summer is here and the Knights will. continue our work.

Our Next meeting will be Thursday, APRIL 23RD, at 7 pm

In Room #1

YEARLY NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS FOR COUNCIL OFFICERS

Here are a general timeline and overview of the process: ATTE

JANUARY/FEBRUARY: A nominated Committee has been appointed by the Grand Knight Robert Gibbia. I have chosen:

Committee members are:

Jay Langan – Clyde Schreiner – Tom Goodrich

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN A POSITION, PLEASE CONTACT A COMMITTEE MEMBER

APRIL/MAY: The nominating Committee presents its slate of candidates.

MAY 15 – JUNE 15: The annual election takes place

JULY 1: Newly elected officers begin their term.

Key Council Officer Roles

- **Grand Knight (GK):** The chief executive officer responsible for the council's overall welfare. He presides over meetings, appoints committee directors, countersigns checks, and acts as the primary liaison with the parish pastor and District Deputy.
- **Deputy Grand Knight (DGK):** Second-in-command who assists the Grand Knight and presides in his absence. He often serves as the **Program Director** and sits on the retention committee.
- **Chancellor:** Focuses on strengthening member interest and involvement. He typically serves as the chairman of the **Admission Committee** and assists the GK and DGK.
- **Financial Secretary (FS):** An appointed official (by the Supreme Knight) who manages all financial and membership records. He collects dues, issues membership cards, and files mandatory reports to the State and Supreme Councils.
- **Treasurer:** Responsible for the council's funds and bank accounts. He receives money from the FS, issues receipts, and pays all council expenses.
- **Recorder:** Acts as the "scribe," keeping meeting minutes and historical records. He also handles council correspondence.
- **Advocate:** The council's parliamentarian. He must be familiar with the Order's laws, council bylaws, and [Robert's Rules of Order](#) to ensure meetings are conducted properly.
- **Warden:** Custodian of all council property (except funds). He is responsible for setting up chambers for meetings and ceremonies and overseeing the guards.
- **Inside & Outside Guards:** Manage security at the council chamber doors, checking for valid membership cards before allowing entry.

- **Board of Trustees (3):** Oversees the work of the FS and Treasurer and conducts semi-annual financial audits. Three-year trustee must be elected.
- **Chaplain:** A priest who serves as the spiritual advisor, providing reflections at meetings and guidance to members and their families.
- **Lecturer:** Appointed by the GK to provide educational or entertaining programs under the "Good of the Order" section of meetings.

Leadership Requirements

To serve as a council officer, a Knight must typically be a **Third-Degree** member. Certain roles, such as the Grand Knight and those working with youth, must also complete mandatory Safe Environment Training.



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

ROBERT BEHL – ROBERT CAMPAGNA – DONALD CHILL – DENNIS DESMARAIS SR.
JOE DUST – LOUIS FIERRO – MARK KUTZ – MIGUEL MOLINA – REV ROBERT MORRIS
MARK POSGAI – JOSHUA TYBECK



A Prayer for Healing

*At every moment of our existence
you are present to us, God,
in gentle compassion.*

*Help us to be present to one another
so that our presence may be a strength
that heals the wounds of time,*

*and gives hope that is for all persons,
through Jesus our compassionate brother.*



JOSEPH GARISTO SR.

JOSEPH DELLA-PENNA

JOHN FABISZEWSKI

GK ROBERT GIBBIA



JOE DUST