



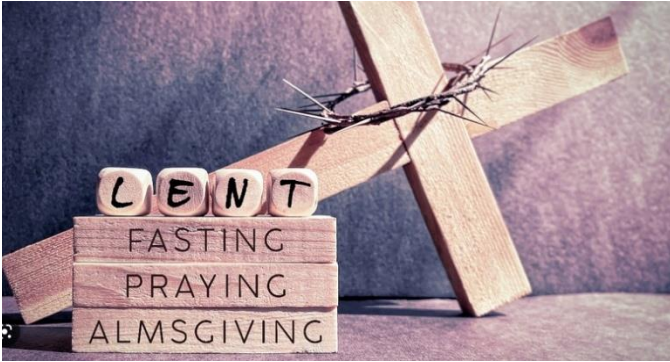
# Knight's News

## Mother Seton Council 6724



March 2023

Nativity Catholic Church



### Grand Knight's Message

On Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> there will be a Knights of Columbus webinar conducted by Ed Slott on Retirement Savings and Distribution Planning. This is a free online webinar and counts as our second required insurance event. We need a minimum of 7 Knights to attend. Just sign in to register and then complete the survey at the end to qualify as attending. See the flyer in the Upcoming Events section.

Still no word as to when we will be moving to the Oakwood House for meetings but things are moving along and getting closer. The Semi-Annual audit has been completed and turned in along with our activity report. The next item that needs work is the budget for 2023-2024. All Program Directors need to submit inputs for their areas to the Financial Secretary. Last year's budget and a working outline was provided by email.

Many thanks to all who made the Mardi Gras Jambalaya Dinner a success. Thank you to Jonathan Lodrigues and Marc Petrini who ran a tight kitchen and those who put in long hours of prepping the food for cooking. Thanks to those who sold tickets especially Bob Hopkins

who managed to make the "Square" work to take card payments. DGK Jay McCabe did a great Job with the posters, organization and decorations and of course our video star, Joe Angelo, was amazing on the big screen. Then there were the soldiers who did the order taking, delivery and cleanup. Great job by all.

St. Clement in Plant City has put out a call for help with their strawberry shortcake booth at the Strawberry Festival from March 2<sup>nd</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>. For helping you get free admittance to the fair and meal tickets. See the information in the Volunteer Information section of this Newsletter.

We are looking into attending The Fish Fry on Friday, 3 March as a group. Wear your Council shirt, bring the family and come out & support the Men's Club. Look for an upcoming Evite for more Info.

I have obtained a date for the Altar Servers and Clergy Appreciation Dinner. It will be held on Saturday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of April. I tried to get a March date but there were no open Saturday dates available. This dinner is open to all Altar Servers & their families plus brother Knights and families. It is our way to show our appreciation for all the great work they do for Nativity Parish and to celebrate as one family. There will be more information in the near future.

*Tim Ashcraft*

GK Tim Ashcraft

Mother Seton Council 6724



## Mother Seton Council 6724 Officers 2022-2023

**Chaplain – Fr. Don Amodeo**

**Grand Knight – Tim Ashcraft**

**Deputy Grand Knight – Jay McCabe**

**Chancellor – Dale D'Alessandro**

**Financial Secretary- Ray Quiñones**

**Treasurer – Karlos del Aguila**

**Warden – Bill O'Keefe**

**Recorder – Neil Waid**

**Advocate – Howard Baum III**

**1 Year Trustee – Tim Kasprzyk**

**2 Year Trustee – Stephen Curcio**

**3 Year Trustee – Richard Spinelli**

**Lecturer – Jim Schwonek**

**Inside Guard – Noel Blanchet - Jesus Calderon**

**Outside Guard – Javier Gonzalez -Tony Carew**

### Programs Director

- DGK Jay McCabe - (813)-546-0679

### Membership Director

- Bob Hopkins - (813)-363-5935

### Faith

- Jim Schwonek - (727)-667-4223

### Family

- Chris Taylor - (813) 220-6135

### Community

- Neil Waid - (813)-830-3817

### Life

- David Kadiri - (520)-822-6822

### Kairos

- Richard Spinelli - (813)-495-6446

### Publicity

- Joe Angelo - (347)-224-0690

## Council Calendar



Mar. 3 – Fish Fry Social

Mar. 5 – Membership Drive

Mar. 6 - **Council Business Meeting**, 7:30 pm

Mar. 11 - Miller Road Clean-up

Mar. 15 - **Assembly Business Meeting**, 7:30 pm

Mar. 25 & 26 - Food Truck

Mar. 29 - **Officer's Meeting**, 7:30 pm

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### April 2023

Apr. 3 - **Council Business Meeting**, 7:30 pm

Apr. 19 - **Assembly Business Meeting**, 7:30 pm

Apr. 22 – Altar Server & Clergy Appreciation Dinner

Apr. 26 - **Officer's Meeting**, 7:30 pm

Apr. 29 & 30 - Food Truck

**Set your clocks ahead one hour**  
**Saturday night, March 11th!**



## District Deputy Comments

Brothers All,

Are you a member of the Father Michael J. McGivney Guild? If not, why not?

The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild promotes the cause for sainthood of the founder of the Knights of Columbus, who was beatified on Oct. 31, 2020. Members of the Guild, and anyone devoted to Father McGivney, can play an active role in the cause by praying for his intercession in times of need, especially in cases of serious illness, and reporting to the Guild any favors received. Membership in the Guild is free and open to anyone who is devoted to Father McGivney and wishes to invoke his intercession and assist in his sainthood cause through prayer. Members receive a quarterly newsletter and are remembered in a weekly Mass offered for their intentions.

On May 26, 2020, Father McGivney took another step toward sainthood when Pope Francis approved the promulgation of a decree recognizing a miracle attributed to his intercession. With the approval of this miracle, he was beatified on Oct. 31, 2020, with the title of Blessed.

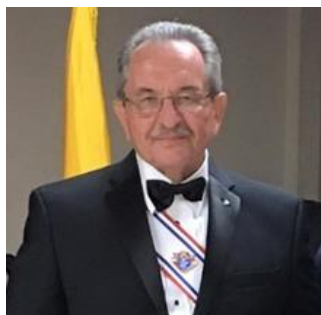
Another miracle through his intercession is needed for him to be canonized as a saint. Those devoted to Father McGivney are encouraged to recite regularly, the prayer for his canonization. You may Report Favors through the website, [www.fathermcgivney.org](http://www.fathermcgivney.org), or by email or regular mail at the addresses listed below.

**Father McGivney Guild**  
**1 Columbus Plaza**  
**New Haven, CT 06510**  
**Email:**  
[guild@kofc.org](mailto:guild@kofc.org)

Vivat Jesus!

YBIC

Tim Kasprzyk  
DD 47



## Insurance Corner



### Aligning Faith and Finances

Your faith guides your life, but does it play a role in your financial choices? The Knights of Columbus and



its partners, Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors and Charitable Fund, offer financial services that provide you and your family the opportunity to invest in your future while supporting causes that are important to your family.

If you are not yet investing in our financial solutions, please consider learning more today and enjoying the peace and satisfaction that comes from aligning financial choices with our shared catholic faith and values. To learn more, visit [kofc.org/liveyourfaith](http://kofc.org/liveyourfaith).

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# Knights in Action



Mother Elizabeth Ann Seton  
Knights of Columbus Council #6724  
Presents



First Annual Mardi Gras  
Take-out Jambalaya Dinner



We are celebrating Mardi Gras Festival  
With a Jambalaya Dinner

Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup>  
5:00 pm till 7:00 pm  
This will be a "Take-Out" event only and limited to 300 meals.

"First Come, First Served" Dinner Tickets Sales  
begins January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
\$15 Dinner tickets can be purchased in Social Hall after  
All Sunday Masses and Saturday 4 pm Mass.

Contact info: Jay McCabe, Mardi Gras Chairperson ~ [jaymccabe122@gmail.com](mailto:jaymccabe122@gmail.com)  
Grand Knight Tim Ashcraft ~ [tknight6724@gmail.com](mailto:tknight6724@gmail.com)







The job is never finished until cleanup is done.



## Upcoming Events



**Knights of  
Columbus®**

## Retirement Savings and Distribution Planning

March 2, 2023 at 7:30 PM EST

Join us for a free, virtual webinar featuring **Ed Slott, America's IRA Expert**, as he presents **"Retirement Savings and Distribution Planning"**.

The event is scheduled for **March 2, 2023 at 7:30 pm, on line**. We need at least 7 Knights to register and attend this online seminar to meet our yearly insurance goal.

Learn how planning can help give you peace of mind. Register today:

<https://tinyurl.com/KofCSlottMarch2>

Right click on the link above and select **"open hyperlink"**. You will then be able to fill in the registration form.

A Memorial Service for the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Operation Iraqi Freedom will be held at Veterans Memorial Park  
3602 US HWY 301,  
Tampa FL 33619

Monday, 20 March 2023 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. It is open to all. Come out and honor those who served to protect our freedom.

Nativity Catholic Church  
Knights of Columbus Council #6724  
Mother Elizabeth Ann Seton



Invitation to join the Knights of Columbus

Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> 2023

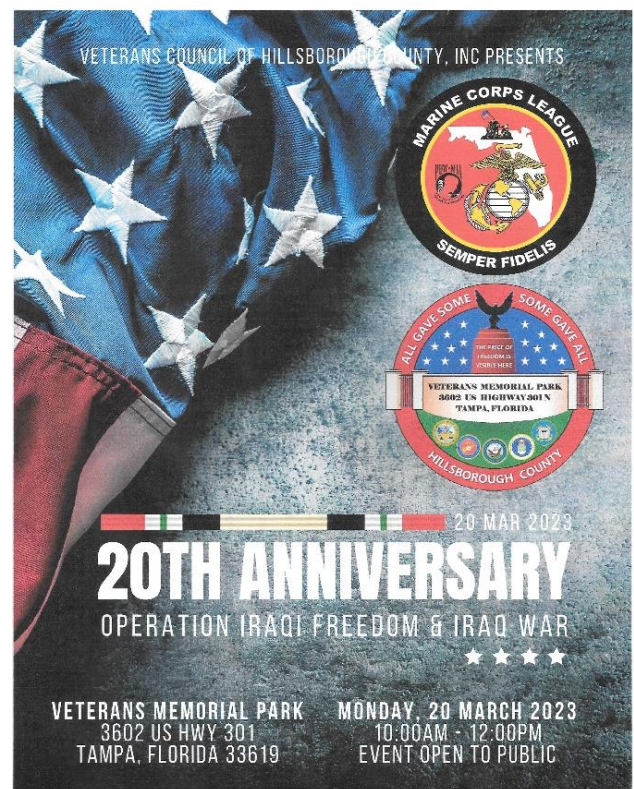
Knights will be available in the Social Hall after all Masses to answer any questions.

We hope you consider joining the Fraternity of Catholic Men.

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Membership Team Bob Hopkins - [kofcbhopkins@icloud.com](mailto:kofcbhopkins@icloud.com) or  
Danny Flores - [dfgchill@gmail.com](mailto:dfgchill@gmail.com) (Español)

Wear your Knight's shirt and come to the Social Hall after mass to meet and invite fellow Catholic gentlemen to become a Knight. The number 1 response as to why one was not a Knight was, "I was never asked".



## Volunteer Opportunities



St. Clement's Make Your Own Strawberry Shortcake Booth is enjoying its 49th year serving the public and is looking for volunteers for anyone that can work a day or evening shift from Thursday, March 2 to Sunday March 12, 2023.

Day Booth shifts are 9:00am - 5:00pm (arrive by 8:30 to get uniform and signed in)

Evening Booth shifts are 4:30pm - 10:00pm (arrive by 4:00pm to get uniform and signed in)

This is a genuinely good time with free entrance to the festival for anyone that would like to work the day shift and stay afterwards for the rest of the evening.

Any volunteers will get a meal ticket for the local vendors and a free shortcake ticket to enjoy yourself, either on your breaks or right before you leave if you'd like to take it home.

You can see the link for the sign-up form for details and get in contact with one of our scheduling volunteers:

Day shift: Wendy Hetrick 813-716-9896

Evening shift: Joyce Cowan 813-639-0561

Bilingual Scheduling: Jasmin 813-532-0300

### [Sign Up Form](#)

You can also reach me, Grand Knight Greg Richard, at 813-836-3726 or [garco1979@gmail.com](mailto:garco1979@gmail.com) if you have questions.

## Nativity Food Truck



The Nativity Outreach Food Truck will be on Campus March 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. Help is needed for set up on Saturday as well as the half hour prior to each day's masses.

Support your parish and those in need.



Nativity will be holding their Lenten Penance Service on March 27<sup>th</sup>. There will be priest from several local parishes who will be hearing confessions and once again the Knights have volunteered to help with directing those who are attending and help answer their questions. We could use approximately 10 to 12 knights. Look for an upcoming Evite with more information and details.





Please keep the following in your prayers:

Richard Hardesty	Don Clark & Family
Lew Palumbo & Family	Tim Ashcraft
Chester & Cathy Williams	Sam & Joan Miller
Tim & Nancy Kasprzyk	Bill Queenan
Jim & Cheryl Schwonek	Bob Hopkins
Don Cseh	Gordon Hewitt
Ed Van Steenburgh	Noel Blanchet
Margaret & Diana McCabe	Jay McCabe
Ed Brelsford	Richard Spinelli
Ruben & Julio del Aguila	Rick Silver
Joshua Carew	Andrew Balser
Evelyn Curcio	Juliet Adams
Dale D'Alessandro & son Chris	

For the earthquake victims in Turkey & Syria

### Prayer for the Sick

*Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again.*

*Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us...Amen.*

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*



### IN MEMORIAM

**Virginia "Ginny" Palumbo**

**St. Joseph, Patron Saint of Fathers**



**St. Joseph**

Feast Day: March 19



**Pray for Us**

@cathapostlectr

Saint Joseph is known in the Gospels as the humble carpenter, husband of Mary, and father of Jesus. Joseph's paternal care of Jesus and the loving protection of Mary, and his commitment to the education of Jesus Christ led the Church to declare him patron of the whole Church, known as the "Patronage of Saint Joseph." [Catholic Apostolate Center](https://www.catholicapostolatecenter.org/)

Feast Day Calendar for March 2023



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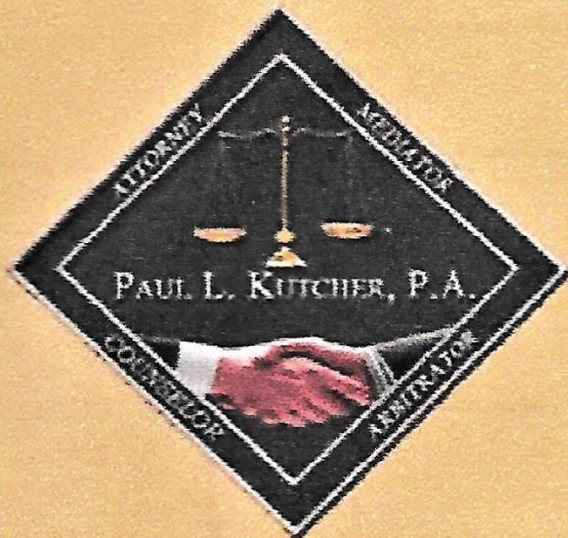
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