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# Grand Knight's Report.....

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Happy April!

It has been an action-packed season with the Fish Frys, Ball Park and Pancake Breakfast keeping us busy! It's been great to see so many Incarnation parishioners, families and friends participating in these events.

Thank you to everyone who was able to volunteer when you could, every little bit helps. The Ball Park and Fish Frys are two of our biggest fundraisers of the year and your help made them a success. If you've considered volunteering, but still haven't done so, please consider signing up for a future event. I promise you it will be a rewarding and fun experience.

While looking forward to things slowing down a bit next month, it is a lot of fun to spend time with like-minded individuals serving others so we can provide more to the causes we support. This is why most of us became Knights and I for one am very happy to be in our productive Council.

I hope everyone enjoys Holy Week and has a Happy and Blessed Easter.

**Vivat Jesus!** 

Bryan Hoskinson Grand Knight



## **ACTIVITIES AND SPECIAL EVENTS**



#### FAITH ACTIVITIES

### **Holy Hour Adoration:**

On March 19th the period from 5:30pm to 6:00pm was attended by 8 members of our Council and their wives.

The requirement for our members is from 5:30pm to 6:00pm on the third Tuesday of each month.

#### Rosary:

The next 5th Sunday Rosary will be on June 30th 2024.

Lou Kolupa, Faith Activities Director

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## **FAMILY**

#### **FAMILY ACTIVITIES**



Hope you had a beautiful and blessed Easter. This is certainly a wonderful time of year.

Well I am happy to report Trivia had our best night ever.

We had 11 teams with around 55 players. Thanks to the team for a bang up job.

We had to recruit a few extra workers since Pete and Dawn were away and Kevin was ill. Thanks to our FS Dan and his wife Leah, and Paul Turner for filling in. Thanks also to our regulars Pat, Tom, and Rae for another fine job.

We cleared over \$450.00! Our next Trivia night is April 8, you should give it a try as it is fun and we have hot dogs on the menu.

Please remember Fr. Joe Sterns who use to help with Masses at Incarnation, he went home to the Lord. May he rest in peace.

Deacon John, Trivia Coordinator



#### **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

#### **OUR LADY OF HOPE STATUE**

Now that the youth activities have been completed, I had the time to finish the base for the Our Lady of Hope statue. The statue in now located at the back of the church near the west door.

This project started several years ago and mentored by Brother Steve Malecki.

It took some time to fund and order the statue. But now the project is complete. Father Eric is pleased with the Council's donation to the church.

## Knights of Columbus Incarnation Council #15332 2O23-2O24 Officers

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## LIFE

LIFE ACTIVITIES

40 Days for Life



Incarnation serves as the coordinator for 40 Days for Life 365 at the prayerful vigil at Planned Parenthood. The February vigil was on Wednesday, March 6.



The word "incarnation" means the "living form" or "manifestation". It is fitting that the Our Lady of Hope statue is displayed in Incarnation Church.

Dale Haas, PGK PFN
Community Activities Chair

The April vigil will be on Wednesday, April 3rd from 10 AM to 4 PM. Volunteers are welcome to join the Incarnation coordinator for each hour in praying for the health and welfare of the moms arriving at Planned Parenthood and their babies, and that the Planned Parenthood workers realize that life is sacred and a gift from God that should be preserved.

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#### Novena of Masses for Life



The 2024 Novena of Masses for Life began on the Feast of the Annunciation Monday, March 25th. The April Mass will be at 11 on Thursday April 25th.

The Incarnation Council is partnering with the Incarnation Women's Club once again to provide the stipend for the 2024 Novena of Masses for Life.

### Sarasota Medical Pregnancy Center (SMPC)





Brother Art Reilly serves as an ambassador to Sarasota Medical Pregnancy Center in a variety of capacities. During March among other things, he:

- Chaired the SMPC Board's March Medical and Educational Services Committee meeting and prepared the meeting notes for the Board.
- Participated in the SMPC Board's Governance Committee meeting.
- Attended St Patrick's Mass on Sunday, March 10th to thank St Patrick's

parishioners on behalf of the Sarasota Medical Pregnancy Center; Received the diapers, wipes and others items from the Drive.



Brother Joe Reardon at St. Patricks



Brothers Joe Reardon and Art along with SMPC CEO, Jennifer Carey, SMPC Client Advocate Manager Bluett Cruz, and St Patrick Knight Ron Curtin

- Was a Guardian Event sponsor of the SMPC 2024 "Life is Beautiful" Gala along with the Incarnation KofC Council which was a Protector Event Sponsor
- Appeared in the SMPC 2024 "Life is Beautiful" Gala video honoring Dr Jack Sullivan, SMPC Medical Director for his 20 years of service saluting Dr Sullivan for his compassion and excellence in establishing

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the SMPC staff culture and for the many future generations that will provide a legacy building upon the 55 years that his father provided as a general practitioner in Sarasota.

- Hosted three tables at the SMPC 2024 "Life is Beautiful" Gala.
- Assisted SMPC staff at the Gala: greeting guests and promoting the work of the Center.



Brother Art with Dr Jack Sullivan and his wife and SMPC Board member Julissa Baez Pavon

#### 2024 DIOCESE OF VENICE WALK FOR LIFE



Brother Brian Harkins (St Thomas Moore, Christine Dowell (wife of PGK Matt Dowell), Jeanne Berdeaux (DoV Respect Life Director), Brothers Joe Gina and Bob Walter (Our Lady of the Angels and St Patrick respectively



Our Lady of Angels Knight Joe Gina and Brother Art on the shuttle bus

On March 5th the Diocese of Venice conducted its annual Sarasota "Walk for Life". The Incarnation KofC Council contributed in a number of ways.

Life Activities Director Art Reilly, PGK



## COUNCIL

**COUNCIL EVENTS** 

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

## **PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

Our monthly Pancake Breakfast on March 17th. was a little disappointing in that we only served 72 adults and 4 children. Perhaps it was because it was edged between our Lenten Fish Fries.

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Under the continued leadership of Brother Paul Turner everything as usual worked very nicely. And, as usual, we received many compliments as to the quality of the breakfast served.



20 Knights, wives and children worked the breakfast: Paul and Joan Turner, Dan and Leah Marias, Chris Williams, Tom O'Loughlin, Louie Conetta, Art Reilly, Dennis Kennedy, Ron Vacarro, Lou "Purdue" Kolupa, Bryan Hoskinson, Bryan Pham, Matt, Christine, Joseph and Patrick Dowell, Patrick Shanahan, John Marcinek, and Phil and Nancy Riordan.

Please help us out at our next Pancake Breakfast on April 21st.

#### **FISH FRY'S**



During March we finished up our total of six consecutive Friday Lenten Fish Fries. Overall we served 715 adults and 38 children.

Our last Fish Fry on March 22nd we served 142 adults and 14 children. And, that consisted of many first timers. We, as usual, received many compliments for our dinner consisting of cod fish, french fries, coleslaw, macaroni and cheese, bread and butter, along with various drinks.

Our Knight Paul Turner led the way each week. We had many new brothers and wives who participated. Those who helped were: Chris and Kimberly Brancato, David Brignone, Lou Conetta, Kevin Dalldorf, Matt, Stephanie, Patrick, Joseph, and Christine Dowell, Dale Haas, Bryan Hoskinson, Dennis Kennedy. Lou "Purdue" Kolupa, Brad Lawhead, Dan and Leah Marias, John Marcinek, Tom O'Loughlin, Tom and Karen Pagano, Bryan Pham, Art Reilly, Phil and Nancy Riordan, Kyle Runnels, Gordon Sapp, Pat Shanahan, Don Stewart, Patrick Tankersley, Paul and Joan Turner, Ron Vacarro, Chris Williams, and Bob Wolsky. For a grand total of 35 workers!!



From left to right Brothers Bob Wolsky, Tom Pagano, and Lou "Purdue" Kolupa take a break from the 50–50 raffle and greeting our guests at our Fish Fry

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Preparing the serving line are from left to right are Chris Williams, Leah Marias, Tom O'Loughlin, Joseph Dowell, Lou Concetta, Karen Pagano and John Marcinek



Leah Marias and brother Chris Brancato get ready another bowl of delicious coleslaw



Brothers Lou Concetta (left) and Dennis Kennedy take a break from cooking the fish



Brothers Tom O'Loughlin ( on left) and Kevin Dalldorf working the serving line

Our net profit exceeded our budget by some \$1,300.00. Thanks so much to all who participated, especially those who worked multiple Fridays.

#### **DONATIONS MADE**

The following donations were made during the month of March:

- 1. The Haven \$1,500.00
- 2. Saint Mary Academy \$1,500.00
- 3. Special Olympics Florida \$1,500.00

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Dan Marias, FS

## 2024 SPRING TRAINING BASEBALL SEASON IS THE MOST SUCCESSFUL EVER

For the thirteenth consecutive year, Incarnation Council 15332 and St. Thomas More Council 7826 operated a concession stand at Ed Smith Stadium during the 2024 Baltimore Orioles Spring Training Baseball Season. For the fourth season, the Councils operated the Outdoor Patio Grill Concession Stand – AND

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WE DID VERY WELL!!. For the 16-game schedule, the stand rang up \$169,625 in gross sales for an average of \$10,604 per game. Pretty good for a stand just selling hamburgers, hot dogs, sausage with peppers and onions, draft beer, soda, water, popcorn, potato chips, cracker jacks and peanuts. We served 7,468 customers or an average of 498 per game.

The above sales resulted in the two Councils generating \$33,382 in revenues. The earnings came from commissions – 10 percent of net sales – and tips. The commissions totaled \$15,616. However, the big revenue source was credit card tips, which totaled \$16,234. In addition, the Councils received \$1,508 in cash tips. For the year, the Councils earned an average of \$2,086 per game – \$976 in commissions and \$1,110 in tips. After

deducting expenses, each Council should receive around \$15.950. The amount is an estimate until the final accounting and check is received from the Baltimore Orioles, which should be in mid-April.

The success of the 2024 Spring Training Season was all due to the great work and commitment of the volunteers from each Council. This year, 14 Brothers and Sisters from Incarnation worked the ball games – Dave Brignone, Steve Christie, Jon Engel, Dawn Gordon, Pete Gordon, Dale Haas, George Haviland, Brad Lawhead, Steve Malecki, John Marcinek, Tom O'Loughlin, Gordon Sapp, Ron Vaccaro and Chris Williams They worked hard, but they had fun doing it. Special thanks goes out to Dale Haas who worked every game! Also, the following individuals worked a number

# MAKE A PRAYER REQUEST If you are aware of a Brother or their family

member who are ill or in need of support,

please contact Brother Phil Riordan at

941-809-2350.

## Knights Praying for Knights' Intentions

Current list of those in need

Bryan Hoskinson, Erin Alton, Patrick Shanahan, Nancy Riordan, Tony Tambini, Daniel Ochs & Family, Brad Lawhead, Ron Vaccarro, Chris Brancato, Jym Agen, Dave Katz, Robert Roland, Thomas Pagano, Sherry Brown, Dr. Steve Wyer, Pete Gordon, Dan Marias, Tommy Fey, Lisa Thornsberry, Railyn Jones, The Walker Family, Kevin Dalldorf, Tom McCarthy, Paul & Terri Koppie, Frank Canelli, Jesse Witman, Kelli Lawhead, Lana Mouschat, Davin Brock, Bruce Doorly, Michael Summa, Ellen & Warren Lossee, Kay Schmitt, Victoria Erquiaga, Thomas W. Dolan, Jr., Maryanne Danzi Kelly, Brian O'Brien, Karen Mulenkamp, Barbara Jendrysik, Steve Gage, Pauline Pantaleo, Jim Larkin, Mary Alice Christie, Lou Ortiz & Family, Ed Sedillo, Jim Costa, Anita Kincade, Orlando Rubiano, John Bobinger, Steve & Claudia Malecki, Deacon Bill Cassidy, Paul Turner, Bob Fernander, Kathy Rainey, Mary Kurt, Dave & Shirley Jenkins, Stephen Burns, Pat Calhoon, Edward & Nora Goddard, Jane Baker, John Pollard, Shirley Surdich, Doris Barger, Frank Giasone, Louise Parsons, Cindi Culkin, Tim Vanetta, Stephanie Recob Malecki, Jane Listwan, Jim Duggan, Mike Bavaro, Mary McCarthy, Arlene Kolupa, Noelle Bourdeau, all of our Brother Knights, our priests and all of our seminarians.

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of games – Steve Christie (15), John Marcinek (12), and Chris Williams (12). Thank you.



**Brothers Gordon Sapp and Steve Christie** 



**Brother Chris Williams and Sister Teresa Wyer** 



**Brothers George Haviland and Steve Malecki** 



Brother Dale Haas and John Marcinek with STM Grand Knight Ralph Neller



Brother Steve Christie with STM Brother Charlie Ballschmeider

To celebrate all these volunteers hard work, a "Thank You Cookout" has been planned on Wednesday, April 24th at Incarnation Parish from 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm. The event will be held outside the Finegan Center in the parking lot, where hamburgers, hot dogs, potato salad, cole slaw, potato chips, cold beer and wine will be served. It is a well-deserved thank you to the volunteers who worked this Spring Training Baseball Season.

See You at the Ball Park Next Season!!

Charlie Culkin
Director, Spring Training Baseball

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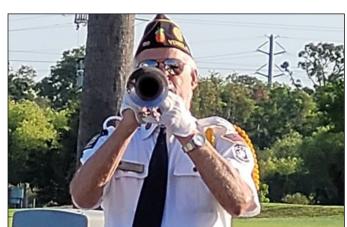
I attended the No Veteran Left Behind funeral service at the Sarasota National Cemetery for Veterans with no family to attend, on Wednesday March 13.

There were about 50 Knights, some with their wives. A troop of veteran bikers. A military honor guard with a gun salute. Taps were blown. The flag was unfurled, refolded and presented to a Knight.



Please see the following pictures.









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It was a very moving experience.

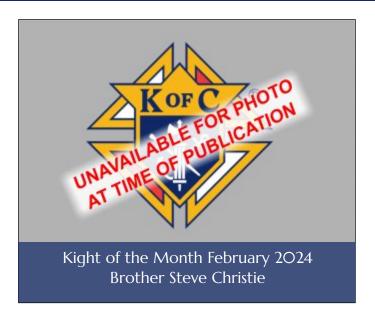
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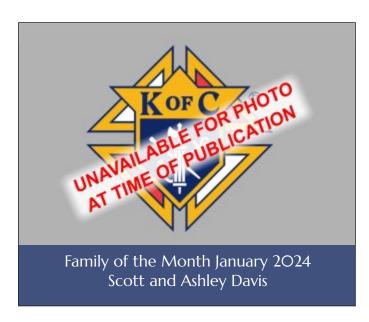
#### MEMBER RECOGNITION

Knight of the Month for February: Brother Steve Christie.

Brother Steve always make himself available to help at events. He is a key member of our Exemplification Degree Team, helps at the school events and worked every one of the Ball Park games this year. We appreciate everything he has done and continues to do for the betterment of our Council. Steve you are an inspiration to us all.



**Family of The Month for February:** Brother Scott Davis and wife Ashley.



The Davis's are always helping with any drives we have at the Masses especially the recent Citizens with Disabilities Drives. Additionally Brother Scott helps while working in the Parish Office.

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# KNIGHTS BIRTHDAYS LIST OF THIS MONTHS BIRTHDAYS

Scott C. Davis 04/04/1983 Timothy A. Shipe 04/04/1963 Stanley E. Duncan 04/07/1949 Ronald E. Burkhart 04/08/1941 Dr. Chad Turnbull 04/16/1979 Leo P. DaSilva 04/19/1962 Andi Zdrava 04/21/1987 Dale A. Haas 04/26/1949

#### ONE MEMBER, PER COUNCIL, PER MONTH

Membership growth is essential to the success of the Knights of Columbus. With the addition of each new member, the Order can better serve the Church, local communities and particularly those in need. But it isn't just the Order that benefits from a new member. Each new Knight benefits also.

Since its beginnings, the organization has promoted the principles of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. Knights contribute to the welfare of their parishes and communities, and seek to help the needy through financial and volunteer support.

In addition to the fellowship and faith development that Knights enjoy through their affiliation, the Knights offer a top-rated and competitively priced insurance program for the security of member families.

Please do your part as a member of Incarnation Council #15332 to recruit a new Knight.



He loves us without limit, and offers Himself to us in the Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist. Can we not give Jesus a few minutes of love and adoration in return?

On the third Tuesday of each month, our Council participates in the Eucharistic Adoration at the Church Chapel. We are assigned the 5:30 to 6:00 pm time period. The Council's next Eucharistic Adoration will be April 16th, 2024.



## INCARNATION COUNCIL #15332 WEBSITE

Don't forget to check out our website for more information on Incarnation Council at **www.kofc15332.org.** You can also get a copy of this newsletter there under the membership tab at the top of the home page.

Well, that's it for this edition of the NEWS and VIEWS!

**VIVAT JESUS!!!** 

Phil Riordan, Editor phil@riordanhome.com



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## **April 2024**

LEGEND

C=Church-CL=Chapel -CH=Church Hall-FC=Finegan Center-FCC=Finegan Center Conference Room-FCP=Finegan Center Portico-RDR=Rectory Dining Room

April 2024				May 2024								
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Mar 31	applications	Council Business Meeting (7:00 pm) FCC	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 Council Membership Meeting (7:00 pm) (FC)	10	11	12	13
14	Trivia Night (7:00 pm) (FC)  TRIVIA  Eat - Drink - Think	Eucharist Adoration (5:30 – 6:00 pm)(CL) Eucharistic Adoration	17	18		20 Council & St Vincent De Paul Society Food Collection Drive (10:00 am – 12:00 pm) and (4:00pm- 6:00pm) (Finegan Center)
21 Pancake Breakfast (8:00 – 1:00 pm)(FC) PANCAKE BREAKFAST		23	24	Novena of Masses for Life (7:00am) (CL)	26	27
28	29	30	May 1	2	3	4