

KNIGHTS NEWSLINE

September 2026



Devotion to the Seven Sorrows



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SEPTEMBER 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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Adoration Every Monday Night - 6:00pm



Bingo Every Tuesday Night - Beef O'Brady's (Cortez) 6:30pm



Tuesday, September 1, 2026
Officer's Meeting (rm 10 / 6:30pm)



Thursday, September 10, 2026
Business/Council Mtg (Flynn Hall / 6:30pm)



Friday, September 11, 2026
9/11 Never Forget!!



Saturday, September 12, 2026
Trivia Night! (Flynn Hall / 5:45pm)



Saturday, September 19, 2026
AOH 1/2way to St. Patty's
(Flynn Hall / 5pm)



Tuesday, September 22, 2026
Rosary for the unborn (Fountain /
6:30pm—Potluck to follow



Thursday, September 24, 2026
Fourth Degree Meeting
(Ss. Peter & Paul / 6:15pm)

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Our Lady of Sorrows

A MOTHER'S LOVE. SEVEN SORROWS.
ONE REDEMPTIVE PURPOSE.

Flipping through a religious calendar, I came upon a list of the Seven Sorrows of Mary. As I mentally pictured Mary's experiences, I pondered her most blessed and most sorrowful life. I met Mary heart-to-heart: her sorrows and her son's agony became mine, and the Mother of Sorrows became the mother of my sorrows as well.

Let us enter into the mind and heart of Mary and reflect on the seven major sorrows in her life. Our Sorrowful Mother can teach us much about the sanctity of suffering and be a source of consolation to all who suffer.

1. The Prophecy of Simeon

"And you yourself a sword will pierce" (Lk 2:35).

At the Presentation of Jesus in the temple, Simeon prophesies that a sword will pierce Mary's heart. She humbly accepts this painful truth and ponders it in her heart.

2. The Flight into Egypt

"Rise, take the child and his mother, flee to Egypt" (Mt 2:13).

Warned by an angel, Joseph flees with Mary and the Child to Egypt. The long, uncertain journey is filled with hardship, but Mary trusts in God's providence without question.

3. The Search for the Child in Jerusalem

"Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety" (Lk 2:48).

For three days, Mary and Joseph search in anguish for Jesus. They find him in the temple, teaching the elders. Mary's sorrow is softened by joy, yet the sword in her heart remains.



4. Mary Meets Jesus on His Way to the Cross

"A large crowd of people followed Jesus, including many women who mourned and lamented him" (Lk 23:27).

Mary encounters Jesus on the road to Calvary. Their eyes meet in a moment of silent love and sorrow that words cannot express. She walks with him, trusting in his mission.

5. Standing at the Foot of the Cross

"Woman, behold, your son ... Behold, your mother" (Jn 19:26-27).

At the foot of the cross, Mary stands in unimaginable pain as Jesus gives her into the care of the beloved disciple. Her heart is pierced, yet she remains steadfast in faith.

6. The Crucifixion and Descent from the Cross

"It is finished" (Jn 19:30).

As Jesus dies, Mary's heart dies with him. She receives his lifeless body in her arms, uniting her sorrow with his sacrifice for the salvation of the world. Her love is as vast as her pain.

7. Assisting at the Burial of Christ

"When they had seen the tomb and the way in which his body was laid in it, they returned and prepared spices and perfumed oils" (Lk 23:55-56).

Mary helps prepare Jesus' body for burial. With tender reverence, she anoints and wraps him, kisses him farewell, and watches as he is laid in the tomb. Her pierced heart remains united to his.

Mary's seven sorrows reveal the depth of her love and her perfect union with God's will. She teaches us that suffering, when embraced with faith, can become a path to holiness and a share in Christ's redemptive mission.

"O most sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us who have recourse to thee."



The Church celebrates the feast of Our Lady of Sorrows on
September 15.

May we walk with Mary in her sorrows and find strength in her faith.



KNIGHTS SERVE AT SPECIAL OLYMPICS BOWLING EVENT

SERVICE IN ACTION. JOY IN EVERY FRAME.

On Sunday, August 2, 2026, Knights of Columbus volunteers from across the Padre Louis De Soto Assembly came together to support a Special Olympics Bowling Event held at Bowlero Lanes in Bradenton, Florida. The event began at 12:00 noon and was such a tremendous success that organizers scheduled **two separate bowling shifts** to accommodate the large number of Special Olympics athletes participating.

Brother Knights from three councils within the Assembly proudly answered the call to serve:

- St. Joe's Council #5604
- Ss. Peter and Paul the Apostles Council #15231
- Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Council #13639

Throughout the afternoon, volunteers assisted athletes, helped keep the event running smoothly, offered encouragement, and celebrated each participant's accomplishments.

The smiles, excitement, and sportsmanship displayed by the athletes reminded everyone why service to those with intellectual disabilities remains one of the Knights of Columbus' most meaningful charitable missions.

We are especially proud that several Brother Knights from Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Council #13639 were able to participate and lend a helping hand. Their willingness to give of their time and talents reflected the true spirit of charity that defines our Order.

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The smiles
we see today
are a reminder
of the impact
of kindness,
encouragement,
and community.
That's what
we're all about.



Knights from St. Joe's Council #5604, Ss. Peter and Paul the Apostles Council #15231, and Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Council #13639 volunteered together to make the Special Olympics Bowling Event a success.

The Special Olympics Bowling Event was more than just a day of competition—it was a celebration of determination, friendship, inclusion, and community. Events like these provide opportunities for athletes to showcase their abilities while creating lasting memories for volunteers, families, and supporters alike.

Our sincere thanks go out to all of the Knights who volunteered their time and to the organizers who made this wonderful event possible. Through acts of service such as these, we continue to live our principles of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity, making a positive difference in the lives of others.

Well done, Brother Knights! ♥





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Families need holy husbands and fathers.
The world needs courageous men
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THE THREE ELEMENTS OF COR



PRAYER

*Lifting Hearts
to God*

Through prayer, we encounter Christ and animate our faith and relationship with him. We must first know Jesus and receive from him before we can share him with our families and communities.

Shared time in prayer will help men focus their minds and hearts on God and give depth and life to formation and fraternal brotherhood. Like all relationships, prayer requires commitment and consistency.



FORMATION

*Becoming
Like Christ*

As disciples of Christ, the goal of Catholic formation is to become like Christ, taking on his character and virtue, his life of prayer, and his mission. He is the model of holiness.

Formation is life long and requires an intentional commitment. Alongside prayer, formation helps increase our knowledge and love of God and of neighbor. Intentional and structured times of formation help direct fraternity toward the shared pursuit of Christ, of holiness, and a life of faith and missionary discipleship. Formation requires the animation of prayer and the accountability of fraternity.



FRATERNITY

*Brotherhood
in Christ*

Fraternity is not just friendship or hanging out, it is a true brotherhood centered on Christ. This type of brotherhood has depth and trust, where men sharpen one another and accompany each other as disciples of Christ.



Grand Knight's Corner

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August is a special month for our Order as we honor the birth, feast day, and heavenly entrance of Blessed Michael McGivney. His example continues to inspire our work and deepen our commitment to Christ and His Church. As we reflect on his legacy, let us turn to him for strength and guidance as we carry forward the mission he began.



This month presents a wonderful opportunity to invite a man who may be seeking purpose, fellowship, and a deeper relationship with Christ. I encourage each of you to reach out to someone you know—walk alongside him, invite him to an event, and introduce him to the beauty of our fraternity. Through these efforts, we can help draw another soul closer to Christ and strengthen His Church.

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Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Congratulations to our newest members, who will be exemplified on August 30:

- Cuong Nguyen
- Jerome Raskaus
- Timothy Rudis
- Bill Behrens
- Richard Katra



TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE



Our second Tootsie Roll Drive of the year will take place September 26–27 at Publix, located at 53rd Avenue East and Lockwood Ridge Road in Bradenton.

We are pleased to report that our most recent Tootsie Roll Drive raised **\$1,509**.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered and contributed to its success.



BINGO NIGHT



Our Tuesday night Bingo program continues to grow and thrive. Cash prizes increase each week, and attendance remains strong.

We invite you to join us every Tuesday from **6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** at Beef 'O' Brady's, 4925 Cortez Road West, Bradenton.

Thank you for your continued dedication to our council, our parish, and our community.

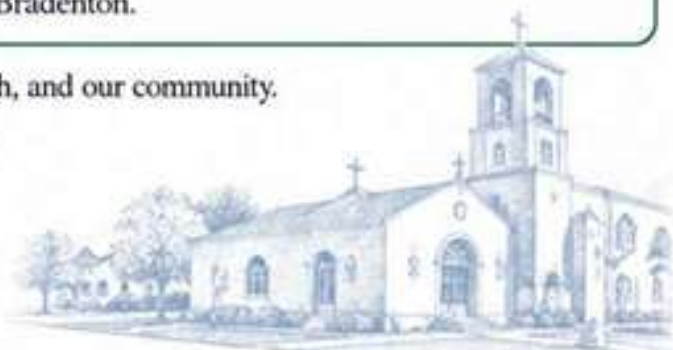
Vivat Jesus!



Salvatore Antonicelli

Grand Knight

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Council #13639





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FAITH ♦ FAMILY ♦ COMMUNITY ♦ LIFE

Message from our DISTRICT DEPUTY



The Three Principles: More Than Words

As Third Degree Knights, we are taught to live by the three principles of our Order: **Charity, Unity, and Fraternity**. These are not simply words associated with our organization; they represent a way of life and a commitment to one another as Catholic men.



CHARITY

Charity is the first and foundational principle. It reflects the very heart of who we are as Christians: that we are called to love one another as God loves us. We demonstrate that love through acts of charitable service—giving our time, talents, and resources to those in need.

Yet charity itself is not unique to the Knights of Columbus. We do not need to be Knights to serve. Our parishes and dioceses, Catholic Charities, and countless lay organizations provide opportunities for people to live out the call to charity every day.



UNITY

Unity teaches us the power of working together toward a common purpose. When we stand together as one, we can accomplish far more with the resources we have. Unity allows us to leverage our collective strength in service to others.

But unity is more than a means to accomplish a task. It is a two-way street. As we work together, we strengthen one another, build character, and enrich our own spiritual lives. Nor is unity unique to our Order; every successful organization depends upon people united by a common purpose.



FRATERNITY

Fraternity, however, is the culminating principle of our Order—and perhaps the one most easily misunderstood.

As Brother Knights, we certainly share a common purpose. But through our Exemplification, we also share common bonds. Those bonds distinguish the Knights of Columbus from other charitable and service organizations. They represent a deliberate and defining distinction envisioned by our founder, Blessed Michael J. McGivney.

The word "Brother" carries a meaning far deeper than "colleague," "member," or even "friend." We are an extended family, bound together by a shared faith and an implied responsibility to look after one another.

That spirit of fraternity is at the heart of our Fraternal Benefits Program, but it reaches far beyond financial protection. It speaks to Blessed Fr. McGivney's fundamental vision for the Knights of Columbus: that Catholic men would come together not only to serve their communities, but also to support, encourage, and care for one another and their families.

As Brother Knights, I ask each of you to carry that spirit forward. Let us continue to practice Charity. Let us strengthen one another through Unity. And above all, let us embrace the true meaning of Fraternity.

Go forward, Brothers, and care for one another as God cares for us.

Vivat Jesus!

Jon Engelbrektson FDD, PGK

District Deputy

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR FINANCIAL ADVISOR

I want to start this month's message with an interesting, but lesser-known story about Father McGivney. We know our Founder cared deeply about the lives of his parishioners and strengthening their sense of community. He was also very practical about what a parish community most often needs: money.

One fall, with St. Mary's in debt to creditors, he led an ingenious combination fundraiser and social event. St. Mary's hall turned into a coffeehouse filled with music, dancing, skits, dessert and, of course, coffee, which was a profitable draw at the time. The party was only supposed to last one night, but the people of New Haven kept coming and drew it out for a week! In the end, Father McGivney was able to pay down a good amount of the debt — and further solidified his reputation as a priest deeply embedded in the life of his parish.

Father McGivney recognized and valued the things that really matter: God. Fellowship. A sense of belonging and the space to reinforce those ties of friendship, mutual support and common faith.

Brothers, September is Life Insurance Awareness Month, but what I'd like to propose is that we think of it as "The Things That Matter" Month. What does your family value? What are the pillars of your family culture? What do you want to preserve for them when you're no longer here?

Life insurance can be a big part of that. Maybe you want to protect the home that shelters your family, that's set the stage for so many memories and is a safe haven for your children to return to. Maybe you want to ensure that your children — or grandchildren — will have access to high-quality education. Or maybe you want to safeguard a family business or a similar legacy that can continue to provide for your loved ones.

We can talk about these options and more, and whether they might best be covered by temporary or permanent policies. Ideally, I want to help you match your insurance coverage not just with your basic needs, but with the things that your family deems most important to preserve.

This month, I challenge you to think about what those things are. And if you don't have a plan to protect them, give me a call.

Yours in Christ,

Brian DeBlauw

Financial Advisor



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OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS COUNCIL #13639

AUGUST 2026

FLORIDA CHARITY LICENSE PLATE CAMPAIGN

Gains Momentum

“The Florida Knights of Columbus Charity License Plate Program is beginning to take shape. The Florida State Council is currently gathering signatures of interest in support of an official request to the Florida Legislature. Every signature helps demonstrate the strength of our fraternity's commitment to faith, service, and charity throughout the state.”

Brother Sir Knights,

The Florida Knights of Columbus Charities License Plate Program is finally beginning to take shape. The State Council is gathering signatures of interest so they can bring an official request before the Florida Legislature for approval.



WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

At this time, the program is open only to Knights. Whether it expands later is unknown, but the more support we show now, the stronger the case becomes.



WHY IT MATTERS

A Knights of Columbus specialty plate would be a visible witness to our faith, our fraternity, and our commitment to charity. It's a simple way to evangelize on the road and strengthen our presence across Florida.



LET'S HELP MOVE THIS FORWARD

The campaign is just getting started, and every signature helps. Included is a direct link to the Florida State Council website so you can sign up easily or go to www.floridakofc.org.



*Together, we can help bring this project from idea to reality—
one Knight at a time.*



HOW YOU CAN HELP

Knights who wish to support this initiative can submit their information through the Florida State Council website:



- 1 Visit the Florida State Council website www.floridakofc.org



- 2 Open the blue drop-down menu



- 3 Select Charity Resources



- 4 Click FL KC License Plate Request



- 5 Complete the form using your Knights of Columbus membership number



Florida State Website

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2026/2027
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