







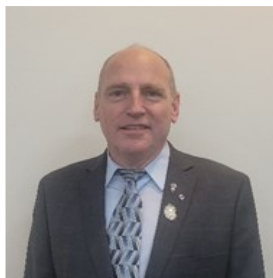
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Grand Knights Report

Brother Knights,

By the time you read this, we will have completed our first faith formation family cookout and the soccer

challenge. Hopefully both events were a huge success – thanks to all those who volunteered and helped with the events. Up next, we'll be leading the America Needs Fatima Public Square Rosary on Saturday, 14 October beginning at noon. This year's location will be the corner of 301 and Ft Hammer Road (opposite 7 Eleven and Lydia's house). On Saturday, 21 October, we'll be cooking hamburgers and hotdogs for the annual Faith Formation Trunk or Treat. We'll have a roadside cleanup on 28 October from 9am until noon. That weekend, 28/29 October will be a 5th Sunday Rosary and recruitment weekend. We'll lead the rosary at all masses, talk about the Knights and recruit new members. The 9:45am mass on 29 October will be a Corporate Communion. Thanks for your help in advance. :o)

John T. Kreger IV, Grand Knight

Car Show update:

The Event Coordinators have been meeting for several months to work on all the tasks needed for this event to be as successful as possible for the Knights and the charities that will be supported. We are now at the point where we need to start recruiting additional help for all the necessary teams. If you would like to help with the event, please let one of the team members (DGK-Ron Merigold, Sal Curcio, and Jim Recupito) know, and we will add you to the list. We want to start having meetings with all team members soon. The more help we have, the easier the tasks will be for everyone, and everyone will have time to enjoy the event.

The Knights of Columbus *Benefit Car & Truck Show*



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Faith



The crucifix that sailed on the flagship of Don Juan when he fought in the battle of Lepanto. The figure of Jesus moved to avoid a cannonball.

Tradition holds that October has been celebrated as the month of the rosary since 1571, and the victory of the Catholic League (an alliance of Spain, Venice, the Papal States, Genoa, Savoy, and Malta) over the forces of the Ottoman Empire who were seeking to take over Italy in an effort to move into the heart of Europe. It was October 7, 1571 when the battle was fought and the Catholic

League was able to overcome the Ottoman forces.

Prior to the ships sailing off towards battle, Pope Pius V prayed the rosary, asking for Our Lady's intercession in victory, and every man on board carried a rosary. For this reason, as soon as the men returned from the battle, the good pope declared a feast day for Our Lady of Victory. A rosary procession was offered in St. Peter's square after the victory and in time the whole month became associated with the rosary, rather than just one day. Pope Leo XIII officially established October as the Month of the Rosary in 1884. That year, he published *Superiore Anno*, an encyclical which was focused on recitation of the holy rosary. In it, he called for the entire Church to dedicate the whole of the month to the rosary and pray it daily:

"Last year, as each of you is aware, We decreed by an Encyclical Letter that, to win the help of Heaven for the Church in her trials, the great Mother of God should be honored by the means of the most holy Rosary during the whole of the month of October. In this We followed both Our own impulse and the example of Our predecessors, who in times of difficulty were wont to have recourse with increased fervor to the Blessed Virgin, and to seek her aid with special prayers. . .

. . . We therefore decree and make order that from the 1st of October to the 2nd of November following in all the parish churches, in all public churches dedicated to the Mother of God, or in such as are appointed by the Ordinary, five decades at least of the Rosary be recited, together with the Litany. If in the morning, the Holy Sacrifice will take place during these prayers; if in the evening, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for the adoration of the faithful; after which those present will receive the customary Benediction. We desire that, wherever it be lawful, the local confraternity of the Rosary should make a solemn procession through the streets as a public manifestation of religious devotion."

The encyclical referenced churches named for the Blessed Virgin, especially, and was written in response to an illness that was spreading in Europe, emphasizing that Europe's need for intercession was particularly great. Still, the decree was meant for all of the Catholic Church and the practice continued for most of the next century.

Paul Dadowski



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Faithfull Navigator

Patriots Day!

Please remember those who sacrificed their lives for our good and well-being; those patriots are truly what we stand for in this country. I was truly humbled today by the number of Knight's that were able to attend the flag-waving event on Chin Rd at US 301 in Parrish. We received hoots, hollers, and honks all morning long and were even able to get the truckers to respond. I want to personally thank Holy Cross Parish for organizing this event and allowing St. Frances X Cabrini to participate. I am continually surprised at the camaraderie and goodwill the two parishes share.

It is with great pride that I can deliver my time, effort, and prayers for each of you, and I am humbled to be your Faithful Navigator.

INCLUSION: the action or state of including or of being included within a group

This year, we are focusing on inclusion. We want all parishioners to participate when they can. Please join us at Sunday Mass as ushers or help with handing out bulletins. We have many activities scheduled this year and want the parish to join hands with our Knights to make the experience better for all. Make yourself available to volunteer for the fish fry's or bring a car to "Trunk or Treat" on October 21, and please attend the car show.

The 4th Degree Knights got off to a great start this year. For the July 4th recognition, we distributed Prayer cards to the entire congregation, symbolizing love for our country. On August 19, in recognition of the birth of our founder, Blessed Father Michael McGivney, we distributed Father McGivney's prayer cards to the entire congregation. For September 11, Patriots Day, the knights handed small Flag pins to each person attending Mass on Saturday and Sunday (800 pins were handed out). Holy Cross Parish has been participating and is very involved in what we do. Next month is Columbus Day!



Vivat Jesus,

Kevin Almengual , FN



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Eight brothers successfully



Community

have

obtained their Red Cross First Aid, CPR, and AED certifications, demonstrating their readiness to tackle emergencies. This program imparts essential life-saving techniques, including first aid, CPR, and AED usage. We

congratulate the brothers sincerely on their achievement. Their willingness to be prepared for an emergency and assist our Parrish Community is part of our Disaster Preparedness commitment aligning with our Community Program.

Ron Merigold—Deputy Grand Knight

Our first aid training sponsored by the Knights of Columbus was highly informative and practical. This training will be helpful based on all participants' exposure to the public during church activities, such as ushering. I pray we never have to use these first-aid training procedures; however, eight Brothers are now certified for a medical situation that may occur.

Hank Stefanski



Habitat for Humanity:

Last month, I mentioned that I have been volunteering with Habitat for Humanity. I want to share a few words to give you some idea of what this great organization does. When you invest your time with Habitat for Humanity, you're helping build homes, futures, and hope in your community. Their motto is No experience required; we'll teach you everything you need to know. This is a perfect opportunity for someone who wants to learn new skills working alongside contractors, skilled tradespeople, and homeowners. You will also learn team building. Spending a day or even a few hours helping others can be a great reward when you see the smiles on the faces of those deserving new owners. After all, isn't this what Knights do: help others? If you would like to volunteer and be part of making your community and someone's life better, you may contact Barb Slater at:

bslater@manateehabitat.com or 941-748-9100.

Fraternally, Hank

Roadside Cleanup:

A firm date for our roadside cleanup is now been scheduled for Saturday October 28th. We will meet at 8:15am for assignments, equipment distribution and a safety meeting, and depart the Cabrini Center at 8:45am. Coffee and donuts will be available. We should be completed by 12 noon at which time we will have pizza and soft drinks available. Last April we had 13 brothers

volunteers lets see if we can beat that number. I will have a sign up sheet at each meeting or you can contact me at 216-276-1402.

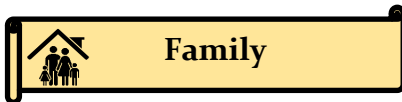
Hank





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On behalf of everyone at St. Frances Cabrini, I want to extend my thanks and gratitude to the Knights of Columbus. The members of the Knights have gone above and beyond to help ensure a smooth start to our Faith Formation programs this year.



The Knights have graciously dedicated their time, talent, and treasure to support our programs. They have volunteered endless hours to ensure the classrooms were painted prior to the kickoff of Faith Formation and they always make sure the Cabrini Center is set up to host children, youth, and their families at any given moment.

Our Family Faith Formation program for grades PreK-5 includes a *Community Event* once a month. The Knights of Columbus will be providing lunch for our families at each of these events. Thank you, Knights of Columbus, for helping to strengthen our community at St. Frances Cabrini!

Our community event on September 24th was a huge success! There were approximately 180 people in attendance. The Knights served about 250 hamburgers and hot dogs and a good time was had by all. It was a great way to begin our journey of building our church community at St. Frances Cabrini!

Our next Community Event is Trunk or Treat which will be held on Saturday, October 21st.

Thank you St. Frances Cabrini Knights!!

Mary Jo Chronis — Religious Education Coordinator

Thanks to all of those who came out and made the Faith Formation cookout and Soccer Challenge a huge success. Hopefully everyone got enough food and drink and had fun outside. The Knights provided food for about 210 people, with 150 hamburgers / cheese burgers, 120 hot dogs, chips and drink. We had a great turn out for the soccer challenge although I'm not sure some of the kids were really 9 years old. :o) Thanks to Brother Ed who brought out his telescope so we could "look at the sun." That was awesome!

The next family event will be "Trunk or Treat" on October 21st 5-7 pm.





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Father's Corner

Evangelizing this Halloween



It's that time of year when the air gets crisp in the morning, and the leaves show us their canvas of colors before they settle into winter's cradle, except in Florida, where the bugs never die, and the only changing of colors are on the out of state license plates.

Lucky for many of us in Florida, the stores continue offering scents of Cinnamon Apples and pumpkin spice, while fake foliage and autumn display can make us forget the sweltering heat for a few seconds.

As we enter into October, we get closer to Advent and the High Feast Days, which kick off with every child's favorite holiday besides Christmas, Halloween!

Growing up, Halloween was always taboo, but once I was an adult, I researched it and found it to be a great day to evangelize (especially in costumes). Halloween is basically an abbreviated form of "The Evening before the Holy One's" or the Eventide before All Hallows—Hallow (Holy) E'en (evening).

From our Irish ancestors who used to light turnips (Pumpkins when they came to America) to dressing up as Ghouls and Goblins (who were thought to walk the earth that night – therefore confusing them), you also gave out soul-cakes. Soul cakes are traditional old English cakes that are usually baked on Halloween. On this day of the year, in years gone past, children would go 'souling,' singing from house to house for some of these tasty cakes. This is where the tradition of Trick-or-treating came from.

As Catholics, we love our Vigils. These are times of prayer at dusk and night when we "keep vigil," remembering those who have gone before. This happened many times at Funerals where vigils were held to pray for the dead. Vigils sometimes occur when someone is sick and needs prayers. Vigils usually prepare the hearts of the faithful for a bigger feast for the next day. Thus, Halloween was a day of prayer before the great celebration of All Saints the next day. This was a day of great feasting and excitement. To honor our Brother's and Sister's in Christ who now stand in the presence of God.

As we approach Halloween, it can be done with great laughter and fun. Dressing up like the saints is a great way to evangelize about our Faith and friends in heaven. If you prefer the ghoulishness of Halloween, don't forget there is an entire martyrology of saints, those who died cruel and gruesome deaths for the sake of Jesus and his Church. Sometimes, people might want to be reminded how many literally walked in Jesus footsteps and carried their crosses with Christ: Sebastian (Arrows), Lucy (eyes plucked out), Agatha (breasts cut off), Lawrence (grilled to death), Joan of Arc (burned to death), Apollina (teeth pulled out), and many more.

So this October, remember the great Saints, our friends in heaven, and try to imitate them and their virtues in serving God and neighbor.





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The fall 40 Days for Life campaign starts next

Wednesday September 27th, the largest 40 Days

for Life campaign ever with 681 cities having vigils! In Sarasota we start with the Church of St Patrick covering the first day. Our kickoff event will be held the next day, Thursday September 28th in the parking lot of Community Pregnancy Clinic.

Church signups have gone very well and we already have 27 days of the 40 partially filled. This means we have 13 days with no coverage from 9am until 7pm (Barb and I are again taking 7am – 9am every day). We need your help to fill up the calendar. You

can sign up for hours at 40daysforlife.com/Sarasota and click on the “Sign up for vigil hours” button.

In the fall of 2019, we had 100% coverage, filling all 480 hours of the vigil. Why is it important that we fill up the vigil calendar? Glad you asked.

Why 100% Coverage is Important

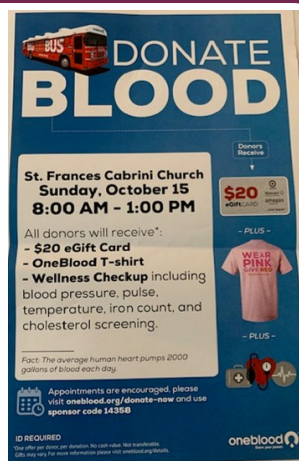
100% coverage is important as our primary audience is God. The first 40 Days for Life campaign was a sacrifice and show of dedication to God, and it went 24 hours-around-the-clock. It was a truly constant vigil and it places trust in Him to hear our prayers even when the facility is closed. Many locations still go around-the-clock. However, it's not always practical or safe to be out all night, as it is in Sarasota, so our vigil is 12 hours a day.

"Why do I have to go to the abortion center? Can't I pray at home or at church?"

We need to pray outside the abortion facility because our prayers there have an immediate impact on an urgent situation. Yes, God hears and answers prayers, no matter where they're said. But when women arriving for abortions see the public vigil, they know and understand that at the moment they need it most, someone is praying specifically for them. Our presence there is the last sign of hope before the abortion ... and the first sign of mercy after the abortion. Many of the moms who have chosen life ... and even former abortion workers ... say the prayer presence outside turned them away from abortion. They saw that someone was there, just for them.

Tom Bradley - Life Director

On October 15th, 8 am—1 pm, we will host the Big Red Bus Blood Mobile, which collected 24 units of lifesaving blood on their last visit. Each unit of blood collected has the potential to save three lives. The Parish's response was impressive. Thank you to all who donated. Here is our next donation opportunity to try to exceed our last visit. Please help support this much-needed activity. All donors will receive a \$20 eGift Card, One Blood T-shirt, and a Wellness Checkup.





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Benefits Advisor



Hi Brothers! Hope you are all, staying cool...

You know, probably one of the most misunderstood things in the world is life insurance.

Why is it important? How does it work? How much does it cost? Are there different types of insurance? How do I know *if* I need insurance and what kind and how much do I need???

See what I mean...all fair questions. So today, we are going to try to simplify the meaning of insurance. Quickly taking the last question, first. You can only know if, how much and what kind of insurance you need by doing a complete review of your needs with your financial advisor. Everyone's situation is unique. That is what I do for my Brother Knights.

Basically, Life Insurance is the best and most efficient way to protect your family against financial loss to beneficiaries due to the death of the insured.

Some of the more common reasons for buying insurance are Final Expenses, Mortgage Protection, Debt Reduction and Future Income needs. More uncommon uses are for Tax Planning, Succession Planning for businesses and Charitable giving.

What type of insurance is right for you and your family? There are two basic types of insurance: Term and Whole Life (also called permanent)

Term Insurance

Term insurance is like renting a house vs. buying. Term insurance is less expensive, making it a good option for a young family or someone on a limited budget. It also can be designed to cover the family for a certain period, like while there is a mortgage loan on the home. However, over time, the premium does increase, and the policy eventually expires. This could put a person in a very precarious position. Term insurance builds no Cash Value (equity).

Whole life (Permanent Life Insurance)

Whole life is like owning your home vs. renting. It builds Cash Value (equity) that is your money and can be used at any time, for any reason. Initially, it will cost more than term insurance, but the premium will never increase. You can choose the dollar amount of insurance and the number of years to pay the premium. Your Whole Life policy not only builds Cash Value, but it may also earn dividends as well. Cash Value and Dividends earn interest that is tax deferred AND the death benefit on Life Insurance is TAX FREE! The death benefit may also increase. Some clients use Whole Life to supplement their retirement funds. Hopefully, this has helped you better understand Life Insurance.

As your agent, I am a Brother Knight, here to serve my Brother Knights!

Vivat Jesus Ron Moliterno



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Family of the Month, Brother Steve and Mary Jo Chronis, continue their busy schedules at SFC. Steve's one of our newest brothers who jumped right in working on our new newsletter and can be seen behind the bar at the monthly church socials. Mary Jo, although an employee of the parish, puts in many more hours behind the scenes than required and has done a great job recreating the Faith Formation program at SFC. She was responsible for the repainting of all the Faith Formation classrooms - the first repaint in over 10 years. Thank you to the Chronis family for representing the parish (and the Knights) so well.



Brother Jim Recupito is our Knight of the Month, and we're thrilled to honor him. Jim is becoming an integral part of our Council, serving as a member of the faith formation food team and the car show steering committee. He has also done a remarkable job publishing our monthly newsletter, which now has four paid advertisers, bringing in \$1200 annually to the Council. We sincerely appreciate his tireless efforts and dedication to Council 12155. Congratulations, Jim, on a job well done! Thank you for your outstanding service.

Happy Birthday for the following brothers in October!

ROBERT	WOMBACHER	1
DONALD	BRUN	12
MICHAEL	MATSON	14
EUGENE	WETHINGTON	17
EARL	BAKER	19
XAVIER	COLON	21
STEPHAN	NUSPL	23
ELIKEM	DORBU	24

DUES ARE OVERDUE!

FS Bob Wombacher reports that several months into the new fraternal year there are still several Brothers that have not remitted their dues. Please relieve FS Bob from the effort and expense of mailing out 2nd and 3rd dues notices. Please find the mailed dues notice and send it in today!





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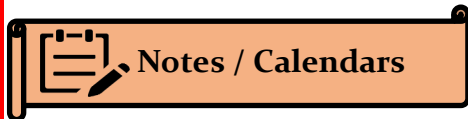
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Remember to mark your calendars for the upcoming meetings at The Mother Cabrini Center! Third-degree meetings will be held on the 4th Tuesday of the month, while fourth-degree meetings will be held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. Both meetings start at 7 pm sharp, so be sure to arrive on time. See you there!

October 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wen	Thru	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 <i>TMIY - MCC 6:30 coffee/ Doughnuts program starts 7:00 am</i>
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 <i>TMIY—MCC 7-8am Public Rosary, 12Noon</i>
15 <i>Blood Mobile MCC 8am-1pm Fall Festival 4-7</i>	16	17 <i>4th degree meeting 7pm, Moth- er Cabrini Center</i>	18	19	20 <i>Fish Fry 5-7</i>	21 <i>TMIY— MCC 6:30- 8:00 Faith For- mation Trunk or Treat 5-7</i>
22	23	24 <i>3rd degree meeting 7pm, Moth- er Cabrini Center</i>	25	26	27	28 <i>TMIY— MCC 7-8am Roadside Cleanup 5th Sunday Rosary & Recruit- ment.</i>
29 <i>5th Sun- day Rosary & Recruit- ment. Corp. Com- munion. 9:45 am mass</i>	30	31				