

# Counsel of the Holy Spirit Council #18557

Charity \* Unity \* Fraternity \* Patriotism November 2025



## Grand Knight's Message

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**B**rother Knights,  
A great turnout for Life Chain Sunday. Thank you to all who supported the event. First time in a few years the weather was actually on our side. If this very small act on our part could have enormous changes in the life of one un-born, then it is totally worth the hour spent. On that Sunday we were also able to distribute the funds raised from the Baby-Bottle campaign. Having Kathy from B.E.T.A. present information regarding the services of B.E.T.A. was eye opening to some. The funds raised will go far to help the un-born. Octoberfest is in the works. So far this year we have sold more tickets than in years past. Hope to see you there. Mark your calendars for the weekend of Nov 8 & 9. We will be having a recruiting event. We need all hands on deck at each Mass to help hand out recruiting materials. November is our next pancake breakfast, please be available to help. Name tags are in, please see me at meetings or church, they are in my truck. We are asking for \$10 donation if you are able.

Vivat Jesu  
*Al Therriault*



Pope Leo XIV welcomed the Board of Directors of the Knights of Columbus to the Vatican during the Jubilee of Hope, praising their steadfast commitment to charity, fraternity, and the defense of human life. The Knights, founded in 1882 as a Catholic fraternal order, are in Rome as part of a jubilee pilgrimage that has drawn tens of millions of pilgrims from around the world.

During their audience with the Holy Father, the Pope expressed deep gratitude for the Knights' ongoing generosity in supporting the mission of the Holy See. He highlighted in particular their contributions to recent restorations inside St. Peter's Basilica, including Gian Lorenzo Bernini's majestic baldacchino and the bronze monument housing the Cathedra of St. Peter. Both works, which were restored to their original brilliance, now serve as visual reminders of the faith that unites the universal Church: Christ's real presence in the Eucharist and the enduring role of Peter's successor in guiding the faithful.

Pope Leo noted that the Knights' financial and spiritual support for these projects offers a tangible sign of their devotion to the Vicar of Christ. Their longstanding generosity through initiatives such as the Vicarius Christi Fund, he added, continues to allow the Pope to reach the poor and most vulnerable throughout the world. The Knights' history, built on service to the Church and solidarity with those in need, reflects a deep understanding of the Gospel's call to charity.

Turning to their work in parishes and communities across the globe, the Holy Father recognized the Knights as a vital presence in local life. Their efforts to defend the sanctity of life at every stage, to bring relief to those afflicted by war or natural disasters, and to promote priestly vocations, demonstrate what it means to serve Christ through action. In a world often tempted by indifference, the Knights stand as witnesses to faith lived with courage and compassion.

The Pope concluded by offering his prayers for the Board members and their families, asking that their pilgrimage to Rome renew their faith, strengthen their hope, and deepen their love for the Church. He entrusted their continued mission to the intercession of their founder, Blessed Michael McGivney, encouraging them to carry forward his vision of fraternity rooted in service and devotion to God. Through their fidelity to this mission, **Pope Leo affirmed, the Knights of Columbus remain a shining example of lay witness**—men united in faith, guided by charity, and committed to building a culture that upholds life, protects the vulnerable, and supports the work of the Church throughout the world.





**Parish Rosary Challenge** — Do you wish to preserve your religious liberty and freedom, and obtain ALL the graces God wants for you? Pray the rosary with Holy Spirit's daily rosary groups, special sessions, online resources, anywhere! Mary promised graces to ALL who recite the rosary daily. More details to be announced at weekend Masses. This link helps explain to children (and adults) Mary's 15 Promises to those who recite the rosary daily. [http:// saintannparish.org/marys-15-promises](http://saintannparish.org/marys-15-promises). Our parish rosary challenge is led by parishioner Veronica Komar.



Greetings and Salutations my fellow Knights  
US November Council Meeting Message Brothers, This time of year, we give thanks for the many blessings in our lives. Like many of you, I became a Knight out of love for my family. I wanted to join other Catholic men in becoming a better man, husband and father. I wanted to be a better protector of my family. One way to protect your family is to start thinking about your family's future and how an extended care event could have a large impact. Do you know somebody that has experienced an extended care event – if so, how did that impact their family's situation? I want to take this opportunity to help you prepare for the possibility that you or your spouse may one day need extended care. November is Long-Term Care Awareness Month. With that in mind, I would like to share a valuable resource available to you and your family and would encourage you to check this out. WhatCare-Costs gives you access to view the costs of Skilled Nursing Homes, Home Health Aides and Assisted Living Facilities in your area and across the country. This service is available free of charge to all our members regardless of whether or not you hold an insurance policy with Knights of Columbus. Visit [www.whatcarecosts.com/KnightsofColumbus](http://www.whatcarecosts.com/KnightsofColumbus) and enter sponsor code "KofC" to get started. We want to help families focus on their time with their loved ones – not the financial cost of caring for them. Lastly, I'd like to remind you of your 2025 Annual Survey and the opportunity to update the Knights of Columbus on your personal financial goals and share any updates you have had over the last year. If you haven't already filled it out, I strongly encourage you to do so. This year, all survey respondents will be entered into a drawing for a Knights of Columbus RTIC® cooler, with several chances to win!\* Please fill out the survey as soon as you can, either through the survey you received in the mail or online at <https://survey.kofc.org>. Whether you have questions about the survey or want to talk about setting up an extended care plan, I'm here to help you. Thank you!




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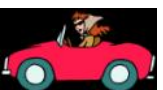
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*Eric Monte*

### Do you Need a ride to the Council Meeting?



If you need a ride to our meeting, or if you can provide a ride for one of our brother knights; please call Joe Rothenburg (321-289-1764). I am going to coordinate to ensure that any brother that wants to attend the Council meeting, but is having trouble driving at night, has a ride to the meeting.

*Joe Rothenburg*



*Counsel of the Holy Spirit Knights of Columbus Council 18557*

OCTOBER 26, 2025 - DECEMBER 6, 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>OCT 26</b>	<b>OCT 27</b>	<b>OCT 28</b>	<b>OCT 29</b>	<b>OCT 30</b>	<b>OCT 31</b>	<b>NOV 1</b>
		 7:00 PM Council Officers Meeting Adoration Holy Spirit 9 am Tuesday til 7 pm Wednesday	<b>OCT 29</b>	<b>OCT 30</b>	 Halloween	 All Saints Day
<b>NOV 2</b>	<b>NOV 3</b>	<b>NOV 4</b>	<b>NOV 5</b>	<b>NOV 6</b>	<b>NOV 7</b>	<b>NOV 8</b>
 Corporate Communion at Holy Spirit 11:00 AM Mass		Adoration Holy Spirit 9 am Tuesday til 7 pm Wednesday  Council Meeting 7PM	<b>NOV 5</b>	<b>NOV 6</b>	 Adoration St. Teresas 9 am to 6 pm.	
<b>NOV 9</b>	<b>NOV 10</b>	<b>NOV 11</b>	<b>NOV 12</b>	<b>NOV 13</b>	<b>NOV 14</b>	<b>NOV 15</b>
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<b>NOV 16</b>	<b>NOV 17</b>	<b>NOV 18</b>	<b>NOV 19</b>	<b>NOV 20</b>	<b>NOV 21</b>	<b>NOV 22</b>
	 7:00 PM Assembly Meeting	 Adoration Holy Spirit 9 am Tuesday til 7 pm Wednesday	<b>NOV 19</b>	<b>NOV 20</b>		
<b>NOV 23</b>	<b>NOV 24</b>	<b>NOV 25</b>	<b>NOV 26</b>	<b>NOV 27</b>	<b>NOV 28</b>	<b>NOV 29</b>
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**Tentative Calendar of Events 2024-2025**

**Dec 02 Tuesday** Council Meeting 7PM @ Emmaus Hall  
**Dec 08 Monday** **Feast of the Immaculate Conception**  
**Dec 15 Monday** Assembly Meeting After 5:30 PM Mass @ Carpenters Hall  
**Dec 23 Tuesday** Council Officers Meeting 7PM @ Emmaus Hall  
**Dec 25 Thursday** **Christmas Day**  
**Jan 01 Thursday** **Happy New Year**  
**Jan 06 Tuesday** Council Meeting 7PM @ Emmaus Hall  
**Jan 06 Tuesday** *The Feast of the Epiphany*  
**Jan 19 Monday** Assembly Meeting After 5:30 PM Mass @ Carpenters Hall  
**Jan 27 Tuesday** Council Officers Meeting 7PM @ Emmaus Hall  
**Feb 03 Tuesday** Council Meeting 7PM @ Emmaus Hall  
**Feb 14 Saturday** **Valentines Day**  
**Feb 16 Monday** Assembly Meeting After 5:30 PM Mass @ Carpenters Hall  
**Feb 24 Tuesday** Council Officers Meeting 7PM @ Emmaus Hall  
**Mar 03 Tuesday** Council Meeting 7PM @ Emmaus Hall  
**Mar 16 Monday** Assembly Meeting After 5:30 PM Mass @ Carpenters Hall  
**Mar 17 Tuesday** **St. Patricks Day**  
**Mar 24 Tuesday** Council Officers Meeting 7PM @ Emmaus Hall

*Program/Activity Chairmen Please provide a date and an article for the bulletin for your function*

Items in **Red** still need some discussion/**planning**  
*Mike Olka*

**Octoberfest**



I want to thank everyone who sold, and all who bought tickets, Cooked, Cleaned up, Served, or did anything to make this function a great success; that we know it will be. Hope to see all of you there.

*Tom Norton*

**Utreya**



There is an Utreya meeting the First Wednesday of every month at Holy Spirit Church in Emmaus Hall after the 7:00 PM Mass. This Utreya serves Mims, Titusville, and Sharps; all Cursiasta's are welcome and encouraged to attend.

*Mike Olka*

**Cursillo Weekends and Events**

**Spring 2026**

**Men's #112 Feb. 26-March 1, 2026**

**Women's #120 March 12-15, 2026**

*Mike Olka*

Program/Activities	Chairman
Flag Committee	Al Therriault
Knights on Bikes	Al Therriault
Membership/Membership Retention	TBD
4th Degree	Jesse Lugo
Pall Bearers	Jesse Lugo
Public Relations	TBD
Honor Guard	Mike Olka
Degree Team	Mike Olka
Newsletter	Mike Olka
Beta	Bob Balke
Pro-life	Bob Balke
Faith Director	C. J. Rogers
Family Director	Mike Ramirez
Community Director	C. J. Rogers
Life Director	Ricky Trainer/Bob Balke

**Bargains**



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e are open. There are many great bargains at Holy Spirit's Attic Shop and St. Teresa's Buyers Bargain Shop. The Attic Shop is open Wednesday thru Friday from 10 am to 3 pm. The Bargain shop 10 am to 1 pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. If you have large furniture donations for the Attic Shop call me at 321-684-9491, so I can be there to help you unload them on to the dock. Thanks.

*Mike Olka*

**B.E.T.A. Birth Education Training and Assistance**



BETA is always in need of Diapers, High Chairs, and Cribs that are in good condition. I or Mike Olka will even pick them up if you cannot take them to them on Garden Street.

*Bob Balke*



## Knights on Bikes

HEBREWS 13:1-3

Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters. Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it. Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering.

Matthew 25:36

...I was In prison and you came to visit me.

Many bible verses remind us of the need to visit and pray for those incarcerated. It is also one of the churches Corporal Works of Mercy. Saturday Oct 11th several members of the Knights on Bikes and a few wives braved the rain and wind for the annual Prison Ministry Ride. Members gathered at St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Elkton for a Rosary in the grotto. The ride traveled from there to the Florida State Prison in Raiford. Another Rosary was said there for all inmates. This is the only prison in Florida that houses Death Row inmates. Special mention in the prayers was made for those on Death Row. From there the ride headed to KofC Council 611 in St Augustine for a BBQ Lunch.

KonB holds many such rides in the Knights of Columbus principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. If you ride you are welcome on the rides. If you are a Knight and ride, you are welcome to Join our organization.

*Al Therriault*



## 4<sup>th</sup> Degree

All 4<sup>th</sup> degree Knights who belong to the Saint John Neumann Assembly. We have not had a quorum for two meetings, September and October. We need a Quorum in November. Currently a quorum is defined as 10 members not counting the Faithful Navigator or visiting dignitaries or guest. We need the quorum to conduct business. And the first item on the agenda will be change the by-laws and reduce the size for a quorum. Please help us in November.

*Mike Olka*



*Life Chain 2025*





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## BBQ & SILENT AUCTION

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