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## GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brother Knights and Ladies,

This past month the Financial Secretary & Trustees have worked with me on the 2021-2022 Budget. We have come up with a robust budget that includes donations and projects to quite a number of worthy charitable organizations. believe that we, the Knights of Columbus and specifically Council 5958, don't get credit for much of that work. Most of the time, we make our donations and donate our work in relative obscurity. I know that I personally resisted joining the Knights for years because I just didn't know what good works they performed. I also found that many of the Knights themselves didn't know where our money went. That needs to change, and one way I intend to change it is by providing, over the next months, a brief overview of the organizations we support. This month the focus will be on the JMJ Pregnancy Center because on September 18th, a number of us from Council 5958 will be attending their Annual Gala.

## CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

Dear Brother Knights,

In the letter of St. Paul to the Philippians 4:13 we read: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me". The word "all" involves a totality, in no way does anything escape this word. We use it to refer to a whole where there is nothing outside of it. For when we say "I can do all" it means that there is nothing in life that we cannot achieve with the immense love of Christ. There's no storm we can't get through, there's no steel obstacle we can't knock down, there's no disease we can't overcome, there's no enemies we

disease we can't overcome, there's no enemies we can't destroy. No matter what kind of situations we are involved: We can do all things through Christ who strengthens us. Let us raise our eyes to heaven and remember this

Bible verse every moment of our lives. In each and every circumstance, let us pray using this beautiful Word of God, and we will count at all times on the unconditional, invincible help of our God. Who can beat Christ?

Brothers Knights, continue to put your faith into action. Continue to be good Knights. Animo... Animo!

St. John Vianney... Pray for us. Fr. Carlos J. Cabán Vázquez

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## **KNIGHTS OF THE MONTH**

AUGUST PGK Joe Clark



### FAMILY OF THE MONTH

AUGUST

## **Ramdin Family**

### GOD BLESS YOU,

### As many of you know, we lost a brother Knight on August 18th – Ulrich (Ric) Ramdin. What many may not know is that his mother, Paichama (May) Ramdin passed away the following day, August 19th. Ric and his mother were long-time, active members of the St. John Vianney community, as is his sister, Jean. Ric was not only a member of the Knights, he was an EMHC, and a member of Cursillos and a past President of the Lion's Club Corriverton (Berbice) chapter. Ric and his family were fixtures at the SJV 11:00 AM Sunday Mass and would often attend other Masses on the same Sunday, in addition to daily Mass. In any ministry he was in, Ric was someone you could go to if you needed help. For these reasons, I want to recognize the Ramdin Family as our Family of the Month.

May the Lord Bless you, and Thank You for everything you do for our Church and our Council Mark Bassett

## GOD BLESS YOU,

Our Knight of the Month for September is PGK Joe Clark. Our primary goal for this year is 'reactivating' the Council, and Joe has taken that message to heart. He participated in the Memorial Reception for Sr. Elizabeth, accepted the position of Trustee (a 3-year commitment), set up our first family outing in almost 2 years (Mini-Golf on October 23), stepped in as Guest Lecturer at our August meeting, and has agreed to be the driving force behind resurrecting the John McGivern Memorial Gold Tournament next spring. He is a Knight I can always turn to when I need help – or guidance. Thank you Joe for being you!

May the Lord Bless you, and Thank You for everything you do for our Church and our Council Mark Bassett Grand Knight

### MEMBERSHIP DUES 2021-2022

Membership Dues of \$30.00 are now payable for the Fraternal Year rather than the calendar year. Dues are due **July 1, 2021**.

Please check the expiration date on your current Membership Card. If expired, please send in your dues payment.

Checks should be made payable to **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 5958**. Payment may be made at any meeting or may be mailed to the Financial Secretary at the following address:

> Eric Rodriguez FS-5958 12777 Gettysburg Cir Orlando, FI 32837-5014

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To all of our Brother Knights who were born during the month of **September** (Day indicated)

- (9) Joe Litkenhus
- (9) Ricardo Moreno
- (10) Ramon Rivera
- (10) Allen Westgate
- (11) John Savage
- (12) John E English
- (14) Richard Hawkins
- (19) Frank Gardner (19) Thomas Jeffries
- (27) Tom Klote (29) Ron Renwick

(22) Dan Clark

(23) Carlos Roche

(23) David Vogelpohl

(24) Mark E Perreault

(27) Rev Paul Henry

(30) Hap Apodaca

(20) PGK Jim Jetmore

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

No Anniversaries to celebrate this month, I find that hard to believe. If you would like your anniversary listed in the Vessel send an email to <u>Vessel5958@gmail.com</u>



#### Saint of the Month: GREGORY THE GREAT, POPE

Gregory (c. 540-604) was born into a prominent family. He studied law and by age 30 was mayor of Rome. He entered the Benedictine monastery, hoping to live a simple life and distributing his wealth to the poor and to monasteries. That hope changed quickly. Gregory was sent to represent the pope in the court of the emperor of Constantinople. Gregory was sent back to Rome to become the pope's secretary. When Pope Pelagius II died in 596, Gregory, who was at that time abbot of his monastery, was elected to take his place.

During his 14-year pontificate, Gregory served the faithful in many pastoral ways. His monastic background enabled him to improve the liturgy and church music. Gregorian chant is named in his honor. Many of the prayers recited in the Eucharist are attributed to Pope Gregory, for example, the Christmas Preface and the Preface of Easter and the Ascension. He is also credited with the placement of the "Our Father" in the Mass.

Gregory's papal writings and teachings were extremely influential. They were based on his vision of pastoral care to meet the spiritual and physical needs of the people. Pope Gregory rebuilt ruined churches. His talents were spiritual and also tempered with day-to-day practicality, and he lived as simply as a monk. He updated clergy education and emphasized the urgency of preaching and living the Good News. During a time of famine throughout Europe, Pope Gregory organized the distribution of food to the starving and encouraged the rich to serve the poor. He called this work "the art of arts."

Gregory was a genuinely pastoral pope. His profound concern for the poor shaped the direction of ministry for centuries. No single person in the history of the church other than St. Benedict did more to reverse the Dark Age than Gregory the Great. One small example of Gregory's pastoral concern was his introduction of illustrated Bibles in order to make the word of God accessible to the illiterate.

Pope Gregory I combined pastoral leadership and prayer with personal holiness and social service. But his later years were troubled with poor health. He died on March 12, 604, and was buried in St. Peter's Basilica with the epitaph "Consul of God." He was canonized by acclamation at the time of his death. He is the patron saint of musicians and teachers. You will often see a dove in artwork of Gregory; it was said that when he dictated homilies to his assistant, a dove could be seen speaking from his mouth.

#### In Memory of Mary Gale Merkes

#### WAYNE TURPIN MEMORIAL CLUB AWARDS JUNE

1st Award – Eric Rodriguez 2<sup>nd</sup> Award – Charlie Wilmeth 3<sup>rd</sup> Award – Brian Fitzgerald

## COUNCIL 5958 SATURDAY DINE-OUT \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*6:30 PM\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* DINE OUTS ARE BACK

On the second Saturday each month, we invite all Brother Knights and their Ladies and friends to join us for dinner. On Saturday, September 11th, our dine-out will be at Olive Garden, 1555 Sand Lake Road at 6:30 PM at 6:30 PM

TO ENSURE ADEQUATE SEATING, PLEASE NOTIFY GK MARK BASSETT BY THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 9th , IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND.

## Youth Activities Resume!

We have received the OK from Fr. Carlos and Ms. Marshall to resume the full slate of Youth Activities with the school! The following Events will take place this year – specific dates to be determined:

> Soccer Challenge Spelling Bee Free Throw competition Catholic Essay Contest Christmas Poster Contest Altar Server of the Year Awards

Worthy Jim Valentine has volunteered to be our Youth Director for the coming year. He will need help with each and every one of the above events. Council 5958 has always come out and made it happen, so it you have time available and one or more of the above events sounds like fun, please contact Jim and get on the team for that event(s)!

### REMEMBER OUR SEMINARIANS

We urge all of our Brother Knights and their families to keep our seminarians in your prayers and to send them letters of encouragement and holiday greeting cards as often as possible. Their mailing addresses are:

> Seminarian Alex Feliciano <u>afeliciano@svdp.edu</u> St Vincent De Paul Regional Seminary 10701 S Military Tr. Boynton Beach FL 33436-2205

> Deacon Francisco Ojeda <u>fojeda@svdp.edu</u> St Vincent De Paul Regional Seminary 10701 S Military Tr. Boynton

## **Our Principles**

**Charity** - Our Catholic faith teaches us to "Love thy neighbor as thyself." Members of the Knights of Columbus show love for their neighbors by conducting food drives and donating the food to local soup kitchens and food pantries, by volunteering at Special Olympics, and by supporting, both spiritually and materially, mothers who choose life for their babies. Knights recognize that our mission, and our faith in God, compels us to action. There is no better way to experience love and compassion than by helping those in need, a call we answer every day.

Unity – None of us is as good as all of us. Members of the Knights of Columbus all know that – together – we can accomplish far more than any of us could individually. So we stick together...we support one another. That doesn't mean that we always agree or that there is never a difference of opinion. It does mean that – as a Knight of Columbus – you can count on the support and encouragement of your brother Knights as you work to make life better in your parish and community.

**Fraternity** – The Venerable Michael J. McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus, in large part, to provide assistance to the widows and children left behind when the family breadwinner died – often prematurely. The Order's top-rated insurance program continues to do this today, as do individual Knights, who last year gave more than 10 million hours of their time to assist sick and/or disabled members and their families. In the Knights of Columbus, we watch out for and take care of one another.

Patriotism – Members of the Knights of Columbus, be they Americans, Canadians, Mexicans, Cubans, Filipinos, Poles, or Dominicans, are patriotic citizens. We are proud of our devotion to God and country, and believe in standing up for both. Whether it's in public or private, the Knights remind the world that Catholics support their nations and are amongst the greatest citizens.



### HATS OFF THE VESSEL SPONSORS - 2021

A BIG THANK YOU goes to all the sponsors who are helping defray the cost of publishing *THE VESSEL* during calendar year 2020.

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The Pregnancy Center's Mission JMJ Statement is: "JMJ supports the God-given right of every pregnant woman to give birth and the right of every unborn child to be born." As such, they help pregnant women carry their babies to full term and healthy birth. While many of their clients are single women, they are open to all pregnant women including any who might be considering abortion or who cannot afford pre-natal care. They uphold Catholic social teaching on the sanctity of life and family planning.

JMJ offers pregnant women FREE

• Pregnancy Tests (Urine-based tests and Proof of Positivity for Medicaid)

• Limited Diagnostic Ultrasounds (to confirm the pregnancy, to determine approximately how far along into the pregnancy a mother is and to see real-time images of her baby)

• Crisis Intervention & Planning (professionals that volunteer services for the clients. This includes licensed mental health counselors, doctors, attorneys, midwives, business owners, etc.)

• 'Know before you go' options (Counseling regarding the Mother's choices – particularly options to abortion)

• Community resource referrals (connections with organizations that help with things like job searching, budgeting, escaping abuse, childcare assistance, career counseling, post-abortion recovery and much more)https://www.msn.com/en-us/feed

• Material Support (items that are essential for the care of a newborn. Also possibly limited donated maternity clothing available for

## Years of Service

We are celebrating Our Bothers and their years of Service to the Order. This month we are celebrating our Brothers who joined in a previous September.

**Congratulations** to our Brother Knights for their years of Service & Commitment to our Order. The Knights of Columbus and our Council say **Thank You** and we pray to our Lord for many more years of Service to our Parish, Community and Council.

## Brother Knight Years of Service

September. Anniversaries			
Name	1st Degree Date	Years of Service	
Carlos M Gamazo	09-15-1992	29	
Thomas G Holehouse	09-15-1992	29	
Francis L Lemay	09-15-1992	29	
Michael Iwuc	09-07-2005	16	
Matthew J Mueller	09-07-2005	16	
Ray L Standard Jr	09-08-2011	10	
Procoro Carbajal	09-10-2015	6	
Charles C Wilmeth	09-10-2015	6	
Luc G Bitjad	09-28-2015	6	
Jordan Trejo	09-24-2019	2	

## Mini Golf with the Knights

As you know we have not had our golf tournament for the last 2 years due to Covid but it is time to work back and to get us warmed up we are inviting all to come to a mini golf outing on Saturday October 23rd at 10:30 AM.

The mini golf location is at Pirates Cove Adventure Golf located at 8501 International Drive, It is near the Boston Lobster Feast and Friendly's on International Drive.

## THIS IS OPEN TO ALL FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

The cost is \$12.00 per person. After the event we will get together at a local restaurant nearby (location TBD) to exchange golf stories and have a beverage or two.

If you are interested please contact me Joe Clark at joevickyje@aol.com My cell is 407-948-6172

We intend to rent the whole course so I will need to know name your email - phone number and how many players so we can schedule the event for OCTOBER 23rd.

This will enable us to enjoy college football games (UCF plays at night so you won't miss it) at a restaurant or enable those who have other plans to enjoy the rest of their Saturday afternoon. I would like to have a commitment by August 31st so we can reserve the course. The more the merrier as we WARM UP for a MCtournament in 2022.

Joe Clark



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 5958, ORLANDO, FLORIDA COUNCIL ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 OFFICERS MEETING - SJV MINISTRIES BUILDING & ZOOM 7:30	3	4 CLOSET CLEAN UP 11 AM SOCIAL HALL
5	5 4 <sup>TH</sup> DEGREE MTG AT COUNCIL 2112 & 2279 8PM	7	8 4 <sup>TH</sup> DEGREE MTG AT COUNCIL 2112 & 2279 8PM	9 GERNERAL MEETING – SOCIAL HALL & ZOOM 7:30	10	11 DINE OUT OLIVE GARDEN 6:30
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 JMJ PREGNANCY CENTER GALA
19 COFFEE & DONUTS SOCIAL HALL AFTER 7,9 & 11 AM MASSES	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		



### SICK AND VISITATION

The following Brother Knights and family members of Council 5958 who are sick or in distress and need our help and prayers:

**Rodger Vincent** Jerry Sauro **Ursula Sauro** Stephen Zink **PFN John Stephens Troy Cook** Hector Lugo Joe Liktenhus Joan Rodenski **Terance McGovern** Marie Ann Chenette **Carlos Rodriguez Jr Yvette Moglia Dan Dotty** Wilfred Morales **Ernie Santos Ray Standard** 

### DATES TO REMEMBER

September 2 - Officer's meeting - 7:30 PM Social Hall & Zoom

September 9 – General Meeting – 7:30 PM Social Hall & Zoom

September 11-Dine Out - 6:30-Olive Garden-1555 Sand Lk Rd

September 18 – JMJ Pregnancy Center Gala - Loews Sapphire Falls Resort

- September 19 Coffee & Donuts after 7, 9 & 11 AM Masses
- October 7 Officer's meeting 7:30 PM Social Hall & Zoom
- October 9 Dine Out–6:30-Longhorn's South Chase 12901 S Orange Blossom Trail
- October 14 General Meeting 7:30 PM Social Hall & Zoom
- October 17 Coffee & Donuts after 7, 9 & 11 AM Masses
- October 23 Mini-Golf at Pirates Cove Adventure Golf, 8501 International Drive
- October 28 Memorial Mass for deceased Knights of Council 5958 – SJV Church

# Please monitor your email for updates about meetings and other possible events.

If you know of a Brother Knight, or a member of his immediate family, who is sick, hospitalized, in distress, or who died, please notify GK ERIC RODRIGUEZ 407-259-5144 without delay. Please give me a name of the hospital, address, and room number of the person you want me to visit.