



Knights of Columbus
4th Degree

St. Jude Assembly
1750

Epistle *from* St. Jude

September 2026



FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR'S MESSAGE

In the coming months, we will continue to have a light meal during the social hour. During each business meeting in this Fraternal Year we will have a presentation or guest speaker who will give us an inspirational and informative presentation designed to feed our spirit of patriotism.

We are planning to have a potluck Christmas Party on December 17 featuring a best homemade Chili contest. We plan a Fat Tuesday Mardi Gras Dinner on February 9, 2027 and a Concert or comedy show on April 9, 2027. We hope these events will be enjoyed by all.

We will have many patriotic programs during the coming year. We will donate to Honor Flight and provide a color corps for veterans returning from Honor Flight. We will provide a color corps at the quarterly memorial service at Jacobson Veterans Home to honor veterans who have passed. If called upon, we will cook lunch for veterans and their families at Jacobson Veterans Home on Veterans Day. We will participate in Wreaths across America in December.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FOURTH DEGREE ICE CREAM SOCIAL is on September 26, 2026 at 2 p.m. Jacobson Veterans Home, Port Charlotte. Seeing the grateful faces of veterans who have given so much to our country is a very rewarding experience. Join us as we give a little treat as a small thanks for their service.

FAITH IN ACTION

Quarterly Memorial Service, Jacobson Veterans Home

On August 21, Eight Sir Knights provided a Color Corps to honor the fourteen residents of Jacobsen Veterans Home who passed during the last quarter.



ASSEMBLY NEWS

Fourth Degree Business Meeting will be held on September 24th with a social hour at 5:00 p.m. Come for a nice light dinner and spend some quality time with your fellow Sir Knights. The business meeting will commence at 6:00 p.m. San Antonio Parish Center, Rooms 1 & 2.

FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION: TBD

COLOR CORP CALL OUTS:

September 4, Funeral for SK Tony Cuadra. Wake 10:00 am. Service 11:00 am., Roberson Funeral Home, 2151 S. Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte.

THANK YOU MONSIGNOR HILL

Our Faithful Friar, Monsignor Hill, gave a fascinating talk about his experiences as an Army Chaplain during our August meeting. The September speaker will be from SW Florida Honor Flight.

DONATION FOR HOLE SPONSORSHIP

We received an anonymous donation of \$50.00 to pay for Assembly's sponsorship of a Hole at the San Antonio Council 12456 Golf Tournament which will be held on October 31, 2026 at Deep Creek Golf Club. Watch for more news about this event.

ASSEMBLY SHIRTS

We are taking orders for personalized Assembly Polo shirts. T-Shirt style work shirts will be available for those who work an Assembly 1750 event such as a Veterans cookout. See Jeff Kult to order your Assembly 1750 polo shirt.

Even on holiday, Al Borrelli takes time to participate in Knights of Columbus Color Corps and Honor Guard at a Lake Erie Crushers Minor League baseball game in Lorain, Ohio. SK Al joined the Color Corps and Honor Guard from Lt. McManus Assembly 811. What a great example of patriotism, Al.



Article Submission

Any member is welcome to submit an article and/or photographs for inclusion in the newsletter. Just email your content to the Faithful Navigator.

50/50 DRAWING was a success raising \$45.00 for the assembly. The lucky winner was Ed Schwartz. These funds will be use to defray the costs of the light dinner, water and soft drinks which we will continue to provide for our fellowship and enjoyment.

AMALFI COAST TRIP

The Assembly has purchased 25 tickets for a drawing to win a wonderful trip to Amalfi and Puglia. The total cost of the tickets, \$500, represents the Assembly's donation to Southwest Florida Honor Flight. In the event the Assembly wins the trip, a silent auction will be held at the November business meeting giving members an opportunity to bid on the winning ticket. Proceeds of the silent auction will be donated to Southwest Florida Honor Flight.

WIN THE TRIP OF A *Lifetime!* ITALY IN 9 DAYS

8 NIGHTS OF ADVENTURE & BEAUTY
COASTAL WONDERS OF

Amalfi & Puglia



**YOU PICK
THE DATES!**
Winner chooses
from available
dates.

★ YOUR TICKET HELPS SEND LOCAL VETERANS
ON A LIFE-CHANGING HONOR FLIGHT TO WASHINGTON, D.C. ★

GRAND PRIZE INCLUDES:

- ✈ Round-trip international flights from the US to Italy
- 🛏 8 nights in Superior Category hotels
- 🚗 Transfers in air-conditioned vehicles
- 🍳 Daily breakfast (7 total)
- 🏛 Visits & entrance fees as indicated in itinerary
- 👤 Guides in certain activities as indicated
- 🌿 Olive oil, Pasticciotto & Buffalo-mozzarella tastings
- ✈ All air taxes & fuel surcharge

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

Naples • Matera • Ostuni
Alberobello • Bari • Lecce
Otranto • Paestum
Sorrento • Positano
Amalfi & the Bay of Naples

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- ✓ Visit Matera
- ✓ Visit Ostuni
- ✓ Olive oil tasting
- ✓ Visit Alberobello
- ✓ Visit Otranto
- ✓ Pasticciotto tasting in Lecce
- ✓ Buffalo-mozzarella tasting
- ✓ Amalfi Coast tour

Optional: Capri tour



Drawing: October 28, 2026 at 8:00 PM EST

**SUGGESTED
DONATION
\$20**

ONLY 2,000 TICKETS
Will Be Sold!

LIMITED TICKETS. UNLIMITED MEMORIES.



**SCAN HERE
TO GET YOUR
TICKETS!**

EVERY TICKET MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

All proceeds benefit Southwest Florida Honor Flight,
a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.



SIR BIRTHDAYS

The following Sir Knights have birthdays celebrated in September. Happy Birthday and Best wishes to:

Thomas Bartoszek	9-1
Thomas Rau	9-1
Thomas Fascio	9-3
Ivan Pierre	9-6
Art Muzzocato	9-7
David Thompson	9-7
James Froelicher	9-8
Michael Decker	9-10
Robert Little	9-10
Paul Steele	9-11
Richard Oliva	9-12
John Greer	9-14
Karl Ebert	9-16
Kellmis Fernandez	9-17
Charles Mallard	9-17
John Boland	9-18
Antonio Pimentel	9-19
Anthony Padula	9-20
Christopher Bolyard	9-22
Edward Diana	9-26
Rick Finamore	9-30
Miles Sweeney	9-30

CHALICE PROGRAM

The Assembly is considering starting Chalice Program.

Many Fourth Degree Members from Assemblies in the North may be familiar with the Program. A chalice is purchased at the expense of the Assembly. When the Assembly is

notified of the death of a Sir Knight, the name of the deceased member is engraved on the base of the memorial chalice. The family of the deceased Sir Knight is presented a Chalice Certificate along with a Fourth Degree Resolution of Condolence. This is done at the Memorial Mass or Funeral Mass for the deceased Sir Knight. Multiple names are engraved on the same chalice. When the chalice will not accommodate the addition of further names, the chalice is donated to an appropriate religious organization such as the Archdiocese for Military Services for presentation to a newly ordained priest for his use during the celebration of the Mass. A small special annual dues assessment of \$5.00 has been proposed to fund the Chalice Program. Any member can pay in advance the total \$300 cost of the chalice.



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Vivat Jesus!