

Heart to Sacred Heart



There are moments in the life of a parish that shine with a special kind of grace, and last Friday morning was one of them. I want to extend my deepest and most sincere gratitude to our Knights of Columbus for hosting the traveling icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on October 24th, when we came together for the exposition of the Blessed sacrament and benediction in the context of a holy hour.

To stand with Monsignor Hill, Father Olds, and nearly 100 of you in the presence of that beautiful icon was an experience of profound peace. The reverence, the prayerfulness, and the deep, sacred silence we shared during the Holy Hour was one of the most beautiful expressions of faith I have ever witnessed. As your pastor, I

was so moved and felt completely united with you in our shared devotion. In that quiet sanctuary, our hearts truly beat as one before the loving Heart of our Lord.

Thank you to every person who came to pray. You brought the true gift—your faith. Let's carry the peace and love of that holy hour with us into the weeks ahead, allowing the Sacred Heart of Jesus to continue to guide and bless our wonderful parish family.

With heartfelt gratitude and prayers,
Father Jerry Kaywell

The Month Ahead

Event	Date
Raffle Tickets	Saturday, November 1 After Mass
Raffle Tickets	Sunday, November 2 After Mass
Pancake Breakfast	Sunday, November 16 7:00am – 1:00pm
Turkey Drive	Saturday, November 22 Before Mass
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Raffle Tickets	Saturday, December 6 After Mass

Event	Date
Raffle Tickets	Sunday, December 7 After Mass

Faith & Finance

November is Long-Term Care Awareness Month, a time to give thanks for the blessings in our lives and reflect on how we care for those we love. Like many of you, I became a Knight out of love for my family and a desire to grow as a better husband, father, and Catholic man. I also wanted to be a better protector. *What Care Costs* is a free resource that helps you see the cost of skilled nursing, home health aides, and assisted living facilities in your area and across the country. Visit whatcarecosts.com/KnightsofColumbus and enter sponsor code “KofC” to get started. Let’s help families focus on time together, not the financial burden of care.

Written by [Alan Kotlarski](#), Field Agent

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Our Newest Knights



Darin McCurdy

Third Degree Knight

Darin McCurdy serves as a firefighter in Punta Gorda and has been a dedicated member of the department for over 22 years. His commitment to service, courage, and community reflects the values of our Order. Darin looks forward to growing in faith and fraternity as a new member of our council.

In Memoriam



José Luis Basilio

May 14, 1942 – October 25, 2025

A devoted husband, father, and community leader, he founded Creative Rattan and later worked in real estate. A Fourth Degree Knight and past Grand Knight, he was active in the Conquistadors, Rotary, and Sacred Heart Parish. He helped lead the design and

fundraising for the Ponce de Leon monument in Gilchrist Park, leaving a lasting mark on Punta Gorda.
