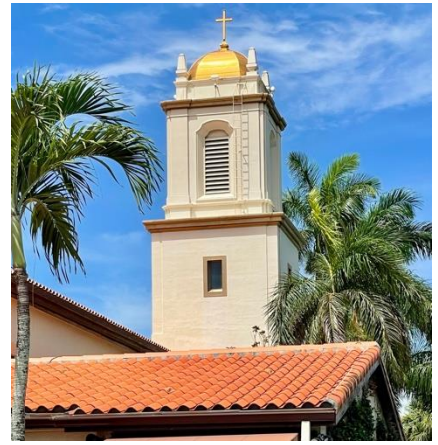


*April, May 2025*

# The Knight Knotables



**Council 10718 • Saint Christopher Parish • Hobe Sound, FL**

**Charity Unity Fraternity Patriotism**

*From our Grand Knight Pete Arino...*

Brothers,

Recently we lost our brother Eric Wolf. He passed away on April 5th and the Funeral Mass was conducted by Father Hynes on April 25th at St. Christopher's Church.

The ceremony was scripted by Eric himself right down to the hymns performed admirably by Bob Hildreth and his wife. The Color Guard, brother knights, family and friends were in attendance. The reception that followed was filled with those who came to pay their respects.



Eric was a man whose depth of faith was evident for all to witness. He was a student of it, he taught it, he lived it, he embraced it. He was a Past Grand Knight, District Deputy and was involved intimately in Church Affairs. He loved the Knights and our Council. He will be sorely missed. Our love and sympathy are extended to his wife Linda and family.

In April we had a very successful Easter Egg hunt (courtesy of Joe Derrico), a Sunday morning breakfast and a blood drive. Many thanks to all the brothers who turned out in large numbers to assist. That is why THIS COUNCIL ROCKS.

I wish all the moms out there a Happy Mothers' Day and for you and your families an enjoyable and safe Memorial Day weekend. I will be attending the State Convention for our council that weekend. Finally let us all pray for our new Pope. May God keep him in good health and may God's wisdom guide him throughout his papacy.

Fraternally,

**Pete Arino**

**Grand Knight**

## *Message from our Field Agent*

Brothers,

Disability Insurance Awareness Month is a perfect time to consider how you'd manage financially if illness or injury impacted your ability to work. Disability insurance offers peace of mind by helping to protect your income and financial well-being.

Each of us is in a different phase of life. Some of us are younger, some of us are older. Perhaps you've spent a considerable amount of time planning for your financial future. Or, if you're like many people, you're not quite sure where to start. Knights of Columbus, along with its wholly owned investment subsidiary, Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors, can help you navigate life's financial journey with insurance solutions to protect what matters most and investment options to help you plan for your future.

Let's start with a few basics. You'll first want to ensure you're protected in case of the unexpected. Knights of Columbus life insurance can help give you peace of mind whether you have a growing family or simply want protection for years to come. It's important not to assume that coverage through a current employer is sufficient — what happens if you can no longer work, switch jobs, or retire? Make sure to have a life insurance plan in place to meet your future needs.

As you start to lay your financial foundation, it is essential to start preparing for retirement. The Knights of Columbus can offer you reliable annuity options to provide guaranteed retirement income. Additionally, through our affiliate Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors, you can start your personalized investment journey — in alignment with Catholic guidelines — to help you reach your retirement goals.

Starting the process of exploring your insurance and financial security goals may feel daunting. But as your agent, I'm here to help. Let's set up time to talk to ensure you are on the right path to protecting your family, preparing for retirement, and ultimately ensuring your financial well-being.

Thank you!

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## *Getting to know our Brother Knights better...*

*To get to know our Brother Knights better, we are providing personal profiles about some of our brother Knights in our newsletters. This month we feature the John Flynn family.*

At our Council breakfasts and dinners, we are fortunate so see John Flynn and his family come in to help with serving and other chores. John was born in Massachusetts and his family moved to Florida in 1965. He and his wife Juvy have nine children: Rachel, who passed away in 2009, Michael 23, John Paul 22, Joseph 20, Joshua 18, Therese 17, Michelle 15, Camille 13 and Christian 12.

Currently, the three eldest boys attend Ave Maria University. Joshua is graduating from high school next week and hopes to also attend Ave Maria. Therese and Michelle attend Cardinal Newman High School. Camille and Christian attend Saint Ann Catholic School. The high school and college students serve as lectors and Eucharistic Ministers at the 9:00 and sometimes 10:30 Masses on Sundays at St. Christopher.



*Flynn family members at the recent dinner.*

John works for Palm Beach County Water Utilities as an accountant. He has worked there for the last 14 years and previously worked at the Palm Beach County Finance Department for 25 years. Juvy has stayed home and made sure everything runs smoothly (a major achievement!).

John is an avid runner, having run 13 marathons and 9 ultra marathons. His children are following in their father's footsteps; two run cross country and track in middle school, two run cross country and track in high school, and one runs cross country and track in college. Joshua won the 2025 Palm Beach half marathon, with an impressive time of 78:58, and he was on the 4x800 relay team for Cardinal Newman HS that won first place in the Florida State Championship Meet this past week.

John and Juvy will celebrate their 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on June 3.

## *About the Council budgeting*

Our Council has seen great financial success. This is the fourth year our gross annual income has exceeded \$50,000. The primary sources of incomes are from the Fr. Manning Golf Outing, the monthly dinners and breakfasts, as well as a broad range of donations. While we have been blessed, we are also very prudent about how we use these funds.

Before the beginning of the fiscal year, which begins in July, the Financial Secretary develops the proposed annual budget and submits it to the Finance Committee for review, comment, and approval. The budget includes an estimate of projected income and administrative expenses based on historic data, and itemizes recurring charities, to which we have been contributing each year. Some of those charities include our Parish, St. Vincent de Paul Society, seminarians, and local charities such as Natives helping Natives, St. Philip Benizi in Belle Glade, St Mary's in Pahokee, local youth programs, and the Global Wheelchair Mission to name a few. In addition, there is a budget for discretionary charities that are considered on an individual basis each year, many of which are suggested by Brother Knights at meetings and then discussed at the subsequent Officers' meeting before being presented to the full council for a vote. Our goal is to maximize charitable donations during the fiscal year, to minimize carry over to the next year while retaining a "rainy day fund" of about \$5,000 at year's end.

We carefully vet proposed charities for characteristics such as low overhead costs, a local presence, and alignment with Catholic principles. Our Council operates with an open book principle. The budget and monthly expenditures are discussed and posted at each general meeting and are available for review by any Brother at any time.

# Notes

- Congratulations to the April Knight of the Month Michael McTeague, and the Family of the Month the Mijares-Barboza Family.
- Congratulations to the May Knight of the Month Orest Acedansky, and the Family of the Month the Don Berch Family.
- Congratulations to the new brothers and brothers transferring into the Council: Paul Byrne, Ed Crocker, Joe Derrico, Sr. and Bruce Leiblein.
- Congratulations to the new Honorary Life Members John Flynn and James Roach.
- The participation by Brother Knights at our dinners and breakfasts continues to be outstanding. Having that much help allows the kitchen crew and serving/clean-up crew to function quickly and efficiently. Please continue to volunteer supporting our meals at the next breakfasts on May 18 and June 22.
- There are many committees that need your help. Please consider volunteering for one of the following committees by contacting our Grand Knight:
  - Fr Manning Golf Outing
  - New member Exemplification and Mentoring
  - A Council historian
- The election of officers will take place at the June meeting. The nominees are provided on the next page.

***Follows is the proposed slate of officers for the 2025-2026 fraternal year***

| Knights of Columbus / St. Christopher Council 10718  |                                  |  |                      |   |  |
|--|----------------------------------|--|----------------------|---|--|
| 2025/2026 Fraternal Year - Council Officer Nominees  |                                  |  |                      |   |  |
|  |                                  | Elected Positions  |                      | Appointed Positions   |  |
| Notes  | Council Officer                  | Incumbent  | Candidate/s          | Incumbent   | Candidate/s  |
| These Positions,<br>3 Year Trustee,<br>& any Trustee<br>Vacancies are<br>elected by the<br>Council Members<br>at large | Grand Knight                     | Peter Arino  | <b>Peter Arino</b>   |   |  |
|  | Deputy Grand Knight              | Mike Skinner   | <b>Mike Skinner</b>  |   |  |
|  | Chancellor                       | John Peterson  | <b>John Peterson</b> |   |  |
|  | Warden                           | Joe Beck   | <b>Joe Beck</b>      |   |  |
|  | Recorder                         | Bob Hildreth   | <b>Bob Hildreth</b>  |   |  |
|  | Treasurer                        | Paul Nelson  | <b>Paul Nelson</b>   |   |  |
|  | Advocate                         | John Bigos   | <b>John Bigos</b>    |   |  |
|  | Outside Guards (2)               | Ed Jost<br>Barry Lyons   | <b>Ed Jost</b>       |   |  |
|  | Inside Guard/s                   | Paul Berkley   | <b>Paul Berkley</b>  |   |  |
| Appointed by<br>Grand Knight   | Chaplain &<br>Spiritual Advisors |  |                      | Father Aidan Hynes<br>Deacon Jim Parrilli<br>Subdeacon Elias Azzi | <b>Father Aidan Hynes</b><br><b>Deacon Jim Parrilli</b><br><b>Subdeacon Elias Azzi</b> |
|  | Lecturer                         |  |                      | Jim Dieckhoner  | <b>Bill Martinez</b>   |
| Appointed by<br>Supreme Knight<br>on the Council<br>recommendation   | Financial Secretary              |  |                      | Dean Busch  | <b>Dean Busch</b>  |
| 3 Year Trustee &<br>Vacancies are<br>elected, other<br>Trustees advance.   | 3 Year Trustee                   |  |                      | Ted Jonczak   | <b>Ted Jonczak</b>   |
|  | 2 Year Trustee                   |  |                      | Jodi Bubla  | <b>Jodi Bubla</b>  |
|  | 1 Year Trustee                   |  |                      | Scott Rose  | <b>Scott Rose</b>  |
|  | Benefits Representative          | Part of KofC organization. Our Representative is <b>David Cruz</b> |                      |   |  |



## *Charity, Unity & Fraternity*

### *Council Officers 2024-2025*

|                     |                      |              |
|---------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Grand Knight        | Peter Arino          | 772-546-0282 |
| Deputy Grand Knight | Mike Skinner         | 772-342-9693 |
| Financial Secretary | Dean Busch           | 772-463-6417 |
| Chancellor          | John Peterson        | 772-342-6756 |
| Recorder            | Bob Hildreth         | 219-929-6123 |
| Treasurer           | Paul Nelson          | 908-617-5067 |
| Advocate            | John Bigos           | 772-402-5199 |
| Warden              | Joe Beck             | 772-286-8244 |
| Inside Guard        | Paul Berkley         | 561-323-7301 |
| Outside Guard       | Ed Jost              | 407-430-5209 |
| Three-year Trustee  | Scott Rose           | 772-214-7641 |
| Two-year Trustee    | Ted Jonczak          | 772-546-1895 |
| One-year Trustee    | Jodi Bubla           | 561-346-5611 |
| Lecturer            | Jim Dieckhoner       | 772-341-3437 |
| Spiritual Advisor   | Subdeacon Elias Azzi | 772-971-0706 |
| Chaplain            | Fr. Aidan Hynes      | 772-546-5150 |
| Benefits Agent      | David Cruz           | 561-206-2789 |
| District Deputy     | Jesse Nasianceno     | 772-214-5300 |

## Helpful Links

Our Council Facebook page; Search@KoC10718 on Facebook or click the link below to visit our Council's page.

[www.facebook.com/groups/254805921362054](https://www.facebook.com/groups/254805921362054)

Knights of Columbus Supreme Council webpage;

[www.KofC.org](http://www.KofC.org)

Florida Knights of Columbus webpage;

[www.FloridaKofC.org](http://www.FloridaKofC.org)

Saint Christopher parish webpage;

[www.stchrishs.com](http://www.stchrishs.com)

Diocese of Palm Beach

[www.diocesepb.org](http://www.diocesepb.org)

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

[www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)



## *Upcoming Activities List...*

Brothers, listed below are the current Council activities. Please mark the dates and times in your calendars. If it has been a while since you have been able to participate, please consider joining in. Many of these activities have been scheduled well in advance to make planning and attending easier.

| Knights of Columbus, St. Christopher Council #10718 |       |  |                  |
|---|-------|--|------------------|
| Upcoming Activities List                            |       |  |                  |
| Day   | Date  | Activity / Place                       | Comment/s        |
| <b>May</b>  |       |  |                  |
| Tuesday   | 6     | Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall  | 7:30 PM          |
| Sat/Sun   | 10/11 | Mothers Day Mementos / Church          | After all Masses |
| Sunday  | 18    | Breakfast / Parish Hall                | After all Masses |
| Tuesday   | 27    | Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall | 7:00 PM          |
| <b>June</b>   |       |  |                  |
| Tuesday   | 2     | Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall  | 7:30 PM          |
| Sat/Sun   | 14/15 | Fathers Day Mementos / Church          | After all Masses |
| Sunday  | 22    | Breakfast / Parish Hall                | After all Masses |
| Tuesday   | 30    | Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall | 7:00 PM          |
| <b>July</b>   |       |  |                  |
| Tuesday   | 1     | Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall  | 7:30 PM          |
| Saturday  | tbd   | Fundraising Dinner / Parish Hall       | Menu tbd         |
| Tuesday   | 29    | Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall | 7:00 PM          |
| <b>August</b>                                       |       |  |                  |
| Tuesday   | 5     | Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall  | 7:30 PM          |
| Saturday  | tbd   | Fundraising Dinner / Parish Hall       | Menu tbd         |
| Tuesday   | 26    | Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall | 7:00 PM          |
| <b>September</b>                                    |       |  |                  |
| Tuesday   | 2     | Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall  | 7:30 PM          |
| Saturday  | tbd   | Fundraising Dinner / Parish Hall       | Menu tbd         |
| Tuesday   | 30    | Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall | 7:00 PM          |
| <b>October</b>                                      |       |  |                  |
| Tuesday   | 7     | Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall  | 7:30 PM          |
| Sunday  | tbd   | Breakfast / Parish Hall                | After all Masses |
| Tuesday   | 28    | Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall | 7:00 PM          |
| <b>November</b>                                     |       |  |                  |
| Tuesday   | 4     | Monthly Council Meeting / Parish Hall  | 7:30 PM          |
| Tuesday   | 25    | Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall | 7:00 PM          |
| <b>December</b>                                     |       |  |                  |
| Tuesday   | 2     | Annul Memorial Mass                    | 9:00 AM          |
| Tuesday   | 30    | Council Officers Meeting / Parish Hall | 7:00 PM          |

# Pictures



The dinner on March 29 was a record breaker. We had over 190 patrons though the door, including a very large contingent on members of St. Vincent DePaul, supplemented 14 Brothers working the kitchen Friday night, and 30 Brothers along with 5 Flynn family members working Saturday. The stuffed pork was a menu first, and was well received. On top of that, the dinner net receipts totaled over \$2300. Ticket sales and donations totaled \$3,265.



The annual easter Egg Hunt was held on April 19. It was a successful community event, with almost 60 children participating in the egg hunt, arts and crafts, jelly bean counting contest, and going home with goody bags. Special thanks to Joe Derrico and his wife Missy for organizing the event, the 18 Brothers who helped, and to Jesse Wolf for his role as the Easter Bunny.