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St. Vincent Church DePaul Center
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 (unless otherwise announced)
Officers Meeting
 Wed. Prior to Bus. Mtg. at 7:00 PM
Business Meeting
 Third Monday at 7:00 PM

John A. Hill #4955
 St. Gabriel Catholic Church - Pompano Beach, FL
 Meetings 1st & 2nd Mondays
GK Ralph Amato
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Msgr. John J. O'Looney #6590
 St. Vincent Catholic Church - Margate, FL
 Meetings 2nd & 4th Tuesdays
GK William Rodriguez
 954-908-9060

Coral Springs #8838
 St. Andrew Catholic Church - Coral Springs, FL
 Meetings 2nd, 3rd & last Thursdays
GK Sergio Lozano
 954-397-6111

St. Malachy #13355
 St. Malachy Catholic Church - Tamarac, FL
 Meetings 1st & 3rd Tuesdays
GK Jeffrey Rock
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San Isidro #16980
 San Isidro Catholic Church - Pompano Beach, FL
 Meetings 1st & 3rd Wednesdays
GK Edwar Aguilera-Gonzalez
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April 2024

ASSEMBLY OFFICERS - 2023-2024

Navigator	John Yardley	954-798-8596
Friar	Rev. Wilfredo Contreras	
Captain	Donald "Don" Barnett, PFN	954-279-3229
Admiral	Kenneth "Ken" Staab, PFN	954-214-4915
Pilot	Todd Palgon	954-235-6725
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Purser	Jeffrey "Jeff" Rock	561-325-0667
Inner Sentinel	Louis Barrera, PFN / David Miller	
Outer Sentinel	Jose Bedoya / Kurt Kohler	
Three-year Trustee	Mike Tarr	845-793-0957
Two-year Trustee	Peter Swanson	943-242-1777
One-year Trustee	William "Willie" Rodriguez, PFN	954-908-9060

DIRECTORS & CHAIRMAN

Color Corps Commander	Christopher "Chris" Wolff	561-560-7883
Color Corps Lt. Commander	Edwar Aguilera-Gonzalez	561-562-0422

A SALUTE TO OUR PAST FAITHFUL NAVIGATORS

1970	Walter Millar †	1996	Martin Gabriel †
1971	Earl Mills †	1997	John O'Toole
1972	Robert Dugdale †	1998	James Cunningham †
1973	Albert Vincent †	1999	Robert Young †
1974	Lindley Shipley †	2000	Martin Knecht, Jr
1975	Warren Castline †	2001	Don Vettorel
1976	Michael Zofchak †	2002	James DiStefano †
1977	Francis Bonniol †	2003	Thomas Neale
1978	Anthony Marro †	2004	Jim Daly
1979	Frank Dvorak †	2005	Ed Mottola, Jr
1980	Edward Joncas †	2006	Lou Cimaglia Jr †
1981	James Cupp †	2007	Nick Zurzolo †
1982	Richard Chisholm †	2008	Harry Whitford
1983	Carmen Caliguire †	2009	Ron Harper †
1984	Jack Spanola †	2010	Eugene Bergeron
1985	Frank Cennamo †	2011	Reyes Carrizales
1986	Rocco Bochetto †	2012	Louis Barrera
1987	Robert Collins †	2013	Manuel Castano
1988	Raymond Gauthier †	2014	Michael Cherup
1989	Thomas Armento †	2015	John Rebesch
1990	James Zilai †	2016/17	Angelo Sardo † (two terms)
1991	Adam Richter †	2018/19	William Rodriguez (two terms)
1992	Stephen Press †	2020	Donald Barnett
1993	Tim Seifert †	2021/22	Kenneth Staab (two terms)
1994	Drew Cavan †		
1995	Doug Murray †		

UPCOMING EVENTS

FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR'S REPORT

SK John Yardley
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Event	Where	When
Public Rosary	Our Lady Queen of Heaven Church	Saturday, April 13 at 11:00 AM
Veterans Affairs Volunteer Party	Alexander "Sandy" Nininger State Veterans' Home	Friday, April 19 at 2:00 PM
Presentation of Chalice to Deacon Milton	Saint Andrew Church	Sunday, April 21 at 11:30 AM
Virtual Exemplification in Spanish	Saint Andrew Parish	Saturday, April 27 at 11:00 AM
Mass Honoring Father Nathan's 20 th Ordination Anniversary	Saint Gabriel Church	Saturday, May 4 at 4:00 PM
Spaghetti Dinner & Dance	Saint Vincent Church Community Center	Friday, May 10 at 6:00 PM
Exemplification	Little Flower Church 2711 Indian Mound TRL, Coral Gables, 33134	Saturday, June 1 at 9:30 AM

Sir Knights and Friends,

I am pleased to report the state of the Assembly is strong!

Thanks to help from Trustee Peter Swanson, Coral Springs Council 8838 Grand Knight Sergio Lozano, and other Coral Springs and Assembly members we developed a blossoming partnership with the Veterans Coalition of Coral Springs to better serve our joint missions.

We just had a wonderful ice cream social on Divine Mercy Sunday at the Alexander "Sandy" Nininger State Veterans' Home with the Veterans Coalition and Council 8838 partners. We are planning another visit in May or June after we collect clothing and supplies for needy veterans.

FLAG DAY PATRIOTIC BARBEQUE

O say, does that Star-Spangled Banner yet wave?
 O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?
 Yes, it proudly does yet wave thanks be to God and our great American heroes!

Save the date, **Friday, June 14** as the Assembly will be having a **Patriotic BBQ on Flag Day** at the **Saint Vincent Church Pavilion** from **5 PM to 7 PM**

Please join us to honor both the great American flag and those Veterans, First Responders, and Everyday Heroes who continue to keep 'Old Glory' flying steadfast, and our liberty secure.

We will be inviting our partners from the Veterans Coalition of Coral Springs and the Coral Springs Columbiettes Auxiliary to join us for a family-friendly afternoon and all are welcome!

PFN and Council 6590 GK Willie Rodriquez will be serving as Chef for a patriotic and fun celebration. Join us for hamburgers, French fries, BBQ chicken, salad, and more! Beverages including soda, tea, wine, and beer will be available with donations suggested.

We hope to see you there!

The Assembly has an amazing and active Color Corps that adds dignity to liturgical services and ceremonies, comforts the loved ones of the fallen, and presents the best possible image of the Order to the public. Great thanks go to long-serving former Commander and Captain Don Barnett, Lieutenant Commander Edwar Aguilera-Gonzalez, plus new Commander Chris Wolff, and many other Color Corps members for their time, effort, and wonderful performance.

Thanks to guidance from Comptroller Joseph Silvers, Purser Jeff Rock, and the helpful payment of dues from our members we are solvent and capable of meeting our obligations.

With help from Trustees Peter Swanson, Willie Rodriquez, and Mike Tarr, our adherence to all Supreme requirements and necessary audits were completed and everything appears to be in proper order for the new administration.

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We always want more Sir Knights to join us, and we are adding new members in an upcoming Virtual Fourth Degree Exemplification in Spanish at St. Andrew in Coral Springs, and an English Fourth Degree Exemplification at Little Flower Church in Coral Gables.

I'm proud to report we have officers from all our affiliated councils participating in the next fraternal year, and we will have the privilege of having six Past Faithful Navigators as officers to advise and assist the Assembly.

It is my great pleasure and honor to serve as your Faithful Navigator, and all our officers and myself are grateful for our Faithful Edward A. O'Neill Sir Knights and friends. Thank you all.

Vivat Jesus!

John Yardley
Faithful Navigator

MAY 20 BUSINESS MEETING

The election of officers will occur at our next Business meeting on **May 20** at the **Saint Gabriel Church Parish Hall**. The Nominating Committee is submitting the following slate of officers for the 2024-2025 fraternal year.

Navigator:	Donald Barnett, PFN	Council 6590
Friar:	Rev. Wilfredo Contreras	Council 16980
Captain:	Christopher Wolff	Council 6590
Admiral:	John Yardley	Council 4955
Scribe:	OPEN	
Comptroller:	Joseph Silvers	Council 13355
Purser:	Jeffrey Rock	Council 13355
Pilot:	David Miller	Council 4955
Inner Sentinel:	Manuel Castano, PFN	Council 13355
Inner Sentinel:	Lou Barrera, PFN	Council 8838
Inner Sentinel:	Jose Bedoya	Council 16980
Inner Sentinel:	Kurt Kohler	Council 4955
Outer Sentinel:	Frank Guido	Council 6590
Outer Sentinel:	Kevin Harris	Council 6590
Outer Sentinel:	Todd Palgon	Council 13355
Outer Sentinel:	Mike Tarr	Council 4955
3-Year Trustee:	Kenneth Staab, PFN	Council 4955
2-Year Trustee:	William Rodriguez, PFN	Council 6590
1-Year Trustee:	Peter Swanson	Council 8838
CC Commander:	Christopher Wolff	Council 6590
CC Lt. Commander	Edwar Aguilera-Gonzalez	Council 16980

The Faithful Friar, Color Corps Commander, and Color Corps Lieutenant Commander are appointed positions.

Nominations from the floor are in order and will be accepted if offered at our next meeting, however if you wish to serve for an office and are not on the slate, please see a member of the Nominating Committee so they can review. A member may nominate himself for office.

I want to thank Nominating Committee members Ken Staab, Willie Rodriguez, and Don Barnett for their assistance in delivering an excellent slate of officers!

FAITHFUL CAPTAIN'S REPORT

SK Don Barnett, PFN
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Worthies,

Elections are here again. Please read the duties of officers at the link below (if you are reading The Patriot electronically).

[Fourth Degree Officer Duties](#)

If you wish to serve as an Officer, contact me, Willie or Ken.

Elections will be in May, so if you do decide you would like to serve, it is a level of commitment. Officers have an extra meeting a month and should attend all meetings and as many events as possible.

Vivat Jesus!

SK Donald Barnett, PFN
Faithful Captain

FAITHFUL ADMIRAL'S REPORT

SK Ken Staab, PFN
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Worthy Sir Knights,

This may be of interest to you. This is not an Emmaus retreat, but is shared with Emmaus retreat alumni and hosted by Saint Bonaventure Parish.

(Source: [St. Bonaventure Men's Annual Retreat at Our Lady of Florida - April 12-14](#))

Retreat is a time you can spend with God, assessing your relationship with God away from the ordinary distractions of life. In the Gospels, we read that Jesus would simply go off and pray. Each and every one of us needs time to be alone, and a retreat provides us with this opportunity.

Our Lady of Florida offers the opportunity for you to experience God, a time of prayer and the wisdom and counsel of gifted and seasoned retreat Preachers.

Our annual retreat at Our Lady of Florida in North Palm Beach is a great opportunity for spiritual growth, reflection, fellowship and rest. The grounds are beautiful and very peaceful. It is very different from an Emmaus retreat. The pace is very relaxed, and participants can attend the talks and sessions (which are led by the retreat house priests, deacons, and sisters) or not, as the need/mood/Spirit leads. There is quite a bit of free time to read, pray, meditate, or just share in some fellowship. Unlike Emmaus, you can attend as many times as you like.

*Each year there is a different theme and quite a number of us have been attending each year for many years. It begins on a Friday evening and ends around noon on Sunday. This year's retreat will be held the weekend of **April 12-14**.*

The theme this year is "Go Deeper and Cast Your Nets! (Luke 5: 1-11)". We will offer practical and promising steps to going deeper for everyone, from those deeply rooted in their faith to those who are just beginning their journey.

Rooms are reserved on a first-come first-served basis. Don't be left out! If you definitely plan on attending or

are seriously considering it, I suggest you register online now using the link below to reserve your room.

You can find more information about the retreat and beautiful facility at <http://www.ourladyofflorida.org>.

Link for online registration:

<https://guestrez.megasyshms.com/D2ZHX/our-lady-of-florida-spiritual-center/InventorySearch/Home/DirectLink?arrivalDate=2024-04-12&departureDate=2024-04-14&ratePlan=I029&ratePlanCategory=GROUP>

Regards,
Ken, PFN
Admiral

FAITHFUL COMPTROLLER'S REPORT

SK Joseph Silvers
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Worthy Sir Knights,

Our membership to date is 246. 110 members have paid and 136 are delinquent. If you have not yet paid your dues, please do so. The Faithful Navigator will have a list of members who have not paid their dues. If for some reason you cannot pay your dues, please contact either the Faithful Navigator or me.

As a reminder, the dues you pay the Assembly (every calendar year around January) as a Sir Knight in the Fourth Degree is separate from the dues you pay your Council (every fraternal year around July) as a Brother Knight in the Third Degree.

Our Purser, SK Jeff Rock, and I will be completing the annual audit early this fraternal year as opposed to the Trustees who completed it late last year.

God Bless you and your family.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,
Joseph Silvers
Faithful Comptroller

COLOR CORPS COMMANDER'S REPORT

SK Chris Wolff
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My fellow Sir Knights,

Our Color Corps was quite busy and ready to serve in the month of March:

1. We supported with a great turnout for the annual Special Olympics. The organizers were quite pleased with our support of so many Fourth Degree members.
2. Next we supported the new Confirmation candidates at Saint Malachy Church. It was special for our CC to help welcome the newly confirmed Catholics!
3. Mid-March we conducted our second training at San Isidro for the Holy Thursday Watch. We have a strong CC membership at San Isidro, which as Commander, makes me quite proud to lead and support these great Catholic men.



4. Next up we attended the Youth Eucharist Adoration at Saint Malachy. Father Rolon was pleased and personally thanked me for our CC support.
5. A large group of our CC took the fast train up to Orlando for the Fourth Degree Biennial Meeting to support our Worthy Vice Marshall Don Barnett.
6. Finally to round out the month, our CC participated in the Holy Thursday Watch at San Isidro. We had nine Knights assisting with the watch in both the main church and the Parish Hall. Father Wilfredo was elated with our participation. The dedication from CC Lt. Commander Edwar Aguilera and fellow Knights are a true inspiration for all of us.

On deck, we have several upcoming April events where our CC has been requested to serve:

Liturgical Service in Honor of Saint Joseph promoting the return to San José on **Tuesday, April 16** at **San Isidro Church, 2310 MLK BLVD, Pompano Beach, 33069**

Muster: 5:30 PM

Mass: 6:00 PM

Liturgical Service of Consecration and Renewal of the Legion of Mary on **Saturday, April 20** at **San Isidro Church, 2310 MLK BLVD, Pompano Beach, 33069**

Muster: 9:30 AM

Mass: 10:00 AM



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VETERANS COMMITTEE REPORT

SK Peter Swanson
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Saint Gabriel Parish / Council 4955 Mass honoring
Father Nathan's 20th ordination anniversary on
**Saturday, May 4 at Saint Gabriel Church, 731 N
Ocean BLVD, Pompano Beach, 33062**
Muster: 3:30 PM
Mass: 4:00 PM

I will be attending the CC Exemplification training in
Miami for our June event on Wednesday, April 23.

Our CC calendar is filling up and will be sending out
additional CC Callouts as they are received from our
Faithful Navigator and Vice Marshall.

On a personal note, I want to take a moment to express
my deepest gratitude and thanks for the Color Corps
mentorship and guidance Worthy Vice Marshall Don
Barnett has provided to me over the past year. Don's
knowledge, patience, and unwavering support of the
Color Corps has been instrumental in helping me
navigate the various aspects of our organization, from
understanding our principles to actively engaging in the
several activities within our Fourth Degree community.
I look forward to continue learning from Worthy Don
and serving alongside him in the noble mission of the
Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus!

Chris Wolff
Color Corp Commander

On Sunday, April 7, the Assembly working jointly with
Coral Springs Council 8838 and the Veterans Coalition
of Coral Springs spent two hours visiting the Alexander
"Sandy" Nininger State Veterans' Home in Pembroke
Pines where they provided ice cream and cookies to
support forty disabled veterans of WWII, Korean War,
Vietnam War, Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts.



The veterans were greatly supportive of the group's
efforts to provide goodwill to our wounded warriors.
Seven members came from 8838, three from the
Assembly and six from the Veterans Coalition.

Peace,
Peter Swanson
Veterans Committee Member

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WWII * KOREA * VIETNAM

**and those who served in-between*

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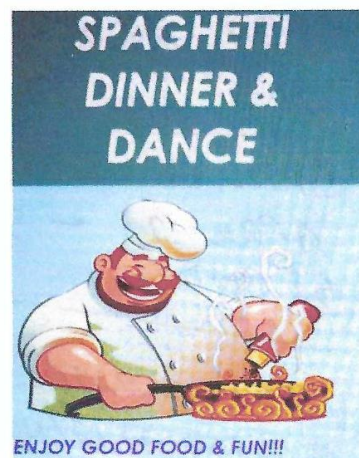
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Council 6590
Fund Raising



**Come and enjoy a home cook Spaghetti
and Meat Ball Dinner with Garlic Bread and Dessert.
Coffe and Water included**

Wine, Beer, and Soda available,

Friday, May 10, 2024

St. Vincent Catholic Church

6350 NW 18th street

Margate, Florida, 33063

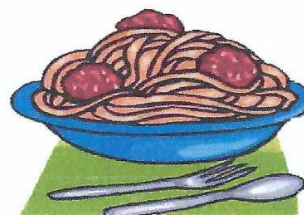
In the community Center

Doors open at 6:00 pm Dinner at 7:00pm

Donation \$30.00

Takeout Available

DJ Tom



Information/Tickets: Willie Rodriguez 954-908-9060