

# U-Knighted News

Blessed Sacrament Seminole Council #17162

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## Special Dates:

Sunday, March 7th

Doughnut Sunday

Wednesday, March 10th

Officer's Meeting 7:00 pm Center

Sunday, March 14th

Daylight Savings Time

Monday, March 15th

Council Meeting 7:00 pm Center

Wednesday, March 17th

St. Patrick's Day

Friday, March 19th

St. Joseph's Day

Saturday, March 20th

First Day of Spring

Sunday, March 28th

Palm Sunday

## Grand Knight's Message:

Greetings Brothers,

Our council has quite a bit that we are involved in as you will see as you read this communication. It is humbling to witness the "Gospel come to life" by the works that our brothers do for the community, church, council and school. I am certain that there are some brothers who are doing acts of charity that do not share their activities and sacrifices with us. God sees them and blesses their efforts.

It was about this time last year that the Covid virus started to take hold on our planet. Many have been affected either by contracting it, working to eradicate it, trying to save others, trying not to come down with it and so on. Store shelves were laid bare with some essentials; things that we didn't think that important before it happened. But the Knights kept doing what we always do, we act. The light at the end of this tunnel is in view. We still have a way to go, but as long as you good men do what you do, stepping to the plate when someone is in need, that journey will be easier for them and pleasing in our Lords eyes.

But on with the newsletter. As Jackie Gleason would say, "And a way we go"!

---Mike

## Prayer for Our Country:

Almighty God. You have given us this good land for our heritage. We humbly ask You that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of Your favor and glad to do Your will. Bless our land with honorable endeavor, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion, from pride



and arrogance, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties and fashion into one united people the multitude brought here out of many nations and tongues. Endow with the Spirit of wisdom those to whom in Your name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that through obedience to Your law we may show forth Your praise among the nations on earth. In time of prosperity fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble do not allow our trust in You to fail. Amen.

--Thomas Jefferson



My Dear Brother Knights,

What a joy it is for me to share the faith and activities of the Knights of Columbus with you good men. I am grateful for the leadership so many of you are taking in our parish. God bless you for it.

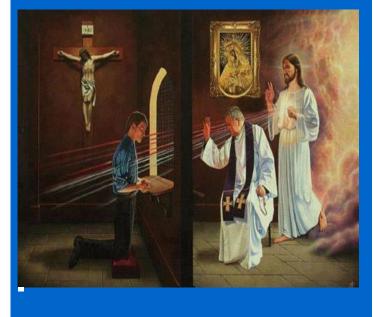
The Lord's mercy is so important to me and has touched me deeply often through my life. I ask all of you to pray over the following reflection carefully in the Lord's presence. Listen to Him speak in your heart and obey what He is telling you. It is the fruit of my daily Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament.

Finally, thanks to the brother Knights for volunteering an hour of their time, directing people to the confessional during the weekday evenings. It is more visibility for the Knights and a great help to me and Fr. Henry.

## Do I need my sins absolved? What sins?

Anesthetics are awesome when we need an operation. It doesn't matter what a surgeon does to our bodies. We feel nothing. Sin has the same effect on us. It anesthetizes our thoughts and feelings. We don't see our thoughts or actions as sinful, or we make excuses for them. Nor do we feel the pain it causes us or others.

Therefore, we don't see the need for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. There is nothing to reconcile. Or we think it's just a small thing. It could wait. But we forget it.



# Birthdays:

John Urban	3/7
Tony Romano	3/18
Mark Friederich	3/20
Gaetano Critelli	3/25

## Knighthood Anniversaries:

Michael Popovich	3/1/1981
Francis Bulino	3/1/1982
Dr. Richard Herrick	3/1/1982
Anthony Zielmanskį	3/25/2013
Gerardo Roman	3/18/2019



"Love one another with brotherly affection. Out do one another in showing honor"

~~Romans 12:10

The sin and its effects continue until our life and relationships crumble. My dear friends, we can't fix sin. We need a Savior to say in his priest, "I absolve you from your sins... Be at Peace."

We are doing all we can to make it easy for you to experience how sweet and satisfying is the mercy of the Lord. With God's blessing on you and all whom you love, Father Rick.

Confessions are Monday through Friday during Lent, 6 PM to 7 PM. All are welcome.

Fr. Rick Pilger, I.C.

#### **Golf Tournament:**

The Golf Tournament Committee had met on Thursday, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>. At this meeting, we had to change the date of the Outing to Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. It will be at the same time and same place. This was done so that we would not be limited to just 60 players.

The reservation to play process (or to make donations or sponsorships also) just got easier. Log on to the school website (bscschool.com) and hit STORE on the upper right corner of the task bar. It will take you directly to the Golf page and everything you would need.

We, ourselves, need to get sponsors and players as well. Please contact anyone you know that has a business and see if they can make a donation or some kind of small item with a corporate logo to put in "goodie bags" (100-125 would be great).

We will also need workers; (1) on the day before to transport raffle prizes from the school to a room at the golf course (2) to sell raffle tickets and (3) work the registration table (among other duties). Please make every effort to be able to assist us on May 7<sup>th</sup> and/or 8th<sup>th</sup>.

## Fundraising:

On Sunday, Feb. 7th, our "Doughnut Sunday" brought in \$494. My gratitude to <u>Brothers: Roger Kenneally, Guy Critelli, Keith Smith, Mike Meere, Jim Merada Ken Zangara and Tom Marrah</u> who helped with the 'sales'. Their efforts proved to be well worth the time. **Thank you, gentlemen!!** 

Our next Doughnut Sunday will be on March 7<sup>th</sup>. Come on out and help us put the "dough" in dough-nations.







### Free-Throw Competition:

On Wednesday, Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>, our council held the annual Free-Throw Competition at the school gym. The winners in each category were also the District 42 champs! The winners (pictured from I to r) Veronica White girls age 12, Jack Thomas boys age 11 and Aiden Earney boys age 12. **Congratulations!!!** 

My gratitude to <u>Brother Tom Marrah</u> for setting this up and to <u>Brothers Jack Fox and Guy Critelli</u> for giving of their time to help judge the competition. **Thank you all!!** 

#### Confessions:

Confessions are being heard Monday-Friday Evenings from 6-7 pm throughout Lent. We were asked to have men volunteer to help with the flow and keep people socially distant. My thanks go out to Brothers; Roger Kenneally, Chuck Warich, Mike Meere, Ken Zamanski, Jack Fox and Jim Merada for stepping up and having this covered.

## Prayer Intentions:

Brothers, if there is a time that you become aware of a brother that needs assistance or is called back to the Lord, please inform me so that we can take the proper course of action. We can't help if we don't know.

## We pray for:

The end to the pandemic
That the vaccines get to those in most need
Our first responders
Our Armed Forces and their families
Our beloved priests
The intentions of the parish
The men of our Council and the Order
The intentions of our Holy Father
The success of our golf outing



How is a priest required to freshen his breath for Mass??

--with a vest-MINT

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#### And in conclusion:

My dear friends,

I want to wish you all a blessed month. I pray that you and your families remain healthy, that you are protected as you celebrate birthdays, holidays and gatherings and that your Lenten Season is fulfilling and rewarding.

God bless you all!

Vivat Jesus, Mike P.