



**Knights of
Columbus**

**Father John H. Patrick
Council No. 13207**

May 2026



MAY - MONTH OF MARY

Immaculate Mary, Your Praises We Sing.

You Reign Now In Heaven

With Jesus Our King.

Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

In Heaven The Blessed

Your Glory Proclaim;

On Earth We Your Children

Invoke Your Fair Name.

Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!



We Pray For Our Mother,

The Church Upon Earth,

And Bless, Holy Mary,

The Land Of Our Birth.

Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

Your Name Is Our Power,

Your Virtues Our Light,

Your Love Is Our Comfort,

Your Pleading Our Might.

Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

Ave, Ave, Ave Maria!

FRATERNAL YEAR 2025-2026 JULY 1 – JUNE 30

Grand Knight
Deputy Grand Knight
Chancellor
Treasurer
Financial Secretary¹
Recorder
Warden
Advocate
Inside Guard
Outside Guard
Trustee 1 Year
Trustee 2 Years
Trustee 3 Years
Lecturer²
Chaplain

Joe D'Amata
Wayne Wooschlager
Ricky Neumann
Tony Stefanowicz
Bob McCann
Open
Brian Miles
John Brown
Wayne Hackett
Jeremy Thachaeden
Bruce Pitts
Allen Amos
Tim Sagul
Open
Fr. Jose Kulathinal

¹ Appointed by Supreme Knight/ recommendation by Grand Knight
² Appointed by council's Grand Knight

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A MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT



Brothers,

I decided to join the Knights of Columbus in May 2017. When I became a Knight, it was because I wanted to serve, in other words, to help do things. I did not wish, or intend, to hold any office, let alone the office of Grand Knight.

When I was elected Grand Knight, I was filled with trepidation because I know my strengths and I know my weaknesses. I also knew that we had a program that allowed us to share our faith, help families in need, serve our community, and advocate for life. My objective was to serve honorably, professionally, and with integrity. My hope was that our program would encourage more Council members to be active and visible and that it would attract new members.


Active participation is the heartbeat of any thriving community, team, or organization. When each person contributes their ideas, skills, and energy, we create a richer, more dynamic environment where everyone benefits. Your voice matters. It brings unique perspectives that can spark innovation, solve problems, and inspire others. By actively participating, you not only help the group succeed but you also grow personally. You develop new skills, build stronger relationships, and gain a deeper sense of belonging. During these past two years, I have witnessed this and been blessed with the support and active participation of many Knights. Thank you so much. We have expanded our program, attracted many new members while sharing our faith, helping families in need, serving our community, and advocating for life.

As you know, nominations are now open and you are all welcome to nominate someone for an office or volunteer yourself. See Page 4 for the slate as it stands currently and the office descriptions on Page 24. Elections for the next fraternal year will take place at our next meeting on June 4, 2026. I have said it before...many hands make light work. So, take that step. Share your thoughts. Volunteer your time. Offer your expertise. Your involvement can be the spark that inspires others to join in, creating a ripple effect of positive change. Together, through active participation, we can achieve more than any of us could alone and make the journey more meaningful for everyone.

Heavenly Father,
Thank You for my Brother Knights who have
stood beside me,
for their kindness, encouragement, and prayers.
Bless them for the support they have shown,
the time they have given,
and the hope they have shared.
Help me to be for others
what they have been for me:
a sign of Your care and compassion.
Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Vivat Jesus!
GK Joe D'Amata
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13207

Date	Day	Event	Coordinator	Location/Time
May 2026				
5/3	Sun	MAY CROWNING OF MARY STATUE WITH COLOR GUARD	Joe D'Amata	Procession from Church to Rectory Courtyard after the 9:30 am and 11:15 am Masses
5/3	Sun	Coffee and Donuts	Joe D'Amata	Rectory Courtyard, after all Sunday Masses
5/7	Thu	Council Business Meeting	Joe D'Amata	Ministry Building, 7 pm
5/10	Sun	Happy Mother's Day!!!		
5/15	Fri	Mass at the Village	Joe D'Amata	The Village, Chapel, 2 pm
5/17	Sun	Corporate Communion with Color Guard	Joe D'Amata	Holy Faith, 11:15 am Mass
5/19	Tue	Rosary Prayer Service & Potluck Dinner	Ricky Neumann	Rectory Courtyard, 6 pm
5/22-5/24	Fri-Sun	FSC State Convention	Joe D'Amata, Wayne Wooschlager	Orlando, FL
5/25	Mon		HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY	
June 2026				
6/4	Thu	Council Business Meeting	Joe D'Amata	Ministry Building, 7 pm
6/4	Thu	Election of Officers for Next Fraternal Year: July 1, 2026- June 30, 2027		
6/7	Sun	Coffee and Donuts	Joe D'Amata	Rectory Courtyard, after all Sunday Masses
6/12	Fri	Mass at the Village	Joe D'Amata	The Village, Chapel, 2 pm
6/16	Tue	Rosary Prayer Service & Potluck Dinner	Ricky Neumann	Rectory Courtyard, 6 pm
6/21	Sun	Happy Father's Day!!!		
6/27	Sat	Fourth Degree Exemplification	Bob McCann	Davie, FL
July 2026				
7/2	Thu	Council Business Meeting	Wayne Wooschlager	Ministry Building, 7 pm
7/4	SAT	FOURTH OF JULY		
7/5	Sun	Coffee and Donuts	Wayne Wooschlager	Rectory Courtyard, after all Sunday Masses
7/10	Fri	Mass at the Village	Wayne Wooschlager	The Village, Chapel, 2 pm
7/21	Tue	Rosary Prayer Service & Potluck Dinner	Ricky Neumann	Rectory Courtyard, 6 pm
7/30	Thu	Fr Jose's Birthday!		

Note: Dates and events subject to change. Please check with GK for latest information.



ELECTIONS NEXT MONTH!



THE PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR NEXT FRATERNAL YEAR ARE IN!

At the council’s business meeting on Thursday, May 7th, members were presented with the proposed slate of Council Officers for the next fraternal year, July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027. The final vote for the election of Council Officers will occur at the next business meeting on Thursday, June 4, 2026. As shown in the proposed slate, there are still several openings for members to consider. Brief descriptions of the responsibilities of these positions are presented on Page 24 in this newsletter. If you are interested in one of these positions, there is still time to be nominated before the final vote is taken at the next meeting.

The council thanked Grand Knight **Joe D’Amata** for his service and dedication over the last two years, along with Deputy GK **Wayne Woolschlager**. Joe has done an outstanding job during that time and will next assume the position of Trustee. Meanwhile Wayne has stepped up and accepted the nomination of GK for the next two years, to keep things moving within the council, parish and community

And much appreciation was acknowledged to all the Officers who served this past year, supported our GK and DGK and will continue to do so in the future.

PROPOSED SLATE OF COUNCIL OFFICERS FOR JULY 1, 2026 - JUNE 30, 2027

<u>Officer</u>	<u>Name</u>
Grand Knight	Wayne Woolschlager
Deputy Grand Knight	Ricky Neumann
Chancellor	Noel Perez
Treasurer	Tony Stefanowicz
Recorder	OPEN
Warden	OPEN
Advocate	OPEN
Inside Guard	Wayne Hackett
Outside Guard	Jeremy Thachaeden
Trustee 1	Allen Amos
Trustee 2	Tim Sagul
Trustee 3	Joe D’Amata

APPOINTED POSITIONS

Lecturer	Open
Financial Secretary	Bob McCann
Chaplain	Jose Kulathinal



GREETINGS FROM OUR FIELD AGENT

A consistent income brings financial stability and well-being to your family. If it were to vanish unexpectedly — whether because of death or disability — consider what might happen next: Would your loved ones need to sell or downsize their home? Would your children need to change schools? Would it impact retirement savings?

Insurance from the Knights of Columbus can help replace that crucial income, protect savings, and prevent major lifestyle disruptions. Depending on your stage of life, there are products designed to fit your needs.

If you're a young man, you may be working hard to pay rent or cover basic living expenses. As you age into your prime working years, there may be mouths to feed, a mortgage, and a car payment. Then finally as you approach or enter retirement, you might be looking for supplemental income or to protect what you've built.

If you're supporting a family, term or permanent life insurance can help give you peace of mind that they will be financially protected if you or your wife should pass away. Even amid tragedy, it helps give the people you love stability and time to adjust without the added weight of financial hardship. Term life insurance, which gives you coverage for a specified time-period, can be a great option if you have a young family with temporary needs. It's an affordable choice that typically provides coverage for 10, 15 or 20 years.

Later, you could choose to convert your policy to whole life, which can provide coverage for your entire lifespan and accrue cash value. This can be helpful if you want a potential way to supplement retirement income or if you're interested in using insurance as part of your estate plan.

Not sure what coverage is right for you?

Please come see me after the meeting, and I would be glad to schedule a time to sit down and talk about your needs. I'm here to help you protect your family and the life you've built.

Thank you!



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FOUR CORE PRINCIPLES: CHARITY, UNITY, FRATERNITY, AND PATRIOTISM

Guide the Knights of Columbus which shape their mission and community service.



1. Charity

Charity is the foremost principle of the Knights of Columbus. Members are called to love their neighbors and serve those in need. This principle is reflected in various charitable activities, such as supporting youth and community programs, pro-life organizations, people with intellectual disabilities and those in need, such as migrant families.



2. Unity

Unity emphasizes the strength found in togetherness. The Knights of Columbus believe that by working together, they can achieve more than any individual could alone. This principle fosters a sense of brotherhood among members, encouraging them to support one another in their efforts to improve their communities and parishes.



3. Fraternity

Fraternity highlights the importance of brotherhood and mutual support among members. Founded in part to provide assistance to widows and orphans, the Knights of Columbus continue to offer support through their insurance programs and community service and commitment of members to care for one another.



4. Patriotism

Patriotism emphasizes the Knights' commitment to their countries. Members are encouraged to be proud citizens and to actively support their nations while upholding their Catholic faith, as is particularly evident in the activities of the Fourth Degree Knights, who participate in public ceremonies and events that honor both God and country.

COUNCIL EVENTS: JANUARY 2026 - MAY 2026



THANKS SO MUCH FOR ALL YOUR HELP!

Time and time again, our council has served coffee and donuts after all masses on the first Sunday of each month- January to May- YES, right after the first of the year and on Easter Sunday! It is a sign of true fraternity to see Brothers in action, getting to know one another and parishioners better over a hot brew and handing out dough(nuts)!

There are “regulars” who are there consistently which is a tribute to their dedication. But whether you’re there every month or not, come by when you can, **THANK YOU!**

From January to May, thanks go to: **Bruce Pitts; Danny Stevenson; Tim Sagul; Tony Stefanowicz; Carl & Debbie Fischer; Noel, Sherry & Noah Perez; Gabriel Baylon; Rovic Anonuevo; Joe D’Amata; Ricky Neumann; Rich Powell; Lito Izon; Jackson Songayab; Jeremy Thachaeden; Bob McCann, Romulo Sevilla; Bill Ryan; Raul Copete; and Paul Smith.** If anyone is missed, let us know so we can thank you for your help!

See **YOU** there!



Rosary & Prayer Service with Potluck Dinner

Jan. 21 and Apr. 21, 2026

Every 3rd Tuesday of the month starting at 6 pm, Brother Ricky Neumann leads the Knights and parishioners for a Rosary and Prayer Service followed by a Potluck Dinner in the Courtyard of the rectory.

On January 21, Ricky was joined by Gabriel and Aurora Baylon, Rovic Anonueva, and Bob McCann to enjoy a chicken dinner, dressed for the occasion wearing their favorite coats and scarves.

Due to weather conditions, services were postponed on February 17 and March 17 (St Patrick’s Day) but resumed again on April 21 with GK Joe D’Amata and Ricky who prayed together, shared chicken and salad, and enjoyed the great outdoors. As mentioned at the business meeting in May, “It was a great opportunity to solve the problems of the world in fraternity.”

Next up: May 19th

**REMEMBER: EVERY 3rd TUESDAY OF THE
MONTH, RECTORY COURTYARD, 6 PM**

GOOD NEWS ABOUT KNIGHTS’ DONATIONS

PRO-LIFE MINISTRY- A WOMEN’S ANSWER: In January 2026, our council donated \$500 to **A Woman’s Answer Medical Center.** AWA is a faith-based, non-profit pregnancy center that provides alternatives to abortion and is committed to saving lives physically, spiritually, and emotionally. They want to engage, equip, and empower women to make healthy pregnancy decisions. By donating \$500, the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus will contribute an additional \$100 as part of Aid and Support After Pregnancy (ASAP), a Faith in Action program.

COUNCIL EVENTS: JANUARY 2026 - MAY 2026 (CONT.)

FEAST OF SANTO NIÑO AND SINULOG EVENT FILIPINO AMERICAN CELEBRATION

JANUARY 18, 2026

The Feast of Santo Niño was celebrated by the Filipino American community which included many of our Brothers Knights and Families who participated in the mass and contributed to the Sinulog Event: **Br. Noel and Sherry Perez, son Br. Noah Perez; Br. John John and Valerie Madamba; Br. Armando and Vernice Alfaro; Br. Gabriel and Aurora Baylon; Br. Gerald Quilao; Br. Galen and Laarni De Las Alas; Br. Jo Jo and Lynette Teves; Br. Jo Jo and Vivienne Gayo; Br. Andy and Bing Bargas; Br. Aries and Anesel Cuartacruz; Br. Erik and Agnes Esguerra and sons, Ivan and Kendrick; Br. Romulo and Annelyn Sevilla; Br. Jhune and Chummy Bautista; Br. Marlon and Cherie Belacruz; Br. Edgar and Loida Bolinao; and Br. Ernal Ian and Kat Belarmino.**



Joining our Filipino American Brothers and their families were **Br. Ricky Neumann** (in Honor Guard uniform), **Br. Bob McCann**, **Br. Tony Stefanowicz**, **Br. Jeremy Thachaeden**, and **Br. Carl and Debbie Fischer**.



**USHERS JHUNE
BAUTISTA, GABRIEL
BAYLON, NOEL PEREZ**



FEAST OF SANTO NIÑO



**FR. CHRISTOPHER, FR. ISAIAS GERALI, SK
RICKY NEUMANN**



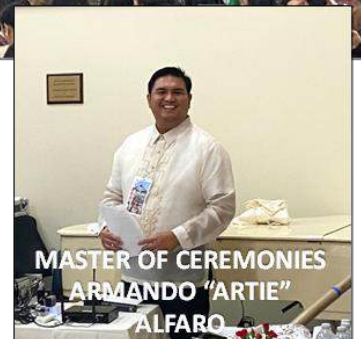
**SINULOG EVENT
AT PARISH LIFE
CENTER**



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AT PARISH LIFE
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**CHILDREN'S
PERFORMANCE**



**MASTER OF CEREMONIES
ARMANDO "ARTIE"
ALFARO**

COUNCIL EVENTS: JANUARY 2026 - MAY 2026 (CONT.)

SOUPER FUN SUNDAY ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC ACADEMY

FEBRUARY 1, 2026

On Sunday, February 1, 2026, Brother **Raul Copete** led our efforts in supporting St. Francis Catholic Academy and their 18th Annual Souper Fun Sunday. Brother Raul was assisted by Brothers **Rovic Anonuevo, Wayne Hackett, Greg Jasinski, Tony Stefanowicz**, and our Field Agent Brother **Alberto Fernandez**. Our efforts and service were very much appreciated by SFCA. Raul's soup was voted a fan favorite and received first place for people's choice. Great job to Raul and all his helpers and particularly those who voted for it!



THE COLOR CORPS FOURTH DEGREE KNIGHTS (AND THIRD DEGREE KNIGHTS) WE NEED YOU!

The Color Corps has been referred to as “the most visible branch of the Knights of Columbus” that provides a powerful witness of faith and reverence at masses, funerals, confirmations, and special parish events. By these public demonstrations their loyalties bring credit to themselves and to the Knights of Columbus and exemplify all the principles of our Order:

- Charity** - by the gift of their time and energies necessary to practice, perfect and perform the ceremonials and sword drill;
- Unity** - by the united efforts of Sir Knights to practice and perfect a coordinated drill for the good of the Church and the Order;
- Fraternity** - by expressing an “Esprit de Corps,” sharing a common desire for drill excellence and camaraderie; and
- Patriotism** - by performing precision drill as a salute to God and to country and visually exhibiting a love for both.



All Third Degree Knights are encouraged to become Fourth Degree Knights and then, like Fourth Degree Knights, are beckoned to answer this clarion call to service in this ministry. See Page 18 for assistance with uniform costs.

CONSIDER JOINING TODAY!

COUNCIL ATTENDS MASS AT THE VILLAGE

JANUARY 9, FEBRUARY 13, MARCH 13 &
APRIL 10, MAY 15¹, 2026

A tradition started last year, Brother Knights have attended the 2 pm Mass every second Friday of the month at the Village to visit Brother Knights who live there, **Larry Clark** and **Walt Visniski**. Joining them are about 20 to 30 residents who appreciate the Knight's attendance. Mass is celebrated by either **Fr. Jose Kulathinal** or **Fr. Emmanuel Joseph**. Knights who have attended include: **Tony Stefanowicz, Tim Sagul, Bob McCann** and **Joe D'Amata**. Greeting folks at the chapel door is **Larry** while visitors are always welcomed at **Walt's** place. They would love to see you!

EVERY 2ND FRIDAY

¹ re-scheduled due to funeral on 5/8/26



STANDING: WAYNE HACKETT, RAUL COPETE, ALBERTO FERNANDEZ, GREG JASINSKI
FRONT: ROVIC ANONUEVO, TONY STEFANOWICZ



CHEF RAUL COPETE & ROVIC ANONUEVO



CHEF RAUL SERVING SOUP, ROVIC ANONUEVO, WAYNE HACKETT, TONY STEFANOWICZ



ENJOY THE SOUP!

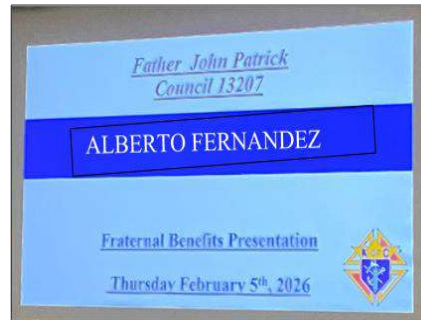
COUNCIL EVENTS: JANUARY 2026 - MAY 2026 (CONT.)

FRATERNAL BENEFITS NIGHT DURING BUSINESS MEETING AND POTLUCK DINNER FEBRUARY 5, 2026

Thursday, February 5, 2026 – A Fraternal Benefits Night was held in the Parish Life Center during the council's Business Meeting and Potluck Dinner, with our Field Agent, **Alberto Fernandez** as Guest Speaker.



DGK **Wayne Woolschlager** led the meeting that lasted from about 7 pm to 8:45 pm. Mid-way through the meeting, food and beverages were provided by all attendees when Alberto made his presentation that lasted an hour. A taste of beer was provided by **Raul Copete** (remnants from Souper Fun Sunday). Alberto gave an informative presentation about the Knights, from Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly's talk at the Supreme Convention held last year to benefits that the KofC offers to members and families. Others in attendance were **Tim Sagul, Tony Stefanowicz, Brian Miles, Bruce Pitts, Noel Perez, Rovic Anonuevo, Tom Hankamp, Gabriel Baylon** and **Bob McCann**.



FRATERNAL BENEFIT EVENT APRIL 23, 2026



A Fraternal Benefit Event was recently held at Queen of Peace Catholic Church hosted by Council 11448. Brothers **Joe Spinelli** and **Alberto Fernandez** made presentations about the investment and insurance options through the Knights of Columbus as well as the other benefits available to members. GK **Joe D'Amata** attended and highly recommended that members consider attending this event when you can or when you receive an email to participate on-line- generally once a month.

COUNCIL EVENTS: JANUARY 2026 - MAY 2026 (CONT.)

CORPORATE COMMUNION AND ALTAR SERVER AWARD

FEBRUARY 15, 2026

Thank you to everyone who attended our Corporate Communion and Altar Server Recognition by our council at the 9:30 am Mass on February 15, 2026. This was our 3rd Corporate Communion of the Fraternal Year.

Brother **Jeremy Thachaeden** was awarded the Altar Server of the Year Award, presented by DGK **Wayne Wooschlager** and **Tony Stefanowicz**. Jeremy was being honored for his engagement in activities with the Knights and Holy Faith. He received a Celtic Cross, Award Plaque with his name on it to be displayed in the vestibule, and \$1000 towards his education (\$500 donated from the **Kurupachery family** in honor of Brother **Bavoo**).

More than 50 people gathered afterwards from Brother Knights and family members to congratulate Jeremey. Knights present for the mass included: **Noel Perez, Jhune Delos Reyes, Jojo Teves, Bernard Digao, Eric Esguerra, Rovic Anonuevo, Carl Fischer** and **Bob McCann**.

Young Adult Receives Altar Server of the Year Award at Holy Faith: 2/15/2026



ALTAR SERVER AWARD
Jeremy Thachaeden

- Parents: Jacob and Babitha
- Age: 21: Santa Fe College, studying Computer Information Technology
- Siblings: Nehemy (at UF studying Industrial Engineering), Maureen (dual enrolled at Santa Fe), Mairin (9 th grade at St. Francis Catholic Academy), and Isaiah and Ezekiel (in 8 th and 1 st grade at St. Patrick's Interparish School).

Jeremy was born in Plymouth, Michigan and attended Saint Mary's Catholic Church in Detroit, Michigan. After he received his First Communion, he began his training as an Altar Server and served at Saint Mary's from 2013 to 2015. From 2015 to 2017, when the family moved to Tampa, Jeremy served as an Altar Server at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. The family moved back to Kerala, India, where he served at Saint Joseph's Catholic Church. In 2021, the family moved to Gainesville, Florida and for the past 4 years, Jeremy has been an Altar Server at Holy Faith Catholic Church. In short, Jeremy has been an Altar Server for over 12 years. When asked, what inspires him to continue to serve, his answer was "Christ came as a servant not as a King". In addition to serving as an Altar Server when he is needed, he also serves as a Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion and Usher at the 9:30am Mass, and as Sacristan for the 7:00am daily Mass. In response to a question about the number of Masses he serves at, his response was that he is eager to deepen his faith and 'the more Masses he attends, the more Blessings he will receive.' Congratulations Jeremy from us all!

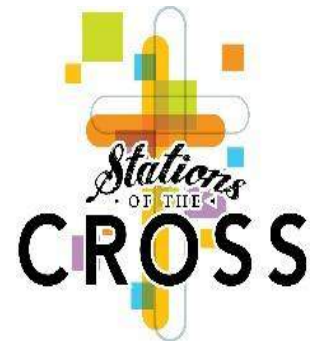


COUNCIL EVENTS: JANUARY 2026 - MAY 2026 (CONT.)



Friday Night Dinners
February 20 - March 27, 2026

Thanks to the more than 600 parishioners who attended and council members with their families who helped, the annual **Fish Fry Dinners** were again a great success! The dinners which followed the **Stations of the Cross**, starting with the first Friday in Lent, February 20, until the last Friday, March 27, all came to enjoy the fish, soup, baked beans, potato salad, cole slaw, salad (with Harvey's tomatoes) and buns. At the last Fish Fry dinner, parishioners of **St. Andrew's Episcopal Church** were invited to the Stations of the Cross and then share a meal.



WAYNE HACKETT, TIM SAGUL, RAUL COPETE, RUSTY COOPER,
WAYNE WOOLSCHLAGER, DEBBIE & CARL FISCHER,
ROVIC ANONUEVO, GABRIEL BAYLON

Co-Chairs this year were **Tony Stefanowicz** and **Bob McCann** who worked together with council members to make these dinners happen. Thank you all for doing what you could: **Bruce Pitts, Wayne Woolschlager, Tim Sagul, Carl & Debbie Fischer, Brian Miles, Rovic Anonuevo, Richard Powell, Wayne Hackett, Rusty Cooper, Ricky Neumann, Gabriel Baylon, Raul Copete, Noel Perez, Jackson Songayab, Sean Workman.**

COUNCIL EVENTS: JANUARY 2026 - MAY 2026 (CONT.)



RUSTY COOPER, GABRIEL BAYLON,
WAYNE HACKETT

Again, with support from **Greg Jasinski** and **Texas Roadhouse**, their donation of rolls and salad were very much appreciated (the rolls were a particular hit with young ones and a few of the older set). In continuing another tradition, many thanks go to **Harvey Pleiman**, a parishioner, for graciously providing freshly grown hydroponic tomatoes each week. These donations certainly helped make the dinners feel more like home cooking.



CARL &
DEBBIE
FISCHER



FR. JOSE & MINE MARCON

And what a crew of volunteers! To buy and pick up the goods from Restaurant Depot, Sam's Club and Texas Roadhouse; sell tickets; prepare the food and table settings; cook the fish; serve the meal, salad and soup; cleanup and wash dishes afterwards; and, of course, count the money.

And speaking of soup! Each week saw a variety of delicious homemade soup made by: Raul Copete, Rita and Tony Stefanowicz, Patty and Rusty Cooper, Eileen and Bob McCann and Bruce Pitts.

One other added feature was a slide presentation showing pictures of our council from 2002 to now. Great memories!



RAUL COPETE, JACKSON SONGAYAB, TIM SAGUL, BRUCE PITTS,
RUSTY COOPER, WAYNE HACKETT



TIM SAGUL, CARL FISCHER,
RUSTY COOPER



BRIAN MILES &
RICHARD POWELL

With prices at a very reasonable price of \$10 per person and children under 10 years free, the council made over \$3,000, all of which will go to charities. **Well done and thank you!**

COUNCIL EVENTS: JANUARY 2026 - MAY 2026 (CONT.)



WAYNE WOOLSCHLAGER



MAY 20, 2026

FRONT: BRIAN MILES, TONY STEFANOWICZ, BOB MCCANN, TIM SAGUL
 BACK: NOEL PEREZ, SEAN WORKMAN, ROVIC ANONUEVO,
 RICHARD POWELL, BRUCE PITTS, WAYNE WOOLSCHLAGER,
 CARL FISCHER, GABRIEL BAYLON, RUSTY COOPER



GABRIEL BAYLON & WAYNE WOOLSCHLAGER



CARL FISCHER & NOEL PEREZ



KOFC FISH FRY DINNER – MARCH 27, 2026
 THE CREW

FRONT: TONY STEFANOWICZ, SEAN WORKMAN, TIM SAGUL, BRIAN MILES, RUSTY COOPER, BOB MCCANN
 BACK: WAYNE HACKETT, CARL FISCHER, GABRIEL BAYLON, JOE DAMATA, WAYNE WOOLSCHLAGER,
 ROVIC ANONUEVO, BRUCE PITTS, PAUL SMITH, RICHARD POWELL, DEBBIE FISCHER,
 NOEL PEREZ, RICKY NEUMANN



BRUCE PITTS, WAYNE WOOLSCHLAGER, DEBBIE FISCHER,
 GABRIEL BAYLON, ROVIC ANONUEVO



GRANDSON ADAM, ANNETTE BOUVIER,
 DAUGHTER CHERYL & JOHN

COUNCIL EVENTS: JANUARY 2026 - MAY 2026 (CONT.)

DISTRICT-WIDE EXEMPLIFICATIONS OF CHARITY, UNITY AND FRATERNITY APRIL 14, 2026



An Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity was held at Queen of Peace Catholic Church on April 14, 2026. Four new Knights were welcomed to the order.

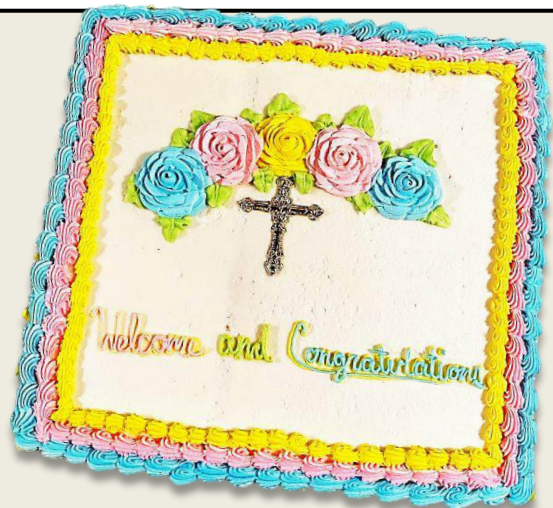
Thank you to the ceremonial team which consisted of District Deputy **Nick Mrozinske**, Deputy District Deputy **Shane Williams**, Faithful Navigator **Steve Jones**, Faithful Comptroller **Chuck Hennault**, Financial Secretary **Matthew Cirafice** from Council 11448; Financial Secretary **Bob McCann**, and Grand Knight **Joe D'Amata** from Council 13207.

These exemplifications are reminders of what the Knights of Columbus are all about. Please consider attending one of these events, particularly if you have not participated in all three degrees.



SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL RECEPTION APRIL 4-5, 2026

OCIA Reception – Saturday, April 4, 2026 - The Easter Vigil Mass was very well attended and uplifting - 10 catechumens and 10 candidates were welcomed into the Church. **Fr. Jose** celebrated the mass with **Fr. Christopher** and **Fr. Dominic** from Orlando; Deacon **Mike Demers** assisted along with 9 altar servers, including **Jeremy Thachaeden**. The service was awesome with the ceremonies, music and readings (**John Brown** did one of them) that lasted from 8:30 pm to 11:50 pm. Needless to say, although the service was long, people did stay to the end and came over to the reception afterwards in the rectory courtyard - by that time it was Easter!



Eileen and Bob McCann were prepared - getting the cake, cupcakes, cookies and special punch ready. Then, with the help of **Debbie Fischer** and **Wayne Hackett**, who both had ushered, served about 120+ people. All the cake and cookies were gone by the end of the night. Any leftovers were readily appreciated by parishioners after the Sunday masses.

COUNCIL EVENTS: JANUARY 2026 - MAY 2026 (CONT.)

ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC ACADEMY- SOCK HOP FUND-RAISER DINNER APRIL 18, 2026



On April 18, 2026, St. Francis Catholic Academy hosted its Sock Hop Casino Night with a 1950s theme. There was music, dancing, food provided by BTW, and games. Brother **Raul Copete** and GK **Joe D'Amata** served as bartenders raising money from the sale of Brother Raul's specialty drinks (Margarita, Hurricane, and St. Francis Blessing). All the money from tips were donated to SFCA. Brother Raul Copete displayed the framed Certificate of Appreciation presented by SFCA to the Knights of Columbus for their participation at this event. He also displayed the framed Certificate of Appreciation and First Place for People's Choice award for the Council's participation at the SFCA Souper Fun Sunday (see earlier article).

FUNERAL MASS FOR DANIEL BUCKLEY FATHER OF FR. DOMINIC WITH COLOR CORPS MAY 8, 2026

Daniel James Buckley passed away on May 5, 2026. His son, **Fr. Dominic**, celebrated the funeral mass for his dad at Holy Faith on May 8, 2026, Daniel, Fr. Dominic and son **Dante** are all Knights. Daniel was a member of the Holy Faith choir and the "mayor" at the Atrium where he lived.

At the request of the family, the Knight's presence was requested for the funeral mass. The Knights honored that request by having the Color Corps present with Commander **Ron Spitznagel** from Council 13900; **Ricky Neumann**, **Joe D'Amata** and **Paul Smith** from Council 13207; **Marc Andreozzi** from Council 11448. Others who attended included **Carl Fischer** (usher), **Raul Copete** and **Bob McCann**. Afterwards, a reception was held at which **Debbie Fischer** was one of several volunteers who helped coordinate and serve at the buffet-style dinner.



Fr. Dominic said that he was honored to have the Knights represented and supporting the family.

COUNCIL EVENTS: JANUARY 2026 - MAY 2026 (CONT.)

MAY CROWNING OF MARY MAY 3, 2026

Holy Faith held The Crowning of Mary on Sunday, May 3, 2026 after the 9:30 am and the 11:15 am Masses. After the masses, parishioners were led by Director of Music Ministry **Cristina Logan**, the **Choir** and the **Color Guard** who proceeded from the church to the Statue of Mary in the Rectory Courtyard.



Thank you to Brother **Raul Copete** for decorating the Grotto for the Crowning of Mary, to Brothers **Ricky Neumann**, Jon Meinholz and Joe D'Amata for serving as a Color Guard, and to Brothers **Bob McCann**, **Raul Copete** and **Noel Perez** for photographing the event.



**FR. JOSE, FR. CHRISTOPHER,
SK JOE D'AMATA, SK RICKY NEUMANN,
SK JON MEINHOLZ**



**FR. JOSE, FR. CHRISTOPHER,
SK JOE D'AMATA, CRISTINA LOGAN**

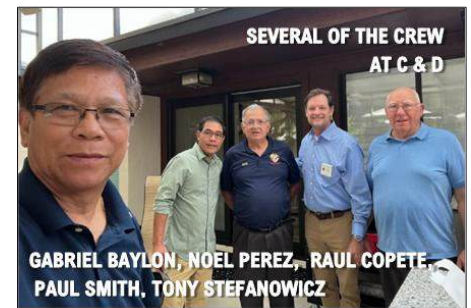
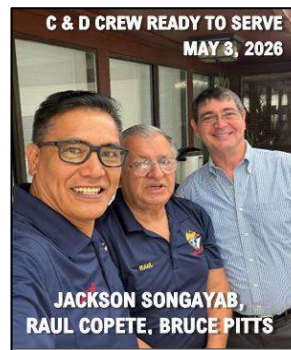


NEXT CORPORATE COMMUNION WITH COLOR CORPS "The 4th and Last of this Fraternal Year"

MAY 17, 2026

The Council will celebrate its 4th and last Corporate Communion of the fraternal year at the 11:15 am Mass on May 17, 2026.

Please join us with your family as we sit together, pray together and stay together.



SEDER SUPPER- MARCH 26, 2026

Holy Faith held its annual Seder Supper on Thursday, March 26 to honor the Jewish tradition and connection with our faith. **Debbie Fischer** (spouse of Brother Carl) assisted throughout the day and arranging the room then ensuring that servers had sufficient support at the tables; **John and Beth Brown**, **Frank and GERALYN Mackritis** and **Bob McCann** serving wine and meals; with **Sean Workman** celebrating in attendance.



IN MEMORY OF BROTHER KNIGHTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS



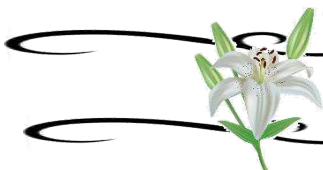
Dr. and Brother Knight John Michael “MJ” Stirna II, age 88, passed away peacefully on February 5, 2026 in Gainesville, Florida, surrounded by his beloved wife, **Virginia (“Gini”)**, and his family. Born on February 8, 1937, in Scranton, Pennsylvania, MJ was the son of immigrants from Lithuania whose courage and determination helped shape the values he carried throughout his life. With more than 60 years of medical service, Dr. Stirna was widely respected for his dedication to patient care and preventive health screenings, particularly with veterans at the VA Hospital in Gainesville and the Ocala Veterans Administration Clinic. MJ lived a full and joyful life centered on faith, family, and community. He was an active member of Holy Faith Catholic Church, sang in the church choir, and was a dedicated member of the Knights of Columbus, Council 13207, since 2004. Through A Woman’s Answer, a pro-life program he helped found, MJ devoted his energies to supporting the dignity of life. A man of boundless enthusiasm and imagination, he believed that “if you could dream it, you could do it.” He will be deeply missed by his beloved wife, Gini; his 10 surviving children (2 predeceased him) and their spouses and his 39 grandchildren.

Dr. Eleanor Choy Abella, wife of Brother Jackson Songayab, passed away on February 6 2026 at the age 59, at her home in Gainesville, FL surrounded by her loving husband, children, and immediate family. Jackson joined the Knights of Columbus in the Philippines member in 1995 and transferred to Council 13207 in 2025. Eleanor battled GBM (Glioblastoma Multiforme) courageously for 22 months before succumbing to the disease. She was born on October 19, 1966 in Baguio City, Philippines to Olympio Choy and Carmen Wong, whose boundless humble dedication to family and community helped shape the values she carried throughout her life. With more than 25 years of medical service, Dr. Abella was widely respected for her dedication to patient care and her advocacy for preventative health screenings, particularly through her work at various clinics and counties under the umbrella of the Florida – Department of Health. Beyond medicine, Eleanor Abella will forever be remembered for her faith, her compassion, her humility, her sense of humor, and her zeal for life. She was a silent active member of Holy Faith Catholic Church in Gainesville and contributed financially in building the new Parish Life Center. She also gave contributions to various research causes associated with the University of Florida. Eleanor was first and foremost a loving and caring wife to Jackson and mom to their three children.

Brother James M. Vignola, Sr. passed away on January 13, 2026, at the age of 92. Brother James will be buried alongside his wife at H. Warren Smith Cemetery in Jacksonville Beach, FL. Brother James was born on April 27, 1933 and a devout and faithful Catholic. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus since 2004 and a U.S. Navy Veteran. He transferred to Council 13207 in 2024. Brother James lived in the Village in Gainesville. He was preceded in death by his wife, Catherine (Merendino) Vignola; He is survived by his daughter, his son and spouse, grandson and great-grandson. James' two brothers, Andrew and Michael, sadly passed away days after James died. He will be greatly missed by family and friends.

Nancy Patricia Callahan Demers, mother of Deacon and Br. Mike Demers, married to Pam, passed away on March 26, 2026 at the age of 90 in Melbourne FL. Funeral Service for Nancy was held at Ascension Catholic Church in Melbourne, FL where she lived for several years after moving from Gainesville after her husband, William, passed away in 2015. William was a charter member of Council 13207 while Deacon Mike joined the council in 2004. Nancy was born on November 5, 1935. They were Holy Faith parishioners for many years after raising their 12 children in Massachusetts (2 have predeceased her). An Honor Guard from the Melbourne council was present at the Mass that was concelebrated by Fr. Zachary Parker and Fr. John Triolo. Deacon Mike served as Deacon and delivered the Eulogy, during which he spoke about his mother’s creed - “Always Service BOTH In Joy And In Sorrow” and how his mother lived her creed during her life. What a testament to her life is her family.

Br. And PGK Harry Paul Anthertz, Jr., father of PGK Paul Smith, passed away at 79 on March 21, 2026 at Orange Park, FL. He was born on November 9, 1946 in Miami, FL. Paul was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Fleming Island, FL and a member of Knights of Columbus, serving as Grand Knight for two years. As GK, he attended the Florida State Convention in Orlando FL in 2013 and 2014 when his son Paul S. (named after his dad) was attending as Financial Secretary from Council 13207, a Knight since 2002. The dad Paul loved helping others, fund raising, entertaining, watching football and traveling. He is survived by his loving wife, Jenny Anthertz and three children and father figure to many others. .



MAY THEY REST IN PEACE





ASSEMBLY #1817 FOURTH DEGREE EVENTS



35TH ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT



The Assembly's 35th Annual Charity Golf Tournament will held this year at Turkey Creek Golf Course on November 8, 2026. Sir Knight and Chairman **Mark Paletti** (Council #13037, St. Madeleine) is coordinating this event with help from SKs **Tony Stefanowicz** and **Bob McCann** (Council #13207, Holy Faith).

Last year the tournament raised more than \$7,000 to support various charities and Catholic organizations, such as **Catholic Charities, A Woman's Answer, Community Pregnancy Clinics, Veterans Affairs Medical Center, St. Francis Catholic Academy, Circle of Hope Pro-Life Center** and others. It is **THE** fund raiser for the Assembly.

Our council is expected to have at least one team, possibly two. Remember- you don't have to be a golfer to have fun.

Please see the following page with all the details and registration form for this event.

THE COLOR CORPS CALL!

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All Third Degree Knights consider becoming Fourth Degree Knights! Then, as a **Fourth Degree Knight**- please join the Color Corps! See more on Page 8.

The cost? Some of your time and some of your money (for the uniform). Good news- **Council 13207** and **Assembly 1817** will reimburse you \$400 towards the uniform cost of about \$500. Check it out!

SOCIAL GATHERINGS FEBRUARY- MAY 2026

Assembly #1817 has gathered for socials with spouses on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from February to May 2026. Folks have met at Texas Roadhouse off of Archer Road and more recently at BJ's Restaurant and Brewhouse at the Oaks Mall on Newberry Road. Those seen at the socials have included FN **Steve and Carol Lynn Jones, Mark and Linda Paletti, Ron and Connie Spitznagel, Tony and Rita Stefanowicz, Bob and Eileen McCann, Jerry and Rosa Woodward, Andrew Scholberg,** and **Joe D'Amata and Mary Watt.**

Next up: BJ's at 5 pm on June 17, 2026.

4th Degree Exemplification – Davie, FL June 27, 2026

The Fourth Degree is celebrating the 250th anniversary of the United States of America with an Exemplification at St. Bonaventure Catholic Church in Davie, FL on Saturday, June 27, 2026.



- Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m.
- Exemplification at 11:00 a.m.
- Mass at 1:00 p.m.; and
- Luncheon at 2:00 p.m.

Retiring Miami **Archbishop Most Rev. Thomas Wensky** will be the honoree. An impressive guest list is gathering for the event, led by Supreme Master **Michael McCusker** and Supreme Director and Past State Deputy **Scott O'Connor**. The candidate fee is \$90. While the ceremony is free, the banquet fee for family, friends and observers is \$50.

The registration deadline is Friday, June 12. However, if you are interested, please be sure to speak with our Financial Secretary Brother **Bob McCann** as soon as possible to ensure that you are registered for the event.

We Invite You to Join us for an All-Day Event Celebrating 250 Years of
 American Independence with Family, Friends & Freedom
 With Arts & Crafts and Vendor Booths
ASSEMBLY 1817 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
33RD ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF
TOURNAMENT



Proceeds Benefit A Woman's Answer, Catholic Charities, Community Pregnancy Clinics, Special Olympics,
 Veterans Affairs Medical Center, St Francis Catholic Academy, Seminarian Support & Other Knights of Columbus Charities
 November 8, 2026, at 7:00 AM at Turkey Creek Golf Course

Entrance Fee: \$100.00 (4 Player Team \$400.00) July & Aug \$120, Sep & Oct \$140, Day of Tournament \$150
 Format: Four Person Scramble Shotgun Start 8:30 AM

- Includes:**
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| *Gift Bag at Registration | *Continental Breakfast Provided by Creekside at Turkey Creek |
| *Cart & Green Fees | * Lunch at 1:30 Provided by Adam's Rib Co. |
| *Prizes Awarded by Flight | *Additional Prizes Include: |

- Longest Putt on a Designated Hole, Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin (You Can Win Only One Hole Prize)
- Separate Putting Contest on the Putting Green (\$5 for 3 tries)
- 50-50 Raffle Drawing on Day of Tournament (\$5 each or 5 for \$20) 1st, 2nd & 3rd place prizes
 Raffle Pre Sale: Double Your Chances: Pre Sale 10 Tickets for \$20 - Cut Off Nov 1st
- Silent Auction
- Mulligans: \$10 Each, Maximum of 2 per player

Add on Bonus Available with Pre Sale: Cut-Off Nov 1st
 2 Mulligan, 1 Gimmie, 1 Toss \$30.00

TEAM

Player #1 _____
 Player #2 _____
 Player #3 _____
 Player #4 _____

9 Hole Fun Casual Scramble Tee Off at 2:30 – 3:00
 \$27 plus \$10 for the Game/All Cash Prizes
 Sign up as Team or Individual

Player#1 _____
 Player#2 _____
 Player #3 _____
 Player #4 _____

<input type="checkbox"/> DIAMOND	\$1000.00	Two Signs, Ten T-Shirts and 8 Dinner Tickets (or 4 Players) XXL Logo on Shirt
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How Do You Want Your Sponsorship to Appear on the Sign?

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Evening Dinner & Awards: 6:00PM Cost \$25.00 Menu
 Texas Roadhouse Dinner Include Number of Dinners @ \$25.00 Each:

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Sponsor, Player & Pre-Sale Information Contact:

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Congratulations to Each and Everyone!



FAMILY OF THE MONTH/ KNIGHT OF THE MONTH JANUARY 2026- MAY 2026

January 2026

FOM- Joe D'Amata and his wife Mary Watt for hosting the council's Christmas Party

KOM- Raul Copete for leading our efforts at the Pancake Breakfast by providing equipment and cooking the pancakes as well as for cooking empanadas at the Rosary, Prayer Service and Potluck Dinner.

February 2026

FOM- Rovic Anonuevo, Wayne Hackett, Greg Jaszinski, Tony Stefanowicz, and our Field Agent Brother Alberto Fernandez for helping at the Souper Fun Sunday at St. Francis Catholic Academy.

KOM- Raul Copete for preparing and serving soup for and organizing the council's participation at Souper Fun Sunday at St. Francis Catholic Academy. And winning first prize.



Wayne Wooschlager for leading the Council, when the Grand Knight was out of town, despite Wayne's recent hip surgery- which was a success!

March 2026

FOM- Tim Sagul, Carl and Debbie Fischer, Raul Copete, Gabriel Baylon, Rusty Cooper, Rovic Anonueva, Ricky Neumann, Wayne Hackett, Bob McCann, Bruce Pitts, Jackson Songayab, and Harvey Pleiman for being line servers at the Fish Fry Dinners (except for Harvey, a parishioner who wasn't on the line but donated tomatoes for the salad each week)

KOM- Wayne Hackett for his involvement at activities at Holy Faith including at the Fish Fry Dinners by picking up the salad and buns at Texas Roadhouse

April 2026

FOM- All the Brothers and others who participated and assisted at the Fish Fry Dinners during Lent: Tony and Rita Stefanowicz, Bob and Eileen McCann, Wayne Wooschlager, Wayne and Jennifer Hackett, Raul Copete, Greg Jasinski and Texas Roadhouse, Bruce Pitts, Carl and Debbie Fischer, Tim Sagul, Brian Miles, Richard Powell, Rovic Anonuevo, Gabriel Baylon, Noel Perez, Jackson Songayab, Rusty and Patty Cooper, Sean Workman, Ricky Neumann, and Jackson Songayab and parishioner Harvey Pleiman

KOM- Wayne Wooschlager for leading the Council meetings in GK's absence, helping at the Fish Fry dinners and ushering at the 6 pm Sunday Mass

May 2026

FOM- Joe D'Amata and his wife Mary Watt for keeping the lines of communication open despite being abroad in Durham, England

KOM- Raul Copete for all his service during the St. Francis Catholic Academy Sock-Hop Casino Night to raise funds, at the Crowning of Mary and Coffee and Donuts

Come meet your Brother Knights at the next **Business Meeting, 1st Thursday of every month, starting at 7 pm.** Meetings are in the **Ministry Building at Holy Faith, Conference Room.** When was the last time **YOU** attended a meeting or had your picture taken at a Knight's event? See **YOU** there!

MARCH 2026 – MAY 2026 BIRTHDAYS

Brother Knight	Date	Salutation!
Jan Anthony Iyog	3/1	Happy Birthday!
Ernesto De Los Reyes	3/4	Happy Birthday!
Bernard Digao	3/12	Happy Birthday!
John Brown	3/16	Happy Birthday!
Larry Clark	3/16	Happy Birthday!
Tony Stefanowicz	3/24	Happy Birthday!
Greg Jasinski	3/28	Happy Birthday!
Any Bargas	3/29	Happy Birthday!
Fr. Clyde Salitrero	4/3	Happy Birthday!
Gerardo Quilao	4/5	Happy Birthday!
Sean Workman	4/5	Happy Birthday!
Edgardo Bolinao	4/8	Happy Birthday!
Galen De Las Alas	4/21	Happy Birthday!
Brian Gorman	4/29	Happy Birthday!
Stephen Meinholz	5/11	Happy Birthday!
Juan Carlos Delgado	5/22	Happy Birthday!
Evan Smith	5/22	Happy Birthday!
Pablo Orengo	5/25	Happy Birthday!
Felipe Rodriguez	5/25	Happy Birthday!
Frederick Brown	5/26	Happy Birthday!
Carl Fischer	5/26	Happy Birthday!
Willian Ryan	5/27	Happy Birthday!
Jeremy Thachaeden	5/29	Happy Birthday!
Stephen DeRobertis	5/30	Happy Birthday!
To all! (and if anyone is missed)	3/1/26 – 5/31/26	Happy, Happy, Happy Birthday!

JUNE 2026 – JULY 2026 BIRTHDAYS

Brother Knight	Date	Salutation!
Joe Thornton	6/2	Happy Birthday!
Richard Laska	6/5	Happy Birthday!
Deacon Michael Demers	6/7	Happy Birthday!
Paul Chadik	6/10	Happy Birthday!
... in memory of Chaplain Fr. John H. Patrick	6/11	Happy Birthday!
Russell Hicks	6/12	Happy Birthday!
Robert McCann	6/13	Happy Birthday!
Lorenzo Marso	6/22	Happy Birthday!
John M Evjen	6/24	Happy Birthday!
Fr. Ed Murphy	6/25	Happy Birthday!
Mark Diblin	6/27	Happy Birthday!
Mathew Williams	6/28	Happy Birthday!
John Woeste	6/28	Happy Birthday!
Russell Cooper	7/7	Happy Birthday!
Erik Mueller	7/7	Happy Birthday!
Walter Visniski	7/8	Happy Birthday!
Aries Cuatro Cruz	7/22	Happy Birthday!
Neza Xiuhtecutli	7/22	Happy Birthday!
Robert Watson	7/23	Happy Birthday!
Alfaro Artie Armando Santiago	7/24	Happy Birthday!
Peter Carbon	7/25	Happy Birthday!
Fr. Jose Kulathinal	7/30	Happy Birthday!
To all! (and if anyone is missed)	6/1/26 – 7/31/26	Happy, Happy, Happy Birthday!

PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

Pope St. John Paul II

Lord God, from You every family in Heaven and on earth takes its name. Father, You are love and life.

Through Your Son, Jesus Christ, born of woman, and through the Holy Spirit, the fountain of divine charity, grant that every family on earth may become for each successive generation a true shrine of life and love.

Grant that Your grace may guide the thoughts and actions of husbands and wives for the good of their families and of all the families in the world.

Grant that the young may find in the family solid support for their human dignity and for their growth in truth and love.

Grant that love, strengthened by the grace of the sacrament of marriage, may prove mightier than all the weaknesses and trials through which our families sometimes pass.

Through the intercession of the Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that the Church may fruitfully carry out her worldwide mission in the family and through the family.

We ask this of You, Who is life, truth and love with the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

BLESSED FR. MICHAEL MCGIVNEY

IMPORTANT DATES

Birthday: August 12, 1852

Knights Founded:
March 29, 1882

Venerable Servant of
God, Beatification:
October 31, 2020

Feast Day: August 13

Rest in Peace: August 14, 1890



SEE PRAYER FOR THE CANONIZATION OF
BLESSED MICHAEL MCGIVNEY

Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

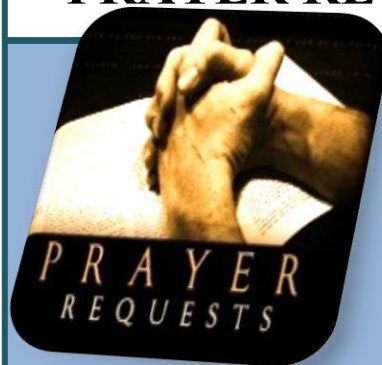
Founder of the Knights of Columbus

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (*here make your request*). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please report all favors received:

The Father McGivney Guild
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www.fathermcgivney.org

PRAYER REQUESTS



If you know of a member, a family member of a member, a friend, a parishioner who is in need, *please let us know at the meeting or, if unable to come to a meeting, alert the Grand Knight Joe D'Amata by email or text* so that your intention can be presented and prayers may be offered.

joedamata@hotmail.com
(352) 672-0153

BRIEF SUMMARY OF MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES OF ELECTED OFFICERS IN KOFC COUNCIL

Grand Knight

- Presides over all meetings
- Appoints program and membership directors
- Appoints committees as needed
- Ensures the submission of all paperwork required by the Supreme and State Councils
- Has a working knowledge of the kofc.org website, Officers Online and Member Management
- Maintains working relationships with the council's chaplain, district deputy, field agent and general agent, as well as with other local service organizations

Deputy Grand Knight

- Assists the GK with operation of the council and duties assigned by GK
- When GK not present, presides at council meetings

Chancellor

- Has the duty of strengthening the members' interest in council activities
- Recommended to serve on the council's Admission Committee

Treasurer

- Receives money from Financial Secretary and deposits it in the proper council accounts
- Responsible for paying all council expenses, including assessments from the Supreme Council

Recorder

- Responsible for keeping and maintaining a true and permanent record of all actions of the council

Advocate

- Acts as parliamentarian for the council
- Should have a working knowledge of Robert's Rules of Order, Charter, Constitution & Laws, council by-laws, and Method of Conducting Council Meetings

Warden

- Responsible for supervising and maintaining all council property
- Sets up council chambers for meetings and degree exemplifications

Inside/Outside Guards

- Attend the doors of the council chamber, checking for current membership cards and allowing entrance

Board of Trustees

- Consists of GK and three other elected members
- Supervises all financial business of the council and conducts the semiannual audits
- Elected for terms of three years, two years and one year and, at each regular election, the position of each trustee will be voted upon, moving up one position



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 ▶ Knights help the **CHURCH**
 ▶ Knights are Part of the **COMMUNITY**
 ▶ **INSURANCE** needs for Families are met

The Heart of the Knights
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