



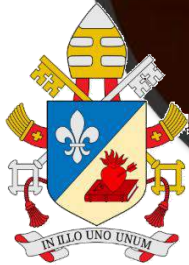
*Knights of
Columbus*

*Father John H. Patrick
Council No. 13207*

June 2025



Viva il Papa! Long Live the Pope!



Leo PP. XIV

Remembering Pope Francis...



... May He Rest in Peace.

**FRATERNAL YEAR 2024-2025
JULY 1 – JUNE 30**

Grand Knight	Joe D'Amata
Deputy Grand Knight	Wayne Wooschlager
Chancellor	Ricky Neumann
Treasurer	Tony Stefanowicz
Financial Secretary¹	Bob McCann
Recorder	Paul Wheelhouse
Warden	Brian Miles
Advocate	John Brown
Inside Guard	Josh Hall
Outside Guard	Open
Trustee 1 Year	Bruce Pitts
Trustee 2 Years	Allen Amos
Trustee 3 Years	Tim Sagul
Lecturer²	Paul Wheelhouse
Chaplain	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,

When I began my term as Grand Knight, I expressed my commitment to guide our Council "through the narrow gate and onto the second mile." Matthew 5-41 still speaks to me, not just as a personal challenge, but as a shared journey of faith, service, and growth. As I reflect on this past year, I am filled not only with gratitude but also with hope, hope that, together, we have grown and that we will continue to grow as men of faith and as a brotherhood rooted in service.

I am deeply thankful for the many Brother Knights who have been active and visible in parish life here at Holy Faith. Your dedication and presence, whether serving at Mass, leading programs, helping at events, or simply being available, have made a real difference. Through our commitment to the core principles of the Knights of Columbus, charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism, we are seeing the fruits of our labor. These are not just ideals we speak about; they are lived through our actions.

This year, we have welcomed several new members, both brand-new Knights and transfers from other Councils. Let us receive them warmly and support them wholeheartedly. Our example of brotherhood and service will help them find their place, grow in their faith, and become leaders in their own right. Remember: the more engaged we are, the more others will be drawn to what we do. Our witness is the most powerful recruitment tool we have.

We also celebrate that two of our Brother Knights have taken the important step of advancing to the Fourth Degree. Their commitment inspires us all to consider deeper involvement and greater responsibility in our Order.

As I prepare to serve another term as Grand Knight for the Fraternal Year 2025-2026, I do so with both humility and anticipation. The work ahead will continue to call for your time, your talents, and your prayers. But I am confident that, together, we will build on what we have started.

Looking ahead, we will focus on strengthening our spiritual lives through continued participation in Corporate Communion, engaging with the Into the Breach video series, and offering Days of Reflection during Advent and Lent. These are opportunities not only for personal growth but for deepening the spiritual life of our Council and Parish as a whole.

We will also continue to put our faith into action by creating and supporting initiatives that serve our parish, protect and celebrate family life, and defend the dignity of every human person from conception to natural death. These are not just programs, they are our mission in motion.

Thank you, Brother Knights, for all you have done and all that you continue to do. I ask for your prayers and your active support in the year ahead. May we remain committed to the path of faithful service, together, side by side, as we walk that second mile.




Vivat Jesus!
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HOLY FAITH- KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13207

Come meet your Brother Knights and Officers at the next **Business Meeting**, held on the **1st Thursday of every month, starting at 7 pm**. Meetings are held in the **Ministry Building at Holy Faith**, in the **Conference Room** immediately on the right as you enter the building. Meetings last about one hour or so with a variety of topics discussed, such as upcoming events, degree installations, social activities, recognition of Knights and families.

When was the last time **YOU** attended a meeting or had your picture taken at a Knight's event? See **YOU** there!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13207

Date	Day	Event	Coordinator	Location/Time
June 2025				
6/1	Sun	Coffee and Donuts	GK Joe D'Amata	Holy Faith, after all Sunday Masses
6/4	Thu	Council Business Meeting	GK Joe D'Amata	Holy Faith, Ministry Building, 7 pm
6/4	Thu	Election of Officers for Next Fraternal Year: July 1, 2025- June 30, 2026		
6/15	Sun	Happy Father's Day!		
July 2025				
7/3	Thu	Council Business Meeting (Moved to July 10 because of the 4 th of July)		
7/4	TUE	 FOURTH OF JULY		
7/6	Sun	Coffee and Donuts	GK Joe D'Amata	Holy Faith, after all Sunday Masses
7/10	Thu	Council Business Meeting	GK Joe D'Amata	Holy Faith, Ministry Building, 7 pm
7/30	Sun	 Fr Jose's Birthday! 		
August 2025				
8/3	Sun	Coffee and Donuts	GK Joe D'Amata	Holy Faith, after all Sunday Masses
8/7	Thu	Council Business Meeting	GK Joe D'Amata	Holy Faith, Ministry Building, 7 pm
8/23	Sat	Assembly #1817: Fourth Degree: Exemplification	F.S. Bob McCann	TBD



KOFC ASSEMBLY #1817

ANNOUNCING THE

32ND ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

OCTOBER 25, 2025



The Assembly's 32st Annual Charity Golf Tournament will be held this year at **Ironwood Golf Course** on **Saturday, October 25, 2025**. Sir Knight Mark Paletti (Council #13037, St. Madeleine) is Chair for this event. Last year, more than \$8,000 was raised to support various charities charitable and Catholic organizations. More information will be announced in the upcoming months.

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

THE RESULTS ARE IN!

WELCOME TO OUR RETURNING OFFICERS AND NEW OFFICERS! *PLUS MORE!*

At the council's business meeting on June 5th, members elected Council Officers for the next fraternal year, July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026, most of whom are remaining in their position or moving to another position.

Thanks to returning **Grand Knight Joe D'Amata** and **Deputy GK Wayne Wooschlager** for serving the past year and accepting the challenge to keep things moving within the council, parish and community for another 12 months. And much appreciation to all the Officers who served this past year, supported our GK and DGK and will continue to do so in the future. Well done!

This year, the council voted two new additions as officers: **Wayne Hackett** as Warden and **Jeremy Thachaeden** as Outside Guard who became Knights earlier this year.

Our council also added two other new Knights several months back: **Noel Perez** and **Alfaro "Artie" Armando Santiago!** Congrats to Incoming Officers and New Knights!

Plus more! There are several Knights who joined on-line and are considered members of the Florida State Council, 98-009. They have expressed interest in joining our council which they can once they attend the Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity, considered as the 1st through 3rd Degrees. See article later in this newsletter about an exemplification held on April 22 at Holy Faith.

These Knights are considered Prospects: **Steve Bos, Dan Kinsey, Gerardo Quilao, Galen de las Alas, Jan Anthony Iyog, Augustin Batallones.** If you know any of these gentlemen, encourage them to attend our meetings and an Exemplification of Charity, Unity ad Fraternity, so that they may join our Council.

The Exemplification is held on a regular basis, either district-wide or at the council level. Information will be sent out to all members and Prospects when the next exemplification is scheduled. See **YOU** there!

COUNCIL OFFICERS-ELECT JULY 1, 2025 - JUNE 30, 2026

<u>Officer</u>	<u>Name</u>
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Trustee 1	Bruce Pitts
Trustee 2	Allen Amos
Trustee 3	Tim Sagul

APPOINTED POSITIONS

Lecturer	Open
Financial Secretary	Bob McCann
Chaplain	Jose Kulathinal



GREETINGS FROM OUR FIELD AGENT

Dear Brother Knights and Family~

The Knights recently held a **Fraternal Benefit Event** called **The Gift of a Lifetime** which I heard great reviews about. This event was a free financial webinar where members can learn more about how extending care planning can help protect you and your family's future. The FBE took place online and lasted about one hour.

This event is part of the Fraternal Benefit Seminar program which includes educational presentations that focus on some of the most pressing financial issues that our members face today. In these seminars, our agents cover a wide range of topics from retirement strategies to estate preservation to charitable gifting and more. These are designed to help our members become more aware of the financial benefits offered by the Knights of Columbus.

I thank you for your continued support of the Order's Fraternal Benefits program and look for a strong finish to this Fraternal Year.

May God Bless you & yours.

Fraternally,



Rosary/Prayer Group with Pot Luck



GK Joe D'Amata announced that Brother **Ricky Neumann** has volunteered to lead this group which is planning to gather on the third Tuesday of every month at the Grotto in the backyard of the rectory for a Rosary and Prayer and then enjoy a Pot Luck together. More to follow!

GOOD KNEWS ABOUT KNIGHTS

PRO-LIFE: Dr. Joe Thornton, MD, Past Grand Knight of Council #13207, recently spoke about a pro-life issue, *The Splendor of Human Life: Update on the Threat of Euthanasia*, at the Shrine of Our Lady of La Leche in St. Augustine on Saturday, May 25, 2025. This event was sponsored by the **St. Gianna Guild of the Catholic Medical Association**. Brother Joe is a psychiatrist and former death row medical director who opposes the death penalty, especially for mentally ill inmates.

SEDER SUPPER: Holy Faith held its annual Seder Supper on Thursday, April 10, 2025, to honor the Jewish tradition and connection with our faith. Major helpers were **Kathy Powell** (spouse of **Brother Richard**) and **Debbie Fischer** (spouse of **Brother Carl**) who assisted throughout the day in preparing the food and arranging the room then ensuring that servers had sufficient support at the tables; **Richard Powell** who helped get supplies as needed; **John and Beth Brown**, **Frank and GERALYN Mackritis** and **Bob McCann** serving wine and meals; with **John Casmus**, **Eileen McCann** and **Raul and Susan Copete** in attendance.

COUNCIL EVENTS: MARCH 2025- JUNE 2025

DAY OF REFLECTION IN LENT MARCH 8, 2025

On March 8, 2025, at the request of **Fr. Jose**, the Knights of Columbus hosted a Lenten Day of Reflection for everyone in the parish in the Father John M. Phillips Parish Life Center. Thanks to **GK Joe D'Amata** for organizing this event and **Jon Meinholz** for preparing for and coordinating refreshments.

The day began with a Meet and Greet continental breakfast, followed by 9 am Mass celebrated by **Fr. Cristian Vergara**. Time was allowed for individuals to reflect quietly around the church grounds and go to confession.

Afterwards, two guest speakers spoke about sacrifice and salvation from the Jewish and Christian/Catholic perspectives: **Rabbi Jonah Zinn**, Executive Director of UF Hillel, and **Letty Valentin**, Director of Adult Faith Formation at Holy Faith. There were more than 30 attendees from the parish who were engaged in these presentations, followed by a lively question and answer period, that continued through lunch.



Council members attending included **Carl Fischer**, **Paul Wheelhouse**, **John Woeste**, **Bob McCann**, **John and Beth Brown**, **Bill and Lisa Ryan**, **Allen Amos** and **GK Joe and Mary Watt**.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP AT COFFEE AND DONUTS! With Appreciation Dinner by Holy Faith May 17, 2025

Many thanks go to those members who have been able to help serve coffee and donuts after all masses on the first Sunday of each month—from March through June: **Bruce Pitts**, **Danny Stevenson**, **Tim Sagul**, **Tony Stefanowicz**, **Carl & Debbie Fischer**, **Joe D'Amata**, **Richard Neumann**, **Richard Powell**, **John and Beth Brown**, **Paul Wheelhouse**, **Bob McCann**, **Noel Perez**, **Bill Ryan**, and **Jon Meinholz**.

On Saturday, May 17, 2025, **Fr. Jose** welcomed 40 plus members of the Coffee and Donut Ministry to dinner in the Rectory backyard. **Fr. Jose** told those present that it was his “dream come true” to see so many members of Holy Faith together as a community. Among those present were Brothers **Bruce Pitts**, **Danny Stevenson**, **Paul Wheelhouse**, **Tony and Rita Stefanowicz**, **John and Martha Woeste**, **Richard and Kathy Powell**, and **Joe D'Amata** and **Mary Watt**.

Commitment and dedication to our parish community by greeting parishioners at the new serving area in the rectory's backyard and by making them feel welcomed.

See **YOU** there!

COUNCIL EVENTS: MARCH 2025- JUNE 2025 (CONT.)

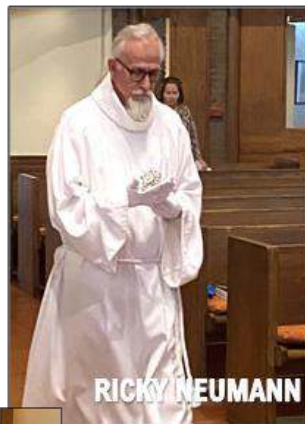


SILVER ROSE PILGRIMAGE AND PRAYER SERVICE MARCH 12, 2025

A Silver Rose was the centerpiece of a special prayer service on March 12, 2025 at 7:00 pm, at Holy Faith Catholic Church in Gainesville, Florida. The program is sponsored by Knights of Columbus to honor **Our Lady of Guadalupe** and to express both international unity and dedication to the sanctity of human life.

The nine-month pilgrimage of the silver rose begins each year in March and ends on December 12, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. During that time, Silver Roses travel from town to town along eight routes throughout North America. Several of those routes begin in Canada and end in Mexico.

Thank you, **Ricky Neumann**, for serving as our liaison by receiving the Silver Rose from the **Knights on Bikes**, member **Tim Oser**, a Knight from Queen of Peace. **Fr. Ed Murphy** celebrated the Silver Rose service with those present while Brother Ricky lead the group in reciting the rosary.



RICKY NEUMANN



THE SILVER ROSE
PRAYER SERVICE
MARCH 12, 2025

TIM OSER (KNIGHTS ON BIKES MEMBER), DD NICK
MROZINSKE, RICKY NEUMANN, JOE D'AMATA, BOB MCCANN

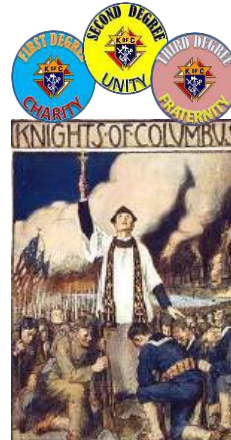
John and Martha Woeste, Noel and Sherry Perez, GK Joe D'Amata and Mary Watt, District Deputy Nick Mrozinske and Fr. Jose.

The Prayer Service was attended by approximately 20 persons, including **Bruce Pitts, Bob McCann, Tony and Rita Stefanowicz,**



RICKY NEUMANN

EXEMPLIFICATION OF CHARITY, UNITY AND FRATERNITY APRIL 22, 2025

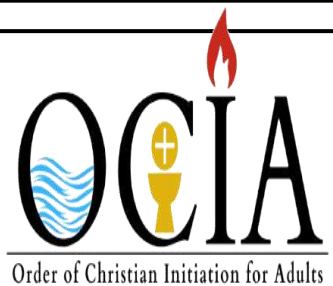


An Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity was held at Holy Faith Catholic Church on Tuesday, April 22, 2025. Thank you to **Brothers Joe D'Amata, Tony Stefanowicz, Tim Sagul, Paul Wheelhouse and John Woeste** for attending and welcoming four 4 new Knights from

Holy Faith - **Noel Perez, Jeremy Thachaden, Wayne Hackett, and Armando "Artie" Santiago Alfaro**, two Knights from St. Madeleine's and one Knight from Queen of Peace.

In addition to our Worthy **District Deputy Nick Mrozinske** and the presenters **Shane Williams, Chuck Henault** and our **GK Joe**, a number of family members and friends attended this ceremony that is open to all.

**COUNCIL
SUPPORTS
Easter Vigil
Refreshments
April 19, 2025**



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

OCIA Reception after Saturday Night Easter Vigil - Thank you to Brother **Bob McCann** for purchasing the cake, cupcakes, and supplies to make the punch; to GK for picking up the food and setting up plates, utensils, cups, and other items; to Brother **Carl and Debbie Fischer** and **GK Joe D'Amata** for helping to serve the cake, cupcakes and punch for the OCIA Reception.

COUNCIL EVENTS: MARCH 2025- JUNE 2025 (CONT.)



Dinners Every Friday from
March 7- April 11, 2025

The annual Fish Fry Dinners were again a great success following the **Stations of the Cross**, starting with the first Friday in Lent, March 7, until the last Friday, April 11. Over 550 parishioners and guests came to enjoy the food and fellowship. The Knights served fish, baked beans, potato salad, cole slaw, salad and buns while, for the first time at these dinners, the **Council of Catholic Women** prepared and served soup. At the last Fish Fry dinner, 11 parishioners from **St. Andrew's Episcopal Church** attended the Stations and then shared a meal.

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**, **Greg Jasinski**, **Joe D'Amata**, **Tim Sagul**, **Carl & Debbie Fischer**, **Brian Miles**, **Richard Powell**, **Ricky Neumann**, **John Brown**, **John Woeste**, **Paul Wheelhouse**, **Wayne Woolschlager**, prospective candidate **Wayne Hackett** (now a Knight), and a catechumen **Mark Lowe**.



And thanks to the women of CCW who volunteered to make and serve the soup: **Pam Demers**, **Beth Brown** (John's spouse), **Judy Lukowski**, **Julie Foran**, **Clara Cobbett**, **Yasmen Cobbett**, **Shirley Lane** and **Denise Schultz**. With special thanks to **Barbara Byrd** for making the table centerpieces, **Follow Me-Fishers of Men!** A very nice touch and theme since that's the purpose of the Knights.



COUNCIL EVENTS: MARCH 2025- JUNE 2025 (CONT.)



Also, with gratitude and applause to **Texas Roadhouse**, at the recommendation by Greg Jasinski, for donating rolls and salad and to **Harvey Pleiman**, a parishioner, for graciously providing freshly grown hydroponic tomatoes each week.

What a crew! To buy the food, sell tickets, prepare the food and table settings, cook the fish, serve the meal and salad, cleanup and wash dishes and, last but not least, count the money. With prices at a very reasonable price of \$10 per person and children under 12 years free, the council made around \$3,000, all of which will go to charities.





BREAKING "FISH" WITH FR. JOSE



READY TO SERVE!

**SHIRLEY LANE, BRIAN MILES, PAM DEMERS,
TIM SAGUL, DEBBIE FISCHER,
WAYNE WOOLSCHLAGER, GREG JASINSKI**

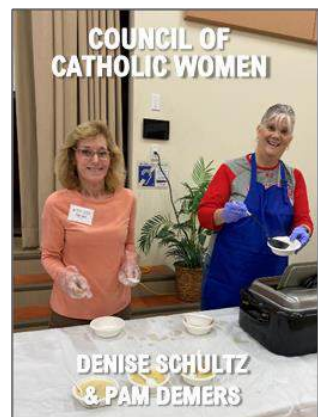


**WELCOME!
HOW MANY TICKETS?
I'VE GOT CHANGE.**

**TONY
STEFANOWICZ
& CARL
FISCHER**



**PARISHIONERS SHARING A MEAL
WITH MARY WATT & JOE D'AMATA**



**COUNCIL OF
CATHOLIC WOMEN**

**DENISE SCHULTZ
& PAM DEMERS**



FISH FRY DINNERS

IT'S A FAMILY AFFAIR



**AMOS REID, WAYNE WOOLSCHLAGER,
MARK LOWE, PARISHIONER, MARY REID,
ABBY ESTILONG, RICKY NEUMANN**



**FR. JOSE
ON THE GO**



PREP TIME >>>

BRUCE PITTS, TIM SAGUL, GREG JASINSKI



JULLIE FORAN & CLARA CORBETT

**SOUP MADE BY
COUNCIL OF
CATHOLIC WOMEN
OF HOLY FAITH CHURCH**

COUNCIL EVENTS: MARCH 2025- JUNE 2025 (CONT.)



Crowning of Mary and Pancake Breakfast



Sunday, May 4, 2025

Thanks to SKs **Jon Meinholz** and **Joe D'Amata** for being in Color Corps uniform and attending both the 9:30 am and 11:15 am Masses. After the 9:30 Mass, they served as escorts in the procession of parishioners and CCF students for the Crowning of Mary at the Mary Statue in front of the Ministry Center. Similarly, after the 11:15 am Mass, they escorted parishioners down to the renovated Mary Garden area.

After all Sunday Masses, our council hosted a Pancake Breakfast for everyone. Although no coffee and donuts were available, parishioners were treated to all-you-can-eat pancakes, bacon, fruit cocktail. Thank you to those members who helped set up, prepare, serve and clean up after the Pancake Breakfast including **Brothers Greg Jasinski, Bruce Pitts, Tim Sagul, Carl Fischer, Wayne Woolschlager, Rich Powell, John Woeste, Jeremy Thachaeden, Wayne Hackett, Dan Stevenson, Ricky Neumann, Bill Ryan, Bob McCann, Tony Stefanowicz, Joe D'Amata and Raul Copete.**

And thanks to the more than 220 parishioners who dropped by for a meal and made generous donations!



CROWNING OF MARY WITH COLOR CORPS MAY 4, 2025



FR. JOSE WITH PARISHIONERS AND CCF STUDENTS AT THE STATUE OF MARY IN FRONT OF THE MINISTRY BUILDING



MASS FOR THE CROWNING OF MARY MAY 4, 2025

SK JON MEINHOLZ, SK JOE D'AMATA AND MARITZA HUERTA, ALTAR SERVER OF THE YEAR



READY AND WAITING

CARL FISCHER, RICKY NEUMANN, JOE D'AMATA, JOHN WOESTE, WAYNE WOOLSLAGER, JON MEINHOLZ



THE COOKING CREW

GRIDDLE MASTERS GREG JASINSKI & BRUCE PITTS WITH WAYNE HACKETT, JEREMY THACHAEDEN AND BACON MASTER RAUL COPETE

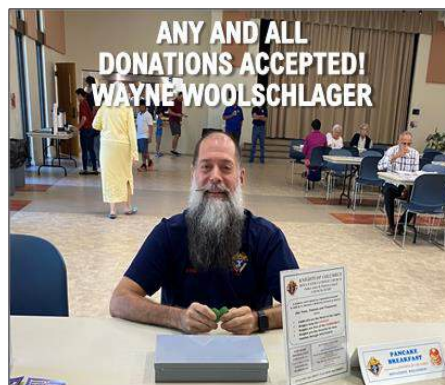


FIRST CUSTOMERS

(IN FRONT) RICKY NEUMANN, RAUL COPETE, DAN STEVENSON (WORKING IN BACK) WAYNE HACKETT, BRUCE PITTS, TIM SAGUL

COUNCIL EVENTS: MARCH 2025- JUNE 2025 (CONT.)

Crowning of Mary and Pancake Breakfast



EASTER GIFT CARD DONATIONS FOR MIGRANT WORKER FAMILIES- APRIL 14, 2025

At the April Business Meeting, our council voted to donated \$300 to the **Migrant Education Office of Alachua County** for migrant families who work the fields in North Central Florida by picking strawberries and blueberries.

Instead of donating food baskets, like at Thanksgiving and Christmas, \$20 gift cards were purchased from Walmart.

On Monday, April 14, **Bob McCann** purchased and delivered 15 gift cards to **Victoria Gomez de la Torre, Director**, whose staff distributed them to migrant worker families in surrounding counties.

Lenten Divine Mercy Mission April 9, 2025

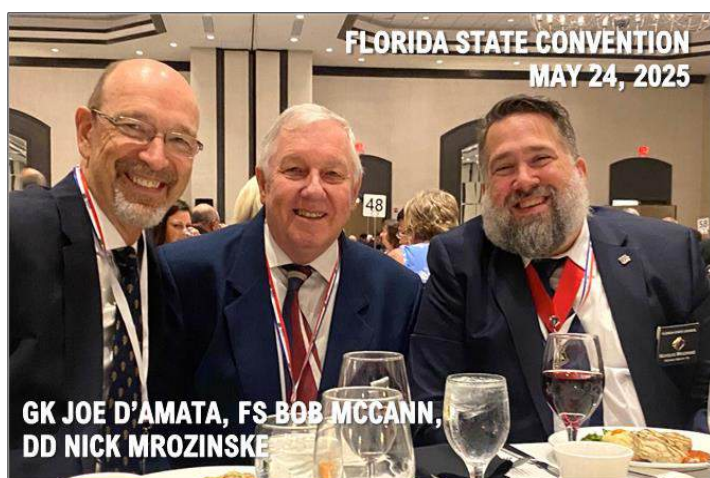
Thank you to Brothers **Jon Meinholz** and **Joe D'Amata** who volunteered as a parking attendants during the Lenten Divine Mercy Mission hosted by Holy Faith on Wednesday, April 9 from 5:00 pm to 8:30 pm. There were more than 500 attendees, many of whom were not parishioners and not familiar with our campus.

Thank you, Jon and Joe, for your time and directions!

COUNCIL EVENTS: MARCH 2025- JUNE 2025 (CONT.)

FLORIDA STATE COUNCIL CONVENTION 121st ANNUAL MEETING MAY 23-25, 2025

GK Joe D'Amata and **FS Bob McCann** were delegates at the 121st Annual Meeting of the Florida State Council from May 23 to 25, 2025, in Jacksonville, FL—a gathering filled with camaraderie, purpose, and dedication. **DD Nick Mrozinske** represented District 14 along with other delegates from the Council #6108 (St. Patrick), Council #11448 (Queen of Peace), Council #13900 (St. Augustine).



Throughout the event, reports and presentations were made about the achievements and progress made by various groups within the Knights and awards given to recognize outstanding councils for their accomplishments.

CORPORATE COUMMUNION MAY 18, 2025

On Sunday, May 18, 2025, **Fr. Ed** celebrated our council's Corporate Communion and spoke about Jesus' commandment to love one another. Thank you to **Jon Meinholz** and **Joe D'Amata** for attending in Color Corps uniform and to Brothers **Tony Stefanowicz, Ricky Neumann, Paul Wheelhouse, Wayne and Jennifer Hackett, John and Martha Woeste, Noel Perez** and **Joe D'Amata and Mary Watt** for attending. Brothers Tony, Paul and Ricky offered the gifts for consecration. Brother Ricky also served as an Usher and a Eucharistic Minister.

A new slate of officers was proposed and elected for the fraternal year July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026:

- **State Deputy: Michael P. Gizewski**
- **State Secretary: Edward F. Sleyzak**
- **State Treasurer: Richard E. Dahn, Jr.**
- **State Advocate: Kris Elliott**
- **State Warden: Richard J. Gallant**



The Banquet held Saturday night featured an inspiring keynote address by **Supreme Director Scott O'Conner**, who spoke passionately about the importance of faith and its role in guiding our mission forward. Finally, on Sunday morning, a Mass of Remembrance was celebrated during which a Memorial Book, with names added by attendees for those Brother Knights who have passed this fraternal year, was presented.

As GK Joe so aptly described, "It was a meaningful and impactful gathering, setting the stage for another year of dedicated service and leadership."



Congratulations to Each and Everyone!



FAMILY OF THE MONTH/ KNIGHT OF THE MONTH MARCH 2025- JUNE 2025



March

FOM- GK Joe D'Amata and his wife, Mary Watt for supporting and attending Br. John Brown in his 4th degree exemplification at St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York City in February.

KOM- Bill Ryan for always being available to help, whether it is with the Coffee and Donut Ministry or mowing the lawn at the convent;
Bob McCann for all that he does, serving as FS, putting together the Council's March Newsletter, teaching CCF.

April

FOM- Richard and Kathy Powell for their exemplary service to the Council and to Holy Faith.

KOM- Ricky Neumann for his work with The Silver Rose Prayer Service, serving as a Eucharistic Minister, and helping at Holy Faith's bookstore with **Alicia Pacheco**.

May

FOM- All Knights who volunteered during our Fish Fry Dinners: **Tony Stefanowicz, Bob McCann, Bruce Pitts, Greg Jasinski, Joe D'Amata, Tim Sagul, Carl & Debbie Fischer, Brian Miles, Richard Powell, Ricky Neumann, John & Beth Brown, John Woeste, Paul Wheelhouse, Wayne Wooschlager**, prospective candidate **Wayne Hackett** (now a Knight), and a catechumen **Mark Lowe**.

KOM- Tony Stefanowicz for serving as our dedicated and trustworthy Treasurer, serving as Eucharistic Minister, and encouraging several men to join the Knights (some of whom did join. Just ask **Jeremy Thachaeden**).

June

FOM- Tim Sagul and Bob McCann for assisting **Paul Wheelhouse** in packing his personal household items to be stored in Palatka before he moves to Missouri. Br. Paul did much of the loading as Br. Bob boxed many of Paul's 1500 books from morning to late afternoon. Br. Tim joined the team by mid-afternoon and then travelled with Paul to Palatka to unload, returning by late evening.

KOM- GK Joe D'Amata for his leadership this past fraternal year in organizing events, increasing membership, providing opportunities for spiritual growth and actively participating as a Color Corps member at multiple occasions.



KOFC ASSEMBLY #1817



4TH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION CONGRATS TO SIR KNIGHT RICKY NEUMANN! APRIL 26, 2025

A Fourth Degree Exemplification was held at Our Lady of the Angels in Lakewood Ranch, FL. The Degree team did a phenomenal job of presenting the essential elements of the Patriotic Degree and the Council at Our Lady of the Angels were wonderful hosts. This was a truly inspiring event, attended by GK Joe D'Amata, and made even more special by the participation of our own Brother Ricky Neumann, who is now a Fourth Degree Knight. A candidate must be a 3rd Degree Member in good standing with his council and assembly to be eligible for the 4th Degree Exemplification.

**Congratulations,
Sir Knight Ricky Neumann!**



COLOR CORPS UNIFORM: COUNCIL AND ASSEMBLY SUPPORT FUNDING

Last year, Council #13207 and Assembly #1817 approved funding towards the purchase of the Color Corps uniform for Fourth Degree Knights. The uniform is estimated to cost about \$500. The council and assembly have committed to contributing up to \$150 and \$250, respectively, towards the purchase, meaning up to \$400 are available for members to be active in the Color Corps. Members who are interested in purchasing the uniform should notify the council and assembly before purchasing to ensure funds are available. Once the uniform is purchased by the member, the member submits the paid invoice to the council and assembly for reimbursement.

Information about ordering the uniform can be found at www.kofciniuniform.com or by calling 883-562-4327.

The council's motion, approved at the Business Meeting on April 4, 2024, is presented below. The assembly's motion was approved on February 28, 2024 and is similar to the council's motion.

COUNCIL'S MOTION TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE PURCHASE OF THE COLOR CORPS UNIFORM

Motion that the Council contribute up to \$150 towards the purchase of the Color Corps uniform for each Sir Knight in our council who will actively participate, to the best of their ability, at parish and community functions and events which are made at the request of the Commander of the Color Corps and Faithful Navigator of Assembly 1817. (It should be noted that requests for the service of the Color Corps are directed to the Commander of the Color Corps.)

This contribution is based on the cost for each uniform of approximately \$500. However, based on the financial conditions of the Council, the Grand Knight, with recommendations from the Deputy Grand Knight, Financial Secretary and Treasurer, may adjust the Council's contribution, as necessary, with approval from the Council at a regularly scheduled business meeting.



IN MEMORY OF BAVOO!

JULY 4, 1937- MARCH 3, 2025



February 2017 Newsletter



BAVOO KURUPACHERY KNIGHT OF THE MONTH- FEBRUARY

Congratulations Bavoo!

Brother Bavoo Joseph Kurupachery is being honored for Knight of the Month for February. He is a 3rd Degree Knight. Thanks to his efforts in recruiting, our council has two new members, Neza Xiuhtecutli and Gopi Penki, who joined in January 2017.



Bavoo has come a long way to be part of our council. He is the youngest of 8 children, born to Rocky and Rosa Kurupachery in Pallipatt, India, in 1937. At the age of 20, his mother passed away while he was attending college in Kathmandu, Nepal. At the age of 26, after deciding to pursue a career in business and education, he met his wife, Mary Kuzhuppillai, who was a nurse at the government hospital. Eight months later, there were wedding bells and celebrations.

They have four children – Reena, Zeena, Sony and Doly. Reena and Sony are members here at Holy Faith, while Zeena lives in Texas and Doly lives in

Virginia. They have two granddaughters – Maria and Sophia – and four grandsons – T.J., Cole, Spencer and Colin. T.J., Maria and Colin live here in Gainesville.

Shortly after the birth of Zeena, they returned from Nepal to India, where he spent his time as a diocesan college lecturer. About ten years later, they immigrated into the United States, living for a year in Chicago, IL, before moving to Gainesville, where we ultimately raised our family. Mary worked as an operating room nurse for 21 years at the local VA hospital while Bavoo worked as an administrator at the local Job Corps.

In 2000, Bavoo transferred to the Job Corps in Homestead, FL where they lived there for five years. After that, the Dallas/Fort Worth area of Texas was their home for about 10 years to be near to Zeena and Sophia.

In 2013, he joined the Knights of Columbus in St. Michael the Archangel parish in Garland, TX, Council No. 11862. Mary and he moved back to Gainesville in March of 2015. They are both retired now and enjoy participating in several parish groups and activities.



FIRST DEGREE INSTALLATION WITH NEW MEMBERS AND NEW FORMAT
AT HOLY FAITH - JANUARY 22nd

WELCOME NEW BROTHERS

NEZA XIUHTECUTLI, GOPI PENKI, RAYMOND BLOUIN

On Sunday, January 22nd, Brothers Neza Xiuhtecutli, Gopi Penki, Raymond Blouin were initiated as Knights in the 1st Degree Installation at Holy Faith in our new meeting room, Conference Room B in the Ministry Building. The ceremony was led by CM John Barli with support from DD Jon Meinholz, DGC Paul Smith, and Field Agent Alberto Fernandez (who sponsored Neza and Gopi). This was the very first degree ceremony held in this meeting room and using the latest protocols and procedures for the 1st Degree Installation recommended by the Florida State Council and Supreme Council.

KOFC COUNCIL 13207

JUNE 2017



STANDING: Santiago Prado, Bob McCann, Barton Wilder, Bavoo Kurupachery, John Barli, Allen Amos, Paul Smith, Gopi Penki, Alberto Fernandez, Tim Sagul, Joseph Bouvier, MJ Stirna;
SEATED: Jerry McMahon

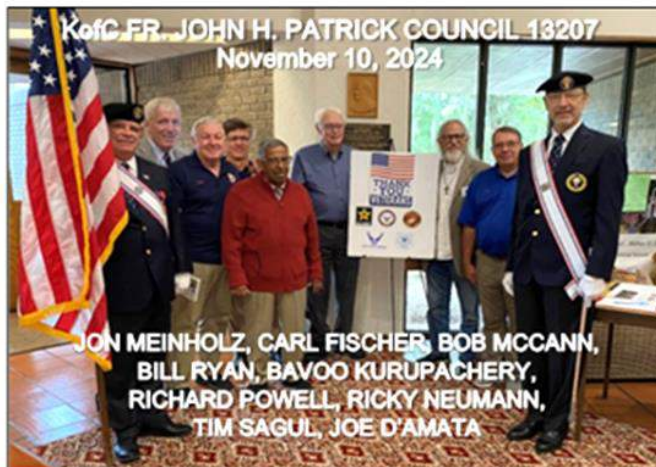
We remember when Bavoo became a Knight on November 19, 2012 then became a 3rd degree Knight on February 17, 2013.

And we also remember his smile and warm greetings to being Knight of the Month by introducing new members to our council (see writeup to the left) to his presence at meetings and events.

To the family of Bavoo, with sincere and heartfelt sympathy, Knights of Columbus Council #13207, wishes you comfort and peace.



CORPORATE COMMUNION NOVEMBER 10, 2024



JOHN MEINHOLZ, CARL FISCHER, BOB MCCANN, BILL RYAN, BAVOO KURUPACHERY, RICHARD POWELL, RICKY NEUMANN, TIM SAGUL, JOE D'AMATA

JUNE – AUGUST 2025 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!
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!
Ed Leblanc	8/3	Happy Birthday!
Daniel Stevenson	8/9	Happy Birthday!
Paul Smith	8/13	Happy Birthday!
Donald McCurry	8/15	Happy Birthday!
Charles Sperrazza	8/15	Happy Birthday!
William Ferraro	8/18	Happy Birthday!
Jon Meinholz	8/18	Happy Birthday!
Edward Wright	8/18	Happy Birthday!
Santiago Prado	8/27	Happy Birthday!
To all! (and if anyone is missed)	6/1/25 – 8/31/25	Happy, Happy, Happy Birthday!

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

THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

Franciscus



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
1 Columbus Plaza
New Haven, CT 06510-3326 • USA
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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where-

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

• MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENT

Practicing Catholic, 18 years or older

• BUSINESS MEETINGS

- 1st Thursday of each month, at 7 pm, Ministry Building, Holy Faith Catholic Church

• SOCIAL MEETINGS

Scheduled based on seasonal events with family

• ANNUAL DUES

\$40 includes monthly Columbia Magazine

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Families?

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