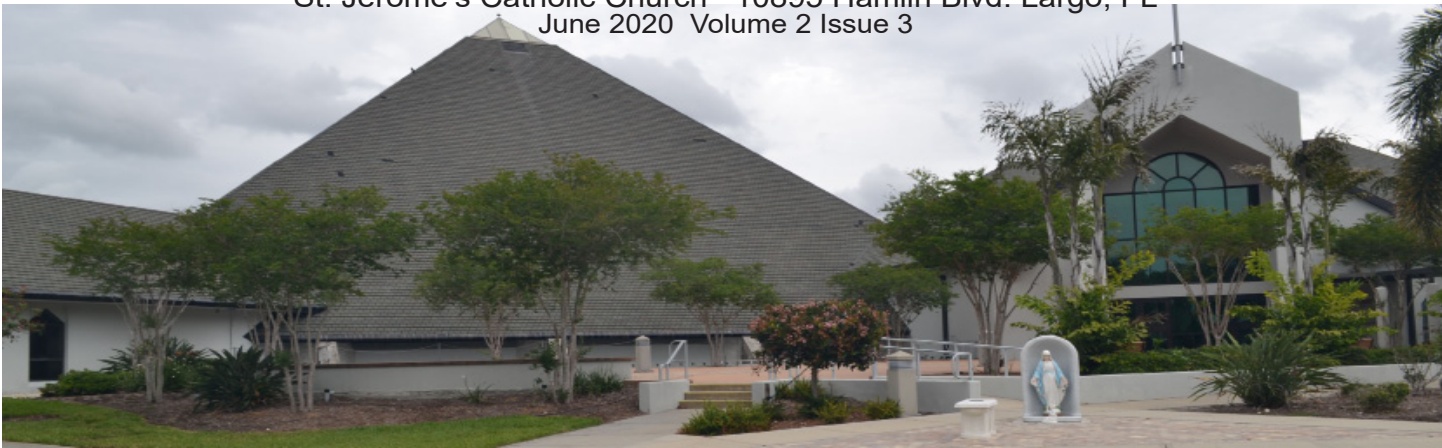
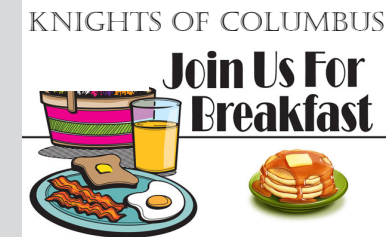


KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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Since our council has begun its second year of existence, we thought it would be good to remind members what we have tried to accomplish. Throughout this issue there will be pictures of many of the events we were part of. Unfortunately, we couldn't do everything we wanted to do because of Covid-19. Hopefully, this pandemic will soon pass and allow us to continue our theme: In Service to One, in Service to All. Below are a few images to get us started.



LifeLine Food Collection



FROM AROUND THE WORLD
OF INTEREST TO CATHOLICS

New emergency aid bill aims to cut most benefits to Catholic schools

St. John Paul II National Shrine's events mark pope's 100th birthday

Cuomo orders expanded window for NY sex abuse lawsuits, citing coronavirus

Survey: Religious Americans say coronavirus crisis has strengthened their faith

At least 15 dead from coronavirus in NY religious orders

Pope Francis establishes new commission to study women deacons

UN aid made conditional on nations legalizing abortion

Italian Freemasonry magazine lauds Vatican document

Amazon delivery driver who prayed God would protect sick child says 'God is good'

FROM THE DESK OF THE GRAND KNIGHT



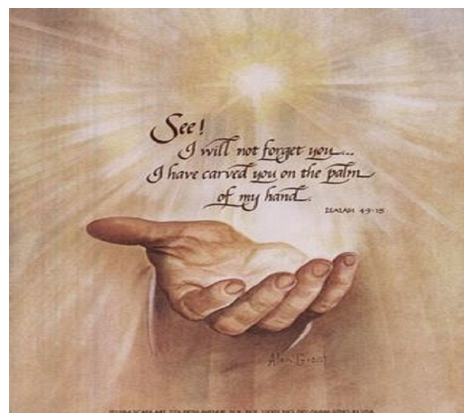
Pete Grasso

Brothers: It is great to speak to you once again from quarantine. We are able to celebrate our first year in existence from a distance. Many things have changed, and I believe that we are up to the challenge. God has placed the Knights in our area and across the country in a position to do what we do best. Our church has been closed for a couple of months and yet we are active in assisting Fr. Tom with providing our much-needed sacraments. It has been great for the last week to attend morning mass, and then this weekend in the opening the church for our parishioners. We were there helping. We are healthy and ready to continue to serve. This is going on all over the country and the Knights of Columbus have stepped up to do whatever was needed. Last Saturday I attended the first-ever online Florida State Conference. Since I have not ever attended a state conference before, I did not

know what to expect. The conference lasted only a couple of hours and was extremely well organized. We first heard from Carl Anderson and his encouraging words. One of the most important pieces of information Mr. Anderson shared was regarding the ultrasound program which Supreme initiated several years ago. What he shared was that with the numbers of ultrasound machines purchased so far, sixty thousand infants are saved each year. This is phenomenal, and we are positioned to help in a small way. Closer to home, one of our greatest weaknesses that was identified through the virus scare is our lack of communication within our organization. I have asked our Worthy Membership Director Gregg Appel to address this issue by forming a membership committee. I have confidence in Gregg's love and desire for our brothers that he can make this work. Please give him all of the cooperation he needs to bring us closer together. We are going to have another Zoom meeting in June, and there is a packed agenda, so please try and attend. God bless everyone. Vivat Jesus! Pete



It would be remiss of us not to give some kudos to those in our community who serve us so well and in so many different ways: first responders, EMTs, sheriff's deputies, and firemen. I hope I haven't left anyone out. If so, please accept my apologies. Jim Hand Editor



FROM THE DESK OF OUR PASTOR



Fr. Tom Morgan took centuries to become a universal celebration Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus goes back to the 11th century. St. Margaret Mary Alacoque had multiple visions of the Sacred Heart between 1673 and 1675. However, it wasn't until 90 years later in 1765, that the feast was officially celebrated in France. In 1856, Pope Pius IX made the feast of the Sacred Heart into a universal celebration.

The Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus recalls Christ's love for us. Here are four facts that you may not know about this important feast of Our Lord.

1. The devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

was actually celebrated in 1670 Even before St. Margaret Mary Alacoque had her visions of the Sacred Heart there was a recorded celebration of this feast. St. Jean Eudes composed the first Office and Mass of the Sacred Heart. The first feast of the Sacred Heart was celebrated on Aug. 31, 1670 in Rennes, France.

3. The feast takes place on the 19th day after Pentecost

The feast of the Sacred Heart is scheduled to be celebrated on the Friday after the octave (eighth day) of the feast of Corpus Christi. Corpus Christi is traditionally the Thursday after Trinity Sunday. However, in the United States, Corpus Christi is instead celebrated on the following Sunday. Despite this, the feast of the Sacred Heart still takes place 19 days after Pentecost.

4. Jesus made 12 promises to those who honor the Sacred Heart to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque:

1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state in life.
2. I will establish peace in their families.

3. I will comfort them in their trials.
4. I will be their secure refuge during life, and, above all, in death.
5. I will shed abundant blessings on all their undertakings.
6. Sinners will find in My Heart an infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Lukewarm souls will become fervent.
8. Fervent souls will rapidly grow in holiness and perfection.
9. I will bless every place where an image of My Heart shall be exposed and honored.
10. I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.
11. The names of those who promote this devotion will be written in My Heart, never to be blotted out.
12. I promise thee, in the excessive mercy of My Heart, that My all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the First Friday of nine consecutive months, the grace of final penitence; they shall not die in My disgrace nor without receiving their Sacraments; My Divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment.

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Saying 20 decades of the Rosary

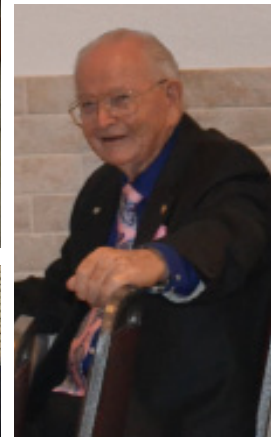


Transporting parishioners from the parking lot to the church

Corporal Dinner at Gondolier Restaurant



Knights display chickens recently brought to the the Ed Kilroy Building for Thanksgiving Dinner



Carrying Our Lady of Guadalupe,



Corporal Meal



Knights of Columbus Council 17249 *Divine Mercy of Jesus* Helping Our Parish and Community



The installation of new officers on July 27, 2019. Because of the Covid-19 virus, the Knights have not been able to have regular meetings nor present a new slate of officer candidates. Therefore, it appears that this year's officers will keep their positions with this exception: 3-year Trustee will be Danny McConnell; 2-year Trustee will be Jack Fitzgerald; 1-year Trustee will be Edgar Lecuyer. All officers are listed individually below.



Fr. Morgan
Pastor



Fr. Cadrecha
Chaplain



Rev. Waters
Assisting Pastor



Pete Grasso
Grand Knight



Dr. Billy Baldwin
Past Grand Knight



Chuck Lake
Chancellor



Jim Hand
Recorder



Jim Blackwell
Financial Secretary



Boone Bowen
Treasurer



Gregg Appel
Advocate



Gene Sanders
Inside Guard



Joe Moore
Outside Guard



Edgar Lecuyer
1-year Trustee



Jack Fitzgerald
2-year Trustee



Danny McConnell
3-year Trustee

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Bob Anderson FSVM PDD reads the duties and responsibilities of new members at one of the Knights' Exemplifications.



Worthy Advocate Gregg Appel also admonished the new members.



Incoming members are getting their Rosary and pin.



District Deputy Jorgé Mercado and Field Agent Francesco Franzese also admonish the new members.



Ready to take on the world.

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The next day, Fr. Tom was able to hear confession in the north entrance to the church. Privacy was insured by the screen. Approximately 10 people took advantage of this sacrament. Luckily, Fr. Tom was able to continue doing this for upcoming Saturdays. Knights helped him out by directing traffic and moving things along to avoid any confusion.



Fr. Tom celebrates Mass as Jim Hand and Jean Push watch it on their smart phone in the car.

Danny McConnell PGK and Pete Grasso GK help park vehicles of parishoners who have come to celebrate Mass in the parking lot.



Sr. Lucia has been a great help in the live-streaming Masses.

L-R: Karen Kurt and Tina Bowen approach Fr. Tom for communion while Joanne Biamonte stands near with a crucifix.

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Ralph Frizzle waits for the right time to start the music for the festivities. Financial Secretary Jim Blackwell enjoys one of the drinks available at Truck or Treat.



One of the many monsters at the Trunk or Treat.



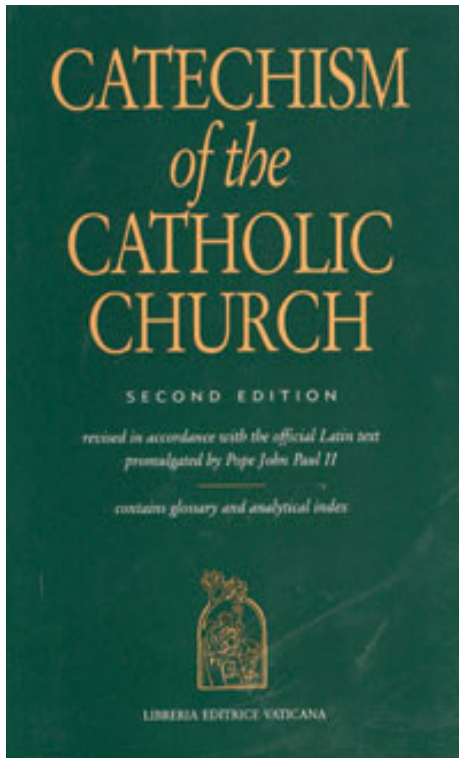
Bill Bannon opens his trunk to thrill seekers.



A handsome slice of pizza.



L-R: Fr. Tom, Pete Grasso, Chuck Lake, and Dawn Grasso talk about the events of the day and the approaching storm.



What Does the Catechism Say about Papal Infallibility?

2034, "The Roman Pontiff and the bishops are 'authentic teachers, that is, teachers endowed with the authority of Christ, who preach the faith to the people entrusted to them, the faith to be believed and put into practice.' The ordinary and universal Magisterium of the Pope and the bishops in communion with him teach the faithful the truth to believe, the charity to practice, the beatitude to hope for."

100, "The task of interpreting the Word of God authentically has been entrusted solely to the Magisterium of the Church, that is, to the Pope and to the bishops in communion with him."

Additional comments: Infallibility belongs in a special way to the pope as head of the bishops. As Vatican II remarked, it is a charism the pope "enjoys in virtue of his office, when, as the supreme shepherd and teacher of all the faithful, who confirms his brethren in their faith, he proclaims by a definitive act some doctrine of faith or morals. Therefore his definitions, of themselves, and not from the consent of the Church, are justly held irreformable, for they are pronounced with the assistance of the Holy Spirit, an assistance promised to him in blessed Peter."

The infallibility of the pope is not a doctrine that suddenly appeared in Church teaching; rather, it is a doctrine that was implicit in the early Church. It is only our understanding of infallibility that has developed and been more clearly understood over time. In fact, the doctrine of infallibility is implicit in these Petrine texts: John 21:15–17 ("Feed my sheep . . ."), Luke 22:32 ("I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail"), and Matthew 16:18 ("You are Peter . . .").