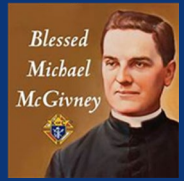




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Prince of Peace Council 8791

Ormond Beach, Florida

September 2025



Grand Knight Message – SK Dan Kimble

Brother Knights, I was glad to attend our last Council Meeting in person. It was great to see you and discuss the new initiatives and the various activities we have planned for a busy month ahead. Our Council continues on its mission. This month we begin the *Cor* ministry in our Parish. Many thanks to SK John Malafronte and the Knights who are supporting this effort. We will invite all Catholic men to join us in this ministry of prayer, formation, and fraternity. I encourage all Knights to consider participating in *Cor*.

Photo at right: Grand Knight SK Dan Kimble presides at the Council Meeting on August 26, 2025. Also pictured (L-R) Treasurer SK Bill Whelan, Financial Secretary SK Harold Bennett, and Deputy Grand Knight SK Michael Ernst.



Council information is being sent to all Knights to keep you updated. Please be sure to read your emails. Also check our Council website at kofc8791.org for the latest news and calendar of activities. We have a number of important events planned in September and October. Please see our Calendar below and join us when you can. We know that there are more needs that our Council is uniquely able to serve. If you know of any, please let me know.

At our August Council Meeting, we recognized Past Grand Knight and Trustee SK Michael Abbott who was attending his last Council Meeting. We reflected on the successful Fraternal Year we had under SK Michael Abbott's leadership, including achieving Star Council. District Deputy SK Chuck Armstrong presented SK Michael Abbott with a replica of the Star Council Award on behalf of our Council, and he thanked the many Knights who worked together for our success last Fraternal Year. We wish the very best to SK Michael Abbott. We will elect a new Three-Year Trustee at our September Council Meeting.



SK Bill Whelan was elected as our Treasurer. We are grateful to him for taking on this role, and again express our appreciation to SK John McCarthy who served as our Treasurer for the last two years. I will be returning to town full-time in October, and will be participating and available by phone as needed until then. See you again soon.

Thank you for all you do. God bless.

Photo at left: Past Grand Knight SK Michael Abbott receives a replica of the Star Council Award achieved last Fraternal Year by our Council under his leadership. District Deputy SK Chuck Armstrong presented the replica Star Council Award at the Council Meeting on August 26, 2025.



Deputy Grand Knight Message – SK Michael Ernst

Not Broken, But Exalted

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple." — Luke 14:27

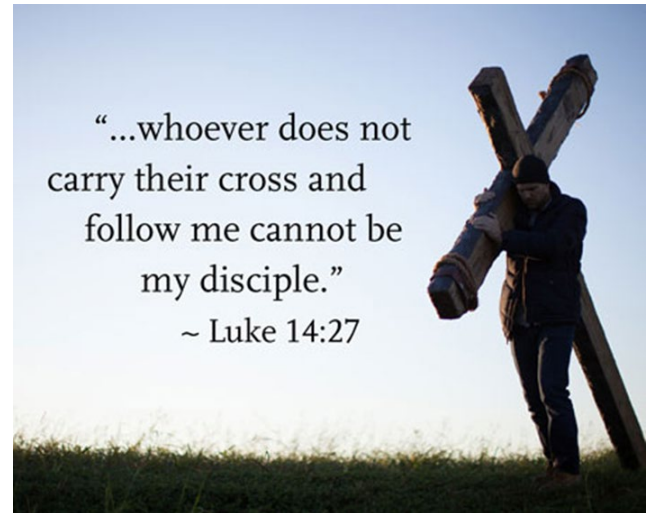
The Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross is observed annually on September 14 by the Catholic Church. The feast commemorates both the discovery of the True Cross by St. Helena and the dedication of the Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher in Jerusalem. The feast also honors the Holy Cross as a sacred symbol of Christ's death and resurrection, celebrating it as the source of salvation, life, and victory over sin and death.

The Exaltation of the Cross calls Knights to see hidden burdens as steps to strength and honor, not weakness. It's an uncomfortable truth that most men carry a cross no one sees. It might be the quiet frustration of aging or declining health, the unspoken grief over a child who's gone astray, or a regret that still echoes in the conscience. Sometimes the weight is physical. Sometimes it's emotional. Often, it's both. But always—it's hidden.

As Knights, we are called to serve visibly: to be protectors, providers, defenders of the faith. And rightly so. But beneath that visible call lies a more personal mission—one that happens in the quiet of a man's heart, and is often harder to accept, because it asks not for strength, but surrender. It is the mission of carrying the Cross.

The Exaltation of the Cross is one of the most paradoxical moments in the Church's calendar. We exalt—not the Resurrection, not the miracles, not the empty tomb—but the instrument of torture. The very thing that crushed Christ's body becomes the symbol that lifts up the whole world. Why? Because the Cross is not about pain. It's about offering. The Son of God didn't simply suffer. He gave. And what He gave was not just His life—it was His obedience, His trust, His yes. Many men carry frustrations they don't share. They sense life made a turn they didn't expect. They have questions that remain unanswered. They worry they are becoming less useful. And without complaint, they bear the load themselves. These are hidden crosses. And Christ sees every one of them. Without the Cross, there is no spiritual maturity and no true manhood. To carry one's cross is not to be sullen. It is to recognize that we quietly accept hardships as a way of sharing in Christ's suffering—and trusting that, with Him, even pain has a purpose.

As Knights, we live by the principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism—each rooted not in comfort, but in sacrifice. Charity costs. Unity humbles. Fraternity forgives. Patriotism gives without applause. Yet, these pillars cannot stand without the Cross beneath them. When we unite our hidden frustrations to Christ's Cross, we are not broken but exalted, because in Him, suffering leads to new life. Your Cross may not be seen, but it is never wasted. In surrender, you are not broken by the Cross—you are lifted and raised by Christ.



District Deputy Message – SK Chuck Armstrong

Greetings from the Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and our new State Deputy, Michael Gizewski. It is impressive how Council 8791 has been building and coming together, best reflected by achieving Star Council last Fraternal Year. Congratulations! I encourage Knights to visit your Council website, kofc8791.org, as it is excellent and full of information about the Council and our Order. The Florida State Council website, floridakofc.org, also contains a lot of valuable information for all Knights. Please take a look. All Knights have access.

The 143rd Supreme Convention was held in August in Washington, D.C., and included a 14-minute video message from Pope Leo XIV. Please take a moment to listen to the Pope's message to the Knights of Columbus. Please take a look at the article below and the link to see more about the Supreme Convention.

There are a number of upcoming events in our District. The first Fourth Degree Exemplification of this Fraternal Year is on September 13, beginning at 11:00 am in St. Augustine. Please go if you have the opportunity, as the Exemplification ceremony has been redone. *Cor* will soon begin. I am grateful that your Council is starting a *Cor* ministry, with its first gathering on September 13. It is a Parish program, open to all men of the Parish. I recommend for Knights to consider participating in *Cor*. Your Council was chosen to host the Icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus from September 30 to October 6. This will be a very special event for the Council. Lastly, on Saturday, November 15, from 9:00 am to 11:00 am, we will have our annual Benefits Update. Our Insurance Agent, Jim Booritch, will be here to provide updates on insurance and investments opportunities. Sara Jones will also be present to provide important updates on Medicare and Social Security. This will be open to the Parish and other Councils in the area. More information will follow.

Many thanks for all you do for your Parish and your community as Knights of Columbus. Vivat Jesus!



Lecturer Message – SK Gary Konopka

The Blessed Father Michael McGivney Miracle

Father McGivney's beatification was a significant event for the Knights of Columbus, as he is one step away from being recognized as a saint. The "Father McGivney miracle" refers to the healing of Michael "Mikey" Schachle from a life-threatening condition called fetal hydrops in utero. This healing, attributed to the intercession of Father Michael McGivney, the founder of the Knights of Columbus, played a key role in his beatification.

The story begins with the diagnosis of fetal hydrops in the unborn Mikey Schachle, a condition that gave him a near-zero chance of survival. His parents, Daniel and Michelle Schachle, prayed for a miracle through the intercession of Father McGivney, who was already on the path to sainthood. They also promised to name their son after Father McGivney if he survived. Remarkably, the baby was miraculously healed in the womb and born healthy, with doctors observing the disappearance of the fetal hydrops.

Photo at right: Mikey Schachle, then age 5, examines a statue of Father Michael McGivney at the home where he lives with his parents, Daniel and Michelle, and siblings on June 2, 2020. (Courtesy *Catholic News Service*.)



The miracle also highlights the importance of faith, prayer, and the pro-life values that Father McGivney championed during his life. The Knights of Columbus have long been involved in pro-life initiatives, and this miracle, involving a child with a life-threatening condition, further strengthens their commitment to protecting the unborn.



Father Michael J. McGivney Guild

His Vision, Your Prayers

You can play a key role in advancing Blessed Father Michael McGivney's cause for sainthood by joining the Guild for free and praying for his intercession and canonization. You will receive a quarterly newsletter on the sainthood cause and your intentions will be remembered in a weekly Mass offered for Guild members. Please visit fathermcgivney.org/join-the-guild/

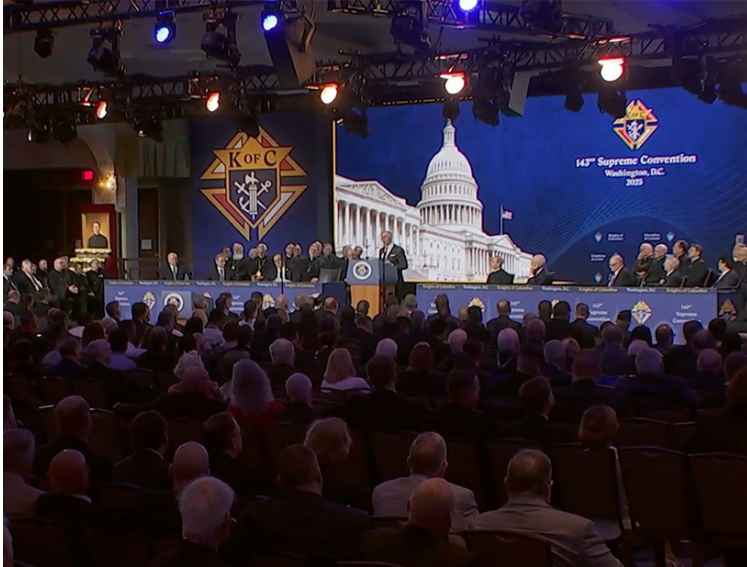


Knights of Columbus Supreme Council Update

Knights of Columbus 143rd Supreme Convention: Honoring Pope Francis; Celebrating milestones in Charity Programs, *Cor*, and Growth of the Order

(Courtesy *Catholic News Agency*, August 6, 2025)

The Knights of Columbus 143rd Supreme Convention was held in Washington, D.C., from August 5 to August 7, 2025, with a call to charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism, as Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly urged members to be “heralds of hope” in a world searching for meaning.



At the first Knights of Columbus Supreme Convention since Pope Francis’ death, Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly offered a tribute to the former pontiff’s legacy and celebrated the growth of the organization and its charitable accomplishments over the past year. Kelly, who has served as Supreme Knight since 2021, remembered Pope Francis’ dedication to the most vulnerable — a hallmark of the Knights of Columbus’ global charity work — and the late pontiff’s close relationship with the fraternal organization.

Photo at left: Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly opens the 143rd Supreme Convention on August 5, 2025 in Washington, D.C.

“Pope Francis was a powerful witness to charity and when he summoned the Church to the peripheries, he led by example — like a good father,” Kelly said in his delivery of the annual report of the Knights’ charity work. “His love for the poor and the sick was extraordinary,” he said. “Who can forget the moment, in the early days of his papacy, when he embraced a severely disfigured man in St. Peter’s Square or when he celebrated his 80th birthday by sharing breakfast with the homeless? He did what our world so often refuses to do. And the world watched, with admiration.” Kelly said Francis was “a great friend of the Knights of Columbus” who “encouraged our charity around the world” and “especially praised our humanitarian work in Ukraine, as well as our efforts to combat human trafficking.” He also credited Francis with inspiring the organization to grow its outreach to the Indigenous people of the United States, Canada, and the Philippines.

During his address, Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly also reported on the fraternal organization’s ongoing charity work globally and its growth. The report noted that members of the Knights of Columbus collectively dedicated more than 48 million hours to service. The organization also broke its record for charitable donations, reaching about \$197 million over the year. According to the report, the Knights of Columbus surpassed 2.1 million members after more than 96,000 men joined the organization last year. The Knights of Columbus have 146 councils on college campuses 8,000 Knights.

Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly noted that the Knights of Columbus is currently responding to the flash flood in Texas, where “hundreds of families lost their loved ones — and one brother knight tragically lost both his parents and his two young daughters.” The Knights also responded to floods in Florida, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Florida along with the wildfires in California. The report stated that the Knights of Columbus have continued “bringing emergency supplies to refugees” in Ukraine with the organization’s Charity Convoys and serve people in the country through its Mercy Centers. “We pray for an end to the war in Ukraine, but so long as the war continues, we’ll be there for those who suffer,” Kelly said.

Photo at right: Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio (center), head of the Archdiocese for the Military Services, and the President of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, celebrates Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. to open the Knights of Columbus Supreme Convention on August 5, 2025.



Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly reported on the growth of the Knights' Global Wheelchair Mission, which has now donated more than 158,000 wheelchairs, including 19,000 last year. This includes 300 to Nigeria, which was provided to "Christians who have endured violence and persecution for their faith." The Knights of Columbus also set a new record for winter jackets delivered to children through its Coats for Kids initiative, which has now surpassed 1.6 million total jackets to children. According to the report, the Knights' program Aid and Support After Pregnancy (ASAP) provided pro-life pregnancy centers with \$6 million last year and more than \$17 million over the last three years. The Knights also surpassed more than 2,000 donated ultrasounds through its Ultrasound Initiative meant to "save lives by showing parents their unborn children."

The Knights of Columbus also saw growth in its *Cor* program, which is a "small-group setting [that] gives men a place to embrace the mission for which they were made — the mission that God himself has uniquely given to them," according to the report. In August 2024, *Cor* was active at 650 councils but has now expanded to more than 5,000 councils.

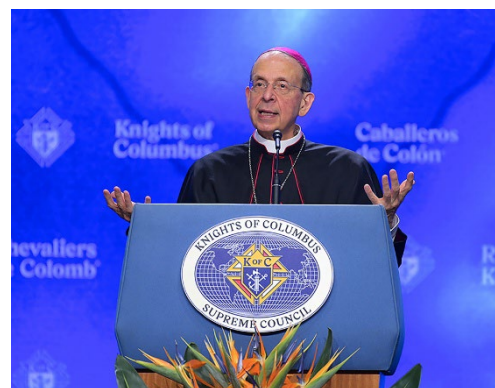
"Like every generation that came before us, we will move forward — in charity, unity, and fraternity," Kelly said. "We will serve Our Lord by serving others," he added. "And we will sacrifice for them, like he did for us."

✚ **Looking for more on the 143rd Supreme Convention of the Knights of Columbus?** Please visit: kofc.org/en/events/supreme-convention/2025/index.html

Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge for September

(Courtesy Knights of Columbus kofc.org)

Archbishop William Lori, Supreme Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus, each month selects a brief passage from the Gospel reading of one of the Sunday Masses. Archbishop Lori shares a brief reflection on the passage and issues a challenge for men to live for the month. The next month, men undertaking the challenge can gather as a group and share their experiences living the challenge. The Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge is suited for *Cor* or may also be done individually. By taking up the Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge, men take direct, concrete action to grow in their faith and help their brothers do so as well. Are you ready for the challenge this month?



Archbishop William E. Lori, Supreme Chaplain

This month's Bible Verse:

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." (Luke 14:27)

Suffering is an inescapable part of human life, a consequence of the fall. When we deal with our suffering in a virtuous way, we unite ourselves to the cross of Christ. In fact, Jesus tells us that taking up our cross is an essential condition for being his disciple. The wonderful thing is that God will supply whatever grace and strength we need to carry our cross, if only we ask for it in faith. May we always carry our cross daily with courage as faithful followers of Christ.

Challenge by the Supreme Chaplain:

This month, as we celebrate the feast of the Exaltation of the Cross on September 14, I challenge you to undertake some sacrifice or mortification — such as abstaining from meat one or two days a week — to strengthen your willingness to carry your cross daily.

Questions for Reflection:

What are the crosses you must carry in your life? Which do you struggle with the most? Do you faithfully and regularly seek strength from Christ in carrying your cross in prayer and the sacraments?



U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Update

On 20th Anniversary of Hurricane Katrina: Faithful Encouraged to Renew Commitment to Racial Equality and Justice

(Courtesy *USCCB News*, August 26, 2025)

Bishop Campbell, chairman of the USCCB's Subcommittee on African American Affairs, and Bishop Perry, chairman of the USCCB's Ad Hoc Committee Against Racism mark the anniversary of Hurricane Katrina. “As we mark the 20th anniversary of this tragedy, we remember those who were lost and displaced but also renew our commitment to racial equity and justice in every sector of public life,” said Bishop Roy E. Campbell, Jr., chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops’ (USCCB) Subcommittee on African American Affairs, and Bishop Joseph N. Perry, chairman of the USCCB’s Ad Hoc Committee Against Racism in a statement for the 20th anniversary of Hurricane Katrina.

Photo at right: Archbishop Alfred C. Hughes, who was head of the New Orleans Archdiocese at the time, stands amid the rubble of the collapsed roof of Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Slidell, Louisiana, after Hurricane Katrina in 2005.



The bishops reflected on the inequities revealed by the destruction of Hurricane Katrina, and how the Church has provided a powerful witness and response in the wake of the tragedy. “Over 1,800 people lost their lives and many more suffered traumatic experiences during the aftermath. Today, the impacts of ongoing mental and physical injuries remain and today the cost of the injuries is borne unequally,” said the bishops. “The powerful witness of the Catholic Church filled the gaps of an inadequate governmental response to the tragedy. It was people of faith, moved by their hearts, who assisted in resettlement efforts in new cities, and supported rebuilding when people attempted to return home.” Two decades later, the Church must continue to accompany the most vulnerable populations who still feel the effects of Hurricane Katrina: “As Church, let us be a lifeboat in the flood waters of injustice.”

See the full statement: usccb.org/resources/statement-20th-anniversary-hurricane-katrina-august-29-2025.

Jubilee 2025 Pilgrims of Hope: September Jubilee Celebrations

Jubilee 2025 invites you to be a pilgrim of hope. For Christians, hope is anchored in the encounter with Jesus whose life, death, and resurrection reveals God’s transforming love. Our hope in God is renewed constantly in the gift of the Holy Spirit, the love of the Father and the Son, who is given, even now, to the community of believers. The Holy See has designated a number of Jubilee Days throughout 2025 to recognize and celebrate different groups of people and various ministries in the Church.

In September 2025, there are three Jubilee Celebrations:

September 15 - Jubilee of Consolation; September 20 - Jubilee of Justice; and September 26 to 28 - Jubilee of Catechists. Please click on the links for more information.



The Jubilee Year offers faithful Catholics the opportunities to participate in various jubilee events at the Vatican and in their own dioceses. Additional information about Jubilee events and materials, including the Calendar of Events. Please see the main Jubilee 2025 website at uscgb.org/jubilee2025. St. James Cathedral, Basilica of the National Shrine of Mary, Queen of the Universe, and Basilica of Saint Paul have been designated as a Jubilee pilgrimage sites for the Diocese of Orlando. Information about events in our diocese is available at orlandodiocese.org/events/jubilee-year-of-hope/



Vatican Update

Pope prays for Minneapolis victims, denounces "pandemic" of gun violence

(Courtesy *Catholic News Service*, August 31, 2025)

Pope Leo XIV, praying publicly for the victims of the school shooting in Minneapolis, also prayed for an end to the "pandemic" of gun violence.

After reciting the Angelus prayer with visitors and pilgrims in St. Peter's Square on August 31, Pope Leo switched from Italian to English when he led the prayers for the community of Annunciation Catholic School in Minneapolis where two children were killed and 18 other people were injured during Mass on August 27. In remembering "the victims of the tragic shooting during a school Mass in the American state of Minnesota," the Pope said, "we include in our prayers the countless children killed and injured every day around the world." "Let us plead God to stop the pandemic of arms, large and small, which infects our world," he said. "May our mother, Mary, the Queen of Peace, help us to fulfill the prophecy of Isaiah: 'They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks.'"



Pope Leo called again for an end to Russia's war on Ukraine, decrying renewed attacks on various Ukrainian cities, including Kyiv. "Unfortunately, the war in Ukraine continues to sow death and destruction," the Pope told thousands of people gathered for the midday prayer. "I renew my closeness to the Ukrainian people and to all the wounded families," he said, calling on everyone "not to give in to indifference but to draw near (to the Ukrainian people) through prayer and concrete acts of charity." The Pope said his heart is also wounded for those who have died or are missing after a boat capsized carrying migrants from Africa to the Canary Islands.

Photo above: Pope Leo XIV addresses visitors and pilgrims in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican on August 31, 2025 following recitation of the Angelus prayer.

"I strongly reiterate my urgent appeal for an immediate ceasefire and for a serious commitment to dialogue," he said. "It is time for leaders to abandon the logic of weapons and to take up the path of negotiation and peace, with the support of the international community. The voice of weapons must be silenced, while the

voice of fraternity and justice must be raised." Speaking in both English and Italian, the Pope entrusted all the "injured, missing and dead everywhere to our Savior's loving embrace."

In a Papal Message the day of the shooting, Pope Leo XIV expressed his profound sorrow upon learning of the loss of life and injuries that took place at Annunciation Church in Minneapolis, Minnesota. In a telegram to Archbishop Bernard Hebda of Minneapolis, the Pope expressed his "heartfelt condolences and the assurance of spiritual closeness to all those affected by this terrible tragedy, especially the families now grieving the loss of a child." The Pope said he commends "the souls of the deceased children to the love of Almighty God" and "prays for the wounded as well as the first responders, medical personnel and clergy who are caring for them and their loved ones. As a "pledge of peace, fortitude and consolation in the Lord Jesus," Pope Leo imparted his Apostolic Blessing upon "the Annunciation Catholic School Community, the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, and the people of the metropolitan area."

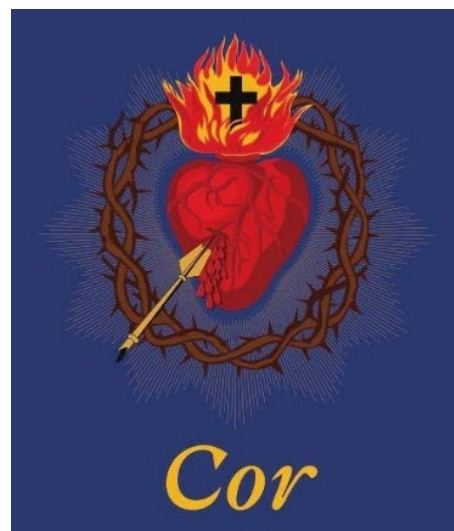


Cor Ministry of Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity

***Cor* begins on September 13**

On September 13, led by SK John Malafronte, Council 8791 begins a new ministry at Prince of Peace Catholic Church called *Cor*. Blessed Michael McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus with a keen understanding of every man's call to holiness and a fatherly vocation. *Cor* (Latin for "heart") continues this mission by centering men's hearts on Jesus so they can be transformed by an authentic relationship with him and each other. Everything flows from the heart. If you get the heart right, you get the man right — a man of faith who will courageously live out the mission God calls him to. Christ is the heart of *Cor*.

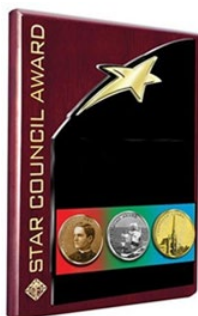
Cor provides opportunities for prayer, formation, and fraternity. These gatherings are not just about deepening our knowledge of faith — they are about strengthening our bond as brothers and encouraging each other to live the life God has called us to. We invite all Knights of our Council and all men of the Parish to join us in uniting our hearts with his.



Cor will be held on the second Saturday of each month beginning at 10:00 am for one hour. The first *Cor* gathering will be on Saturday, September 13 at 10:00 am in the Parish Administration Building. More information is being sent by email. Please consider joining us in this new ministry. You may register by sending your name and contact information to knightsforcolumbus8791@gmail.com.



Council Achieves Star Council Award



Congratulations to Prince of Peace Council 8791! Our Council achieved the Star Council Award for the 2024-2025 Fraternal Year, the top award for local Councils by the Knights of Columbus. The Star Council Award recognizes outstanding achievements in membership, insurance, and Faith in Action programs. The Council must also meet all the requirements to concurrently earn the Father McGivney, Founders, and Columbian Awards, submit all required reports on the activities of the Council, and be fully compliant with safe environment requirements.

We did this together with charity, unity, and fraternity. This award is the result of exceptional efforts and dedication by all our Council Knights, especially those who were able to support our many programs, activities, and services. You know who you are and all you do. Thank you for helping our Council reach this goal. It had been almost 10 years since we last achieved the Star Council Award. It is good to be back among the Star Councils of the Knights of Columbus. Again, thank you!



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Knight of the Month

SK Guy Baratte

The Knight of the Month award recognizes a Brother Knight who exemplifies the core principles of our Order, and models and lives Christian virtues in service to our Council and our Parish.

At our August Council Meeting, Deputy Grand Knight SK Michael Ernst announced that the Knight of the Month is SK Guy Baratte. A Knight since 2019, SK Guy Baratte in a regular provider of hospitality for our Council. He routinely serves at Coffee & Donuts every Sunday, helps with set-up and serving at our Breakfasts and Dinners, and is always willing to assist with other events as needed. All Knights expressed their appreciation and congratulations.

Photo at right: SK Guy Baratte receives the Knight of the Month award for August from Deputy Grand Knight SK Michael Ernst on August 26, 2025.





Family of the Month

The Knights of Columbus recognizes a family each month that exemplifies the ideals of a Catholic Christian Family through their participation in our community at Prince of Peace. They are representative of the many families and individuals that support our Parish with their time and talents. After a Summer hiatus, our next Family of the Month will be announced later this month.



Recruit and Welcome New Knights

Welcome BK Matthew Leib and SK Michael Sobiecki



At our August Council Meeting, Chancellor BK Ron Nowvieskie reported that we had two potential new members to our Council: Matthew Leib and Michael Sobiecki. Matthew Leib is a new applicant, a parishioner in good standing, and completed his Exemplification. Raised in the Catholic faith in New York, he comes from a family of Knights. SK Michael Sobiecki is a transfer from a Council in North Florida. Both gentlemen were approved as member Knights for Council 8791. The Knights expressed their congratulations and welcomed our new Brother Knight BK Matthew Leib and our new member Knight SK Michael Sobiecki.

Photo at right: New Knight BK Matthew Leib at the Council Meeting on August 26, 2025.





Knights of Columbus

WHY JOIN?

To Lead with Faith
To Serve Others
To Protect Your Family
To Defend Your Values

Our Mission
Together, we're empowering Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work and in their Community.

Charity
Charity is at the heart of our work and our faith—and it always has been. For the Knights of Columbus, charity means supporting a virtually boundless variety of projects.

Faith
Our commitment to charitable service is one of the many ways that we express our Catholic Faith. We're here to build a daily bridge back to what matters, for our members and fellow Catholics.

Membership
With 1.9 million members worldwide, we have been investing our time, effort and resources into our values of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism





We welcome all Catholic men to join the Knights at Prince of Peace. Find information, photos, and more at kofc8791.org.

We want to invite all Catholic men in our Parish to join Prince of Peace Council 8791, but we need your help. Please look around you at Mass. A personal invitation to join is always best. We want to share the many benefits of the Knights of Columbus, including promoting opportunities for spiritual growth and fellowship, emphasizing extensive charitable work and support for the Church, offering insurance and investment benefits for the whole family, and highlighting the legacy of our founder, Blessed Father Michael McGivney. The key is to personalize the message to the individual, discuss his specific interests, share personal positive experiences, and confidently ask him to join. You can do it. All Knights can do it. The goal this Fraternal Year is to recruit 12 new Knights.

We have a table filled with Council information available in the Parish Hall and even more on our Council website at kofc8791.org. We are also in the process of forming a new Membership Committee. If you are interested in serving on the committee, please contact Deputy Grand Knight SK Michael Ernst at michaelernst716@gmail.com. We have also begun a new membership campaign through our weekly Parish Bulletin. Please see a recent promotion on the left. Please contact Chancellor BK Ron Nowvieskie at rnowvieskie@cfl.rr.com with any questions.



Fourth Degree/Assembly 2901 Update

SK William Whelan, Faithful Navigator, has announced that the annual Memorial Mass for the Knights of Columbus in our District will be on Tuesday, November 18 at 3:30 pm at Prince of Peace Catholic Church. The Memorial Mass will honor the Knights who passed to their eternal rest during the last year from Councils 8791, 1895 (Basilica of St. Paul), and 13018 (St. Brendan). The families of the honored Knights will be invited, and Knights from all three Councils will be present. A reception will be held following Mass in the Social Hall.

He also reiterated that the Assembly is encouraging all Knights who are not Fourth Degree to consider becoming so. A Fourth Degree Exemplification is scheduled for this month, September 13 at San Sebastian Catholic Church in St. Augustine. Please see the flyer below. The cost is \$90.00, but \$45.00 will be paid by the Assembly. The deadline for application is September 5. All Knights are also invited to attend the Exemplification. The primary purpose of the Fourth Degree is Patriotism, to inculcate a love of country and impress the duties of citizenship. The Fourth Degree is the highest and Honorary Degree of our Order. SK Mike Worley is our Assembly Representative and Color Corps Commander. Please contact SK Mike Worley at worley0101@aol.com if you are interested in becoming a Fourth Degree Knight and joining Assembly 2901.



Programs and Activities of our

FAITH IN ACTION



Faith

SK Eugene Nelson, Faith Director

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Holy Hour with Adoration is available every Friday at 6:00 pm in the Church, following the 5:30 pm Mass, and every day in our Adoration Chapel. We ask our Knights to consider spending one hour each month in Adoration. You may use the Adoration Chapel, or participate in the Holy Hour on the First Friday of the month or any Friday of the month, or participate in other Adorations as available. Please report your Adoration time each month on the Council tally sheet.

Photo at right: Parishioners and Knights attend the Holy Hour and Adoration on August 1, 2025. Pictured: Father Justin Vakko, Pastor and Council Chaplain.



Refund Support for Vocations Program (RSVP).

RSVP is the program that supports a Seminarian in our Diocese in their vocation studies. Our Seminarian this year will be selected in November. Please contact SK Bill Whelan for more information.

Pilgrim Icon Program.

Our Council has learned that we will host the Icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus at Prince of Peace Catholic Church from September 30 through October 6. Memorial prayer cards have been received for distribution at all Masses the weekend of October 4 and 5. More information will follow soon.

Lenten Day of Reflection.

A day of reflection is being planned in February or March at the Carmelite Monastery. More to come. SK Dave Peterson is the lead Knight for this activity.

Fifth Saturday Rosary.

Our Council supports the Fifth Saturday Rosary, held when a month has a fifth Saturday, in the Church Chapel at 5:00 pm following the Vigil Mass. The last Fifth Saturday Rosary was on August 30, when we offered the Rosary for families, marriages, and children starting the school year.

Photo at right: 12 Knights join with parishioners to pray the Rosary at the Fifth Saturday Rosary on August 30, 2025. Pictured (L-R) SK Chris Munson and SK Jeff Delgado.



Please speak with SK Gene Nelson, Faith Director, for further information on Faith activities.



Family

SK Harold Bennett, Family Director

Family of the Month.

The Family of the Month recognizes a Parish family that models Christian family values and lives them every day. We will recognize our next Family of the Month later this month.

Food for Families.

The Knights are committed to ending hunger in our community. We will again participate in soliciting food donations for our Parish Food Pantry and making a financial donation to support its needs.

Consecration to the Holy Family.

This prayer program invites each family of the Parish to consecrate themselves to the Holy Family. It is held at all Masses on the last weekend in December.

Please speak with SK Harold Bennett, Family Director, for further information on Family activities.



Community

SK Jay Young, Community Director

Blood Drives.

We started the Fraternal Year with a Blood Drive on July 13, netting only 11 pints of blood. It was not a result of a lack of response, however, as we actually had 18 persons attempt to give, but 7 were unable to contribute. This is the largest number of deferrals that we have had over the last 5 years in any single blood drive. Our next Blood Drive, the second of the new Fraternal Year, will be Sunday, September 7. Please give if you can and if you are unable, please ask a family member or friend to donate. Our goal for the New Fraternal Year in the Blood Drive Program is once again 90 pints. The Council expresses its thanks and gratitude to all Knights, your families, friends, and our fellow parishioners who made donations. Please contact our Blood Drive Chairman, SK Mark Leary, with any questions at learymm4@gmail.com.

Habitat for Humanity.

The next workday is Wednesday September 17 (the third Wednesday of the month). We contributed 21.7 hours in July and 10.3 hours so far in August for a total to date of 32 hours, so we are on track to our goal for this Fraternal Year which is again 200 hours and 2 program credits in the Community Category. If you are interested in joining the Habitat Team and maybe learning a few more home building or maintenance skills, please contact our Habitat Chairman, SK Mark Leary, at learymm4@gmail.com.

Social Services, Food Pantry, and Like New Shop.

The Summer schedule is in place, but demand remains significantly up at both the Food Pantry and the Like

New Shop. We still can use a lot more volunteers. Please contact SK Jay Young at jyoung9508@cfl.rr.com.

Veterans Nursing Home.

10 Knights attended the monthly visit with our veterans at the Emory L. Bennett Nursing Home on August 7. This is the third month in a row we had excellent representation. Thanks to SK Russell Benett, SK Ron Piasecki, SK Jim Nunn, SK Gary Konopka, SK Chuck Armstrong, SK Michael Orris, SK Jay Young, SK Jim McCormick, SK Bill Whelan, and SK Jeff Delgado. The veterans really appreciate our Council and Assembly members for taking the time to make themselves available. Our next meeting is Thursday, September 4 at 10:00 am. Please join us if you can.

Breakfasts: Coffee & Donuts.

Our next Breakfast will be our Religious Education Breakfast on Sunday, September 21, from 8:00 am to 11:15 am in the Social Hall. We will use it as a recruitment opportunity. We ask our Knights to help with setup, kitchen, serving, and hospitality. More to come by email. Please contact BK Ron Nowvieskie with any questions or to volunteer at rnowvieskie@cfl.rr.com.

Please speak with SK Jay Young, Community Director, for further information on Community activities.



Life

SK Angelo Salvo, Life Director

Special Olympics.

Our Council supports Special Olympics Florida. There are no more local activities at this time. On September 20, there is a softball competition in Palm Coast beginning at 8:00 am. If you are interested in attending, please contact SK Angelo Salvo at angelosalvo@hotmail.com. On October 18, there is an Area 4 golf event in Jacksonville beginning at 7:30 am. The next Summer Games will be held in April 2026 at Daytona State College, and will be a focus of our Council. More to come.

Pro-Life Activities.

The Pregnancy Crisis Center always welcomes volunteers to pray for or with women who are considering ending a pregnancy. Please contact SK Angelo Salvo for more information at angelosalvo@hotmail.com.

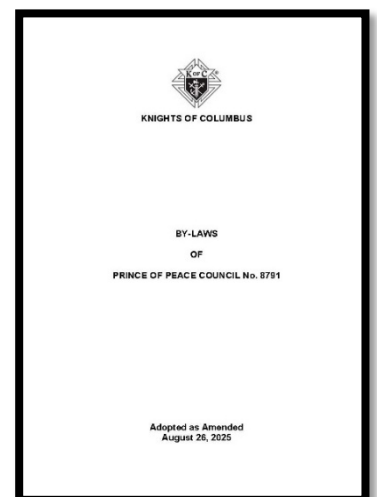
Please speak with SK Angelo Salvo, Life Director, for further information on Family activities



Council By-Laws Amendments Approved

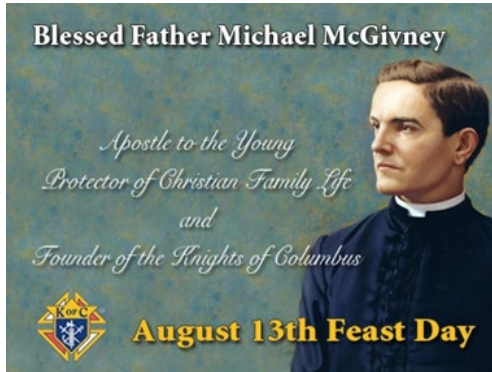
New Council Operating Policies and Procedures also approved

At the Council Meeting on August 26, the Council voted to approve and adopt the amendments to our By-Laws and our new Operating Policies and Procedures. These documents are essential as they provide a framework for the Council's operations, structure, and governance, ensuring a consistent approach to Council business. Both documents have been added to our Council website at: kofc8791.org/council-by-laws and kofc8791.org/council-policies. All Council Knights are encouraged to become familiar with our By-Laws and Operating Policies and Procedures. Our special thanks to Advocate SK Bob Simcoe and Recorder SK Dan Medved for their leadership and guidance through the review and development process. Thanks also to the Knights who served with them on the By-Laws Committee: SK Dan Kimble, SK Michael Abbott, SK Harold Bennett, SK John McCarthy, SK Chuck Armstrong, SK Michael Ernst, SK Bill Whelan, SK Russell Benett, SK Gene Nelson, SK Jay Young, SK Greg Scull, and SK John Malafronte. It was a team effort and accomplishment for our Council.





Event Highlight of the Month: Blessed Michael McGivney Feast Day Rosary and Mass



On Wednesday, August 13, our Council recognized and celebrated the Feast Day of our founder, Blessed Michael McGivney. Officially, his feast day is reserved to the liturgical calendar of the Archdiocese of Hartford, where he served as a diocesan priest and where he was beatified. Nonetheless, the entire family of the Knights of Columbus can observe this day of joy and grace, and we were pleased to do so at a special Daily Mass and Rosary. The Mass was truly the source and summit of Father McGivney's life, and there was no better way to honor our founder than by entering into the mystery of faith that was the foundation of his entire life and ministry.

The Mass was celebrated by SK Rev. Father Francis Joseph, OCM, joined by SK Deacon Bruce Gesinski. The Mass was preceded by a Rosary led by Deputy Grand Knight SK Michael Ernst. Thank you for the many Knights and parishioners who participated in the Feast Day. Please see the photos below.



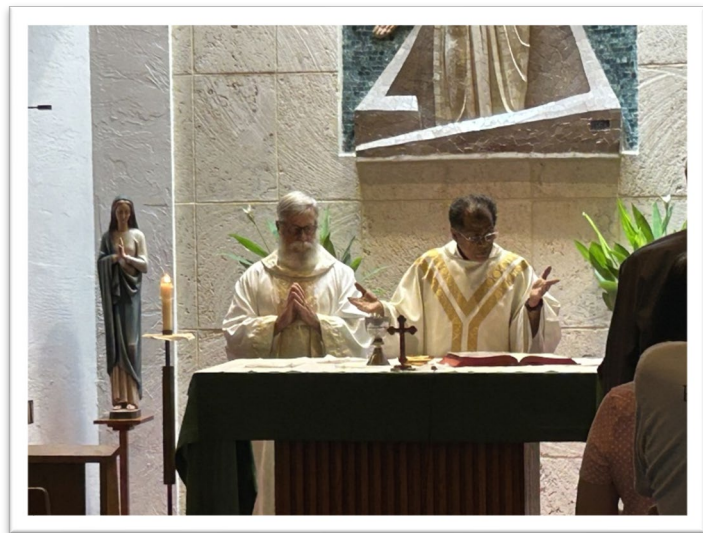
Knights of Prince of Peace Council 8791 gather in the Church Chapel for the Mass and Rosary to celebrate the Feast Day of Blessed Michael McGivney on August 13, 2025. Pictured (L-R) SK Gene Nelson, SK Dan Medved, SK Michael Ernst, SK Tom Welter, SK Jay Young, SK Mark Derouaux, SK Harold Bennett, SK Russell Benett, SK Jack Toia, SK Mike Worley, SK Maurice Laffin, SK Michael Abbott, SK Jim Nunn, SK Bob Simcoe, SK John Trollinger, SK Deacon Bruce Gesinski, and SK Joe Collins.



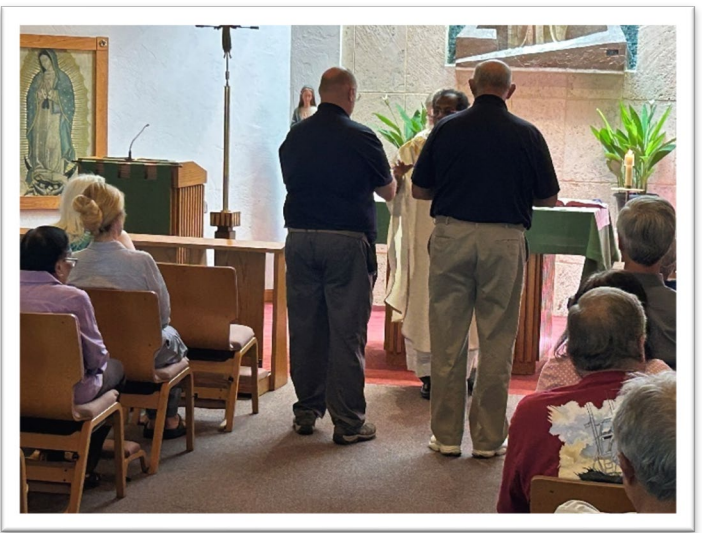
SK Harold Bennett reads the Reading at Mass.



SK Deacon Bruce Gesinski proclaims the Gospel at Mass.



SK Deacon Bruce Gesinski and Father Francis Joseph celebrate the Mass.



Deputy Grand Knight SK Michael Ernst, representing Council 8791, and SK Mike Worley, representing Assembly 2901, present the gifts at Offertory.



The congregation at the Feast Day Mass on August 13 in the Church Chapel.



Knights (L-R) SK Maurice Laffin, SK Jack Toia, SK Gene Nelson, SK Bob Simcoe, and SK Mike Worley pray the Rosary before Mass. Other Knights and parishioners participated in the Rosary.

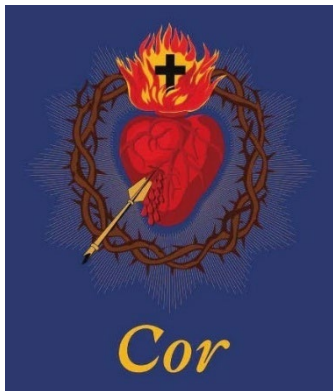


Upcoming Events: Blood Drive; Cor; Pancake Breakfast; Icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus



Our next Parish Blood Drive is Sunday, September 7, from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm. This is our second Blood Drive of the Fraternal Year, with a goal of 90 pints. The need never stops. All donors receive a \$10.00 e-gift card, a One Blood t-shirt, and a wellness checkup including blood pressure, pulse, temperature, iron count, and cholesterol screening. Appointments are available and recommended. Please give

blood if you can or consider asking a family member, friend, parishioner, or neighbor to stop by to donate if they can. Thank you for your support.



The first gathering of *Cor* will be on Saturday, September 13 at 10:00 am in the St. John Bosco Room in the Parish Administration Building. *Cor* will be led by SK John Malafronte. If you can join us, please send an email to knightsofcolumbus8791@gmail.com to register. Created by the Knights of Columbus, *Cor* is a ministry filled with prayer, formation, and fraternity that focuses men on Jesus through building a Christ-centered brotherhood. Blessed Michael McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus with a keen understanding of every man's call to holiness and a fatherly vocation. *Cor* (Latin for "heart") continues this mission by centering men's hearts on Jesus so they can be transformed by an authentic relationship with him and each other. We invite all Knights and all men of our Parish to join us in *Cor*.



Pancake Breakfast



The Religious Education Breakfast is on Sunday, September 21 from 8:00 am to 11:15 am in the Social Hall. It will be an opportunity to highlight the Catholic family, and we are planning to have a book to share with each family. Parents who enroll their children in Religious Education classes receive a free breakfast for the whole family. We will need our Knights volunteers to make this a successful event.



Our Council will host the Icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus at Prince of Peace Catholic Church from Tuesday, September 30 through Monday, October 6. The icon depicts the most famous image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, painted in 1767, and now venerated in the Church of the Gesù in Rome. We will have a special highlight of the Icon at all Masses during the weekend of October 4 and 5. A Prayer Service is also being planned. More information will be coming soon. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us for this special Faith activity. The Knights of Columbus Pilgrim Icon Program this Fraternal Year is centered on devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This reproduction of the image is one of icons, each bearing the apostolic blessing of Pope Francis, traveling around the world as part of the Pilgrim Icon Program.



Calendar of Council Activities

September 2025

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September 1 – Labor Day

September 4 – Veterans Nursing Home, 10:00 am (1920 Mason Ave., Daytona Beach)

September 5 – First Friday Mass and Holy Hour, 5:30 pm (Church)

September 6 – Mass of Christian Burial for SK John (Jack) Erthal, 11:00 am (Church)

September 7 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Social Hall)

September 7 – Blood Drive, 8:30 am to 1:00 pm (Big Red Bus, Parish Parking Lot)

September 9 – Officers Meeting, 10:00 am (Fireplace Room)

September 13 – *Cor*, 10:00 am (St. John Bosco Room)

September 13 – Fourth Degree Exemplification, 11:00 am (San Sebastian Catholic Church, St. Augustine)

September 14 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Social Hall)

September 17 – Habitat for Humanity Council Workday, 7:00 am (Location TBD)

September 21 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Social Hall)

September 21 – Religious Education Breakfast, 8:00 am to 11:15 am (Social Hall)

September 23 – Council Meeting, 7:00 pm (Social Hall)

September 28 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Social Hall)

September 30 through October 6 – Icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (TBD)

October 2 – Veterans Nursing Home, 10:00 am (1920 Mason Ave., Daytona Beach)

October 3 – First Friday Mass and Holy Hour, 5:30 pm (Church)

October 5 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Social Hall)

October 11 – *Cor*, 10:00 am (St. John Bosco Room)

October 12 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Social Hall)

October 12 – Columbus Day Breakfast and Council Recruitment Drive, 8:00 am to 11:15 am (Social Hall)

October 14 – Officers Meeting, 10:00 am (Fireplace Room)

October 15 – Habitat for Humanity Council Workday, 7:00 am (Location TBD)

October 18 and 19 – Arts & Crafts Fair (Social Hall)

October 19 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Social Hall)

October 25 – Trunk or Treat, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm (Parish Parking Lot)

October 26 – Coffee & Donuts, 8:00 am to 12:30 pm (Social Hall)

October 28 – Council Meeting, 7:00 pm (Social Hall)


Special Events in November:

November 1 – All Saints Day

November 2 – All Souls Day

November 15 – Knights Benefits Update Meeting, 9:00 am to 11:00 am (Social Hall)

November 18 – Memorial Mass for Knights of Columbus, 3:30 pm (Church)

 **Looking for the most current information on upcoming events and activities?** Please visit the Calendar on our Council website at kofc8791.org/calendar.



Birthdays for September

Happy Birthday to our Brother Knights who celebrate their birthday in the month of September:

Lawrence Lemoncello – September 1
 Ronald Ochipa – September 1
 Eugene Breyfogle – September 3
 James McCormack – September 3
 Frederick Weston – September 4
 Steven Gosney – September 7
 James Rowley – September 8
 Carlos Janiola – September 9



Gabriel Savage – September 14
 Dennis Culver, Jr. – September 17
 Nicholas Doheny – September 17
 Michael Maccaro – September 18
 James Morris – September 18
 Kevin Lorden – September 20
 John Stottle – September 27
 Scott Waddell – September 27



Anniversaries for September

Happy Anniversary to our Brother Knights celebrating their wedding anniversary in the month of September. We know of and give our best wishes to the following Knights and their spouses:

SK William and Mary Whelan – married on September 2, 2006 (19 years)
 SK Jay and Barbara Young – married on September 5, 1964 (61 years)
 BK Ronald and Betty Nowviskie – married on September 14, 1964 (61 years)
 SK Gregory and Tammie Scull – married on September 29, 1990 (35 years)



Congratulations to our Brother Knights celebrating their annual anniversary as a Knight of Columbus in the month of September:

Rev. Fr. Thomas McMackin (56 years)
 Gary Bowden (40 years)
 Robert Spadea (33 years)
 Andrew Wilbert, Jr. (23 years)
 David Peterson (22 years)
 George Gibison (20 years)
 Frederick Weston (20 years)
 Harold Bennett (19 years)
 Edwin Baden (18 years)
 Michael Caffrey (18 years)
 James Phillips (18 years)
 Juan Hernandez (17 years)

Anthony Cantwell (16 years)
 Brian Rademacher (15 years)
 David Kurek (10 years)
 Domenico Delli Carpini (9 years)
 Taylor Culver (8 years)
 Emmanuel Gutierrez (6 years)
 William Hatton (5 years)
 Raymond Okon (4 years)
 Gregory Micallef (3 years)
 Eugene Breyfogle (2 years)
 Michael Ernst (2 years)

Thank you



**“And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock
 I will build my church...” Matt 16:18
 Vocations are *Everybody's* Business. Pray for Vocations!**





Knights Intentions

We pray for our Brother Knights and their families and friends:

For those walking in a new life with the Lord:

- +SK John (Jack) Erthal
- +BK Eugene Allen
- +BK Harry Gaither


For those needing healing or a prayer of special intention:

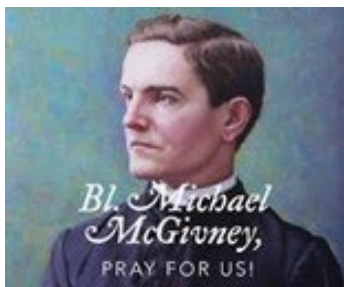
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| SK James Morris | SK John McCarthy |
| SK Jack Toia | SK Ken Crews |
| SK Tom Welter | SK Daniel Eppelheimer |
| SK Michael Abbott | SK Gene Nelson |
| SK Chuck Armstrong | BK J.C. Phillips |
| SK Bob Simcoe | SK Bob Guidotti |
| SK Marty Librizzi | BK Sebastian Nocita |
| SK Paul Clare | BK Joe Fulweber |
| BK Bob Falkenberg | SK Joseph Taibi |
| BK Scott Waddell | BK Frank Guillena |

Nancy Simcoe, daughter of SK Bob Simcoe
 Marilyn Fulweber, wife of BK Joe Fulweber
 Carol Bennett, wife of SK Harold Bennett
 Jim Toia, brother of SK Jack Toia
 Nicole Carter, daughter of BK Ray Komara



Calvie Dean, wife of SK Victor Dean
 Patricia Ostrowski, wife of SK James Ostrowski
 Valerie Kruse, wife of SK Tom Kruse
 Mason Collins, grandson of BK Joe Collins

 **If you would like to add someone to Knights Intentions for our prayers,** please send an email with their name and prayer request to knightsofcolumbus8791@gmail.com.



Prayer for Healing

Almighty God, look with mercy and kindness on our Brother Knights and their family members and friends who are sick, especially those listed here. Grant them healing and good health. Send your holy Angels to watch over them. Protect them and keep them safe from lasting illness, injury or harm. May the life-giving grace of Your Divine Son relieve their suffering and bring them to a full recovery. Embrace them with Your constant love, and with the power of Christ's healing presence, may Your bountiful goodness be their source of comfort, strength and joy. Amen.

Prayer for the Faithful Departed

O Loving Father, source of all life, please accompany Your servants, listed here, from this earth to the Kingdom of Heaven for the peace, rest and eternal life that You have prepared for us. Forgive any sins that have been committed, and welcome these souls into the joyful embrace of Your never-ending love. Amen.

Prayer for Those in Need of Prayers

Father, we pray for all those who are in need of prayers and wish to remain anonymous, for those who have no one to pray for them, and for expectant mothers and their unborn children. Strengthen them to face each day with courage, faith and hope, knowing that You are with them. Amen.

Memorial Mass for BK Eugene Allen

On August 25, we came together to pay our respects at a Memorial Mass for our Brother Knight Eugene Allen, who passed away at the age of 86. He had been a Knight since 2023, and resided at the Prince of Peace Villas. BK Eugene had been on our Knights Intentions prayer list for the last year. Mass included more than 12 Knights in attendance. Thanks to all who attended and prayed for our Brother Knight and his family.



Portrait of BK Eugene Allen.



Knights gather following the Memorial Mass. (L-R) SK Ray Sevonty, SK Marty Librizzi, SK Michael Ernst, SK Harold Bennett, SK Jim Nunn, BK Ron Nowvskie, SK Dan Medved, SK Mike Worley, SK Bob Simcoe, and SK Gene Nelson.



Deputy Grand Knight SK Michael Ernst expressed his condolences of our Council Knights and reads a Proclamation to the family.



Knights lead the Mass Procession. (L-R) SK Jack Toia, SK Ray Sevonty, SK Marty Librizzi, and SK Gene Nelson. Many Knights followed and participated in the procession.



Father Francis Joseph shares a homily and blessing for the family.



Knights sit together on the right side of the Church Chapel.



Florida State Council Charity Raffle


2025/2026 Florida State Council
 Knight of Columbus
Charity Raffle
FIRST PRIZE - \$25,000
2nd PRIZE: \$5,000 3rd PRIZE (2): \$1,000 ea
Donation \$3.00 - Donor need not to be present
 2026 Drawing will be held on
Saturday May 23, 2026 at the
Rosen Shingle Creek, Orlando, Florida

The Florida State Council of the Knights of Columbus has kicked off a state-wide raffle in which the proceeds will go to raise funds for local affiliated councils as well as for Florida Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc. Raffle books contain 4 raffle tickets each, and were distributed to all Councils, including Council 8791. We received 100 raffle books. First Prize is \$25,000.00; Second Prize is \$5,000.00; and Third Prize is \$1,000.00. The donation is \$3.00 per ticket, or \$10.00 per book, however there is no fee to participate. Councils retain \$4.00 per book for our charitable programs. All raffle ticket distribution ends May 1, 2026. The final drawing will be held at the Florida State Council Annual Convention Dinner on May 2, 2026, in Orlando. Three raffle ticket books were distributed to the Knights in attendance at the August Council Meeting. Additional raffle books will be distributed to all Council Knights who can assist. For more information, please contact BK Ron Nowvieskie at rnowvieskie@cfl.rr.com.



Council Shirts Ordering



Council 8791's blue shirts reflect our fraternity and unity, and enhance the visibility of the Knights to those we serve. The Council purchases personalized blue Council shirts for all new members and transfers. New members are asked to complete the shirt ordering form, so we have your name as you want it to appear on the shirt and the correct size. There is no cost to you. The Council also facilitates orders for Knights who would like to purchase a new or additional shirt. You need to complete the shirt ordering form and submit it to SK Bob Simcoe with your payment (either \$35.00 or \$37.00 depending on size). He will provide you with the form, take payment, order the shirt, and ensure it reaches you when received. Please contact SK Bob Simcoe at rssimcoe@aol.com.



Council Website: kofc8791.org

Our Council website kofc8791.org is a great source of information on the Knights of Columbus and Prince of Peace Council 8791. From the homepage, use the index at the top to click through to the other sections and links. The website serves as a resource for us and for anyone to learn more about the Knights of Columbus and our Council. It includes information and updates about Council programs, activities, members, and supports our recruitment of new Knights. Please visit our website and invite others to do so. For any questions or recommendations, please contact SK Dan Medved at danieltmedved@gmail.com.





Knights of Columbus

FOURTH DEGREE

EXEMPLIFICATION

REACH YOUR HIGHEST POTENTIAL

The Fourth Degree is a group of outstanding Knights, dedicated to promoting patriotism enlightened by their Catholic faith. These Knights, distinguished by exemplary deeds for God, for country, and the Order, are united by the Fourth Degree to support religious, civic, and charitable causes.

Fourth Degree members belong to local units called assemblies. Each assembly is involved in a wide range of public patriotic activities.

Each assembly maintains a Fourth Degree Color Corps and Honor Guard. Uniformed members wearing the Official Uniform, and swords participate in special civic and religious ceremonies. For this reason, the Fourth Degree is often called the visible arm of the Knights of Columbus.

ELIGIBILITY

To qualify for the Fourth Degree, one must:

1. Be over 18 years of age.
2. Be a member in good standing with your Council.
3. Be a practical Catholic.

CHARITY ★ UNITY ★ FRATERNITY ★ PATRIOTISM

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407-486-7883
Robert.S.Urrutia84@gmail.com
<https://www.floridakofc.org/Fourth-degree-Forms>

**Sept
13,
2025**

San Sebastian Catholic Church
1112 State Road 16
St Augustine, FL 32084
Registration at 9:30 AM
Exemplification at 11:00 AM
Banquet at 2:00 PM
Mass at 4:00 PM

***All applications for membership for the Fourth Degree and banquet reservations must be received by Sept. 8

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
PRINCE OF PEACE COUNCIL 8791**

PRINCE OF PEACE COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN



Religious Education

Buffet Breakfast

*Celebrating a new year of Religious Ed programs and sacrament preparation
All Parishioners are Welcome # #*

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

8:00 AM – 11:15 AM

**Scrambled Eggs, Pancakes, Sausage,
Biscuits & Gravy, Cereal and Juice**

Adults & Teens \$6.00 – Children 12 & U Free

Complementary Parish Coffee & Doughnuts as Usual

**Tickets on sale after all Masses, in the
Parish Office and at the door**

**Parents, enroll your children for Religious Ed programs
and enjoy a FREE breakfast for the entire family.**

*Includes PreK-5th, Middle and High School programs
For a headcount, please sign up for this free family breakfast
after Mass, at Religious Ed sessions, and in the parish office.*



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