



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.



**COUNCIL #5644 1330 SUNSHINE AVE. LEESBURG, FLORIDA 34748**

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## A MESSAGE FROM A PAST GRAND KNIGHT

### *Fabian Remembered*

In 2009 I was elected to the position of Deputy Grand Knight. The current Grand Knight had transferred out of the Council. The Council approached Fabian Raab to take the vacant Grand Knight office over. Fabian agreed to be the Grand Knight for 1 year. After the elections Fabian came to me and said I'm the Grand Knight in name but you will handle everything. As he said he chuckled and said you'll be busy. This was to prepare me for the following year. Not long after that the first issue came up and he said Tom you have to go to work with a big smile on his face.

As Grand Knight Fabian brought to the Council several traditions that were missing. One of the first things he did, and Terri helped, was to design and make a drape for the charter. When a member passes the Council charter is draped in black cloth and prayers are said.

The annual Council Christmas party Fabian decided to send out and invite all the members of the Council to attend. Fabian and Terri attended most of the events the Council hosted. Any event that included music and dancing Fabian and Terri were on the dance floor.

Fabian was the first person you would see attending the monthly breakfast. He worked at the front table welcoming everyone who attended, selling the breakfast tickets and the 50/50. He would be at the front table at just about all the Council events. Welcoming them to the event and joking with him. He would tell us stories about his time with Home Depot traveling and opening stores. He also had stories from his time at a Council in O'Fallon, Illinois.

Fabian was very active in the Knights and 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly as a Past Faithful Navigator and a member of the Color Corps. Fabian was everything the Knights stood for. He will be missed.



Tom Diemer

Financial Secretary



## Honorees

Knight of the Month (Pg. 2)



Family of the Month (Pg. 2)



**“DO YOU NOT HAVE ONE HOUR TO SPEND WITH ME”**

**EVERY FRIDAY**

**9am Until 12 Noon**

**St. Paul's Church**

**Exposition & Benediction  
Everyone Welcome!**



Council #5644 Website  
KofC5644.org

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Florida State Website  
FloridaKofC.org

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Supreme Website KofC.org



## PLEASE PRAY FOR



**Dick Abrams**, Mario & Debbie Acevedo, **Gislaine Beaulieu**, Tom Burns, **Carol Cane**, Charlie Cangialosi, **Cindy Diemer**, Ernie Little, **Dixie, Edward & Marianne Lynch**, George & Linda Mello, **Dr. Nick Nuciforo**, Jennings

Paugh, **Dawn Pauline**, Al Ragona, **Kathleen Skoblicki**, Rose Marie Smedile, **Stanley Sparks**, Sharon Way, **Walt & Marilyn Young**.



## KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

July Knight of the Month is James Moursund. Brother James has been a Knight for 6 Years. James joined St. Paul's as Music Director in July, 2020 from Oregon. Brother James has supported his new council while serving the parish full time; including our Memorial Masses and Silver Rose program. In June James left St. Paul's to return to the Diocese of Portland to enter their seminary.

Your service to the Church and the Knights is greatly appreciated. Congratulations on being selected Knight of the Month for July 2023! Our prayers go with you on your journey to the priesthood.



## LEO REMENIUK COATS FOR KIDS

Over the past 12 years our council has provided between 150 and 250 coats/hoodies for kids each year. (Note: last year schools asked that we supply hoodies instead of heavy coats, they get longer use w/them.) This program was started by +SK Leo Remeniuk with the assistance of his wife +Vi. For the past few years I have handled the pick-up and distribution of the coats/hoodies. I would hope that we can continue to keep this program alive in their memory. However, to do that we need an influx of funds. With that in mind I am requesting that each member of Council 5644 donate whatever they can afford to this fund over the next few months (I would like to order the hoodies in August/September). Please make your checks Payable to KofC 5644 and in the Memo section write Coats for Kids. Your help with this worthwhile program is much appreciated. Larry Huhn

## FAMILY OF THE MONTH

The Family of the Month for July 2023 is Robert & Joan Tardiff. Brother Robert has been a Knight for 38 yrs. Last year he accepted the position of Treasurer of the council with its dizzying budget ebbs and flows. Joan is a volunteer at the parish Thrift Shop, chairing its annual fashion show.

Your service to the Knights and the Church are greatly appreciated. Congratulations on being selected: Family of the Month for July 2023!

## WORDS OF WISDOM

**“If angels could be jealous of men, they would be so for one reason: Holy Communion.”**

~ St. Maximilian Kolbe

## FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

### **ATTENTION**

The 2023/24 dues notice have been sent.

*Please return your payment as soon as possible.*

If there is some type of financial issue please don't ignore the notice, please contact me.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation.

Tom Diemer PGK, PFN  
Financial Secretary  
352-267-9502  
St Paul Council 5644

## Membership Meeting Highlights

The June Membership Meeting was held the 21st, in the BMMMC; meetings are held the 3rd Wed. of the month; Dinner @ 6pm, Rosary @ 6:30pm, meeting @ 7pm.

Prior to the meeting we held an Exemplification of Charity~Unity~Fraternity; please welcome our newest 3rd Degree brother, Christopher Procise. All 1st & 2nd Degree Knights are encouraged and reminded they can immediately advanced to the 3rd Degree by merely attending an Exemplification. The Meeting then began with Prayer & the pledge of allegiance. MIA brothers were welcomed back.

- GK report: May Minutes approved, Thank you card from Fr. Matthew read, Infant Jesus of Prague statue donation, cautionary on phone/email scams, Supreme Convention Aug. 1 - 3 in Orlando, looking for volunteer help; Upcoming Events: Need drivers to bring Fr. Smolley to Mass July 1 thru October, please call Art to sign-up for a weekend, thanks;
- Treasurer: Report on account as of 6/21/23;
- Financial Secretary: We are in Good Standing;
- Faith Director: kiosk reorder on back-order, will be adding a brochure holder for our Become a Knight type pamphlets to clean-up the window sill of clutter, Plans for a Retreat have begun, and we have requested to host the Silver Rose again;
- Scholarships: 3 apps for the college scholarships were received, all will be awarded a scholarship, Chairman Ken Lynch requested that we raise the amount to \$1000 each, motioned/2nd'd/approved;
- Old Business: Pumpkin Patch planning, delivery scheduled for October 9th, Columbus Day, working with Austin to have the volunteer sign up on-line;
- New Business: Motion was made to honor our past Music Director & St. Paul Council member James Moursund with a thank you and a seminary stipend, the motion was seconded & passed;
- Good of the Order: Attendance Drawing \$45, not won by Robert Miller; 50/50- \$30 won by Tom Cane;
- Awards: presented Family of the Month certificates to Bill/Joyce Ehrbar - May and Gary/Martha Ann Edwards - June, Prayer List: add Stanley Sparks;
- 26 members present, meeting adjourned 8:10pm with the Prayer for the Canonization Of Blessed Michael McGivney.

Next Membership Meeting Wed., July 19th, BMMMC; 6pm Dinner, 6:30pm Rosary and 7pm Meeting.

**Save the Date: August 2nd,  
Back to School Social - with  
College Scholarship Awards**



## JULY BIRTHDAYS



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| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Louie G Cornelio   | 20 <sup>th</sup> Kenneth P Lynch     |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Robert J Allen, Jr | 21 <sup>st</sup> Kevin L Maxwell     |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> Bernard C Duko     | 22 <sup>nd</sup> Ernest J Little     |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> Robert M Tardiff   | Dennis P McGee                       |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> Robert E Rachor   | 24 <sup>th</sup> James E Gorman      |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> William G Ehrbar  | 25 <sup>th</sup> Stephen Gabriel, Jr |
| Gerald M Shilale, Jr               | 27 <sup>th</sup> James D Rice        |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> Daniel Polito     |                                      |

### Attendance Drawing:

\$45 was not won by Robert Miller...

Next month's drawing will be \$48.

You must be present to win!

### 50/50 Raffle:

\$30 - won by Tom Cane!

You have to be present to play & win!

## MEMBERSHIP

As of 6/28/23, the Council has 175 members:  
85 insurance, 90 associate; 8 Honorary,  
43 Honorary Life and 1 Exempt.

*Tom Diemer, FS*



### SCHOLARSHIP RAFFLE: JULY Winners

1st Prize - \$75.00 - #105 - Tom Clark

2nd Prize - \$50.00 - #196 - Diane Jochum

3rd Prize - \$25.00 - #083 - Mel Weaver

4th Prize - \$10.00 - #062 - Janet Miller



“It is true that on our way we have hard battles to fight and serious obstacles to overcome, but Mary, our Mother and Queen, stays close to her faithful servants. She is always at hand to brighten their darkness, clear away their doubts, strengthen them in their fears, sustain them in their combats and trials.”

~ St. Louis De Montfort,  
from his book 'True Devotion to Mary'

Ray Crowell,  
Faith Director



## LADIES' AUXILIARY

First, I would like to thank the outgoing Board Members for their service, which was greatly appreciated.

Betty Gross - Co-President  
Nancy Spears - Corresponding Secretary  
Ann Rollins - Secretary  
Gerry O'Loughlin - Treasurer

The newly elected Board members for 2023/24 are:

Cindy Diemer - Co-President  
Joyce Collins - Co-President  
Barbara Klein - Secretary  
Rachel LaMonica - Treasurer  
Mary Huhn - Corresponding Secretary

We look forward to another productive year of fellowship and service to St. Paul Catholic Church and School.

Our next meeting will be a formal installation of the new Board members on Thursday, August 10th at 11 am at the BMMMC.

FYI - the cruise ship has sold out so we will not be advertising the cruise any longer.  
We have 34 passengers in 17 cabins.  
We are looking forward to a fun time!!

Faith over Fear in ALL Things.....Always

Cindy Diemer Co-President

We have our own phone number: 352-913-5346 and email: ladiesaux5644@aol.com

These will be used on all publications and ads.

## PGK Mark O's Corner Offering !

Peace be with you! Summertime for a kid in Smalltown U.S.A. was amazing. Norman Rockwell's paintings on the subject were spot on. Our town/borough had the 'Boro Park' that had a couple of ball fields, swings (regular and a kind you pumped), monkey bars, see-saws, merry-go-round, picnic pavilions and a log cabin; it had a creek (or 'crick') running through it, filled with frogs, tadpoles and crayfish. It also had one of the country's oldest working wooden carousels. For a month or so "Coach" Lisek ran a summer program that included arts & crafts, tether ball, volleyball, archery; a snack shack that sold novelty ice creams and popsicles. If you brought in popsicle sticks you'd get a free one (free litter patrol). They also opened the carousel, and you could ride for free; there was an arrow or line carved in the hardened clay dirt; if your horse, zebra, lion or buggy seat stopped on it, you won a free frozen treat. If you were within one spot of winning, there was a trick to keep the carousel moving so you'd win (at least we thought it worked). At the end of the program there were competitions by age groups: races (sack, relay, 3-legged, wheel barrel), water balloon tosses, a waterslide, etc. "Coach" was the school's gym teacher if you hadn't guessed. It provided great memories. "Coach" had rules if you wanted to participate in the program: everyone was welcome and have fun. Must be what Heaven is like... Everyone is Welcome and have fun (just no cheating on the carousel). +Amen



## COUNCIL SHIRTS

Show you're a member of the Knights of Columbus by purchasing a council shirt.



For information and ordering contact:  
Monte Moon 678-427-4595  
or email: [montemoon@att.net](mailto:montemoon@att.net)

# JULY 2023

July 1/2 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 3 St. Thomas

July 4 Independence Day

July 5 St. Elizabeth of Portugal

July 7 First Friday Adoration: 9am-12pm - Church

July 8/9 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 11 St. Benedict

July 12 4th Degree Meeting

7pm: BMMMC -1320 Sunshine Ave.

July 13 St. Henry

July 14 St. Kateri Tekakwitha

Friday Adoration: 9am-12pm - Church

July 15 St. Bonaventure

July 15/16 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 19 Membership Meeting ~ Dinner 6pm

Rosary 6:30pm ~ Mtg 7pm / BMMMC

July 20 St. Apolinaris

July 21 Friday Adoration: 9am-12pm - Church

July 22 St. Mary Magdalene

July 22/23 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 25 St. James

July 26 Sts. Joachim & Anne, Parents of the BVM

July 28 Friday Adoration: 9am-12pm - Church

July 29 Sts. Martha, Mary & Lazarus

July 29/30 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 31 St. Ignatius of Loyola



# AUGUST 2023

Aug 1 St. Alphonsus Liguori

Aug 2 Back to School Social

BMMMC: Dinner 6pm ~ Program 7pm

Aug 4 St. John Vianney

First Friday Adoration: 9am-12pm - Church

Aug 5/6 Transfiguration of the Lord

Aug 8 St. Dominic

Aug 9 St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

4th Degree Meeting

7pm: BMMMC -1320 Sunshine Ave.

Aug 10 St. Lawrence

Aug 11 St. Clare/Friday Adoration: 9am-12pm

Aug 12/13 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Aug 14 St. Maximilian Kolbe

Aug 15 The Assumption of the BVM

Aug 16 Membership Meeting ~ Dinner 6pm

Rosary 6:30pm ~ Mtg 7pm / BMMMC

Aug 18 Friday Adoration: 9am-12pm - Church

Aug 19/20 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Aug 21 St. Pius X

Aug 22 The Queenship of the BVM

Aug 23 St. Rose of Lima

Aug 24 St. Bartholomew

Aug 25 Friday Adoration: 9am-12pm - Church

Aug 26/27 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Aug 28 St. Augustine

Aug 29 The Passion of St. John the Baptist



## Congratulations!

Brother Austin Cramer was named to replace Brother James Moursund as Saint Paul's Parish Music Director/Organist.



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We may have to bring back the Opening & Closing Odes at the Membership Meetings..

## Council Eternal



**SK Fabian J. Raab**

*...May the Perpetual Light Shine Upon Him.*



## Welcome!



To our newest 3rd Degree Brother Knight, Christopher Procise!! He was Exemplified into the Order prior to the June Membership meeting.



GK Art Kalinski is presenting the Family of the Month for May to SK William & Joyce Ehrbar. Congratulations!

Next time you are in the dining area of the Blessed Michael McGivney Ministry Center checkout the new addition on the mantle.



The Infant Jesus of Prague statue was donated by parishioner Jo Harvey in memory of her mother +Catherine Vaccarino...



GK Art Kalinski is presenting the Family of the Month for June to SK Gary & Martha Ann Edwards. Congratulations!





BLESSED  
MICHAEL MCGIVNEY  
Pray for Us!

[A Litany of Blessed Michael McGivney](#)

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us. God, the Father of heaven, have mercy on us. God, the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy on us. God, the Holy Spirit, have mercy on us. Holy Trinity, One God, have mercy on us. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us. Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, ... Our Lady of Guadalupe, Star of the New Evangelization, St. Joseph, Spouse of Mary and Guardian of the Redeemer, St. Michael the Archangel, Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us. Humble Servant of God, ... Faithful Disciple of Jesus, Son of the Immaculate Heart, Obedient Son of the Church, Exemplary Priest of Purity, Zealous Priest of Christ, Gentle Shepherd of Souls, Devoted Parish Priest, Wise Counselor, Teacher of the Faith, Servant to All, Protector of the Poor, Defender of the Widow and Orphan, Friend of the Lonely and Suffering, Companion to the Imprisoned, Comforter of the Sick and Dying, Apostle of Christian Family Life, Father to the Young, Advocate of Workers, Evangelizer of Those Gone Astray, Champion of the Gospel of Life, Guardian of the Laity, Pastor of Immigrants, Exemplar of Charity, Model of Unity, Builder of Catholic Fraternity, Instructor of Christian Patriotism, Founder of the Knights of Columbus, Blessed Michael, humble in service, pray for us. Blessed Michael, devoted to the Sacred Heart, ... Blessed Michael, pure in heart, Blessed Michael, faithful in priestly duties, Blessed Michael, strong in suffering, Blessed Michael, peaceful in dying, Blessed Michael, conformed to Christ crucified, Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, spare us, O Lord! Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, graciously hear us, O Lord! Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us!

V/ Pray for us, Blessed Michael McGivney,

R/ That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray. God, our Father, inspired by the heroic example of the life and virtue of your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, 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 outcast. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.