



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

SEPTEMBER 2024
NEWS & NOTES



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A MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

I remember welcoming September, as it was the beginning of the “change of color” in the trees up North. Here in Florida, it is an expectation of the end to humidity, and hoping for no storms.



At our August Social dinner, we awarded \$1,000 scholarships to two deserving high school students, Toby O’Brien and Matthew Wymer.

We are blessed and honored to have our third Silver Rose prayer service honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe at St. Paul’s Church on Wednesday September 4, 2024, at 6 PM. We encourage all brother Knights to attend and invite their neighbors as well. Good attendance will enable our Council to continue hosting this prayer service.

We are awaiting the 8th graders at St. Paul School to deliver their KofC Essays for review. The topic this year truly presents a challenge to the students - **what are the two most important virtues for an elected leader to possess, and why? How can you determine if the leader has these virtues?** Thanks to Brothers Dick Davis and Bill Collins for co-chairing this event.

We are also looking forward to the KofC Free Throw Challenge (basketball) contest to be held in October. Thanks to Brother Dan Gonzales chairing this event.

Finally, thank you to Brother Chris Procise for assuming the role of Chairman of the Scholarship Fund, which involves the sale of raffle tickets the last weekend of November and first weekend of December. This raffle allows us to provide funds for the scholarships awarded every August.

Faithfully,
Ken Lynch, Grand Knight
Vivat Jesus



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!**



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KofC5644.org

Florida State Website
FloridaKofC.org

Supreme Website
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PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Nick Alvarez, Ghislaine Beaulieu, Tim Donihi, William Ehbar, Ron Golembiowski, Terry Graham, Maria Iturbe, Mike Jiminez, Tony Lause, Ernie Little, Dixie, Edward, Kathy & Marianne Lynch, George & Linda Mello, Bob Nixon, Nick Nuciforo, Greg & Mark Ochalek, Dawn Pauline, Fr. Vincent Pierino, Susan Polito, Al & Elaine Ragona, Kathleen Skoblicki, Joan Tardiff, Kelly & Sharon Way, Mel Weaver, Haley Williams, Joan Woodson, Walt & Marilyn Young.



LADIES' AUXILIARY

Greetings: On behalf of the K of C Ladies Auxiliary, we wish everyone a safe Labor Day holiday. Enjoy the gift of Faith, Family and Friends. Let us remember those who are suffering, many in their quiet and private way.

At our August 8th meeting, we filled 25 Boxes of Joy to start the campaign kick-off chaired by Gene Kelly.

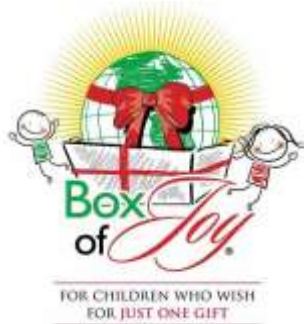
Our next meeting will be Thursday, Oct. 10th at 11 am at the McGivney Center (BMMMC).

Let us Pray for our country and for the conversion of evil into a return to faith and love for one another. God Bless America.

Cindy Diemer/Joyce Collins,
Co-Presidents

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

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KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

The September Knight of the Month is awarded to Deacon Michael McGinnity. Deacon Mike has been a Knight for 25 years, attaining Life Status last December. As a Permanent Deacon at St. Paul's he led the Knight's sponsored Monthly Adoration Hour & Benediction faithfully for 12 years, until we shut down for the pandemic in 2020. On August 9th, the Deacon celebrated the 36th Anniversary of his Ordination.

We congratulate the Deacon and thank him for his dedication to St. Paul's, the Right to Life Ministry and our Council. You are appreciated. Congratulations on being selected: Knight of the Month for September 2024!



FAMILY OF THE MONTH

The September Family of the Month is awarded to Larry & Mary Huhn. Larry has been a knight for 16 years, served as GK, Trustee, Warden of the Degree Team, runs Coats for Kids. He's a valued member and team leader of the Kitchen Krew; and leads the Knight at the Races biannually at Pennbrooke Fairways. Larry is usually the single highest seller of Scholarship Raffle tickets and always has a group from Pennbrooke attending our dinners. Mary helps out at the food bank with Larry. She is Corresponding Secretary for the Ladies' Auxiliary. They both serve as EMHCs for the Parish.

Your work and dedication to the Knights and St. Paul's are appreciated. Congratulations on being selected: Family of the Month for September 2024!

Silver Rose Prayer Service @ St. Paul's



Each year, Silver Roses are stewarded by Knights of Columbus councils along routes starting in Canada thru the USA and ending in the National Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico, where they are presented to the image of Our Lady on her feast day. Join us for a special prayer service! Wednesday, September 4th at 6 PM in St. Paul's Church

Membership Meeting Highlights

The August Membership Meeting was held the 21st, in the BMMMC; meetings are held the 3rd Wed. if no federal holiday; Food Service: 5:30 to 6:15pm, Rosary @ 6:30pm, Membership Meeting @ 7pm.

New Exemplification of Charity~Unity~Fraternity; All 1st & 2nd Degree Knights are encouraged and reminded they can immediately advanced to the 3rd Degree by merely attending an Exemplification; contact your Grand Knight Ken Lynch.

The GK opened the meeting with Prayer and lead the Pledge of Allegiance; Warden Chris Procise then draped the charter and prayers recited for +John O'Leary; prior Minutes were approved;

- GK report: Recap of events: Toby O'Brien and Matthew Wymer presented their scholarships; GK, DGK & FS attended District Meeting; 8th Grade Essay Contest confirmed w/SPCS for September and Basketball Free Throw Contest Dan Gonzalez will lead, cleared with Principal Matthews; Coming events: 9/4 Silver Rose Prayer Service 6pm in the Church, 9/18 Exemplification before membership meeting, two maybe three candidates lined up;
- Treasurer: Absent, Report on accounts by GK;
- Financial Sec.: Absent, 2 new members;
- Faith Director: Absent, No Report; Silver Rose Prayer Service at St. Paul's Sept. 4th, 6pm;
- Scholarship: 2025 Raffle being planned, Church sales scheduled for 11/30-12/1 and 12/7-8, Chris Procise will chair the sales kick-off ;
- 4th Degree: Exemplification 8/24 in St. Johns w/4 from our council, Coffee & Donuts at VA Clinic 9/6;
- Old Business: None;
- New Business: None;
- Good of the Order: Joan Tardiff added back on the Prayer List; Attendance Drawing \$15, was Not Won by Stephen Gabriel; 50/50 - \$31 won by Ken Lynch; 20 members and one guest present (candidate Jack Hickey), meeting adjourned at 7:25pm. Next Membership Mtg: Wed. Sept 18th.



SCHOLARSHIP RAFFLE: AUGUST WINNERS



- 1st Prize - \$75.00 - #195 Gerri Ness
- 2nd Prize - \$50.00 - #254 Jan Huber
- 3rd Prize - \$25.00 - #188 Nancy Masti
- 4th Prize - \$10.00 - #014 Bernie Wolski

The Knights graciously thank you for your Continuous Support of this Program!! God Bless you!!



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS



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| 1 st Lawrence J Williams 80 | 16 th Stephen M Dowell |
| 3 rd Rev Philip M Gaiya | 17 th Ron F Golembiowski 88 |
| 10 th Joseph D Kurtz | 22 nd James S Warren |
| 11 th Anthony A Lause | 25 th Ronald E Bathrick 91 |
| 12 th James W Hyer 89 | 30 th James H Semesco |



Attendance Drawing:

\$15 was NOT Won by Stephen Gabriel...

Next month's drawing will be \$18.

You must be present to win!

50/50 Raffle: \$31 won by Ken Lynch.

You have to be present to play & win!

MEMBERSHIP

As of 08/25/24, the Council has 158 members: 74 insurance, 84 associate; 50 Honorary Life, 5 Honorary.

Congratulations to Brother Ted Kornhoff on attaining "Honorary Life" membership in the Knights of Columbus.



Tom Diemer, FS

WORDS OF WISDOM

"The rights of parents and their primary role in the education of their children in the area of morality and religion must be safeguarded. It is in the family that peacemakers, tomorrow's promoters of a culture of life and love, are born and nurtured."

- Joseph Ratzinger (Pope Benedict XVI)
from Faith and Politics



SCHOLARSHIP RAFFLE: SEPTEMBER WINNERS



- 1st Prize - \$75.00 - #108 Miriam Milham
- 2nd Prize - \$50.00 - #459 Cherie Disprel
- 3rd Prize - \$25.00 - #436 Lora Stone
- 4th Prize - \$10.00 - #135 Enzo Gomez

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FREE TO BE Faithful




"Being timid and playing it safe are marks of someone who doesn't know God very well. When you know him, you start taking chances, you jump out of the boat and walk on water."

~ from Praise God and Thank Him by Jeff Cavin

Ray Crowell, Faith Director

PGK Mark O's Corner Offering !

Peace be with you! September... Growing up, the arrival of September meant three things: the 1st bell of the new school year, the kickoff of the new football season and the Albion Area Fair. Ah the Fair, 75+ years running, biggest best little fair around. Tractor pulls, farm animal exhibits, amusement rides, farm equipment displays; then there were exhibits: school art & science projects, pies, flowers (+Mom was a blue ribbon winner for her roses), canning items, arts & crafts and needle works; there's a parade and a Fair Queen, in fact a good friend of mine was Fair Queen our senior year (and almost prom date, I could've been Royalty!). There was no charge to enter the Fair grounds, so they came up with an ingenious way to earn revenue to pay for items like insurance, utilities and advertising called **Booster Buttons**. The 'pins' just over the size of a nickel, said Albion Area Fair with current year & a sequential number that was used for drawing cash prizes to the owners. The selling of these buttons were by the school students (brilliant!), who were awarded prizes for most sold... The Council's source for funding our charitable works, the Pumpkin Patch, has been discontinued; dinners & socials are holding their own, but we have to find other sources for fundraising. Maybe it won't be Booster Buttons, but we are open to suggestions!!

Vivat Jesu! - Please Pray for Vocations!

COUNCIL SHIRTS & VESTS

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



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Monte Moon 678-427-4595
 or email: montemoon@att.net

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Kevin

Silver Rose Prayer Service @ St. Paul's




Cada año, las Rosas de Plata son custodiadas por los Consejos de los Caballeros de Colón a lo largo de rutas que comienzan en Canadá, pasan por Estados Unidos y terminan en el Santuario Nacional de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe en México, donde son presentadas a la imagen de Nuestra Señora el día de su fiesta. ¡Únasenos para un Servicio de Oración especial! Miércoles 4 de septiembre a las 18h

St. Paul's Church

Awards & Presentations

Grand Knight Ken Lynch presents a College Freshman Scholarship Award to 2024 recipient Matthew Wymer, at the Back to School Social.




Matthew with his family.
He will be attending the University of Alabama.

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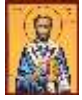
OCT 2024



Sept 1 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sept 2 Labor Day



Sept 3 St. Gregory the Great



Sept 5 St. Teresa of Calcutta



Sept 6 Friday Adoration: 9am - 12pm - Church

Sept 7/8 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sept 9 St. Peter Claver



Sept 11 4th Degree Meeting ~ 7pm: BMMMC



Sept 12 Most Holy Name of Mary



Sept 13 Friday Adoration: 9am - 12pm Church

Sept 14 The Exultation of the Holy Cross



Sept 14/15 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sept 16 Ss. Cornelius & Cyprian



Sept 18 C-U-F 3rd Deg. Exemplification and Membership Meeting ~ BMMMC Dinner 5pm ~ Exemp. 6pm ~ Mtg 7pm



Sept 19 St. Januarius



Sept 20 Friday Adoration: 9am - 12pm - Church



Sept 21 St. Matthew



Sept 21/22 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sept 26 Ss. Cosmas and Damian

Sept 27 St. Vincent de Paul Friday Adoration: 9am - 12pm - Church



Sept 28 St. Wenceslaus



Sept 28/29 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sept 28 St. Jerome

Oct 1 St. Therese of the Child Jesus

Oktoberfest Social: 5pm Happy Hour - 6pm Dinner

Oct 2 The Holy Guardian Angels



Oct 4 St. Francis of Assisi Friday Adoration: 9am - 12pm - Church



Oct 5th St. Faustina Kowalska



Oct 5/6 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Oct 7 Our Lady of the Rosary



Oct 9 St. Denis & Companions 4th Degree Meeting ~ 7pm: BMMMC



Oct 11 Pope St. John XXIII Friday Adoration: 9am - 12pm Church



Oct 12/13 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9am - Council 5644 Memorial Mass



Oct 14 St. Calistus I Columbus Day



Oct 15 St. Teresa of Jesus



Oct 16 Membership Meeting ~ BMMMC Dinner 5pm ~ Rosary 6:30pm ~ Mtg 7pm



Oct 17 St. Ignatius of Antioch



Oct 18 St. Luke Friday Adoration: 9am - 12pm - Church



Oct 19/20 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Oct 22 St. Pope John Paul II



Oct 23 St. John of Capistrano



Oct 27 St. Anthony Mary Claret

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



Oct 26/27 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Oct 28 Ss. Simon and Jude



Oct 31 Halloween





Council 5644 August 2024 "Back to School" Social



We missed our "All American Cook-out" Social this year, so Capt. Tom brought out the grill for Back to School ! Guests enjoyed their choice of Hamburger, Cheeseburger or Hot Dog, with Baked Beans & Coleslaw.



Grand Knight Ken Lynch was the MC and Award presenter. Scholarship winner Matthew Wymer; July Knight of the Month Allan Albert; and August Family of the Month Daniel & Denise Gonzalez.

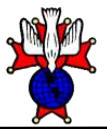


We finished the evening with three inspirational talks by Scholarship winner Matthew Wymer; past Scholarship winner and Young Adult Ministry member Kate Hedrick, along with her Dad Brother Bobby Hedrick discussing their summer trip to the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage in Indianapolis, IN.





Knights in the News



KofC 4th Degree Assembly 1675

Coffee & Donuts for Vets



COFFEE & DONUTS TODAY
08:30 to 10:30



Provided by the
 Knights of Columbus
 4th Degree
 Lake County Assembly 1675



**We will be at the Taveras V. A. Clinic
 Friday, September 6th from 8:30am 'til 10:30am serving
 coffee and donuts in appreciation to our veterans.**



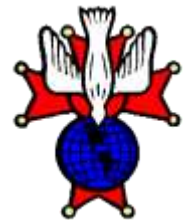
4th Degree Florida District of the De Soto Province Exemplification - August 24, 2024
San Juan del Rio Catholic Church, St. Johns, FL,
Hosts: Switzerland Council 12664 and Ave Maria Assembly 3008

**Lake County Assembly 1675, please welcome and congratulate
 our newest Sir Knights of the 4th Degree!**

SK Christopher Procise

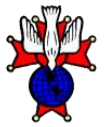
SK Joseph Huber

SK Vincent Zedler



**In attendance: Lake County Assembly 1675 Sir Knights:
 Faithful Comptroller Mark Ochalek and Past Faithful Pilot Arthur Kalinski**

St. Paul Council #5644 - St. Paul Catholic Church, Leesburg, FL



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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.