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FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT...

We are Catholic men building a bridge back to faith. There is much work to be done in this world. Good work. Necessary work. And that's what the Knights do.

Assisting the sick and disabled.. who can't protect themselves. next door



Every Day. the sick and Protecting those protect Whether they are or hallway around the world. This is the journey we are on. Our path.

We do it to be better husbands, fathers, sons, neighbors and Catholics. We invest our time, our effort, and resources into our values: Charity. Unity. Fraternity. Patriotism.

We come from man places. And Backgrounds. And stages in our lives. But we are all of one faith. A fraternity of men striving to better ourselves and around the world.

It's one thing to say who you are. It's another thing to live it. To put your values into actions. That's what we do at the Knights of Columbus.

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Brothers,

As I write this we are in the middle of Holy Week with Easter just days away. This time of year provides one of the best opportunities to deepen our faith and renew our appreciation of the gift of everlasting life that Jesus gave to us on the cross.

I would like to wish all of my brothers in Christ a Happy Easter !

We have much to be thankful for, and especially most recently the great success of our fish fry. I would like to thank everyone who showed up to help make it so successful. I was happiest to see lots of new faces volunteering and on some nights we almost had too many volunteers. The teamwork was awesome and both the quick service and quality of the food is the best I have experienced. Finally, many thanks to Warren Cook and Colm Murphy for heading it up - fantastic job by both.

Through April and May there are several events going on to be aware of:
April 11th - Corporate Communion Mass and Breakfast

May 10th - Mother's Day Breakfast - We will be providing a free breakfast for Moms in addition to collecting donations of supplies for Devine Mercy House.

If you would like to find out about upcoming ways you can help - check out the HELP MY BROTHERS ! section for more upcoming events and volunteer opportunities.

We want to hear from you - please complete the Member Interest Survey and share your ideas and interests.

With the end of our fraternal year approaching soon we will be electing a new slate of officers. If you have not served as an officer before it can be a rewarding way to give back to our parish and community. Our council depends on new men stepping up to maintain energy and bring in fresh ideas. If you have not served in a leadership position before please consider it.

I hope to see you at our next meeting.

Vivat Jesus !

Robert Bridenbaugh
Grand Knight 12664
P: 904-460-3254

Happy Easter



"He is not here, for He is risen."

Matthew 28:6

*May the full blessings of our risen Lord
fill you with much Peace,*

Joy and Love.

Father John Jetlow



Fish Fry

By Sal Santapola

Our first Fish Fry began March 3, 2006. That was 16 years ago when we were a smaller council and all the activity was held in the area now called the parish hall in the building where the Masses were held. Mike LeBlanc was the Grand Knight,



was responsible for getting the inaugural Fish Fry into action. In a message from Mike LeBlanc in March 2006 he said *“It is a wonderful thing when we can bring so many of our parish community together, helping them to abstain from meat on Fridays during Lent, and participate in the Stations of the Cross. As many of you know, the Stations of the Cross is a long held tradition of our faith that dates back in its current form to 1342. It was the Franciscans that really pronounced the devotion and spread it throughout the Church. And nearly 700 years later we can still find the Stations in very Catholic Church in the world. And now in our own little way our Friday night Fish Fry is bringing many parishioners to the church to participate in this devotion.”*

So, for 16 years we carried on the tradition of the Fish Fry after Ash Wednesday for six Fridays in a row until Good Friday. Last year with the virus we were reduced to only two gatherings, but this year we set up a curbside order program and a sit down dinner with social distancing inside our Family Center/Gym. We offered three options of fried catfish, combo of catfish with shrimp and bake cod. The most popular one was the combo.

We want to thank all the Knights who participated by cooking, taking the orders and cleaning up. Especially Warren Cook and Colm Murphy for their leadership. There are so many volunteers that we don’t want to miss any brothers by not giving their names.



Selling tickets outside
Scott Reneau & Robert Cornish

Thank you to the Ladies Auxiliary who worked and baked by providing the desserts and who have helped make the Fish Fry a success over the years. And to our Youth Ministry who also give up their time serving and busing the tables in addition to the setting up and clean up.



Ladies Auxiliary - Desserts
(l-r) Terri Fitzgerald, Linda Learn & De Santapola

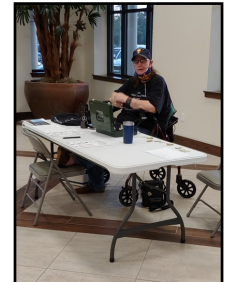
The Knights and the Ladies Auxiliary will donate funds from the Fish Fry to the Youth Ministry to help pay for some of their expenses to support the Steubenville Retreat.



Parishioners enjoying dinner in the Family Center/Gym



Working in the Kitchen
(l-r) Danny Cassini, Doug Link, Colm Murphy & David Wharton



Selling tickets Inside
Bill Burns

Shoes for the Veterans



At a recent Knights meeting Brother Knight Joe Farina suggested that our Assembly support the Veterans for new shoes. Many Veterans make visits for treatments at the Malcom Randall VA Medical Center in Gainesville, Florida and many of them have worn out shoes. With the Assembly’s approval, Joe chaired an event to collect new shoes and promoted it outside our church for 2 weekends. With the donations of parishioners and members of the Council, 91 boxes of new shoes were donated in addition to sneakers and socks. The support was outstanding and when Joe delivered the shoes to Nicky Adams, Chief of the Voluntary Service of the North Florida/South Georgia Veterans Health System, she was so excited and happy for the efforts to support the Veterans.

The primary mission of the Volunteers at the NF/SGVHS is to Honor America’s Veterans by providing exceptional health care that improves their health and well-being, which makes their volunteering a little different than most hospitals. They appreciate all the donations to support their cause.



(l-r) Doug Link & Joe Farina delivering 91 boxes of new shoes, socks and sneakers to Malcom Randall VA Medical Center.

Thank you Brother Joe for taking the lead for this worthy project!

Knights in Action, Faith in Action

Faith



Our goal is to strengthen men and their families in the Catholic faith. Formation in our faith goes beyond mere facts or religious practice to an authentic connection with a loving God and his son Jesus Christ.

- Adoration First Friday every month.
- Patriotic Rosary—First Monday every month.
- Vocations Program - Support our seminarians financially and spiritually
- Building the Domestic Church Kiosk. Booklets in the lobby

Family



Father McGivney sought to strengthen the bonds of families in his parish and the Knights of Columbus. These programs, created for families by families, help us to live this call.

- Donated \$949 of valued groceries in March to Christ Cupboard. For the year valued is \$7222
- Good Friday Knights and families attend services
- Family of the Month - The Hilton Family
- Corporate Communion/Breakfast at Marywood 4/11
- Mother's Day Breakfast 5/9

Community



Knights are called to serve others. Our first principle is Charity – at home with our families and in our communities. When Knights of Columbus members come together they accomplish great things.

- Made 60 lunch bags for the needy at St Francis House
- Donate to St. Francis House food & toiletry items.
- Adapt a Highway 4/10
- Ninety One Shoes and Sneakers donated for Veterans

Life



The Knights of Columbus vigorously defends the dignity of each human being at every stage of life.

- Rosary - First Sunday of the month.
- Donate to Mother in need - Baby items St Gerard & Devine Mercy House
- 9 days for Life Novenas 3/21– 3/29

Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Father Michael McGivney

1852-1890

Founder of the Knights of Columbus

Beatified 31 October 2020

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor.

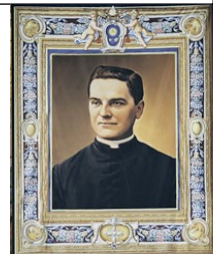
Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church.

Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast.

We humbly ask that you glorify your servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will.

Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (*here make your request*).

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.





Adopt a Highway

By Colm Murphy

Did you know our Council has partnered with St Johns County to sponsor a 2 mile stretch of CR13 from our Church south to Greenbriar Road? It is part of the [Adopt a Highway program](https://adoptahighway.net/) (learn more at this website: <https://adoptahighway.net/>). The county supplies bags, safety equipment and we supply the people power to collect the trash!

In 2019 alone, we collected about 1400lbs of trash filling 71 bags! Put in another way, we collected trash in 2019 that was about as heavy as a cow!

Want to get involved? We do trash pickup once every two months and our next one is set for April 10, at 8AM. Click the [link](#) to learn more and sign up - or go to "Help My Brothers" on page 6.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E4DA8A728A3FF2-highway11>



**Knights of
Columbus**

Dear Brother Knight,

It is my great honor and joy to announce that Deputy Supreme Knight Patrick E. Kelly has been elected to succeed me and become the 14th Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus.



As you may know, the by-laws of the Supreme Council require that Supreme Officers retire at the end of the month of their 70th birthday. In anticipation of my reaching that milestone later this month, the Supreme Directors are meeting virtually today and have just elected Brother Kelly as my successor, effective March 1st.

We will be truly blessed to have Patrick Kelly assume leadership of the Order. His knowledge, He holds a law degree from Marquette University Law School and a master's in theology from the Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family at The Catholic University of America. He and his wife, Vanessa, have three young daughters. experience and devotion to the faith make him exceedingly well-suited to continue our mission in these challenging times. I could not be more enthusiastic about transferring my duties to Brother Kelly.

In the coming weeks, the Supreme Knight-elect and I will be working closely to ensure a smooth transition and I look forward to continuing to serve the Order and to fully support my successor as Past Supreme Knight.

When I became Supreme Knight in the year 2000, I told my brother Knights that "the best is yet to come!" Reflecting on the past twenty years, and the achievements made possible by contributions of so many Knights of Columbus leaders like you, I know I was not mistaken. Today, with equal confidence, I believe we can all still say that for the Knights of Columbus — the best is yet to come!

Fraternally,
Carl A. Anderson
Supreme Knight

Patrick Kelly Begins Tenure as Supreme Knight

He is the 14th Supreme Knight to lead the Order in its mission of charity, unity and fraternity

Patrick E. Kelly, a Past State Deputy of the District of Columbia, became Deputy Supreme Knight on Jan. 1, 2017, following appointment by the Knights of Columbus Board of Directors. He previously served as the Order's Vice President for Public Policy and as the first executive director of the Saint John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, D.C. \



He holds a law degree from Marquette University Law School and a master's in theology from the Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family at The Catholic University of America. He and his wife, Vanessa, have three young daughters.

KNIGHTS IN ACTION

HELP MY BROTHERS!

As Knights, we take on the principles of charity, unity, fraternity and for those that go on to the 4th degree, patriotism. As our Council continues to grow we have increased our activities, in supporting our Church, Youth, Community and Family Life. We need your help. We ask that every member gave us some of his time and talent so that we can "Help My Brothers" at every event.



Each month we will list upcoming events. Please e-mail or call Program Director Lou Bilello to "Help My Brothers". We are trying to get more participation from many of our Brothers who can't attend meetings and are not aware of the Council's needs.

Note—To our new and current members review our Member Experience Interest Survey on page 7. You can complete the survey and offer your participation in Faith in Action Programs. Mail to Grand Knight Robert Bridenbaugh Knights of Columbus 1718—State Road #13 St Johns, Fl 32259 or email as an attached to saldesanta@gmail.com. Please complete the Member Experience Interest Survey as we need your feed back. Thank you.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR - Lou Bilello - ajbljb66@comcast.net - phone 904 230-9833

EVENT/TYPE	DATE	CHAIR PERSON/e-mail-phone no. Volunteers needed—Name/phone no.
Highway Cleanup	April 10th	Colm Murphy colmmurphy@msn.com 904-501-6202
Corporate Communion Mass and Breakfast at Marywood	April 11	Sal Santapola No Volunteers Needed
Mother's Day Breakfast/ Donations for Mother's in Need - Devine Mercy House.	May 10	Contact Program Director Lou Bilello—Need a Chair Leader

March 2021



Knight of Month
Danny Cassini

Family of the Month
The Hilton Family

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A KNIGHT



We are Catholic men who lead, serve, protect and defend. We share a desire to be better husbands, fathers, sons, neighbors and role models and to put charity and community first.

Welcome our new 4th Degree Members
Who became Sir Knights on Saturday March 20th, 2021 at the Exemplification which was held at San Juan del Rio Family Center/Gym

Michael Akins, Richard Helffrich, Joseph Jasmon,
Richard Komando, Sean Mahoney, Don Massenzio,
Howard McGillin, Christopher Morales,
Jeff Raynor, David Scott & David Wharton
Congratulations!

Member Experience Interest Survey

To our new and current members, please know that we value your judgment, we appreciate your opinions, and we rely on your participation for the continued success of our council and parish. Our Knights of Columbus council conducts a variety of programs – activities where you can personally apply your talents and fulfill your ambitions. In an effort to ensure a great Knights of Columbus council experience, we ask that you complete the following survey. Thank you and *Vivat Jesus!*

GENERAL INFORMATION

Name: _____
 E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____
 Marital Status: Married Single Widower If Married, Wife's Name: _____
 Number of Children: Boys _____ Girls _____
 Occupation: _____ Parish/Church: _____
 Hobbies/Interests: _____

FAITH IN ACTION PROGRAMS

Please list your preferences for those Faith in Action programs you would be interested in volunteering at or attending.

FAITH	FAMILY	COMMUNITY	LIFE
<input type="checkbox"/> General Interest in Programs Designed for Faith Formation	<input type="checkbox"/> General Interest in Programs Designed to Strengthen Families	<input type="checkbox"/> General Interest in Programs Designed for Community Service	<input type="checkbox"/> General Interest in Programs Designed to Create a Culture of Life
<input type="checkbox"/> Into the Breach	<input type="checkbox"/> Family of the Month	<input type="checkbox"/> Leave No Neighbor Behind	<input type="checkbox"/> Christian Refugee Relief
<input type="checkbox"/> Marian Icon Prayer	<input type="checkbox"/> Keep Christ in Christmas	<input type="checkbox"/> Disaster Preparedness	<input type="checkbox"/> Silver Rose
<input type="checkbox"/> Build the Domestic Church Kiosk	<input type="checkbox"/> Family Fully Alive	<input type="checkbox"/> Free Throw Championship	<input type="checkbox"/> Pregnancy Center Support
<input type="checkbox"/> Rosary	<input type="checkbox"/> Family Week	<input type="checkbox"/> Soccer Challenge	<input type="checkbox"/> Novena for Life
<input type="checkbox"/> Spiritual Reflection	<input type="checkbox"/> Consecration to the Holy Family	<input type="checkbox"/> Helping Hands	<input type="checkbox"/> Mass for People with Special Needs
<input type="checkbox"/> Holy Hour	<input type="checkbox"/> Family Prayer Night	<input type="checkbox"/> Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest	<input type="checkbox"/> March for Life
<input type="checkbox"/> Sacramental Gifts	<input type="checkbox"/> Good Friday Family Promotion	<input type="checkbox"/> Coats for Kids	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Olympics
<input type="checkbox"/> Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP)	<input type="checkbox"/> Food for Families	<input type="checkbox"/> Global Wheelchair Mission	<input type="checkbox"/> Ultrasound
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Habitat for Humanity	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
		<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	_____

How much time do you think you can contribute to council activities?
 1 hour per month 1 hour per week Multiple hours per week

What are some ideas you have for new or improved programs? _____

Would you be able to assist in leading any new or improved program? Yes No

What do you hope for your membership in our council? _____

Please submit this form to your Grand Knight





SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

Officers - 3rd Degree

Chaplain	Fr. Dilip C. Pally
Grand Knight	Robert Bridenbaugh
Deputy Grand Knight	Bill Burns
Chancellor	Tim McCrohan
Recorder	Joe Jasmon
Financial Secretary	Jerry Chlopek
Treasure	Jim Denkler
Lecture	Terence Mahoney
Advocate	Bruce Erdel
Warden	Joe Farina
Inside Guard	Kevin Mason
Outside Guard	John Lutz
Trustee 1 Year	Pat Pollizzi
Trustee 2 Years	Bob Cook
Trustee 3 Years	Carlos Irene

DATES TO REMEMBER

**Meetings 2nd Tuesday of the Month
at 7:00PM Family Center/Gym**

Grand Knight Robert Bridenbaugh
904-460-3254 kofc12664@gmail.com

Officers -4th Degree

Faithful Navigator	Terence Mahoney
Faithful Friar	Fr. Dilip C. Pally
Faithfull Comptroller	Bob Cook
Faithful Captain	Bruce Erdel
Faithful Admiral	Bill Burns
Faithful Pilot	Joe Farina
Faithful Purser	Allan Ramos
Faithful Scribe	Colm Murphy
Inner Sentinel	Rich Bracz
Outer Sentinel	John Lutz
Trustee 1 Year	Pat Pollizzi
Trustee 2 Years	Joe Bishop
Trustee 3 Years	Paul Soriano

**Meetings 2th Tuesday of the Month
at 8.00pm Family Center/Gym**

Faithful Nevagtor Terence Mahoney
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Warren Cook -230-0046 wcook720@bellsouth.net

April

- 2-Good Friday/ Adoration
- 4-Easter Sunday /Rosary
- 5-Patriotic Rosary 7pm
- 10-Highway Clean Up 8am
- 11-Corporate Communion and
Breakfast at Marywood
- 13-3rd Degree Meeting 7pm
- 13-4th Degree Meeting 8pm

May

- 1-Rosary First Sunday of the month
- 3-Patriotic Rosary 7pm.
- 7-Adoration First Friday of the month
- 8-V-E Day
- 9-Mother's Day Breakfast
- 11-3rd Degree Meeting 7pm
- 11-4th Degree Meeting 8pm
- 15-Armed Forces Day
- 28/29-State Convention
- 30-Memorial Day (observed)

June

- 4-Adoration First Friday of the month
- 6-Rosary First Sunday of the month
- 7-Patriotic Rosary 7pm
- 8-3rd Degree Meeting - 7pm
- 8-4thDegree Meeting -8pm
- 14-Flag Day

Special points of interest:

- April 2nd - Good Friday—Gather of Knights and Families
- April 10th - Highway Clean up 8am
- April 11th - Corporate Communion/Breakfast at Marywood
- May 9th Mother's Day Breakfast
- May 28/29th - State Convention

GOD BLESS AMERICA!

"...one Nation, under God,
indivisible with liberty and justice for
all."



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