



Knights of Columbus

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FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT...



Corporate Communion Sunday April 14th at 9am Mass from Metro Diner in Family/Center Gym at 10:15am

This special Mass for members to join as one with their families and friends and share the Eucharist together in both fraternity and unity.

We will all sit in the front of the Church on the left side in the first four pews reserved.

The Breakfast cost is \$15 per person. The maximum per family is \$35. Make check payable to Knights of Columbus and bring to the breakfast.

Menu: Scrambled eggs, bacon, home fries, biscuits, fresh fruit, French toast & coffee. Catered by Metro Diner. The last date to make reservations is April 8th.

Sign up link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E44AAAB2DA46-45594175-corporate>

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Brother Knights:

I would like to wish you and your families a joyful Easter. Let us follow Jesus during Holy Week as we look forward to his death and resurrection. SJDR has services throughout Holy Week.

Congratulations to our knight and family of the year. Our knight of the year is Colm Murphy whose constant presence at our many events enriches us all. Our family of the year is the Cassiani family. Dany has blessed our council meetings with many spiritual reflections over the last months. I see him and family often at mass. Please join me in congratulating both deserving winners.

Special thanks are due Warren Cook for his leadership in putting on our fish fries this spring. This is our biggest fundraiser by far and the funds raised benefit our many programs including our SJDR youth group. Thanks as well to Colm Murphy for putting on the St Patrick's dinner benefiting catholic sons and daughters. There were many dedicated volunteers that work behind the scenes to make sure we have a successful event. Our gratitude for their service.

I wish all knights and their families a joyful Easter. Let us rejoice in his resurrection.

Your brother in Christ,

Jim Denkler
Grand Knight
Switzerland Council 12664

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.

- Rosary First Friday every month followed by Adoration
- Vocations Program - Support our seminarians financially and spiritually

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 \$511 of valued groceries for the month of March to Christ Cupboard Food Bank
- Family of the Month Curtis & Vickie Loftis
- Corporate Communion 4/14

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.

- Fresh fruit donation for Lady of Hope 4/20
- Patriotic Rosary 4/1
- Field of Dreams 4/6, 13, 20 & 27
- Highway Clean up 4/27

Life



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

- Rosary - First Sunday of the month
- Divine Mercy Sunday 4/7



We are praying for your healing to get well soon. Nancy Perrone, Chuck Perrone, John Luntz, Kevin Mason, Marilyn Sussan, Steve Wright, Tiffany Pollizzi, Jim Stuebgen, Kathy Baracz, Carmen Fernandez, Jenn Schwatz, Karen White, Leeann Phillips, Father Clay, Wayne West & Anonymous Brother Knight.



knights in action at the Field of Dreams.

KNIGHTS IN ACTION

Knight of the Month



Dien V. Nguyen



March

Knight

Dien Nguyen

Family

Curtis & Vickie Loftis

Altar Server

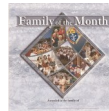
Julian Cortez



Family of the Month



Curtis & Vickie Loftis



Every month the council selects a knight and family for that month who has gone above and beyond an outstanding effort in their participation to volunteer in the community, church, knights activities and service. At the end of the year recipients of the last three years vote on the recipients for the current year for the Knight and Family of the Year.

The Winners for the 2023 year!

Knight of the Year
Colm Murphy

Family of the Year
Dany, Adriana Cassiani & Family

Congratulations to the winners!



Knight of the Year 2023
Colm Murphy



Family of the Year 2023
Dany, Adriana Cassiani & Family



Knights of Columbus, your premier Catholic partner for financial services, is pleased to offer an informational webinar. This special live webinar, **“Retirement Savings and Distribution Planning,”** features nationally recognized speaker, television personality and best-selling author, Ed Slott. Ed combines current research, in-depth expertise, and humor to teach viewers about the ins and outs of their retirements and provides insight to the latest tax and planning information.

Since our founding, Knights of Columbus has been committed to helping provide financial security and stability to our members and their families. So, we’re proud and excited to bring Ed’s expertise to you and we can’t wait to see you there!

April 2nd at 8:00 PM EST [click on the link http://tinyurl.com/KofCApril2](http://tinyurl.com/KofCApril2)

KNIGHTS IN ACTION**4th Degree Ave Maria Assembly #3008**

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The Fourth Degree Exemplification of the Florida District will be held at San Juan del Rio Catholic Church on Saturday August 24th.
This is a great honor for our church and assembly.
Bishop Erik Pohlmeier will be the honoree for the exemplification.

Brothers and Sir Knights,

With the honor of hosting this event comes the responsibility to make sure the Parish and Knights of Columbus put on our best effort to ensure the success of the event. With that said there will be a lot of volunteers required to make sure all goes well.

The schedule of events currently is:

- ◆ **Friday 8/23/24 Setup will begin at 4PM.**
 - There are two main areas to prepare. The Exemplification Chamber (parish auditorium) and The Anti-Chamber,
 - Registration and ladies' luncheon (PFC Gym).
- ◆ **Saturday 8/24/24 at 9AM. Registration 9am & Mass 10am**
 - Candidates will march to the exemplification chamber at 12 noon.
 - Ladies' Luncheon will start approximately at 12:15PM.
 - Immediately following the ladies luncheon, the Gym will have to be setup for the Banquet 1:30PM.
 - Immediately following the exemplification, the parish auditorium will need to be dismantled and cleaned approximately 2PM.
 - The Banquet begins at 3PM
 - Immediately following the banquet, the gym and kitchen will have to be broken dismantled and cleaned.

Sir Knights that volunteered to chair these key areas:

Joe Farina **Exemplification Chamber**, Lorenzo Rogari **Anti Chamber** and **Ladies Luncheon room setup**, Jack Manila **Registration**, Pat Pollizzi **Color Guard (Flag Team)**, and Colm Murphy **Kitchen**.

There will be more specifics as we get closer to the event. In the meantime, please consider this:

If you are not a 3rd Degree member, please submit a "form 4" to Joe Stepp with a check for \$70.00 and take your 4th degree.

If you are not yet a 3rd degree, we will be having CUF (Charity, Unity, Fraternity) degrees each month so you can complete your 3rd degree and be eligible for the 4th degree. A "Form 4" is available from me (Joe Bishop), Joe Stepp or Danny McIntyre. If you are currently a 4th Degree and have been thinking about getting the uniform, this would be a exciting time to do so.

Let's make this the best exemplification the Florida District has seen!

Any questions, contact Joe Bishop @ mozzs@comcast.net 904-716-7532

Vivat Jesus

Joseph Bishop
Faithfull Navigator, Assembly 3008

KNIGHTS IN ACTION**The 6th Annual St Patrick's Dinner Saturday March 16th, 2024****By Colm Murphy, Chairman**

We held our 6th annual St Patrick's Day Dinner Event in the Parish Auditorium on March 16th, 2024. We served 206 guests who were treated to an Irish dancing performance by members of Legacy Irish Dance Academy. We also had a singer perform songs from Frank Sinatra, Billy Joel, Neil Diamond to name a few. Several parishioners took to the stage to join in the fun by either singing along or dancing ☐

Go Raibh Maith Agat (Irish for Thank you) to the 200+ Parishioners who supported the event and the more than 20 Brother Knights and the Catholic Sons/Daughters who helped prep and serve. Special thank you to the Council for Catholic Women for the wonderful job they did decorating the venue – which you can see from the pictures, the parish auditorium was transformed for the evening! The Catholic Sons and Daughters also raised funds through a 50/50 raffle, the proceeds of which will be donated to help purchase new albs for the altar servers.

Some Stats about the event:

- 77lbs of Corned Beef prepped, cooked, sliced, served and eaten
- 90lbs of Potatoes Peeled, cooked, served and eaten
- 20lbs of Carrots Peeled, cooked, served and eaten
- 25 Cabbages, prepped, cooked, served and eaten
- 84 Bottles of Guinness served
- 100+ Glasses of wine served
- \$1800+ raised for the Catholic Sons/Daughters of San Juan del Rio!

In addition, we prepped, cooked and delivered 20 corned beef meals for Our Lady of Hope, using the monthly funds we allocate to this very worthwhile and transformative community.

Mark your calendars for next year – Saturday March 15th, 2025!





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Officers - 3rd Degree

Chaplain	Father Clay
Grand Knight	Jim Denkler
Deputy Grand Knight	Terence Mahoney
Chancellor	Mike Aiken
Recorder	Larry Rogari
Financial Secretary	Robert Bridenbaugh
Treasurer	Lynn Nellenbach
Advocate	Pat Pollizzi
Warden	Ed Szczepanik
Inside Guard	Vinny Zammataro
Outside Guard	John Lutz
Trustee 1 Year	Bob Gearing
Trustee 2 Years	Mike LeBlanc
Trustee 3 Years	Tom Metro

**Meetings 4th Tuesday of the Month
at 7:00PM Parish Hall**

Grand Knight Jim Denkler
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Officers - 4th Degree

Faithful Navigator	Joe Bishop
Faithful Friar	Father Clay
Faithful Comptroller	Rich Baracz
Faithful Captain	Carlos Irene
Faithful Admiral	Bob Gearing
Faithful Pilot	Mike Aiken
Faithful Purser	Allan Ramos
Faithful Scribe	Joe Farina
Inner Sentinel	Doug Link
Outer Sentinel	John Lutz
Trustee 1 Year	Bruce Erdel
Trustee 2 Years	Greg Webster
Trustee 3 Years	Terence Mahoney

**Meetings 2nd Tuesday of the Month
at 7.00pm Parish Hall**

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DATES TO REMEMBER

April

- 1-Patriotic Rosary 7pm
- 5-Pro life Rosary 9:30am followed by Adoration first Friday of the month
- 6-Field of Dreams 9pm
- 7-Divine Mercy Sunday—Rosary First Sunday of the month
- 9-Assembly meetings (elections first call) 7pm
- 13 - Field of Dreams 9am
- 14-Corporate Communion 9am followed by Breakfast 10:15am
- 20- Lady of Hope Fresh Fruit 9am
- 20-Field of Dreams 9am
- 23-- CUF Exemplification 6:00pm followed by 3rd Degree Council meeting
- 27-Highway Road Cleanup 8am
- 27-Field of Dreams 9am

May

- 3-Pro life Rosary 9:30am followed by Adoration first Friday of the month
- 4-Field of Dreams—9am
- 5 - Blood Drive 7:30am
- 5/6 - Rosary First Sunday of the month
- 7- Patriotic Rosary 7pm
- 10-Pasta Dinner 6pm
- 12 - Mother's Day Breakfast 8am
- 14-4th Degree Meeting - 7pm
- 18-Lady of Hope—Fresh Fruit 9am
- 18-Armed Forces Day
- 19-Marian Celebration and adoration 11am
- 24-26 State Convention
- 27-Memorial Day - Assembly Remembrance
- 28- 3rd Degree Meeting - 7pm

Special points of interest:

- April 6, 13, 20 & 27—Field of Dreams 9am
- April 14 - Corporate Communion 9am - Followed by Breakfast in the Parish Family Center Gym- 10:15am - Catered by Metro Diner
- April 20 - Lady of Hope—9am
- April 23- CUF Exemplification 6pm
- April 27- Highway Road Cleanup 8am

GOD BLESS AMERICA!

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

