



Knights of Columbus

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## FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT...



Field of Dreams is a specially designed baseball field that will allow children with intellectual or physical disabilities the opportunity to play baseball, to wear a uniform and play as a member of a team. FOD is a place where all our areas exceptional kids can meet on the field and play baseball. What child does not want to hear the cheering of the crowd? What child does not want to receive a trophy? And what child does not want the opportunity to play America's favorite sport? At Field of Dreams, they will, and they can.

Games start Saturday February 4th. Located at Aberdeen Park 1401 Shetland Drive St Johns, fl 32259

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Worthy Knights:

We submitted a report to Supreme listing almost 10,000 hours that our council has contributed to support the parish, community, and various Knights programs over the past year. It is a tribute to the dedication our Knights have to serve the Lord. On behalf of the council, my sincere appreciation for all the work you do.

We are on track to achieve Star Council status this year. We achieved our membership goal in just over 6 months, and we should easily achieve the number of programs completed as well. The remaining task for Star Council is to participate in two fraternal benefits programs. A primary point of emphasis going forward is to engage members that are not very active in the council. If you have friends that are members, please reach out to them and invite them to our meetings and volunteer to help in our service programs.

Lent is just around the corner. Let us take time to reflect on Jesus' sacrifice on the cross and how we can journey with him towards Calvary.

Finally, we need many volunteers to support our fish fries and Field of Dreams over the next two months. If your time permits, please consider signing up to support these programs. Sign-ups for both can be found at [www.kofc12664.com](http://www.kofc12664.com)

Your brother in Christ,

Jim Denkler  
Grand Knight  
Switzerland Council 12664

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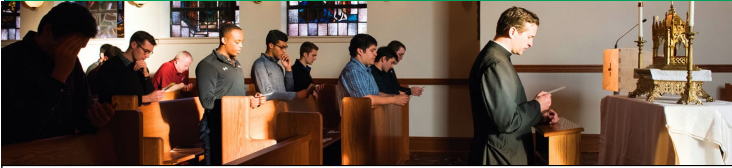
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**Knights in Action, Faith in Action**

**Faith**

**Family**



*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.*

*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.*

- Rosary First Friday every month followed by Adoration
- Patriotic Rosary—First Monday every month
- Vocations Program - Support our seminarians financially and spiritually
- Christ Renews His Parish 2/18-19
- Building the Domestic Church Kiosk. Booklets in the lobby

- Donated \$797.00 of valued groceries in January to Christ Cupboard Food Bank, St Francis House Shelter & Armstrong Farming Migrants
- For the past 16 months valued is \$10,228
- Family of the Month - John Strang Family

**Community**

**Life**



*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.*

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

- 60 lunch bags for the needy at St Francis House 1/21, 2/18 & 3/18
- Adopt A Highway - Cleanup - 1/21.23 & 3/18/23
- Field of Dreams in 2023—2/4, 11, 18.21, 3/4 & 3/25

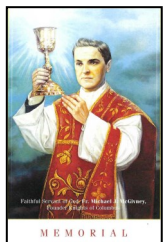
- Rosary - First Sunday of the month
- Program for Life Chain is planned on site
- March for Life 1/14
- Blood Drive 2/19



Photo on the left is Grand Knight Jim Denkler and Deputy Grand Knight Terence Mahoney presenting a plaque that will have the name of the Altar Server of the month



*We are praying for your healing to get well soon. Mike & Rosita Loyola, Larissa Babij, Sharri Letow, Matt Fiorentino, Steve Wright, Steve Donalson, Nancy Perrone, John Fitzgerald, John Hastak, Val Lovett, Carmen Fernandez, Jim & Beth Stuebgen, Bill Koenig, Pay Bochke, Anthony & Parizzi. We pray for the country of Ukraine, for the success of the Men's & Women's CHRP weekend.*



*In Loving Memory of our Brother Knights Bill Burns, Bob Cook and Val Heitter who passed away. Grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. And may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace, Amen.*



**KNIGHTS IN ACTION**



**January 2023**

**Knight of the Month**

**Marn Balolong**

**Family of the Month**

**John Strang Family**

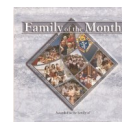
**Altar Server of the Month**

**Samuel Brown**



**Knight of the Month  
Marn Balolong**

L/r Grand Knight Jim Denkler,  
Marn Balolong & Deputy Grand  
Knight Terence Mahoney



**Family of the Month  
John Strang Family**

L/r Grand Knight Jim Denkler,  
John Strang & Deputy Grand  
Knight Terence Mahoney



**Opening Day Saturday February 4th**  
Baseball is back between the white lines. There are no work stoppages or lockouts at the Field of Dreams. They play for the love of the game. Come out and help us support the boys & girls of summer. We are in need of volunteers to present the flags, cook, package and give out hot dogs. Come out and join your brother Knights at the ballpark. **We have provided sign ups for the whole season.**



Click on the link [Knights of Columbus: Field of Dreams Baseball \(signupgenius.com\)](https://signupgenius.com)

Contact: Warren Cook [wcook720@gmail.com](mailto:wcook720@gmail.com) 904-334-3598

**A Fund Raiser sponsored by the Knights of Columbus was held on Saturday January 28th, at the Parish Hall. See photos below.**





**Officers - 3rd Degree**

Chaplain	Fr. Dilip C. Pally
Grand Knight	Jim Denkler
Deputy Grand Knight	Terence Mahoney
Chancellor	Mike Aiken
Recorder	Pat Pollizzi
Financial Secretary	Jerry Chlopek
Treasure	Tom Metro
Advocate	Bob Gearing
Warden	Brian Voorhees
Inside Guard	Joe Stepp
Outside Guard	Doug Link
Trustee 1 Year	Mike LeBlanc
Trustee 2 Years	Robert Bridenbaugh
Trustee 3 Years	Lynn Nellenbach

**Meetings 4th Tuesday of the Month  
at 7:00PM Family Center/Gym**

**Grand Knight Jim Denkler**  
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**Officers -4th Degree**

Faithful Navigator	Joe Bishop
Faithful Friar	Fr. Dilip C. Pally
Faithfull Comptroller	Rich Baracz
Faithful Captain	Carlos Irene
Faithful Admiral	Bob Gearing
Faithful Pilot	Mike Aiken
Faithful Purser	Allan Ramos
Faithful Scribe	Colm Murphy
Inner Sentinel	Doug Link
Outer Sentinel	John Lutz
Trustee 1 Year	Pat Pollizzi
Trustee 2 Years	Bruce Erdel
Trustee 3 Years	

**Meetings 2nd Tuesday of the Month  
at 7.00pm Family Center/Gym**

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*February 2023*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28				

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

*February*

2/4 Field of Dreams 9am  
3- Pro life Rosary 9:30am followed Adoration first Friday of the month.  
5 - Rosary First Sunday of the month  
5 - Bishop Erik Pohlmeier 11am Mass - Reception 12pm  
6- Patriotic Rosary 7pm  
11-Field of Dreams 9am  
14-4th Degree Meeting 7pm  
18-Field of Dreams 9am  
18- Making Lunch Bags for St. Francis House 8am  
18/19 - Men's Weekend CHR- 19- Blood Drive 7:30am  
24-Fish Fry 6pm  
25-Field of Dreams 9am  
28-3rd Degree Meeting 7pm



*March*

3- Pro Life Rosary 9:30am followed Adoration First Friday of the month  
3-Fish Fry 6pm  
4-Field of Dreams 9am  
6-Patriotic Rosary 7pm  
10-Fish Fry 6pm  
14-4th Degree Meeting 7pm  
17-Fish Fry 6pm  
17-St Patrick's Day  
18- Making Lunch Bags for St. Francis House 8am  
24-Fish Fry 6pm  
25-Field of Dreams 9am  
28-3rd Degree Meeting 7pm

*April*

2- Palm Sunday  
3- Patriotic Rosary 7pm  
6-Holy Thursday  
7-Good Friday  
8-Holy Saturday  
9-Easter Sunday  
11-4th Degree Meeting - 7pm  
25-3rd Degree Meeting - 7pm

**Special points of interest:**

- Bishop Erik Pohlmeier 11am Mass - Reception 12pm
- 60 lunch bags for the needy at St. Francis 1/21-2/18- 8am
- Adopt A Highway - Cleanup - 1/28-4/22 8am
- Field of Dreams Fundraising Dinner 1/28/6pm
- Blood Drive 1/19 7:30am
- Fish Fry 2/24-3/3-10-17-24-31-6pm
- Field of Dreams 2/4-11-18-25 /3-4 & 25-9am



**GOD BLESS AMERICA!**

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