

NEWSLETTER OF SWITZERLAND COUNCIL #12664

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March for Life St. Augustine

The 17th annual March for Life St Augustine will be held on January 14, 2023, beginning at the National Shrine of Our Lady of la Leche, 101 San Marco Ave. . March activities begin at 9:00am with Mass celebrated by Bishop Erik Pohlmeier followed by the march beginning 10:30am.

Speaker presentations from the Plaza del la Constitucion (directly in front of the Cathedral) beginning at 11:30am.

Guest Speakers are: Melissa Coles and Dr. Jason Philips.

KOC Council #611 will host a Spaghetti Dinner at the Cathedral Parish Hall from noon until 3:00pm, For more information visit www.marchforlifestaugustine.com Continued on page 5

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FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT...



My brothers in Christ:

What a joy it was to celebrate Advent and Christmas together. The church was beautiful, and the liturgies were inspirational. Thanks to the many of you who helped during the month to help prepare for the parish.

January brings the March for Life, Catholic Schools week, the Free Throw contest, our Field of Dreams fundraiser and much more. Our next in person exemplification is Sunday January 22. Please join us as we induct new members. The solemnity of the live exemplification is wonderful and brings to mind why we joined the Knights and the great work they do.

We will announce the winners of the Knight, Family, and Altar Server of the year as soon as available.

Lent is just around the corner and we will have our weekly fish fries as well as Field of Dreams every weekend. I encourage all Knights to participate in both of these. Signup geniuses for both these events and all others can be found on KofC12664.com.

Your brother in Christ,

Jim Denkler Grand Knight Switzerland Council 12664 Page 2 NEWSLETTER of the SWITZERLAND COUNCIL-JANUARY 2023

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.

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

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 \$337.00of valued groceries in December to Christ Cupboard Food Bank, St Francis House Shelter & Armstrong Farming Migrants
- For the past 15 months valued is \$9,431
- Family of the Month Clive, Tunu Ricketts
- Corporate Communion 12/11

Community

Life

The Knights of Columbus vigorously defends the dignity of

each human being at every stage of life.

March for Life 1/14

Rosary - First Sunday of the month

Program for Life Chain is planned on site



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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.

- 60 lunch bags for the needy at St Francis House 11/19, 12/17,1/21/23, 2/18/23 &3/18
- Adopt A Highway Cleanup 11/19,1/21.23 & 3/18/23
- Field of Dreams in 2023—2/4, 11, 18.21,3/4 & 3/25

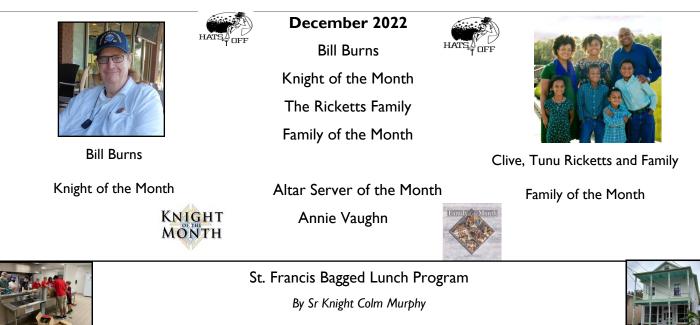


Photo on the left for November is altar server of the month Samuel Cassiani. Photo on the right for October is altar server of the month is Kaitlin Garcia. Family members, Father Nick, Grand Knight Jim Denkler and Deputy Grand Knight Terence Mahoney in photos.



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KNIGHTS IN ACTION



About the Program

Our Council and Assembly purchases, prepares, and delivers 60 bagged lunches to <u>St Francis House</u> in St Augustine. Providing bagged lunches to the homeless of St Augustine, is something that St Francis House does every single day of the year. We are honored to help them provide this needed service on the 3rd Saturday of each month.

2022 By the Numbers

- Spent a total \$1524.58 between the Assembly and the Council for an average monthly spend of \$127.05.
- Prepared 720 sandwiches, along with chips, granola bar, piece of fruit and a bottle of water all presented in a convenient grab 'Ngo lunch bag.
- A core group of about 15 Knights participated throughout the year.
- Additional items, such as granola bars, chips, fruit, toiletry items and clothing were donated throughout the year, as guided by St Francis House Wishlist Wednesday days.

Want to get involved in 2023?

 Mark your calendar for the 3rd Saturday of each month and review the available slots at the following sign-up genius <u>link</u> at:<u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E4DA8A728A3FF2-stfrancis3</u>or reach out to Colm Murphy at: colmmurphy@msn.com



The Adopt a Highway Program

By Sr Knight Colm Murphy



About the Program

Once a quarter, our Council and Assembly sponsor a two mile stretch of SR13, from the church south to Greenbriar Road, as part of the Florida Department of Transportation's (FDOT) "Adopt a Highway" program.
FDOT provides the equipment, and we supply the people power to collect trash along the two mile stretch of road.

2022 By the Numbers

We had 4 pick-up days in 2022, where 20 Volunteers filled 26 bags for a total estimated weight of 520lbs of trash – which is about the same weight as a deer or a baby grand piano!

Want to get involved in 2023?

 Review the available slots at the following sign-up genius <u>link</u> at: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E4DA8A728A3FF2-highway18</u> or reach out to Colm Murphy at <u>colmmurphy@msn.com</u> Page 4

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Patriotic Rosary Monday, December 5th, 2022

Photo by Dan McIntyre



Photos by Lou Bilello

Breakfast with Santa, Saturday December 3th, 2022







Light up for Christ, Sunday December 4th, 2022



Warren Cook, Curtis Loftis, Joe Farina, Doug Link and (Sal Santapola not in photo) cooking for the Baby Steps Camino Pilgrims December 2 - 4th. Meal at the end of the trip.

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We are praying for your healing to get well soon. Bob Gearing, Val Lovett, Matt Fiorentino, Steve Wright, Bill Koenig & Bishop Estevez. We pray for our Bishop Erik Pohlmeier, Priests: Father Pete, Father Nick, & Father Dilip. We pray for our Deacons: Deacon Stan, Deacon Mike and Deacon Dang.

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.





Joe Stepp Doug Link

Meetings 4th Tuesday of the Month

at 7:00PM Family Center/Gym

Grand Knight Jim Denkler kofc12664@gmail.com

Officers -4th Degree

Meetings 2nd Tuesday of the Month

at 7.00pm Family Center/Gym

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Outside Guard Trustee 1 Year Trustee 2 Years

Trustee 3 Years

Faithful Navigator

Faithful Captain

Faithful Admiral Faithful Pilot

Faithful Purser

Faithful Scribe

Inner Sentinel

Outer Sentinel

Trustee 1 Year

Trustee 2 Years

Trustee 3 Years

Faithful Friar Faithfull Comptroller

January 2023

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	31				

DATES TO REMEMBER

March

January

1-New Years 1-Rosary First Sunday of the month 2- Patriotic Rosary 7pm 5-Rosary 9am followed by Adoration First Friday of the month 10-4th Degree Meeting - 7pm 21-St. Francis House Lunches 8am 21-Confirmation Lunch 22- Free Throw Contest 9am 24-3rd Degree Meeting - 7pm 28-Field of Dreams Fundraising Dinner 6pm

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 6- Patriotic Rosary 7pm 11-Field of Dreams 9am 14-4th Degree Meeting 7pm 18- Making Lunch Bags for St. Francis House 8am 18-Field of Dreams 9am

GOD BLESS AMERICA!

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

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

31-Fish Fry 6pm

Special points of interest:

- 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
- Fish Fry 2/24-3/3-10-17-24-31-6pm
- Field of Dreams 2/4-11-18-25 /3-4 & 25-9am



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