

NEWSLETTER OF SWITZERLAND COUNCIL #12664

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Our Blessed Mother: Honoring the Virgin Mary in May

The Queen of Heaven is so revered for her relationship with Christ and her love and guidance of her earthly children, the Catholic Church has dedicated the month of May in her honor.

In his 1965 encyclical, "*Mense Maia*," Pope Paul VI wrote about the importance of Mary's intercession for all the world, explaining that those who encounter her, encounter her Son, Jesus;

"For what other reason do we continually turn to Mary except to seek the Christ in her arms, to seek our Savior in her, through her, and with her? To Him men are to turn amid the anxieties and perils of this world, urged on by duty and driven by the compelling needs of their heart, to find a haven of salvation, a transcendent fountain of life."

Pope Paul V9 went on to write May is the month Christians offer the Virgin Mother more "fervent and loving acts of homage and veneration; and it is the month in which a greater abundance of God's merciful gifts comes down to us from our Mother's throne."

During the month of May, we honor her motherly and queenly majesty from every corner of the earth.

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FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT...



Greetings Brothers:

We have had an exciting April and May is looking good too as we slowly transition back toward a more pre-Covid environment. A delicious Lenten Fish Fry, Shred Event and the upcoming Mother's Day Breakfast are just part of the services we have been privileged to do for our parish.

We wrapped up the Annual Lenten Fish Fry with a gross profit of almost \$4000! That is with a huge increase in our cost. Thanks to all the Knights who worked so hard every week to make this a success. Special thanks to who helped guide this effort. PGK Robert Bridenbaugh led the second Shred Event where we made about a \$1000. We are starting May by hosting the annual Mother's Day Breakfast. Special thanks to Warren. Remember Mothers eat free and it was only \$4 per person with a \$15 family limit.

Of course, the genuinely exciting consequence of all this challenging work is how we can assist our brother and sister parishioners. We were able to contribute \$500 to the church. We gave our Youth Group \$1000 to help them expand their spiritual life as they travel to Stubenville Ohio this summer. If you know of anyone who is high school aged (including eighth grade), please encourage them to participate in this spirit filled weekend in July. Here is the Facebook page with more information. https://www.facebook.com/sjdrparish/photos/a.2034365369934643/5077043385666811.

As we look to ensure our relevancy to all parishioners, we are always looking to engage in activities that appeal to our younger Knights and those with children. We used to host a picnic prior to the fair. Well, we are doing it again! There will be games, activities and music along with picnic food, hamburgers & hotdogs. It will be open to the entire parish, so we will have an opportunity to demonstrate just one of the activities of the Knights of Columbus and attract new members. The CCW & Ladies Auxiliary will also be involved. It promises to be a fun, exciting day! Dates have not been set yet, but we will let you know as soon as it is locked in.

We are on our way to Star Council. We just need a few new members. Please share with the men you know that are not Knights the value and satisfaction of being a Knight and encourage them to become a member, invite them to a meeting. Anyone may attend now with GK's permission.

We are going to honor our knights with 30+ years at our Officers Installation in July hopefully with the State Deputy to Officiate the Awards and the Installation. Families are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Remember next month we elect our officers for the next year so make sure your there to make your vote count.

Respectfully, *Bill*

Bill Burns PFN

Grand Knight, Switzerland Council 12664

MAY 2022

NEWSLETTER of the SWITZERLAND COUNCIL-MAY, 2022 Knights in Action, Faith in Action Faith Family Our goal is to strengthen men and their families in the Catholic Father McGivney sought to strengthen the bonds of families faith. Formation in our faith goes beyond mere facts or religious practice to an authentic connection with a loving God and his son created for families by families, help us to live this call. Jesus Christ. • Patriotic Rosary-First Monday every month • Cupboard - For the past 9 months donated \$4,840 Vocations Program - Support our seminarians financial-• of valued groceries ly and spiritually

Building the Domestic Church Kiosk. Booklets in the • lobby

in his parish and the Knights of Columbus. These programs,

- Donated \$839 of valued groceries in April to Christ
- Family of the Month The Wharton 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.

Blood Drive 5/8

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Mother's Day Breakfast 5/8



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

- Rosary First Sunday of the month
- Pro Life Rosary First Friday every month followed by Adoration
- Field of Dreams 5/7

Confirmation Retreat

Picture on the left are the students attending the Confirmation Retreat on Saturday April 2, all dressed in their new t-shirts which was very impressive.

A special thanks to Warren Cook who cooked for 120 people and it was well appreciated by the Religious Office. The students loved the food.



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KNIGHTS IN ACTION



Knight of the Month Bruce Erdel



April 2022



Knight of the Month

Bruce Erdel

Family of the Month

The Wharton Family







Family of the Month The Wharton Family

ST. MARK MISSION



St Mark's RoundTable Lenten Food Drive

By Sr Knight Mike Aiken

On April 3, 2022, the St. Mark's Roundtable concluded its first Lenten Food Drive. Thanks to the generosity of the people of St. Mark's Mission Church, with some help from students, parents, faculty, and staff of Patriot Oaks Academy, we were able to donate 4,003 pounds of food to Catholic Social Services of St. Augustine and St. Francis House!

In the center of the picture on the right is Tara Provini, Administrative Manager, Catholic Charities Bureau, St. Augustine Regional Office.

Representing the St. Mark's Roundtable, from left to



right, are Knights Scott Reneau, Ron Hart, Dave LaPlante, John Veino, and Jim O'Brien. The picture is courtesy of Ricardo Rosado-Rodriguez, Catholic Charities Bureau, St. Augustine Regional Office.



We are praying for your healing to get well soon. Nancy Perrone, Steve Wright Jim Stuebgen, Matt Fiorentino. Kevin Mason, Joh Shuler, Chia Uiralla, Mark Chutz, Mary Ellen Bell, Val Hietter Father Dilip, Brian Caves family for loss of their son. In Loving Memory of Gene Kivett who passed away. Eternal Rest 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.





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4th Degree Ave Maria Assembly #3008

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Ave Maria Assembly Wins Two Awards By Dan McIntyre,

District Marshal, Florida District 4th Degree State Membership Co-Director & Regional Administrator Two, Florida State Council

Ave Maria Assembly received two awards at the Florida District Fourth Degree Biannual Meeting in Kissimmee, Florida in March. District Marshal, Danny McIntyre, accepted the awards on behalf of the assembly and presented to Faithful Navigator Terence Mahoney at the assembly meeting (photo on the right presenting one of the two awards).

The awards were Star and Civic Awards. Star Assembly achieved through excellence in civic programs, veterans' outreach, color corps involvement, and membership growth. Only three of the more than 150 assemblies in the Florida District deserve the Star Assembly Award. The Civic Award are earned for outstanding civic programs.





Annual Election of Officers Slate of Officers

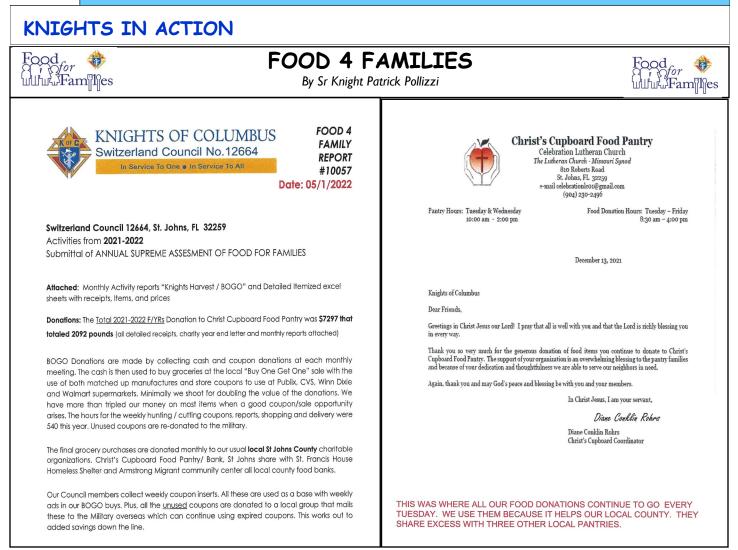


The slate tendered by the Nominating Committee is not definitive; any member may make a nomination from the floor at the **May meeting** and officers are thereafter elected by a vote of the members.

3rd Degree		4th Degree	
Grand Knight	Bill Burns	Faithful Navigator	Joe Bishop
Deputy Grand Knight	Jim Denkler	Faithful Captain	Carlos Irene
Chancellor	Mike Aiken	Faithful Admiral	Bob Gearing
Recorder	Joe Jasmon	Faithful Pilot	Mike Aiken
Treasurer	Don Mazzenzio	Faithful Scribe	Joe Farina
Advocate	Bob Gearing	Faithful Comptroller	Robert Cook
Warden	Brian Voorhees	Faithful Purser	Allan Ramos
Inside Guard	Joe Stepp	Inner Sentinel	Doug Link
Outside Guard	Doug Link	Outer Sentinel	John Lutz
First Year Trustee	Robert Cook	Trustee one Year	Pat Pollizzi
Second Year Trustee	Robert Bridenbaugh	Trustee two Years	Bruce Erdel
Third Year Trustee	Lynn Nellenbach	Trustee Three Years	Bill Burns

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Above is the Food Family Report and thank you letter and from Christ Cupboard Food Pantry.

In 11 years our council donated over \$50,000 in food accounting for over 17,500 pounds. Thanks to our brother knights. We will continue our effort this year to help our local food pantry.

Editor's comments - Since 2011 Sir Knight Pat Pollizzi and his wife Sandra have given of their time to purchase food items to support many of the homeless people with food donations to mostly to Christ Cupboard and St Francis House. Each week they take the funds donated by the Knights, cut out coupons and purchased mostly Bogo items to get the best value.

Rebates are also received from Knights Headquarters for matching funds. Hats off for an outstanding effort to Pat and Sandra with the support of the Switzerland Council and Ave Maria Assembly.



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KNIGHTS IN ACTION



San Juan del Rio Annual Lenten Fish Fry

Every Friday Beginning March 4, thru April 8, 2022 Sponsored by Knights of Columbus













Photos by Dan McIntyre

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KNIGHTS IN ACTION





The Annual Fish Fry was another considerable success as there was an average of 140 people attending each week during the 6 weeks from March 4, thru April 8, 2022.

To make this happen this was a lot of challenging work. Brother Knights worked on Thursday nights preparing the food., cooking in the kitchen on Friday's. & sold the tickets. The Ladies Auxiliary worked the dessert tables and there were delicious cakes, pies, and cookies. And we cannot forget the Youth Group who took orders and served the food at each table.

We thank everyone who volunteer during the 6 weeks. The Knights and Ladies Auxiliary will donate a percent of the proceeds to the Youth to support the Steubenville Retreat. Volume 2 Issue 15 MAY 2022

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Knights of Columbus

Officers - 3rd Degree Fr. Dilip C. Pally

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Chaplain Grand Knight Bill Burns Deputy Grand Knight Jim Denkler Chancellor Recorder Financial Secretary Treasure Lecture Advocate Warden Inside Guard Outside Guard Trustee 1 Year Trustee 2 Years Trustee 3 Years

Terence Mahoney Joe Jasmon Jerry Chlopek Don Mazzenzio Terence Mahoney Bruce Erdel Mike Alken Sean Mahoney Joe Stepp Pat Pollizzi Bob Cook Robert Bridenbaugh

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

Grand Knight Bill Burns 904-233-1156 kofc12664@gmail.com

Officers -4th Degree

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

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

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DATES TO REMEMBER

May

1-Rosary First Sunday of the month

2-Patriotic Rosary 7pm

- 6- Pro life Rosary 9:30am followed Adoration first Friday of he month.
- 7-Field of Dreams 9M
- 8- Mother's Day Breakfast 8am—12pm
- 8- Blood Drive 7am-1pm
- 10-4th Degree Meeting 7pm; Election of Officers
- 13-15 State Convention
- 24-3rd Degree Meeting 7pm
- 30- Memorial Day (observed)

June

3- Pro Life Rosary 9:30am followed Adoration First Friday of the month 5-Rosary First Sunday of the month 6-Patriotic Rosary 7pm 14-4th Degree Meeting - 7pm 14- Flag Day 18-4th Degree Live Screen 19-Father's Day 28-3rd Degree Meeting 7pm

July

- 1-Pro Life Rosary 9:30am/Adoration
- 3- Rosary First Sunday of the month
- 4- Independence Day—Patriotic Rosary 7pm
- 12-4th Degree Meeting 7pm
- 26- 3rd Degree Meeting 7pm

Special points of interest:

- May 8-Mother's Day Breakfast 8am
- May 10th Election of Officers
- Blood Drive 7am-1pm
- June 14 Flag Day
- June 19- Father's Day

GOD BLESS AMERICA!

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





