



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FATHER THOMAS G LORIGAN COUNCIL 7027

WE ARE KNIGHTS, WE ARE PRO-LIFE!



## COMING EVENTS

Date	Time	Event	Location
2	5:30 PM	First Monday Confession	Chapel
5	7:00PM	K of C Council Planning/ Organization Meeting	Knights Hall/Online/ On Phone
6		First Friday	
7	9:00AM	Park Ave Cleanup	Parish Hall
7	12:00PM	Rosary for America	Intersection Park and Dogwood
8	11:30AM	Knights Grilling for Religious Ed Registration	
12	7:00PM	K of C Council Meeting	Knights Hall/Online/ On Phone
13		<b>Blessed Michael J McGivney Feast Day</b>	
14	2:00PM	Knights Helping Ladies Auxiliary Yard Sale	Parish Hall
15		The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
19	7:00PM	Fourth Degree Assembly Meeting	Knights Hall
26		July Newsletter Articles Due	
28	4:00PM	Corporate Communion Mass (Saturday)	Parish Hall
29	10:30AM	Knights Silver Rose Pilgrimage Visit at Mass	St. Rose of Lima

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## Knights of Columbus Online Resources

**Council 7027** web site has important information such as calendar, newsletters, and member only information.  
<http://www.kofc7027.com>

**State Council** has important information about Knights in Florida.  
<https://floridakofc.org/>

**Supreme** contains something for everyone.  
<http://kofc.org>

**Knights Gear** is clothing and accessories K of C branded.  
<http://www.knightsgear.com>

**Knightline** is a monthly publication with important information for leaders and members.  
<http://kofc.org/knightline>

**Invocations** monthly publication of the Florida State Council.  
<https://www.floridakofc.org/Invocation-State-Newsletter>



**Assumption of  
the Blessed Virgin  
Mary  
August 15**

## Keepers of His House Schedule

	Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4
Month/Yr	Day	Day	Day	Day
Aug, 2021	14	28	5	20
Sep, 2021	11	25	2, 30	17
Oct, 2021	9	23	29	15



# Grand Knight's Report

## George Elliott

### Dear Brother Knights and Families,

As each day goes by, things seem to be returning to a more normal way of living and operating. Let's keep our brother knights, families, and neighbors in mind, as they still might need our help. We should always follow the example of our Blessed Michael McGivney, who continually found ways to help others. August 13 is the first-ever feast day for our founder. The Supreme Chaplain's Challenge for August (found in this newsletter) will help us incorporate Father McGivney into our month.

And speaking of Father McGivney, the McGivney2020 program has been extended through December 31, 2021. That means that new members can join our order for free through the end of the calendar year!

Please review the council calendar for important dates. In addition to our meetings, we have an opportunity to show off our grilling skills after the 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, August 8. Later, on August 14, we've been asked to help the Ladies Auxillary at the conclusion of their yard sale. We'll help them load out

whatever (hopefully little) unsold items. And, on August 29, the pilgrimage of the Silver Rose will make a visit to the Sunday 10:30 am Mass on its way to Mexico as it spreads the message of Our Lady of Gualalupe.

We're gearing up to help Msgr. Reed and the Saint Rose of Lima parish host the first annual open-to-the-public Oktoberfest. The Oktoberfest will happen on Saturday, September 25, from 11 am to 7 pm. It's a fundraiser to support our parish building fund as the construction projects continue. There are many details to be addressed now, and your help, in any capacity, will be greatly appreciated.

In this newsletter, you'll find some statistics that indicate why Knights of Columbus are needed especially now. The numbers show declining attendance at Mass, reception of Sacraments, and the like. We can be a force of change by helping each other grow in faith and encouraging other men to join us to help save souls and strengthen our Church.

Vivat Jesus! Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us!

### Council 7027 Meetings for the Month of August

Officers'/Planning Meeting (all knights are welcome): **Thursday, August 5, 7 PM**

Council Meeting (all knights are welcome): **Thursday, August 12, 7 PM**

**\*\*\*Three Ways You Can Participate: In-person, by phone, or online\*\*\***

- In-person: in the Knights Hall, adjacent to the covered pavilion
- By phone: Call **(872) 240-3412**, enter Access Code **342-890-781#**
- By computer, smartphone, or tablet: **www.gotomeet.me/GeorgeElliott8** (and turn on your microphone and/or web cam)

For any method, consider "arriving" up to ten minutes early

Questions? Contact Grand Knight George Elliott, cell 908-487-8622 / email grejr13@gmail.com

*Can't wait to "see" you! Be safe!*



# Field Agent's Report

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Here it is August already...and the summer is more than halfway over. I hope that you are enjoying some rest and relaxation!

I can't seem to pick up anything to read, whether it's a newspaper, some type of news feed on my computer, or a periodical, without finding articles about retirement. With so many baby boomers getting to that age I guess I should expect it. Articles tell me how to boost my retirement, how to save for retirement, how to use certain plans to have a successful retirement. Some of these articles talk about maximizing the money that I've saved, some talk about maximizing my government benefits, some talk about how I can lower my taxes in retirement. Some articles talk about retirement without even retiring, they say keep on working or take on a new job in the gig economy. Frankly, that doesn't seem like much of a retirement to me.

When I retire I want to do some of those things I've put off over my working years: spend more time with family, travel, get immersed in my hobbies...those kinds of things. I've begun a bucket list to keep track of all the things I'd like to do when I retire.

Here are a few of my thoughts about retirement:

1. I want to retire "to" something, not "from" something. Many believe that the rocking chair on the front porch kills retirees. Retirement means having something different to engage in, not simply sitting around and doing nothing.
2. "Begin with the end in sight." One of the seven habits of successful people as espoused by Stephen Covey. What do you want your retirement to look like? What do you want to do, where do you want to go, how do you want to continue to contribute

to your church, your council, and your community?

3. Have goals and have a plan. If you begin with the end in sight, now you have to make a plan on how you want to get there. Write it down, make it happen, the book by Henriette Klauser might be helpful. A goal without a plan to get there is just a dream.

I've talked to a number of members and their spouses lately and retirement always comes up as a topic of conversation when we review their current situation. It doesn't seem to matter their age. I've had members as young as 35 and as old as 70 over the past couple of months want to talk about retirement and making sure that they're set at some point in the future. Let's face it, the 35 year old has a lot more time to plan. Time is an ally for him. As changes occur in the economy, he has time to make course corrections. He has time to contribute more to meet the family's income goals, he'll probably earn more as he progresses in his career. For the older member, time is no friend. Less time to earn income, less time to cope with the vagaries of the economy, and topped out in earning power. The closer one gets to the planned retirement age, the more important that a strategy be in place.

That's where I can help. Our new financial needs analysis tool allows me to plug in your personal information and let you see where you stand. Are you accumulating enough funds to meet your retirement income goal? Are there ways to make sure you'll never run out of money in retirement? Is your money safe and secure, not following the whims of the market?

Let's get together and make sure you have a strategy to put you in the winner's circle.

May God bless you all.





# Deacon's Teaching

By Deacon Chris Christopher

## Is Jesus Sacrificed Again at Every Mass?

The dazzling vision of St. John in the Book of Revelation is perhaps best known for its depictions of horrific worldwide catastrophe. Yet at the heart to this text stands a poignant figure full of mercy, hope, and glory, the "Lamb" who was slain for our sins, Jesus Christ<sup>(5:6)</sup>. Biblical scholars have pointed out that at one level, in presenting us a vision of heaven, Revelation also provides us a glimpse of the Mass, our foretaste on earth of heaven's "wedding feast of the Lamb"<sup>(19:9)</sup>.

Catholics agree with other Christians that the divine sacrifice made "once for all" described in Hebrews 7:27 is a unique historical event, the death of Jesus Christ on the cross. But Jesus' sacrifice, though occurring in the past to us, is nevertheless always present to God because God himself does not exist in time as we do. He lives in the eternal present; with God there is no past and no future.

St. John's vision depicts this eternal reality; the presentation of Jesus as "Lamb" to the Father appears to be an ongoing occurrence (from God's perspective, timeless), long after the death of Jesus<sup>(Rv 5:6; 13:8)</sup>. Our Savior, Scriptures says, "has a priesthood that does not pass away"<sup>(Heb. 7:24)</sup>.

In this light, then, we can understand how the Mass is a re-presentation of Jesus' historical, one-time sacrificial death on the cross. In every Mass, the priest re-enacts Jesus' priestly actions at the Last Supper, offering once more his Body and Blood. But Jesus is not sacrificed again in the Eucharist. Rather, his unique sacrifice is made real and present to us

here and now because it is a divine reality that transcends space and time.

For this reason, the Mass is not merely a service of praise, preaching, and fellowship, presided over by a pastor around a meal table. The Mass is truly a re-presenting of the original sacrifice offered by a priest upon an altar.

Though some Christians insist that priests and altars belong only to the Jewish temple sacrifice of the Old Covenant, these elements also play a role in the New covenant in Christ's blood<sup>(Lk 22:14-20)</sup>. The Book of Revelation in particular tells us of the "altar" with a "gold censer" in the "temple" where the sacrificed Lamb, Jesus, reigns<sup>(5:6, 6:9; 8:3; 9:13)</sup>.

In next month's Newsletter we'll look at the 'real presence' of Jesus in the Mass, **Is the Eucharist Truly the Body and Blood of Christ?**

Did You Know?

The College of Cardinals

After the Pope, the "College of Cardinals" is the highest-ranking office in the Roman Catholic Church; each Cardinal is chosen by the Pope. This body plays two roles for the Church:

1. Participating in papal elections when the Holy See is vacant, and
2. Advising the Pope about Church matters when he summons them to a consistory.

There are three ranks of Cardinals: Cardinal Bishops, Cardinal Priests, and Cardinal Deacons. Almost all Cardinals are also bishops.



The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network  
APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER UNITED STATES

AUGUST

### Intention for evangelization - The Church

Let us pray for the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

<http://popesprayerusa.net/popos-intentions/>



**Programs**  
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Welcome to our councils new fiscal year of activities. Our programs of Faith, Family, Community and Life need your help.

We appoint directors to chair these committees, but it is all of our duty to make each program successful. We all need to help build up the body of Christ. Let us be the right hand of the church.



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**BIRTHDAYS**

On behalf of your Council's Brother Knights, we wish you a very Happy Birthday.



NATHANIEL F KLEIN	8/9
BRIAN A SANBORN	8/10
ROBERT E BOYKIN	8/11
JAMES H GENTRY	8/16
BRIAN R HERRERA	8/16
JOHN K PFEIFFER	8/19
EDWARD M ROUSE	8/20
NILS A MATOLAY	8/21

JOHN K RECKE	8/23
VICTOR L VANGROWSKI JR	8/23
MICHAEL KASSINGER	8/24
JEFFREY T FISCHER	8/29
RICHARD M JAMES	8/30



## Honors of the Months

Month	Knight of the Month	Family of the Month
Year 2020-21	Bruce Donatelli	Michael & Debra Stafford
July, 2021	Jeff Fischer	George & Nina Elliott
August, 2021		
September, 2021		
October, 2021		
November, 2021		
December, 2021		
January, 2022		
February, 2022		
March, 2022		
April, 2022		
May, 2022		
June, 2022		

**Knight of the Year**



Bruce Donatelli is presented Knight of the Year at the Installation Ceremony by GK George Elliott on July 10

**Knight of the Month**



Chancellor Tom Kubalewski presented the Knight of the Month for July to Jeff Fischer at the 10:30 AM Mass on July 25, 2021. Pictured are SK Tom Kubalewski, Jeff Fischer, and Msgr. Michael Reed.

**Family of the Year**



Michael and Debra Stafford are presented Family of the Year at the Installation Ceremony by GK George Elliott on July 10

**Family of the Month**



Chancellor Tom Kubalewski presented the Family of the Month for July to GK George and Nina Elliott at the 10:30 AM Mass on July 25, 2021. Pictured are SK Tom Kubalewski, GK George & Nina Elliott, and Msgr. Michael Reed.





# Council 7027 Installation of Officers

July 10 2021



K of C Council 7027 2021-22 Officer Elections	
Chaplain	Msgr Michael Reed
Grand Knight	George Elliott
Deputy Grand Knight	Dan Arndt
Chancellor	Tom Kubalewski
Recorder	Larry Burkhalter
Treasurer	Dale Sogor
Advocate	Philip Germain
Warden	Justin Paul
Inside Guard	Gene Skalsky
Outside Guard	Jim Gentry
Lecturer	Paul Hicks
One Year Trustee	Cesar Mascardo
Two Year Trustee	Greg Micklos
Three Year Trustee	Ray Kutch





**Fourth Degree**  
**St. Teresa of Calcutta Assembly 2823**  
 FN SK Dan Arndt



Sir Knights,

Welcome to the beginning of our fraternal year. I hope you all can make the upcoming Oktoberfest a great success for our parish. The 4th degree started the Oktoberfest to raise funds for our participation in the Milton Keep Christ in Christmas parade to pay for candy and bead throws. The parish adapted it for their fundraiser and parish/community enjoyment on September 25 from 11 AM to 7 PM. Let us help them with our experience and manpower to make this a successful event. All Sir Knights are invited to our next meeting August 19 at 7 PM. God Bless.

<b>Assembly 2823 Officers</b>	
<b>Fraternal Year 2021-2022</b>	
Faithful Navigator	SK Dan Arndt
Faithful Captain	SK Sid Roussell
Faithful Pilot	SK Joey Davis
Faithful Admiral	SK John Recke
Faithful Comptroller	SK Bill McDonald
Faithful Purser	SK Dale Sogor
Faithful Scribe	SK Tom Kubalewski
Faithful Inner Sentinel	SK George Elliott
Faithful Outer Sentinel	SK Dcn Chris Christopher
Trustee 3 Year	SK Bruce Donatelli
Trustee 2 Year	SK Michael Stafford
Trustee 1 Year	SK Bob Browder

**Supreme Chaplain's Challenge for August:**

This month, I challenge you to pray every day as an individual or as a family, asking the intercession of Blessed Michael McGivney to live in a more prayerful home, perhaps using the prayer for his canonization. Second, I challenge you to assist your council in the Faith in Action Family Prayer Night or Family Week program, incorporating devotions to Father McGivney into your efforts.

**Holy Father's Monthly Prayer Intention**

Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive

from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.



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## District Deputy Report for District 3

SK Cesar Mascardo

My Brother Knights,

We start our new Fraternal year with exciting programs and services to rebuild our Parishes and attain the once again Star Council and Star District!

Brothers, Strength in Prayer will assure total success! Your State Officers, Membership Team, Directors and Chairman are available to support and assist you all.

I just got back from The Florida State Council 2021 Organizational Meeting that was held on Friday and Saturday July 16-17 at the Hyatt Regency Orlando. It was great to have some normalcy and see my brothers from various areas of Florida.

I just want to give you all some good news for our district. District 3 has earned the 2020-2021 Star District Award. We were one of the ten who made Star District among the 87 districts. This is the second consecutive year we received this award which is attributed to all the councils working together in their charitable work and your dedication to the Knights of Columbus. It takes all of us to be successful. And I am very proud to be part of this district.

I want to congratulate FR. Thomas G. Lorigan Council 7027(Milton) and Santa Maria Council 7402 (Cantonment) who have earned 2020-2021 Star Council in our district for the second consecutive year. You should all be proud to make Star Council and Star District.

Star Awards recognize outstanding achievement in membership, insurance, programming, and overall operations. Earning a Star Award is the marker of a high performing Knights of Columbus unit and the goal to which every council and district should strive. Star Council and Star District Awards can be earned by completing criteria designed specifically for each division for the Knights of Columbus.

All the good works we do are informed by our four core principles: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

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.

We are given the opportunity to make a difference, whether through community service, raising money or prayer. We celebrate each and every Knight for his strength, his compassion and his dedication to building a better world.

Thank you and Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,  
Cesar Mascardo  
Florida State Council  
District Deputy 3



# Council 7027 Scholarship Winners 2021



Scholarship Committee Chairman Cesar Mascardo and Monsignor Michael Reed presented \$1000 checks to **Sophia Surdel**, **Mary Brock**, and **Brendan Cyr** on June 6 at the 4:00 PM Mass. Congratulation to the winners.





# Catholic Demographic Trends

- Infant Baptisms down 41.5% since 2000
- One in five Baptized do not get first Communion
- Two in five Baptized do not get Confirmed
- Catholic marriages down 55% since 1990
- 85% of Confirmed stop practicing by age 21
  - Their decisions are made by age 13
- Only 10% of practicing Catholics attend weekly mass
  - 31% drop in weekly mass attendance since 2000
- Will lose half of donors in five – ten years
- Post pandemic return to pews is done







## CELL PHONES VS. THE BIBLE

I wonder what would happen if we treated our Bible like we treat our cell phones.

What if we carried it around in our purses or pockets?

What if we turned back to go get it if we forgot it? |

What if we flipped through it several times a day?

What if we used it to receive text messages?

What if we treated it like we couldn't live without it?

What if we gave it to kids as gifts?

What if we used it as we traveled?

What if we used it in case of an emergency?

What if we upgraded it to get the latest version?

Oh, and one more thing. Unlike our cell phone, we don't ever have to worry about our Bible being disconnected because Jesus already paid the bill!