



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FATHER THOMAS G LORIGAN COUNCIL 7027

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COMING EVENTS

Date	Time	Event	Location
2	5:30 PM	First Monday Confessions	Chapel
5	7:00 PM	Planning Meeting	Knight's Building
6	8:30 AM	Adoration and Benediction at Noon	Chapel
7	12:00 PM	Rosary for America	Park & Dogwood
8	6:00 AM	KofC Breakfast 8-10:00 AM	Parish Hall
12	6:00 PM	Evening Prayer	Chapel
12	7:00 PM	Membership Meeting	Knight's Building
14	11:00 AM	Walk for Life	Seville Square Pensacola
16		MLK Jr Day	
19	6:00 PM	4th Degree Assembly Social	Knight's Building
19	7:00 PM	4th Degree Assembly Meeting	Knight's Building
26	6:00PM	Special Dance -8:00PM (4:00 PM Set-up)	Parish Hall
27	5:30 PM	KofC Social	Parish Hall
28	4:00 PM	Corporate Communion Mass	St Rose of Lima Church
Jan 2	7:00 PM	Planning Meeting	Knight's Building

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"Dear friends, may no adversity paralyze you. Be afraid neither of the world, nor of the future, nor of your weakness. The Lord has allowed you to live in this moment of history so that, by your faith, his name will continue to resound throughout the world."

Pope Benedict XVI
1927-2022

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

Keepers of His House Schedule

	Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4
Month/Yr	Day	Day	Day	Day
Jan, 2023	28	14	20	6
Feb, 2023	25	11	17	3



Grand Knight's Report

Michael Stafford

It is my sincere hope that you had a wonderful, joyful and blessed Christmas with family and loved ones. May our Lord God bring you many blessings in the new year.

Welcome new knights, brothers Joe Leone, Jerry Sciple and Mike Simoneaux.

The Christmas Market seems like a distant memory with all that has been going on since the 3rd of December, however, it was very successful bringing in almost \$1,000 for our council. The church also did very well with the proceeds from the Filipino Food Takeout. It was a lot of work and I thank all of you that contributed to it in any way.

Our December KofC family breakfast took in donations of over \$700 for the Life Options Clinic. Many thanks to all who worked the breakfast and came to eat as well.

The KofC Christmas party also went very well and I sincerely appreciate all of you that made it a wonderful night - THANK YOU! Many of you I was able to personally thank but when we finished in the kitchen that night and I walked out into the hall and saw everything put away and cleaned up I thought WOW! I don't know all who chipped in to clean up but I do thank you! And I must acknowledge our Grand Master of Ceremonies, SK Cesar Mascardo who was the driving force and organizer of the whole event.

So a new year. Time to make those new year resolutions, you know, lose weight, eat healthy, kick a bad habit, exercise etc, etc. I have a suggestion. If you're not doing this already why not resolve to set aside 15 minutes a day for spiritual reading. St. Rose has a library of

good books to get you started located in the St. Rose of Lima classroom upstairs in the education building. Also there is a ton of good catholic literature out there on-line and always there is sacred scripture, the Word of God - the Bible.

Finally it is the time of year for the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity. There is a new form for that (see link) but the old will work as well. Please take the time to fill it out as best you can and return it at the membership meeting on the 12th of January, 2023. You can also email it to me or mail it. https://www.kofc.org/un/en/forms/council/fraternal_survey1728_p.pdf. My Info:

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Prayer: O Glorious St. Joseph, spouse of the Immaculate Virgin, obtain for me a pure, humble and charitable mind and perfect resignation to the Divine Will. Be my guide, father and model through life, that I may merit to die as thou didst die, in the arms of Jesus and Mary. Amen.

St. Joseph. Pray for us. Blessed Michael McGivney. Pray for us.

Vivat Jesus



Field Agent's Report

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Happy New Year to all my brothers and their families! I wish you peace, joy and good health this coming year! It's that time of year when we make resolutions. Have you made any yet? Maybe the realistic question is, "Have you already broken some of them?" Here are 10 popular New Year's resolutions from the internet along with some of my own:

1. Get in shape; for some of us this means to lose some weight, exercise more and staying fit; to stop smoking or eat healthier foods.
2. Stop procrastinating; I don't know about you, but I'm going to put this off for yet another year!
3. Improve my prayer life; there's an app for that! The Laudate app claims it is the most downloaded Catholic app. It has an immense library of prayers, devotions, daily readings, podcasts and Vatican documents.
4. Improve on a skill or develop a new hobby; maybe you want to lower your golf handicap or learn to bowl. Go for it!
5. Be more thankful; God has blessed me in so many ways and sometimes I forget to thank Him for all of those things... usually because I'm too busy asking for something else.
6. Spend more time with the people that matter most; sometimes I get so busy working, keeping the house up or going to some meeting, I forget the ones I do these things for. I've got to set aside more time to just be with them.
7. Reduce stress; in this sometimes hectic and seemingly crazy world, it's easy to get swallowed up in the latest tragedy and worry all the time. Cutting out those

sources of stress or learning how to deal with them more effectively means a more settled life.

8. Read more; with so much on the internet, TV and radio it's easy for me to get lost in those. Reading for pleasure has become something of a lost art.

9. Spend wisely; it's so easy to spend money on things we really don't need, buy on a whim or because we're keeping up with the Joneses.

10. Review your current financial situation; it's always a good idea to take stock on a yearly basis. Now this last resolution I can definitely help you keep. My resolution is to contact each of you this year to check in and if appropriate, set up a time to meet. We can update your information and see where you stand. Your financial health is critical to your family's future security. We'll take a look at your goals and aspirations and help make sure you're on track to reach them.

Vivat Jesus and May God bless you all.



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Deacon's Teaching

Prayer, 'Language of Heart'

By Deacon Chris Christopher

When asking for something in prayer, does it feel like you are asking God to change his mind? *"Please, God, heal my friend who has cancer."* This petition can sound as if God didn't want to do it, but since you took the time and effort to ask, maybe he'll do it anyway... Let's dig a little deeper.

What's really being asked is, how strong is your trust in God? How much do you trust in the Father's goodness toward you? At the conclusion of your prayer and saying, *"In Jesus' name, Amen,"* do you get up from your prayer chair feeling more content because you put the whole matter in the Father's hands?

Prayer is not so much a conversation with God as it is an exchange of love; it's the language of hearts. In his love for us, Abba-Father's heart mingles with our hearts. Much can happen in prayer requests when this happens - even without words being spoken! When two people are close, they don't need words. Husbands and wives, as well as best friends, know the pleasure of simply being together. They can enjoy each other's company, even in silence, and peace resides between them.

Prayers Will Always Be Answered.

How many times do we "run" to God and ask for his immediate help without taking the time to talk with him about the issue, to express our feelings, and above all, to listen to what he wants to tell us? He wants our prayers to become much, much more than that.

Asking "in the name of Jesus" means asking according to his heart and his will. But how do we know if what we ask for is in accordance with his heart and his will? We discover it best through a two-fold process.

One part is prayer - the meeting up of two friends (the Holy Spirit and you or me) who are in an intimate relationship. We open our hearts to him and surrender all that afflicts us, worries us, saddens us, and overwhelms us. By unconditionally submitting everything to him, we receive his comfort, his peace, and his guidance. It is when we take time to ponder God's perspective of our prayer requests that we receive his counsel. The lesson to learn gradually unfolds. Trusting in him, we receive wisdom about what to ask and what not to ask, what to expect and what not to expect.

The other part is community - meeting with at least one Spirit-filled, Christ-centered friend or priest, or spiritual director so we can receive confirmation or new insights about our prayer request. Guidance for our prayer requests is not a complicated business.

Prayers can be answered in multiple ways. Sometimes they're answered as feelings through the Holy Spirit or thoughts that come into our minds. Events we experience in life can also be answers to prayers. Sometimes feelings of peace or warmth enter our hearts as we read God's scriptures. Bible verses take on new meaning and speak to us on a deeper level when our heart mingles with God's while reading his words. The secret is being able to make the connections between such events and God's hand in answering our prayers through them - even without words being spoken.

God wants us to live with joy, complete joy, and He calls on us to ask for *"...anything in my name"...* ^(John 14:14) Anything you say? So why then do I have so many unanswered prayers?

In many cases, our prayers are not answered the way we'd like them to be



answered because we ask selfishly/incorrectly. To ask for something in the name of Jesus means we're asking for *the sake of Jesus' mission through his incarnation*. His mission in becoming human was to give his people eternal life. Through our baptism, we are also part of that *mission* and should act/pray accordingly.

God as pure love is always listening to us and always answering our prayers. As the creator of all that is seen and unseen, He knows and wants what is best for us far better than we do. His answers to our prayers, though, are: Sometimes Yes; Sometimes No; and Sometimes Not Yet. Our attitude should be one of trusting that He knows what is best for us and that we should be praying for what is best for us.

If we do not revere God as a *loving, caring* heavenly Father, we will not accept his will as being better than ours. If we do not accept his will as being better than ours, we'll be frustrated and upset when He does not grant our prayer requests the way we'd like them answered. The key to a vital prayer life is to resolve the question of God's love first, and then interpret his answers in light of his love... rather than to look at his answers first and interpret his love in light of those answers afterward. We so often get this

backward. Even Jesus while agonizing in the garden prayed, '*If* it is your will...let this cup pass from me.'

Benefits of prayer: Prayer develops our relationship with God. If we don't speak to our spouse or listen to what our spouse might have to say to us, our marriage relationship suffers. It is the same way with God. Prayer, and communicating with God heart-to-heart help us grow closer and more intimately connected with Him.

Jesus instructed us to pray. It's not optional; it's the duty of a disciple. One of the simplest reasons to spend time in prayer is that Jesus not only taught us how to do it (the *Our Father*) but He did it so often during his earthly ministry. Obedience to God is a natural by-product of discipleship.

In whatever situation we find ourselves, good or bad, our prayer life should be in concert with Jesus' earthly mission. Everything else matters not one iota in God's grand scheme of salvation for us or mankind. We are his creation; He loves us and desires us to be with him in all eternity. Everything else is "fluff."

Next month we'll look at **Why do Catholic Bibles Have 73 Books?**

Trick Question: When should I take down my Christmas decorations?

Answer: Christmas doesn't end on 25 December. Advent does! Christmas ends on Epiphany, 6 January celebrating the arrival of the Magi from the East bearing gifts for a king. Those 12 days between 25 December and 6 January are called Christmastide or the Christmas Season. Its last day is often called *Twelfth Night, or Three Kings Day*.

Now you may now take down your Christmas decorations.





Sick & In Need Prayer List

Richard Opiela, The Cruz family, Paul Hicks, Carol Cox, Ian McDonald, The Barrett family, Gene Skalsky, Ed McCarthy, Bill Glover, Mike Kassinger, Bob & Joan Haring, The Baker Family, Bill and Mary Etta Hinkle, David & Sharon Hinkle, Joseph and Antonette Paterna, Sterling VanGrowski (Vic's Grandson), Dave & Donna Byers, Jim and Marianne Richardson, Jennifer Micklos,

Norm Champagne, Jim Gentry, Ben Paul, The Livorno Family, Dean Dizon, Zemma Paschal, John Recke, Joe Burgos, Dani Massey, Thea McDonald, Robert Bezick, Susie Polchowski, Linda Davis, Christa Gross, people of Ukraine, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Pope Francis, Bishop Wack, Msgr Reed, Father Christian, our deacons, religious, and seminarians.

Let us pray:

O Heavenly Father, God of Love, You gave us Your Son Jesus to be not only Physician of our souls but also Healer of our bodies and minds. Lord Jesus, We turn to You in this time of illness. Please come to us now, and lay Your healing hand on us and all who are in need of your Mercy. Let the warmth, peace and healing power of Your Spirit fill all of us now with Your life and love. We receive You, Lord Jesus! Heal us according to Your Divine Will, Lord Jesus, and enable us to serve You with a healthy body, soul, and spirit. May Your Joy, O Lord, be our strength this day.

Amen.

To submit a prayer request to be included here please send an email to info@kofc7027.com

Florida State Council, Knights of Columbus

\$55,000

Charity Raffle

FIRST PRIZE - \$25,000

2nd Prize: \$15,000

3rd Prizes: \$5,000 (3)

Get Your K of C Raffle Tickets!

Our council has raffle tickets for sale. Grand Prize is \$25,000, second prize is \$15,000, and three third prizes are \$5,000 each. This raffle is a fundraiser for both the Florida State Council and for our council. Tickets are only \$5 each, and half of the money raised stays with our council! Get your raffle tickets at the council meeting, or ask a council officer!



Supreme Chaplain's Challenge

by Archbishop William E. Lori

"Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven." (Gospel for Jan. 29, Mt 5:11-12a)

It often isn't popular to be a true follower of Jesus. That can especially be the case when we express our faith in public ways. For example, many Christians who have prayed outside an abortion facility have experienced hostility for their beliefs. But when we stand up courageously for truth and righteousness — even when we face opposition or persecution to do so — we know we do so as followers of Christ.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to give witness to your faith and love by supporting the pro-life cause in some concrete way, such as by donating your time or other resources. Second, I challenge you to participate in the ASAP, Novena for Life, and/or March for Life programs.

Questions for Reflection:

Are you willing to suffer as a disciple of Christ, as Jesus warned would happen? Do you sometimes fail to speak up for your faith or moral values out of a desire to be liked by others or to not "rock the boat"? What concrete, practical things can you do to strengthen your willingness and ability to publicly witness to your faith, even when it might be unpopular — or come with a cost?

(From kofc.org select "Who We Are", "Our Faith", and "Monthly Challenge")



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

JANUARY

For educators

We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

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



Honors of the Months

Month	Knight of the Month	Family of the Month
Year 2022-23		
July, 2022	Dean Dizon	John & Aine' Canning
August, 2022	John Recke	Jeff & Rose Fischer
September, 2022	Richard Connolly	Michael & Brittany Hamel
October, 2022	Tom Peck	Ed & Valerie Stanislawczyk
November, 2022	Walter Gross	James & Rachel Hull
December, 2022	Larry Hehr	Ben & Margaret Urnick
January, 2023		
February, 2023		
March, 2023		
April, 2023		
May, 2023		
June, 2023		

Knight of the Month Grand Knight Michael Stafford announced the Knight of the Month for December as Larry Hehr on December 31, 2022, at the 4:00 PM Mass. Larry Hehr was not available to receive the award.



Family of the Month Grand Knight Michael Stafford presented the Family of the Month for December to Ben & Margaret Urnick at the 4:00 PM Mass on December 31, 2022. Pictured are GK Michael Stafford, Margaret & Ben Urnick, and Fr. Christian Plancher.





Fourth Thursday Special Dance at Saint Rose of Lima

On the fourth Thursday in December (December 22), our Knights of Columbus Council 7027 held our monthly Fourth Thursday Special Dance. These dances, held on the fourth Thursday of every month (except November), are hosted for the benefit of our special needs friends and their families at no charge to them.

The theme of the December dance was Christmas, and we were fortunate to be visited by Santa Claus. In the early part of the evening, the music was primarily popular Christmas songs. After Santa left, we transitioned to dance party favorites such as the Loco-motion, Cha-Cha Slide, Macarena, and Limbo Rock.



of Lima Ladies Auxiliary members who provided the soft drinks, chips, and desserts, and who served the hot dogs our K of C council provided. We also appreciate Saint Rose of Lima Church for allowing us to use the parish hall and sound system. And thank you to the knights who helped set up and run the dance.



Our next dance will be Thursday, January 26, from six to eight pm. Set up starts at 4 pm. The theme of the January dance will be **Valentine's Day**. Come join us for a fun evening!



The fifty guests in attendance were hosted by five knights and six ladies.



Many thanks go to the Saint Rose





Council 7027 hosted our annual **Knights' Christmas Party** on Saturday, December 17, 2022, from 6:00 to 9:00 pm in Parish Hall.

We met, socialize, dine, and enjoyed Christmas Cheer at this gathering. We had a Christmas Quiz with a prize to the winner and the Dirty Santa Gift Exchange with gifts not to exceed \$10 in value.

The Christmas Party was a success as we had approximately 94 people participating in the event and many expressed they had fun, plenty of good food, and great fellowship with one another. This could not be successful without you all and the volunteers in the event.

Many knights and ladies helped out with preparations, food, set up, clean up, etc. So, thank you all. To the cooks, Deacon Massey, Danielle Massey, Heidi Massey, Vic Van Growski for preparing the food and John Marchal for making the shrimp creole. To Brian McGuire, Tom Kubalewski, Bruce Donatelli and Doug Blau in setting the food in the buffet line and helping me with the Christmas Quiz and the Dirty Santa Gift Exchange. To Bill McDonald for helping us set up at the beginning of the event. To the ladies, Debra Stafford, Anlyn Dixon, Linda Davis and Meg Browder in setting the tables and the dining room and having a 50/50 raffle. To Linda Davis for providing the photo shop booth and Joey Davis for dressing up as Santa Claus. To Margo Recke and John Stoltman for managing the drink booth. To Arturo Ojeda and Michael Stafford, for washing the dishes and kitchen clean up. To Tom Kubalewski for providing the Christmas music and Kenneth Paterna in assisting in the sound system for the event. To our roaming photographer, Mark Puno that took a lot of pictures at the event. To everyone that I might have missed or did not mention their name, I thank you for your help. To everyone that brought a side dish to share at the event, I thank you. We had a lot of volunteers at the end of the event that made it easier to clean up and finish in a timely manner in which I thank you all.

Again, thank you volunteers and the participants in the Christmas Party event for your amazing generosity and dedication to the Order.

PGK Cesar Mascardo, DD3, Christmas Party Chairman







Fourth Degree

St. Teresa of Calcutta Assembly 2823

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Brothers,

Hoping that you and your families had a wonderful Christmas. I don't have much to say about the last meeting as you know I was out of state. It is my understanding that we did have a quorum and that those that attended the meeting did have a good time. Thanks to those that provided the food and drinks. There were many discussions but no movement to go ahead with any of the ideas. It is a good sign that we had the final year's meeting with a quorum.

I hope that we can start the New Year moving ahead and advancing the

Assembly. Our next meeting will be on the 19th of January at 1800 (6 PM). I'm hoping that more will show up and we can plan for the new year.

I hope that you all have a Happy New Year and many blessings befall upon you and you friends and family. I would like us all to start out the new year thinking of all the blessings that we have.

Vivat Jesus

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Chris Lewis, president of American Wheelchair Mission, addresses the officers, directors, chairmen, district deputies, and other knights at the 2022 Mid-year Meeting of the Florida State Council of the Knights of Columbus. Chris discussed how the American Wheelchair Mission collaborates with the K of C's Global Wheelchair Mission to give the gift of mobility to those in need of a wheelchair. Chris is a brother knight and the son of the late comedian and humanitarian, Jerry Lewis.



EMERALD COAST
COALITION FOR LIFE

7th Annual Emerald Coast
Walk for Life!

January 14th, 2023

Keynote speakers:
Christine Yeargin
Autumn Lindsey Higashi

January 13 — Pro-Life Mass at 6:30 pm at
St. Paul's Catholic Church, 3131 Hyde Park Rd. Pensacola

January 14 — 9:30 am Youth Mass with Bishop Wack at St.
Joseph's Catholic Church, 140 W. Government St., Pensacola
(Geared to youth & young adults, but everyone is welcome)

January 14 — 11 am Speaker Event at Seville Square
with Christine Yeargin, Autumn Lindsey Higashi and Dr. William Lile

January 14 — Pro-life witness walking in downtown Pensacola.
Largest youth group leads carrying Walk for Life banner.

For more specific information contact jane@eccfl.org or call 850-290-4065 and leave a message.



Council and Assembly Officers

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>

Knightcast An inspirational video series forming men on their journey to be better husbands, fathers, citizens, and Catholics.
<http://kofc.org/knightcast>

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K of C Council 7027 2021-22 Officer Elections		Assembly 2823 Officers Fraternal Year 2021-2022	
Chaplain	Msgr Michael Reed	Faithful Navigator	SK James Fane
Grand Knight	Michael Stafford	Faithful Captain	SK Sid Roussel
Deputy Grand Knight	Douglas Blau	Faithful Pilot	SK John Recke
Chancellor	Tom Kubalewski	Faithful Admiral	SK Daniel Arndt
Recorder	Larry Burkhalter	Faithful Comptroller	SK Bill McDonald
Treasurer	Dale Sogor	Faithful Purser	SK Dale Sogor
Financial Secretary	Bill McDonald	Faithful Scribe	
Advocate	Walter Gross	Faithful Inner Sentinel	SK George Elliott
Warden	Justin Paul	Faithful Outer Sentinel	
Inside Guard	James Gaus	Trustee 3 Year	SK James Gaus
Outside Guard	Michael Gaus	Trustee 2 Year	SK Bruce Donatelli
Lecturer	Dcn Phillip Czajkowski	Trustee 1 Year	SK Michael Stafford
One Year Trustee	Greg Micklos		
Two Year Trustee	Raymond Kutch		
Three Year Trustee	George Elliott		

BIRTHDAYS

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



Michael Canzoniero	01-01	Todd Jones	01-03	Michael Gaus	01-09
Jason Doty	01-22	Donald Tomer	01-23	Rusty Bradberry	01-29
Christopher Manor	01-01	Doug Blau	01-07	Brian Casey	01-11
Joseph Paschal	01-22	Mark Engley	01-26	Sean Canning	01-29
Robert Bezick	01-03	Ralph Crago	01-09	Arthur Sobilo	01-13
Paul Hicks	01-23	Charles Newlan Jr	01-28	Patrick Cooley	01-29