



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FATHER THOMAS G LORIGAN COUNCIL 7027

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COMING EVENTS

Date	Time	Event	Location
1	8:30 AM	Adoration w/ Benediction @ Noon	Chapel
1	6:00 PM	Holy Hour	St Rose of Lima Church
1	7:00 PM	Spaghetti Dinner After Holy Hour	Parish Hall
2	12:00 Noon	Rosary for America	Park Ave & Dogwood
2	5:45 PM	Milton Christmas Parade	Community Center
3	5:15 PM	CUF Exemplification following 4:00 PM Mass	St Rose of Lima Church
3	6:00 PM	Reception after the CUF Degree	Double Classroom
4	5:30 PM	Soup and Salad Dinner	Parish Hall
4	6:30 PM	Dr. Tom Neal - Light Shines in the Darkness	St Rose of Lima Church
7	7:00 PM	Council Planning Meeting	Knight's Building
8	Holy Day	Immaculate Conception Mass at 8AM, Noon, 7PM	St Rose of Lima Church
9	8:00 AM	Church Cleaning Day	St Rose of Lima Church
9	4:00 PM	Our Lady of Guadalupe Bilingual	St Rose of Lima Church
10	8:00-10:00 AM	KofC Breakfast: Set-up 6:00 AM	Parish Hall
12	7:00 PM	Parish Penance Service	St Rose of Lima Church
13	7:30 AM	VA Hot Dog -Meet Parish Hall	VA Clinic
14	6:00 PM	Evening Prayer	Chapel
14	7:00 PM	Council Membership Meeting	Knight's Building
14	8:15 PM	4th Degree Assembly Mtg	Knight's Building
16	5:15 PM	KofC Christmas Party	Parish Hall
24	4:00 PM	Children's Christmas Mass	St Rose of Lima Church
24	7:00 PM	Bilingual Christmas Mass	St Rose of Lima Church
24	11:59 PM	Midnight Christmas Mass	St Rose of Lima Church
25		MERRY CHRISTMAS!	
25	10:00 AM	Christmas Day Mass	St Rose of Lima Church
28	6:00 PM	Special Dance—8:00 PM	Parish Hall
30	4:00 PM	Corporate Mass and Communion	St Rose of Lima Church
31	All Masses	Consecration to Holy Family, Jesus, Mary & Joseph	St Rose of Lima Church
Jan		HAPPY NEW YEAR!	
1	10:00 AM	Solemnity - Mary Mother of God	St Rose of Lima Church

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Parish Family Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction, December 1, 6:00-7:00 PM. (Spaghetti Dinner in the Hall afterward.)





Grand Knight's Report

Michael Stafford

Right off: I am hopeful that everyone had a great Thanksgiving and that we were able to recognize the source of all that is good; our Almighty God and Father. Now we turn our attention to prepare for the coming of His Son our Lord Jesus Christ. This weekend we celebrate the First Sunday of Advent so we are right into it.

Holy Hour: The First Friday of December is the first day of the month. A great way to put your self into the right mindset for advent is to spend time with Jesus in adoration. There is adoration after the 8:00 AM mass with benediction at noon in the chapel and our Holy Hour with adoration, the rosary, a litany and benediction at 6:00 PM in the church. Of course, we will have the spaghetti dinner afterwards in the parish hall.

CUF Exemplification: On Sunday the 3rd of December after the 4:00 PM mass we will hold a Charity, Unity and Fraternity Exemplification in the church. You are invited to attend and welcome our new knights to the order. A reception follows in the double classroom (St Francis/St Lorenzo).

Special Event: "Light Shines in Darkness" finding hope in a troubled world. This is a presentation by Dr. Tom Neal, the Chief of Evangelization and Mission Integration for our diocese. It is on Monday, December 4th at 6:30 PM in the church. Prior to that there is a no cost Soup and Salad Dinner offered in the parish hall from 5:30 to 6:15 PM.

Christmas Market: The vendor market and Filipino Food Takeout went very well. I don't have figures at this writing but will let you know in a future email. What I really want to say is a heartfelt **THANK**

YOU to everyone who helped in any way to put it all together and make it work so well.

Christmas Party: Mark the date, December 16th, for our Council's Christmas Party. The party starts after the Saturday 4:00 PM mass and we hope to start dinner at 5:30 or there about. We are looking to shorten the evening from last year by starting a little earlier and cutting out the 3rd round of "Dirty" Santa. More information follows in this newsletter. Hope to see you there.

December is a busy month and I will update you by email as to what is going on. Plan on keeping the "reason for the season", our Lord Jesus, at the top of your list and may you and yours have a very Merry and Blessed Christmas!

Prayer: O Holy and Blessed St. Joseph, who was highly privileged to witness the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to be the Guardian and Protector of Our Lord and His Holy Mother. We ask too, that you be our Guardian and Protector, now and throughout our lives. Amen.

St. Joseph, pray for us.

Blessed Michael McGivney, Pray for us.

Vivat Jesus!



Field Agent's Report

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My Brothers all,

As we approach the end of the year and our thoughts turn to the angelic declaration of "Peace on Earth" and "Goodwill to Men!" We remember Pope Francis' Prayer for Peace where he prays "Lord God of peace, hear our prayer!...Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance we may opt for dialogue and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last..." In our lives there is much going on: scurrying around buying a Christmas tree, getting it decorated; looking for that perfect gift for our spouse, our kids and maybe grandkids. There are parties and school Christmas shows. Seems like we're busier than ever. But let me ask you to slow down for just a few minutes and consider some financial issues that come up at the end of the calendar year.

1. Because we're so late in the year, you may have met your individual or family deductible on your health insurance plan. Financially this may be the opportune time for some minor procedure to be scheduled; or that visit to a specialist you may have put off. The same is true about dental insurance and sometimes even for vision coverage. Check with your Human Resource office or your health insurance carrier for details.

2. When it comes to health insurance, do you have a Health Savings Account? Do you have to spend the money that's in there by year end? Some plans have a "use it or lose it" feature. Do you have to make a decision about how much to contribute next year? These are a couple

of time sensitive issues. Again, make sure you check with your HR office or health insurance carrier.

3. If you have earned income for the year, will you contribute to a traditional IRA, Roth IRA, or 401k? Are you eligible to contribute more based on the "catch up" provision? Now is the time to start making plans.

4. Speaking of IRAs, have you received your required minimum distribution for this year? If not, the Internal Revenue Service penalty is a hefty 50% of the amount you should have received!

All of these issues come with rules and regulations, and each individual situation is different. I'd be happy to discuss them with you. As we prepare to celebrate Christmas, let us be thankful for all the graces God has showered on us, especially the gift of his Son, our Savior! Vivat Jesus

God bless & Stay safe.



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Deacon's Teaching By Deacon Chris Christopher The "O Antiphons" of Advent

The Roman Church has been singing the "O Antiphons" since at least the eighth century; most likely they date to the sixth century. They are recited prior to the Magnificat during evening prayer (vespers) from Dec. 17 - 23. Each antiphon is addressed to God using a noble title for the Messiah and petitions Him to come and save His people. This repeated imperative "*Come!*" embodies the longing of all for the Divine Messiah. Each antiphon is tied to Mary because she is the vessel through which the Savior will be born.

December 17 *O' Sapientia* (Isaiah 11:2-3; 28:29). "*O Wisdom*, O holy Word of God, you govern all creation with your strong yet tender care. *Come* and show your people the way to salvation."

December 18 *O' Adonai* (Isaiah 33:22). "*O Lord* of ancient Israel, who showed yourself to Moses in the burning bush, who gave him the holy law on Sinai Mountain: *come*, stretch out your mighty hand to set us free."

December 19 *O' Radix* (Isaiah 11:1; 11:10). "*O Flower of Jesse's stem*, you have been raised up as a sign for all peoples; kings stand silent in your presence; the nations bow down in worship before you. *Come*, let nothing keep you from coming to our aid.

December 20 *O' Clavis* (Isaiah 22:22) "*O Key of David*, O royal Power of Israel controlling at your will the gate of heaven: *come*, break down the prison walls of death for those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death; and lead your captive people into freedom.

December 21 *O' Oriens*, (Isaiah 9:1) "*O Radiant Dawn* splendor of eternal light, the sun of justice: *come* and shine on those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death."

December 22 *O' Rex Gentium* (Isaiah 9:5; 2:4) "*O King of all nations*, the only joy of every human heart; O Keystone of the mighty arch of man, *come* and save the creature you fashioned from the dust.

December 23 *O' Emmanuel* (Isaiah 7:14) "*O Emmanuel*, king and lawgiver, desire of the nations, Savior of all people, *come* and set us free, Lord, our God.

If one starts with the last title and takes the first letter of each one - Emmanuel, Rex, Oriens, Clavis, Radix, Adonai, Sapientia - the Latin words ERO CRAS are formed, meaning, "*Tomorrow, I will come.*" Therefore, the Lord Jesus, whose coming we have prepared for in Advent and whom we have addressed in these seven Messianic titles, now speaks to us, "*Tomorrow, I will come.*"

The O Antiphons not only bring intensity to our Advent preparation but bring it to a joyful conclusion.

Next month we'll look at **Epiphany**.



Sick & In Need Prayer List

Paul Hicks, Carol Cox, Ian McDonald, Claudia Barrett, Gene & Martha Skalsky, Ed McCarthy, Bill Glover, Mike Kassinger, Joan Haring and the Haring family, Mary-Etta Hinkle, David & Sharon Hinkle, Antonette Paterna and the Paterna family, Sterling VanGrowski, Dave & Donna Byers, Jim and Marianne Richardson, Jennifer Micklos, Norm Champagne, Jim Gentry, Ben Paul, The Livorno Family, Dean Dizon, The Paschal Family, John & Margo Recke, Joe Burgos, Dani Massey, Thea McDonald, Sharon Polchowski, Linda Davis & family, Walter and Christa Gross, Ed Horne, Beth McDonald,

Sharon Dipkin, Jerry Sciple, Dave McFadden, Nicole - sister of Justin Paul, Sylvia Mabley, Ronald J Gaus, James Gaus, Saveria Husslein, Robert Erisman, Bob Miller, Steve Gentry, Suzi Jones, Karen Lewis, Thatcher Kerzie, Mark Puno, R. Michael Cuningham, Bob Edwards, Nicole Kinnard, Art Sobilo, Adam Rapach, Wesley Smith, John Burkhalter, Rusty Bradberry, people of Ukraine, people of Israel, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Pope Francis, Bishop Wack, Msgr Reed, Father Christian, our deacons, religious, and seminarians (especially William Gibson).

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



2023 Knights of Columbus Christmas Party



This time of the year is a truly wonderful and magical one and Christmas is a holiday with a beautiful spirit and traditions. The spirit of giving, expressing love and gratitude, and a celebration of life help make Christmas a very special time of year. Please come and enjoy fellowship with one another, have some food, and be merry.

Join us at the 2023 Knights of Columbus Christmas Party on Saturday, December 16th at 6:00 PM (5:30pm Social) at the St. Rose of Lima Parish Hall.

Traditional Christmas Dinner: Turkey, Ham, Gulf Coast Chowder, Mashed Potatoes, Stuffing, Gravy, Dinner Rolls, Tea, and Coffee. Wine and beer provided (donations only).

We would ask that you bring a vegetable, salad, or dessert to share as the council will be providing the main course. If your last name starts with A-H, vegetable; I-Q, salad; and R-Z, dessert.

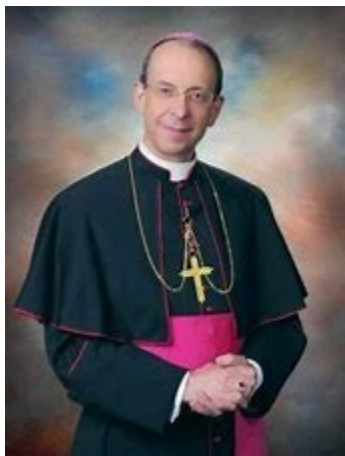
If you would like to participate in the Dirty Santa Gift Exchange (Cost of Gift Not to Exceed \$10.00), please bring gifts for the number of people in your family that will be playing. Example: Husband and wife...bring one male gift and one female gift.

Please RSVP to me by December 11, 2023, by email at cmascardo@aol.com or call (850)748-8788 confirming the number of people that will be attending so we can have the appropriate amount of tables and food.



Fraternally,
Cesar Mascardo, PGK, FDD, FN, RA1
Christmas Party Chairman





Supreme Chaplain's Challenge

by Archbishop William E. Lori

"Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples ..." (Gospel for Dec. 31, Lk 2:29-31)

The Jewish people had waited many centuries for God's promise of a Savior to be fulfilled. Here, Simeon realizes the wait is over. Like Simeon, we can count ourselves among the fortunate ones who "have seen [God's] salvation" in Christ, and we must proclaim this good news of salvation as he did. May we seek to share the gift of Christ with others in a particular way this Christmas.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to reach out to others — family, friends, acquaintances — and invite them to a celebration of Christmas, especially Christmas Mass. Second, I challenge you to participate in the Faith in Action Keep Christ in Christmas program.

Questions for Reflection:

Do you share the true joy of Christmas with others? Do you take time to invite others to deeper faith in the Christ Child? Do you speak of and celebrate the Advent and Christmas seasons in a way that reminds those around you of their true significance?

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



The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network

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DECEMBER

For persons with disabilities

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programmes which value their active participation."

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



Honors of the Months

Month	Knight of the Month	Family of the Month
Year 2023-24		
July, 2023	Ralph Crago	Dennis & Maria Flores
August, 2023	Edward Stanislawczyk	John & Jane Garton
September, 2023	Michael Gengo	John & Angela Berry
October, 2023	Art Sobilo	Michael & Brittany Hamel
November, 2023	Dcn Jeff Massey	Ron & Laurie Livorno
December, 2023		
January, 2024		
February, 2024		
March, 2024		
April, 2024		
May, 2024		
June, 2024		

Knight of the Month

Grand Knight Michael Stafford presented the Knight of the Month for October to Art Sobilo on October 28, 2023 at the 4:00 PM Mass. Pictured are GK Michael Stafford, Art Sobilo, and Msgr. Michael Reed.



Family of the Month

Grand Knight Michael Stafford presented the Family of the Month for October to Michael & Brittany Hamel on October 28, 2023 at the 4:00 PM Mass. Pictured are GK Michael Stafford, Michael & Brittany Hamel Family, and Msgr. Michael Reed.





Family of the Month

Grand Knight Michael Stafford presented the Family of the Month for November to Ron & Laurie Livorno on November 25, 2023 at the 4:00 PM Mass. Pictured are GK Michael Stafford, Ron & Laurie Livorno, and Msgr. Michael Reed.



Assembly 2823 Honors of the Quarters

Quarter	Sir Knight of the Quarter
Year 2023-24	
First Quarter	Dennis Flores
Second Quarter	Vic Van Growski
Third Quarter	
Fourth Quarter	

Sir Knight of the Quarter

Faithful Navigator Cesar Mascardo presented the Sir Knight of the Quarter to Vic Van Growski on October 28, 2023, at the 4:00 PM Mass. Pictured are FN Cesar Mascardo, Diann & Vic Van Growski, and Msgr. Michael Reed.





Fourth Degree St. Teresa of Calcutta Assembly 2823

SK Cesar Mascardo, PGK, FDD, RA1



Sir Knights,
 Merry Christmas! May God bless you richly throughout this holiday season.
 May you have the gift of faith, the blessing of hope, and the peace of His love at Christmas and always.
 I want to thank the assembly members for attending the meeting so we can proceed with the business at hand. Our next meeting is on December 14, 2023, after the council membership meeting.
 Our progress has continued to be successful each month for the goals we set our goals at the beginning of the fraternal year. I want to thank the officers and the assembly members for your dedication and commitment to make it happen. It takes all of us to be successful.
 I want to thank and recognize Sir Knight Tom Kubalewski, Sir Knight Bill McDonald, Sir Knight Bob Bezick, Sir Knight Dan Arndt, Sir Knight Brian McGuire and Sir Knight Joey Davis for participating in the Veteran's Day Parade on November 11, 2023.



Thank you again Sir Knights Vick Van Growski, Bruce Mabley, Michael Stafford, John Recke, Bill McDonald, Bob Bezick for volunteering for the VA Hot Dog Day which is held the second Wednesday of each month.

The Holy Hour will continue every month on the First Friday at 6pm except during the Lenten season. Afterwards, spaghetti dinner will be served in the parish hall by the assembly. It is donation only. I want to thank Vick Van Growski for cooking and preparing the spaghetti dinner. Thank you to Brian McGuire, Bruce Mabley and Arturo Ojeda for helping me serve the food.



Our Sir Knights will be participating in the Milton Christmas Parade on December 2 as our church has a float and the theme is Christmas In Toy land.

As you can see, we are back in the swing of things in dedicating our time to programs in charity and patriotism.

And as we bring the calendar year to a close, remember to be thankful for the graces we receive everyday. Remember the sacrifice made by our Savior, so that we can look forward to an eternity with God.

Have a Blessed Christmas season! I send peace, love and prayers from my home to your home this Christmas.

Vivat Jesus!



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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Council 7027 Officer Fraternal Year 2023-2024		Assembly 2823 Officers Fraternal Year 2023-2024	
Chaplain	Msgr Michael Reed	Faithful Friar	Msgr Michael Reed
Grand Knight	Michael Stafford	Faithful Navigator	SK Cesar Mascardo
Deputy Grand Knight	James Gaus	Faithful Captain	SK Bruce Mabley
Chancellor	Mike Hamel	Faithful Pilot	SK Brian McGuire
Recorder	Thomas Kubalewski	Faithful Admiral	SK John Recke
Treasurer	Dale Sogor	Faithful Comptroller	SK Bill McDonald
Financial Secretary	Bill McDonald	Faithful Purser	SK Dale Sogor
Advocate	Walter Gross	Faithful Scribe	SK Thomas Kubalewski
Warden	Justin Paul	Faithful Inner Sentinel	SK George Elliott
Inside Guard	Doug Blau	Faithful Outer Sentinel	SK James Hull
Outside Guard	Michael Gaus	Faithful Outer Sentinel	SK Michael Hamel
Lecturer	Dcn Phillip Czajkowski	Color Guard Commander	SK John Recke
One Year Trustee	Raymond Kutch	Patriotic Liaison	SK Joey Davis
Two Year Trusteed	George Elliott	Trustee 3 Year	SK Stephen Schaffter
Three Year Trustee	Ben Urnick	Trustee 2 Year	SK James Gaus
		Trustee 1 Year	SK Bruce Donatelli

BIRTHDAYS

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



Shawn Gallaway	12-05	Logan Bradberry	12-14	Jeremy Gengo	12-27
Jerry Sciple	12-07	Philip Germain Sr	12-20	Daniel Arndt	12-29
Adrian Cuyuch	12-08	Jason Ybarra	12-21	John Barresi	12-31
Dennis Mayeaux	12-12	Timothy Evans	12-23	Loren Landry	12-31
Larry Burkhalter	12-13	Emmanuel Guico	12-25	Robert McGinn	12-31
Kevin McDonald	12-13	Michael Stafford	12-26	Michael Simoneaux	12-31