

CROSS AND COMPASS

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Council 9924

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

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Grand Knights Message

Brothers,

Worthy Deputy Grand Knight Tim O'Connor and his wife Jane are very weathered folks on the topic of disaster preparedness. Tim bounced the idea of doing a mini hurricane awareness "seminar." To make it feasible, the seven hour class would be done in 45 minutes. Yes, the same was not offered for Sunday mass goers, but it was a test in a way too see how much interest was out there.

Remember our insurance and financial seminar with our Field Agent Dan Stanton and Council 7052 brother Attorney Kevn Stass? I feel that the hurricane seminar gave us a second opportunity to offer some information and education to our members and their families. The hurricane seminar was opened to the parish.

I like opening these to the parish because.....well.....men will show up who haven't joined us yet! I would really like to present some programs that would be of help and interest to our parishioners. Perhaps one every 3 months? I have discussed this with myself and we both feel that we shouldn't have anyone who has anything to sell. Unbiased information I feel is the way to go. On the other hand, we have dozens of brothers and spouses who are professionally engaged in financial management of one sort or another. Maybe we should be more concerned that the presenter be a brother knight or spouse. Your thoughts? The goal is to provide a service to our council and parish.



Updates on October events: The first "Coffee and Donuts" morning will be October 15 after the 8:00 am and 10:00 am masses. The Faith Formation Picnic will be October 22. More to come as time gets closer.

The Blue Mass – If you've been to one, you know how special it is. Invites have gone out to the officials and first responder agencies in the area. Please try to attend the 10:00 am mass on September 10. The Knights and their ladies will sit on the right side of the aisle. We will process into the church at 9:45 am. (Save the aisle seat in each row for a dog).

First responders and elected officials, along with honor guards from SCFD and local law enforcement agencies have been invited. The irony is that so many first responders are on duty in their jurisdictions and unable to attend. A reception catered by Buffalo Bill's will be held in the Parish Center. If you have any memorabilia that pertains to first responders or emergency services, you're welcomed to display these in the Parish Hall. I will be present Saturday morning to receive what you'd like to display. The food will be delivered on Sunday at 10:00 am. Not to deprive anyone of this mass, but we could use a few guys to put the platters on tables that will be set up in the annex...and a few for clean-up after.

Lastly, the victims of Hurricane Harvey are in a bad way. Many of you made my day by asking what we can do locally. Our Supreme website has a link for donating money. I spoke to the Red Cross and they said collecting clothing and blankets etc....would be a problem. I can report from the past that a lot of these collected items end up rotting in piles in the hot sun. The Red Cross recommends making financial contributions. I explained to the Red Cross volunteer that I spoke to that the Knights of Columbus already has an on-line donation site and she said that was the best thing to do.

Thanks in advance for your usual concern and compassion!

Kevin

We are coming up on the anniversary of the horrific events of 9/11. Our Lady of Lourdes has held a memorial Mass for many years on the Sunday nearest September 11. This Mass honors those who lost their lives on that day as well as those who survived and those who responded to the tragedy. In addition, we honor, at this Mass, all those in our communities who respond to our daily emergencies and those who serve to protect us. We owe a great debt to all who put their lives on the line for us.



We live in a society where it is impossible for everyone to agree on every issue. More often than not, we actually agree on the goal or the result but disagree on the route to get there. People propose different programs to achieve the same goal. We see this most clearly at the political level where issues are debated publically.

Unfortunately, we also live at a time where those with opposing viewpoints often feel that they have to protest militantly to be heard. The evening news often has videos of speakers inciting crowds and lines of police making sure that the crowd doesn't do anything inappropriate. This is another moment of danger for our security forces. They often become the target of those protesting.

There is another way. The greatest change the world has ever seen occurred without protests. It occurred when an itinerant preacher proposed a new way of life. He proposed support for those who are oppressed, orphans and widows. He proposed equality for all. He proposed that each of us should live a moral life. And He not only preached how to live such a life, He lived it Himself. Jesus gave everything He had, His entire life to show us how to get through this life and into eternal life. He said that He is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. It seems to me that if we all followed His way, we wouldn't need security forces. Nor would we need first responders because we would all be first responders, helping those who need help. Finally, we wouldn't even need government, we would be self-governing, always doing the right thing.

Deacon Lin

Brother Knights,

I want to thank all of you who called, e-mailed, and prayed, for my full recovery following my recent eye surgery. Your concerns are greatly appreciated! I had two tears of the retina which was repaired by laser surgery and cryotherapy. Although it is not clear to me at this time, they say the full recovery will take a little longer.

Past Grand Knight, Paul

Service Programs

Director

Tim O'Connor 915-6259

Backpack

Jim Palermo 493-3424

Community

Jack Kosiorek 423-3865

Church Programs

Bill Sanchez 492-4666

Cross & Compass

Jim Palermo 493-3424

Prayer Tree

Bob Evers 614-946-4225

Membership

Tim O'Connor 915-6259

Retention

Larry Baranick 492-6820

Pro Life

John Yaglenski 408-7558

Visitation/Historian

Joe Maguire 493-2784

Food Service

Bob Errico 497-3824

Food Collection

Dennis Tuszyński 485-3870

First Degree

Ed O'Connor 716-238-5001

Second Degree

Bob Burhoe 460-6546

Youth

Nick Catone 717-818-3167

Taylor Ranch Pantry

Sam Vergona 493-3313

If you know of a homebound brother or is residing in a nursing facility please contact Joe Maguire at 493-2784. Joe heads up our Visitation Group.

A visit can mean so much

K OF C COUNCIL 9924 GOLF TOURNAMENT

\$500 MATCHING CHALLENGE

Bob Smith has an anonymous donor who has pledged to match \$500 in Cash donations to our Golf Tournament. Thus far we are just more than half way there.

Please help the Council achieve these matching funds by signing up for the “temporary vocation” of your choice.

<u>Patriarch</u>	<u>Cardinal</u>	<u>Bishop</u>	<u>Monsignor</u>	<u>Priest</u>	<u>Deacon</u>	<u>Parishioner</u>
\$50	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5	\$3

Make your check out to K of C Council 9924 and put “2017 Matching Challenge” in the Memo field. Bring your check (or cash) to the next meeting and give to Bob Smith. Or mail it to Bob or Tom Reno.



The youth group would especially like to thank the members of the Knights of Columbus. Your generosity and dedication towards the youth of our parish is such a blessing!

WE DONATED A SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT TO HELP SEND OUR YOUTH TO SUMMER CAMP. FOLLOWING IS A NICE PUBLIC THANK YOU FROM THEM WHICH WAS IN THE BULLETIN

Council 9924 Board

2017-2018

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In case of illness, serious need or death please contact Kevin Lynch at 493-4376

To put anyone on our Prayer Tree contact Bob Eyers at 614-946-4225

Pray for the Sick and Distressed

John Greer, DD
 Barbara O'Connor
 Donna Jean Krueger

Frank Filosa
 Lucky Haynes



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
 IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

K of C Gala open to K of C and Guests. (Semi-formal)
 Date: March 3, 2018
 Place: Jacaranda West CC 1901 Jacaranda Blvd., Venice
 Time: 5:30 to 10:00 Dinner will be at 6 PM.
 Choice of Carved Sirloin or Salmon
 Entertainment: "Sony and Sable"
 Cost: \$45.00 per person, Cash Bar
 Checks made out to Assembly 1818. There will be five councils invited

Our Brothers Birthdays For September

Our Brothers Anniversaries For September

Marvin Bump	04
Rev. Stanislaw Pierog	07
Robert Young	09
Carl Brown	11
Dennis Strittmatter	12
John McCarthy	14
John Powers	14
John Harrison	17
Terrence Grogan	19
Wayne Miller	20
John Horgan	21
Isabelo Sanchez	22
Vinnie Ferris	24
TJ Hannaway	24
William Welch	24
Charles Murdock	25
Tom Reno	25
Paul Krause	26
Jim Palermo	28
Hugh MacDonald	30
Charles McGowan	30
Mark Stahl	30

David Liberte	17
Herbert Ziefel	17
John LeDuke	13
Hugh MacDonald	12
Marvin Missig	11
Robert Cordero	08
Matt Schiavone	08
Antonio Cardenas	03
Patrick Ewing	03
Perry Patete	03
Stefano Ragozzino	03
Stephen Delany	02
William Madden	01
Glenn Paul	01

Honorary Life Members

Michael Debitetto	52
Louis Beaulieu	45
Theophane Frechette	35
Kenneth Schiller	27
Robert Burhoe	26

Hurricane Preparedness Seminar



On August 26, 2017, Council 9924 hosted a Hurricane Planning Essentials Class. Deputy Grand Knight Tim O'Connor and his wife, Jane O'Connor, presented this class to over 50 parish members. They covered topics such as why a hurricane should be taken seriously, tips on how to prepare before a hurricane, information to know during a hurricane, and what to expect after a hurricane. This information was timely given the impact of Hurricane Harvey's landfall in Texas less than 12 hours prior to the class. The class was well received by those in attendance. There were also door prizes for attendees and the Knights provided refreshments.

A special thank you to Grand Knight Kevin Lynch, Financial Secretary Tom Reno and Peggy O'Connor for their assistance with logistics, refreshments and the door prize drawing.

September, 2017

Sunday, 10.....10:00 Blue Mass
 Tuesday, 12.....5:45 Officers Meeting
 Tuesday, 12.....7:00 Council Meeting
 Saturday, 16...12:30 Bowling Special Oly
 Monday, 18...Taylor Ranch Food Pantry
 Thursday, 21....7:00 4th Degree @ 7052
 Sat/Sun, 23/24.....Food Collection

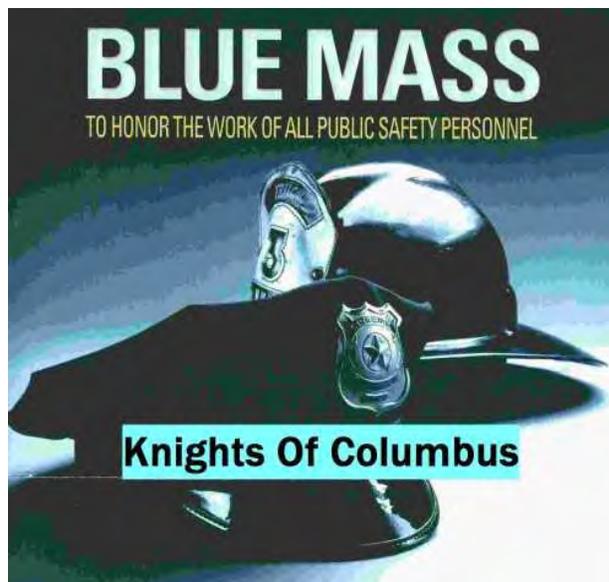
October, 2017

Monday, 2....Taylor Ranch Food Pantry
 Tuesday, 10.5:45 Officers Meeting
 Tuesday, 107:00 Council Meeting
 Saturday, 15.....8 AM Golf Outing
 Thursday, 19....7:00 4th Degree @ 7052
 Sunday, 22.....Faith Formation Picnic
 Sunday, 22 ...Coffee & Donuts, 9 and 11
 Monday, 23...Taylor Ranch Food Pantry
 Friday, 27..... Walk For Life @ PP
 Sat/Sun, 28/29.....Fifth Sunday Rosary
 Sat/Sun, 28/29.....Food Collection

November, 2017

Thursday, 2Mass Venice Mem. Gardens
 Sunday, 5.....11:15 Soccer Challenge
 Monday, 6....Taylor Ranch Food Pantry
 Saturday, 11.Mass @ Sarasota Nat Cem
 Sunday, 12.....2:00 Show of Shows
 Tuesday, 14.....5:45 Officers Meeting
 Tuesday, 14.....7:00 Council Meeting
 Thursday, 16.....7:00 4th Degree@7052
 Sunday, 19.....Breakfast
 Monday, 20.Taylor Ranch Food Pantry
 Sat/Sun, 25/26.....Food Collection

**Mobile Pantry at Garden
 Elementary School on
 Thursday, September 14,
 @4:15 PM
 PLEASE HELP**



Sunday, September 10, 2017, at the 10:00 AM mass we will celebrate our annual Blue Mass. Please ask your friends, relatives and neighbors who are retired or current first responders to join us. There will be a catered reception following the mass in the Parish Hall.

Please attend and wear your Knights shirt.

.....Along the Way

It is now almost five years since we moved to Florida. One of the first things we did when we arrived was to register the car and get our Florida plate. We could choose the motto printed under the plate numbers. We chose "In God We Trust". Since then we've been counting the times we saw other cars with the same motto and in five years we got up to about 20.

In May my wife started a medical journey that has taken her in and out of hospitals for the last four months. As I have driven to visit her on every trip there has been a car reminding me "In God We Trust". Usually right ahead of me but sometimes in the lane next to me. Often the car is old or beat up but this expression of faith and hope shines through none the less.

I try my best to live this motto and I thank our loving Father for being so direct with me. I am inspired and comforted by this little miracle I find along the way.

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE NOW



The Knights of Columbus and Catholic Charities, Diocese of Venice, Inc. have put together another fun packed day to support The Sugar Bowl Fund. This year's 10th annual show, featuring The Nowhere Band, a Beatles Tribute Band, will be held at the Venice Performing Arts Center on Sunday, November 12, 2017 at 2:00 PM. Tickets are \$25 and \$35. All seats will be reserved. The \$35.00 preferred seats are in the Center Section of the auditorium. The \$25.00 seats will cover the remainder of the auditorium. Tickets go on sale September 1

PURCHASE TICKETS ONE OF THREE WAYS:

Go Online

Veniceperformingartscenter.com and select the 'Buy Tickets' option for your desired event. Follow the prompts to complete your purchase. You can choose to print your ticket at home, select the 'Will Call' option, or simply bring your smartphone and the ushers will scan your ticket at the door on the day of the event.

Visit the VPAC Box Office

To purchase your ticket in person, please visit the VPAC main lobby box office, which is open Monday to Friday, from 10AM – 3PM The VPAC main lobby box office is located to the right when entering through the main doors.

Call

During the above business hours, you may call the VPAC box office at 941-218-3779 and select option #6. If you call outside of box office hours, please leave a message and someone will get back to you during box office hours.

Sugar Bowl Show of Shows Individual Sponsorship Opportunities

Century	Friend	Booster
\$100	\$25	\$10

All sponsors will be recognized in the program book

Circle Choice \$100 \$25 \$10

Name(s) as to appear in program _____

Phone # _____ Council name & number _____

Make check payable to Catholic Charities, DOV

Mail to Richard Maier

816 Blue Crane Dr.

Venice, Fl., 34285



Tom Reno is the Knight of the Month for August, 2017. Now our Financial Secretary, and past Grand Knight, Tom has been working for about two months on tracking down members who haven't paid dues for a while. Tom found some had moved and recommended a council in their new home towns. Some wrote back with a note of thanks and assurance they'd become active again.

Sadly there are some that we just can't locate! Some members do not have e-mail capabilities. Tom worked for several weeks until he had made some sort of attempt to contact each missing link.



John and Kathy Gallagher earned the Family of the Month certificate. John signs up for every clean-up crew after our dinners. He and Kathy participated in our back pack project at the All Faiths Food Bank in July. Thanks to all our award recipients. And thanks to all the families who helped at the food bank!

More than 2,000 Knights and their families gathered in St. Louis for the 135th Supreme Convention, which was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the achievements of the last fraternal year, and to chart the course for an even brighter future for the Knights of Columbus.

During the Supreme Knights annual report, he announced the "Knights of Columbus Campaign to Save 1 Million Children." Through our Ultrasound Initiative, we have already provided 829 ultrasound machines and this new campaign aims to reach the goal of 1,000 machines as quickly as possible, so that by 2019 — the 10th anniversary of the initiative — we will have saved an estimated total of 1 million lives.



Mrs. Ruth Quigg, wife of the late Brother Charles Quigg is presented a Resolution of Condolence by GK Kevin Lynch. The resolution makes for a nice remembrance of the Knights.

Charity Golf Event

Proceeds Benefiting

SOLVE Maternity Homes Our Mother's House & Pregnancy Solutions

Hosted by the Knights of Columbus #9924

- Date:** Saturday, October 14, 2017
- Course:** Pelican Pointe Golf & Country Club, 941-496-4653
499 Derbyshire Dr., Venice, Florida 34285
- Time:** Registration: 7:00 to 7:45 AM, Shotgun Start: 8:00 AM, Lunch: 12:45 PM
COFFEE AND PASTRY DONATED AND PROVIDED BY WAWA
- Format:** Scramble with flights determined after completion of play.
- Teams:** Put together your own foursome of men, ladies, couples or enter individually.
- Cost:** \$80 - Non-Pelican Pointe Member
\$70 - Pelican Pointe Golf Members
\$50 - Pelican Pointe Golf Members with prepaid trail fees
Includes: Green fees, cart, range balls, lunch, prizes, coffee & pastries at registration
\$25 - Lunch only
- Raffle:** For cash and prizes
- Questions:** Larry Baranick 941-492-6820 or lbaranick@verizon.net
John Janisse 941-497-0172 or john@jjanisse.com

Entry Must Be Received By October 7, 2017

Please make your check payable to Knights of Columbus #9924
Mail with this completed form to:
John LeDuke, 1316 Highland Greens Drive, Venice, FL 34285

Name: (please print) **Fee:** **Phone #** **E-mail Address:**

YES, I would like to be a sponsor by making a contribution. (Please enclose check)
Sponsorship levels: Bronze-\$50, Silver-\$100, Gold-\$250, Platinum-\$500, Diamond-\$1,000

Name/Business _____ **Phone #** _____

September 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 10:00 Blue Mass	11	12 5:45 Officers Mtg 7:00 Council Mtg	13	14	15	16 12:30 Special Olympics Bowling
17	18 Taylor Ranch Mobile Food Pantry	19	20	21 7:00 Fourth Degree	22	23 Food Collection
24 Food Collection	25	26	27	28	29	30