



# CROSS AND COMPASS

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**Council 9924**

**Our Lady of Lourdes Parish**

**Venice, Florida**

**February, 2018**

## Grand Knights Message

Brothers,

I am writing this in advance as I'll be "away from the computer" until around February 2. (I hear someone yelling "yeaaa") Well, I'll have my iPad with me.

Many thanks to all of you who helped with the Tootsie Roll Drive and the January Breakfast. ...especially on the same day (lesson learned, believe me!)

Both took an enormous amount of time and energy. Without the figures available for the final weekend, donations totaled. 5,835,80. I expect to break last year's record.

Thanks also to those who participated in the Walk for Life on January 22, and to the Yaglenski's for their never-ending efforts. It's with love for God's children, especially the unborn. I'll report on the trip to Ave Maria at the February meeting.

Upcoming:

Feb. 7: Second Degree Exemplification; this will be staffed by us but held at Council 7052's home on Substation Rd. As of this writing, this is tentative.

Feb 11: Breakfast and Basketball "Shoot-out".

Feb. 18: Bloodmobile

Feb 24-25: Food Collection.

Also, backpacking, and the usual monthly activities.

March 3: Assembly 1818 Gala at the Jacaranda Country Club. I have tickets; \$45 each.

March 3 and 4: Your Grand Knights annual recruitment rally at all masses.

I will be addressing fear of the unknown, as a reason why men don't join. So

I'll make it known. Also, I'll explain the new e-membership program.

I NEED YOU! We need to have a Knight at each door after mass; two at the front.

So I'll be asking you to help out for 10 minutes after whatever mass you like to go to.

I will schedule two first degree ceremonies for mid and late March.

As the great philosopher Bullwinkle once said to Rocky: Watch me pull a rabbit out of my hat!"

May God bless you and your loved ones!

Kevin





Bob Rush was named Knight of the Month for December. He volunteers to help at almost every Church service and is always there for breakfasts, Tootsie Roll and almost every Knight function.

Dennis Tuszynski was named Knight of the Month for January. He coordinates the Food Collection program, meets the truck and helps load the food delivery and helps wherever needed. Thank you Dennis!



On behalf of the Council, Tom Reno accepts the Star Council award for 2016-2017 Fraternal Year. The award specifically mentions the Grand Knight (Tom Reno), the Program Director (Kevin Lynch) and the Membership Director (Jim Palermo). The award, however, belongs to the council. The members recruited the new Knights and participated in all the events that resulted in this honor. A JOB WELL DONE by all!!



**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

We had a very successful breakfast. We served about 240 people and netted about \$800. The "New" Biscuit and Gravy was a hit. Everyone going out said the food was very good.

View the picture and notice the clock. It is 12:35 and our Grand Knight and Brother Kristie are still there cleaning up. They were among the first to arrive around 6:30AM and the last to leave.

This is not fair to them. WE NEED A CLEANUP CREW TO HELP FROM 11:00 to 12:45. Please call and volunteer. If we are to have breakfasts (which everybody loves and wants more of) we need to staff it! We have lots of volunteers to setup, cook and serve. Now we need a few more to clean-up!

**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 Tuszynski 485-3870

**First Degree**

Ed O'Connor 716-238-5001

**Second Degree**

Bob Burhoe 460-6546

**Youth**

Nick Catone 717-818-3167

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

... Along the way

In about two weeks we begin the season of Lent. The conjunction of Ash Wednesday with Valentine's Day suggests that, although Lent is a season of penance, we can chose to plunge into it with love. We can do this by acts of service as well as by acts of denial. Denying some legitimate pleasures strengthens our wills to be able to say no to illegitimate acts, especially those that may already be firmly embedded in our makeup. And acts of service strengthen us do God's work, taking care of each other.

Lent is a time for us to take stock of our automatic behaviors and sort out the bad from the good. The habit of sin is very powerful but the power of grace to turn our backs on sin is always greater. Resolve to take full advantage of the opportunities to grasp the sacrament of reconciliation. Not only are our sins forgiven in the confessional but we are also fortified with grace to resist sinning again.

**COUNCIL 9924 EARNS  
STAR COUNCIL 2016-2017**



Star Council is earned by achieving excellence in three areas:

- ◆ Meet Membership goals for growth of Associate Members.
- ◆ Meet Membership goals for growth of Insurance Members.
- ◆ Complete at least 4 programs in each of 6 areas:

Church	Community	Council
Family	Youth	Culture of Life

- Council 9924 Board**  
**2017-2018**  
**Grand Knight**  
 Kevin Lynch 493-4376  
**Deputy Grand Knight**  
 Tim O'Connor 915-6259  
**Warden**  
 Nick Catone 717-818-3167  
**Chancellor**  
 Sam Vergona 493-3313  
**Recorder**  
 Bob Smith 426-9807  
**Treasurer**  
 Jim Quinnan 445-8137  
**Advocate**  
 Larry Fischer 480-0214  
**Inside Guard**  
 Ed O'Connor 716-238-5001  
**Outside Guard**  
 Jack Kosiorek 423-3865  
**Trustee 3 Year**  
 John Yaglenski 408-7558  
**Trustee 2 Year**  
 Paul Krause 412-4418  
**Trustee 1 Year**  
 John Chiumento 426-9043  
**Chaplain**  
 Fr. Martin  
**Lecturer**  
 Deacon Lin 257-8464  
**Financial Secretary**  
 Tom Reno 496-8068

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**

Kathryn Krause  
Gallagher Family  
Barbara O'Connor  
Paul Dryzga  
Ed O'Connor

TJ Hannaway  
Betty Weiss  
Carolyn Smith  
San Denko  
Bob Smith



**Our Brothers Birthdays For February**

**Our Brothers Anniversaries For February**

Stephen Ambrose	01
Douglas Banting	01
Joseph Brisch	01
Gerard St Germain	03
Gerald Lietz	04
John Kosiorek	09
Joe Gallo	11
James Connor	13
Ed Kurpaska	14
Harold Bump	15
John Nastasi	16
Richard Rudin	16
Joe Ferreira	21
Thomas Meehan	21
Bob Rush	22
Bruce Simon	22
John Hric	24
Jerry McIlmoyle	24
Bob Subach	24
John Walsh	25

Joseph Sciano	24
Bob Subach	15
Tom Davis	11
Deacon Steve Beck	10
Lionel Martin	10
Joe Maguire	08
John Nastasi	08
Thomas Kirkpatrick	07
Mike Nevinger	06
John Staas	06
Ron Doorenbos	03
German Gutierrez	02
Enrico Scala	02
Lee Cravotta	01

**Honorary Life Members**

John Walsh	65
Bob Sweeney	42
Daniel Shaughnessy	41
John Yaglenski	30
Daniel Lanktree	28
Douglas Piper	28



Seminarian Kevin Avellaneda

We are supporting a new Seminarian - Kevin Avellaneda. Kevin began his journey with our Lord while he was an altar boy in his parish in Bogota, Columbia. He taught Ethics and Religion at his Catholic school. Kevin attended a program in Chicago to help young Latinos discern God's will for their lives. After being accepted into that program, he transferred to the Diocese of Venice to start his seminarian journey. Kevin is in his second year in Theology at St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary in Boynton Beach.

*"Wine is constant proof that God loves us and loves to see us happy."*  
Ben Franklin

**Food Collection Weekend**  
**Financial Contributions: \$1390.00**  
**Food Contributions: 1056 pounds.**



**February, 2018**

Sunday, 11...11:15 Basketball Challenge  
 Sunday, 11.....Breakfast Buffet  
 Tuesday, 13.....5:45 Officers Meeting  
 Tuesday, 13.....7:00 Council Meeting  
 Wednesday, 14.....Ash Wednesday  
 Thursday, 15....7:00 4th Degree @ 7052  
 Sunday, 18.....Blood Drive  
 Sat/Sun, 24/25.....Food Collection

**March, 2018**

Saturday, 3.....K of C Gala Dinner Party  
 Tuesday, 13.....5:45 Officers Meeting  
 Tuesday, 13.....7:00 Council Meeting  
 Thursday, 15....7:00 4th Degree @ 7052  
 Friday, 16.Irish Coffee after Morning Ma  
 Sunday, 18.....Breakfast Buffet  
 Sat/Sun 24/25.....Food Collection  
 Thursday, 29.....Holy Thursday

**April, 2018**

Sunday, 8.....Breakfast Buffet  
 Tuesday, 10.....5:45 Officers Meeting  
 Tuesday, 10.....7:00 Council Meeting  
 Thursday, 19.....7:00 4th Degree @7052  
 Sat/Sun, 28/29.....Fifth Sunday Rosary  
 Sat/Sun, 28/29.....Food Collection

**Mobile Pantry at Garden  
 Elementary School on  
 Thursday, February 8  
 @4:15 PM  
 PLEASE HELP**



**K of C Gala  
 Open to all Knights 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. Five Councils are invited.



K of C Florida Council Raffle offers \$45,000 in prizes  
 The state council is offering a raffle program to every council in the state. Tickets are \$1.00 each, or a book for \$12. The person who sold the book enters his name on the back flap of the book and turns the book in with the 12 stubs to raffle coordinators Bill Sanchez or Bob Burhoe, with the \$12.00. The council retains \$6.00!  
 We were issued 2,200 tickets and thus should have \$1,100 profit when the last ticket is sold. Why do we need the sellers name? Because the seller is eligible for cash prizes as well.

Winners will be chosen at the annual convention in May. Please see brothers Burhoe or Sanchez for more information.

If you would like to take a book and sell it yourself, please see Brothers Burhoe or Sanchez.

**So far we have done very little to sell tickets. Selling tickets is an easy way for the council to bank money. Please get selling and purchasing!**




### AVE MARIA TRIP

The Knights coordinated a bus trip to the city of Ave Maria on January 24. About 40 folks from the Knights, CCW and Choir went and had a fantastic visit. The city is built around the church and university and is an interesting concept of a nearly total Catholic environment. The Church is awesome, and we had an excellent guide who explained how the entire Ave Maria complex came into being. If you have not been there, you should go for a visit.



Patty Clipse, daughter of Brother Bill Madden receiving a Resolution of Condolence from GK Kevin Lynch



Clothing for migrant workers of St. Michael's in Wauchula will be collected from Monday, January 29 through Friday, February 9 only. Clean, gently used clothing in plastic bags can be placed on the Parish Center stage during this timeframe only.



As of this publication the final numbers are not available for how much we collected. Just want to thank everyone who assisted in collecting money, giving out Tootsie Rolls and helping those with intellectual disabilities.

# February 2018

Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat

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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Basketball Challenge Breakfast Buffet	12	13 Officers Meeting Council Meeting	14	15 7:00 PM Fourth Degree	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Food Collection
25 Food Collection	26	27	28			