

CROSS AND COMPASS

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Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

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Grand Knights Message

Greetings Good Brothers!

Well my Brothers, as the Holy Spirit led me to express interest in the Grand Knight role, it was not clear at what the challenge would be.

For example, Father Jay's request for the Knights to become more visible in the parish. I was surprised how much chest beating went on about what we already do. All my reading on how the Knights got started did not portray the Good Father McG as a man of "cannot do" - for after all he was already a Parish Priest and had his hands full. He saw a need and took action. What I have seen, is a number of individuals, saying we cannot do more - I do not think that is the spirit of Knighthood. Time will tell.

Sitting at the last Officers meeting, focus was on being Star Council. For one, when my time comes and I face my Lord and Savior, I do not want to say I led my Knight's Council to a Star. I want to say; I and my Brother Knights helped our fellow man as you requested us to do as we follow in your footsteps.

Now with this as my first communication, if you think I am on the wrong track for the Council for the coming year, please have the internal fortitude to bring it up at the first meeting of our new year. We will then have a healthy discussion and reach a consensus on what we, as a council, will undertake.

My Lord Jesus Christ died on a cross for all of us out of Love for us all. Should we not stretch and do what we can for Him?

Michael P. O'Brien

Michael Patrick Timothy O'Brien

PS: With your help I will do my best.



Knights of Columbus Service Programs

From time to time we will be outlining the four major service program categories.

This month we will look at COMMUNITY, chaired by Jack Kosiorek.

Coats for Kids:

Did you know many children throughout the United States and Canada go without a coat each winter? Many low-income families use their scarce resources to meet the most basic essentials and they need help to provide this vital winter necessity.

That's why the Knights of Columbus developed the Coats for Kids program, which allows councils across North America the opportunity to purchase new winter coats for children at a discount and to distribute them to children in need in their local communities.

Through our Coats for Kids program, 1,780 local councils distributed 87,906 coats to children in need throughout the United States and Canada in 2016. Since the program began in 2009, nearly 400,000 coats have been distributed.

Food for Families:

The Knights of Columbus is committed to ending hunger in local communities by asking local councils to participate in the Order wide Food for Families Program.

Since 2012, the Knights of Columbus has donated over \$10.7 million and 21.5 million pounds of food to local food pantries, community food banks and soup kitchens.

To encourage local Knights of Columbus councils to participate in this worthwhile program, the Supreme Council offers financial rebates to councils and assemblies that donate food or money. For councils or assemblies, the Supreme Council will refund \$100 for every \$500 donated, or for every 1,000 pounds of food that a council contributes to a parish food pantry, community food bank or soup kitchen - up to a maximum of \$500 per council/assembly per fraternal year. Reported contributions of food and/or monetary donations should be cumulative for the fraternal year and there is no need to send in a refund request every time a contribution is made. However, to be eligible for the rebate, the cumulative total of contributions of food/money needs to reach a minimum of \$500 or 1,000 pounds of food for councils or assemblies.

World Day of Prayer for Peace:

The Knights of Columbus World Day of Prayer for Peace seeks to unite Knights, Catholics and all people of good will – regardless of their religious faith – in prayer for peace.

While Sept. 11 will always be remembered for the tragic loss of life, Knights hope that this somber occasion will be the foundation of an annual opportunity for a day of earnest prayer for peace in the world.

To commemorate this tragedy with dignity and hope, the Supreme Council passed a resolution in 2004 to observe September 11 as a day of prayer for peace.

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Peter Spagnuolo 786-6638

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Henry VonSalzen 631-672-1803

If you know of a homebound brother or is residing in a nursing facility please contact Joe Maguire at 493-2784 or Salmac1057@verizon.net Joe heads up our Visitation Group. A visit can mean so much



SUMMER PROGRAM

Once again our council will be going to All Faiths Food Bank to pack summer backpacks. Last year we set a record packing 2200 backpacks in two hours. What can we do this year?? We will be heading to All Faiths Food Bank on Wednesday, August 1, 2018. Our packing time will be 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM. We will gather in the Lourdes parking lot at 12:15 PM and travel together. Please let me know if you and your spouse can join us this year. My email is: jspalermo@comcast.net or call me at 941-493-3424. I have committed to 24 packers.

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2018-2019

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To put anyone on our Prayer Tree contact Bob Eysers at 614-946-4225 or bobeyers@gmail.com

“The most important thing in the life of every man and every woman is not that they should never fall along the way. The important thing is always to get back up, not to stay on the ground licking your wounds.”

Pope Francis

Pray for the Sick and Distressed

Germain Guterriez
 Ed O'Connor
 Barbara O'Connor
 Kathy Gallagher
 Gerry Quinnan
 Betty Hackmeister

Bill Weiss
 Betty Weiss
 Bob Hackmeister
 Jim Browning
 TJ Hannaway



Our Brothers Birthdays For July

Our Brothers Anniversaries For July

Tom Kirkpatrick	03
Sal Vergona	03
Tom Kanapky	04
Vito Adamo	07
Edmund Guszowski	07
Theodore Drabin	08
Guenther Hennig	11
Stephen Feldman	13
James Quinnan	14
Robert Crowley	15
James Kelly	17
Ron Doorenbos	18
John Gallagher	19
Dave Burger	20
William Barrett	21
Ed O'Connor	21
Robert Elie	23
John Luchansky	24
John Staas	28
Peter Valenti	29
Patrick Ewing	30
Peter Rots	30

Salvatore Trofi, Jr.	14
Lee Smutz	14
Robert Lauser	09
James Fox	09
John Luchansky	09
Dave Weinberger	08
David Burger	02
Ronald Beech	01
Joe Browne	01
Dennis Stoll	01
Dennis Vance	01

Honorary Life Member

Frank Lofaro	64
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Honorary Member

James Stevens	49
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Save Your Columbia Magazine Issues

In every issue of our Columbia Magazine in the final pages you will find "Knights In Action". This is a tremendous tool for everyone to use for recruiting new members. Please don't discard your magazine. Bring your copy to our monthly meeting and give it to Sam Mattoni, Recruitment Chairman. He will use them as his recruitment tool.

Food Collection

Food collected 920 pounds
 Money donated \$1179
Thanks to all who worked

Membership Dues are Due Now

Please save everyone a great deal of time and effort and pay your dues.



July, 2018

Monday, 09.....6:30 Officers Meeting
 Tuesday, 10.....7:00 Council Meeting
 Thursday, 19.....7:00 4th Degree @7052
 Saturday, 28....Back To School For Kids
 Sat/Sun, 28/29.....Food Collection

August, 2018

Wednesday, 01..1:00 Summer Backpack
 Wednesday, 01....Installation of Officers
 Monday, 13.....6:30 Officers Meeting
 Tuesday, 14.....7:00 Council Meeting
 Thursday, 16.....7:00 4th Degree @7052
 Sat/Sun, 25/26.....Food Collection
 Tuesday, 28.....5:30 Second Degree

September, 2018

Sunday, 09.....10:00 Annual Blue Mass
 Monday, 10.....6:30 Officers Meeting
 Tuesday, 11.....7:00 Council Meeting
 Thursday, 20.... 7:00 4th Degree @7052
 Sat/Sun, 29/30.....Food Collection
 Sat/Sun, 29/30.....5th Sunday Rosary

**Knights of Columbus/
 Circle of Life Golf Outing
 Saturday, November 3**

**Knights of Columbus
 Sugar Bowl
 Show of Shows
 Sunday, November 25**

**Paul Todd
 Christmas Concert
 Sunday, December 2**

BACKPACK SCHEDULE FOR 2018 FALL SESSION

Brothers, Below is the packing schedule for the remainder of the 2018 school year. As I did last year I am putting the entire schedule out for everyone to see. We have many new knights and I wanted to give everyone an opportunity to sign up. We meet at approximately 8:15 AM and are ready to begin packing by 8:30 AM. The location is the Venice United Church of Christ, 620 Shamrock (opposite Herman's Meats). Park in the rear parking area to the left as you enter. The side/rear door will be open so you can enter there. If we begin on time, which we usually do, you should be on your way home at 9:00 AM. If you choose to assist with this ministry please send me an email as to the dates you choose to work. I will then put together the schedule and send it out to all of the participants. With Brother Pat Rapp as our transporter, we will need four additional packers for each date.

September, 6 & 20

October, 4 & 18

November, 1 & 15

December, 6 & 20

Please email me at: jspalermo@comcast.net or call if you have no email at: 941-493-3424 with your chosen dates.

Our kids thank you,
 Jim Palermo, Backpack Chairman

CIRCLE OF LIFE CHARITY GOLF OUTING

Many hands makes the job much easier. Please, please consider assisting with this year's golf outing. This is a major fund raiser for us and for our charities. Our co-chairs Pete Rots and Ron Bowes have many openings for you to fill to make the event a total success.

Contact Pete at: rotsp@aol.com

Contact Ron at: ronbowes44@yahoo.com



Our Insurance Representative, Dan Stanton, receives Knight of the Month Award. Dan has worked very hard to qualify us for Star Council



Nick Catone receives Knight of the Month from May for his tireless work with the youth of our parish




PGK Tom Reno presents retiring GK Kevin Lynch with a Certificate of Appreciation from the Council. He is also presented with Past Grand Knight jewels as well.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

JULY 28, 2018



VENICE
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH
825 The Rilato
Venice, FL


DAY 4 HOPE

Community Outreach Program


Volunteers needed to make this day a success!

Be a part of this amazing outreach program by serving as a Day 4 Hope ambassador. Ambassadors are a pivotal part of the success of Day 4 Hope as they greet the children and parents, lead them through the process and interact with the families in a warm and friendly manner. We are currently in need of over 200 adult volunteers. This is a rewarding and fulfilling opportunity for all involved. Mandatory training with dinner will be provided one week prior.


Carolyn Wilson
Director of Connection
and Outreach
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ext 124




DENTAL CHECK-UP



HAIRCUT



MEDICAL EXAM



This “Day 4 Hope” is a major project taken on by Community Outreach. Our Lady of Lourdes is a member of this outreach. In fact this is where our toiletries from our toiletries drive go. I worked this program last year along with other knights. Trust me you will feel good but have a heavy heart all day long. This is for a special group of backpack kids, those who are considered homeless as the State of Florida defines homeless. (Simply put, not in the same bed night after night). Please contact Carolyn Wilson (listed above). You will be glad you did.

July 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 Happy Fourth of July	5	6	7
8	9 6:30 Officers Meeting	10 7:00 Council Meeting	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 7:00 Fourth Degree	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 Day For Hope Food Collection
29 Food Collection	30	31				