

# CROSS AND COMPASS

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## Grand Knights Message

Dear Brothers in Christ,

Happy New Year! As we embark on our faith filled journey in 2022 let us be grateful to Almighty God for all our successes in 2021. We have some exciting events coming up, especially our parish Gala, Saturday, February 19th, 2022. You can purchase tickets online or after mass and I will have tickets at our next meeting on January 11th, 2022.

On Tuesday March 8th we are holding a fundraiser for Catholic Charities called Irish Pub Night at Pelican Pointe CC. Tickets will be available soon. America's #1 Irish tenor Andy Cooney is coming from New York to perform with his band.

We all need to express our gratitude to one of our new brothers Ray Pranko who is taking over as our new editor for Cross and Compass. In January we have a plethora of activities. First there is a tootsie roll drive January 7th and 8th and also on January 22nd and 23rd. On January 16th we have our pancake breakfast. We are also having a membership drive the weekend of January 15th and 16th. Finally our blood drive is January 23rd and our food drive is January 29th and 30th. Please volunteer for one or more of these activities.

Always keep in mind we are the strong right hand of the church and as Pope Francis said "the knights are men of courageous witness, faith and integrity." Let us continue to build the Kingdom of God as our founder Blessed Michael McGivney did so long ago. God love you all.

Vivat Jesus,

Ron Bowes, GK



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## Pray for the Sick and Distressed

Keep the sick in your prayers

Steve Delaney	Peter Spagnuolo
German Gutierrez	George Abel
Dick Bates	Scott Sheldon

## Necrology

Remember our Deceased Brothers  
In Your Prayers

## Our Brothers Birthday



## Our Brothers Anniversary

German Gutierrez	89	Guisepppe Ragozzino	73
William Stahl	84	David La Liberte	72
Edward Gates	83	Dennis Tuszynski	72
Herbert Ziefel	82	William Blanchard	70
Joseph Mrusko	80	Timothy O Connor	64
Kieran Day	80	Richard Ventresca	62
Raymond Benkosky	79	Dennis Koopman	58
J Martin	77	Robert Lauser	56
Wayne Vuolo	76	Linn Spiller	55
John Cullinan	76	Mark Iannotti	45
Nicholas Catone	75	Ethan Dale	24

<b>Life Members</b>		James Connor	22
<b>Theophane Frechette</b>	58	Don Freiburger	20
<b>John Reilly</b>	57	Isabelo Sanchez	16
<b>Alfred Roy</b>	43	Thomas Reno	12
<b>Samuel Mattoni</b>	45	Theodore Drabin	12
<b>Christopher Clair</b>	39	Nicholas Catone	9
<b>Donald Maselli</b>	35	Robert Eysers	9
<b>James Kelly</b>	34	Joseph Connors	9
Michael Wohlrab	33	Daniel Smith	6
John Marino	30	John Vidas	6
Martin Reis	27	Henry Von Salzen	6
Patrick Rapp	24	Daniel Bocan	5

*Behind you,*

*All your memories.*

*Before you,*

*All your dreams.*

*Around you,*

*All who love you.*

*Within you,*

*All you need.*

Someone once told me to always live for the little things in life. Live for 5am sunrises and 5pm sunsets where you'll see colors in the sky that don't usually belong. Live for road trips and bike rides with music in your ears and the wind in your hair. Live for days when you're surrounded by your favorite people who make you realize that the world is not a cold, harsh place. Live for the little things because they will make you realize that this is what life is about, this is what it means to be alive.

Read, Love and Learn  
facebook.com/readloveandlearn

## Activities

January, 2022

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### Rosary

**Mondays @ 8:00 AM Mass**

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**Saturday & Sunday, January 7 & 8**  
**Tootsie Roll Drive**

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### Council Meeting

**Tuesday, January 11**

**Officers 5:30**

**Rosary 6:30**

**Meeting 7:00**

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**Saturday & Sunday, January 15 & 16**  
**Membership Drive**

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**Sunday, January 23**

**Blood Drive**

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**January 29 & 30**  
**Food Collection after all Masses**

## Service Programs

### Director

Larry Fischer 480-0214

### Community

*Dan Dacey 493-9107*

### Faith Director

*Open*

### Membership

*Armond Padula 408-9819*

### Retention

*Bill Morris 214-244-9464*

### Culture of Life Director

*John Yaglenski 408-7558*

### Food Service

*Victor Romano*

### Cross & Compass

*Dick Maier 496-8181*

### Backpack

*Jim Palermo 403-3424*

### Publicity

*Jim Palermo 493-3424*

### Food Collection

*Eric Bisighini 860-899-8785*

*James Collins 917-837-8698*

### Family Director

*Nick Catone 717-818-3167*

### Insurance Promotion

Mark Ueblacker 268-1565

### Vocations Chairman

*Greg Walsh 681-2438*

### Health Services

*Henry Vonsalzen 631-672-1803*

### Council Prayer Tree

*Robert Eyers 614-946-4225*

### Fourth Degree

*Ed Farrell 445-5697*

### Visitation

*Joe Maguire 493-2784*

**BLOOD DONOR HONOR ROLL**

One Blood wants to thank OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH and the KOC #9924 by recognizing the following parishioners for their blood donation on Sunday , November 7th, 2021.

Anthony Dolejs

Charles Lauk

David Lingard

Dennis Charles

Gregory Smith

Jerome Donovan

Kay Stewart

Martha Galek

Patricia Buckley

Rebecca Lancaster

Sean Lamb

Bernadette Pfanner

David Havens

Deborah Okoniewski

Frank Bertoni

Henry Von Salzen

John Raymond

Laura Paradiso

Michele Cook

Patricia Caccavelli

Russell Lancaster

Thomas Galek

**BLOOD DRIVE****Sunday****January 23, 2022****from 8am to 1:30pm**



## CHRISTMAS CONCERT



## THEN FIRST BRASS OF SARASOTA



A great time was had by all!

Peace and Joy in Christ, Father Vince

I just received from Bob Rueger the Knights of Columbus Christmas check. I wish to thank all the Knights of Council 9924 for their generous gift. I will use it as a gift to support the relief work for the thousands of victims of the deadly tornadoes that struck the mid-West recently. Our fellow Americans are suffering great losses by these fatal tornadoes. Their Christmas will be bleak this year.

Fr. Lukka -

Dear Brother Knights – Thanks for the loving wishes and generous gift. May the Peace & Joy of our Lord continue to fill your lives! Thank you so much for all you do for the Church and Priests. With many prayers, love and Thanks !

Susan Rohmer, President, Venice Area Pregnancy Care Center

A very appreciative Thank You for your generosity to VAPCC. We were thrilled when first contacted and told we would be one of the recipients from the Golf Tournament this year.....The donation to us still has us smiling and still in awe of what you and the others accomplished! The money will be used wisely and will benefit MANY! A, gain, thank you all - Blessings during this wondrous season.

Sandra Frank, CEO All Faiths Food Bank

Holiday Blessings

Our Lady of Lourdes KofC family – Thank you for being our Hunger Heroes!



**Food  
Collection**

**December**

For a summer collection, we did very well. On top of it being summer we had to deal with lightning and a downpour at the 5:00 Saturday Mass.

Thanks to all who assisted!

**618 Pounds of Food**

**\$3472 CASH**

**SUPER!!**



Left to Right: Tom Reno, Nick Cattone, Ron Bowes, Jim Palermo, Dave Tura, John LeDuke

Grand Knight Ron Bowes honors the 2021 Bowling Tournament for their great job of raising enough funds, after expenses, to help Pregnancy Solutions, Our Mothers House and Venice Area Prenancy Care Center with \$10,000 each.





