

# CROSS AND COMPASS

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## Grand Knights Message

Dear brothers in Christ:

This is November, and it is an important month for us with our annual golf outing on November 5th which serves 3 pro-life charities. Thanks to the hard work and dedication of brother Dave Tura our event will be a great success despite the hurricane causing havoc.

November is also the time we honor our veterans and we have so many brothers who are veterans. Please pray on November 2nd for all our family and friends, especially those who died in war to receive the unlimited mercy of God to be welcomed into heaven.

The annual memorial mass will be held at Venice Memorial Gardens at 2:00pm on Wednesday, November 2nd so please try to attend.

We will have a pancake breakfast on Sunday, November 15th so please sign up with [signupgenius.com](http://signupgenius.com).

Our Christmas party with the CCW is coming together thanks to the hard work of Katie Morris and Jackie Brigirlio. See the flyer in this copy of the Cross and Compass and plan to attend. It'll be a joyous occasion for all.

We are looking for some Catholic organization to give our clothing drive to, so if you know anyone in need please give Tom Reno or myself a call.

Once again thank you all for being strong soldiers for Christ, especially during these difficult times. Be sure and vote your conscience on Tuesday, November 8th in accordance with the concept of faithful citizenship.

Vivat Jesus,

Ron Bowes, GK



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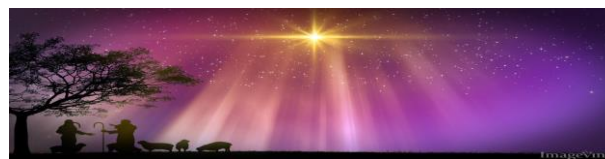
*Michael Costanza 941-400-7416*



## Prayers for Our Sick & Distressed

Dennis Putman  
Mike O'Brien  
Dick Maier

Scott Sheldon  
Ray Callahan  
Patrick Burke



## Remembering Our Deceased

Bob Eyers

## In Our Thoughts and Prayers

A place for those close to us

### Bob Eyers

Robert George Eyers went to the Risen Lord on Monday, October 3, 2022, in Venice, FL. Born in Oshkosh, WI to George and Helen (Faust) Eyers, he was a man who loved God and put that love into action every day.

Bob was deeply devoted to his wife Barbara (Blodgett), with whom he celebrated fifty-nine years of marriage. Together they were a shining example of love and faith to their four children, sixteen grandchildren and ten great grandchildren.

Bob graduated from St. Lawrence Seminary in Mt. Calvary, WI and remained active in the Catholic Church all his life; through music ministry, parish council, teaching, small church community, Knights of Columbus and monetary support. Each morning he prayed for the needs of his family, friends and all who were lucky enough to cross his path. He was known for his sharp mind and warm folksy humor. He was a trusted advisor to many.

Bob earned a Bachelor's degree in Mathematics at Wisconsin State College and Master's in Business at the Ohio State University, and also became a certified Actuary. He started as a Data Analyst at Sentry Insurance in Stevens Point, WI, an Actuary for Aetna Insurance in Hartford, CT as well as JC Penney Property and Casualty Insurance in Westerville, OH where he also served as Senior Vice President. He finished his Actuarial career with KPMG Peat Marwick and Rector & Assoc.

Hoping to continue his legacy are his children Cynthia (Michael) Williams of Delaware, OH, Christopher (Amy) Eyers of Cincinnati, OH, Andrew (Karen) Eyers of Mequon, WI, and Daniel (Diana) Eyers of Marysville, OH.

Preceding him in death were his parents, older sister Marjorie (Howard) Christianson of Fisk, WI, infant sister Dorothy Mae, daughter in law Perri (Sipe) Eyers of Marysville, OH, and several grandchildren.

Services will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the St. Lawrence Seminary at 301 Church Street, Mt. Calvary, WI 53057

*Thank you letters from those receiving donations from Council 9924. Here are the rewards of our charitable work and commitment to those in need.*



Richard P. Hughes Secretary  
5118 Sylvan Oaks Dr Valrico, FL 33596-9217  
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Re: Gift Acknowledgement

Thank you for your recent gift to Florida K of C Charities, Inc. Your generosity helps us to provide needed funds for Vocations, Helping Life, Citizens with Disabilities, Disaster Relief, and other charitable programs in support of the mission of the Florida Knights of Columbus. Your receipt for tax purposes is shown below. Please retain for your records.

<u>Gift Date</u>	<u>Gift Amount</u>	<u>Gift Purpose</u>
10/7/2022	500	Puerto Rico Disaster Relief 2022

No goods or services were provided to you in consideration for this gift. Florida K of C Charities, Inc. is registered corporation in the State of Florida and is tax-exempt under IRS section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code.

Yours in Christ,

Richard P Hughes Secretary



# CELEBRATIONS



## BIRTHDAYS

Name		Age
John	Marino	92
Ivan	Skoric	89
Donald	Maselli	89
Robert	Rueger	86
Richard	Maier	85
Don	Morra	84
Howard	Schneider	81
Joseph	Della Penna	81
David	Warren	79
John	Unnerstall	77
Dennis	Dahm	74
Martin	Reis	73
John	Ozimek	72
Paul	Cacciatore	71
Ronald	Nodzon	71
Ralph	Mantello	71
James	Fox	67
Eric	Bisighini	64
Scott	Frank	57
Joseph	Esgro	56
Brian	Jones	56
Andrii	Romankiv	49
James	Loggins	33

## ANNIVERSARIES

Name		Years
George	Abel	62
Joseph	Della Penna	62
Robert	Sweeney	61
James	Gillio	58
Thomas	Festa	51
Robert	Carrano	46
John	Kosiorek	42
Michael	O Connell	41
Francis	Conwell	38
David	Warren	35
Vincent	Sheehy	34
Stanislaw	Pierog	34
John	Unnerstall	31
Dennis	Dahm	25
James	Placek	24
David	Schwartz	19
Joseph	Grossi	17
David	Kristie	16
Michael	Milak	10
Bernard	Lanza	10
Thomas	Lucia	10
Normand	Pouliot	10
Thomas	Donnelly	8
Robert	Atkins	7
Willard	Straub	7
Peter	West	7
John	Peters	1

Red denotes Life Members

## SERVICE PROGRAMS

**Director** – Nick Catone 717-818-3167

**Community** - Dan Dacey 493-9107

**Faith Director** - Open

**Family Director** - Nick Catone 717-818-3167

**Health Services** – Henry Vonsalzen 631-672-1803

**Membership** - Armond Padula 408-9819

**Retention** – Bill Morris 214-244-9464

**Culture of Life Director** - John Yaglenski 408-7558

**Publicity** - Jim Palermo 493-3424

**Food Service** - Victor Romano

**Food Collection** - Eric Bisighini 860-899-8785

James Collins 917-837-8698

**Cross & Compass** – Ray Pronko 858-880-8376

**Backpack** – Mike Milak

**Insurance Promotion**

**Vocations Chairman** - Greg Walsh 681-2438

**Council Prayer Tree** - Robert Evers 614-946-4225

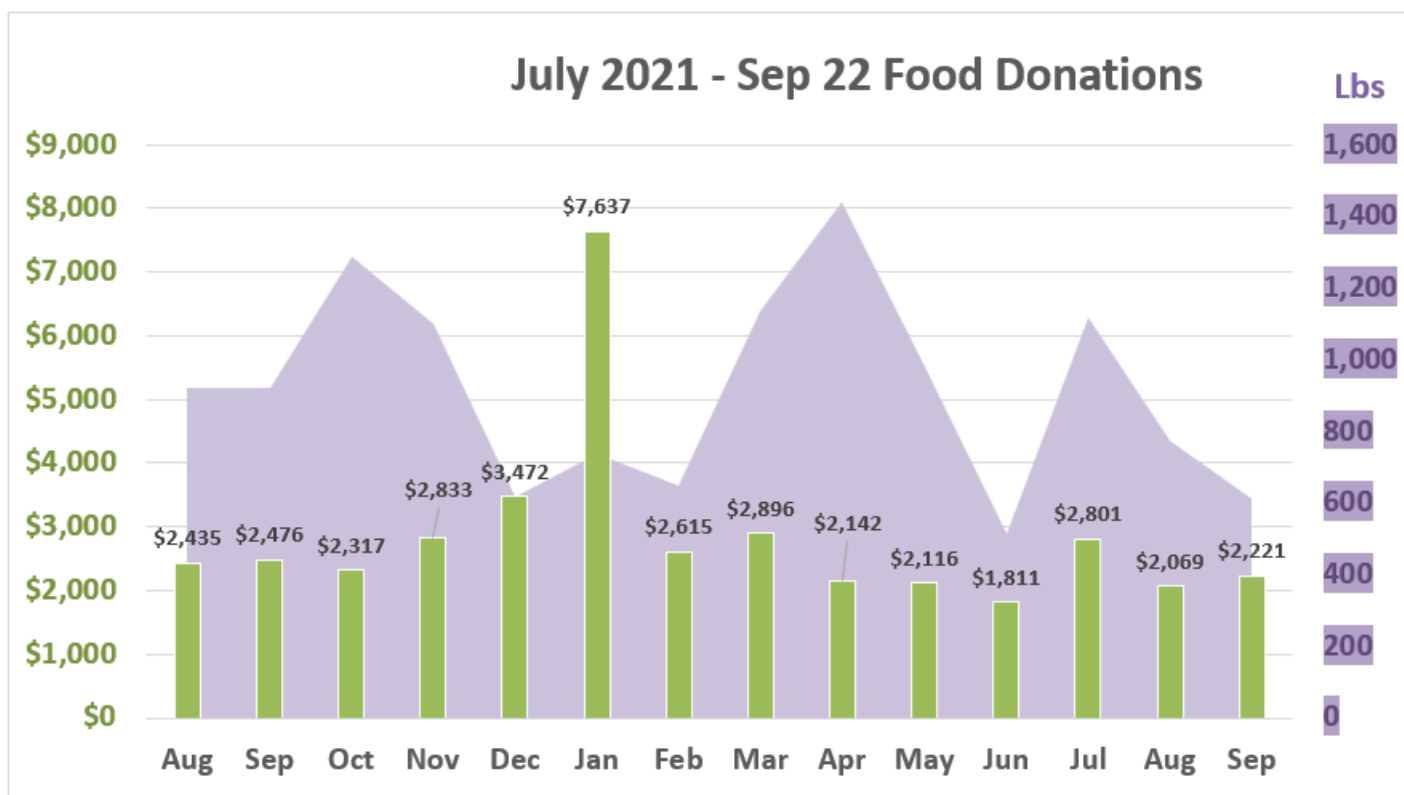
**Fourth Degree** - Ed Farrell 445-5697

**Visitation** - Rick Kuertz 513-430-4330



## October Food Collection

**\$2,221 in donation and 612 lbs of food collected. Thanks to all who donated their time, goods and money.**



# Knights of the Month

Grand Knight, Ron Bowes, presents *Knights of the Month: Manny Delgado*  
*John Tosada*





# Knight Times

## Volunteers

Proverbs 11:25 The generous will prosper; those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed.

**Help us achieve our goal of 15 new brothers for this fiscal year. As Grand Knight Ron Bowes has stated on several occasions, talk to people you see in church and invite**

them to join us and experience the joy and rewards of giving and brotherhood. We are all recruiters!

We are always in need of ushers for most masses, volunteers for food collection and readers for the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Rosary.

New member, Don Armagnac, has volunteered to assist with the Christmas Party but we need a brother to step in and lead due to his limited time.

We need to fill our Advocate Officer Position. Peter Spagnuolo stepped down. Thank you, Peter for your dedication and service.

## 40 Days for Life March October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022



John Yaglenski, Culture of Life Director, and wife Kathy along with Katie Morris.





## Along the way ..... Bob Evers

### A Tribute from Bob Rueger:

Brother Bob Evers Upon learning of Bob's death memories of the limited relationship I had with Bob came to mind. One could always find Bob center front, right side at OLOL attending daily Mass. One could also find Bob availing himself on a regular basis of the many graces available on Saturday afternoon before Mass at the Sacrament of Reconciliation. For many years Bob diligently maintained our KofC prayer listing and at our meetings, he read the names of all that had requested prayers. Bob was always present for the 5th weekend of the month for leading us in the Rosary and, in fact, did the opening prayers and the 1st decade in our last 5th week Rosary. Bob had developed a practice of calling me the day prior to remind me he would be there. During COVID time, Bob would lead saying the Rosary after Monday morning Mass. One Monday, his car was in for repairs so he had no transportation. A neighbor overheard our conversation and she assured both of us that Bob would be there for the Monday Rosary. In his days of good health, Bob would also be at planned parenthood in Sarasota, 2nd Tues., praying the Rosary for the unborn. I would be amiss if I failed to mention the very significant monetary contributions Bob Evers made to Council 9924 over the years. In recent years, due to Bob's failing health and his elevated COVID risk, he was not able to attend our monthly meetings. Bob Evers was a "KNIGHT'S Knight" and he will be missed.

# November 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 <i>All Souls Mass, 2PM Venice Mem Gardens Cmty</i>	3	4	5 <b>Circle of Life Golf Tournament</b>
6	7	8 <b>Council meeting</b> 5:00 officers 5:30 rosary 6:00 dinner 7:00 members	9	10	11	12
13 <b>Pancake Breakfast</b>	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 <i><b>One-Blood Bloodmobile</b></i>	21	22	23	24 <b>Thanksgiving</b>	25	26 <b>Food collection</b>
27 <b>Food collection</b>	28	29	30			

# One Blood Donation Drive

November 20

8:30-1:00

@ OLOL

Click here to reserve a time

<https://donorportal.oneblood.org/donate-now/donation-centers-list-select-time?type=md&driveID=1234495&driveStart=1668949200&driveEnd=1668969000>

# PARISH HARVEST PICNIC



## Great Food and Good Times





# Annual Golf Tournament

**November 5<sup>th</sup> Pelican Pointe**



**Be a part of the largest and most important fund raiser of our council.**

**Volunteers are needed the morning of registration to register the players, hand out the scorecards and rules, sell raffle tickets and 50/50 tickets. Three volunteers are needed to take a golf cart around each one of the 9-hole courses and make sure everyone buys raffle and 50/50 tickets. Volunteers are welcome to stay for lunch.**

**Sponsors are needed to help support the cause. Please talk to your, doctor, dentist, electrician, plumber, carpenter, landscaper and other business owners to encourage them to participate.**

# Christmas Party

## December 9<sup>th</sup>



**We need a Knight to step up to assist with the planning of the Christmas party in partnership with CCW.**

### **Message from Katie Morris, CCW President**

Jackie Briguglio (CCW VP) who has agreed to be our key contact to help plan the combined holiday party on behalf of CCW. Jackie will be the liaison to the BOD and will form a committee to help the K of C plan an amazing event.

December 9th (FRIDAY) – Our Lady of Lourdes CCW and Knights of Columbus are co-hosting a Christmas Holiday Party from 5:00pm – 9:00pm in the Parish Hall and will include a potluck dinner. Please bring a main dish or side dish or desert (need to specify what for each category). BYOB. There will be a band and dancing.

Please contact Jackie Briguglio for more information @ (630) 269-8692.

# All Souls Day

## November 2<sup>nd</sup>



All Souls' Day, also known as the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed and the Day of the Dead, is a day of prayer and remembrance for the faithful departed, which is observed by Roman Catholics and other Christian denominations annually on November 2nd.

According to Catholic belief, the soul of a person who dies can go to one of three places. The first is heaven, where a person who dies in a state of perfect grace and communion with God goes. The second is hell, where those who die in a state of mortal sin are naturally condemned by their choice. The intermediate option is purgatory, which is thought to be where most people, free of mortal sin, but still in a state of lesser (venial) sin, must go.

Purgatory is necessary so that souls can be cleansed and perfected before they enter heaven. There is scriptural basis for this belief. The primary reference is in 2 Maccabees, 12:26 and 12:32. "Turning to supplication, they prayed that the sinful deed might be fully blotted out... Thus, made atonement for the dead that they might be free from sin."

# Pray For Ukraine

