





The Knightly News

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KNIGHT AND FAMILY OF THE MONTH	Council 611 Officers	
<p>Congratulations to:</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Sk AJ McCaffery, FDD, PGK Knight of the Month</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>The Kaczmarczyk Family Family of the Month</p> </div> </div>	<p>Grand Knight: SK Gabe Oti 904-806-2711 Chaplain: Fr. Matthew Ibok 904-824-2806 Dep. Grand Knight: SK Frank Hill 812-249-0038 Chancellor: SK Josh Currie, PGK 904-540-9559 Recorder: SK Andrew Butts 571-246-6253 Financial Secretary: SK AJ McCaffery, PGK, FDD 904-599-1436 Treasurer: SK Tom Gehret 904-566-8932 Lecturer: (Vacant) Advocate: Bruce Dufresne, PGK 904-825-0000 Warden: SK Matthew Bell 913-439-9737 Outside Guard: Jesse Monek 908-868-2960 Inside Guard: Tom Kaczmarczyk 904-540-6749 1 Year Trustee: John Gillespie, PGK 904-347-9426 2 Year Trustee: SK Aaron Day 904-315-9984 3 Year Trustee: Rick Salerno 513-614-3266</p>	
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Council Elections (Monday, July 7, 2022)

Congratulations to all the knights that were elected and reelected as council officers for the 2022 – 2023 fraternal year. A complete list can be found on page 5.

We would like to extend a special thank you to all those knights that served the council as officers last fraternal year.

SK Linwood A. Finley Sr., PFN (Repose for the Soul)

First Florida Council 611 is saddened by the loss of Inside Guard and Past Faithful Navigator, Brother Linwood who was called home by the Lord on June 30, 2022.

Services held at St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church on Saturday, July 9, 2022.

Tribute may be found on page 6.

Officers Installation & Awards Banquet (Monday, August 15, 2022)

Join First Florida Council 611 for our Annual Officers Installation and Awards Banquet including Knight and Family of the Year presentations from 6-9pm. Dress code is jacket and tie. More information can be found on page 4.

For more information, please contact our Grand Knight, Sk Gabe Oti at (904)806-2711 or gjoti3@gmail.com

THE NEXT GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD:

7:00PM in the Bishop Baker Center on Monday, August 1, 2022. Join us for food and fellowship at 6:30pm. Located at 267 St. George Street. This is an In-person meeting. ALWAYS KEEP YOUR FORM 100 HANDY!



Message from the Worthy Grand Knight

Worthy brothers, families and friends,

As always I would like to thank our Brothers and their families for their continued support and dedication to our Council and Parish. I would especially like to extend my appreciation to all of those who gave their time and effort to our events throughout the month.

In our council meetings we continue to cover upcoming events and our council's goals for the new fraternal year. On Monday, August 1 we will be going over our council's budget for the year, it is a good opportunity for all brothers to weigh in. We are asking for volunteers to head each of our four committees: Faith, Family, Community and Life.

Our officers installation will be on Monday, August 15, the ceremony will be held at Saint Benedict the Moor with the reception to follow at a Bishop Baker Center. We encourage all to attend a special occasion and bring your family and friends.

The councils of Saint Augustine, District 16 are planning golf outing and fundraiser at Marsh Creek Country Club on Monday, October 10, Columbus Day. It will raise funds for worthy endeavors and you can socialize with your fellow knights throughout the district. For golfers this is a unique opportunity for yourself and friends to play one of the premier private courses in North Florida. Please see the section for special events for details and we look forward to your participation.

We need to continue the wonderful contributions that many of our brothers and their families have made to our council, parish, and community. I look forward to seeing all of you in our future meetings, socials and events.

May you be blessed with good health, happiness and the love of family.



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Knights across North America continue to trust their Order to protect them and see to it that their loved ones are well taken care of once they're gone. More and more members are preparing to leave behind legacies of protection for their loved ones.

Let's talk (412)779-3756 or james.booritch@kofc.org

Thank You and Congratulations to Chaplain Father Matthew Ibok

Fr. Matthew Ibok served as First Florida Council 611's Chaplain for the 2021 – 2022 Fraternal Year. During that time, Fr. Matthew provided spiritual guidance at events and newsletter messages to our member Knights and our families.

In recent months, Fr. Matthew has been assigned to assist at Corpus Christi parish in south St. Augustine and now has been formally named as the parish's Pastor. Fr. Matthew has also volunteered to be the Chaplain for Council 13337.

Though we will miss him, please join First Florida Council 611 in thanking Fr. Matthew for his guidance over the past fraternal year and congratulate him on his new assignment as Pastor of Corpus Christi Catholic Church.

In the coming month our council leadership will work with the Cathedral Basilica in finding a new Chaplain for our council.



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ANNUAL OFFICERS INSTALLION & AWARDS BANQUET

The Council Installation of Officers for the 2022 – 2023 fraternal year will be held at St. Benedict the Moor beginning at 6pm and immediately followed by a dinner reception at the Bishop Baker Center on Monday, August 15, 2022.

Dress Code is jacket and tie for men and comparable for ladies. For more information, please contact our Worthy Grand Knight, Gabriel Oti at gjoti3@gmail.com or (904)806-2711.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Our Council has achieved 113% of its recruitment goal of new members last fraternal year. This is proof that now more than ever, catholic men and their families need the Knights of Columbus. We can fill out and submit Form 100's and preform the Exemplifications totally online. It only takes 30 minutes to become a full 3rd Degree Knight, making it easier than ever before to join the Knights of Columbus.

Let's keep this momentum going. Just wear your council shirt to mass and let us know who you think would make a great Knight.

For more information, please contact our Membership Director, Sk Frank Hill at hillf6466@gmail.com or (812)249-0038

Have you asked someone to become a Knight?

(This year's Council goal is 9, to date we have 1)

Did you know the number one reason catholic men do not join the Knights of Columbus is just simply because no one has ever asked them before?

Ask a catholic gentlemen you know that would make a great Knight to join today. ***It never has been easier!***



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First Florida Council 611 Council Officers 2022 - 2023

OFFICER	KNIGHT
Grand Knight	S/K Gabriel Oti
Chaplain	TBA
Deputy Grand Knight	S/K Frank Hill
Chancellor	S/K Josh Currie, PGK
Recorder	S/K Andrew Butts
Financial Secretary	S/K AJ McCaffery, FDD, PGK
Treasurer	S/K Tom Gehret
Lecturer	Vacant
Advocate	Bruce Dufresne, PGK
Warden	S/K Matthew Bell
Inside Guard	Tom Kaczmarczyk
Outside Guard	Jesse S Monek
One Year Trustee	John Gillespie, PGK
Two Year Trustee	S/K Aaron Day
Three Year Trustee	Rick Salerno

Congratulations to the returning and incoming officers of the coming fraternal year. We would like to extend a special thank you to the outgoing officers for all that you did for Council 611 over the past year!

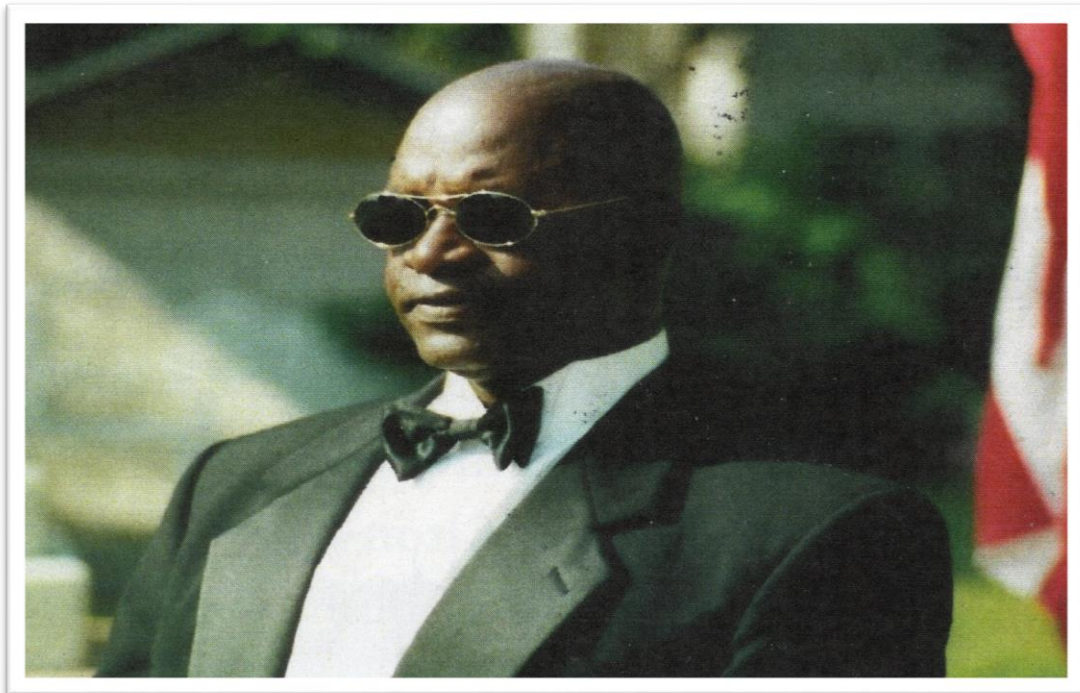
Of Ever Honored Memory Sir Knight A. Linwood Findley Sr., PFN (October 4, 1946 - June 30, 2022)

Linwood A. Findley Sr. was born to Annie Mae Tymes Findley and Ulysses Findley. He was a graduate of Richard J. Murray High School, class of 1967. He joined the United States Army in 1969 and served in the Viet Nam War.

Linwood was a very faithful member of St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church and held membership in the Alton Green Memorial Post #194. Linwood faithfully served the Knights of Columbus for 24 years and is a Past Faithful Navigator of Bishop Verot Assembly #0166 and most recently served as Inner Sentinel of First Florida Council 611.

Linwood is survived by his wife Deborah Kearse Findley, Sons Linwood Findley Jr. and Tray Lyons, Daughters Linda Findley, Tammy Lyons and Altonyette Smiley. In addition, Lindwood is survived by 18 Grandchildren and 9 Great Grandchildren.

Services for Linwood was held on July 9, 2022 at St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church in St. Augustine, Florida.



First Florida Council 611 Ladies Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary is current collecting donations for the St. Gerard Campus. They are specifically looking for diapers, baby formula, baby food, bottles, baby clothes, etc. You can drop off your donations at our Council Meetings and Monthly Socials or you can contact Cynthia Day at (360)628-0007 directly.

The mission of the Ladies Auxiliary is to promote spiritual and charitable growth, enhance social enrichment, encourage good fellowship and love, and perform selected works of charity in support of the Cathedral Basilica Parish, the Knights of Columbus Council #611 and Assembly #166.

Any practicing Catholic women, 18 years of age and older, who is interested in making a difference in our parish is welcome to join. Applicants need not be a spouse of a Knight.

Annual dues are \$25 and \$10 for senior citizens. Annual dues are waived for spouses of deceased Knights.

The Ladies Auxiliary meets on the first Monday of each month at 7pm at the Bishop Baker Center, located at 267 St. George Street, St. Augustine, FL 32084 (Parish Hall at the Cathedral Parish School).

If you know any ladies that would like to join or for more information, please contact:

Cynthia Day
Cell: (360)628-0007
Email: cvioletm94@hotmail.com

Ladies Auxiliary Officers

President	Cynthia Day
Vice President	Keri Van Gemert
Secretary	Brittney Van Gemert
Treasurer	Beth Ann Kaczmarczyk
Trustee	Lissette Oti
Trustee	Heather Hill
Trustee	Linda Hill



District 16 Golf Fundraising Tournament (Monday, October 10, 2022)

Brother Knights...mark your calendars!

The four Councils of District 16 are planning a Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament and Fundraiser on Monday, October 10, 2022. *Yes...that is Columbus Day!*

St. Thomas More Council 7121 (St. Anastasia) will host the event at Marsh Creek Country Club located at 169 Marshside Dr, St. Augustine, FL 32080. Registration and tee times TBA. First Florida Council 611 (Cathedral Basilica), Fr. Rene Robert Council 11046 (San Sebastian) and St. Thomas Becket Council 13337 (Corpus Christi) are all planning to co-host and participate. Revenues generated will be shared among the four councils.

Two things we need to know ASAP:

1. Do you plan to play?
2. Can you volunteer, both in advance and on the day of the event?

Please email GK Gabriel Oti at gjoti3@gmail.com. This is a fundraising event that is open to the public. Brother Knights, spouses, families, friends, business partners and associates...all welcome.

Please respond no later than Friday, August 5th.



BIRTHDAYS

Michael	A	Coffaro	
Tom	M	Kaczmarceyk	
Richard		Lynn	
Kevin	B	Lyons	
Gregory	Patrick	Maguire	
Michael		Mausteller	Jr
Paul	V	Nunchuck	
Todd		Ojala	
Charles	L	Sanders	Jr
Edward	W	Tolson	III

SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

				Years of Service
Thomas	J	Jackson		28
Linwood	Anthony	Findley	Sr	24
Andrew	D	Graham		9
Nicholas	E	Albanese		8
Gerardo	V	Coello	Jr	8
Richard	J	Petrocine		4
Roger	L	Day		2
Lorenzo		Judkins		2
Thomas	R	DeLux		1



Intentions for the Sick or in Distress



Council Prayers for:

- † Prayers for the repose of SK Linwood Findley's passing away. He served the Knights for 24yrs and was a member of our Council. Prayers also for his family that they receive comfort and understanding with his loss.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

- † Prayers for Brother Munson's wife, Laura, who needs prayers for a speedy recovery.
- † Prayers for Brother Frank's brother Jim and sister-in-law.
- † Prayers for Brother Tom Gehret for a speedy recovery.
- † Prayers for Pope Francis.
- † Prayers for our Brothers in Ukraine and the people of Ukraine for their courage, resilience and safe passage.
- † Prayers for our own trials and tribulations because we may never know what's to come.
- † Continued prayers for our current and former first responders, medical professionals and those serving in the military. All are protecting our great country.

August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1 Business Mtng. 7pm Bishop Baker Ctr	2	3	4	5	6 Walk-in Freezer Reorganization 9am – 12am Bishop Baker Ctr.
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Officers Installation & Awards Banquet 6pm Bishop Baker Ctr	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 4 th Degree Meeting 7pm San Sebastian	30 Officers & Directors Meeting TBA	31	1	2	3
4	5 Business Mtng. 7pm Bishop Baker Ctr	6	7	8	9	10

Red = Council events open to all members

Black = Council events open to specific council members

Green = Holy Day/Event or Holiday

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