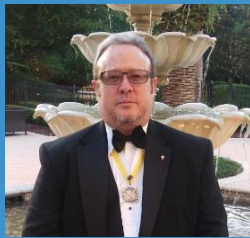




The Knightly News



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S/K Gabriel Oti
Knight of the Month

S/K Gabe puts Faith into Action each and every month as our Council's Financial Secretary. In addition, he orders the vast majority of our Council's materials, completing/submitting our reports to Supreme, attends every meeting; and he volunteers for most of our Council's events on top of that! S/K Gabe answers the call "Are we who we say we are". Thank you Gabe, Council 611 is proud and appreciates your continued devotion to the Knights and Council 611!

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Coffee & Donuts Ministry

The Council is hosting this year at the 9am and 11am mass every Sunday from September 8, 2019 - May 24, 2020. *This was our most successful program last year in recruiting new members in addition to raising funds for the Parish.*

We need EVERY brother to volunteer for at least one Sunday. Please contact our Program Director, Aaron Day at (904)-315-9984 or acd2012@gmail.com to sign-up to volunteer.

2nd Degree Exemplification

If you are a 1st Degree Knight and would like to advance to the 2nd Degree of our Order, there will be a 2nd Degree Exemplification on Tuesday, October 22, 2019 at 6:15PM hosted by Prince of Peace Council 8791 at 600 S. Nova Road, Ormond Beach, FL 32174

Contact our Membership Director, S/K Greg Maguire at 904-347-4460 or backupfilesgmaguire@gmail.com

Membership Drive

We will be conducting an official and organized membership drive both October 12th/13th and October 19th/20th weekends after each mass at both the Cathedral Basilica courtyards and St. Benedict's. **This will be followed up by an advertised Monthly Social & Open House on Monday, October 21st at 7PM at the Bishop Baker Center. It is important for every member to attend this one to make a great first impression on the prospective new members.** For more information please contact our Membership Director, S/K Greg Maguire at (904)347-4460 or backupfilesmaguire@gmail.com

THE NEXT GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD:

Parish Hall at the Cathedral Parish School at 7:00PM on Monday, October 7, 2019. Rosary begins at 6:00PM and Fellowship at 6:15PM

ALWAYS KEEP YOUR FORM 100 HANDY!



Message from the Grand Knight

Worthy Brothers,

September was an unusual month for our Council to say the least. We had a holiday weekend that led to a change to our monthly meeting date. Then we had the threat of Hurricane Dorian that caused us to reschedule our meeting date again. However, Council 611 pressed on in impressive fashion. Despite the holiday weekend and hurricane threat, we completed our first month of Coffee & Donuts service, which resulted in one new prospective member and two incoming transfers into our Council. We issued donation checks for the RSVP, Habitat for Humanity and St. Gerard Pregnancy Center, all of which are Star Council Programs. We finally did have our monthly meeting and monthly social on September 16th. Council 611 then wrapped up September with a Spiritual Reflection Day on Sunday, September 29th, which included a Council led public rosary at the Cathedral Basilica, a corporate mass, a tour of the Fr. Miguel O'Reilly House Museum and lunch at the Bishop Baker Center.

I would like to thank each and every brother that volunteered and attended our events the past month among the challenges mentioned above. You lived up to the question "Are We Who We Say We Are" and I am deeply humbled, inspired and appreciative.

As we enter October and celebrate our Council's 118th year, our Coffee & Donut service continues and we have our Council's first official and organized church membership drive weekends and prospective new member Open House in many years. Let's keep our momentum going! We are on our way to repeating Star Council in record time, however, there is still so much to do to achieve this goal.

Have you volunteered any of your committed 24 hours yet this year? Volunteering one Sunday a month for the Coffee & Donuts Service or to help organize our Annual Thanksgiving Dinner next month in November to benefit the CPS & SJA Scholarship Fund is a great place to start.

Vivat Jesus,
S/K Robert Billoni, PFN
Worthy Grand Knight



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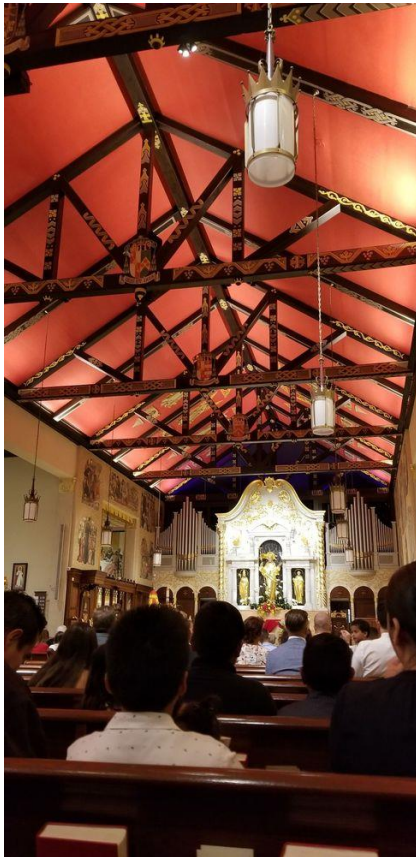
As we approach the end of 2019, the Knights of Columbus has more than \$100 billion of life insurance in force, covering the lives of hundreds of thousands of our members and their families.

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 (386)235-4064 or Stan.Hetrick@kofc.org

Council 611 Spiritual Reflection Day September 29, 2019

Council 611's first Annual Spiritual Reflection Day had a great turn out of over a dozen Council members, their families and a couple of Knights and their guests from visiting Councils. The day started at the Cathedral Basilica with the Council leading a public rosary at 10:30am followed by our Corporate Mass at 11:00am. After mass, the Knights and their families walked down to the Fr. Miguel O'Reilly House Museum where we were treated to a tour lead by Sr. Bernard Joseph. The day ended with a prayer luncheon at the Bishop Baker Center.



Have you asked someone to become a Knight?

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?

There is a call deep within each man to go deeper and reach higher to become the man God made him to be. In a world full of challenges, the Knights of Columbus equips men to answer the call to lead with faith, protect their families, serve others and defend their values.

Ask a catholic gentlemen you know that would make a great Knight to join today. ***Always having Form 100 handy makes it even easier!***

COFFEE & DONUTS SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

First Florida Council 611 will continue to serve coffee & donuts after the 9am and 11am masses each Sunday in October. This program has already resulted in one new member and a couple of transfers into our Council. Just to recap, the Coffee & Donuts service is instrumental in:

- Raising needed funds for the parish through donations given by parishioners that the Knights collected each week.
- Engaging the Knights of Columbus with our parish community nearly each week for nine consecutive months from September through May.
- Generating many leads for prospective new members by virtue of the exposure and meaningful interaction with our parishioners each week.
- The engagement itself with our fellow parishioners is a very rewarding and fun experience for each Knight that participates and volunteers.

We are asking each Knight to volunteer for at least one Sunday to assist with the Coffee & Donuts Ministry, please contact our Program Director, S/K Aaron Day at (904)315-9984 or acd2012@gmail.com

Our Council will be holding an official and organized membership drive both October 12th & 13th and October 19th & 20th weekends after each mass at both the Cathedral Basilica and St. Benedict's followed by a social/open house for prospective new members, current brothers and their guests as our Council celebrates its 118 anniversary on Monday, October 21st at the Bishop Baker Center, located at 259 St. George Street, St. Augustine, FL at 7pm.

It is important to have as many brothers participate in these events as possible. If you are attending any of these events, please wear your Council shirts. For more information and details about these recruitment events, please contact our Membership Director, S/K Greg Maguire at backupfilesmaguire@gmail.com or (904)347-4460.

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A SURE PATH FOR RENEWAL

9/1/2019

by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson

THE CHALLENGE OF REFORM AND PRESERVING UNITY WITHIN THE CHURCH CALLS FOR NATURAL AND SUPERNATURAL VIRTUE



EARLIER THIS YEAR, I attended the consecration of a beautifully restored church. As the Blessed Sacrament was placed in the new tabernacle, I thought of the Ark of the Covenant, which was the place of God's presence among his people, beginning in the time of Moses. Now, in the New Covenant, the Lord's true presence is a reality wherever Mass is celebrated and wherever the Eucharist is reserved.

As Catholics, we may take this reality for granted today, but the initial reaction to Jesus' discourse on the bread of life was one of disbelief — the Jews saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" and his disciples saying, "This is a hard saying, who can listen to it?" Most of his disciples actually left, and Jesus then turned to the Apostles: "Will you also go away?" As we know, Peter answered, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life" (Jn 6:68).

Jesus' question remains painfully real in light of the devastating scandals that have recently rocked the Church and the declining church attendance among Catholics. And if Jesus' question has new relevance, so does Peter's answer. If we were to turn away from the presence of the Lord, where would we go?

There is a growing trend, especially among young people, to say that we can be "spiritual" while also rejecting organized religion. Pope Benedict XVI addressed this issue in his encyclical *Spe Salvi* (Saved in Hope) when he asked, "Is Christian hope individualistic?" He answered that "salvation has always been considered a 'social' reality," adding that we are called "to a lived union with a 'people,' and for each individual it can only be attained with this 'we'" (14).

We see this social reality, this unity within the Church, most beautifully in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in the hundreds of thousands of tabernacles throughout the world. And this call to communion is especially important for us as Knights of Columbus, committed this year in a special way to the principle of unity.

As we pray for and seek renewal in our Church today, I am reminded what the 18th-century British statesman Edmund Burke said about institutions in need of reform. He argued that the virtue of prudence is necessary to find the right combination of "conservation and correction."

We should keep in mind Burke's recommendation of prudence. In the foreseeable future, however, the most important of the cardinal virtues may not be prudence but fortitude, which the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* defines as "the moral virtue that ensures firmness in difficulties and constancy in the pursuit of the good" (1808).

And as St. Thomas Aquinas taught, fortitude is dependent upon yet another virtue: justice — certainly today, justice for the victims of sexual abuse and their families as well as justice for the People of God.

Indeed, all four of the cardinal virtues — prudence, justice, fortitude and temperance — will be necessary to achieve "correction" while preserving the unity of the Church.

In *Spe Salvi*, Pope Benedict further reminded us: "God is the foundation of hope. ... His love alone gives us the possibility of soberly persevering day by day, without ceasing to be spurred on by hope" (31).

In the days ahead, therefore, let us rededicate ourselves to the practice of the moral virtues and pray for an increase in faith, hope and charity. In this way, we will continue to move forward, meeting whatever challenges may arise.

The Lord remains in the midst of his people, and he will never abandon us. He calls us to unity. He calls us to virtue. And in him, we will find a sure path for renewal.

Vivat Jesus!

BIRTHDAYS

GABRIEL	J.	OTI		10-03
LINDWOOD	ANTHONY	FINDLEY	SR	10-04
CRAIG	S	PEHR		10-06
JOSEPH	E	STANLEY		10-07
DARRELL	R	POLI		10-09
CRAIG	A	MAGUIRE		10-10
JOE		ZITO	SR	10-10
KENNETH	R	TRENGROVE		10-10
FRANK	E	MARUT	III	10-10
DENNIS	E	WISSEL		10-14
KENNETH		BROWN		10-15
EDWIN	O	SIA		10-16
ALEX		DUFRESNE		10-18
JOHN		FERNANDEZ		10-20
JOHN		SNYDER		10-25
GEORGE	E	MC CREA		10-25
EDWARD	J	REICHERT		10-29

SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

EDWARD	V	ACEBAL	10-01-1966	53 Years
PATRICK	E	SHIPLEY	10-01-1968	51
STEPHEN	A	JOHNSTON	10-01-1980	39
EUGENE	J	MASON	10-01-1982	37
EUGENE	S	LOYA	10-01-1986	33
PATRICK	J	MAGUIRE	10-01-1986	33
RONALD	D	MICKLER	10-01-1987	32
JAMES		RAZ	10-01-1990	29
AL	J	MC CONNELL	10-18-2001	18
EDWARD	W	TOLSON	10-23-2006	13
GREGORY	E	LOYA	10-03-2011	8
ZACHARY	J	SANTORELLI	10-03-2011	8
JOHN		FERNANDEZ	10-05-2015	4
MATTHEW		SILLS	10-05-2015	4



For the Good of the Order



Council Prayers for:

- ❖ Soul of S/K Gene Loya
- ❖ Gloria Maguire
- ❖ Janet Baker, sister of Curt
- ❖ Greg Maquire's cousin Ken
- ❖ Keri Van Gemert
- ❖ Frank Perry
- ❖ Jim Spinelli's son
- ❖ John Gillespie & Family
- ❖ Bruce Defresne Family
- ❖ Soul of Andrew Camarari
- ❖ All of our service men & women

If you know of a brother who is sick or in need of prayers, please contact our Worthy Grand Knight, S/K Robert Billoni at: 954-445-3008 or rbilloni@gmail.com

October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
6 Coffee & Donuts 9 – 11am Masses Cathedral	7 Business Mtng. 7pm Parish Hall	8	9	10	11	12 Membership Drive 6pm Cathedral Basilica
13 Coffee & Donuts 9 – 11am Masses Cathedral Membership Drive 7, 8, 9 - 11am Masses Cathedral & St. Benedict's	14 Columbus Day	15	16	17	18	19 Membership Drive 6pm Cathedral Basilica
20 Coffee & Donuts 9 – 11am Masses Cathedral Membership Drive 7, 8, 9 - 11am Masses Cathedral & St. Benedict's	21 Monthly Social/Open House 7pm Parish Hall	22 2nd Degree Exemplification 6:15pm Prince of Peace Council 8791	23	24	25	26
27 Coffee & Donuts 9 – 11am Masses Cathedral	28 4th Degree Meeting 7PM San Sebastian	29 Officer's Meeting 7pm TBA	30	31 Halloween	1	2
3 Coffee & Donuts 9 – 11am Masses Cathedral	4 Business Mtng. 7pm Parish Hall	5	6	7	8	9

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