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<p>Congratulations to:</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Fr. Ignatius Knight of the Month</p>  </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>The White Family Family of the Month</p>  </div> </div>		<p>Grand Knight: SK Frank Hill 812-249-0038</p> <p>Chaplain: Fr. Ignatius Yeruva 904-824-2806</p> <p>Dep. Grand Knight: SK Andrew Butts 571-246-6253</p> <p>Chancellor: SK Josh Currie, PGK 904-540-9559</p> <p>Recorder: Richard Speidel</p> <p>Financial Secretary: SK AJ McCaffery, FDD, PGK, PFN 904-599-1436</p> <p>Treasurer: SK Tom Gehret 904-566-8932</p> <p>Lecturer: (Vacant)</p> <p>Advocate: Bruce Dufresne, PGK 904-825-0000</p> <p>Warden: Shane O'Hara 386-227-4557</p> <p>Inside Guard: Tom Kaczmarczyk 904-540-67491</p> <p>Outside Guard: Howard Naquin 512-568-4406</p> <p>1 Year Trustee: SK Aaron Day 904-315-9984</p> <p>2 Year Trustee: SK Rick Salerno 513-614-3266</p> <p>3 Year Trustee: SK Gabe Oti, PGK 904-806-2711</p>		
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Monthly Council Social (Monday, July 15, 2024)

Join First Florida Council 611 for our monthly social with food and fellowship featuring guest speaker Jim Booritch with the Jim Spellini Agency at the Bishop Baker Center located at 267 St. George Street, St. Augustine, FL 32085 from 7 – 9pm. This event is open to all parishioners.

For more information, contact SK Frank Hill at (812)249-0038 or hill6466@gmail.com

Feast of St. James (Thursday, July 25, 2024)

Join the Cathedral Basilica Parish for the celebration of the Feast of St. James commemorating the Camino de Las Americas.

This event begins with a procession from the Castillo de San Marcos at 6pm followed by mass at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Augustine..

Council Rosary & Communion (Sunday, July 28, 2024)

Join Council 611, their families and the parish for our Sunday Rosary Prayer & Corporate Mass. Pews will be reserved for all Knights and their guests at the front of the Cathedral Basilica beginning at 10:30am. The Knights will also be serving coffee & donuts in the rear courtyard at the Rectory and assisting in conducting tours.

THE NEXT GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD:

7:00PM in the Bishop Baker Center on Monday, July 1, 2024. Food will be served at 6:30pm. Located at The Bishop Baker Center, 267 St. George Street.

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Message from the Worthy Grand Knight

As we end the fiscal year 2023-2024, I want to focus upon the many activities and examples of service provided by Council 611 and our Ladies' Auxiliary. Each month, our Council participated in the recitation of the Rosary & Corporate Communion on last Sunday. During the cooler months, we also served coffee/juice and donuts after the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Masses. Once the Cathedral Rectory Renovation Funding Project started, we coupled the above with tours of the rectory so that parishioners could see the need for renovation themselves. In fact, several of our brother Knights and Ladies Auxiliary are on the Cabinet Committee for the renovation. We marched in the St. James Procession, which started at the Mission grounds and concluded at the Cathedral, as we escorted the Statue of St. James, which will serve as the starting point for the Camino pilgrimage in the Americas. We were honored to escort the St. Joseph Icon to its place of honor in the Cathedral and provided the accompanying Mass materials to the Parish Priests. We participated in the Knights of Columbus' Silver Rose journey, as it travelled around our state. During the year, we recruited 19 new members to our Council, which resulted in our being recognized at the Florida State K of C convention and receiving the Third Place Membership Award for Division 3! We held two Council picnics during the year, allowing members and their families to enjoy an afternoon of food, fun, and fellowship. Many of our members participate in Parish activities. Several are ushers at Mass. Some regularly man the adoration chapel. Still others assisted with Night Fire, when the Young Adult Ministry evangelized to the people on the street by inviting them to come inside the Cathedral and light a candle, pray, and perhaps leave a prayer intention. In fact, Knights and Ladies Auxiliary just helped pass out those prayer intentions from Night Fire after Mass on June 29th. The Knights donated funds to St. Gerards and also volunteered for various projects. Two members of the Ladies Auxiliary are staff members at St. Gerards, and the entire Auxiliary held a Baby & Mom supply drive for the facility. Several Brother Knights help at the St. Nicholas Food Bank by passing out food to the needy every other Wednesday morning. Another Council member helps at the Mandarin Food Bank. The Ladies' Auxiliary has spearheaded an ongoing plastic grocery bag collection drive for Epic-Cure, which has helped them avoid having to spend at least \$300 per month on the purchase of bags for their food distributions all over the county. Several Brother Knights volunteer at CPS's Parish Festival and Clam Chowder fest, which raise much-needed funds for the schools. Annually, we help place the crosses at the cemetery of the Innocence at the Mission grounds. This last year, we also helped the Bishop dedicate the Mausoleum of the Innocents at San Lorenzo Cemetery. Council members, who are also 4th degree members, participated in several funerals and memorials. District 16 held it's second annual golf tournament and our Council actively participated. We helped The Pilot Club Place American Flags in front of the Lightner Museum, in honor of fallen service men and women. We cooked the Annual CPS Thanksgiving Dinner on the Friday before Thanksgiving, with proceeds going to CPS. Council 611 sponsors basketball, soccer challenge and Christmas poster contest at CPS. We held the Seminarians Dinner, Corned Beef and Cabbage Trivia Night, and a Summer Trivia Night. We raised funds for Special Olympics by having a St. Valentine's Dinner Dance. Every week, our Deputy Grand Knight made sure the Cathedral Bulletin, which gets passed out at every mass and is on the Cathedral's webpage, included a well-written article about the Knights of Columbus Council 611's activities, along with an inspirational message. All these activities provided the opportunity for our Council to serve others. Just as importantly, these activities increased our presence in the eyes of our Parish and have resulted in increased goodwill. This has resulted in the Parish calling upon us for additional service opportunities.

My thought for July 2024: Remember the 4th of July that's when America celebrates their freedom and national pride!

Vivat Jesus,

Sk Frank Hill
Worthy Grand Knight



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2024 - 2025 Council Officers

As elected at the May 6, 2024 Council Business Meeting, our slate of officers for the Fraternal Year beginning July 1, 2024 will be as follows:

Grand Knight:	Frank Hill
Deputy Grand Knight:	Andy Butts
Chancellor:	Rich Speidel
Warden:	Shane O'Hara
Treasurer:	Tom Gehret
Recorder:	Carl Jacquet
Advocate:	Bruce Dufresne, PGK
Inside Guard:	Tom Kaczmarczyk
Outside Guard:	Scott Walters
Trustee 3 Year:	Howard Naquin

Trustee 2-Year & 1-Year will be Rick Salerno and Gabe Oti, PGK who are continuing their respective 3 and 2 year terms.

Lecturer is appointed by the Grand Knight and Financial Secretary is appointed by the Supreme Knight.

Congratulations to the incoming officers and thank you for accepting the task of leading the council in the coming fraternal year.

Thank you to the outgoing officers from last year. Our council's success could not have been accomplished without your leadership!

CATHEDRAL KNIGHTS HELPING THOSE IN NEED!



Every other Wednesday of the month from 8:30 – 10:30am Cathedral Knights and our Ladies Auxiliary help distribute food to the local in need at the St. Nicholas Food Pantry at St. Benedict of Moor Church. Pictured left is our Worthy Grand Knight Frank Hill this past month.

In addition to helping distribute food items, The Ladies Auxiliary regularly collects and donates grocery bags to the Pantry to help offset their expenses allowing them to donate more food each month.



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MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The council has not only reached, but has more than DOUBLED its annual goal for the fraternal year. This makes Council 611 eligible for its first Double Star Council Award ever! This is proof that now more than ever, the Knights of Columbus offers our fellow catholic gentlemen what they are longing for: Strengthening their own Faith, Building up their Family in Christ, Providing Charity, giving back to their community and belonging to a fraternal brotherhood that promotes and reflects their values.

Have you asked a catholic gentlemen you know to join? **EVERY Knight is a member of the Membership Committee.** For more information, please contact our Membership Director, Br. Jacob Skinner at endlesspressure82@gmail.com or (904)325-1179

Have you asked someone to become a Knight?

(This year's Council goal is 9, to date we have 19)

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 to join!***

Night Fire - Another Beautiful Blessing

Evangelizing, praying, and sharing charity and Christian faith all within our spectacular Cathedral. God bless all those who helped and who stopped by for spiritual reflection. *"Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature"* (Mk 16:15)



Council Social

(Monday, June 17, 2024)

Theologian Dr Mark Lynn Speaks at Social



Our guest speaker this month was Dr. Mark Lynn, Florida State Council Vocations Chairman, who spoke on “Vocations: Everybody’s Business”. His personal testimony to vocations in the religious life and family life were truly inspirational to all in attendance. He gave examples of why the family is so important to priesthood formation and as a Doctor of Theology, had a Q&A session on church history and protocol. Brother Mark has served the Church and Knights in various capacities, most recently as instructor of systematic theology for permanent diaconate training at St Mary Seminary, Wickliffe, Ohio, The Diocese of Cleveland. He is also a writer and editor of religious education and theology texts and online programs. Thank you Brother!

Supreme Chaplain Challenge

(ABP. William E. Lori)



“When Jesus raised his eyes and saw that a large crowd was coming to him, he said to Philip, ‘Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?’” (Jn 6:5)

Jesus can do anything and often expects his disciples to participate in his work. Although Jesus performs the miracle, it’s the disciples who find the boy with the loaves and fishes, distribute the food and collect the leftovers. We must reject the error of quietism - the idea that activity has little to no place in our spiritual life - and recognize we have an active role to play in Christ’s sacred mission. Archbishop Lori’s challenge this month is to support one effort serving the poor and those most in need. Do you recognize Christ has work for you to do in this life? When you see suffering around you, is your first response considering what Christ might be asking you to do? How can you grow in your awareness of the tasks He is asking you to undertake?

June Knight of the Month



Father and fellow Knight of Columbus Ignatius Yeruva is June's Knight of the Month! We're so blessed having Fr Ignatius as our Council Chaplain. He is such a spiritual person and is always praying for our Council's success. Fr Ignatius opens and closes our meetings with prayer and most importantly, guides us spiritually in his monthly message to the Council. He tends to our needs even listening to confessions before or after our meetings and healing prayers for us and our country. He's dynamic and devoted to our faith. God bless you Father!

June Family of the Month



Deacon and fellow Knight of Columbus Jim White and his wife Megan are June's Family of the Month! Deacon Jim and Megan have faithfully served our parish community. Deacon Jim ministers Holy Communion to widows and helps serve Mass to the Silver Treasures community with Fr Ignatius. Through the St Johns family funeral home, he ministers funerals, vigils or committals for individuals not having a direct connection to the St Augustine community. He serves on the Tolomato Cemetery Board as well as the Rectory Building Committee. Megan is the Cathedral's coordinator for extraordinary ministers serving nursing homes and is an extraordinary minister herself. She co-sponsors the soup and scripture program, participates in the Blues Fest and helps raise funds for St Benedict the Moor church. God bless you!

First Florida Council 611 Ladies Auxiliary

DONATIONS REQUESTED

The Ladies Auxiliary is asking everyone to donate and fill baby bottles with money. All donations go directly to St. Gerard Campus.

The Ladies Auxiliary is also requesting plastic grocery bags to donate to the St. Nicolas food bank. Epic Cure donates the food to the food bank for those in need here in St. Augustine every other Wednesday at St. Benedict of Moore and are in continuous need of donated grocery bags to package the donated food to distribute to individuals.

For donations, please contact ladies auxiliary president Linda Hill or bring donations to any Council meeting and/or social event.

ABOUT THE LADIES AUXILIARY

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:

Linda Hill
Cell: (812)249-0165
Email: Lhill1949@gmail.com

Ladies Auxiliary Officers

President	Linda Hill
Vice President	Amy Munson
Secretary	Cynthia Day
Treasurer	Beth Ann Kaczmarczyk
Chaplain	Allie Salerno
Greeter	Heather Hill



Sunsational Trivia Night!!!

August 10th (Saturday)
7:00pm to 9:00pm

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THE 4th DEGREE ASSEMBLED



NEXT ASSEMBLY MEETING

The next Assembly Meeting will be held on the 4th Monday of June at 7pm. This fraternal year, the Assembly has elected to rotate its meeting location every month between each of the four parishes of our district in order to make the meetings more accessible to its members. March's meeting location is to be announced. Please watch for an email from our Worthy Faithful Navigator for the meeting location.

Bishop Verot Assembly 0166
San Sebastian Catholic Church – Knights Hall - 1112 FL-16, St. Augustine, FL
Faithful Navigator SK Chris Gallo
(908)798-0243 – cgallo1011@gmail.com
Meetings every 4th Monday of the Month at 7pm, location TBA each month

BIRTHDAYS

Name	Birthday
David J Mariotti	06-02-1947
Jesse S Monek	06-14-2003
Andrew L Butts	06-16-1962
Kevin Partel	06-16-1957
Richard A Baker	06-19-1977
Robert J Hesson	06-20-1952
Matthew T Bell	06-21-1972
Shane M O'Hara	06-21-2000
Joseph P Regan	06-21-1959
Eric M Stanion	06-26-1963
Charles B Thomas Jr	06-27-1951
P. Blaise Bottini	06-29-1957

SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

Name	First Degree Date/ Re-entry Date	Years of Service
Robert H Czopek	06-01-1992	32
Charles P Broglio	06-25-1995	29
Edwin O Sia	06-03-1996	28
Jamie S Knox	06-02-2008	16
Arthur E Maroney III	06-10-2010	14
Timothy J Freeman	06-03-2014	10
Mr Stephen L Butler	06-04-2020	4
Jordan P Henley	06-13-2021	3
Deacon James J White IV	06-07-2023	1

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Name	Date	Wife's Name
Gabriel J. Oti	06-25-1994	Lisette Oti

ORDINATION ANNIVERSARIES

Name	Clergy Title	Ordination Date
Deacon Charles B Kanaszka	Deacon	06-18-2011
Deacon Douglas J Nullet	Deacon	06-21-2008



Intentions for the Sick or in Distress



Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor.

Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Council Prayers for:

- † Grand Knight reports that young boy hit by the car last month is recovering well
- † Dennis McCarthy, with cancer in legs.
- † Dennis McCarthy's mother, who fell, but is recovering.
- † Allen McCaffery, father of Financial Secretary AJ McCaffery, who is having heart surgery.
- † AJ McCaffery's aunt, whose health is degrading.
- † Gabe Oti's cousin, cancer.
- † Prayers for Pope Francis and Bishop Pohlmeier.
- † Prayers for our Cathedral priests, deacons, and lay ministers.
- † Prayer for the unrest in Isreal
- † 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.

If you know of a brother who is sick or in need of prayers, please contact our Worthy Grand Knight, SK Frank Hill at:

July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	1 Business Mtng. 7pm Bishop Baker Ctr	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 St. Nicholas Food Pantry St. Benedict of Moor 8:30 – 10:30am	11	12	13
14	15 Council Social 7pm Bishop Baker Ctr Guest Speaker Jim Booritch, Jim Spenilli Agency	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 District Organizational Meeting 6pm Bishop Baker Center	24 St. Nicholas Food Pantry St. Benedict of Moor 8:30 – 10:30am	25 Feast of St. James 6pm Castillo de San Marcos Mass 7pm Cathedral Basilica	26	27
28 Rosary & Communion 10:30am Cathedral Basilica	29 4 th Degree Meeting 7pm TBA	30 Officers Meeting TBA	31	1	2	3
4	5 Business Mtng. 7pm Bishop Baker Ctr	6	7 St. Nicholas Food Pantry St. Benedict of Moor 8:30 – 10:30am	8	9	10

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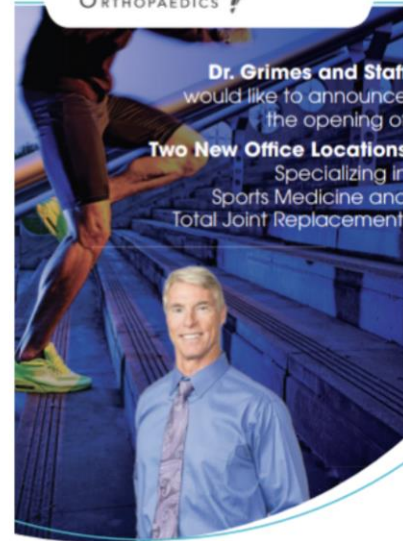
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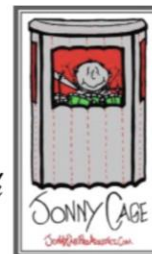
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