





The Knightly News



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March for Life

(Saturday, January 16, 2021)

First Florida Council 611 will again host the annual March for Life benefit luncheon 11am – 2pm.

This year's luncheon will be a Bar-B-Q and held outdoors on the grounds at the National Shrine of Our Lady of La Lache at Nombre de Dios.

Tickets will be available for purchase onsite. If you would like to volunteer from 10am-2pm to assist with the Bar-B-Q, please contact Br. Bruce Dufresne at (904)825-0000

Family Prayer Night

(Monday, January 18, 2021)

First Florida Council 611 invite all Knights and parishioners for a short (about 20-25 minutes) but meaningful prayer meeting via ZOOM, starting at 7pm. Pope Francis has declared 2021 to be a year dedicated to St. Joseph and the family.

For more information, please contact our Faith Director, Sk Josh Currie, PGK at jcurriekofc@gmail.com or (904)540-9559

Spiritual Reflection Day

(Sunday, January 31, 2021)

All Knights and families are invited for this Star Council Event. Rosary prayer and corporate mass will begin at 10:30am at the Cathedral Basilica, followed by private tour of the Mission grounds at the National Shrine of Our Lady of La Leche. Afterwards, there will be lunch at Borrillo's outside deck across the street.

For more information, please contact our Faith Program Director, Joshua Currie, PGK at jcurriekofc@gmail.com.

THE NEXT GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD:

7:00PM in the Knights Hall at San Sebastian Catholic Church on Monday, February 1, 2021.

This is an In-person meeting. Facial covering and social distancing will be required.

ALWAYS KEEP YOUR FORM 100 HANDY!



Message from the Grand Knight

Worthy Brothers,

First Florida Council 611 has had a near record setting first six months to the 2020 - 2021 fraternal year despite the pandemic proving that faith is the greatest driving force on earth. We have nearly reached our recruitment goal for Star Council as we are sitting at 87.5% and only need one more to achieve our goal. The pandemic has not deterred those who have the desire to serve their faith and community from joining the Knights of Columbus.

As we look ahead to the next six months of the fraternal year, we have great programming events scheduled. To kick things off, January is going to be a VERY busy month. Brothers, I know that COVID-19 has gotten us out of step and habit with coming together as a council due to an abundance of caution, but we are asking that ALL council members participate in our Nine Days of Prayer for the Novena for *Life (which is from the safety of your home)*, March for Life mass and Bar-B-Que Benefit at the Mission Grounds (*outdoor event*), our Family Prayer Night (*which is from the safety of your home via Zoom*) and Spiritual Reflection Day (*Proper social distancing at the Cathedral and the rest of the day is outdoors*). These events are the reason that we come together as Knights to champion, promote and celebrate our faith. The council has made every effort to ensure everyone's safety so there is no reason not to participate in each one of these Star Council events.

Now more than ever, because of the pandemic, our service to our faith and community is needed. I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year's holiday. Stay safe, be smart and always continue to ask yourself "Am I who I say I am?" Thank God I am a Knight and thank God you are Knights.

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



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As we close 2020, 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 PROGRAMING

First Florida Council 611 invites its members and their families to participate in following individual Faith in Action programs this 2020-2021 fraternal year.

These programs included:

- Spiritual Reflection Program
- Refund Support Vocations Program
- Rosary Program
- Helping Hands
- Habitat for Humanity
- Disaster Preparedness Program
- Consecration to the Holy Family
- Family Prayer Nights
- Good Friday Family Promotion Program
- Family of the Month/Year
- Novena for Life Program
- March for Life
- Pregnancy Center Support Program

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Our Council is doing an amazing job this year of recruitment. We have nearly met our goal towards Star Council.

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 3 degree Knight, making it easier than ever before to join the Knights of Columbus.

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



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Have you asked someone to become a Knight?

(This year's Council goal is 8, to date we have 7)

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! A new member can register and participate in their Exemplification on Charity, Unity and Fraternity ceremony all online without even leaving their home. It only takes 30 minutes!***

BIRTHDAYS

RYAN	D	OLSCHEWSKE		01-06
STEPHEN	A	JOHNSTON		01-07
PATRICK	E	SHIPLEY		01-09
ALBERT	G	VOLK	MD	01-09
ANDREW	D	GRAHAM		01-09
EDWARD	C	LUDWIG	IV	01-10
TERENCE	A	SMITH		01-11
JAMES	J	WOODRUFF	II	01-13
CHARLES	H	PETERSON		01-14
CHARLES	P	BROGLIO		01-23
CONRAD	P	KARWAY		01-25
GRADY	M	HEISS		01-26
CARL	J	SAVOIA		01-28
JASON	S	MULLINS		01-30

SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

GEORGE	E	MC CREA		63 Years
RONALD		FARRELL		48
FRANK	A	HILL		44
THOMAS	S	WILLIS		37
GERARD	T	REMY		36
STEPHEN	P	DOWDIE		28
JOHN	P	HOLMAN		22
GRADY	M	HEISS		14
JOHN	P	WALSH		13
KENNETH		BROWN		10
RICHARD	F	CHIOCCO		10
GREGORY	PATRICK	MAGUIRE		7
TOM	N	GEHRET		6



For the Good of the Order



Council Prayers for:

- ❖ All those afflicted with the COVID-19 virus
- ❖ All first responders and medical personnel
- ❖ All our service men & women

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

JANUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3	4	5	6	7 9 Days of Prayer for the Novena for Life	8	9
10	11 Business Mtng. 7pm San Sebastian	12	13	14	15	16 March for Life BBQ 11am Nombre de Dios
17	18 Family Prayer Night 7pm Zoom	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 4 th Degree Meeting 7pm San Sebastian	26 Officers & Directors Meeting TBA	27	28	29	30
31 Spiritual Reflection Day 10:30am Cathedral Basilica	1 Business Mtng. 7pm San Sebastian	2	3	4	5	6

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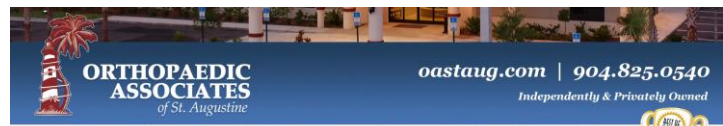
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