



The Knightly News



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KNIGHT AND FAMILY OF THE MONTH		Council 611 Officers	
Congratulations to:		Grand Knight	SK Robert Billoni, PFN 954-445-3008 <i>(temporarily vacant)</i>
Sk. Allen J McCaffery III Knight of the Month Sk AJ took over as Financial Secretary. The statements went out in record time. He set up the Council with online dues paying and had the 2020-2021 Council budget ready for Council review by the July meeting.	May Family Family of the Month The May family led the efforts to restore the rectory at St. Benedicts and lead weekly rosary prayer before mass. In addition the May family often host prayer dinners for prisoners.	Chaplain	SK Greg Maguire 904-347-4460
		Dep. Grand Knight	SK Josh Currie, PGK 904-540-9559
		Chancellor	SK AJ McCaffery, PGK, FDD 904-599-1436
		Recorder	SK Gabe Oti 904-806-2711
		Financial Secretary	Mark Van Gemert 904-325-1843
		Treasurer	Bruce Dufresne, PGK 904-825-0000
		Advocate	SK Aaron Day 904-315-9984
		Warden	SK Linwood Finley 904-827-1536
		Inside Guard	Tom Gehret 904-566-8932
		Outside Guard	Pat Maguire 904-794-4460
		1 Year Trustee	SK Curt Baker, PGK 904-517-9252
		2 Year Trustee	John Gillespie, PGK 904-347-9426
		3 Year Trustee	
Service Committee Directors & Chairs			
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Online Exemplifications

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

With social distancing due to the COVID-19 virus, Supreme is conducting Exemplifications online via videos and conferencing (Council goal is 7, to date we have 7)

Now more than ever, catholic men and their families need the Knights of Columbus.

Please contact GK Robert Billoni at (954)445-3008 or rbilloni@gmail.com

2019 – 2020 Council Officers

A BIG THANK YOU to the officers that served this past 2019 – 2020 Fraternal Year.

First Florida Council 611 owes you a debt of gratitude for your all your hard work and dedication to its success over this past year fraternal year!

First Florida Council 611 would like to congratulations to all newly elected officers for the 2020 -2021 fraternal year!

Council Gatherings

No word yet as to when all parish facilities will be open and available for the parish's ministries to use again for its meetings and planned events.

The council is in constant communication the Cathedral Basilica of St. Augustine as to when they may safely allow gathers for events that are more than 10 people.

Up to date information will be communicated to the members of Council 611 as we receive them from the Cathedral Parish.

THE NEXT GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD:

7:00PM (Location is To Be Announced) on Monday, August 3, 2020.

ALWAYS KEEP YOUR FORM 100 HANDY!



Message from the Grand Knight

Worthy Brothers,

I pray that you and your families are doing well and staying healthy during this pandemic. Again, if you or a brother you know are in need of assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to Council 611. Times of crisis is when we need the Knights of Columbus and the principles of Charity, Unity and Fraternity the most!

The 2019-2020 fraternal has proven to be one of the most productive years for First Florida Council 611 in many years. The council, for the second year in a row, has achieved all of its goals set by Supreme in the area of recruitment, insurance benefits and programing. The council doubled the average number of active brothers that volunteered and attended our programs and events this year over last fraternal year.

The 2019-2020 fraternal year saw the official re-establishment of the First Florida Council 611 Ladies Auxiliary. These ladies were very busy assisting the council in preparing for our socials, selling tickets and preparing for our fundraising events and producing and donating reusable masks for the St. John's County Council on Aging Meals on Wheels program during the COVID-19 pandemic.

As we close out the 2019 -2020 fraternal year, I would like to thank each and every member that served as an officer, volunteered and/or attended our events/programs this past year and the last but certainly not least, the Ladies Auxiliary. Your hard work, devotion, dedication and leadership drove our Council to such a successful year.

We have proven to ourselves that this council can achieve Star Council each and every year. We raised the bar on ourselves, met the challenge and achieved the goals we set for ourselves at the beginning of the year. First Florida Council 611 **has** answered the question "Are We Who We Say We Are? 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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Insurance:

As we approach the middle of 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 members and their families participated in 13 individual Faith in Action programs this past 2019-2020 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 Night
- Good Friday Family Promotion Program
- Family of the Month/Year
- Novena for Life Program
- March for Life
- Pregnancy Center Support Program

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Councils and the Knights of Columbus are still actively recruiting new members (**over 3,500 in the last three months**). Our Council goal, set by Supreme, is now 8 new members for the 2020 -2021 fraternal year. 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, making it easier than ever before to join the Knights of Columbus.

For more information, please contact our Worthy Grand Knight, Sk Robert Billoni at (954)445-3008 or rbilloni@gmail.com



Have you asked someone to become a Knight?

(This year's Council goal is 8, 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! 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!***

Congratulations to Council 611's elected officers for the 2020-2021 Fraternal Year

<i>Grand Knight:</i>	<i>SK Robert Billoni, PFN</i>
<i>Deputy Grand Knight:</i>	<i>SK Gabe Oti</i>
<i>Chancellor:</i>	<i>SK Joshua Currie, PGK</i>
<i>Recorder:</i>	<i>Frank Hill</i>
<i>Financial Secretary:</i>	<i>SK AJ McCaffery, PGK, FDD</i>
<i>Treasurer:</i>	<i>Mark VanGemert</i>
<i>Lecturer:</i>	<i>Ken Brown</i>
<i>Advocate:</i>	<i>Bruce Dufresne, PGK, FDD</i>
<i>Warden:</i>	<i>Sk Aaron Day</i>
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Elections were held at the Regular Council Meeting on Monday, June 1, 2020.
Officers' term for 2020-2021 fraternal year will begin on July 1, 2020.

A BIG THANK YOU to those officers that served this past 2019 – 2020
Fraternal Year. You did a fantastic job and First Florida Council 611 owes you
a debt of gratitude for its success this past year!

First Florida Council 611 Ladies Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary of First Florida Council 611 have been busy manufacturing reusable masks for the St. John's County Council on Aging, Meals on Wheels program. The Council on Aging, which normally serves over 3000 meals each week to seniors, but has had to scale back the number of meals served due to a lack of supply in disposable protection masks for their volunteers.

The Ladies Auxiliary upon learning of this, reached out to the Director of the Council on Aging and to date have produced and delivered 200 reusable masks that are hand washable. The Ladies are continuing to produce reusable masks for the Knights at \$8 per mask. The \$8 will not only cover the cost of the Knights mask, but also the cost of producing and donating two generic masks for the St. John's County Council on Aging. Each mask has three layers of material, two layers of 100% cotton material and one layer of polypropylene material.



Two outer layers of 100% cotton material for comfort and one inner layer of polypropylene material.



Comes in three sizes: S, M, L
Adjustable ear straps
Hand washable

To purchase your own Knights of Columbus reusable mask, please contact Keri Van Gemert at (904)325-1903 or aautoinsurance@outlook.com

If you know any ladies that would like to join the Ladies Auxiliary (they need not be a spouse of a Knight) or for more information, please contact:

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



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Ladies Auxiliary Officers

President: Cynthia Day

V. President: Keri Van Gemert

Secretary: Brittney Van Gemert

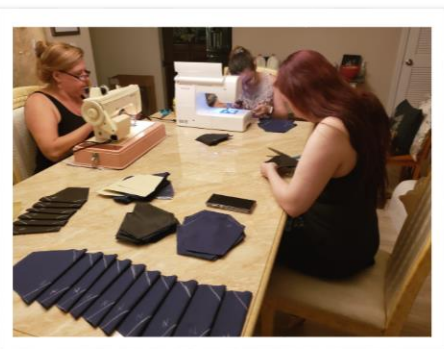
Treasurer: Beth Ann Kaczmarczyk

Trustee: Lissette Oti

Trustee: Heather Hill

Trustee: Linda Hill

Year in Pictures



BIRTHDAYS

TODD		OJALA		07-06
KEVIN	B	LYONS		07-07
GREGORY	PATRICK	MAGUIRE		07-08
MARK		RAWDON		07-09
EARL	W	LONG		07-14
EDWARD	W	TOLSON	III	07-17
PAUL	V	NUNCHUCK		07-19
TOM	M	KACZMARCEYK		07-20
CHARLES	L	SANDERS	JR	07-23
RICHARD		LYNN		07-24
MICHAEL	A	COFFARO		07-27

SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

JOHN	H	DANAHY		68 Years
MICHAEL	A	SCOTTI		28
THOMAS	J	JACKSON		26
LINDWOOD	ANTHONY	FINDLEY	SR	22
JAIME	T	KOPKE		18
ANDREW	D	GRAHAM		7
NICHOLAS	E	ALBANESE		6
JOSEPH	D	THOMASON		6
EARL	W	LONG		6
GERARDO	V	COELLO	JR	6
RICHARD	J	PETROCINE		2



For the Good of the Order



Council Prayers for:

- ❖ Repose of the soul of Br. Mark Rawdon and pray for his family
- ❖ Repose of the soul of Br. Ronald Zamora and pray for his family
- ❖ 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

JULY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	1	2	3	4 4 th of July
5	6	7 Business Mtng. 7pm **ONLINE**	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 Officers & Directors Meeting TBA	29	30	31	1
2	3 Business Mtng 7pm TBA	4	5	6	7	8

Knight of the Year 2018 -2019



Sk Greg Maguire

Family of the Year 2018 -2019



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