



# The Knightly News

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KNIGHT AND FAMILY OF THE MONTH		Council 611 Officers	
<p><b>Congratulations to:</b></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p><b>SK Howard Naquin</b> Knight of the Month</p> <p>Chosen for his outstanding volunteerism, Howard volunteers at every council event, Epic Cure Food Bank at St. Benedicts and St. Gerard campus when they need assistance with maintenance items. Howard also assists in selling fundraiser tickets at each mass on Sundays.</p> </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p><b>The Peters Family</b> Family of the Month</p> <p>Selected for their response to the Disaster in Maui. The Peters' have family and friends that live on the island. They started a care package support for their friends that lost everything on the island. Massimo's company covered the cost of shipping. Council 611 collected hygiene items for their cause.</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: Al McConnell 563-299-7333</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 904-540-6749</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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## Support our Seminarians Fundraising Dinner (Saturday, September 9, 2023)

Please join Council 611 for this fundraiser at the Bishop Baker Center to raise money to sponsor one or more of our seminarians with their school costs from 6 – 9pm.

Tickets are \$15pp and \$5 for children under 12. All you can eat Italian favorites and drinks for purchase.

To purchase tickets or for questions, please email to [rsvp@kofc611.org](mailto:rsvp@kofc611.org)

## Council Social (Monday, September 25, 2023)

Join First Florida Council 611 for its monthly social with food and fellowship at the Bishop Baker Center located at 267 St. George Street, St. Augustine, FL 32085 from 7 – 9pm. There is no cost to attend this event.

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

## Council 611 Youth Soccer Challenge (Friday, September 29, 2023)

Council 611 is expanding its Youth Program this year to include a soccer challenge for various age groups. Children of all ages are encourage to participate.

To volunteer for to sign-up a youth, contact our Deputy Grand Knight, SK Andrew Butts at (571)246-6253 or [ANDREW\\_BUTTS@MSN.COM](mailto:ANDREW_BUTTS@MSN.COM)

## THE NEXT GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD:

**7:00PM in the Bishop Baker Center on Monday, September 4, 2023 (Labor Day).** 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

As I look back on the month of August, it has been another busy month for Council 611!

Council 611 held a successful Sunsational trivia night; was able to present two \$1000 scholarships to CPS and St. Joseph's academy also support Epic Cure twice a month.

This year, each of our monthly social events is going to have a guest speaker. Our first speaker, at the August Social, was Josh Currie. Josh holds both undergraduate and graduate degrees in Theology and Philosophy. He also taught in the Diocese for 8 years. Josh's topic for the night was "The Real Presence and Eucharistic Miracles." At the August Social, we also honored Deacon Chuck Kanaszka. He joined the Knights in December 1974. He has served as Grand Knight, Faithful Navigator, District Deputy, State Committee Chairman, as the Director of Florida KC Charities, and just about everything in between! He was ordained as a Permanent Deacon on June 18, 2011, and was assigned to the Cathedral Parish shortly thereafter. He transferred to Council 611 and has been our steadfast guide and contact for over 10 years. He and his wife, Darlene, were selected as our Family of the Month and received salutations from Supreme for his 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Council 611 Knights and the Ladies Auxiliary also volunteer for Night Fire, which is held once a quarter. The Knights and Ladies Auxiliary set up the refreshment table and serve refreshments and assist in setting up the luminaries or anything else needing assistance. This is a great opportunity to volunteer for a moving experience to see all the people off the street welcomed into the Cathedral to pray, light a candle, or leave an intention prayer card at a table at the foot of the altar. During this event, the lights inside the Cathedral are dimmed, luminaries line the aisles, and the choir sings along with organ music.

As we look forward to the month of September, Council 611 will hold its first ever fundraiser just for the seminarians in our Diocese. The event will be held on Saturday September 9th. We support one or two Seminarians each fiscal year, or more if possible. Please come out and volunteer, help with the event, invite family, friends, and neighbors to come out to support this event. It will be an Italian Night, with Lasagna, Ziti and Spaghetti being the main menu.

Vivat Jesus,

Sk Frank Hill  
Grand Knight



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

## FAMILY OF THE MONTH PRESENTATION



Deacon Chuck Kanaszka and wife, Darlene, are July's Family of the Month for their many contributions to the Parish and the Knights. Deacon Chuck joined the Knights in 1974 and has served as Grand Knight, Faithful Navigator, District Deputy, State Committee Chairman and the Director for Florida KC Charities. He was ordained a Permanent Deacon on June 18, 2011 and was assigned to the Cathedral Parish where he transferred to Council 611 and has been our faithful guide and contact for over 12 years. An incredible responsibility with the many Cathedral visitors, Darlene is an Ambassador with the Cathedral Experience Department. God bless you!

## COUNCIL 611 YOUTH SOCCER CHALLENGE

The council will host a youth soccer challenge for Ages 9 -14 for both boys and girls at 11:30am **on Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup>** at the Cathedral Parish School. This youth event is open to all youths in the community. The winners will advance to the Region 2 Youth Soccer Challenge.

If you would like to volunteer or sign-up you a child to participate in the challenge, please contact our Program Director, DGK Andrew Butts at 571-246-6253 or [andrew\\_butts@msn.com](mailto:andrew_butts@msn.com)

## MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The council will be hosting membership drives throughout the fraternal year in the fall and spring, which not only attracting new members, but also dozens current members that transfer their membership to our council. These membership drives are opportunities for the council to invite the men of the parish to join our order and are vital to our council's growth. 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](mailto: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 8)*

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!***



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## Council 611 Presents 2023 Scholarships to CPS and SJA

Article Submitted by Andrew Butts

Always an exciting experience handing out scholarships to those deserving. This year the Council presented a \$1,000 check to the Cathedral Parish School's (CPS) general fund with instructions to have the funds go toward a family in need. CPS Principal, Deacon Bryan Ott, received the check and ensured us it would be very welcomed.



\$1,000 scholarship presentation to Cathedral Parish School Principal Deacon Bryan Ott by GK Frank Hill and DGK Andy Butts

While our scholarship at CPS is for families in need, our scholarship at St Joseph Academy is based on merit. SJA students fill out an application and provide a short essay. We had one applicant who was on top of the SJA scholarship posting this past June. This year's winner is Mary-Elizabeth Corrigan and although our only applicant, her essay was heartfelt and well deserving of our scholarship. Below is her essay.

*As a Catholic high school student, I would like to continue with my high school education at St. Joseph's Academy, in St. Augustine Florida. The only way that I want to be educated is in a Catholic school. The Knights of Columbus Scholarship would assist my family tremendously. I come from a family with parents who have treasured the Catholic faith and are opened to life. They are supporting multiple children with their educational needs. I am imploring the assistance of the Knights, with the hopes of obtaining this scholarship. My educational goal is to graduate from a Catholic high school and attend a Catholic college with the hopes of serving the mission of the Catholic Church in some capacity.*

*As a young Catholic I find joy in being of service to others. Over the years I have enjoyed serving in multiple capacities. Ranging from showing leadership at VBS as a crew leader to serving the homeless, to organizing Christmas presents for less fortunate children, to singing Carols at nursing homes, and being a joyful witness at the March for Life to name some. I believe that my love of service has grown from seeing beautiful examples of family members serving the Church. Both of my grandfathers were members of the Knights of Columbus. I especially admire their pro-life work and their work for children with special needs. The mission of the Knights of Columbus has such a powerful impact on the Church and the world. It would be an honor to be a recipient of a scholarship from this organization. I am praying through the intercession of Blessed Michael McGivney that if it is God's will for me to continue my Catholic education at St. Joseph's Academy I will obtain this blessing of a scholarship. Thank you for considering my request.*

-- Mary-Elizabeth Corrigan, June 29, 2023

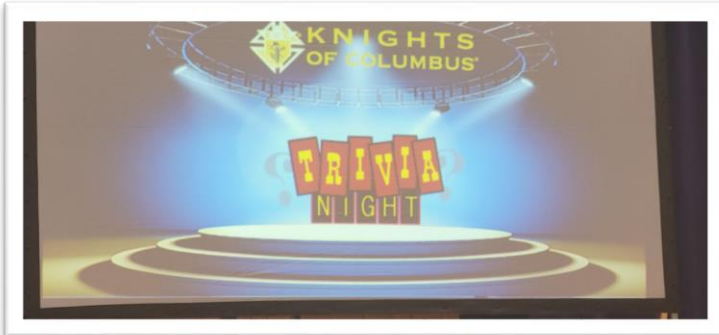


\$1,000 scholarship presentation to St Joseph Academy student Mary-Elizabeth Corrigan and her mother Elaine Corrigan by DGK Andy Butts and Brother AJ McGaffrey.

# Sunsational Trivia Night Fundraiser

(Saturday, August 19, 2023)

First Florida Council 611 hosted a funfilled evening of general knowledge trivia provided by the St. Augustine Ministry of Trivia. In addition to the purchase trivia night tickets, food and drinks were available for purchase. The evening was not only fun, but successful as we raised over \$1,000 toward this years' charitble causes.



Congratulations to our Sunsational Trivia Night Winners!

## Night Fire

(Friday, August 26, 2023)

Another glorious evening of evangelism at the Cathedral Basilica hosted by Fr. Mac. Night Fire is an evening where all in the community are not only welcomed but encouraged to come into the Cathedral Basilica pray, share in charity and our Christian Faith.



Thank you to our fellow Knights  
and Ladies Auxiliary that  
volunteered throughout the  
evening:

Tom and Nancy Gehert  
Tom and Beth Kaczmarceyk  
Tom and Bejal and kids Pyle  
Andrew Butts

# **S.O.S.**

## ***SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIANS***

### **ITALIAN FAVORITES NIGHT**

**September 9th at 6pm**  
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**ENTRY FEE:**

\$125 / Player  
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**Location:**

Marsh Creek Country Club  
 169 Marshside Drive,  
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**Brian O. Foy, GK - Council 7121 304-871-0888 [bfoy11@yahoo.com](mailto:bfoy11@yahoo.com)**



# 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 of plastic grocery bags to donate to a local food bank, Epic Cure that donates food to those in need here in St. Augustine every other Wednesday at St. Benedict of Moor.

For donations, please contact ladies auxiliary president Linda Hill or bring donations to meetings and/or social events.

## 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](mailto:Lhill1949@gmail.com)

## Ladies Auxiliary Officers

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





## THE 4<sup>th</sup> DEGREE ASSEMBLED



Congratulations to our newest Sir Knights! They took their Fourth Degree on Saturday, August 26<sup>th</sup> at Assumption Catholic Church in Jacksonville.

(From left to right: SK Rick Salerno, SK Shane O'Hara, SK Massimo Peters, SK Carl Jacquet, and SK Howard Naquin)



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## BIRTHDAYS

Edmundo	Ervas	Don	8/14/79
Rev. Inna	Reddy	Yeruva	8/4/72
Nestor	R.	Lopez	8/6/69
Arthur	E.	Marony III	8/6/72
David	K.	Wharton	8/9/67
John	M.	Bowyer	8/10/89
Richard	J.	Petrocine	8/10/65
Zachary	J.	Santorelli	8/10/83
Robert	H.	Czopek	8/11/59
Deacon Douglas	J.	Nullet	8/12/59
Rev. Mackenzie	J.	Hill	8/14/92
Dr. James	M.	Grimes	8/15/61
Rev. Carlos	M.	Sosa-Ortiz	8/15/82
Thomas	F.	Andreu	8/18/60
Roger	L.	Day	8/18/60
Rev. Martin	L.	Ibeh	8/23/76
Charles	E.	Pellicer	8/26/42

## SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

			Years of Service
Xavier	L.	Pellicer Jr.	69
Frederick	J.	Wiseman	45
Rev. Terence	A.	Smith	32
Cory		Mara	26
Deacon Charles	B.	Kanaszka	22
Dan	T.	Terrell	21
Ryan	J.	Laporte	11
Alexander		Toro	8
David	K.	Wharton	7



## 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:

- † Prayers for Deacon Chuck as he endures a serious ailment.
- † Prayers for our Brothers in Ukraine and the people of Ukraine for their courage, resilience and safe passage.
- † Prayers for the people of Hawaii that have been effected by the devastating fire.
- † Prayers for those effected by Hurricane Idalia
- † Prayers for our own trials and tribulations because we may never know what is 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:  
(812)249-0038 or hillf6466@gmail.com***

# September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3	4 Business Mtng. 7pm Bishop Baker Ctr  Labor Day	5	6 Epic Cure Food Bank St. Benedict of Moor 8:30 – 10:30am	7	8	9 St. Gerard A.S.A.P. Event  S.O.S. Dinner 6pm Bishop Baker Ctr
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 Council Social 7:00pm Bishop Baker Ctr	19	20 Epic Cure Food Bank St. Benedict of Moor 8:30 – 10:30am	21	22	23
24	25 4th Degree Meeting 7pm San Sebastian	26 Officers Meeting TBA	27	28	29 Youth Soccer Challenge 11:30am CPS	30
1	2 Business Mtng. 7pm Bishop Baker Ctr	3	4 Epic Cure Food Bank St. Benedict of Moor 8:30 – 10:30am	5	6	7

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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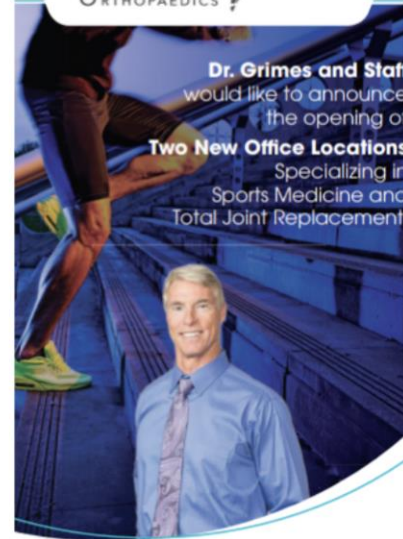
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