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St. Mary's Council 11961
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Charity
Unity
Fraternity



September 2024

Grand Knight Message *In service to one. In service to all*



This fraternal year is shaping up to be a busy one for our council. In September, our big event will be the Hot Smokin' Knights having a "Grab and Go" barbeque for St. Mary's parish. The Knights will be selling tickets at each weekend Mass in mid-September. The event will take place on Saturday, September 28th. Please see the details for the event in this newsletter. We will need help from all of our brothers to make this event a success for our council and the parish family. The proceeds will be donated to a specific parish need. Don't forget to join your brother Knights for the

Rosary for Life on Wednesday, September 4th from 5 – 5:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Church.

Also in September, we will commemorate the 23rd anniversary of the 9/11 attacks on our nation. As always, Notre Dame Council 10514 will host their commemorative event at Veteran's Park in Flagler Beach on September 11th. The ceremony begins at 8:15 a.m. with a Blue Mass to follow at 9:30 a.m. at Santa Maria del Mar Church.

*Grand Knight
Darren Moloney*

District Deputy Message



How proud I am of District 17 and your council. No better example of Charity, Unity and Fraternity was displayed than the invitation by Mother Seton and Notre Dame councils to have St Mary's council join them for the installation of officers. Notre Dame council was, graciously joined by St Mary's council at the installation of officers' ceremony on July 25th at Santa Maria del Mar Church. As always Father Manny was ready and willing to perform the Chaplain duties for both councils. A reverent mass and ceremony were enjoyed by all. Thanks go out to Notre Dame council and Father Manny.

Thanks for coming out for the Silver Rose ceremony at St Elizabeth Ann Seton Church on Aug 6th. I was filled with pride to see so many green and blue shirts. Once again unity and fraternity on display.

September is here. Membership, fraternal benefit events and faith in action programs. Your council has devised a plan for success and I'm positive that they will attain Star Council once again. Double and triple star is not out of reach. Your council has phenomenal

leadership, great support from Brother Knights and a well thought out plan. In unity and fraternity, we can accomplish this.

Amendment #4 is NOT political. The Knights have been on the front lines of life issues since their inception. Amendment #4 will be discussed and prayerfully defeated. Now more than ever we need EVERY Brother Knight to stand boldly for life. This is the time to do everything in our power to defeat the cult of death. I implore you to make a visit to the abortion mill in Jacksonville to pray for the moms and dads that feel like murder is their only option. Stand with signs in Flagler County in an effort to educate voters on amendment #4. Speak with everyone you know. We must defeat amendment #4 or we will have an abortion murder mill in our county.

Remember we were called to be Knights and are truly blessed to be Knights. Offer Catholic men the gift of becoming a Knight.

*Vivat Jesus!
Greg Gully*

Field Agent – Larry Kennedy “Life Insurance Awareness Month”



September is Life Insurance Awareness Month. It's the one month each year that the life insurance industry coordinates a campaign aimed at educating folks about the importance of life insurance and helping them get the coverage they need.

3. Analyze – Conduct an Insurance Needs Analysis (Input data, run calculations, identify shortfalls)
4. Recommend – Propose appropriate KofC products to help them meet their needs and goals
5. Implement – Work with them to implement the product solution they select (take the application, etc.)
6. Periodic Review – Review regularly (at least annually) for changes in their needs and goals and make appropriate recommendations based on those changes

This is a painless process. But it can help any family, at any age, determine if they have blind spots in their coverage. It can help you avoid the pain of being underinsured. With a variety of life insurance products we offer, we can help find solutions that fit within almost any budget.

I don't know about you, but I don't want to buy life insurance...I want to buy what life insurance can provide: protection from the risk of a significant change in lifestyle for the survivors, including not being able to stay in the house where they want to be or not being able to give your daughter the wedding she's been promised, or a child the college education he or she has been promised and much more. What does life insurance provide? Peace of mind.

That's where I can help.

* Insurance products offered through Knights of Columbus,
1 Columbus Plaza, New Haven, CT 06510

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Christopher Kauffman, the historian, spent several years at the Supreme Office and at the Museum, researching the book that he wrote on the 100th anniversary of our founding. That book, Faith and Fraternalism, notes on page 35, "...he [Fr. McGivney again] spent his energy in promoting the insurance feature...his emphasis on business was his pastoral concern for the social and financial security of the family."

Fr. McGivney lived both the social and the financial insecurity of a desperate family, with the breadwinner suddenly taken, that had to be supported. He left the seminary to work and support his mother and siblings. As a pastor, he didn't want other Catholic families to find themselves in such a predicament. That, and uniting men of faith, was the impetus for establishing our Order. Everyone who joined in those first years was insured; that was part and parcel of being in the organization. Now every member has a choice. I'd like every member to know what we do, and how we do it. Here's the process I use when I meet with families:

1. Discover – Identify their current insurance situation and financial goals
2. Gather Data – Collect facts & figures based on their current situation

September 2024 Calendar

Wed Sept 4, 2024	5:00pm – 5:30pm
Thurs Sept 5, 2024	5:30pm – 6:00pm
	6:00pm – 7:15pm
Sun Sept 8, 2024	10:30am – 12:00pm
Fri Sept 20, 2024	11:00am – 12:00pm
Tues Sept 17, 2024	4:30pm – 6:30pm
Sat Sept 28, 2024	5:00pm – 6:00

Rosary For Life
Officer's Meeting (St. Mary Parish Hall)
Business Meeting (St. Mary Parish Hall)
Fellowship Breakfast (St. Mary Parish Hall)
Into the Breach (St. Mary Parish Hall)
Assembly 2810 Meeting (SMdM Parish Hall)
Grab and Go (St. Mary Parish Hall)



September 2024						
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29	30	1	2	3	4	5

October 2024 Calendar

Sun Oct 6, 2024	10:30 – 12:00pm
Wed Oct 2, 2024	5:00pm – 5:30pm
Thurs Oct 3, 2024	5:30pm – 6:00pm
	6:00pm – 7:00pm
Sun Oct 13, 2024	8:00am – 1:00pm
Tues Oct 15, 2024	4:30pm – 6:30pm
Fri Oct 18, 2024	11:00am – 12:00pm
Wed Oct 23, 2024	9:00am- 5:00pm

Fellowship Breakfast (St. Mary Parish Hall)
Rosary For Life
Officer's Meeting (St. Mary Parish Hall)
Business Meeting (St. Mary Parish Hall)
Blood Drive (St. Mary Parking Lot)
Assembly 2810 Meeting (SMdM Parish Hall)
Into the Breach (St. Mary Parish Hall)
Council 11961 Golf tournament

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You are a priest forever according to the order of
Melchizedek." Hebrews 7:17
Vocations are *Everybody's* Business. Pray for Vocations!



St. Mary's Knights of Columbus, Council 11961 Officers 2024-2025



Grand Knight
Darren Molony



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Mike Gossman



Deputy GK
John Picucci



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Chris Grecek



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Outside Guard
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2 Year Trustee
Ron Kiceina



3 Year Trustee
Joe Jurec



Lecturer
Dr. Jim St. John



Warden
Bob Stearns



So also faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead. **James 2:17**

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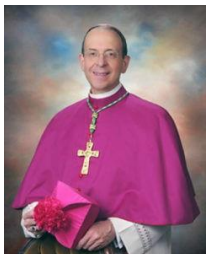


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Supreme Chaplain's Challenge (September)

A monthly reflection and practical challenge from Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori



And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter said to him in reply, "You are the Messiah." (Gospel for Sept. 15, Mk 8:29)

Peter was the first of the apostles to openly profess Jesus as the awaited Messiah, the Christ or anointed one. Today, every Christian is called to proclaim in word and deed that Jesus is the Christ. We must never lose the awe and wonder of recognizing Jesus as the Messiah and Savior, especially when we encounter him in the sacrament of penance and in the Mass.

This month, I challenge you to make Peter's profession of faith — "You are the Messiah" — a frequent aspiration, or short prayer, you recite throughout each day, perhaps writing it down some place you will see it regularly to remind yourself.

Questions for Reflection:

- When you say the name of Jesus Christ, are you mindful of what this truly means?
- When you approach a priest for confession, are you fully cognizant that the absolution you receive through the priest comes from Christ himself?
- When you approach Holy Communion, do you recognize and contemplate Jesus' real presence in the Eucharist?

2024-25 Officer Installation Ceremony

District Deputy Greg Gully, assisted by District Warden Owen Thompson, installed the newly elected officers of Notre Dame Council 10514 and St. Mary's Council 11961. A votive Mass in honor of Blessed Fr. Michael J. McGivney was celebrated prior to the installation ceremonies by

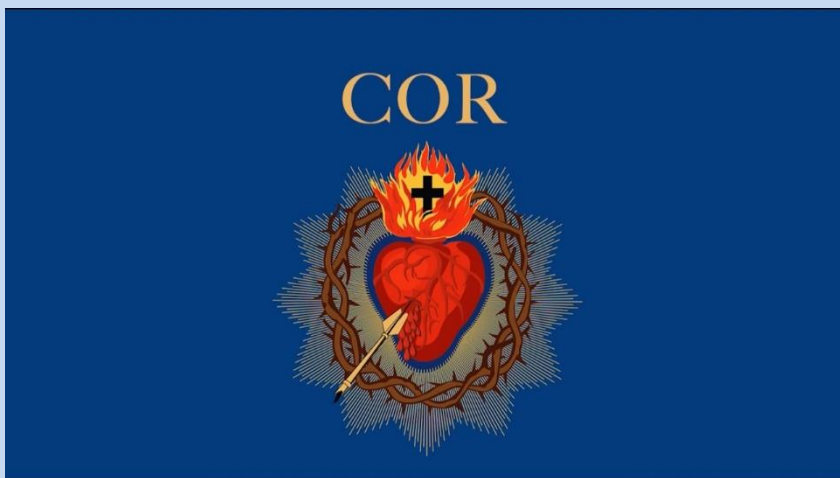
SMdM Pastor Manny Lopez. Deacon Bob Krol & Deacon Manny Almeida assisted Fr. Manny. Assembly 2810 provided the Color Corp for the Mass & officer installation ceremony.



COR Program

The Knights of Columbus have launched a new initiative call COR: Catholic Men's Fellowship. The program aims to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through prayer, formation, and fraternity.

More from our Grand Knight in the future.



**Golf Outing to Benefit St. Joseph's Carmelite
Monastery Building Fund**

October 23, 2024

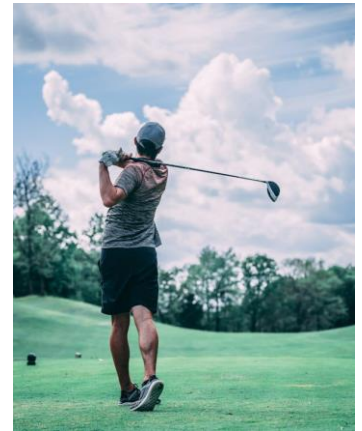
Halifax Plantation Golf Club

12:30 tee time Dinner to follow

Men's & Woman's Divisions

Golf & Dinner \$150 single \$500 foursome

Golf only \$80 Dinner only \$70



Our St Mary Council 11961 supports two Seminarians, Justino Moreno and Mason McGovern. Recently Darren Molony and I had lunch with Justino and invited him to our council meeting. Last month we were honored with Justino's visit.

He spoke of the busy life our seminarians have during and how dedicated he is. Justino thanked us for our support and prayers.

September Birthdays



James Daly 9/10
Michael Gossman 9/12
James David Norris 9/16
Dr. James St John 9/16

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300 CLUB WINNERS
July \$50 Winners

233 Elizabeth Kempnich
298 Patricia Malacky
208 Andrea Rowan
69 Bob Dumbaugh



If you are over 18 years of age; a citizen of the country in which you reside; a practical Catholic in union with the Holy See; and you are a Third Degree member in good standing, it's time to consider joining the ranks of the Fourth Degree. To learn more about the Patriotic Degree and how to join its ranks, contact:

SK Gregg Wilson 651-470-5781

Knights of Columbus
Soccer Challenge

Flagler County Youth



Time: 10:45 AM – 1:45 PM

Date: Saturday, Sept. 28, 2024

For More Information Contact: Doug Hill – (484) 614-7954 (SMdM)
Chris Grecek – (703) 895-5651 (St. Mary's)
Chris Daley – (512) 567-7763 (SEAS)



Faith in Action

Wadsworth Park
2200 Moody Drive
Flagler Beach, Florida 32136

Join in the Fun!

No Pre-registration required.
Registration is Free & On-Site.
Open to all youth ages 9 – 14.
Certificates will be awarded.



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Co. #11961 Bunnell
Co. #17480 Palm Coast

District #17

Community (Youth)



**PRAY TO
PROTECT
THEM
BOTH**

**Vote No
on Amendment 4**



FLORIDA CONFERENCE
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**Prayer to Defeat Florida's
Abortion Amendment**

Ever-living God, you give life and
desire a future for all your children.
Take hold of our nation, state, and
community and awaken in every heart
awe for the gift of life. Send your
Spirit to strengthen us with wisdom
and fortitude as we defend mothers
and children in Florida from laws that
disregard their health and safety.

Mary and Joseph trusted in you and
welcomed Jesus into our broken world.
God Almighty, we ask their intercession to
protect the preborn and their mothers, and
to guide all parents in raising their children.
May they help us build a civilization of love
by upholding the sacredness of life and
accompanying pregnant women in need.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

**Our Lady, Mother of the Family,
pray for us!**

**St. Joseph, Protector of the Unborn,
pray for us!**



On October 13th, our Knights of Columbus will sponsor a blood drive outside of the parish center from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. The Big Red Bus blood mobile will be present to accept blood donations from volunteers. These blood donations will help in saving lives throughout our community. We thank you in advance.



Into the Breach



The councils in our district have been holding 'Into the Breach' seminars. Our Faith Director, Darren Molony, has reserved the Parish Center for the 3rd Friday of the month. Our next is **Sept 20th at 11:00 AM** at the Parish Center. The sessions have proven to be worthwhile, strengthening our Faith and Brotherhood.

**If you know of any Brother or family member
in distress please notify one of the council officers.**

MARY, QUEEN OF THE KNIGHTS
intercede to Jesus for those in need of his healing.

Joe Jurec Family, Nacci Family,
Pat Tolleo, Joan Beck, Bob Stearns and son, Dan Nagy,
Joe Rios Family, John Ruck, Dr. Joe Moore, Joe Pimentel, Rich Friese

Almighty and Eternal God, You are the everlasting health of those who believe in You. Hear us for Your sick servant for whom we implore the aid of Your tender mercy, that being restored to bodily health, he (she) may give thanks to You in Your Church. Through Christ our Lord.



Pray for our Deceased Brothers

Let us remember and pray for our Brothers that are no longer with us, George Baldyga, Michael Benedetto, Francis A. Bock, John A. Carey, Jerry Fondow, Hank Kesselring, Thomas Lee, Andrew Petersen, John Placenti, Richard Rentz, Gus Simms and also our former District Deputy Paul Gloekler. May our Lord welcome them home.





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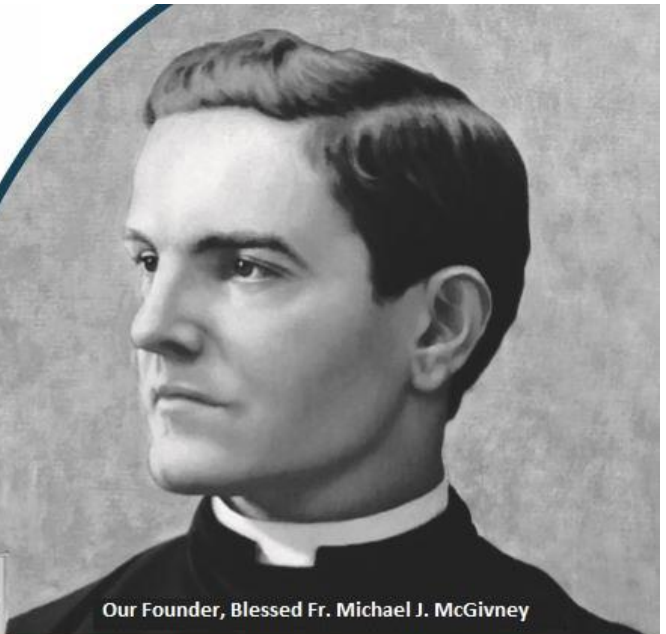
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