



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

## MILTON COUNCIL 7027

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### COMING EVENTS

| Date | Time    | Event                                | Location                 |
|------|---------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 4    | 6:30 PM | CCMI Meeting                         | Knights Hall             |
| 4    | 7:00 PM | KOC Planning Meeting                 | Knights Hall             |
| 5    | 4:00 PM | First Friday Chapel                  | Chapel                   |
| 6    | 2:00 PM | Mardi Gras Parade                    | Seville Square           |
| 10   | 8:00 AM | Ash Wednesday                        | ST Rose of Lima          |
| 10   | 9:30 AM | KOC Ladies Aux meeting               | PARISH HALL              |
| 10   | 7:00 PM | Ash Wednesday                        | ST Rose of Lima          |
| 11   | 6:00 PM | Vespers                              | Chapel                   |
| 11   | 7:00 PM | KOC Business Meeting<br>(Chapel 6PM) | Knights Hall             |
| 12   | 6:30 AM | <b>Valentines Dinner</b>             | Hilton Garden Inn<br>PNS |
| 12   | 5:30 PM | Fish Fry                             | PARISH HALL              |
| 14   | 8:00 AM | KofC Breakfast                       | PARISH HALL              |
| 18   | 7:00 PM | KOC ASSEMBLY 2823                    | Knights Hall             |
| 19   | 5:30 PM | Fish Fry                             | PARISH HALL              |
| 26   | 5:30 PM | Fish Fry                             | PARISH HALL              |
| 26   |         | Newsletter Articles Due              |                          |
| 28   | 8:00 PM | Corporate Communion                  | ST Rose of Lima          |

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### Super Bowl 50 Viewing Party



Details on page 7.

### Keepers of His House Schedule

|           | Team 1 | Team 2 | Team 3 | Team 4 |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Month/Yr  | Day    | Day    | Day    | Day    |
| Feb, 2016 | 13     | 20     | 26     | 5      |
| Mar, 2016 | 12     | 19     | 25     | 4      |
| Apr, 2016 | 9      | 16     | 22     | 1, 29  |

### Editor's Note

It's your newsletter. Officers and committee chairmen are encouraged to submit articles. **Anyone** who would like to contribute an article please send it to [7027newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:7027newsletter@gmail.com) by the 4th Sunday of the month to be published in the next month's newsletter.

**The Newsletter Editor**



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## GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

### My brothers in Christ,

Many thanks to our brothers who participated with our Park Ave cleanup and Council and District free throw competition. Support of these programs not only helps our community to grow, but also builds unity between brothers.

If you were not able to help us on these events I have great News for you...Another opportunity awaits!

### SMOKIN IN THE SQUARE IS UPON US!

We all are needed to prepare for the most tasking yet charitable event that this council puts on each year. It is time for Smokin in the Square. Scheduled for March 18 & 19 Seville Square, Pensacola.

Please clear your schedules and make yourself available for the event!

No matter how much time you have we need it. An hour or the entire weekend can make a huge difference in our success to provide deserving charities with the funds they so desperately need to support our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Love is the outward sign of Christ...let us show it in mind, body, heart, and soul. We are approaching the Lenten season and as Christ sacrificed for us, we must also sacrifice for his people. Please give of yourself and make this year's event a success.

### Valentine Dinner with your sweetheart! \*\*

We will be having our Dinner at the Hilton Garden Inn off of Airport blvd this year on Friday 12<sup>th</sup>

### Our Lent menu will be:

**Tilapia W/Citrus Sauce/Shrimp and Crawfish Etouffee/Fried Breaded Catfish served with Jalapeno Sauce**

**Garden Salad/White Rice/Green Beans Almandine**

**Dinner rolls and whipped butter ....Tea and Coffee**

**Tickets are \$12.50 per person and tickets are limited to 60 total. You can purchase your ticket by contacting Gene Skalsky @ 748-7026 or myself at 850 313-6636. \*\* No tickets will be sold at the door.**

**May God Bless all of you and your families.**

**Kenneth J. Paterna  
Grand Knight, Council 7027**



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## FIELD AGENT'S REPORT

### Brother Knights,

You know the old saying, "the grass seems greener on the other side of the fence," but we all know that it rarely is. The same holds true when it comes to replacing your existing Knights of Columbus life insurance with coverage offered by another company. Perceptions are deceiving. A move to the "greener" grass on the other side of the fence might seem like a good one, but it can leave you with less green in your wallet — in some cases, a lot less. That's why it pays to remember another old adage, "Read the fine print."

There are many reasons to keep your existing coverage in force, whether that coverage is with the Knights of Columbus or with another company. I'll focus on the potential pitfalls of replacing coverage here — pitfalls that an agent trying to convince you that the grass actually is greener might neglect to mention.

First, all life insurance contracts contain a contestability period, which allows the insurer to contest claims made for a period — typically two years — after the contract is issued. Chances are this is no longer an issue with your current coverage. Second, it's unlikely that you can obtain the same amount of coverage, for the same premium, that you were able to obtain with your existing contract. The two factors that determine how much you'll need to pay for life insurance coverage are age and health. Certainly, you're older now than you were when you took out your current coverage. There's no way around that. And you have to ask yourself, has your health changed during that time? Is your blood pressure the same? Your cholesterol? Have you gained weight? All these factors can affect the amount of coverage you'll get for your premium dollar.

If someone encourages you to replace — or worse, drop — your existing coverage, please call me. I'll show you how your existing coverage is working for you and why replacement is rarely in your best interest.

May God Bless You All,



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As those of you who are ACTIVE in this council know, the Knights of Columbus contributes many Man Hours and many \$\$ to community service. As of December 31, 2014, the Knights of Columbus (that's you, me and all the other ACTIVE members of this organization); we donated over 71.5 Million hours of service, and over \$713.6 Million to charitable causes.

The Knights of Columbus has been recognized as a 2015 World's Most Ethical Company by the Ethisphere Institute (a global leader in defining the standards of ethical business practices). Only three (3) life insurance companies in ALL of North America have earned that distinction. And of those three (3), the Knights of Columbus is ranked # 1.

As of December 31, 2014, Knights of Columbus members in the State of Florida have over \$2.3 Billion worth of life insurance in force. Order-wide, the Knights of Columbus has over \$100 Billion of Life Insurance in force. And that doesn't include other Knights of Columbus benefits like Disability Insurance, Long Term Care Insurance, and Annuities.

Did you know, that, as a Knights of Columbus policyholder, you are actually a stockholder in the company? How can that be?

Knights of Columbus policyholders receive dividends on their policies; that's how.

We have policies that, not only provide life insurance protection for you and your family, but can also serve as a way of saving for your retirement. That's because those kinds of policies accumulate cash values, which, in turn, earn dividends (just like an investment plan does). Not only that, but if you choose to do so, you can retain part of your policy for life insurance protection, and take part of the accumulated cash values and dividends, as retirement income.

I was a Field Agent for the Knights of Columbus for 24 years. Three (3) years after becoming an Agent, I purchased a Whole Life policy. Over the years, that policy has outperformed almost every other type of INVESTMENT plan available. And there are times when I have borrowed money from the Knights of Columbus, and used that policy as collateral, and it STILL outperformed those so-called INVESTMENT plans.

So, if you haven't yet done so, I encourage you to sit down with our Field Agent, Jeff Fischer, and let him show you what the Knights of Columbus can do for you. You're under no obligation to buy anything, but you owe it to yourself and your family, to at least KNOW what the Knights have to offer you.

**Fraternally,**  
**GENE SKALSKY**  
**Council 7027 Trustee**



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## DEACON'S TEACHING By Deacon Chris Christopher



### What Does the Church Teach About Homosexuality?

The writer of Proverbs includes on the list of things “too wonderful” to understand this intriguing item: “the way of a man with a maiden” (30:19). The biblical view of human sexuality affirms that it is indeed in many ways a mystery to be marveled at. Despite the mystery, however, the Catholic Church affirms that God, our Creator, has revealed certain essential truths about our sexual nature to us.

With regard to homosexual *behavior*, the Catechism (2357) teaches: Basing itself on sacred Scripture, which presents homosexual acts as acts of great depravity (Gn. 19:1-29; Rom 1:24-27; 1 Cor 6:10; 1 Tim 1:10), tradition has always declared that “homosexual acts are intrinsically disordered” (CDF, *Persona humana* 8). They are contrary to the natural law. They close the sexual act to the gift of life. They do not proceed from a genuine affective and sexual complementarity. Under no circumstances can they be approved.

With regard to homosexual *orientation*, the Catechism (2358-2359) continues: The number of men and women who have deep-seated homosexual tendencies is not negligible. This inclination, which is objectively disordered, constitutes for most of them a trial. They must be accepted with respect, compassion, and sensitivity. Every sign of unjust discrimination in their regard should be avoided. These persons are called to fulfill God’s will in their lives and, if they are Christians, to unite to the sacrifice of the Lord’s Cross the difficulties they may encounter from their condition.

Homosexual persons are called to chastity. By the virtues of self-mastery that teach them inner freedom, at times by the support of disinterested friendship, by prayer and sacramental grace, they can and should gradually and resolutely approach Christian perfection.

Given these truths, a homosexual union can never be equivalent to marriage. God has naturally structured human sexuality to make man and woman complementary partners in transmitting life. This sexual complementarity can only be expressed by the union of male and female, which makes possible the conjugal bond at the heart of marriage (Gn 1:27-28; 2:18-24). Same-sex union is thus contrary to the very nature of marriage.

Next month we’ll ask: **As a Catholic May I Be Cremated?**



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### Honors of the Months

| Month           | Knight of the Month | Family of the Month          |
|-----------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| July, 2015      | Walter Gross        | Tom & Sandy Tomas            |
| August, 2015    | Jim Gentry          | William & Marie Field        |
| September, 2015 | Bruce Mabley        | Gene & Martha Skalsky        |
| October, 2015   | Mike Stafford       | Eugene "Red" & Dorothy James |
| November, 2015  | George Elliot       | John & Margo Recke           |
| December, 2015  | Bob Haring          | Gene & Martha Skalsky        |
| January, 2016   | Vic Vangrowski      | Michael & Debra Stafford     |

#### Knight of the Month

#### Family of the Month



GK Ken Paterna, Vic Vangrowski, Msgr. Michael Reed



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### Park Avenue Clean Up





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### Pro-Life by Dan Arndt

Brother Knights, February is another busy month for Pro-Life. February 10<sup>th</sup>, Ash Wednesday, starts the next **"40 Days for Life"** which has been a basis for Knights of Columbus all over the US and abroad. Come out to the abortion mill behind Hobby Lobby in Pensacola and stand to Pray for the most innocent, our children in the womb. We also care and pray for the mothers and workers in the center. You may go and pray anytime you wish, but try and participate in our Parish and Council Days. Check St Rose days on the signup sheets in the Church and sign up for Council 7027 days of Fridays of February 12<sup>th</sup> and March 11<sup>th</sup> from 6am - 6pm to be in prayer at the mill and 6pm - 6am at your homes. We will have signup sheets at the meetings or you may sign up by e-mail to [prolifeman53@gmail.com](mailto:prolifeman53@gmail.com).

Also on February 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> is the **"Catholic Days at the Capital"**. It is a great time to meet with other Catholics that share the same commitment of the issues of Pro-Life which include abortion, death penalty, and end of Life. At the conclusion we celebrate the **"Red Mass"** with all our Florida Bishops. For more information go to [www.flaccb.org](http://www.flaccb.org).

I am also Honored to be one of the State Directors for the **"Run for Life"**. We are revamping the Run to include more participation. The Run now will be a Virtual Run, which means anyone will be able to participate. With a Virtual run you just register and Run, Walk, or Crawl anywhere, anyhow. The activities will be along a 9 day time frame along with a Novena for Life. There is no stress to be racing in competition or to complete a course. You just commit to an activity which could be as simple as going to the end of your street and back. We will sign up individuals, families, and groups. To register pay a fee of \$25 and try to raise fund for your efforts in donations. Each registrant will receive a medal and all donations of at least \$125 will receive a Run for Life T-shirt. It is a work in progress and we need your help. If you can help or need more information contact me at **850-207-8779** or e-mail at [prolifeman53@gmail.com](mailto:prolifeman53@gmail.com).

God Bless and Viva Jesus

## YOU'RE INVITED

Who: Brothers, Wives, and significant others of KoC Council 7027.  
 From: Chris & Z Christopher  
 What: Watch **Super Bowl 50** (Or shoot pool, play board games, people watch if that's your thing) with the Christophers.  
 When: Sunday, 7 February, in time for the 5:30 kickoff. Come early enough



for a good seat: sections for casual fans, socializing fans, and no-kibitzing-serious-students-of-the-game fans.  
 Where: **3749 Ward Basin Road (two miles south of Interstate 10, on the right, look for illuminated driveway) Milton, FL 32583.**  
 Snacks: Please contribute food to share during commercials and halftime, **and let us know who you are and what you are bringing so that we can fill in gaps where needed.** Drinks will be provided.

**RSVP:** Zee Christopher 850-384-0995 or [zeechristopher@yahoo.com](mailto:zeechristopher@yahoo.com)



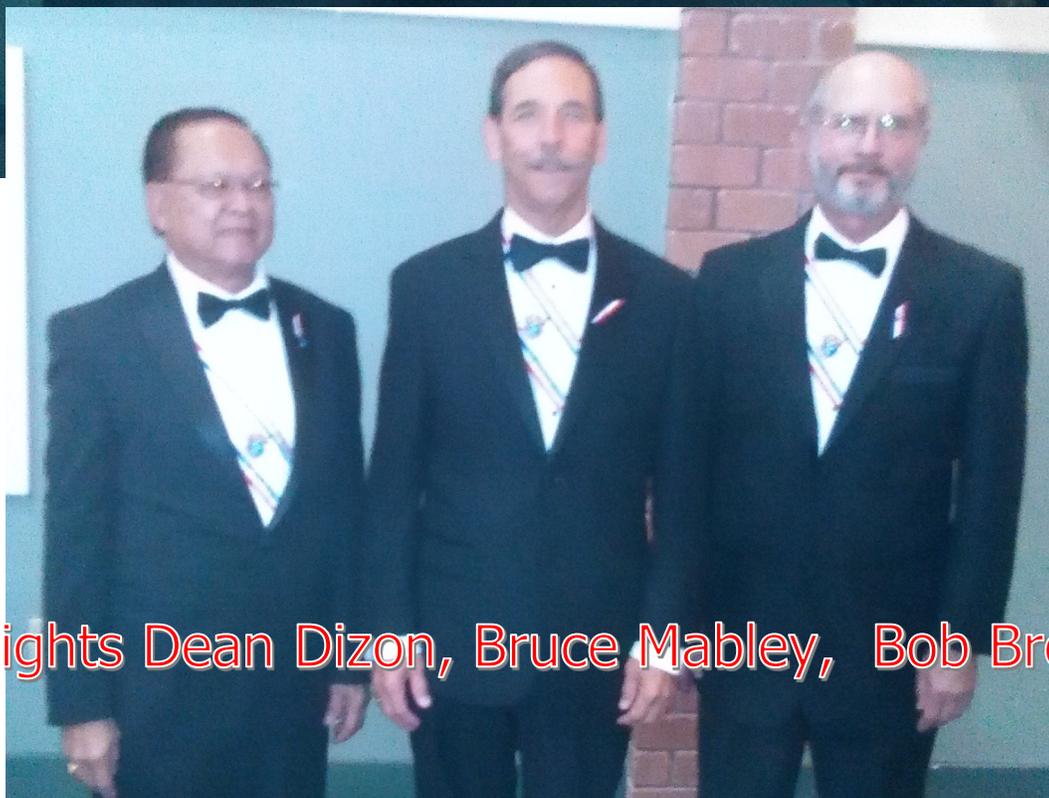
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### Fourth Degree — Newest Sir Knights



Sir Knights Dean Dizon, Bruce Mabley, Bob Browder



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## Valentine's Dinner

Our Annual Knights of Columbus Valentine's Dinner will be held on Friday, February 12, 2016, at the Hilton Garden Inn. Cocktails will served at 6:30 p.m. followed by an all you can eat Buffett Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

### MENU

Tilapia W/Citrus Sauce

Shrimp and Crawfish Etouffee

Fried Breaded Catfish served with Jalapeno Sauce

Garden Salad, White Rice, Green Beans Almandine

Dinner rolls and whipped butter

Tea and Coffee

Tickets are \$12.50 per person. If you plan to treat your spouse, or significant other, to a special dinner this year, this is your chance.

You are advised to make your reservation, AND PAY FOR YOUR TICKETS, soon, because when the tickets are gone, they're GONE. THERE WILL BE NO TICKETS AVAILABLE AT 'THE DOOR'! This strictly an advance sales event!

There are ONLY 60 TICKETS AVAILABLE for this event. So, make your reservation AND PAY FOR YOUR TICKETS pronto. Contact either the Grand Knight, Ken Paterna, at 850-313-6636, or Gene Skalsky, at 850-748-7026.

**IF** there are any tickets left, they will be available at the K of C Planning Meeting on Thursday, FEB 4, 2016.



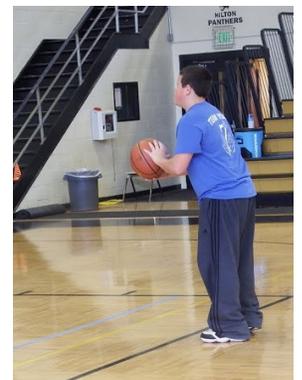
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# Free-throw Contest





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## FATHERS FOR GOOD

AN INITIATIVE FOR MEN BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

[FathersForGood.org](http://FathersForGood.org)

### **A FATHER IS ... A Protector ... Involved ... A Loving Husband ... AND SO MUCH MORE.**

Welcome to **Fathers for Good**, an initiative for men by the Knights of Columbus.

Whether you are a seasoned dad, a new dad, a dad to be, or a single guy wanting to know more about fatherhood, this Web site is for you.

There is a role only a father can fill and gifts only a father can give. In a culture that often does not favor fatherhood or masculine virtue, we wish to highlight the unique contributions of men, husbands and fathers. The world would be lacking without them.

We also welcome wives who want to support their husbands in becoming the best fathers they can be.

#### **On this Web site you will find –**

- Information
- Inspiration
- Expert Advice
- Answers to your Questions
- Interactive Features
- A Forum for Your Stories
- A Look at Living the Fatherhood Vocation
- Ways to Strengthen Your Marriage
- St. Joseph Booklet Series