



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FATHER THOMAS G LORIGAN COUNCIL 7027

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## Council 7027 Virtual Meetings for the Month of August

Virtual Planning Meeting: **Thursday, August 6, 7:00 PM**

Virtual Business Meeting: **Thursday, August 13, 7:00 PM**

Hosted by "GoToMeeting" which will better meet our needs!

\*\*\*Two ways you can participate: by phone or online\*\*\*

-By phone: Call **(872) 240-3412**, enter Access Code **342-890-781#**

-Online: Go to **www.gotomeet.me/GeorgeElliott8** (and turn on your microphone and/or web cam)

For either method, consider "arriving" up to ten minutes early

Questions? Contact Grand Knight George Elliott, cell 908-487-8622 or email grejr13@gmail.com

*Can't wait to "see" you! Be safe!*

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Assumption of Mary—August 15



ST. ROSE OF LIMA

August 23rd

## Knights of Columbus Online Resources

**Council 7027** web site has important information such as calendar, newsletters, and member only information.

<http://www.kofc7027.com>

**State Council** has important information about Knights in Florida.

<https://floridakofc.org/>

**Supreme** contains something for everyone.

<http://kofc.org>

**Knights Gear** is clothing and accessories K of C branded.

<http://www.knightsgear.com>

**Knightline** is a monthly publication with important information for leaders and members.

<http://kofc.org/knightline>

## Keepers of His House Schedule

	Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4
Month/Yr	Day	Day	Day	Day
Aug, 2020	15	1, 29	6	21
Sept, 2020	12	26	3	18
Oct, 2020	10	24	1, 30	16



# Grand Knight's Report

## George Elliott

I am so proud to be part of such a strong, committed Knights of Columbus council! We have so many knights and families who live their faith and give meaning to the words Charity, Unity, and Fraternity.

Recently, I had the opportunity to spend time with a few such exemplary people, visiting with Kenneth and Maureen Young and with Ralph Crago. Many of us don't get to see each other as often as we would like. We try to respect each other's space and maintain healthy distancing. The reason for these visits was to honor the Youngs as our 2019-20 Family of the Year and to honor Ralph as our Knight of the Year. These honorees were selected by ballot of our members, and I was extremely happy to present the awards on behalf of the council. Congratulations to the Kenneth Young family and to Ralph Crago! Well-deserved.

As much as we may want to resume normal activities, it is not prudent to do so just yet. We will continue to have our planning/officers' meeting and our regular membership meeting online and by phone (see the details in this newsletter). You don't need a computer to participate. You can simply call in. Or you can go online and use your web cam and microphone. For me, I prefer to go online for the video and simultaneously call in for the audio. That way, if there is a problem with my Internet connection, I'm still on the phone call. I'd really like to see more of us participate, especially when you can do it from the comfort of home or wherever you are. We'll continue to evaluate the possibility of face-to-face meetings and activities. When we do meet in person, we'll continue to offer participation by Internet and phone

for those who cannot attend in person.

Just because we can't get together in large gatherings doesn't mean we can't be actively involved in our fraternal programs. The directors of our four service categories (Faith – Sid Roussell, Family – Mike Michulka, Community – Bill McDonald, and Life – Dan Arndt) will need some help carrying out their programs. I ask you to consider what you might like to do, and to offer your assistance. We'll need to be especially creative under the current circumstances.

And let's never forget to invite Catholic men age 18 and over to join us. Let's not push what they can "do". Let's emphasize what they can "be" - be a Knight of Columbus, be a better man, be a better Catholic. We need them, and they need us. The time is now. Vivat Jesus!

### **Council 727 is still collecting Beverage Can Pull Tabs for the Ronald McDonald House**

**Total contributions 2,394,264 tabs**

**Total weight 2,464 pounds**

**Kevin Tully coordinator**



## Field Agent's Report

**Y**ou are never too young or too old to consider purchasing life insurance. If you have a financial need for coverage, or will in the future, a permanent life insurance policy can be just the thing you need.

When you are young and presumably healthy, coverage will be very inexpensive when compared to purchasing the same policies when you are older.

If you've put off purchasing coverage, or you realize that you may need additional insurance, the Order may still be able to help you, even if other companies cannot. In fact, in 2012, the issue age of our permanent life insurance products was extended to age 80, and in 2014, the issue age of our term insurance was extended to age 70. Naturally, your health, and whether or not you smoke,

will be taken into consideration, so underwriting standards for risk and age apply. But, the extensions are a great blessing for me – and it could be for you too. Now I can help members that I couldn't help before. Are you or one of your brother knights one of those members?

Whether you're 18 or 80, the Knights of Columbus has products that will work for you and your family. I look forward to discussing coverage with you.

May God Bless You All,

**Jeff Fischer, FICF, LUTCF**

**K of C Field Agent**

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### Fraternal Activities During Pandemic Conditions

Although many jurisdictions are slowly reopening, the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic continues to present a significant risk, especially to persons who are vulnerable due to age or medical condition. Because the health and safety of our members and guests is of paramount concern, council officers and members are advised to proceed cautiously as they resume ordinary fraternal activity.

The Order's policy for fraternal activity during current pandemic conditions has been updated as follows: In order to prevent inadvertent spread of COVID-19 by asymptomatic carriers, travel for Knights of Columbus fraternal activity should be limited to that which is necessary and required.

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2. Councils, assemblies and circles should use electronic tools and procedures as much as possible for fraternal activity, particularly meetings.
3. In-person meetings should be avoided unless personal interaction is essential and local pandemic orders and regulations permit. If you decide to resume in-person meetings, it would be ideal that they be conducted outside. Please note that you must offer all members the opportunity and means to participate remotely, so that members who are concerned about their health may avoid possible exposure to the coronavirus. Until further notice, no member may be required to attend any meeting in person.
4. Councils officers should exercise prudential judgment when planning to resume in-person meetings and events. They must research and obey all diocesan rules, as well as the current orders and regulations issued by civil authorities. Any activities planned at local parishes must be coordinated in advance with pastors. The Supreme Council has created an inventory of resources to assist council officers as they consider whether and when to resume in-person meetings and events. Go to "Fraternal Operations Webinars" at [kofc.org/training](http://kofc.org/training).

This policy is subject to change in response to new developments in the pandemic.

Rev. July 2020



# Deacon's Teaching By Deacon Chris Christopher

## Why Does the Priest Kiss the Altar At Mass?

**M**ass begins with the procession to the altar where each member genuflects. The priest (and deacon) kiss the altar in an act of veneration and then go to their respective chairs.

In kissing the altar the priest symbolizes the bond between Christ and his church. He acknowledges the sacrifices of those martyrs (relics imbedded in the stone altar) who gave their life for the faith. This practice of reverencing the altar with a kiss is one of the most ancient liturgical traditions and can be dated back to the 4<sup>th</sup> century with certainty.

The altar is both the sacrificial table and the place where the paschal feast takes place. During the first centuries of Christianity when the Eucharist was still illegal, Christian altars were constructed from wood and often resembled ordinary house tables. This practice continued until 517 when the provincial council of Epeaune in France decreed that altars should be made of stone to signify **"Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone"** of the Church.

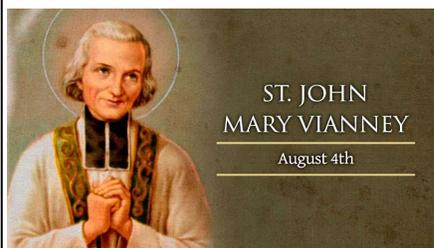
Venerated relics were conserved in cavities in the stone altars of newly built Basilicas, which were then placed directly above the tomb of a martyr to evoke those times during the persecutions of the church when martyrs' tombs were utilized as places of Eucharistic celebration.

The act of veneration, The Holy Kiss, or Kiss of Peace, occurs three times during the Mass:

1. Like the cross on Calvary where Jesus sacrificed his life, the altar is considered a place of sacrifice.

2. The next holy kiss seals and venerates the liturgy of the Word at the ambo (lectern where the deacon or priest carries the Gospel book). The Gospel is seen to have within it power to transform the lives of the faithful. According to the Church, just as Christ became the living Word, so the faithful should seek to do the same.
3. The final kiss is also given at the altar at the conclusion of Mass.

Next month we'll ask: **What Happens If A Priest Dies Halfway Through Mass?**





# Life

Dan Arndt  
prolifeman53@gmail.com



Hope all are doing well. Life is always on our minds. If you would like to participate in an effort locally to help with life you can go to the abortion mill in Pensacola to stand and pray for the babies and their mothers.

Mark your calendars for the next 40 Days for Life. It will be September 23 through November 1.

You can also start to educate yourself and others about candidates and life issues. The next primary election is Tuesday, August 18. Before casting your ballot, take the time to see where the candidates stand. Check out Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops Candidate Questionnaire Project. (see page 11)

Our council is also in need for a chair person for the next Tootsie Roll Drive to support the Morning Star Catholic high school. If you are able please contact the Grand Knight. We can have the fundraiser on any weekend. **Please remember Life.**



**The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network**  
APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER UNITED STATES

## August

### Universal prayer intention - The Maritime World

We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

<http://popesprayerusa.net/popes-intentions/>

#### BIRTHDAYS

On behalf of your Council's Brother Knights, we wish you a very Happy Birthday.



NATHANIEL F KLEIN	8/9	NILS A MATOLAY	8/21
BRIAN A SANBORN	8/10	JOHN K RECKE	8/23
ROBERT E BOYKIN	8/11	VICTOR L VANGROWSKI JR	8/23
JAMES H GENTRY	8/16	MICHAEL KASSINGER	8/24
BRIAN R HERRERA	8/16	MICHAEL W THOMPSON	8/24
JOHN K PFEIFFER	8/19	JEFFREY T FISCHER	8/29
EDWARD M ROUSE	8/20	RICHARD M JAMES	8/30



## Honors of the Months

Month	Knight of the Month	Family of the Month
July, 2019	John Recke	John & Lexy Aine Canning
August, 2019	Ralph Crago	Jerry & Jenny Craft
September, 2019	John Marchal	Karen & Ronald Bradberry
October, 2019	Charles J. "CJ" Russell	Barry & Gayle Brecke
November, 2019	Sean Canning	Christopher & Diana Root
December, 2019	Eugene Skalsky	Greg & Jennifer Micklos
January, 2020	Jeff Fischer	Dan & Barbara Nolan
February, 2020	Frank Ferraro	Eusebio (Tom) & Sandra Tomas
March, 2020	Ed Faxlanger	Tim & Liz Maynard
April, 2020	Roger L Russell	Deacon Tom & Pat Kennell
May, 2020	Bruce Donatelli	Ernie & Mary Beth Cyr
June, 2020	Victor VanGrowski	Russell & JoAnne Raught
Year 2019-20	<b>Ralph Crago</b>	<b>Kenneth &amp; Maureen Young</b>
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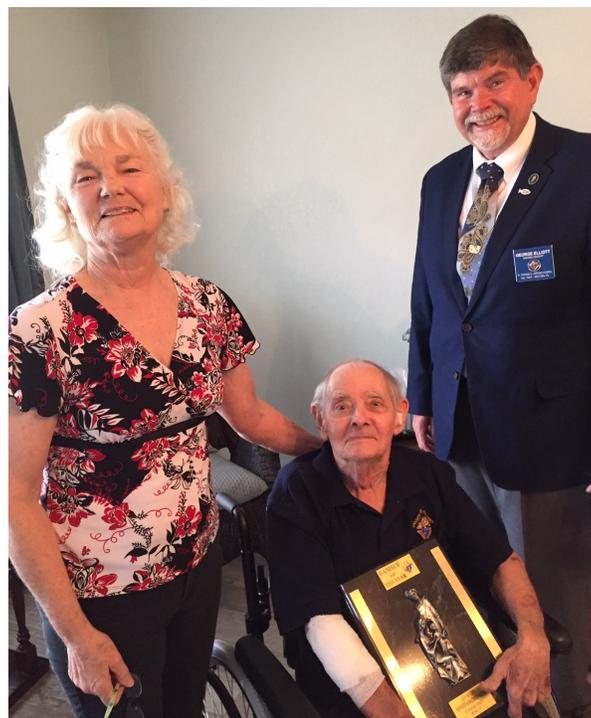
Grand Knight George Elliott announced for July the Knight of the Month is Sean Canning and the Family of the Month is Jerry and Jenny Craft. The presentations will be made at a future time.

Knight of the Year



Grand Knight George Elliott presented Knight of the Year for 2019-20 to Ralph Crago.

Family of the Year



Grand Knight George Elliott presented Family of the Year for 2019-20 to Kenneth and Maureen Young.



## Fourth Degree

### St. Teresa of Calcutta Assembly 2823



Sir Knights,  
Blessings upon you and your families.

#### August

First some housekeeping.

**Early Voting in Santa Rosa County  
Primary Election**

**08/03/2020-08/15/2020 8:30am-  
4:30pm**

#### Locations

**Main Elections Office (Behind  
McDonalds on Highway 90, Milton)**

6495 Caroline St., Suite "F" Milton, FL  
32570-4592

**South Service Center (1 block east  
of the Zoo on Highway 98)**

5841 Gulf Breeze Pkwy. (Highway 98)  
Gulf Breeze, FL 32563

**Tiger Point Community Center**

1370 Tiger Park Ln. Gulf Breeze, FL  
32563

**Pace Community Center**

5976 Chumuckla Hwy. Pace, FL 32571

**18 August, 2020**

**Primary Election, Polls open 7am  
until 7pm**

One of the most important things we  
can do as Knights is to oblige by our  
civic duty to be informed about issues  
and candidates and **Vote**.

SO...

**We** also begin August, with...

Hurricane Isaias looming on the  
Atlantic side of Florida,  
Global Pandemic of Covid-19.

Concerns about students returning to  
face to face class.

Much stress and uncertainty, the list  
can go on and on,

However, we also begin August with  
Jesus Feeding 5000 and by extension  
feeding us, both physical and more  
important spiritually through the

Eucharist. We can take great comfort  
in this, as well we should.

Furthermore we also should take  
great comfort in that as Knights we are  
blessed to have as our advocates those  
Saints that are Part of the Church  
Triumphant who praying for us. Of  
these Mary, the Mother of Jesus stands  
out. I mention this because one of the  
Great Joys of August is 15 August

**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin  
Mary**, a holy day of Obligation

Yes, we, as Catholics, observe 6 Holy  
Days of Obligation:

Where, if physically able, we are

**Obligated** to go to either  
the Vigil Mass or the Mass held during  
that day.

15 August **Assumption of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary** is one of them.

Therefor as August has more than  
enough to keep us busy; I encourage  
all to Pray the Rosary, even just 1  
Decade, every Day during this month.  
Pray for an end to this Pandemic, for  
the Victims, for protection from storms,  
for all those running who will be elected  
to Public office, you own personal  
intentions. Prayer is truly a power  
instrument of comfort and solace  
during this and any trying times in our  
lives as St Thomas More said,  
"Pray for me, as I will for thee, that we  
may merrily meet in heaven."

In Service,

**Sir Knight Deacon Jeff Massey  
Faithful Navigator Assembly 2823**



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

Brother Knights:

We are all aware of the troubling events that are occurring today, including attacks on statues of historical figures such as Abraham Lincoln, Frederick Douglass and our Order's namesake, Christopher Columbus. Statues of saints have also been vandalized, including those honoring St. Junípero Serra, St. Louis and even the Blessed Virgin Mary, and houses of worship and other religious symbols have been attacked. These are not merely attacks on statues and history. They are increasingly attacks on Catholics and people of faith.

In the late 19th century, the Knights of Columbus took its name at a time of intense anti-Catholicism. Our founding members wanted to show that Catholics played an essential role in the exploration and development of America since its earliest days, and that a Catholic could be both a good citizen and a good Catholic.

However, anti-Catholicism persisted. In the 1920s, the Ku Klux Klan tried to stop Columbus Day celebrations and opposed Columbus statues simply because Columbus was a Catholic. We opposed the KKK then and have continued to stand up against bigotry directed at Catholics and others.

We stood up against the persecution of Catholics in Mexico in the 1920s, spoke out for the Jews of Germany in the 1930s and worked for religious freedom behind the Iron Curtain during the Cold War. Today, we are rebuilding Christian communities in the Middle East that were targeted for genocide. Each of us can be proud of our history of standing up for the most vulnerable among us.

While our faith calls us to be respectful of different perspectives, acts of vandalism are crimes against all who cherish democracy and mutual respect. The Knights of Columbus remains firm in its condemnation of all forms of racism and violence, including political violence. With churches, statues, and religious symbols subject to vandalism and attack, we call upon elected officials and leaders at every level to defend the religious freedom of all.

*Vivat Jesus!*

Carl A. Anderson  
*Supreme Knight*



Brothers Knights,

The exemplification for the Florida District, Fourth Degree will be held **Saturday August 22, 2020** at **Assumption Catholic Church, 2403 Atlantic Blvd., Jacksonville, FL 32207-3563**. Candidates' registration begins at 10:00AM with the exemplification beginning at 1:00 PM. Mass will follow the Exemplification at 4:00 PM.

**All candidates Form 4's and Candidates' Order Form MUST be submitted to the Master no later than AUGUST 10, 2020**

**It is with pride that I announce the honoree for this class to be**

**Father Jason Trull**

To access all the forms needed for the Exemplification Please click on the link below. Please be sure to fill out the paperwork properly and completely, this will help create less complications on the day of the Exemplification.

**If you have any questions please contact our Worthy Master SK Charles McLaughlin or Robert Marrah Executive Assistant to the Master.**

**Please download the forms onto your computer before you fill them out as this allows the forms to remain blank for other members to use. If you have an issue downloading them please let us know.**

**[Jacksonville Patriotic Exemplification August 22nd, 2020](#)**

**Please make sure to follow the instructions fully to eliminate delays in processing the forms. If you are not the current Faithful Navigator please forward.**

God Bless,

Robert G. Marrah  
Executive Assistant to the Master  
(941) 378-9076



Mark J. McMullen  
Senior Vice President of  
Membership Growth & Marketing



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR LIFE

My Brother Knights,

Knights of Columbus everywhere were thrilled to learn that our beloved founder will be beatified and officially declared Blessed later this year.

In recognition of this historic event, I am pleased to announce that the Supreme Council will be making a special membership offer in honor of our founder.

**SPECIAL LIMITED TIME MEMBERSHIP PROMOTIONAL OFFER:**

For a 2-week period commencing Wednesday, July 22 and continuing through 11:59 p.m. ET on August 5<sup>th</sup>, new members are being offered FREE ONLINE MEMBERSHIP for their first year. The Supreme Council will pay the first-year dues for every man who joins online between now and August 5. Prospects simply need to visit [kofc.org/joinus](http://kofc.org/joinus) and enter the code **MCGIVNEY2020** to take advantage of this special offer.

Father McGivney was faced with a pandemic in the 1880s, as we are today. And in the face of that pandemic, he persevered in his efforts to evangelize those in his community, to form his parishioners in their Catholic faith, and to grow the Knights of Columbus. As his spiritual heirs, we can do nothing less.

Our pastors need the Knights of Columbus. Our fellow parishioners need the Knights of Columbus. Those impacted by COVID-19 need the Knights of Columbus. Just as holy founder surely would, let us resolve to Leave No Neighbor Behind, and to offer every Catholic man the opportunity to join the Order that he founded some 138 years ago.

*Vivat Jesus!*

Fraternally,

Mark McMullen  
Senior Vice President  
Membership and Marketing



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## A Responsible Voter is an Informed Voter

Each election cycle, the Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops (FCCB) conducts the Candidate Questionnaire Project in an effort to assist Catholics and the broader community with the obligation to become informed voters. The FCCB has invited all 2020 U.S. Congressional and Florida Legislative candidates on the ballot in the Primary and General Elections to share their positions on ten public policy issues concerning human life and dignity and the common good. Candidates are offered the opportunity to state their positions as well as provide optional comments on each question.

The Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, August 18. Vote-by-mail is already underway. Early voting begins in some Florida counties as early as Monday, August 3 and statewide on Saturday, August 8. Early voting locations and times are available through the [Division of Elections](#) or by checking with your [county Supervisor of Elections](#).

**Before casting your ballot, take the time to see where the candidates stand.**  
[View candidate responses.](#)

Note: Materials prepared as part of the Candidate Questionnaire Project are approved by the bishops of Florida for use in parish or diocesan publications and for promotion online. Surveys or polls by outside organizations are not approved for distribution by Church entities unless prior approval has been granted by the local diocesan bishop or the Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops.

*Candidate positions on issues are gathered for informational purposes only and are not used for endorsement of any candidate or political party.*