



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FATHER THOMAS G LORIGAN COUNCIL 7027

WE ARE KNIGHTS, WE ARE PRO-LIFE!



COMING EVENTS

Date	Time	Event	Location
1	7:00 PM	Planning Meeting/Council Audit	Knight's Building
2	8:30 AM	First Friday Adoration with Benediction at Noon	Chapel
2	6:00 PM	Holy Hour - Adoration, Rosary, Litany, Benediction	St Rose of Lima Church
2	7:00 PM	Spaghetti Dinner after Holy Hr	Parish Hall
3	12:00 Noon	Rosary for America	Park & Dogwood
3	St. Blaise	Blessing of Throats 4PM Mass	St Rose of Lima Church
3 & 4		Ministry Fair - all Masses	St Rose of Lima Church
5	5:30 PM	First Monday Confession	Chapel
8	6:00 PM	Evening Prayer	Chapel
8	7:00 PM	Council Membership Meeting	Knight's Building
8	8:15 PM	4th Degree Assembly Mtg	Knight's Building
11	8:00-10:00 AM	KofC Family Breakfast - 6:00 AM Set-up	Parish Hall
14	Ash Wed	Masses at 8:00 AM, Noon and 7:00 PM	St Rose of Lima Church
14	VA Hot Dog	Meet Parish Hall at 7:30 AM	VA Clinic Pensacola
16	Noon	Stations of the Cross - Trad	St Rose of Lima Church
16	4:30-6:30	Fish Fry	Parish Hall
16	7:00 PM	Stations of the Cross - Multi-media	St Rose of Lima Church
18	9:15 AM	Study on the Eucharist	St Rose Classroom
22	6:00-8:00	Special Dance - Mardi Gras	Parish Hall
23	Noon	Stations of the Cross - Trad	St Rose of Lima Church
23	4:30-6:30	Fish Fry	Parish Hall
23	7:00 PM	Stations of the Cross - Multi-media	St Rose of Lima Church
24	4:00 PM	Corporate Mass and Communion	St Rose of Lima Church
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2	Noon	Rosary for America	Park & Dogwood

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Parish Family Holy Hour with Adoration and Benediction, February 2, 6:00-7:00 PM. (Spaghetti Dinner in the Hall afterward.)



Stations of the Cross
Feb 16, 23 and Mar 1
Traditional at Noon and **Multimedia** at 7 PM in the church.

Fish Fry 4:30—6:30 in the Parish Hall.



Grand Knight's Report

Michael Stafford

We mourn the loss of Brother SK Wesley Smith who passed away on Saturday the 20th of January, 2024. Wes was a long time Knight of Columbus and a Honorary Life member. Grant him eternal rest O Lord and may Your Perpetual Light shine upon him and remain with him forever. Amen. Please pray for the consolation of the Smith family.

Yard Sale: Thank you to all who participated in any way. It was a big success for the Ladies Auxiliary and for our church. I was particularly proud of the way the knights conducted themselves. We represented our church and faith in such a way as to elicit comments from the customers such as "I am very impressed at how well I was treated and helped to load my car. Your church is blessed." You may never know how you may be witnessing and possibly drawing someone to our catholic faith.

Holy Hour: Have you been to a Holy Hour? Have you thought about what you are going to do for lent? It seems to me that the Holy Hour would be a good time to step away from worldly things and have a one-on-one with Jesus in the the Blessed Sacrament and ask him what he desires of you.

Vivat Jesus: How is your prayer Life? I have a number of "Vivat Jesus" 2024 booklets for sale, they can also be ordered at KofC.org. This pocket sized book is packed with information "designed to help a knight build his prayer life, day by day, week by week and month by month" (Vivat Jesus book page 16). A great time to get started is now. I will have them at our meeting this month on the 8th or contact me and I will get one to you. They are only \$8 bucks.

Lent: I hope your Lenten journey will be fruitful.

Hymn to Saint Joseph:
Look down to us, Saint Joseph,
Protector of Our Lord,
Who followed you through deserts,
And gave you blessed reward;
Our foes are yet about us,
Be strength now at our side,
Be light against the darkness.
Saint Joseph, be our guide!

Saint Joseph, pray for us.

Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us.

Vivat Jesus!





Field Agent's Report

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Happy Valentine's Day! I've been reading about different kinds of parties to throw to celebrate Valentine's Day. One site online listed 35 different suggestions, from a Fondue Night to a party centered on serving a heart shaped pizza. I guess Valentine's Day is another well-established holiday to celebrate and I'm also guessing that the greeting card industry is happy. (The candy companies and florists are right there with the greeting card industry.) From individual cards that adults send each other to the packs designed for school kids to give to classmates, the stores are stocked with a myriad of selections. The celebration of love is always popular. After all, isn't love what every holiday celebration is about? Whether it's a birthday, wedding anniversary, or holiday, it's all about love! Valentine's Day, though, sees love get a spotlight. We celebrate our love for another.

Insurance is all about love. Most people buy insurance because they love someone. A husband buys life insurance because he loves his wife and children. If he's not there to provide for them he wants to make sure they can stay in the same home, enjoy the same lifestyle, provide a college education for his children. With many two income families, wives buy life insurance for the same reasons. Long Term Care Insurance and Disability Income Insurance help protect the family from the vagaries of life: Needing care in the home or in a long-term care facility or being hurt or sick and unable to work affects the family. These

products help protect the family one loves. Even our retirement annuity products help the ones we love. With forward thinking and fiscal discipline, a retirement annuity helps spouses spend their retirement years knowing they can have a guaranteed lifetime income. Less worries for the ones we love. All the products we have available are centered around protection; protecting the ones we love. Is your protection where you want it to be for your loved ones? Let's meet and discuss what you want. I'll give you a call or feel free to contact me.

Vivat Jesus and May God bless you all.

WHY DO CATHOLICS PUT ASHES ON THEIR FOREHEADS? [SELECT ONLY ONE]

- 1) ASH WEDNESDAY IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.
- 2) THE REQUIREMENT FOR RECEIVING ASHES ON ASH WEDNESDAY WAS INSTITUTED BY THE CHURCH TO PROMOTE THE SOAP INDUSTRY DURING THE MIDDLE AGES.
- 3) THE REQUIREMENT FOR RECEIVING ASHES ON ASH WEDNESDAY WAS INSTITUTED BY THE CHURCH TO PROMOTE PERSONAL HYGIENE DURING THE MIDDLE AGES.
- 4) NONE OF THE ABOVE.

ANSWER CAN BE FOUND LATER IN THIS NEWSLETTER.



Deacon's Teaching

By Deacon Chris Christopher

Why Do Catholics Observe Lent?

Once again, we come to the Greatest Season of the liturgical year, Lent/Easter. It can be thought of as a pre-Easter retreat in which we do special things that help us walk with Jesus.

It is a time to remember God's love poured out for us through Christ Jesus and His defeat of death for us. Its solemn, penitential nature is to help us remember our sins and mortality.

It was common practice for a penitent or an entire city to return to God in sackcloth and ashes as a sign of conversion and sorrow for sins (Esther, Daniel, Jonah, Job). Jesus himself said, *"If the miracles worked in you had taken place in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented in sackcloth and ashes long ago."* (Matthew 11:21)

Spirituality, Lent is not only a time for "giving up" something. Instead of "giving up" something, some benefit more by adding something...like a visit to the church, periodically saying a prayer throughout the day, or assisting a homebound person, etc. Sacrifice is only one way to prepare for Easter. Giving time to God can be another.

The 40-day timeframe of Lent is no arbitrary number. It is a preparation that leads to something extraordinary - the resurrection of our Lord:

Noah endured the rains for 40 days during the Flood. (Genesis 7:4)

Moses stayed on Mount Sinai and fasted for 40 days and nights as he prepared to receive the Ten Commandments. (Exodus 34:28-35)

The Jews wandered for 40 years in the desert before arriving in the Promised Land. (Numbers chapters 13 and 14)

The prophet Elijah fasted for 40 days on Mount Horeb. (1 Kings 19:8-10)

And most importantly, Jesus fasted for 40 days in preparation for his public ministry.

(Matthew 4:1-11)

In this diocese, only one full meal is permitted on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday for Catholics between 18 and 59. Two smaller meals are permitted, but the small meals should not equal a second full meal. (Liquids between meals are allowed) *Snacks between meals are not allowed!*

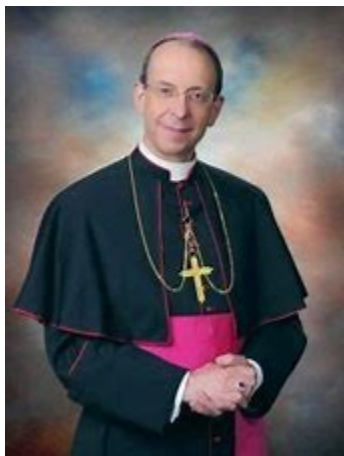
No meat may be eaten on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays during Lent (fish and shellfish are permitted). This applies to all Catholics 14 and older.

So why do we punish ourselves every year this way? We all know the story and how it ends - we've been through it so many times before.

The reason is that we are human beings, and as such are so easily swayed by the creature comforts of this world at the expense of giving honor, glory, and thanksgiving to God for all that He has done and continues to do for us. How forgetful and ungrateful we tend to become. *Fasting* and *abstinence* are real attention-getters in helping to bring us to a closer relationship with our Creator.

Let us pray that we will spiritually profit from the Church calling us to grow in holiness during this season. Remember, *"Without the cross, there is no glory."*

Next month we'll take a quick look at **Palm Sunday**.



Supreme Chaplain's Challenge

by Archbishop William E. Lori

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; then from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son.

Listen to him." (Gospel for Feb. 25, Mk 9:7)

In last month's challenge, we talked about recognizing Jesus' presence and power in our lives. Here, at his baptism, we hear the voice of God instructing us very simply: "Listen to him." It is not enough to acknowledge Jesus as the Christ, the Son of God. We must also be attentive to his teachings — communicated through sacred Scripture and sacred tradition — and respond by following him faithfully. This is the path of the true disciple who understands his own baptismal mission. May we follow this path faithfully throughout our lives.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to spend at least 10 minutes each day in prayerful silence, contemplating the presence of Jesus and listening for his voice.

Questions for Reflection:

How do you listen for the voice of Jesus? What steps can you take in your prayer life, your spiritual reading, your pious practices and your religious study to hear his voice more clearly? What dispositions and virtues should you foster within yourself in order to become more open and responsive to what Christ is telling you?

(From kofc.org select "Who We Are", "Our Faith", and "Monthly Challenge")

ANSWERS TO ASHES ON FOREHEADS

- 1) ASH WEDNESDAY IS NOT A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.
- 2) THE CHURCH DID NOT INSTITUTE ASH WEDNESDAY IN SUPPORT OF THE SOAP INDUSTRY.
- 3) THE CHURCH DID NOT INSTITUTE ASH WEDNESDAY IN SUPPORT OF IMPROVING PERSONAL HYGIENE.
- 4) NONE OF THE ABOVE IS THE CORRECT ANSWER.



Honors of the Months

Month	Knight of the Month	Family of the Month
Year 2023-24		
July, 2023	Ralph Crago	Dennis & Maria Flores
August, 2023	Edward Stanislawczyk	John & Jane Garton
September, 2023	Michael Gengo	John & Angela Berry
October, 2023	Art Sobilo	Michael & Brittany Hamel
November, 2023	Dcn Jeff Massey	Ron & Laurie Livorno
December, 2023	Douglas Blau	John & Maria Thaler
January, 2024	Ben Urnick	Adrian & Leslie Cuyuch
February, 2024		
March, 2024		
April, 2024		
May, 2024		
June, 2024		

Knight of the Month

Grand Knight Michael Stafford presented the Knight of the Month for January to Ben Urnick on January 27, 2024 at the 4 PM Mass. Pictured are GK Michael Stafford, Ben & Margaret, and Msgr. Michael Reed.



Family of the Month

Grand Knight Michael Stafford presented the Family of the Month for January to Adrian and Leslie Cuyuch on January 28, 2024 at the 1 PM Mass. Pictured are GK Michael Stafford, Leslie & Adrian Cuyuch and Fr Christian Plancher.





ST. ROSE OF LIMA CATHOLIC CHURCH

FISH FRY

FEBRUARY 16, 23
MARCH 1, 8, 15, 22

4:30 to 6:30pm or Until Fish Runs Out
Fridays During Lent in the Parish Hall

MENU INCLUDES:
CHOICE OF FRIED OR BAKED FISH,
MAC & CHEESE, BEANS, SLAW,
HUSHPUPIES, AND DRINK.
BAKED FISH LARGE MEAL ONLY

LARGE MEAL \$12
SMALL MEAL \$10
CASH / CHECK / CREDIT

Dine In or Take Out!

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FATHER LUCIUS AMARILLAS, O.S.B.
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LENT:

A SEASON FOR THE BROKEN
(ALL SINNERS WELCOME)

February 19 & 20
in the church.

Embrace the Lenten season and join us for a transformative experience with Fr. Lucius, as he leads us on a spiritual journey of reflection and growth.

Sick & In Need Prayer List

Paul Hicks, Carol Cox, Ian McDonald, Claudia Barrett, Gene & Martha Skalsky, Ed McCarthy, Bill Glover, Mike Kassinger, Joan Haring and the Haring family, Mary-Etta Hinkle, David & Sharon Hinkle, Antonette Paterna and family, Sterling VanGrowski, Dave & Donna Byers, Jim and Marianne Richardson, Jennifer Micklos, Norm Champagne, Jim Gentry, Ben Paul, The Livorno Family, Dean Dizon, The Paschal Family, John & Margo Recke, Joe Burgos, Dani Massey, Thea McDonald, Sharon Polchowski, Linda Davis & family, Walter and Christa Gross, Ed Horne, Beth & Bill

McDonald, Sharon Dipkin, Jerry Sciple, Dave McFadden, Nicole - sister of Justin Paul, Sylvia Mabley, Ronald J Gaus, James Gaus, Michael Gaus, Saveria Husslein, Robert Erisman, Bob Miller, Steve Gentry, Suzi Jones, Karen Lewis, Thatcher Kerzie, Mark Puno, R. Michael Cuninghame, Art Sobilo, Frank Ferraro, Ann Smith and Family, Vinny Gallo, John Burkhalter, people of Ukraine, people of Israel, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Pope Francis, Bishop Wack, Msgr Reed, Father Christian, our deacons, religious, and seminarians (especially William Gibson).

Let us pray:

O Heavenly Father, God of Love, You gave us Your Son Jesus to be not only Physician of our souls but also Healer of our bodies and minds. Lord Jesus, We turn to You in this time of illness. Please come to us now, and lay Your healing hand on us and all who are in need of your Mercy. Let the warmth, peace and healing power of Your Spirit fill all of us now with Your life and love. We receive You, Lord Jesus!

Heal us according to Your Divine Will, Lord Jesus, and enable us to serve You with a healthy body, soul, and spirit. May Your Joy, O Lord, be our strength this day.

Amen.

To submit a prayer request to be included here please send an email to info@kofc7027.com



Fourth Degree St. Teresa of Calcutta Assembly 2823

SK Cesar Mascardo, PGK, FDD, RA1



Sir Knights,

The Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus was established on February 22, 1900, on the principle of patriotism.

February is also a time for families, especially where Family Day is celebrated on the third Monday of the month. And it is also an important month for sports fans, as two teams face each other in the Super Bowl.

Our Fourth degree assembly will host a spaghetti dinner in the parish hall after the Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration on the first Friday on February 2. Donations are appreciated.

VA Hot Dog is the second Wednesday which is February 15 at the VA Clinic in Pensacola, FL.

February 2 is Groundhog Day

February 12 is Lincoln's Birthday

February 14 is Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday.

February 19 is President's Day.

Thank you all for coming to the assembly meeting last month and our next meeting is February 8 after our council meeting.

Saint Valentine's Day, was named after two early Christian martyrs named Valentine and is observed by Western and Western-influenced cultures. In the United States and some other countries, cards and gifts are given to friends, sweethearts, and family members to express love. Valentine's Day is a great time of the year to encourage our children to share their faith in Jesus Christ with friends and family members. We are reminded of our duties, but not as often given a reminder of God's warmth and love.

Keep your faith in beautiful things and don't take for granted the blessings we receive from God.

Your Brother In Christ,

Cesar Mascardo
Faithful Navigator





Council and Assembly Officers

Knights of Columbus Online Resources

Council 7027 Officer Fraternal Year 2023-2024	
Chaplain	Msgr Michael Reed
Grand Knight	Michael Stafford
Deputy Grand Knight	James Gaus
Chancellor	Mike Hamel
Recorder	Thomas Kubalewski
Treasurer	Dale Sogor
Financial Secretary	Bill McDonald
Advocate	Walter Gross
Warden	Justin Paul
Inside Guard	Doug Blau
Outside Guard	Michael Gaus
Lecturer	Dcn Phillip Czajkowski
One Year Trustee	Raymond Kutch
Two Year Trusteed	George Elliott
Three Year Trustee	Ben Urnick

Assembly 2823 Officers Fraternal Year 2023-2024	
Faithful Friar	Msgr Michael Reed
Faithful Navigator	SK Cesar Mascardo
Faithful Captain	SK Bruce Mabley
Faithful Pilot	SK Brian McGuire
Faithful Admiral	SK John Recke
Faithful Comptroller	SK Bill McDonald
Faithful Purser	SK Dale Sogor
Faithful Scribe	SK Thomas Kubalewski
Faithful Inner Sentinel	SK George Elliott
Faithful Outer Sentinel	SK James Hull
Faithful Outer Sentinel	SK Michael Hamel
Color Guard Commander	SK John Recke
Patriotic Liaison	SK Joey Davis
Trustee 3 Year	SK Stephen Schaffter
Trustee 2 Year	SK James Gaus
Trustee 1 Year	SK Bruce Donatelli

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>

Invocations monthly publication of the Florida State Council.
<https://www.floridakofc.org/Invocation-State-Newsletter>

Knightcast An inspirational video series forming men on their journey to be better husbands, fathers, citizens, and Catholics.
<http://kofc.org/knightcast>

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BIRTHDAYS

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



Dr. Trevor Walker	02-01	Tyler Lehrke	02-12	James Cashman	02-23
Jerry Brown	02-03	Daniel Kelly	02-13	John Del Rosario	02-25
Jason Requina	02-05	David Parks	02-14	Joshua Kerzie	02-26
James Fane	02-06	Peter Fierro	02-16	Edward Podgurski	02-26
Dr. Jeffrey Ottley	02-06	Bryan McLeod	02-16	Frank Ferraro	02-27
Mark Stillwagon	02-09	William McDonald	02-17	Teodulo Lapina Jr	02-29
Christopher Bickford	02-11	Michael Tewell	02-20		