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Knights of Columbus Council 7621 Officer Installation - July 16, 2026

UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST 13

KC Fundraiser Meeting

AUGUST 20

KC 3rd Degree Meeting

AUGUST 23

KC Coffee and Donuts

AUGUST 30

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SCRIPTURE OF THE MONTH

*"Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed,
for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."*

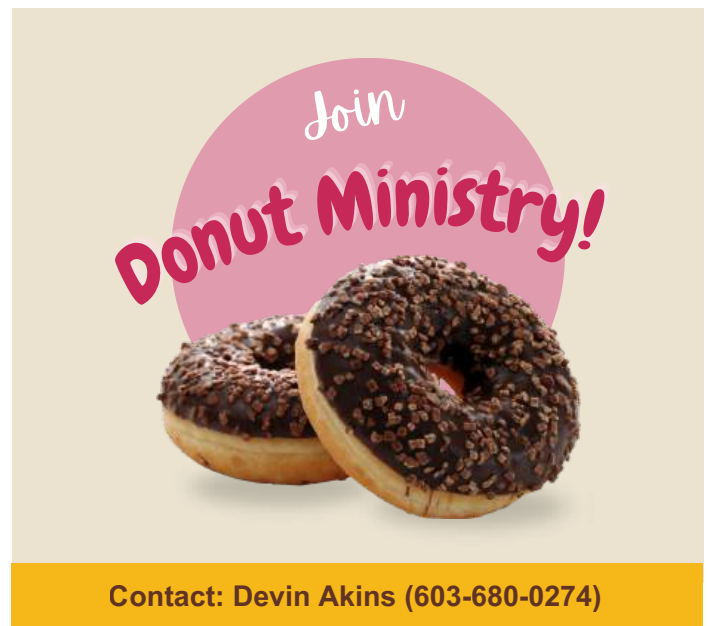
— Joshua 1: 9



BAPTISM
Program

Interested in helping?
You don't have to be a Knight;
couples are welcome!

Contact: Steve Thomas (508-320-6423)



Join
Donut Ministry!

Contact: Devin Akins (603-680-0274)

BAPTISMAL PROGRAM

Congratulations and welcome to those newly baptized in July!



SATURDAY, JULY 4TH – Henry Roy Coughlin,
Anastasia Adele Stephanie Midkiff, Theo Michael
Escajadillo, Callan Manuel Escajadillo.

Officiant: Deacon Mike Waldron

Baptism Team: Steve & Ann Thomas

SATURDAY, JULY 11TH – Remy Ray Mitchell
and Eliana Isabel Mitchell

Officiant: Deacon Mike Waldron

Baptism Team: Dave & Katherine Creamer

SATURDAY, JULY 18TH – Mateo Souza Guzman

Officiant: Deacon Mike Waldron

Baptism Team: Don Tobey and Dawn Ellis

SATURDAY, JULY 25TH – Chase Patrick Sladek

Officiant: Fr. Augustine Adien

Baptism Team: Paul & Alison Strong

A NOTE ON OUR 50TH EDITION

This month's newsletter marks the **50th edition** of our council newsletter. It's a meaningful milestone that reflects the dedication of many brother Knights who have contributed stories, photographs, announcements, and updates over the years. I would also like to recognize the previous editor, **Don Tobey**, who began this newsletter and helped establish it as a way to keep the council informed and connected. It has been my privilege to continue that work. **Thank you** to everyone who reads, contributes to, and supports this publication. Here's to many more editions as we continue serving our parish, our council, and our community.



LIVE THE DIFFERENCE.

The Knights of Columbus has vibrant communities across the world, where men challenge each other to live bold, Catholic lives. It's a brotherhood rooted in faith, united in service and striving to **live the difference.**

AS A KNIGHT, YOU CAN:

- Deepen your faith
- Guard your family
- Grow your financial assets
- Give to those in need
- Serve the vulnerable

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS OFFICER INSTALLATION - JULY 16TH

Congratulations to all of our new officers!





St. Ignatius of Antioch Council 7621
Tarpon Springs, Florida

GRAND KNIGHT'S NOTE - SIR PHIL HOYLE

Brother Knights,

As we begin a new fraternal year, I want to first express my sincere gratitude to everyone who participated in our Installation Mass and Dinner on July 16. It was a wonderful evening of faith, fraternity, and celebration as we installed our officers and asked for God's blessing upon the year ahead. Thank you to all who attended, helped organize the event, and supported this special occasion. Your presence made the evening a true reflection of our brotherhood.

I also want to thank each of you for everything you do throughout the year. Whether you're serving at our Big Breakfasts, Sunday Donut Ministry, Lenten Fish Fry Dinners, supporting our youth, assisting parish ministries, or quietly helping wherever there is a need, your dedication demonstrates the true spirit of the Knights of Columbus. It is through these acts of service that we continue to strengthen our parish and witness our Catholic faith.

As we begin this new fraternal year, I ask each of us to take a moment to prayerfully reflect on where God is calling us to serve. Every Knight has unique gifts and talents. Whether your contribution is leading a committee, volunteering at an event, mentoring a new member, or simply being present to lend a helping hand, your participation matters. Our Council is strongest when every brother shares in our mission. This year, I encourage each of us to renew our commitment—not only to the Knights of Columbus, but to Christ and His Church.

My three goals for our Council remain unchanged:

- Grow the Council
- Support Our Parish
- Grow as Catholic Men of Faith

These are more than goals—they are a call to action. Together, we can continue building a vibrant Council that serves our parish, welcomes new members, and encourages one another to grow deeper in our relationship with Jesus Christ.

As we begin this new year, let us also remember those who have departed from us this summer. We give thanks for their lives, their faith, and their service, trusting in the promise of Christ's resurrection. Please continue to keep all of our brothers and their families in your prayers for the Good of the Order—especially those who are grieving, those facing illness or hardship, and those in need of God's healing, comfort, and peace. Our prayers are one of the greatest gifts we can offer one another as brothers in Christ.

"Whatever you do, do from the heart, as for the Lord and not for others." — Colossians 3:23

May this verse inspire us to serve not for recognition, but out of love for Christ. When we place Him at the center of our lives, every act of charity, every hour of volunteer service, and every prayer offered becomes an opportunity to glorify God and build His Kingdom.

Thank you, Brothers, for your continued faithfulness, generosity, and servant leadership. I look forward to all that we will accomplish together in this new fraternal year.

Vivat Jesus!

Phil Hoyle
Grand Knight

Grow our Council, Support our Parish, Grow as Catholic Men in Charity, Unity, Fraternity



Knights of Columbus

FOURTH DEGREE

What is the Fourth Degree?

Since its founding in 1900, the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus has embodied the principle of Patriotism. As a Sir Knight, you join a distinguished group of men dedicated to serving God, country, and the Order. Embrace the honor of exemplifying these virtues and become a beacon of faith and civic duty.

Become a Sir Knight!

- 1) **Eligibility:** Be a Third Degree member in good standing
- 2) **Application:** Obtain an application from your local Assembly or Council.
- 3) **Sponsorship:** Secure a sponsorship from a **Sir Knight** in good standing.
- 4) **Exemplification:** Participate in the Fourth Degree Exemplification ceremony. This inspiring event will formally welcome you into the ranks of the **Sir Knights**.

For more information call / text 727-815-8912

(Leave message if unable to answer)



SPIRITUAL REFLECTION - FATHER SOJAN

Dear friends,

As we begin another fraternal year, I would first like to express my heartfelt gratitude to each and every member of our Knights of Columbus Council. Thank you for your unwavering faith, your generous service, and your love for our parish family at St. Ignatius of Antioch.

I also want to thank all of you for the beautiful Installation of Officers. It was a wonderful evening filled with prayer, fraternity, and hope for the year ahead. My sincere thanks to Phil, our newly installed officers, and every Knight who worked behind the scenes to make the evening so meaningful and well organized. It was truly a joy to celebrate with all of you, and I left that evening with a grateful heart and a renewed appreciation for the tremendous blessing our Knights are to this parish.

As your chaplain, I have witnessed firsthand the countless ways you serve our parish. Whether it is supporting our liturgies, helping with parish events, assisting families in need, promoting vocations, or simply being present whenever there is work to be done, your generosity reflects the love of Christ. Much of what you do happens quietly, without seeking recognition, but God sees every act of kindness and every sacrifice you make. Thank you for being faithful witnesses to the Gospel.

With the beginning of this new fraternal year, we are given a beautiful opportunity to begin again. Every new year is a reminder that God is not finished with us. He continues to call us to grow in holiness, deepen our faith, strengthen our brotherhood, and renew our commitment to serve Him through serving others.

Our theme this year can simply be: *"A New Fraternal Year. Called to Serve."*

When Jesus called His disciples, He did not call them to positions of honor or comfort. He called them to serve. He washed their feet, welcomed the forgotten, comforted the suffering, and gave His life for others. That same invitation is extended to each one of us. The measure of our lives is not how much we receive but how faithfully we love and serve.

As Knights of Columbus, we have a beautiful vocation to be Catholic gentlemen whose lives reflect Christ. Our service is not merely volunteering; it is a ministry. Every fish fry, every charitable project, every hour spent helping someone in need, every Rosary prayed together, every family supported, and every hand extended in kindness becomes an opportunity to bring Christ's love into the world.

As we begin this new year together, let us ask ourselves: *Where is God calling me to serve more generously? How can I strengthen my family, my parish, and my brother Knights? How can I become more like Christ, who came not to be served but to serve?*

Let us move forward with joy, enthusiasm, and confidence, knowing that the Lord walks beside us. May He bless our council, our officers, every Knight, and your families. May He give us generous hearts, humble spirits, and the courage to answer His call each day. Through the intercession of Blessed Michael McGivney and St. Joseph, may this be a year filled with faith, fraternity, charity, and many opportunities to glorify God through loving service.

Thank you once again for all that you do for our parish family. It is truly a privilege to serve alongside you. I look forward to another wonderful year together as we continue to build God's Kingdom here at St. Ignatius of Antioch.

May God bless you and your families abundantly,

Fr. Sojan
Chaplain