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To live without faith, without a heritage to defend, without battling constantly for truth, is not to live but to 'get along'; we must never just 'get along'.

- Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati -





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Grand Knight's Sign Off:



Well, it's all said and done and if you're reading this, Ron Merigold is the current and active Grand Knight. Congratulations to Ron and his fine crew of officers for having been voted into office. I'm sure the council will continue to flourish under Ron's direction. Again, thanks to everyone for the support you've given me and the church this past year. Chaplain of the Year for the State of Florida and Triple Star Council – a great way to finish the year. God Bless and have a great day.

Signed the Immediate Past Grand Knight, **John T. Kreger IV** :o)



The upcoming events of Council 12155 will surely bring our Council together in the spirit of fun, service, and fellowship. From a thrilling golf tournament to heartwarming charity efforts, there's something for everyone to look forward to.

One of the highlights of the upcoming calendar is the much-anticipated golf tournament; we can use some help, so please volunteer to help out. We also need Golfers. Do you have what it takes to hit the longest drive? Meanwhile, fall fish fries will provide an excellent opportunity for members to come together, practice our skills, and help our new members learn what we do.

The Silver Rose ceremony promises to be a poignant and meaningful event, offering a chance for reflection and community bonding. In the spirit of service, the Council will be involved in faith formation food service, and the clean-up and maintenance of the memorial garden, exemplifying our commitment to giving back.

Members can also look forward to Knights socials, offering an opportunity to kick back, relax, and enjoy each other's company. Additionally, the Tootsie roll drive and roadside clean-up demonstrate our dedication to making a positive impact in our local area.

Excitingly, there are whispers of a potential purchase of a hotdog and roll steamer for our business meetings.

As always, the Council encourages input and participation from all members. Don't hesitate to contact the officers if you have an idea or a program you would like to see come to life. Let's make it happen and continue fostering a vibrant and supportive council together.

Peace, **Ron**



The 4th Degree Assembly will again hold its annual 4th of July flag waving at the corner of Chin Road and Highway 301 from 9—10 am. Please help support the activity to celebrate our country and join your fellow Brothers and Sir Knights in this annual event.



Faith

July - Month of the Precious Blood



The month of July is dedicated to the Precious Blood. The feast of the Precious Blood of our Lord (July 1st) was instituted in 1849 by Pius IX, but the devotion is as old as Christianity. The early Fathers say that the Church was born from the pierced side of Christ, and that the sacraments were brought forth through His Blood. The Precious Blood which we worship is the Blood which the Savior shed for us on Calvary and reassumed at His glorious Resurrection; it is the Blood which courses through the veins of His risen, glorified, living body at the right hand of God the Father in heaven; it is the Blood made present on our altars by the words of Consecration; it is the Blood which merited sanctifying grace for us and through it washes and beautifies our soul and inaugurates the beginning of eternal life in it. Pope St. Clement I said in 96 A.D.- "Let us fix

our gaze on the Blood of Christ and realize how truly precious It is, seeing that it was poured out for our salvation and brought the grace of conversion to the whole world." To understand the meaning of the Precious Blood we must get some comprehension of the gravity of sin, of the awfulness of offending God, because it required the Blood of the Son of God to forgive that sin. We are living in an age in which to sin has become fashionable. This veneration of the Precious Blood, which is the first element in our devotion to the Precious Blood means that we have a deep sensitivity to the awfulness of sin. Sin must be terrible. It must be awful. It must be the most dreadful thing in the universe. Why? Because it cost the living God in human form the shedding of His Blood.



Faith Director, **Paul Dadowski**

Brothers All,

The Knights have been busy supporting our Parish Family in various ways over the past month.

We helped with set-up and cleanup during the recent church potluck dinner on Thursday, June 6th. We were also able to show-off the new and improved Cabrini Center- Knights helped where they could, and it's amazing how far a little paint and new flooring can go! We've been extremely busy the first five months of 2024, so we've taken a little break in our activities for June, but it will be full steam ahead over the next six months!

As always, we plan to introduce new initiatives to continue supporting our Parish Family.

Vivat Jesus, God Bless! **Brother Ray**



Family



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Brothers All,

We have two dates scheduled for our Tootsie Roll Drive to support the Special Olympics of Manatee County. On July 12 and 13, we will be at the Publix at the corner of 301 and Old Tampa Road (Parkwood Plaza) from 12 pm to 6 pm. We will also be at the Publix at the intersection of 301 and Chin Rd (Silverleaf Plaza) on August 9 and 10. Thank you to all the brothers who have already signed up. We still need help for the dates in August. Please volunteer and get involved to help this great cause. We will also be organizing more charitable events over the next fraternal year and we welcome any thoughts, ideas, or collaboration to continue the support and services we can offer to aid in the growth and positive influence on our community.

Peace,

Phil Latona Community Director

Knights of Columbus Serve Lunch at Totus Tuus Camp

On a bright summer day, the Knights of Columbus showcased their commitment to community service by providing a delicious lunch for the youth and staff at Totus Tuus Camp. Our dedicated members prepared 75 hamburgers and 50 hotdogs, ensuring everyone had a hearty meal.

The serving began promptly at 12:15 PM, and in just ten minutes, all the kids and staff were served. By 12:25 PM, everyone had enjoyed their meal, leaving no food left. This efficient and successful lunch service highlighted the Knights' teamwork and dedication.

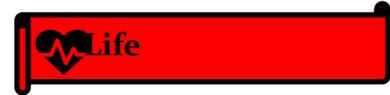
The smiles and gratitude from the campers were heartwarming, reflecting the positive impact of our efforts. This event exemplified the Knights of Columbus' mission to support and uplift our community. We look forward to many more opportunities to serve and make a difference.





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Celebrating Fatherhood and Supporting Life

Father's Day is a time to celebrate and honor the essential role fathers play in our families and communities. This special day also provides an opportunity to reflect on the significant roles men have in supporting women facing unplanned pregnancies. The Knights of Columbus, in alignment with organizations like 40 Days for Life, recognize the critical importance of this support.

Unplanned pregnancies can be a challenging and stressful experience for women. During such times, the presence and support of a compassionate and understanding father figure can make a tremendous difference. Men can provide emotional, financial, and practical support, helping to alleviate some of the burdens and fears associated with unexpected pregnancies. This support is crucial not only for the immediate well-being of the woman but also for the long-term health and happiness of both mother and child.

The Knights of Columbus have long been advocates for life, standing by women during their times of need. Our organization believes that by supporting women facing unplanned pregnancies, men can help create an environment where life is valued and protected. This support can come in various forms, including offering a listening ear, providing information about available resources, and assisting with practical needs such as transportation to medical appointments or help with childcare.

Father's Day is a reminder of the profound influence fathers have on their families and society. As members of the Knights of Columbus, we are called to embrace and promote the dignity of all human life. By standing with women facing unplanned pregnancies, men can truly embody the loving, protective, and supportive nature of fatherhood. Together, we can build a world where every child is welcomed, and every mother is supported, reflecting the values that the Knights of Columbus and 40 Days for Life hold dear.

For more information on how to get involved and support life, visit [40 Days for Life](#).

Bloodmobile:

On June 23rd, the bloodmobile was at St. Francis Cabrini Church. They had 23 people who donated blood, which provides 69 patients with life-saving blood. Thanks for all that donated; we are still trying to break our record of 26 units. So, let's try to get some additional donations. The next opportunity will be August 18th from 9 am to 1 pm.

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Benefits Advisor

The other day I met with Joann and John. They are both in their early sixties. As always, I asked them if their main concern is “live on” money orchestrated leave on “money?? In other words, are you more concerned about having enough money to live on or are you more interested in leaving money to your children and grandchildren?

They told me how their parents left them money that was critically important to them surviving a financial crisis in their thirties. John and Joann were adamant about leaving each of their three children \$100,000. to provide a cushion for their financial future.

Living on SS and having \$400,000. in retirement savings, leaving \$300,000 for the children would be challenging. It would require a major adjustment to their lifestyle to leave that kind of gift.

I asked them... “if there was a way to accomplish this legacy and NOT have to make a change in your lifestyle, would they be interested in hearing more??”

They both responded, absolutely!!

Well, it’s called an SUL. Survivorship Universal Life policy. This is a joint policy and pays only after the second spouse passes. Because it is written on both, the underwriting tends to be less difficult and the premiums are very affordable. Best of all, the returns are excellent and guaranteed by the Knights of Columbus!

Here is how it works. With a monthly premium of \$408. The couple would pay \$4896. over one year. If both pass at the 10-year mark, they would have paid \$48, 960. in premiums yet receive a death benefit of \$300,000. If both should pass at the 20-year mark, they would have paid \$97,920 in premiums and the Death Benefit would still be \$300,000.

So, you can see at 20 years, the proceeds of the policy would be DOUBLE the amount of premiums paid. Also, different than them trying to save this money, the proceeds are entirely TAX FREE to their three children.

As they say, “you *can* have your cake and eat it to” when it come to your retirement goals.

The Survivorship Universal Life policy is a very efficient way to “Leave on” money to your heirs’ tax free!

I would be happy to share more information, any time!

Financial Advisor, **Ron Moliterno**



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Council

Transfer to Council Eternal

At the business meeting held on 25, June Council 12155 transferred the following Brother to the Council Eternal:

Andy Chaffa

Silver Rose:

Each year, from early March through mid-December, Silver Roses are stewarded by councils along routes from Canada to Mexico. Every stop the Silver Rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a rosary-centered occasion for Knights, parishioners, and community members to pray for respect for life, for the spiritual renewal of each nation, and the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The KofC Silver Rose will be making a stop at St. Frances Cabrini Church by the "Knights on Bikes" on Aug 27th from 1-3 pm, on its way from Canada to Mexico.

For Silver Rose program resources, visit www.kofc.org/rose

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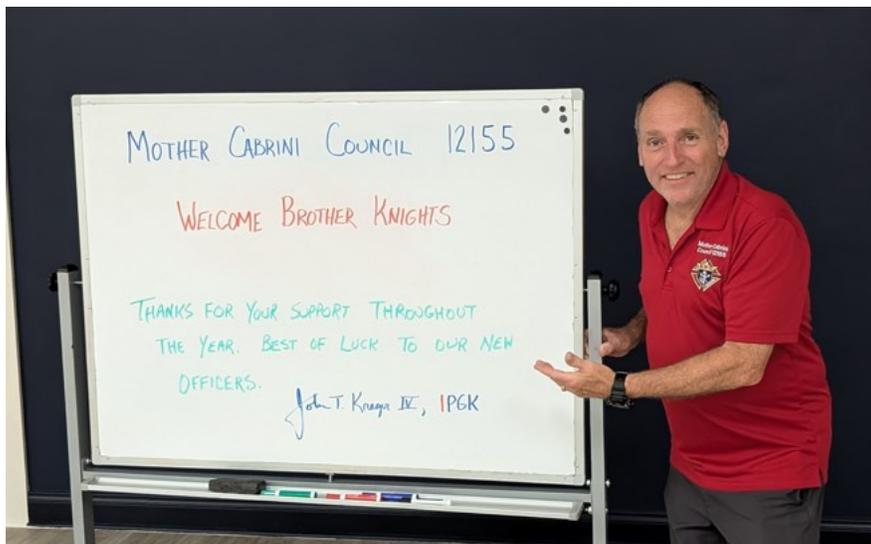


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During the final meeting of the fraternal year, the only item of New Business was to pass the gavel to the new Grand Knight, Ron Merigold, to close out the meeting. The new Grand Knight of Council 12155 honors the past Grand Knight with a heartfelt gift in recognition of his dedicated years of service. The symbolic token represents gratitude for his leadership and commitment to the council's values. It serves as a reminder of the lasting impact of his legacy on the council.

There will be no council business meeting in July. An officer's planning meeting will be held in July instead.

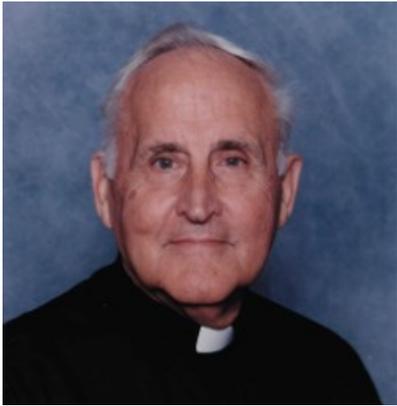




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Father's Corner



Deacon Eugene Egendoerfer 12/26/1931—02/11/2024

The Celebration of Life Mass was held for Deacon Eugene Egendoerfer on June 20th 2024, at St Frances X. Cabrini. Following the Mass, Deacon Eugene was laid to rest in the Memorial Garden.

Knights News

Food Handlers Licensing:



We request that all brothers helping in our different activities that involve food preparation, cooking, or kitchen work please get a "Food Handler" license. We have tried two different online courses, each of which took



about one and a half to two hours to complete the training and the final test. Once the test is passed, you can print out a certificate for the training. The training is good for three years. The final exam was about 50% common sense, and the balance of the questions was of information in the training. We are sure you could also pass the test if we passed it. **If you take the training and provide us with a copy of your certificate and receipt, the council will cover the cost!** Please help us ensure that we protect the people we serve and that they enjoy the food we provide for these events.

Here are the two different training programs that we tried:

AAA Food Handler [State Approved Food Manager Certification and Food Handler Card \(aaafoodhandler.com\)](http://State Approved Food Manager Certification and Food Handler Card (aaafoodhandler.com))

360 Training Learn 2 Serve www.360training.com/course/florida-food-handler-training

Mother Cabrini Council #12155 Receives Top Award

Mother Cabrini Council 12155 has received the distinction of **TRIPLE** Star Council, the international organization's top award for local councils. The Star Council Award recognizes overall excellence in the areas of membership, promotion of fraternal insurance benefits, sponsorship of faith formation programs, and service-oriented activities. In the last fraternal year, Mother Cabrini Council 12155 donated over \$25,000 to local charities and those in need and welcomed 26 new members.



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Notes / Calendars

Join us for the Knights Charity Golf Tournament at The Club at River Wilderness! This exciting event is filling up quickly, so be sure to sign up soon. Don't miss out on the opportunity to golf for a good cause and enjoy a day of fun and camaraderie on the green. Register now and secure your spot! A Registration Form is on the next page.

DUES ARE COMING DUE!

FS Bob Wombacher reports that dues for the 2024—2025 fraternal year are coming due. Brothers please remit your dues as soon as you can. Please relieve FS Bob from the effort and expense of mailing out 2nd and 3rd dues notices. Please mail your dues notice and send it in as soon as you can! You can also use your credit or debit card to pay.

Our golf tournament is just around the corner, and we need your help to make it a success. We are looking for 15 dedicated volunteers to assist with various aspects of the event. Whether you're a golf aficionado or just looking to contribute to a great cause, we welcome your support. Join us in making this year's tournament the best one yet!

The monthly calendar, and birthday listing has been moved to the Council's web site. Using the link below will take you the web site and then click on the "Event Calendar" on the left side of the landing page.

<https://www.uknight.org/CouncilSite/?CNO=12155>

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Charity Golf Outing

Sponsored by: **Judy Aarnes of Coldwell Banker**



August 17, 2024

\$125 PER GOLFER

Includes Golf, Cart, Range Balls, Breakfast Sandwich, Lunch & Drink
River Wilderness Golf & Country Club - Parrish, FL

FOR TICKETS/DETAILS:

Jim Recupito (765) 210-6019 jrr.fl615@gmail.com

Registration opens at 7:00 am Instructions 7:30 am



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Player / Players
Registration

2024 Knights of Columbus Charity Golf Outing



August 17, 2024



River Wilderness Golf & Country Club

2250 Wilderness Blvd. Parrish, FL

Team Scramble format

Registration at 7:00am / 7:30am Instructions / 8:00am tee off

4 Hole-In-One prizes (Celebrity Cruise, Vertical Charcoal Smoker, Smart TV, Bushnell Range Finder & GPS Golf Watch), Longest Drive, Longest Putt, Plus Others.

Registration for 1 to 4 players (*teams of 4 will be made up with other players*)
(team contact)

Please print necessary information below

Player #1 Name* : _____

Email *: _____

Address*: _____

City*: _____ **State***: _____ **Zip***: _____

Phone #*: _____

Player #2 Name : _____

Player #3 Name : _____

Player #4 Name : _____

\$125.00 per player

Includes: Golf, Cart, Range Balls, Breakfast Sandwich, Award Luncheon, & Drink

For additional information see: <https://www.uknight.org/CouncilSite/?CNO=12155>

Please make payment to Knights of Columbus #12155, in the memo write "golf outing". Please send completed form and payment to Jim Recupito, 11742 Little River Way, Parrish, FL. 34219.

Information, payment, and form must be received by August 1, 2024.

For questions please email to jrr.fl615@gmail.com