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“Remember man, you are dust and to dust you will return” is a phrase said on Ash Wednesday to acknowledge that humans are made from dust and will return to dust. It is a reminder of our mortality and the need to repent.



Grand Knights Report

THE SEASON OF LENT -

Lent is the season where the Church prepares for Easter. Starting with Ash Wednesday, on March 5th, Lent spans 40+ days until Holy Thursday, on April 17th, In the fourth chapter of Matthew, Jesus spends 40 days in the desert, fasting, praying, and preparing for his mission. Lent is your opportunity for that same focus.

We all need a fresh start from time to time and Lent is the perfect time to embark on that journey.

What are your priorities in life right now? Lent is an invitation to rearrange your priorities—to focus on what matters most and leave behind what matters least.

Maybe you need a fresh start in your personal finances, or perhaps you need a fresh start in your marriage. Maybe you need a fresh start in a relationship with a child or a parent, or possibly you need a fresh start in your health and well-being. It could even be that you need a fresh start in your career.

Lent is your chance to discover the abundant life Jesus invites us to at Easter. Take these 40 days to explore God's dream for your life and it will change everything. Are you ready?



MARCH IS DEDICATED TO ST. JOSEPH -

The month of March is dedicated to St. Joseph with his feast day celebrated on March 19th. As the head and protector of the Holy Family and a humble carpenter, St. Joseph is the perfect role model for men as a father, husband and worker. He is rightly venerated and loved for his deep faith and heroic virtues of pious humility and charity, perfect obedience and submission to the will of God and his chastity and holiness. As Patron of the Universal Church, he is also a role model for the interior life of priests and the religious.

All that we know about St. Joseph and his role in the Holy Family has been revealed through the Gospels. Though the Gospels are silent on the remaining part of St. Joseph's life, it is believed that he died peacefully in the loving arms of Jesus and Mary in Nazareth before Jesus began His ministry at the age of 30. Thus he became the patron of a happy death.

This month as we begin the Season of Lent – a time marked for deep reflection into our lives and amending our relationship with God. Our time on earth is all we have to decide on how we want to spend our eternal life. It is in the here and now that we need to make a choice about our eternal life. During this time of reflection, St. Joseph can be a powerful intercessor for various aspects of life and is the patron saint of fathers, workers, immigrants, and a model for those seeking guidance in their daily struggles.

This Lent let us focus more on a conversion of heart and seek pardon and grace through our penances rather than just engage in outward acts of penance without any remorse or change of heart.

Grand Knights Report

MARCH IS DEDICATED TO ST. JOSEPH *(continued)*

As Knights of Columbus we look to St. Joseph as a model of fatherhood, virtue, and masculinity. We encourage all men to consecrate themselves to St. Joseph and to ask for his intercession. Even though the Evangelists do not record one word spoken by Joseph of Nazareth, the Holy Spirit has inspired Christians throughout the ages to love the husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary and foster father of the Son of God.

Because of Saint Joseph’s relationship with Jesus and Mary, he enjoys a relationship with the Church and our Order that is foundational. For every Knight, Saint Joseph is a model of wholehearted love of Jesus Christ and his virgin Mother, an example of perfect fidelity to the will of God. He is a teacher of holiness in marriage, chastity for the sake of the kingdom of God, the sanctity of human work and contemplative prayer.

By his example, Saint Joseph teaches every Knight how to love and serve Jesus Christ and live and die in his presence. He is a model for all the faithful: the laity, married and single, consecrated religious, and clergy. To help all men live out the joy of Christ, and to provide all K of C members of the parish community with examples of charity, unity, and fraternity. Knights are encouraged to lead their communities in a consecration to St. Joseph.



KNIGHT’S MASS -

On February 5th we had our monthly “Knight’s Mass” at the 8:00 a.m. Mass in the main church and it was also a Holy Day of Obligation. Father Nick was the celebrant, and the rosary was prayed before the Mass starting at 7:30 a.m. with Adoration following the Mass both in the Chapel. The rosary and the Mass were dedicated to those on the Good of the Order list with a special intention for our Brother Neil Corrado. Please join your Brother Knights and their wives for the “Knight’s Mass” this month on Wednesday, March 12th.

MEMBERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES-

Our Council only needs “**2**” **new members** to qualify for STAR Council this year. March is a great opportunity to recruit new members with so many activities scheduled and the interaction of our volunteers with parishioners. *Together we can do this!*



CRUISE RAFFLE -

March continues our sale of Cruise Raffle tickets at church and with our Council members. It is a major fund raiser for our Council. Brothers Dan Bulinski and Steve Melchiore, with the support of Gary and Margot Ellis and others, will be selling tickets after the weekend Masses during March. Please volunteer to help them with ticket sales and support this major Council fund raiser during the month!

Faith In Action

FEBRUARY PANCAKE BREAKFAST -

Our 2nd Pancake Breakfast in 2025 was held on February 16th in the Chelsea Center after the 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Masses. It was a grand success!



Faith In Action

PANCAKE BREAKFAST (continued . . .) -

A special “thank you” to Brother Dan Martin and his team leads: Jack Rodman, Sue Bracy, and John Caesare, and all those who volunteered to work at the breakfast. Together we **DO** make a difference!



Faith In Action

FEBRUARY SOCIAL -

Our Council February Social was held at WATERFRONT II to honor the 90th Birthday of PGK Johnnie Turner. It was an exceptional night of fellowship and fraternity for the Council.

There were 5 Grand Knights present with 4 PGK's : Dan Bulinski, Johnnie Turner, Ken Berberich, Jim Meyd and the current GK, Ralph Neller. See top of next column.



Faith In Action

FEBRUARY SOCIAL - *continued* . . .

To help celebrate his 90th Birthday there were balloons and a special cake to honor this milestone for our beloved PGK Johnnie Turner.

Johnnie was surrounded by his close family with daughters and granddaughter and significant other joining in the celebration.



Faith In Action

AMBASSADOR LEVEL DONATION -



Our Council's contributes \$1.5k in support of the SOLVE mission to help new mothers with a temporary home. **SOLVE's Mission:** *Through God's love SOLVE exists to affirm the lives of women and teens and their children by providing safe and supportive housing and preparation for a healthy future for the family.*



DONATION REQUEST - Veterans at Bay Pines

The 4th (Patriotic) Degree, Our Lady of Charity Assembly 3089, is requesting donations for Veterans at the VA Bay Pines Medical Center. Items requested include hygiene/toiletry supplies, socks, t-shirts, and underwear, etc. A donation box will be available at our next Assembly 3089 Meeting being hosted by St. Thomas More on March 10th or our next Council 7826 meeting on March 13th. If you prefer, you can also make a cash or check donation (payable to KofC Assembly 3089) that will be used by the Assembly to purchase needed items. Provide any cash or checks or direct any questions to Financial Secretary Steve McElroy who is the Council's collection coordinator for the Assembly. Thank you for your support!



COUNCIL OFFICER OPENINGS -

Our Council is looking to fill several Officer positions for next fraternal year. The available positions are: Deputy Grand Knight, Advocate, Warden, both Inside and Outside Guard, Recorder, and 3rd Year Trustee.

If you are interested in serving as an Officer, please contact John Cesare or GK, Ralph Neller, for more information on these positions. If our Council wants to stay vibrant and active we need you to step up and become a leader! Consider an Officer position now.

Faith In Action

CPCI “THANK YOU” DINNER -

The annual CPCI “Thank You” Dinner was held at the GROVE restaurant in Bradenton on February 22nd. Our own Chaplain, Fr. Daniel, gave the opening prayer before the dinner. The staff at the Sarasota Clinic were present and provided a number of case histories on the success of Community Pregnancy Clinics both in Sarasota and in Naples.



The STM Council 7826 commitment to the Right to Life was very evident at the dinner. Our Council filled 2 full tables with Knights and their wives in attendance. The guest speaker was Dr. John Bruchalski, MD, followed by Patti Madsen, RN, of the Sarasota Clinic. Both were exceptional speakers!



Faith In Action

LIFE IS BEAUTIFUL GALA -



The Sarasota Medical Pregnancy Center held a “Life is Beautiful” Gala at the ORA on the 27th. The Guest speaker was Dr. William Lile. Dr. Lile spoke about the importance of defining a child in the womb as a patient with individual patient rights. He also presented several examples of the latest medical technology from open heart surgery to brain surgery while the child is still inside the womb. AMAZING!



While at the Life is Beautiful Gala, GK Ralph Neller presented a \$2k check to Mr. Brad Mason, CFO, which represents our budgeted STM Council donation to SMPC.

Our Council had over 12 members and their wives at the event. Most of them also represent our Council as prayer warriors in front of Planned Parenthood from 9:00 am to 1 pm every 4th Thursday of the month. Everyone is welcome to join them in defending the unborn.



Faith In Action



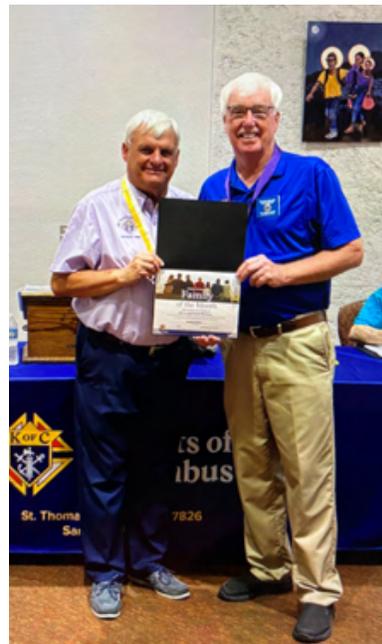
KNIGHT OF MONTH -

Brother Ed Powers was awarded February’s Knight of the Month. Ed was a leader in the number of volunteer assignments since his exemplification to our Council. As a new member, he has shown exceptional dedication to the mission of our Order as a volunteer in service to others.

FAMILY OF MONTH -

We had 2 Family of the Month awards in the month of February. 1) Steve & Carol McElroy for their outstanding work in scheduling, money counting, and reporting the results of our Tootsie Roll Campaign over three weekends.

2) Larry & Nancy Hall for their leading all volunteers with scheduled shifts throughout the Tootsie Roll Campaign and continued dedication to our Council.



Parish News

FOOD PANTRY DONATION -



Our Council DGK, Scott Deahna, presented a \$1K check to Ellie Gibeau of the Food Pantry last month. These funds will go a long way to support those in need and allow our STM Food Pantry the flexibility to purchase the necessary food supplies for the families they serve.



Thank you to all the Food Bank volunteers and spouses for their personal participation and monetary support. Given today's economy, they will serve between 75-100 families in need every week.

The weekly bulletin lists the items that are critically needed.



Committee Corner



SILVER ROSE -

Our Pro Life activities are in full swing in 2025! With our time and treasure the 7826 Knights supported 2 area wide Pro-Life impact centers - The Community Pregnancy Clinic (CPC) and The Sarasota Medical Pregnancy Center (SMPC) at their annual gala's. Over 25 of us enjoyed each other's brotherly fellowship with our spouses and were captivated by some very powerful and inspiring testimonies from nationally known pro-life speakers that brought many of us to tears. Hope lives! Thanks go to those who braved some difficult seasonal traffic to also hit the pavement for our monthly Planned Parenthood vigil to pray that the scourge of abortion is ended on Thursday, Feb 27th.

We will continue to forge ahead in March, starting off with the Knights sponsored Silver Rose Ceremony on Saturday, March 1st at the 4PM Mass. This pilgrimage supports the dignity of all human life and honors our Our Lady of Guadalupe, the patroness of the Americas. It 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 for the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

On Monday, March 3rd from 4:30-5:30 the Sarasota Pro Life community is honored to have Shawn Carney kick off the Spring 2025 *40 Days for Life* (40 DFL) at the Community Pregnancy Clinic.

Shawn and his wife Marilisa co-founded *40 Days for Life* in 2008 in Bryan, Texas and he is one of the most sought after speakers on Pro-Life in the USA having appeared in at least 15 major media outlets. *40 Days for Life* takes place in almost 700 communities worldwide and St Thomas More, particularly our Knights, can be proud of the fact that we have supported *40 Days For Life* for almost 7 years for the Spring and Fall Vigils with our prayerful witness with like minded Pro Life warriors from the Greater Sarasota area. As always, the Spring Vigil coincides with Lent and runs from Wednesday March 5th - Sunday, April 10th (Palm Sunday).

Lastly, we need you and encourage you to join your fellow brothers and sisters to pray peacefully with us for our annual 9-5 vigil for one hour on the 4th Thursday of March. We are just asking for an hour commitment. Please sign up by calling Brothers Brian Harkins and Neil Corrado at 908-451-7454 and 941-586-3060. We KNOW that our presence there truly makes a difference in changing hearts and minds of frightened Mom's and Dad's, hardened Abortion Workers who believe in PP's mostly evil mission and that Our Lord and Our Lady stand with us to be their voice for the babies made in God's image and likeness.

For Life,

Brothers Brian and Neil

Committee Corner



SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE -

The Knights of Columbus Council 7826 of St. Thomas More Parish offers a high school scholarship program for children and grandchildren of parents and grandparents who are registered parishioners. Scholarships will be awarded in May 2025 for the school year beginning in August 2025 at Cardinal Mooney Catholic High School. The value of the scholarships currently available range from \$2,500 up to \$3,000.

Application forms and guidelines are available by email request or at the Parish Office. The deadline for submitting completed applications is May 2, 2025. To receive a packet by email or if you have any questions, please contact Steve McElroy, Scholarship Committee Chairman, at mcelroyfs@verizon.net or 941-539-4263.



CITIZENS WITH DISABILITIES RESULTS -

For the second straight year, our donations through the Tootsie Roll Drive supporting our Citizens with Disabilities Campaign topped \$16,000. The final total of donations collected at the four Publix stores and St. Thomas totaled \$16,460. This year we collected \$6,002 the first Publix weekend, \$7,725 the second Publix weekend, and \$2,733 from the generous parishioners at St. Thomas More on the middle weekend. Despite a chilly first couple of days, a cancelled shift across all stores on the first Saturday, and a few conflicts with more than one organization collecting donations at the same time at the same store; we still achieved fantastic results.

Recognition goes to our many collection volunteers including spouse and significant others. Some members worked a shift every day at Publix including Dan Bulinski and Larry Hall. Other members had their spouse/significant other working many shifts with them including Nancy Hall with Larry, and Lili with Scott Deahna. Also, we recognize our Store Captains (Chris Pariseau, Al Ferrigno, Corey DeVito, and Scott Deahna); our Volunteer Scheduling Coordinators (Carol and Steve McElroy); and our Money Couriers and Counters (Charlie Ballschmieder, Joe Sommer, Hank Peppard, and Rich Marcella). Thank you everyone!

This total will be split between Oak Park School and St. Mary's Academy. We expect to present a check to the representatives of each participating school during our March Social at Stoneybrook. If you have not attended one of these presentation ceremonies before you will be touched by how the recipients react when they receive the large and meaningful donations. It is heart-warming to see their appreciation and know that your actions are helping to make a difference.

Together, we accomplish great things!

Corey DeVito, Campaign Co-coordinator
 Scott Deahna, Campaign Co-coordinator
 Steve McElroy, Financial Secretary

Committee Corner

2025 SPRING TRAINING BASEBALL SEASON GETS OFF TO A GREAT START!

On Saturday, February 22nd, the Baltimore Orioles opened their 2025 Spring Training Season against the Pittsburgh Pirates. And St. Thomas Council 7826 and Incarnation Council 15332 began their 14th consecutive year jointly operating a concession stand at Ed Smith Stadium.

What an Opening Day! The weather was sunny and bright, and Ed Smith Stadium was filled with a sellout crowd of 7,628 fans. Unfortunately, the Orioles lost the game 10-5.

However, the St. Thomas More and Incarnation Councils had a great day at their Outdoor Patio Grill Concession Stand. For the fifth year, the stand sold Philly Cheesesteaks – a new item – hamburgers, cheeseburgers, hot dogs, sausage with peppers and onions, draft beer, soda, water, potato chips, cracker jacks and peanuts.

And sell they did! During a four-hour period, the stand served 493 customers and generated \$13,152.75 in sales. At the end of the day, the stand earned \$1,304.86 in commissions and \$1,579.62 in tips for a total of \$2,886.48. What a great start to the 15-game schedule.

Thanks to the “Team” who worked the game. They had to deal with a lot of new changes and did a GREAT JOB!!



In the last week of February, the Orioles will play the Atlanta Braves, Detroit Tigers and the Toronto Blue Jays. During March, the Orioles have games against the Pittsburgh Pirates, Boston Red Sox, Tampa Bay Rays, Minnesota Twins, Atlanta Braves, Philadelphia Phillies, Toronto Blue Jays, New York Yankees and Detroit Tigers. The season concludes on Friday night, March 21st.

The April Newsletter will provide a wrap-up of the 2025 Spring Training Season.

See You at the Ball Park!!

Charlie Culkin

Director, Spring Training Baseball



Committee Corner

SPECIAL OLYMPICS SUMMER GAMES -

Special Olympics in AREA 7 is looking for volunteers and coaches to assist with the 2025 Summer Games Competition in Naples, Fl. during March.



2025 SPECIAL OLYMPICS FLORIDA AREA 7 SUMMER GAMES COMPETITION

(Basketball, Athletics, Bocce, Cheerleading, Cycling, & Soccer)
Tennis will be held at a different location, see 2nd flyer

Date/Time: Saturday, March 8th, 2025 from 9:00AM-4:00PM (Volunteers/Coaches- 8:00AM, Athletes- 8:15AM)

Location: Community School of Naples (13275 Livingston Rd. Naples, FL 34109)

Facility – Spectators are required to stay in the designated spectator areas, unless you are an athlete/coach/volunteer. There will be bleachers available for some sports, but not all. All coaches, teams, and spectators are encouraged to bring their own folding chairs and pop-up tent, if they choose.

- Basketball- [5v5]**- High School GYMNASIUM- Gray Court- Main Gym
- Basketball- [3v3 + Team Skills]** -High School GYMNASIUM- Court 1A and 1B- Main Gym
- Basketball- [Skills]**- CSN- Auxiliary GYMNASIUM (Elementary side-see map)
- Track** - CSN- Outside Track
- Field**– CSN- Outside Track
- Bocce** – CSN- Football Field (turf)
- Cheerleading**- CSN- Football Field (Opening Ceremonies)
- Cycling**- CSN- Outside track (after Track concludes)
- Soccer**- CSN- Outside Track (soccer field)

GENERAL TIME SCHEDULED:

****Please see sports specific scheduled for Cycling/Track/Field/Basketball****

- 7:45AM: Volunteer and Coaches Check-in
 - Volunteers check in at the CSN- High School gym (Lobby)
 - Coaches check in at the CSN- Football Field
- 8:00AM: Athletes Check-in with head coaches at CSN- Football Field
 - (All participants MUST check in with their respective head coaches to receive their wristbands)
- 8:15 AM: Track- Distance Races Begin (5000M Run/5000M Unified Run, 3000 M Run)
- 8:15AM: Line-up for Opening Ceremonies
- 8:30 AM: Opening Ceremonies/Cheerleaders Perform
- 9:00AM: Competitions begin for Athletics, Basketball, Bocce, and Soccer Skills
- 10:30AM: Cycling 10K Begins (see cycling general schedule for more info)



For more details on how to volunteer click on the Event Info and Link to Volunteer on the Special Olympics Florida website. If you encounter problems, you can also call Deborah Jackson at 352- 910-4147 to volunteer.

How to Apply: If you are not a current volunteer you will be prompted to create an account. Once you have applied, you will receive an email with next steps.

If you do not receive an email, please check your spam folder and/or reach out to Deborah Jackson at Email: deborahjackson@sofl.org

Phone: 352-910-4147

Category: Area 7 Volunteers

Thank you for your support of Special Olympics Florida!

Should you have any questions please reach out to volunteer@sofl.org.

Fraternally, John Cesare,
Chairman Special Olympics Commit



Special Olympics

Council Good of the Order

GOOD OF THE ORDER

John Baldelli (son of Charles Baldelli)
 Ken Berberich
 Ted Bogusz
 Dave Bracy
 Erin McAlonie Brady (daughter of John McAlonie)
 Pat Cesare (wife of John)
 Neil Corrado
 Ed Cox
 Cindi Caulkin (wife of Charlie)
 Judy Deady (wife of Kevin)
 Susan DeBlauw (wife of Brian)
 Jean Devito (wife of Correy)
 Gary Ellis
 Ken Gaasch
 Madeline Garvin (wife of Gary)
 Paula Garvin (daughter-in-law of Gary)
 Pat Guadagno
 Jerry and Anne Hayes
 Janek Jakubiuk

John Koitsch
 Ted Kovacic
 Don & Jeanne Leonard
 Roy MacGillis
 John & Kay Maier
 Jon McAlonie
 Ron McCluskey
 James McNamara
 Thomas Nate
 Mary Ann O'Brien (mother-in-law of Jeff Noccioli)
 Margie Noll (wife of Derek)
 Christopher Peppard (son of Hank Peppard)
 Hank Peppard Jr.
 Tony Picozzi
 Ed Plankey
 Thomas Reed
 John & Craig Spinale (John's son)
 Johnnie Turner
 Kim Wojtyna
 David and Donna Woodford (wife of David Woodford)



Brother Steve Fenner peacefully passed away at home on February 21, 2025. He also was a proud member of the Knights of Columbus and our Council 7826. Please keep him and his wife, Martha, in your prayers.

If you know of any Brother Knight in need, let us know, and we will make sure that he is contacted. If you have any questions or needs, please contact (Ralph Neller, Grand Knight) at his email address rneller65@outlook.com or my mobile 513-708-0528.



Please keep our recently departed Brothers and their surviving spouses in your prayers: Jim Beck, George Risbano, Leon Leroux, Jack Shaw, Lee Dusoe, and Dan Borgemeyer, John Malloy, and Joe Tiffany.

SPECIAL THANKS TO:
 Brothers James Alexander and Dan Martin for their kind assistance with this Newsletter!

Council Birthdays

MARCH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS



March 8 - Matt Leonardi

March 13 - Richard Griffith

March 23 - Vincent Grillo

March 25 - Andres Martinez

March 26 - Hank Peppard

March 26 - Anthony Kolankiewicz

March 29 - Thomas Nate

March 31 - Charles Tranter

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Council Upcoming Events

Thank you for your support of these future events!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 1st the Silver Rose Pilgrimage arrives at STM for the 4:00 p.m. Mass.
- The PARISH PICNIC is Sunday March 2nd after the 12:00 p.m. Mass from 1:00 - 4:00 p. m.
- Ash Wednesday is March 5th and precludes our Monthly Knight's Mass and Officers' Meeting.
- Cruise Raffle Tickets will be sold after all the Masses on March 8-9th outside the church.
- Our Lady of Charity Assembly Meeting (4th Degree) will be held on Monday, March 10th in the Chelsea Center at STM.
- The monthly Knight's Mass will be held on Wednesday, March 12th, at the 8:00 a.m. Mass.
- The Officers' Meeting is scheduled for March 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the Spirit Center.



- The Council Business Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 13th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spirit Center
- The monthly Exemplification Ceremony is scheduled for Tuesday, March 18th beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Spirit Center.
- The monthly Right to Life Prayer Walk will be on Thursday, March 27th between 9:00 - 1:00 p.m. in front of Planned Parenthood.
- There will be a Corporate Communion on March 30th at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Following the Mass a brunch is scheduled at the Stoneybrook CC where the proceeds from the Citizens with Disabilities will be presented to representatives of both St. Mary's Academy and Oak Park School.



Insurance Advisor

NEWS FROM OUR FRATERNAL FINANCIAL ADVISOR



Brothers,

Tax Day, April 15, will be here before you know it. Do you know if your tax rate or bracket has changed? If so, are you aware of the implications?

Your income throughout life can fluctuate, causing you to potentially end up in a higher tax bracket than anticipated. And following an election year, each new administration can change tax brackets and tax rates. As a result, you may not have as much disposable income or as much money to leave to family as you planned. This can be true earlier in life, or in retirement when your income sources may change.

You can protect yourself against these potential losses and build dependable cash value through permanent life insurance with the Knights of Columbus.

Permanent life insurance allows you to build cash value that you can access tax-free while you're alive. You can also create an income tax-free inheritance for your loved ones after you pass.

Of course, we always recommend that you work with a qualified tax advisor or CPA. But permanent life insurance can be a useful tool for tax planning in a range of situations.

In partnering with you to secure your financial future and legacy, we're fulfilling the mission of Blessed Michael McGivney, who founded our Order 143 years ago this month.

I'd love to share how permanent life insurance may be able to help you prepare for the unexpected.

If you have any questions, please let me know and we can schedule a time to meet.

God bless,

Vivat Jesus!

God bless,
 Brian DeBlauw, Financial Advisor

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Calendar - March, 2025



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SC – Spirit Center

CC – Chelsea Center

C - Church

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27	28	29				1 The Silver Rose 4.00 p.m. Mass C
2 Parish Picnic 1:00 - 4:00 pm CC	3	4	5 ASH WEDNESDAY	6	7	8 Cruise Raffle Sales - 4:00 p.m. Mass - C
9 Cruise Raffle Sales - All Masses C	10 Our Lady of Charity Assembly 7:00 p.m. - CC	11	12 Knight's Mass 8:00 a.m. C 7:00 p.m. Officers' Meeting SC	13 Council Mtg. 7:00 p.m. SC	14	15
16	17	18 Exemplification 6:30 p.m. SC	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 Prayer Walk 9-1:00 p.m. at Planned Parent	28	29
30 Corporate Communion 10:00 a.m. Mass + Stoneybrook CC brunch	31	3	4	5	6	7