Knights of Columbus
4th Degree
St. Jude Assembly
1750

Epistle from St. Jude



November 2026

FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR'S MESSAGE

In the coming months, we will continue to have a light meal during the social hour. During each business meeting in this Fraternal Year we will have a presentation or guest speaker who will give us an inspirational and informative presentation designed to feed our spirit of patriotism.

We are planning to have a potluck Christmas Party on December 17 **featuring a best homemade Chili contest**. We plan a Fat Tuesday Mardi Gras Dinner on February 9, 2027 and a Concert or comedy show on April 9, 2027. We hope these events will be enjoyed by all.

We will have many patriotic programs during the coming year. We will continue to provide a color corps at the quarterly memorial service at Jacobson Veterans Home to honor veterans who have passed. We will cook lunch for veterans and their families at Jacobson Veterans Home on Veterans Day. We will participate in Wreaths across America in December.

All members of the Patriotic Degree are recruiters. If you know men in your councils who are Third Degree Knight in good standing, invite them to join the Fourth Degree. The Fourth Degree has a lot to offer men who wish to honor our veterans, strengthen the faith and promote patriotism in our communities. We have some pretty good fellowship too.

Next Meeting will be November 19th at San Antonio Catholic Church in Port Charlotte. Social Hour begins at 5pm.

UPCOMING EVENTS

VETERANS DAY COOKOUT, JACOBSON VETERANS HOME

The Assembly will be cooking hamburgers and hot dogs for the residents, families and staff of Jacobson Veterans Home. The grilling will begin at 10:00 am on November 11 and the event will conclude by 1:00 pm.
All Sir Knights are welcome to come and help with the grilling and food service preparation.

FOURTH DEGREE ICE CREAM SOCIAL is on November 28, 2026 at 2 p.m. Jacobson Veterans Home, Port Charlotte. Seeing the grateful faces of veterans who have given so much to our country is a very rewarding experience. Join us as we give a little treat as small thanks for their service.

STANDING RULES
The Assembly standing rules drafted to memorialize polices regarding a dress code for meetings and the reimbursement of a portion of the cost of Color Corps uniforms are now of record. The text of both Standing Rules was emailed to all members. The rules were put to a vote and approved with one change at the October 22 meeting. Copies of the Standing Rules are available to any member who requests them.

ASSEMBLY SHIRTS
We are taking orders for personalized Assembly Polo shirts. T-Shirt style work shirts will be available for those who work an Assembly 1750 event such as a Veterans cookout.
See Jeff Kult to order your Assembly 1750 polo shirt.

FAITH IN ACTION

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR BISHOP EMERITUS FRANK DEWANE
Our St Jude Assembly 1750 Color Corps was honored to participate in the funeral services for Bishop Emeritus, Frank Dewane on October 14, 2026. Members of the Color Corps participated in posting an Honor Guard for the watch during the public visitation. The Color Corps was part of the large number of Fourth Degree Knights who led the procession into the church for the funeral services. The Color Corps was commanded by SK Denny Knaub.

DIOCESE OF VENICE ANNUAL VETERANS DAY CATHOLIC MASS
The Annual Diocese of Venice Veterans Day Catholic Mass will be held on November 11, 2026. Opening ceremonies begin at 2:45 p.m. with Mass beginning at 3:00 p.m. The Mass will be at Sarasota National Cemetery, 9810 State Road 72, Sarasota. The event is open to any and all Sir Knights and their families. Come out and honor all veterans, living and deceased.

CHALICE PROGRAM
The Assembly has voted to begin a Chalice Program. Many Fourth Degree Members from Assemblies in the North may be familiar with the Program. A chalice is purchased at the expense of the Assembly. When the Assembly is notified of the death of a Sir Knight, the name of the deceased member is engraved on the base of the memorial chalice. The family of the deceased Sir Knight is presented a Chalice Certificate along with a Fourth Degree Resolution of Condolence. This is done at the Memorial Mass or Funeral Mass for the deceased Sir Knight. Multiple names are engraved on the same chalice. When the chalice will not accommodate the addition of further names, the chalice is donated to an appropriate religious organization such as the Archdiocese for Military Services for presentation to a newly ordained priest for his use during the celebration of the Mass.
A small special annual dues assessment of $5.00 will fund the Chalice Program. Any member can pay in advance the total $300 cost of the chalice. The first Chalice has been purchased at the expense of a member of the Assembly.

ARTICLE SUBMISSION
Any member is welcome to submit an article and/or photographs for inclusion in the newsletter. Just email your content to the Faithful Navigator.

SIR BIRTHDAYS

The following Sir Knights have November birthdays! Happy Birthday and Best wishes to:

Nicholas Ucci	**11-4**
S K Roy Henry	**11-5**
Peter Rossi	**11- 5**
Theodore Kowal	**11-6**
Joseph Marfia	**11- 8**
Antonio Flores	**11-11**
Gary Garamella	**11-11**
Joseph Manning	**11-13**
John Dansereau	**11-16**
Terence Sheen	**11-16**
Reymundo Adriano	**11-17**
David Brendsel	**11-19**
John Norton	**11-19**
Tyron Peters	**11-20**
Thomas Canoles	**11-21**
Howard Bushnell	**11-25**
Michael Coats	**11-25**
William Behm	**11-26**
John Carroll	**11-26**
Charles Cooper	**11-27**
Michael Gremp	**11-28**
Theodore McDermott	**11-29**

FOURTH DEGREE BUSINESS MEETING

The next Assembly meeting will be held on November 19th with a social hour at 5:00 p.m. This month will be back at San Antonio Ministry Center, 24445 Rampart Blvd, Port Charlotte. The light meal will be a **"No Turkey Tonight"** meal featuring Roe Caponeôs famous baked ziti, we love so much, with garlic bread, green beans and home baked brownies. Come for a nice meal and spend some quality time with your fellow Sir Knights.

The business meeting begins at 6pm

Our guest speaker will be Tina Figliuolo from the Military Heritage Museum in Punta Gorda.

PATRIOTISM IN ACTION

PATRIOT 250 DISTRICT MASTER'S MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE

Congratulations to our District Master, Robert Urrutia who was the official winner for Division #1 of the membership part of the **Patriot 250 District Master's Challenge.** Florida welcomed 269 total new members under the leadership of District Master Urrutia. This is an Order wide challenge that recognized the District Mastersô dedication, leadership and unwavering commitment to our Order.

SW FLORIDA HONOR FLIGHT

Assembly 1750 has supported SW Florida Honor Flight in the past and will continue doing so in the future. More information about service and support opportunities in the future.

Thank you, Sir Knights, for all you do for the Order and the Church.

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Vivat Jesus!

OCTOBER MEETING

We were privileged to be guests of St Charles Borromeo at the October 22 business meeting. Special thanks to our Brothers at St Charles Borromeo Council 5399. We had a great turnout to enjoy a special Oktoberfest menu was served with Brats, homemade German potato salad, sauerkraut and home baked German Chocolate cake. Thank you for all who came and participated in our important business decisions after enjoying a great hour of fellowship.







The 50/50 Drawing was won by SK Ivan Pierre. Congratulations! Brother Ivan generously donated the majority of his winning back to the assembly.

The guest speaker was Father Gregg Klich who spoke about the church in Poland in honor of the Feast day of St John Paul II.

