

The Compass Newsletter

March 2025

Calendar of Events

- March 3 KC Officers Meeting March 8, 9 KC Council Membership Drive March 9 KC Pancake Breakfast March 10 KC Soup Supper 4-5:30 p.m. March 10 Stations of the Cross 6-7 p.m. March 10 KC Business Meeting March 13 Pasta Dinner March 17 KC Assembly Meeting 6 p.m.
- March 30th Communion Breakfast-American Legion

Grand Knight Letter

Brother knights,

January gave us a little room to catch our breath from all of the busy holidays, activities, and programs we experienced in November and December. Yet we still were able to give time and effort to fundraise for the Coats for Kids, conduct a KC Pancake Breakfast. In addition to these activities, we participated in the Novena for Life and the Sacramental Gifts program by gifting new Study Bibles to our students receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. Bishop Frank Dewane presided at the 4:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday, January 18. Thank you for your service.

This year, we have struggled to attract new members to our council. Each council member must do their part to invite parish men to join by discussing the benefits and asking them to become members. The join code is kofc.org/joinus.

We will have our Pancake Breakfast on March 9th followed by a soup supper on Monday, March 10th. Invite the men of our parish to join us. At the pancake breakfast and soup supper, you can discuss our organization, charitable programs, and how we support our pastor and parish with many of our programs, activities, and ministries.

The parish has decided to do a Fried Fish Dinner and fundraiser. Our pastor Fr. Mayer has asked our council to support the dinner as we have done the pasta dinner. The funds raised will help our parish ministries.

In closing, I would like to ask each of you to pray to our Lord daily for

likeminded Catholic men to become members of our council to help us help our pastor, parish, and community. I also ask you to pray for all of those on our prayer list

May God bless you and your families.

Vivat Jesus! Bob Bazinet GK

KC February Family of the Month

The Knights of Columbus Family of the Month is awarded to Gil and Peggy Ulrich. Gil has served many years with our council. This year, he serves as a 2-year trustee. He has successfully demonstrated leadership in many of the programs, and fundraisers. Peggy gives much time to the Ladies Auxiliary. We genuinely appreciate their many years of service and are proud to have them in our council and Ladies Auxiliary and our parish community. Thank you, Gil and Peggy Ulrich for inspiring us with all you do.



KC February Knight of the Month

Our February Knight of the Month is awarded to Recorder Nicholas Gizzi for outstanding service. We sincerely appreciate his many contributions. Nick serves our council in the role of Council Recorder keeping notes of our council proceedings and preparing and reading them for members of our council to approve. Nick also carries the responsibility of ordering food and supplies for our KC Pancake Breakfasts each month. He also shops for needed food items and supplies following taking inventory of what is on hand and what is needed for the next Pancake Breakfast. Nick also serves in our Assembly in the role of the Worthy Pilot. We truly value his important contributions in our council, assembly and parish community. Thank you, brother Nick Gizzi, for your service to the council, parish, community, and God.



Family and Knight of the Month nominations.

Brothers, please submit names of families and knights worthy of being nominated for the Family of the Month or Knight of the Month. The nominations for Family of the Month do not have to be KC members. They can be parishioners outside of KC membership. Please submit your suggested nominees to the newsletter editor (last page).

KC Pancake Breakfast March 9th



This month, we will have our Pancake Breakfast on March 9th. Invite the men and women of our parish to join us. During breakfast, we can talk about our organization and why they should join. Field Agent Al Castillejo and District Deputy Zahn will be available to help with the Membership Drive.

Soup Supper – Monday, March 10th

The Knights and Ladies Auxiliary will be serving soup and finger desserts on Monday, March 10th in the Parish Hall from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. We will need to set up the Parish Hall for our Council Meeting before attending Stations of the Cross in the Church at 6 p.m.



Soups and Finger Dessert and Beverages



Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held each Monday at 6 p.m. in the Church throughout Lent. Deacon Bob will lead us in prayer as we remember the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ. Please bring family and friends in this Catholic tradition of remembering our Lord during Lent each year.

Communion Breakfast

In March, we will again be having our Communion Breakfast on Sunday, March 30th following the 10:30 a.m. Mass at the American Legion. Invite fellow parishioners to our breakfast. We will extend an invitation to parishioners so join us for breakfast. The address of the American Legion Post 113 is 3436 Indiana Road, West Rotunda, FL

Volunteers Needed for Individuals with Disabilities



Deputy Grand Knight Phil Jeleniewski is seeking volunteers to help with fundraising for the Special Olympics, Autism Speaks, Alzheimer's Society at the Publix Store at Merchants Crossing on Friday April 25, Saturday, April 26, and Sunday, April 27th. Please text or email Phil with your date, and time preferences. His phone number is (708)542-7722.

Officer and Director Roles for 2025-26

Brothers now is the time to consider an officer or director roles that you would like to consider for election or for appointment. Consider another role to assume next year. If you are unsure consider speaking with me or the officer's position or director role you wish to serve. Every council member should give others the opportunity to learn a different role. Step out of your comfort zone and learn about other responsibilities to help this council grow with greater knowledge. There is always someone to help and cheer you on. More information will be available to you.

Annual Survey, Semi Annual Audit, and Council Assessments.

Last month with the help of our members, trustees and financial secretary, we completed and submitted all reports and paid all council assessments as required by KC Supreme and the Florida State KC Council. Thank you for your support.

Elected Council Officers

| Grand Knight | Robert Bazinet |
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| Dep.Grand Knight | Phil Jeleniewski |
| Chancellor | Joe Haggerty |
| Recorder | Nicolas Gizzi |
| Treasurer | Chuck De Ninno |
| Advocate | Carmine Laterra |
| Warden | Dave Flynn |
| Inside Guard | William Doyle |
| Outside Guard | Renzo Torchiani |
| One-Year Trustee | Gilbert Ulrich |
| Two-Year Trustee | Anthony Palermo |
| Three-Year Trustee | Al Losacano |

Appointed Council Officers

| Financial Secretary | Tim Fallon |
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| Chaplain | Deacon Bob |
| Lecturer | Giuseppe Crispino |
| Program Director | Robert Bazinet |
| Faith Director | Robert Bazinet |
| Community Director | Tim Fallon |
| Family Director | Don Kasson |
| Life Director | Phil Jeleniewski |
| Membership Director Joe Haggerty | |
| Public Relations Dir. | Robert Bazinet |
| Health Service | Tony Labay |
| Newsletter Editor | Robert Bazinet |

Prayer Intentions

| Janet D'Antonio | Dorothy Blum |
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| Cadem Ramawat | Pat Sierocuk |
| Joe Pizzuto Squeaker DeNinno | James Laterra Gil Ulrich |
| Chuck & Jo Kahler | |

Don, Susan Kasson

Important Links

Knights of Columbus kofc.org

Council 7672 webpage

https://www.sfoachurch.com/about-2

Florida State KC Council <u>https://www.floridakofc.org</u>

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