



Knights News

Knights of Columbus
Fleming Island, FL
Council 11220



August 2024

Serving Sacred Heart Parish
Business Meetings -- 1st Thursday of each month at 7:00pm in the Activity Center

Sacred Heart Mass Schedule
Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm
Spanish Mass: 7:30 pm (Saturday)
Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:30 am
Weekdays: 8:00 am (Monday thru Friday)
Holy Days: 8:00 am and 7:30 pm

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Calendar of Events

August
1st – Business Meeting
2nd – **Adoration**
6th – **Transfiguration of the Lord**
13th – 4th Degree Mtg.
16th – **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

September
2nd – **Labor Day**
5th – Business Meeting
6th – **Adoration**
8th – Youth Breakfast
10th – 4th Degree Mtg.

October
3rd – Business Meeting
4th – **Adoration**
8th – 4th Degree Mtg.
18th – Oktoberfest

November
1st – **All Saints' Day**
2nd – **All Souls' Day**
3rd – Daylight Savings Ends
7th – Business Meeting
12th – 4th Degree Mtg.
16th – **Charity Event**
24th – **Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

2024-25 Council Officers

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| Chaplain: Fr. Marek Dzien | 604-284-3811 |
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| To receive the newsletter via email, send your email address to: johnfmolley@juno.com | |
| Note: Newsletter input deadline is the 21st of each month. | |



COUNCIL MESSAGES

Message from Grand Knight: Mike Cruz

Hello, Brothers.

I pray that you and your families are well. Let us keep our Brother Knight Fr. Marek in our prayers for an enjoyable, well-deserved vacation and safe return.

It is official that we have been recognized for Star council by Supreme for last year under the leadership of PGK Scott Sheffield! We are truly blessed.

I will not get political, but I do ask for your prayers for our nation. May we unite and prosper as we move forward, bringing God into our everyday lives and asking for his guidance.

I know some of you were greatly affected by the computer program update/crash a few weeks ago, our society is pushing to make us disciples of the internet. Please keep in mind our lives rely around it, but they do not rely on it. We cannot lose focus on the fact that we are disciples of God.

We are seeking a Life Director and a Family Director. If you feel you are called for one of these positions, please contact me or any officer at your convenience.

We will be holding an Exemplification at 6:30 before our meeting this Thursday. If you are a new Knight or a 1st or 2nd Degree Knight, please join us. All attendees will advance to a 3rd Degree.

I ran into a glitch with streaming our monthly meetings. We can't hold it on Facebook which is the preferred platform because the meetings will be public. I will continue to look into different avenues. If you have any suggestions, please feel free to email me with any suggestions.

If you have not paid your dues, please bring your payment to the meeting this Thursday or send it in. This will save Joe Pourciau, our Financial Secretary, any additional work.

Keep in mind that Amendment 4 will be on the ballot in November. As Knights and as Christians, we must vote NO on this. Please discuss this with your family, friends and anyone who is planning on voting.

Thank you all that came out to help with Building C. PGK Ron Warner purchased a shed to be used for storage by our Council. Volunteers will be needed to help assemble this shed.

As always, please try to help our Brothers in need, and if you know of someone or their family member (parishioner or non-parishioner) that is in need, please let us know so we can help.

Gentlemen, thank you for all you do!

Vivat Jesus,
Brother Mike Cruz
Grand Knight

KofC Merchandise:

License Plate Holder - \$10



If interested, please contact Mike Dezsi at 904-365-9909 or michael.dezsi@att.net.

KofC Shirts

If you are interested in purchasing a KofC golf shirt, you can do so at:

*Logo Xpress
2245-6 Plantation Center Dr.,
Fleming Island (across from
Fleming Island High School).
The cost will be the price of
the shirt (see their catalog)
plus embroidering. You can
also take them your own shirt
and have it embroidered. To
view the shirts, go to their
website, [www.logo-x-
press.com](http://www.logo-xpress.com).*

or

*5 Star Design
2124 Palmetto St
Middleburg, FL 32068
(904) 291-5253
Call or stop-by for pricing.*

KofC Name Badges

*If you would like a KofC
name badge for your suit
jacket and/or shirt, please
contact Scott Olivolo (904-
710-1330 or
solivolo@comcast.net). The
cost is \$25.*

COUNCIL MESSAGES

Knights of the Month

Steve Elgin. Steve helps out at our dinners. He shows up with a "what can I do to help" attitude.

Thank you for your continuous - Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

Family of the Month

Chris and Kasie Trahan.

Chris and Kasie are both teachers for Clay County.

Chris is a Reader & Eucharistic minister and Kasie is in the Choir.

Thank you for your continuous - Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

Annunciation School collects aluminum can tabs. Please collect your tabs and give them to Brother Zarko.

If you are in need of landscaping and/or pressure washing services, please contact Brother Knight and PGK Ron Warner at 904-887-3566.

Waste Not Want Not needs paper bags. You can drop them off in the Narthex at the Church.



- 4th – Leroy Ericksen
- 7th – Mike Straty
- 8th – Scott Sheffield
- 9th – Dick Trache
- 12th – Tim Powell
- 18th – Frank Lorenz
- 22nd – Andy Rodriguez
- 23rd – Bob Sroka
Thomas Mullen
- 25th – Fred Bellock
- 26th – James Shears
- 28th – Doug Buchanan
- 30th – Mark Hurtt

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL!

(Note: If I did not list your birthday, I apologize. I must not have you on my list; simply send me an email with your name & birthday so I can add you to the list.)



CONGRATULATIONS TO:

- Pat & Sue Beckham
- Mike & Debbie Cruz
- Fred & Gayle Bellock
- Patric & Patricia Patterson
- Ray & Paulette Robert
- Doug & Mauricia Buchanan
- Al & Angela Becker

(Note: Anyone who would like to have their anniversary mentioned in the newsletter, please send me an email with your spouse's name and your anniversary date.)

Prayer Intentions

- Paul & Jenny Anthertz
- Ron Warner
- Ron Llewellyn
- Dick & Carol Trache
- Chuck Brown
- Bob Rawling
- Stephen Mayette
- Ninfa Flores
- Al Karolewicz
- Paulette Robert
- Ski & Gemma Wojciechowski
- Pat Winkeler
- Dennis Witt
- AC Fairbrother
- Joe & Bonnie Brundage
- Charles McGarvey
- Ed & Grace Mathews
- Mary Powell
- Pat & Susan Beckham
- Fr. Mike Pendergraft
- Patric Patterson
- Bob Sedam
- Jim Foley
- Tom Foley
- Clonnie Yearout
- Dennis DeCocker
- Dr. Tim Bowers
- Ed Szymanski
- Becky Szymanski
- Karen McCallan
- Amanda Spaulding
- Rachel Vatlerott
- Gary Miller
- Ron Dill
- Phil Leatherbury
- Angela Connor
- Jenn Cruz
- Joshua & Susan Elwood
- Adela Marcos
- Margaret Beattie
- Rod Zeck
- Berchem Family
- Scott Sheffield, Pat Beckham, Carl Volz, & Paul Stark
(Permanent Deacon Candidates)

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Life: **NEEDED**
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If you'd like to serve as one of the "**NEEDED**" Committee Chairmen, please email GK Scott Sheffield at sheff9@gmail.com. If you'd like to serve on one of the Committees, please email the Chairman directly.



Family of the Year, Charlie (shown) & Trudy McGarvey with GK Mike Cruz.

August 2024

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | 1 Council Meeting | 2 Adoration | 3 |
| 4 | 5 | 6 Transfiguration of the Lord | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 4th Degree Meeting | 14 | 15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |



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Florida Bishops Oppose Extreme Abortion Amendment *Vote No on Amendment 4*

Florida Amendment 4, which will appear on Florida's November 2024 ballot, is an extreme proposal that legalizes full-term abortion with no protections for the preborn child, including when the child is capable of feeling pain. This proposed amendment to our state constitution would prohibit all restrictions on abortion before viability and create a broad exception that any healthcare provider could exploit to allow abortion up to birth.

Furthermore, the amendment would effectively overturn or seriously jeopardize common-sense state laws that have regulated abortion for years. These include basic health and safety requirements for clinics where abortions are performed, requiring a physician to perform abortions, informed consent requirements, laws limiting public funding of abortion, and parental consent requirements before a minor's abortion.ⁱ These risks demonstrate the extreme nature of the amendment.

We urge all Floridians of goodwill to stand against the legalization of late-term abortion and oppose the abortion amendment. In doing so, we will not only protect the weakest, most innocent, and defenseless of human life among us but also countless women throughout the state from the harms of abortion.

Human life is sacred. The dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision of society. Direct attacks on innocent persons are never morally acceptable, at any stage or in any condition. In our state, human life is repeatedly being destroyed by abortion. Over 84,000 vulnerable and voiceless children were aborted in Florida in 2023.

This matter concerning the respect for human dignity and the fundamental value of human life is of grave importance to both our Church and our state. The threat of abortion remains our pre-eminent public policy priority. Therefore, we support a coordinated campaign to mobilize against the proposed amendment. To this end, we offer this prayer to defeat Amendment 4:

Ever-living God, you give life and desire a future for all your children. Take hold of our nation, state and community and awaken in every heart awe for the gift of life. Send your Spirit to strengthen us with wisdom and fortitude as we defend mothers and children in Florida from laws that disregard their health and safety.

Mary and Joseph trusted in you and welcomed Jesus into our broken world. God Almighty, we ask their intercession to protect the preborn and their mothers, and to guide all parents in raising their children. May they help us build a civilization of love by upholding the sacredness of life and accompanying pregnant women in need.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady, Mother of the Family, pray for us! St. Joseph, Protector of the Unborn, pray for us!

Most Rev. Thomas G. Wenski
Archdiocese of Miami

Most Rev. Gerald M. Barbarito
Diocese of Palm Beach

Most Rev. Frank J. Dewane
Diocese of Venice

Most Rev. John G. Noonan
Diocese of Orlando

Most Rev. Gregory L. Parkes
Diocese of St. Petersburg

Most Rev. William A. Wack, CSC
Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee

Most Rev. Erik T. Pohlmeier
Diocese of St. Augustine

Most Rev. Enrique E. Delgado
Archdiocese of Miami

ⁱ Florida law distinguishes between parental *consent* prior to a minor's abortion (Ch. 390.01114(5)), which would be invalidated by Amendment 4, and parental *notice* of a minor's abortion (Ch. 390.01114(4)), which would be retained.