



Knights of Columbus

Christ Our Redeemer Council 13527

*Celebrating a Decade of Service
2004 - 2014*



October 2016 Newsletter

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Chaplain	Fr. Bob Johnson
Grand Knight	Gregory Muntzner
Deputy Grand Knight	Tom Kessinger
Chancellor	Glen Prescott
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Lecturer	Ken Rodriguez

Christ Our Redeemer Catholic Church

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Our History

Unless otherwise posted, the Council's General Assembly convenes on the first Thursday of each month and the Executive Committee meets on the fourth Thursday of each month. Both meetings are conducted in the Christ Our Redeemer Parish Hall at 7:00 PM.

Fourth Degree members of Council 13527 and Council 7667 comprise Assembly 3236. The Fourth Degree Assembly convenes on the third Thursday of each month, alternating meeting locations between Christ our Redeemer Parish (even months) and Holy Name of Jesus Parish (odd months).

In June 2004, the Knights of Columbus conferred the Charter establishing Council 13527 at Christ Our Redeemer Parish. On July 1, 2004, our first Grand Knight, Len Casey, convened the Council's inaugural meeting and fraternal year. The Council earned the Star Award that year and Double Star Awards each of the next five years. In 2007-2008, under the leadership of Past Grand Knight, Jack Starr, 13527 earned the Best Florida Council (Division II) distinction. In 2009, Sir Knight Dave Halupowski was honored as the State of Florida Knight of the Year.

From the Grand Knight's Desk



My Brothers All,

We really started to get into the normal routine of the Fraternal Year in September.

We conducted the Pancake Breakfast and Bake Sale, bringing in over \$800. We went to Marianna for the Sunland Picnic and there was a regional training seminar.

Many thanks to all those who volunteered for these activities. They were a success because you were there to help, and helping others is an important part of the Knight's mission.

And of course we continued our regular activities of pasta dinner and bingo. These two activities are major funding sources for the Council, so if you can afford to spend a few hours on a Friday or Saturday night your help would be greatly appreciated.

October promises to be just as busy. We have the Parish Picnic and Soccer Challenge on 16 Oct. This will be "all hands" event. Come on out and enjoy a nice lunch and spend some time with the rest of the work crew. You can also get down and dirty supporting Habitat for Humanity on the 22nd. They can always use a few more muscles.

Finally, with all the bad news we are hearing about lately, we should all offer a prayer of thanks for our safety and a prayer of healing for the recovery and safety of others.

Greg Muntzner

General Assembly Meeting Minutes – September 1st, 2016



Meeting Opened: The Grand Knight, Gregory Muntzner, opened the meeting at 7 pm with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: All Officers were present or excused. Officers excused included: Chaplain, Treasurer, Lecturer, Advocate, and 2nd/3rd year Trustees.

Visiting Officers: District Deputy and Warden.

- 1) **Minutes:** The Minutes of the August meeting were approved.
- 2) **Application for Membership:** None, however one transfer of membership was submitted.
- 3) **Conferring of Degree:** None.
- 4) **Grand Knight Report:**
 - a) The Grand Knights report can be summarized via the September KoC Newsletter.
- 5) **Chaplain Report:** No Report.
- 6) **Treasurer Report:** \$6,110 was deposited in August for a balance as of Aug 2nd of \$14,334.
- 7) **Financial Secretary Report:** Account currently held via income from Bingo \$3,941.14 and Past Dinners \$694.60. The Scholarship fund contains \$985.25 but should be zeroed out soon for final distributions.
- 8) **Chancellors Report:** No Report.
- 9) **Trustees Report:** No Report.
- 10) **Service Director Reports:**
 - a) **Church Director:** Corporate Communion will be on 29 Oct, mass time TBD. Please wear your Polo shirts. Keep Christ in Christmas cards have been purchased, expect to see them at the next council meeting.
 - b) **Council Activity Director:** No Report.
 - c) **Community Director:** No Report.
 - d) **Youth Activity Director:** No Report.
 - e) **Culture of Life:** 40 days for Life will begin in Dec, more details to follow. On Dec 4th, our Bishop will dedicate a new ultrasound machine purchased by the KoC during the 1000 mass at St Mary's in Fort Walton. All are encouraged to attend.
 - f) **Membership Director:** No Report.
 - g) **Family Director:** No Report.
 - h) **Publicity Director:** No Report.
 - i) **Bingo and pasta committee:** John Rafferty called for recurring volunteers especially for Bingo nights.
- 11) **Old/unfinished Business:**
 - a) New membership cards were distributed with an error in the expiration date. Awaiting fix in computer program to reissue accurate cards reflecting June 2017 expiration dates.
- 12) **New Business:**
 - a) The council approved \$250 for the "Little Flowers" children's group to purchase supplies for crafts.
 - b) The council approved \$250 for flooding relief in Louisiana.
 - c) The parish golf tournament will be held on 1 Oct. The council approved \$360 to cover the cost of the Father's team.
 - d) The council decided to co-sponsor an essay contest with HNJ Council for Niceville Middle and High School students. \$150 was approved for awards.
 - e) The council approved \$500 to purchase 2 cases of coats for kids. Time and place of distribution TBD.
 - f) Council pancake breakfast is on 4 Sep after both masses. Volunteers are still needed to setup, cook, serve, and clean up.
 - g) 1st Degree Ceremony at COR, 4 Sep at 4:30pm. All Knights are encouraged to attend.
 - h) Final reminder that the "Vince and Chris Warsheski Sunland Picnic" will be held Sep 10th.
 - i) Knight of the Month: Ken Rodriguez.
 - j) Family of the Month: Rich and Karen Pearson.
- 13) **4th Degree Report:** Honor Guard request on two occasions in Sep, please see Joe Purka for details.
- 14) **Insurance Agent Report:** Tim Pugh briefly discussed the benefits of Long Term Care, see him for details.
- 15) **Worthy District Warden Update:**
 - a) Degree Schedule:
 - i) 1st Degree scheduled for on 4 Sep at COR, 4 pm.

- ii) 2nd Degree is scheduled for 28 Sep in Crestview at 7 pm.
 - iii) 3rd Degree scheduled for 8 Oct at HNJ.
 - iv) 4th Degree scheduled for 26 Nov in Orlando.
 - b) World Day of Prayer for Peace on Sep 11th.
 - c) State Regional Seminar Sep 17th 0800, wives encouraged to attend.
 - d) Reminder for Council Spelling Bee in Oct-Nov.
 - e) Coats for kids POC requested, John Rafferty volunteered.
- 16) Correspondence:** None.
- 17) Brothers or Persons in Distress:** Chris Warsheski, Guy Jordan, Mark Adams, Bob Hargraeves, Frank and Ann Liberatori, MaryLou Alvadj, Valda Brown, Jason Sartori, Jodie Vetter, Wolfgang Geiberger, and Barney Stoffel.
- 18) For The Good of the Order:** We were reminded that Mother Teresa would be pronounced as a Saint by the Pope on Sunday, 4 Sep. Several of her blessed works were shared and all were asked to pray for her soul and to continue service as demonstrated by her example.
- 19) Meeting Closed with prayer.**

Respectfully Submitted
 Mark M. Olguín
 Recorder

Knight of the Month

Glen Prescott.

Glen is very active in Council activities, always lending a helping hand. He is the head of the usher ministry and volunteered his time at the recent Sunland picnic. He is also personally responsible for recruiting two new members. Way to set the example Glen!

Family of the Month

Ralph & Beth McDonald.

Ralph and Beth are both very active in Council and Church activities. Ralph was in charge of the pancake breakfast and did a great job organizing and executing a very successful fund raiser for the Council. He and Beth are involved in so many other parish activities it's hard to keep up with them all. Beth heads the Prayer Line, is involved in the Bereavement Ministry, takes care of the church flowers and is very involved in many other activities. Of course, Ralph also helps in these activities as well, being the good husband he is.

Council Calendar of Events

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION, TIME
1 Oct	Pasta Dinner	HNJ, 1800
1 Oct	Parish Golf Tournament	Shalimar Pointe, 1030
6 Oct	General Assembly Meeting	COR, 1800 Fellowship Hour, 1900 Meeting
7 Oct	Bingo, Team 4, (HNJ Team)	HNJ, 1800
8 Oct	3 rd Degree Ceremony	HNJ, 1200
14 Oct	Bingo, Team 1, (HNJ Team)	HNJ, 1800
16 Oct	Parish Picnic & Soccer Challenge	COR, 1130
20 Oct	4 th Degree Assembly 3236 Meeting	TBD
21 Oct	Bingo, Team 2, (COR Team)	HNJ, 1800
22 Oct	Habitat for Humanity	TBD, (POC Jim Yurack)
27 Oct	Executive Committee Meeting	COR, 1800
28 Oct	Bingo Team 3, (COR Team)	HNJ, 1800
29 Oct	Corporate Communion	COR, (POC Ron Rabiansky)
TBD Friday	1 st Degree Ceremony	Crestview

Insurance Corner

Don't Crowdfund Your Family's Future

There is a new phenomenon sweeping the internet: Crowdfunding. Pioneered by organizations like GoFundMe, crowdfunding allows anyone to donate to a project or cause online. Crowdfunding is increasingly being used to raise funds for grieving families. Someone passes away, and a representative from the family opens a crowdfunding page to raise funds to pay for funeral expenses and medical bills.

Recent studies show that the average crowdfunding memorial page raises \$2,000-\$2,200 — far below the average cost of funeral services. September is designated as Life Insurance Awareness Month. It's a great opportunity for you to evaluate your life insurance coverage and make sure your family's future will not be left up to a crowdfunding page.

Today, the Knights of Columbus insurance program protects hundreds of thousands of families, with more than \$100 billion in force. Last year alone, Knights of Columbus families received more than \$800 million in insurance benefits.

Let's get together and see how the Knights of Columbus can help protect you.

Sincerely and fraternally,



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"Crowdfunding Funerals: What You Need to Know" by Kayleigh Kulp, *Fox Business*. Accessed August 15, 2016. <http://www.foxbusiness.com/features/2014/08/08/crowdfunding-funerals-what-need-to-know.html>

Saint of the Month – October 2016

St. Mother Theodore Guerin, (1798-1856)

Feast Day: October 3rd.

Patron Saint of: Roman Catholic Diocese of Lafayette in Indiana.



St. Mother Theodore Guerin was a missionary who established schools in Indiana at the same time that Father Sorin founded Notre Dame.

She was born as Anne Therese in 1798 in France in the wake of the French Revolution. Her father was an officer in the French navy under Napoleon. When Anne was 15, he was killed by bandits, and her mother fell into a deep depression. Anne cared for her siblings and her mother for ten years, tending to the household. She had a deep-seated desire to enter the convent, even as a young child, and when she was 25 years old, she finally did so.

As a nun, she took the name Theodore and became a teacher. For a dozen years, she taught in central France and cared for the poor who lived near her. She became very sick with smallpox, nearly dying. The disease ravaged her digestive system, and for the rest of her life, she was limited to a simple, bland diet.

Her community, the Sisters of Providence, recognized her leadership skills and sent her with five others to a mission territory in America — Indiana, which was then part of a French diocese. This was the same diocese to which Father Sorin and seven Holy Cross brothers were sent to serve as missionaries in 1842, when they founded the University of Notre Dame.

When Father Sorin arrived at the site where the University was to grow, he found a simple log cabin that served as a center for missionary activity in the area. Mother Theodore had a similar experience — she and her sisters traveled by steamboat and stagecoach, and arrived in the middle of the Indiana wilderness to find a simple farmhouse, and that's where they started to build.

In 1841, Mother Theodore and her sisters opened St. Mary of the Woods near Terre Haute, Indiana, the first liberal arts Catholic college for women in the United States. Under her leadership, the community went on to establish more schools and orphanages throughout Indiana. She also served the communities surrounding some of these schools by adding pharmacies that dispensed free medicine to poor people.

One of the miracles that enabled her 2006 canonization happened to Phil McCord, a man living in Terre Haute. He helped maintain the facilities of the Sisters of Providence, but was losing his eyesight. With one eye 20/800 and the other 20/1000, he was legally blind, and was about to have an operation. He prayed to Mother Guerin for strength to undergo the surgery and when he woke up the next day, his eyesight was 20/20. The only treatment he needed was a laser procedure to remove old tissue.

*St. Mother Theodore Guerin, as a missionary you taught and served the poor of the Indiana frontier,
pray for us!*

<http://faith.nd.edu/s/1210/faith/interior.aspx?pgid=16542&cid=33113&ecid=33113&crd=0>

Additional information can be found at:

http://www.vatican.va/news_services/liturgy/saints/ns_lit_doc_20061015_guerin_en.html

http://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=6984

<https://spsmw.org/saint-mother-theodore/about-saint-mother-theodore-guerin/>

<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/mother-theodore-guerin-indianas-very-own-saint/>

October Birthday Celebrations!

Please extend best wishes for a very Happy Birthday and a year filled with many blessings to:

Kevin Morgan	1 Oct
Corey Fraas	5 Oct
Robert Gualtieri Sr.	5 Oct
George Eller	6 Oct
Edward (Moni) Carron	8 Oct
Michael (Todd) Lonon	8 Oct
Edward Boyle	13 Oct
Pat Burke	15 Oct
Thomas Sanders Jr.	20 Oct
Dr. Robert Hruby	21 Oct
Michael Tutin	22 Oct
Troy Petit	23 Oct
Dr. William Markowski	25 Oct
Steve Schaefer	26 Oct

We apologize if we did not recognize your birthday.
Please update your information with a council officer so
that we may give you the recognition that you deserve.

**Send all inputs for the Newsletter to Steve Schaefer NLT 10 days after the General Assembly meeting.
Please send to fly-safe@cox.net.**