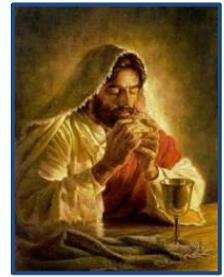




Knights of Columbus

Christ Our Redeemer Council 13527

*Celebrating a Decade of Service
2004 - 2014*



April 2018 Newsletter

Council Officers

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| Chaplain | Fr. Bob Johnson |
| Grand Knight | Bob Gualtieri |
| Deputy Grand Knight | James Yurack |
| Chancellor | Glen Prescott |
| Financial Secretary | Leonard Smales |
| Warden | Vacant |
| Recorder | Ralph McDonald |
| Treasurer | John Wohleber |
| Advocate | Stuart Lewis |
| 1-Year Trustee | Andrew Balding |
| 2-Year Trustee | Tom Means |
| 3-Year Trustee | Gregory Muntzner |
| Inside Guard | Art Jean |
| Outside Guard | Tom Kessinger |
| Lecturer | Ken Rodriguez |

Christ Our Redeemer Catholic Church

1028 White Point Road
Niceville, Florida 32578



Our History

Unless otherwise posted, the Council's General Assembly convenes on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Christ Our Redeemer Parish Hall. The Executive Committee meets on the fourth Thursday of each month at 6:00 PM in one of the Christ Our Redeemer Parish classrooms.

Fourth Degree members of Councils 13527 (COR), 7667 (HNJ), and 11893 (Destin), 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.



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From the Grand Knight's Desk



Brothers,

We just finished a hectic week of 14-18 March with our drive for Citizens with Intellectual Disabilities (Tootsie Roll), membership drive, Bingo. and Habitat for Humanity. Fortunately, we're slowing down the next couple of months, but there are still two important things coming up.

First, we need to recruit 3 new members to meet our goal of 14 new members for the year. No less important, we have a goal of 4 more insurance members. If you are thinking about life insurance, you should call Brother Tim Pugh for a quote. However, a small investment of \$300 in an annuity will also make you an insurance member. As you know, the KofC does incredibly great things around the country and world and your investment would help in these significant efforts. Plus, it's a safe investment. I urge you to consider these before June 30th.

Second, it's time to organize our slate of officers and program heads for next fraternal year. DGK Jim Yurack and I and other officers are willing to serve another term to maintain continuity in the council. We do need a Warden and Chancellor. These officer positions do not take up a lot of time but are critical.

Also, very important, we will need two key program managers: Membership Director and Family Director as well as assistants. The membership director is more of an administrative position rather than actual recruiting. I would really like to have a strong family program to implement the KofC "Building the Domestic Church" program. There are also a number of young fathers in our parish. The KofC "Fathers for Good" has a lot of worth-while information that we can pass on to our young fathers, as well as our own individual life experiences.

Brief summary of recent activities: Had 3 members speak at the Veterans Heritage Project; coordinated the funeral Mass for Brother Barney Stoffel who was 98; supported Bingo; hosted the Parish mission dinner Feb 27th and Lenten Friday soup dinner Mar 2; conducted Drive for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (Tootsie Roll) Mar 14-18; Abortion Clinic vigil Mar 24; Habitat for Humanity in Crestview on Mar 17; conducting 40 cans for Lent drive at COR; conducted recruiting drive on Mar 17,18.

Vivat Jesus!

Bob Gualtieri

General Assembly Meeting Minutes – March 1st, 2018



Meeting Opened: The Grand Knight, Robert Gualtieri, opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Role of officers was called and noted as follow (P-Present, A-Absent excused).

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| Chaplain: | P | Recorder: | P | Advocate: | P | Trustee (1st yr.): | A |
| Grand Knight: | P | Financial Secretary: | P | Warden: | P | Trustee (2nd yr.): | P |
| Deputy GK: | P | Treasurer: | P | Inside Guard: | P | Trustee (3rd yr.): | P |
| Chancellor: | A | Lecturer: | P | Outside Guard: | A | | |

Visiting Officers: Worthy District Deputy, John Rafferty.

Minutes: February minutes were approved with no change, distributed, and posted electronically.

- 1) **Application for Membership:** None this month.
- 2) **Conferring of Degree:** 1st Degree to Nathan Tabor and Jeffrey Hall.
- 3) **Grand Knight Report:** Thank you received from Focus, KofC Charities, Avia Maria University, Good Shelter of the Gulf Coast, Veteran History Project, and the Stoffel Family. Please sign Father Bob's Easter card. Many thanks to Joe Cartenuto for cooking the KofC meal for the COR Lenten Mission and his serving team: Joe Purka, Jack Brenan, Jack Star, and others. Our contributions along with other local church group contributions helped Home of Grace replace their HVAC.
- 4) **Family and Knight of the Month:** February – Ralph & Beth McDonald and Barney Stoffel. **Family and Knight of the Year:** Glen & Silvia Prescott and Ken Rodriguez.
- 5) **Chaplain Report:** Every Friday - Lent Soup Nights, 5:30 to 6:30 PM before Stations of the Cross at 7 PM. Thank you to the Knights superb support on March 2. Father Bob will be on retreat 16-20 March.
- 6) **Treasurer Report:** \$4,852.08 deposited, 4 checks written or withdrawn for \$1,430.00 and zero check outstanding, resulting in a total balance of \$19,166.41. No deposits were made into scholarship account with a balance of \$4,129.00. Balance including both accounts is \$23,295.41. A detailed report is filed in recorder log.
- 7) **Financial Secretary Report:** Received \$240 towards buying food for "40 Cans for Lent along with donations to pay for Tootsie Roll supplies. Checks will be written for KofC State Helping Life & Vocations, State convention, State per Capita, NCO, and Pavilion per the Council's Budget. Although it appears we have an excess of funds scholarships and remaining fraternal year budget leaves about \$5,000 in reserve to avoid banking charges.
- 8) **Chancellors Report:** Nothing significant to report (NSTR).
- 9) **Service Director Reports:**
 - a) **Family Director:** Still need replacement, volunteer sought. Please visit the KofC bookstand in the NARTHEX, many good subjects to appreciate.
 - b) **Membership Director:** Currently at 11 of 14 for year. Will be a membership pulpit brief on Mar 10th and 11th; requesting fellow Knights in Blue polo before and after Mass to hand out Form 100s and socialize with candidates. An insert is also planned for the bulletin.
 - c) **Church Director:** See Chaplain report section upcoming church events.
 - d) **Community Director:** Habitat for Humanity, March 17th, Crestview; Jim Yurack emailed details.
 - e) **Council Director:** '40 Cans for Lent' begins Feb 14th, drop box in NARTHEX. Knight's sponsoring Lenten Soup night on March 2nd...great job! Possible wife's appreciation dinner in April. People's Disability Campaign is Wed-Sun, March 14-18th; email blast from Brother Smales forthcoming.
 - f) **Youth Activity Director:** Scholarship packages went out; volunteer graders contact Kevin Knebl.
 - g) **Culture of Life:** "40 Days for Life" at PCola clinic; council are Mar 5th & 24th. Pray to end abortion.
 - h) **4th Degree:** Next meeting at HNJ on Mar 15th. Donated \$1,000 to Fisher House on Eglin AFB.
- 10) **Old/unfinished Business:**
 - a) State Convention delegates are the Grand Knight and Kevin Knebl; alternates are Joe Purka and Ken Rodriguez.
 - b) Check to state Helping Life & Vocations per budget, voted for \$1345 & \$1609 respectively.
- 11) **New Business:**
 - a) Both Bingo Teams need new blood, please volunteer.
 - b) GK requests volunteers for Warden (must be a 3rd degree) and for Family Director.
 - c) Motion made to provide Sharing & Caring baby basket support of \$400 approved.
- 12) **Insurance Representative Report:** NSTR.
- 13) **Worthy District Deputy Update:**
 - a) Degree Schedule:
 - i) 1st Degree: March 20th at Holy Name, (7pm, candidates 6:30); April 25th at Crestview Hall.

- ii) 2nd Degree: TBD.
 - iii) 3rd Degree: TBD.
 - iv) 4th Degree: TBD.
 - b) State Awards forms due April 7th; get them done! State "year" is April 1 - March 31st.
 - c) Officer nominations in April, Elections in May.
 - d) Only four more months to achieve STAR COUNCIL.
 - e) 2 State-winning spelling bee competitors from Niceville.
- 14) Brothers or Persons in Distress:** Pray for the repose of the soul of Jack Scheidi; and the health of Ron Rabiensky, Jack Starr, Mike Murphy, Tom Kessinger, Jim Thennes, Frank & Anne Liberatori, Bill Jennings, Guy Jordan, Bob & Sharron Hargreaves, Holy Name Deacons, Zigmas Krasauskas, Wolfgang Geiberger and all the "Anonymous" Knights.
- 15) Lector:** Briefed on the Prodigal Son story and relationship to fasting (not just food) and repentance; along with 3 Irish brothers Lenten abstinence of beer, sort of. Remember to pray, fast & give alms.
- 16) Meeting closed with prayer.**
 Respectfully Submitted
 Ralph McDonald
 Council Recorder

Council Calendar of Events

| DATE | EVENT | LOCATION, TIME |
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| 1 Apr | Easter Sunday | |
| 4 Apr | Pancake for Youth | COR, 1630 |
| 5 Apr | General Assembly Meeting | COR, 1800 Fellowship Hour, 1900 Meeting |
| 19 Apr | 4 th Degree Assembly Meeting | COR, 1900 |
| 20 Apr | Bingo, (Team #2) | HNJ, 1700 |
| 26 Apr | Executive Committee Meeting | COR, 1800 |
| 27 Apr | Bingo, (Team #3) | HNJ, 1700 |
| 29 Apr | Family Rosary & Corporate Communion | COR, (Rosary before 0730 Mass) |
| 29 Apr | CCW Fashion Show, (Help with setup) | TBD |
| Bingo, Every Friday @ HNJ; (except as noted) | | |

Knight of the Month

Joseph T. Maestas.

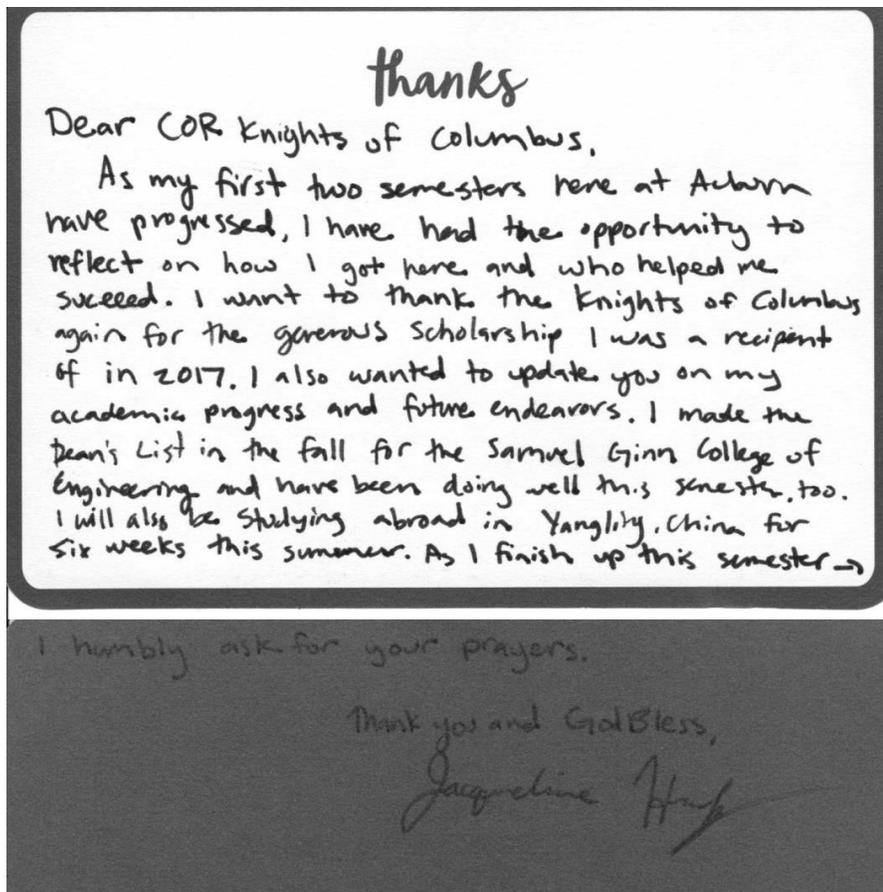
Brother Joe is a 1st Degree Knight. Whenever he has the opportunity, he supports council activities. He substituted for a Bingo team member, participated in the last Habitat for Humanity project in Crestview, addressed the Church at the 10:30 Mass during our recruiting drive and assisted with the Tootsie Roll Drive collection. He also finds a way to include daily Mass into his work schedule. Although he's been in our council less than a year, he has displayed the qualities of a true member of the Knights of Columbus. For these reasons, we gladly designate Brother Joe as the Knight of the Month!

Family of the Month

The Ignacio and Trish Zermeño Family.

Brother (SK) "Z" is the 4th Degree Color Corps Commander. In this capacity, he participates in and coordinates Color Corps Teams to support many council activities, such as the Altar Server and Keep Christ In Christmas Awards at Mass as well as Masses for funerals and special events as well as parades. The presence of the Color Corps elevates the dignity of our council events and enhances the visibility and image of the Knights of Columbus in the Parish and community. Brother "Z" also delivers the Sunday Mass food donations to Sharing and Caring. Trish works in the Parish office providing critical coordination for Parish activity scheduling. She is also a true advocate for the Knights always helping us to better integrate our events into the Parish schedule and ensuring our schedule is well-displayed in the weekly bulletin. Although the Zermeño Family tries to keep their participation in the Parish and the Knights low-key and behind the scenes, we cannot help but recognize that they display all the principles of our order and the Church and should be declared the Family of the Month!

Thank You Note from Jacqueline Hruby, (2017 KofC Scholarship Recipient)



Insurance Corner



Safe, Secure, Guaranteed Lifetime Income

How are your retirement and other funds doing?

Are they in a place that always increases and never decreases? The Knights of Columbus **has a place for them!**

Are they in a place that is income tax deferred until you receive a distribution? The Knights of Columbus **is that place!**

Can they provide a lifetime income no matter how long you live? The Knights of Columbus **can!**

Your association with the Knights of Columbus has no doubt brought you many benefits. I would like to introduce you to one more.

Did you know that the Knights of Columbus is currently paying a very competitive interest rate, with a lifetime guaranteed minimum on retirement savings annuities? Now is the time to make the most of your funds for retirement.

If you would like to discuss this, or have any questions, give me a call. My name is Tim Pugh and I can be reached at 850-678-0962. Thank you for your continued support of the Knights of Columbus.

Timothy J. Pugh, FIC, FICF
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Saint of the Month – April 2018

Saint Julie Billiart, (1751-1816).

Feast Day: April 8th.

Patron Saint: Against Poverty, Bodily Ills, Impoverishment, Poverty, Sick People, Sickness.

Born in Cuvilly, France, into a family of well-to-do farmers, young Marie Rose Julie Billiart showed an early interest in religion and in helping the sick and poor. Though the first years of her life were relatively peaceful and uncomplicated, Julie had to take up manual work as a young teen when her family lost its money. However, she spent her spare time teaching catechism to young people and to the farm laborers.

A mysterious illness overtook her when she was about 30. Witnessing an attempt to wound or even kill her father, Julie was paralyzed and became a complete invalid. For the next two decades, she continued to teach catechism lessons from her bed, offered spiritual advice, and attracted visitors who had heard of her holiness.

When the French Revolution broke out in 1789, revolutionary forces became aware of her allegiance to fugitive priests. With the help of friends, she was smuggled out of Cuvilly in a haycart. She then spent several years hiding in Compiègne, being moved from house to house despite her growing physical pain. She even lost the power of speech for a time.

But this period also proved to be a fruitful spiritual time for Julie. It was at this time she had a vision in which she saw Calvary surrounded by women in religious habits and heard a voice saying, “Behold these spiritual daughters whom I give you in an institute marked by the cross.”

As time passed and Julie continued her mobile life, she made the acquaintance of an aristocratic woman, Françoise Blin de Bourdon, who shared Julie’s interest in teaching the faith. In 1803, the two women began the Institute of Notre Dame, which was dedicated to the education of the poor, young Christian girls, and the training of catechists. The following year, the first Sisters of Notre Dame made their vows. That was the same year that Julie recovered from the illness: She was able to walk for the first time in 22 years.

Though Julie had always been attentive to the special needs of the poor and that always remained her priority, she also became aware that other classes in society needed Christian instruction. From the founding of the Sisters of Notre Dame until her death, Julie was on the road, opening a variety of schools in France and Belgium that served the poor and the wealthy, vocational groups, teachers. Ultimately, Julie and Françoise moved the motherhouse to Namur, Belgium. Julie died there in 1816. She was canonized in 1969.

Reflection

Julie’s immobility in no way impeded her activities. In spite of her suffering, she managed to co-found a teaching order that tended to the needs of both the poor and the well-to-do. Each of us has limitations, but the worst malady any of us can suffer is the spiritual paralysis that keeps us from doing God’s work on earth.



<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-julie-billiart/>

Additional information can be found at:

<http://www.ewtn.com/saintsHoly/saints/J/stjuliabilliart.asp>

https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=4119#wiki

<http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/08559a.htm>

April Birthday Celebrations!

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

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| Jacob Vallimont | 2 Apr |
| Guy Jordan | 3 Apr |
| Hong Nguyen | 5 Apr |
| Deacon Thomas Dwyer | 7 Apr |
| Dr. Casima Ricciardi | 9 Apr |
| Mike England | 13 Apr |
| Michael Lewis | 14 Apr |
| Pete Blaise | 15 Apr |
| Dr. Steven Clark | 18 Apr |
| Joe Allard | 22 Apr |
| Steven Blair Jr. | 22 Apr |
| Joseph Deloach | 26 Apr |
| Matthew Williams | 29 Apr |

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.

