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FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT

February is an active month! There's a lot going on, such as Valentine's Day (kiss and hug your wife a little extra!), Ash Wednesday, beginning of Lent, Stations of the Cross, exciting episodes of That Man Is You, planning for a great St. Patrick's Day fundraiser at 3rd Planet, and so much more. And February is the eighth month of our fraternal year...hard to believe that we only have four to go. That means we need to start

thinking about our slate of officers for the next fraternal year. Here's your chance to oust the current Grand Knight!! When you get a chance, take a peek behind the Parish Hall to see the progress being made on the picnic pavilion. Next is the electrical work and then the pouring of the concrete slab won't be far behind that. Check out the photos in this newsletter.

This month's lucky member numbers are as follows:

5136329 4428259 2222060 5169654 3966477

If you recognize your member number, email me at stuart.lewis51@gmail.com or text me at 865-661-3602 within 10 days of the publication date of this newsletter and I will buy you a chance in the \$30,000 Florida State Council Charity Raffle. Drawing will be at our State Convention in May.

UPCOMING DATES

Sat 13 Feb 5 PM, COR Corporate Communion. Rosary 5 PM, Mass 5:30 PM
Wed 17 Feb 8:30 am/6 pm Ash Wednesday Mass
Fri 19 Feb 7pm Friday Lent Stations of the Cross
Thu 25 Feb 6 pm Executive Committee Meeting
Mon 1 Mar Vigil at Pensacola abortion clinic – see below for details
Wed 3 Mar 1 st Wednesday for St Joseph
Thu 4 Mar 7 pm Monthly Council Meeting
Fri 5 Mar 0830 1 st Fri Mass Bishop Wack visit to CCW – Will confirm Mass time
Sat 6 Mar, 4 PM, HNJ 13527 Pasta Team 4
Sat 13 Mar, 4-8 PM, 3rd Planet, - St Patrick's Day fundraiser
Fri 19 & 26 Mar 7 pm Council leads stations of the Cross
Sat 27 Mar 4 th Deg Honor Guard at Field of Valor, Viet Nam Veteran ceremony
Sun 25 Apr 7:30 AM Mass, COR Marion Icon Procession



ST JOSEPH PAVILION UPDATE – We're up and running!!

The pavilion was a recommendation by our Grand Knight, Stuart Lewis. When the Covid-19 pandemic hit, the need for outdoor events became more

crucial. The parish agreed to use

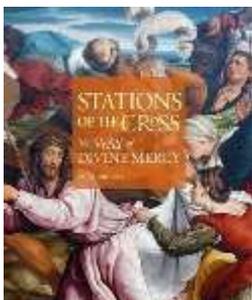


funds from previous Returning God's Gifts overages to fund the outdoor pavilion and dedicate it to St Joseph. Brother John Marino of

our council is acting as the general contractor. Brother Eric Parod built an outdoor altar. The project was studied and approved by the Bishop's office and all the permits were obtained from the county. A professional architect firm designed the building plans which include provision for water runoff. Our council will build a storage area. On Bishop Wack's upcoming visit, we'll ask him to bless the structure. On 19 Mar, the Feast of St Joseph, we'll ask Fr Bob to consecrate it to St Joseph. This is not part of the ongoing Capital Campaign.

To see more pictures of the construction, use this link:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1VVIsiv9AoefYskmMPRegkUvPjhOvieU?usp=sharing>



Faith Director- Ron Rabiansky: Ash Wednesday 17 Feb starts Lent Knights Have an Important Role

Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 7 pm

Our Council is leading Stations 2 Fridays in Lent: 19 Mar and 26 Mar

- Will introduce new programs from Saints John Paul II and Alphonsus Liguori
- We hope to see record involvement by the faithful of the parish
- Volunteer to be a reader; invite your children
- Contact Ron at Rabian1@cox.net and be part of our Lenten program!

Did You Know? You can receive a plenary indulgence for praying the Stations

- The exercise must be done before legitimately erected stations.
- 14 stations are required. Although it is customary for the icons to represent pictures or images, 14 simple crosses will suffice.
- The common practice consists of fourteen pious readings to which some vocal prayers are added. However, nothing more is required than a pious meditation on the Passion and Death of the Lord, which need not be a particular consideration of the individual mysteries of the stations.
- A movement from one station to the next is required. But if the stations are made publicly and it is not possible for everyone taking part to go from station to station, it suffices if at least the one conducting the exercise goes from station to station, the others remaining in their places.
- Those who are "impeded" can gain the same indulgence if they spend at least one half an hour in pious reading and meditation on the Passion and Death of our Lord Jesus Christ



You can still join us in time for our Lenten program. *That Man Is You* has an incredible program for Lent. We meet every Saturday at 8 am (with live stream).

Now adding a Monday evening online session! Contact Ron Rabian1@cox.net to join



ST PATRICK'S DAY FUNDRAISER- 3RD PLANET 13 MAR Save The date

Here's a chance to have some fun, raise some money, and support the community.



- We will provide take-out dinners at the 3rd Planet 4-9 pm
- **Choices: Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner or Irish Stew**
- **We have Volunteers to cook the food at home**
- **You can help set up, serve and tear down**
- **To Volunteer:** Contact Steve Wolfrom stevewolfrom1@gmail.com or GK stuart.lewis51@gmail.com

Erin go Bragh



Life Director- Dave Halupowski—New Developments at the Pensacola abortion clinic

- Since there are now unsavory pro-abortion groups demonstrating at the abortion clinic, vigils should be made in groups of at least two, preferably more.
- Our abortion clinic vigil is 1 Mar 2021
- If you can attend, email [Dave Halupowski](mailto:Dave.Halupowski) with the times you are available so that he may work out a schedule



Peaceful Counter-protestors 9-26-2020

The Year Of St Joseph

Great, indeed, will be the comfort of those, who, at the hour of death shall be protected by Saint Joseph. For this great saint has received from God power to command the devils and to drive them away, lest they tempt his servants in their dying moments. Happy is the soul that shall be assisted by this great advocate, who, on account of having died with the assistance of Jesus and Mary, and because of having preserved the infant Jesus from the danger of death by his flight into Egypt, has received the privilege of being the patron of a good death, and of delivering his clients from the danger of eternal death. Saint Joseph, defend me from the attacks of the devils at the last moment of my life. - *Saint Alphonsus Liguori*

Christ Our Redeemer Parish begins the [Consecration to St Joseph](#) on 15 Feb

[See more about the Consecration to St Joseph](#)

Knight of the Month – Brother Mic Wehmeyer



Brother Mic Wehmeyer is a consistent Council winner of awards for his fervent volunteerism around the church and in the community. Mic is the Co-Chair of the Family Committee, and annually spearheads items like the Keep Christ in Christmas card sales, and Baby Bottle collection for the unwed mothers shelter in Fort Walton Beach. Mic's dad Robert, also a knight, helped Mic with selling Christmas cards and magnets multiple weekends

during this December since he was visiting the Wehmeyer family. Mic also helped out in December providing direction to the cars trying to park for Christmas Vigil Mass.



Mic is also heavily involved in the Boy Scouts of America, and recently his daughter was one of the first girls in Okaloosa County to attain the rank of Eagle Scout. He is being recognized by Bishop Wack for increasing the number of Boy Scouts across the Panhandle who are going for their Altare Dei medal by studying up on their Catholic religion. The bishop is presenting him with a Bronze pelican statue as a thank

you for his work on this role. And a glutton for punishment, Mic has volunteered to run the Yustaga Native American Weekend event, which this year raised \$1200 in the concession stand for the Order of the Arrow troops.

He is a retired Air Force veteran, still working on Eglin Air Force Base as a civil servant.

Family of the Month – Brother Steve, Debbie and Jack Scheidt



Stephen and Ginny Scheidt and their son Jack are the Family of the Month for Christ Our Redeemer Parish. Stephen has been a regular lector for years, clearly speaking the first or second readings of the Gospel at Mass. Steve serves as the Chair of the finance committee at the parish, elected by the members of the church. He works full-time on base, and also teaches

evening classes at NWFSC in Niceville.

Jack is following in his father's footsteps and is also a lector and has been doing a great job. Jack has also been a long-time altar server and participates in the 8th Grade Youth Group class. Even during this pandemic time of social distancing, Jack has served as the lone altar server three times when our acolyte, Tom Tolzien, is unavailable.

You may recall Jack's name from when he won the Council Spelling Bee 5th/6th Grade Level in early 2018, then went on to triumph at the District and State Level! He is still a standout student with a very bright future.



MEET OUR NEW BROTHER KNIGHT

Brother Fernando Tarafa. Brother Fernando transferred in from CT. He was a charter member of Our Lady of Sorrows Council.

Welcome to Council 13527! We're glad you're here.

Parish Celebrates life of Brother Brian Branagan



The funeral Mass was 10 Feb. A retired Colonel, U.S. Army, Brother Brian was a 3rd Degree Knight having joined in 2008. He was a long time member of the parish choir at the 10:30 Mass. He's survived by his wife, Roseanne and five children. (*Thanks to Brother Louis Carter*



for providing the picture of Brian and Roseanne)

You can view the [live stream recording](#) of the Mass on the COR website. In addition to Fr Bob's homily, especially moving are the events which begin at the 50:50 point: "Ave Maria" sung by Teri Markowski, accompanied by Sarah Deitrich (a must listen-to), joyful eulogies by Brian's two sons, the "Irish Blessing" sung by the Emerald Coast Chorus, Barbershop Harmony Society (Brian was a member), taps and the flag folding ceremony by the U.S. Army Honor Guard. *RIP*, Brother Brian. [More Pics](#)

Chef" Needed for Pasta Dinner- Will Train



Our council's next turn to host the spaghetti dinner is the first Saturday in March 2021. A few new people have stepped up to help, but we are still in need of someone to take over the preparation of the pasta sauce using the standard recipe. John Rafferty has been doing it for years. This would be a once a quarter commitment. *Please contact Brother John Rafferty to find out the details.* mjohnatgt@gmail.com cel (239) 822-5726.

Community Director Kevin Knebl announces scholarship program for this year. The council approved awarding a \$1000, two \$750, and two \$500 scholarships. The \$1000 and one \$750 scholarship will be reserved for Catholics. One \$500 scholarship is a gift of the Koechel Family.

4th Degree News

DeSoto Province of FL 4th Degree Holds Exemplification

The Patriotic Degree took place on 6 Feb 2021 at St Sylvester Catholic Church in Gulf Breeze.



Seven candidates from District 5 attended. Serving as honor guards were SKs Matt French, Franklin Bevel (both from 7667), Bob Gualtieri (13527), and John Bundscho (Destin). SK Kevin Knebl (13527), the Faithful Navigator of Assembly 3236 and SK Steve Zajac, District 5 Deputy also attended.

Assembly 3236 votes to reimburse \$100 to members who buy a new uniform. The member must join the Color Corps to qualify for the reimbursement.

Knights' Councils raising funds for heart transplant

Brother Joe Klink's daughter required a heart transplant which incurred significant medical expenses after insurance reimbursement. A number of councils are raising funds to help. Our council has raised \$650 so far and we voted for a council goal of \$1000. **To contribute, make a cash donation to our Financial Secretary, Lenny Smales, or send a check to 1403 Ernest Hemmingway Dr. Niceville, FL 32578-7101.** Annotate it is a donation for the Joseph Klink fund. Vivat Jesus!



Knights of Columbus elects new Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly assumes duties 1 Mar 2021. Carl Anderson retires 28 Feb 2021 after more than 20 years as Supreme Knight. [Read More](#)



KofC Asset Advisors. Faith-Based, ethical Investments for members coming soon

Contact our Insurance Representative Tim Pugh for more information
850 678-0962 Timothy.pugh@kofc.org

Council 13527 Trustees complete semi-annual audit Trustees Greg Muntzner, Bob Gualtieri and Jim Yurack met on 3 Feb together with GK Stuart Lewis and Dist Dep Steve Zajac. The audit of council finances is accomplished twice a year in accordance with procedures set forth by the order.

Useful Links:

Council Photos on Google Drive:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1TpTN86gf6HWsrfczMiun8tpECaDqWRUu?usp=sharing>

Insurance Agent: Timothy Pugh 850-678-0962 Office 517-775-2485 Cell timothy.pugh@kofc.orgFL

State Council Newsletter- Invocation <https://www.floridakofc.org/Invocation-State-Newsletter>

Knights of Columbus Programs: <https://www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/faith-in-action-programs/index.html>

Short History of the Knights of Columbus <http://www.kofc.org/en/who-we-are/our-history/index.html>

Council 13527 Facebook Group (Closed group, You must ask to join):

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/151799351547185>

Council Officers, Fraternal Year (FY) 2020/21

Grand Knight	Stuart Lewis
Deputy Grand Knight	Richard Pearson
Chancellor	Roberto Garcia
Advocate	Andrew Balding
Warden	James Thennes
Treasurer	John Wohleber
Recorder	Ralph McDonald
Outside Guard	Michael (Mic) Wehmeyer
Inside Guard	Arthur Jean
Trustees	Greg Muntzner, Robert Gualtieri, Jim Yurack

Appointed Positions:

Chaplin	Father Robert Johnson
Financial Secretary	Leonard Smales
Lecturer	Kenneth Rodriguez

Program Directors

And available opportunities:

Faith	Ron Rabiansky
*Family	John Rafferty
Community	Kevin Knebl
Life	Dave Halupowski
*Membership	John Rafferty
Vocations	Jack Brennan
Public Relations	Bob Gualtieri
Technology	Eric Parod

** We need to relieve Brother John Rafferty of one of his positions. Please consider either the Family or Membership positions.*