



# Knights Navigator

Knights of Columbus Council 12942

St. Brendan Catholic Community

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Christopher Bell  
Grand Knight

## Grand Knight Corner

### Progressive Christianity

It is HARD to be a biblical Christian when today's society wants to focus on social issues and a version of morality instead of the truth of the Gospel.

If you know me or my wife personally, you probably realize we are not a shy family at sharing our opinions about any topic. A few years ago, my wife got into a "discussion" if you will, with the son of a friend. The topic...the bible and homosexuality. Now, I won't bore you with all the details of the conversation but instead try and get to the climax and conclusion. Whether you agree or not, throughout the Old and New Testament, this sin is mentioned and condemned. Towards the end of the discussion, the son said to my wife that the Bible is outdated and should be rewritten to support the modern times. My wife responded to him by saying the Bible is the Word of God and can't be rewritten just because society doesn't agree with its teachings. Immediately after that, our friend told her son to stop because, "You won't win a religious discussion with Elizabeth." With all that has been happening in our society, I think back to that comment and think maybe our friend shouldn't have stopped the conversation. Maybe continuing the discussion would have been the better thing to do.

Today's society wants Christians to be progressive. And the frustrating thing is that many Christians are going along with it. What does Progressive Christianity look like? **Diminishing the Bible.** I read an article about this that said, "Churches that change due to shifting cultural norms risk losing the truth."

I think that's an important statement. As Christians, we believe the Bible is the Word of God and is true. The Bible is God's word through inspired human authors to tell of God's creation, how sin entered the world, and the redemption that is found through Jesus Christ and his salvation. I've heard people say things like the author of the chapter, such as Paul or John, wrote it; that it is their message, not God's.

**Feelings over facts.** If people don't like a verse or subject in the bible because it doesn't make them feel all "warm and fuzzy inside," they don't feel like it could be true. Some great examples are love and hell. Biblical love is putting the needs of others first where the progressive movement defines love as acceptance or even indulgence of whatever a person wants. By this definition, progressives can't accept or grasp the concept of hell and can't believe God would send anyone there.

**Redefining historic terms.** Progressives believe in the ideology of science and the recent sentiments and look to reinterpret scripture to support it. They may use biblical language but shift its meaning. An example would be the resurrection becomes a metaphor instead of a historical fact. **The Gospel message shifts from sin and redemption to social justice.** The scriptures talk about justice frequently and this should be important to Christians. However, the popular "social justice" is really a political ideology that is not connected to biblical justice. In reading some articles around this topic, I found one that summed it up nicely for me. "The Gospel is not about God making paradise of this world, but God raising us to a new heaven and earth. When social justice replaces the Gospel, you won't get the Gospel, but you also won't get justice."

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Progressive Christianity is popular because people don't want to offend anyone or be accused of "pushing" their beliefs on anyone. The pressure to compromise so we fit into the current culture is significant. However, we can't let fear redirect the way we read scripture. Confidence is key. Conviction and courage. Do not be afraid to stand up for the Word of God. Every time the Christian faith gets bullied, it gets stronger. Through all the struggles we experience, we need to remember our true authority, Jesus Christ.

Christopher Bell - GK

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## Christopher Bell to Lead Council to State Convention

Our Council will be represented at the State Convention, May 14 thru May 16, this year by Financial Secretary, Greg Santini; Deputy Grand Knight, Thomas Meister; and, Grand Knight, Christopher Bell,

## March Kicks Off Election of Officers Timeline and Process

Deputy Grand Knight Thomas Meister reminds us that March kicks off the Officer nomination and election process.

If you are interested in serving as a Council Officer, please contact Thomas Meister, TMEISTER@BELLSOUTH.NET. Volunteers are necessary for all positions.

The high level timeline is nominations in March, an April vote to name the slate of officers; and, a May vote to elect new officers.

## Update Volunteer Hours

We are reminded to update your volunteer hours in UKnight. This is a "self-service", quick process on UKnight, however, if you would like a review, contact Ron Romaniello, ronromaniello@bellsouth.net or Geary Beaulieu, gearybeaulieu@yahoo.com

## Wondering about Regnum Christi?

If you feel called to spread the faith, you might be interested:

"Come and See" - Wednesday, March 3 at 7PM

For men- in the Fireside room at St. Brendan's

For women- at Section director, Kathleen Conklin's home  
3410 Chartwell Blvd Suwanee GA 30024



## Virtual 4th Degree

**Next 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification** – Virtual on Sat. March 27<sup>th</sup>, 11:45am to 2:00PM,

Where: <https://www.gakoc.org/events/ceremonials>

Honoring: Sir Knight Tom Frizzi, FDM Georgia

Hosted by Arkansas Degree Team

District Master – Arkansas – Jeff Priore

District Master – Georgia – Brad Burnett

Registration: 11:45 – 12:00 P.M - Exemplification 12: 00

Noon (sharp).

For additional details please visit: <https://www.gakofc.org/calendar>

## Grand Knight Shares Inspirational Video "Lesson in Friendship"

Grand Knight, Christopher Bell, shared a 3 min. inspirational YouTube video "Lesson in Friendship".

In this video a first grader shaves his head for his classmate with cancer!! " making the difference to make this a better world.

You may view the video at this link,

[https://youtu.be/jr7b\\_rIEEY](https://youtu.be/jr7b_rIEEY)



# 2021 Fish Fry

Thank you to all of our Knights, their families, and other dedicated associates for the spirit of their volunteerism in the 2021 Lenten Fish Fry

## February 19 Fish Fry Recap

We've had a long time to think about how our Fish Fry Families would respond in 2021.

We have our answer; the Fish Fry Families turned out in large numbers. Plans were made to serve 300 dinners; each and every one was sold; more could have been sold; these folks will be back next week and the Knights will catch more fish.

You can expect many changes compared to previous years due to COVID-19 concerns to ensure the safety of everyone volunteering and interacting with the public.

Among changes are:

- ◆ There will be NO indoor dining; drive thru ONLY
- ◆ No food choices – will be a pre-packaged meal (details to come)
- ◆ We will need volunteers to sign up for a specific job in advance and stay there. (Ex: if you are at the deep fryer, you will remain there all shift. Should you need something, the runners will get it for you)
- ◆ Masks will be required
- ◆ Temperatures will be taken at start of shift
- ◆ Contact tracing guidelines will be followed

## Sign Up / Volunteer for 2021 Fish Fry

As you know, our Council's Lenten Fish Fry is our largest annual fundraiser. We are fortunate to be able to have our event this year. We urgently need you to volunteer your time to make this work.

The Fish Fry will be each Friday in Lent beginning on February 19 and ending on March 26. Joe Simone is requesting your participation to assure a successful Fish Fry. It takes many Knights each week to serve our loyal customers.

### How to Sign Up

We have developed a spreadsheet allowing you to view open positions and sign up for one that suits you. We hope that you will take the time right now to make your volunteer commitment. Please note that "Setup" tasks on Fridays are very important and takes several resources to assure that we are prepared to serve.

Instructions (Read the 5 points below before doing #1)

1. Click [here](#) to go to the Sign Up Sheet
2. Above the spreadsheet click on "Open With"; select "Google Sheets" to allow you to make entries in the spreadsheet.
3. Note the date tabs at the bottom of the spreadsheet and select the date for which you are volunteering. When volunteering for multiple weeks, you will need to go to each tab and make your selections.
4. Find the job you wish to fill and enter your name in Column F. Move on to the next date tab and enter your name.
5. The spreadsheet saves entries automatically. So, when complete, exit from the document. You're done.

If you have any difficulty signing up, please call or email Ron Romaniello, 770-656-3897, [ronromaniello@bellsouth.net](mailto:ronromaniello@bellsouth.net), for assistance.



# 2021 Fish Fry Behind The Scenes Action



# March 2021

| SUN  | MON                                 | TUES | WED  | THU | FRI   | SAT |
|--|-------------------------------------|------|--|-----|---|-----|
| 28   | 1                                   | 2    | 3<br>Regnum Christi,<br>7pm; Contact:<br>Don Conklin,<br>dconklin@stbren<br>dansatl.com  | 4   | 5<br>    | 6   |
| 7  | 8<br>Council<br>Business<br>Meeting | 9    | 10   | 11  | 12<br>   | 13  |
| 14   | 15                                  | 16   | 17<br> | 18  | 19<br>  | 20  |
| 21   | 22                                  | 23   | 24   | 25  | 26<br> | 27  |
| 28<br> | 29<br>K of C<br>Founder's Day       | 30   | 31   | 1   | 2<br>  | 3   |

## Important Upcoming Dates

March 4, 2021 Plumbing merit badge

March 5, 2021 Fish Fry 4:30 to 7:00pm We need help!!!!

March 8, 2021 Council meeting

March 10, 4th Degree meeting

March 11, 2021 Dentistry Merit badge Dr. Sean O'Rourke

March 12, 2021 Fish Fry 4:30 to 7:00pm We need help!!!!

## Exemplification Online Opportunities

Worthy Chancellor, Tony Terbruggen, reports that Online Exemplification of Charity, Unity & Fraternity ceremony, offers a lot of flexibility! For example:

- |   |                                  |
|---|----------------------------------|
| On demand ceremonies now available        | - Anytime day or night           |
| See invitation emails for link candidates | - No more schedule conflicts for |

Use this link to register [Georgia Knights of Columbus Calendar](#) and make sure you indicate our Council # **12942**.

To view full calendar, copy and paste the following link in your browser or ctrl-click on the following link: <https://www.gakofc.org/calendar>

### An Invitation to Participate in Adoration

St. Brendan's Director of Adult Faith Formation, **Don Conklin**, reminded us through his testimony of faith to stay together to our three pillars as Catholics: Mass, Adoration and Eucharist.

Don invited us **to enroll to Adoration and participate** from Monday 9:00AM through Wednesday 6:45PM, visit St. Brendan's website to make your commitment.

[Click Here to sign up](#)

St. Brendan's Council 12942 **Apparel ONLINE Store** <https://kofc12942.qbstores.com>

New Knight Wear is available to you online. These are Products for which sales are managed by our Council

Look for

- ◆ Weekly Promotions each Monday
- ◆ Instant Coupons
- ◆ Discounts based on order size
- ◆ Upsell St Brendan Coffee Mugs to Parishioner's and donate the proceeds



Questions and comments? Please contact **the Blues Brothers**: Michael Rooney and Jeff Kroeger at: [mrmichaelrooney@gmail.com](mailto:mrmichaelrooney@gmail.com) and [jeff@kroegerproperties.com](mailto:jeff@kroegerproperties.com) respectively

## COVID-19 Leads to New, Efficient Ways to Serve You



**Richard Langton**  
Field Agent

This month marks one year under COVID-19 restrictions. I remember when the news of shutting the Supreme Office was announced. I, like many I think, thought this would last a couple of months and all of us would get back to normal. The reality is much different. Maybe some of you are working from home...maybe some will be working from home for the foreseeable future.

I realize this has not been easy for many of you. When it began I wondered how I would be able to help my brother Knights. But as restrictions were put in place, we were provided with a new way to meet with members virtually on our computers and we were given a number of tools to ensure that you, our members and your families, were served.

Using these new tools I have found that I am more efficient. I save travel time and can have more meetings in a day. I've found that many of you like the idea of meeting virtually. It's less stress for you to simply sit down in front of your computer, click on a few buttons and we can have a confidential conversation about your needs, wants and desires. For service issues I can meet much more quickly and have all the forms I might need to help you right at my fingertips...No more running out to the car to get a form only to find out my paper file is depleted.

We've had our eApplication process for a while, and with pandemic restrictions members have found it very valuable to be able to sign electronically when we meet virtually.

It's been a very different year: We missed much of the solemnity of Holy Week and Easter with many of us either social distancing at church or live-streaming Mass; by summer we were able to get outside as long as we didn't get too close to others who were out. Vacations were pretty much out of the question—I know I had a “staycation” with my family. By fall we had figured out how to deliver candy from a socially acceptable distance to those few trick or treaters who braved the night. Thanksgiving traditions of large family gatherings were taboo and Christmas was so much smaller in 2020.

Joyously we experienced the beatification of Blessed Michael McGivney. Now we've come full circle into 2021. The vaccine is on the way. Some of you have already received it. Looks like light at the end of the tunnel; but we still have to be vigilant, still have to protect each other.

I am most thankful to all of you. Many of you met with me this year and wanted to make sure your desire for financial security was up to date. It was my pleasure to take the time to analyze your situation and give you my recommendations. I look forward to meeting with many more of you in the months ahead whether virtually or face to face. Please contact me if you have any questions; I am here to serve you, my members, and your families.

I pray you will be safe and healthy.

Vivat Jesus!

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## *Let us Remember our Deceased Knights*



Deceased Knights from St. Brendan's KofC Council 12942 as of November 19, 2018 in order of death:

### **Brother Knight**

Warren Turner  
 Myron Shultes  
 Jonathan Lindsey  
 Kenneth Williams  
 Gary Colangelo  
 Al Kabo  
 Ken Snellings  
 Larry Bergmann  
 Kim Martiny  
 Joe Pierre  
 Bill Wood  
 Gene Sock  
 Bill O'Shaugnessy  
 Frank Ciszek  
 Rick Beelen  
**Robert Tyler (10/22/2018)**  
 Dale Gracyalny (10/2019)  
 Ted Borzak (11/2019)  
 Vin O'Reilly (12/2019)  
 Kenneth Douglass (6/2020)  
 Frank Janik (6/2020)

### **Deacon**

**James Stone (09/06/2020)**

### **Widow**

Linda Kabo  
 Barbara Snellings  
 Sally Bergmann  
 Lynn Martiny  
  
 Kathleen O'Shaugnessy  
 Fran Ciszek  
 Maria Beelen  
  
 Jane Gracyalny  
 JoLynne O'Reilly  
 Joan Janik

**Beverly Stone**

## **A Mass Card is an Excellent Remembrance**

On occasion when one of our Brother Knights or his spouse has passed on, our Council would like to send a Mass card in remembrance. In order to do this, I need the following information.

Name of deceased Knight or deceased spouse  
 Your Name, Address, Phone number, E-mail address

Please E-mail this information to Steve Herzog, [zog1@bellsouth.net](mailto:zog1@bellsouth.net)  
 Card will be mailed out in 2 or 3 days. Thank you and God Bless.



*Almighty and Everlasting God, the eternal salvation of those who believe in You, hear us on behalf of Your servants who are sick, for whom we humbly beg the help of your mercy, so that, being restored to health, they may render thanks to you in your Church. Through Christ our Lord. Amen*

\* Names in Magenta represent new or updated prayer requests since last News-letter

### Obituary - Correction

#### SK Robert Palmer

Last month we incorrectly reported the passing of SK Robert Palmer. He is well and living in Florida. We regret the error.

### Obituary Angela Wallace

Angela Wallace, my sister-in-law peacefully passed away last night surrounded by her loving family.

Please pray for the repose of her soul and her family. Thanks for your prayers,

- Chet Nadolski, 2/17/21

### Obituary Nancy Simmons

The passing of Nancy Simmons was reported among prayer requests with no details.

Let us pray for Nancy and her family.

Should anyone have details to share about Nancy, please email Ron Romaniello, ronromaniello@bellsouth.net

## Remember and Pray for .....

For available details of prayer requests, [click here](#)

Rebecca Attanasio  
Sue Betts (Jun)  
Ray Boland (Dec)  
Bob & Elsie Borzak (Oct)  
James Borzak (Nov)  
Findley Bowler (Dec)  
Matthew Brech (Mar)  
Winnie and Jack Breier (Dec)  
Mansfield Brookes (Nov)  
Diana Buntin (Jan)  
**Bill Cassidy & Family (Mar)**  
Barbara Charles (Jan)  
Maury Coffee (Nov)  
Kathy Cosentino (Oct)  
DeBerardinis Family - Gene, Kathy and Sara (Jan)  
Nicholas DeLeise (Jan)  
SK Paul Duquette (Feb)

Janet Fralick  
Marci Frasso  
Alejandro Galarza (Sep)  
Lauren Garner (Sep)  
Fr. Christopher Gronotte (Ordination) (Dec)  
Denise Hoell (Jan)  
Steve Jack (Dec)  
Gene Jozwiak (Nov)  
Jeanne Henkel (Dec)  
Nadine Hoffman (Oct)  
Mickey Jacek (Feb)  
**JP Kidwell (Mar)**  
Jan Landrum (Aug)  
Dennis Magowan (Jun)  
Bobby Marable (Sep)  
Ruddy Martinez (Nov)  
Virginia Mashburn (Mar)  
Gloria Viola Matuza (Jan)

**Jim McDonald (Mar)**  
Ron Michalis (Nov)  
Josephine Mons (Sep)  
Bob Morris (Mar)  
Chrisy Patrick (Jun)  
SK Chuck Perott (Feb)  
Matthew Peterson (Jan)  
SK Stan Rapciewicz, (Nov)  
Joseph Rodriguez (Mar)  
Betty Savage (Sep)  
Rick Sullivan (Feb)  
Emilia Tracchio (Aug)  
Mitchell Tracchio (Apr)  
Jean Underwood (Mar)  
Jason Wallace (Nov)  
Cherri Weeks  
Chris Wendell (Oct)  
Steve Znoj and Family (Nov)

### Brother Knight Bill Cassidy and Family

Bill tested positive for Covid 19 and was admitted to the emergency room. The hospital gave him some medication. He is feeling better, however, he is still not out of the woods yet.

Bill asked for prayers from the Knights for him and also for his Son In Law who has also tested positive but is not hospitalized at this time. His daughter and granddaughter are both recovering from Covid 19. Thank you in advance for your prayers. ViVat Jesu  
- Dan Jozwiak

### Rick Sullivan, PGK

Recently, I start my 28 days of radiation treatment to rid the cancer from my prostate. I have completed two trial runs and everything seems to be in place.

I appreciate all of your prayers!

God Bless,

### JP Kidwell, PGK

Three days of brain scans completed - results next Thursday.

Thyroid surgery on March 1st.

Please continue prayers for guidance and healing.

- JP Kidwell

**Update: JP's March 1 surgery may be delayed by a visit to a cardiologist**

## Happy Birthday Brother Knights

|       |               |            |       |            |                     |
|-------|---------------|------------|-------|------------|---------------------|
| 03/01 | Robert        | Collins    | 03/12 | Mark       | Francis             |
| 03/01 | Salvatore     | Cosentino  | 03/12 | Charles    | Scavo               |
| 03/02 | Michael       | Leduc      | 03/14 | Robert     | Hensey              |
| 03/02 | Mitchell      | Salter     | 03/16 | Raphael    | Cheruvathoor Mathew |
| 03/05 | William       | Hickman    | 03/16 | Juan       | Ordaz               |
| 03/05 | George        | Wilson     | 03/18 | Darrell    | Crull               |
| 03/06 | Jeffrey       | Terlep     | 03/18 | Fr Matthew | Van Smoorenburg     |
| 03/07 | Biju          | Kadapurath | 03/19 | Leonard    | Trovato             |
| 03/08 | William       | Cassidy    | 03/20 | Justin     | Marino              |
| 03/09 | Robert        | Bruckner   | 03/24 | Daniel     | Byrne               |
| 03/09 | Tanner        | Mitas      | 03/24 | Paul       | Munce               |
| 03/09 | Jean Francois | Rivard     | 03/26 | Andrew     | Hill                |
| 03/11 | James         | McCarthy   | 03/26 | Antonio    | Zang                |
| 03/12 | Anthony       | Attanasio  | 03/28 | Thomas     | Mastrangelo         |
| 03/12 | Steve         | Barnes     | 03/28 | Rick       | Stevens             |



**Knight of the Month -  
Jack Breier**

**Family of the Month -  
Marina & Lalo Garcia**

## Scott Garner, Savvy Sales Support and Technically Inclined Brother Knight Seeks Employment Opportunity

Brother Knight, **Scott Garner**, was one of millions of workers whose employment was negatively impacted by COVID-19 work furloughs and layoffs.

Scott is determined to return to work and welcomes the assistance of Brother Knights in his job search.

Our "Call to Action" is to think of friends, business associates and former associates, sons and daughters. Follow the link below to Scott's resume which you will be able to download and share with your contacts.

[Ctrl-Click Here](#) to Scott's Resume

You may contact Scott:  
scottcgarner2002@yahoo.com

In the end, your contacts will be most helpful in Scott's job search and for his continued motivation.

**Margeson High Pressure Cleaning and Home Repair Services Inc.**  
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 Email: [tmarges1@outlook.com](mailto:tmarges1@outlook.com)

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**Faith Formation**



**St. Michael's Charismatic Prayer Ministry**

**POSTPONED**

**ADORATION AND INTECESSION VIGIL**

Every 3rd Friday of the Month 8:00pm – 9:30pm  
8:00 pm: Holy Rosary; 8:30pm Praise and Worship, Talk by a priest; 9:30pm Benediction  
Organized by Anointing Fire Catholic Ministry  
For more details contact Don Conklin at 214-563-0634 or email [afcmatlanta@gmail.com](mailto:afcmatlanta@gmail.com)



**Men's Prayer Group – Fridays**

**Virtual Meeting**

**(7:00-8:00 AM Faith Formation Center Sun Room)**

This group provides a forum for men of the parish to gather together to share their faith and discuss their thoughts about daily life as Catholics. Learn to integrate faith and life while meeting with others for great fellowship and prayerful reflection.

Contact: Chuck Mayville - [wcmayville@yahoo.com](mailto:wcmayville@yahoo.com)



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Contact: Don Conklin [dconklin@stbrendansatl.com](mailto:dconklin@stbrendansatl.com)



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"That Man is You" honestly addresses the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to their roles as husbands and fathers. The program harmonizes current social and medical science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of man fully alive. **Who is ready for a transformation?** Come to as many of the 26 sessions as you can!

**Starting again Saturdays 7:00-8:30 AM Jan 16- April Faith Formation Center**

Contact: Don Conklin [dconklin@stbrendansatl.com](mailto:dconklin@stbrendansatl.com)

**Adoration For Vocations Holy Hour**

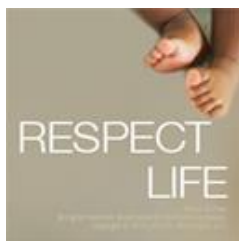
Adoration For Vocations Holy Hour will meet 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of the month 5:45p- 6:45p PM in the Church.

**The Better Part Small Groups**

Sundays 10 am until 10:50 Conference room

Contact Don at [DConklin@stbrendansatl.com](mailto:DConklin@stbrendansatl.com) or at 214-563-0634 for more information on all of our offerings

### Faith Formation



#### St. Brendan's Respect Life Ministry

Meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month in the Social Hall from 7:00pm to 8:30pm.

St. Brendan's Respect Life Ministry works to create, promote and sustain a culture of LIFE at our parish and in the community at large following the guidelines of the Archdiocese of Atlanta. Members sponsor, conduct and participate in pro-life activities, which can include educational programs, support to pregnancy counseling groups, and grassroots civic actions such as prayer vigils.

Contact Scott Mackie with any questions at 678-230-9390



#### RCIA- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

This program is designed for adults who wish to enter the Catholic Church for the first time or who need to complete the sacrament of confirmation. It is also a great way to refresh and boost your faith-- no matter how long you have been Catholic! You may also want to serve as a sponsor to one of our *incoming* Catholics.

RCIA- Sundays 8:00-10:30am

**Starting September 13-** Easter Vigil + 4 weeks

Location: Faith Formation Center Great Room

Contact: Don Conklin – [dconklin@stbrendansatl.com](mailto:dconklin@stbrendansatl.com)



#### Women's Evenings-(LIFT!) Living In Faith Together



Gather with the women of St. Brendan's and guests for a good meal (that you don't cook), an uplifting talk and some great discussion on relevant topics of faith for women today in a relaxing setting. This will be an opportunity to build friendships, engage with others while sharing your faith and leave with a nugget of truth that may challenge you and provide a real **faith-LIFT!** 6:00 Optional Mass

Contact: Bridget Margeson [liftstbrendans@earthlink.net](mailto:liftstbrendans@earthlink.net)



#### Women's Mini-Retreat Series

This monthly retreat series, "Prayer: The Gift Exchange," is for all women - parishioners and friends.

Beginning with a meditation at 7:30 am in the Church followed by Mass at 8:30 and a practical talk. The retreat ends at 10:30 a.m. Confession is available. The dates are Saturday mornings-, March 27, April 10, May 8, June 12.

If you have questions, please contact Tina Binkley, [tbink@charter.net](mailto:tbink@charter.net)

Contact Don at [DConklin@stbrendansatl.com](mailto:DConklin@stbrendansatl.com) or at 214-563-0634 for more information on all of our offerings



## Your Officers and Committee Chairs 2020- 2021 Fraternal Year Officers

Each year your council elects and appoints new men to take on leadership roles within your council. Sometimes these roles are well-defined while other times the role may be expanded based on that individuals talents or interests. The following text offers an approach that may be helpful for new councils in appointing their first set of officers or for existing councils looking to expand the responsibilities of their existing officers. These suggestions may not work on every campus, however, we hope this approach will benefit at least a few officer roles.

### Elected Positions



**Grand Knight** – The grand knight is the chief executive officer of the council. He is responsible for setting council goals and ensuring that all officers fulfill their duties in reaching these objectives. He presides over all meetings; appoints program and committee directors as needed and fills officer roles in the event of vacancies; countersigns checks and orders for payment; and is responsible for the council's First Degree Team. Ideally, the grand knight should be a junior so that as a senior he can serve as a mentor for the next grand knight. -

**SK Christopher Bell**, 678 447-5189 [christopher.bell@hilti.com](mailto:christopher.bell@hilti.com)



**Deputy Grand Knight** – The deputy grand knight serves as the grand knight's right hand man and should fill in for the grand knight when he is not present. Additionally, the deputy grand knight will likely lead a committee, or multiple, if he chooses to do so. Some deputy grand knights serve as their council's program director. Ultimately, he assists the grand knight in leading the council and reaching council objectives. In some councils, the deputy grand knight role might be used to groom a possible grand knight candidate for the following year. Finally, the deputy grand knight may serve as a liaison between the council and other groups that share similar interest (i.e. Newman Club, pro-life club, etc.).-

**SK Thomas J Meister**, 770 366-5553 [tmeister@bellsouth.net](mailto:tmeister@bellsouth.net)



**Chancellor** – The chancellor assists both the grand and deputy grand knights in the leading of the council by engaging and strengthening the council's members. His primary responsibilities include both recruiting and retaining members and to this end he should set up different events that display the different values and principles of the Knights of Columbus. The chancellor should participate in the council's degree team and should serve on both the Admission and Retention Committees.-

**SK Joseph A Terbruggen**, 904 472-3199 [Tonyt@pobox.com](mailto:Tonyt@pobox.com)



**Treasurer** – The treasurer is responsible for managing the council funds, whether in bank or school accounts. He receives money from the financial secretary and deposits funds into council accounts. He is also responsible for paying all council expenses. Finally, he balances and verifies the ledger and keeps the updated budget once approved by the council. -

**SK Stephen J Herzog**, 678-525-5042 [zog1@bellsouth.net](mailto:zog1@bellsouth.net)



**Advocate** – The council advocate acts as council parliamentarian; he should be knowledgeable in Robert's Rules of Order and *Methods of Conducting a Council Meeting* (#1937). He may seek legal assistance from the state advocate, should issues arise. The advocate should be able to take on additional responsibilities as the council deems necessary. -

**SK Daniel J Jozwiak**, 678-327-6621 [danjoz@bellsouth.net](mailto:danjoz@bellsouth.net)



**Recorder** – The recorder has the responsibility of recording all meetings and events held by the council. He should record minutes, conversations and other information helpful to the council and prepare them to be distributed to the council membership in a timely manner. Additionally, he should help with council event notifications, council meeting reminders, and assist with council social media responsibilities. -

**SK Luis A Galarza**, 404 825-7268 [Luis\\_Angel\\_Galarza@hotmail.com](mailto:Luis_Angel_Galarza@hotmail.com)

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**Warden** – The warden is responsible for the property owned by the council. He is also in charge of setting up meetings and leads both the inside and outside guards. Many college councils utilize the warden and guards as custodians of the campus ministry property which may include raking leaves, shoveling snow and assisting with maintenance of the interior. -

**SK Phillip G Capehart**, 602 885-2754 [pcapch60@hotmail.com](mailto:pcapch60@hotmail.com)

**Inside/Outside Guards** – The inside and outside guards carry out tasks given to them by the grand knight and also follow orders of the warden. They are responsible for checking membership cards and allowing entrance to meetings. Councils should consider appointing additional inside and outside guards, especially among promising freshmen, as this provides early leadership opportunities from which they can be elected to higher positions as they enter their sophomore year. - **Steve Barnes, Inside Guard; Rocky Truskowski, Outside Guard**



Steve Barnes  
Inside Guard



Rocky Truskowski  
Outside Guard

**Trustees (3)** – The trustees advise the grand knight, supervise the council’s financial matters, and conduct the semiannual audits. Usually the immediate past grand knight will serve as a trustee. Some college councils utilize alumni members and/or university faculty members as the other two trustees to provide additional oversight and support.



Alan Fralick, Sr  
One-year Trustee



Dr James Borzak  
Two-year Trustee



JP Kidwell  
Three-year Trustee

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### Attention new Knights and those who may have an interest in leadership roles

The “mini-position descriptions” in this section serve those currently in these roles. Knights are in these positions because somewhere along their journey, they took the time to learn about the various elected and appointed positions available to all.

You may have a particular interest or special skill from your current or past work life. Whatever your motivation, find out more from an officer currently serving in that position or by expressing your interest directly to Grand Knight, **Christopher Bell**

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### Appointed Positions



**Chaplain** – The chaplain is the spiritual leader of the council who works to bring out the true values of the Knights of Columbus. He nurtures the faith in council members particularly through the sacraments but also through spiritual direction, retreats and other events and support. The grand knight should meet regularly with the council chaplain to see how the council can best support the Catholic community on campus. -

**Rev Matthew R Van Smoorenburg**



**Financial Secretary** – The financial secretary is chosen by the trustees and the officers of the council for a three year term and approved by the supreme knight. He holds an important position of continuity within the council and has the responsibility of collecting dues as well as ensuring that the council's financial recordings are kept up to date. Additionally, he ensures that membership records are current, issues membership cards, files regular reports to the district, regional, state and supreme offices and submits the annual 990 to the IRS. Because of his important role, the financial secretary cannot be an undergraduate student, but ideally should be a member of the campus faculty or staff. If no one from the campus community can serve in this role, it should be an adult member of the neighboring community. - **Gregory P Santini**



**Lecturer** - The lecturer provides brief spiritual discourses and reflections during business meetings for the "Good of the Order". If the lecturer cannot be present, he should appoint a council member to give the reflection for him.. - **SK Joseph M Simone**

**Program Director** – The program director is appointed by the grand knight and oversees the six surge with service committees (church, community, council, family, youth and culture of life). In some councils this may be the duty of the deputy grand knight. The program director should ensure that all his subordinate committees meet regularly and plan appropriate events. He communicates individual committee reports to the grand knight.

**Membership Director** – The membership director serves as the head of the Admission Committee and works to grow the council's membership through new and transfer members. He should actively identify potential recruits, plan recruitment programs, host informational meetings and encourage council members to seek candidates. In addition, the membership director should ensure that a council has access to frequent degrees (whether its own or local councils) and should work that each member reaches at least the third degree in a timely manner.

**Retention Chairman** – The retention chairman works to keep the councils members active once they join. He should consider implementing programs and practices that provide mentors for new members and he should regularly communicate with the council to encourage their participation. When students graduate, the retention chairman should help them transfer to a council in their area. At times when a council wishes to suspend members, they must have the retention chairman make an effort to keep these members or have them transfer to another council.





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### Other Council Positions

These are positions that are not required by or reported to the Supreme Council, however, many college councils have had found success by utilizing these roles. In many cases, these roles may be filled by council officers who have these unique responsibilities in addition to their other duties.

**Campus Ministry Liaison** – In order to best communicate and collaborate with other Catholic groups and ministries on campus, the council should have a liaison to campus ministry staff, student advisory board and specific groups (such as the Pro-Life Club). The deputy grand knight can be a good fit for this role.

**Social Media Chairman** – The social media chairman is responsible for overseeing the council's social media accounts and making sure new content is posted on a regular basis. At minimum, at least two council members should have access to these accounts, ideally at least the recorder and grand knight.

**Alumni Relations Chairman** – Maintaining healthy relationships with alumni members can help the council utilize these relationships for mentorship and financial assistance. The alumni relations chairman should communicate regularly with alumni and plan at least one or two alumni/council events per year, usually in conjunction with homecoming or other campus alumni events.