



Knight News

Mother Seton Council 6724



May 2018

Nativity Catholic Church

Grand Knight's Message

Brothers,

Following this message, you will see an article announcing our new Knights. This is exciting, but we also will have an additional three candidates waiting to take their Admissions Degree.

On Sunday, May 20, we will again be set up to invite the Catholic men of our parish to consider joining the Knights of Columbus. This will be the last big push for this Fraternal Year. Please help if you can and proudly wear your Council shirt on this recruiting day.

Our Council is growing. We need to continue this effort so that we remain strong and viable. The more active Brothers we have, the more we can do for our families, our parish and our community.

Sunday, May 13 is Mother's Day. I want to say a big Thank You to all the Mothers living and deceased. It is because of our Mothers we are the individuals we are today.

I ask God to bless all our Mothers and to give them comfort and strength on this special day and every day through the upcoming year.

Vivat Jesus!
Tim Kasprzyk
Grand Knight 6724

Welcome New Brothers!

On Saturday, April 21 eleven Catholic men became Knights of Columbus by attending and completing the 1st Degree Exemplification. Of these eleven, eight were sponsored by our own Mother Seton Council 6724.



Please welcome Brothers Adeyinka Awolowo, Lewis Block, Andres Granados, Johnathan Lodrigues, Edward Worrell, Lewis Johnson, Timothy Ashcraft and Tony Carew. Let's continue to support our new Brothers as they advance in the Knights of Columbus and involve them in our Council's charitable works.

A special thanks to the degree team at St. Stephen Council for conducting the 1st Degree Exemplification. As always, they did an outstanding job.

Tootsie Roll Drive



On Saturday, May 5 the Tootsie Roll Drive will take place at the Publix in Valrico Commons, 1971 E State Road 60. This site is

at the corner of State Road 60 and Valrico Road.
Times for the event are from 9:00am to 5:00pm.

This is the last drive for the spring of 2018. We need volunteers for every shift. Contact Neil Waid at (813) 830-1317 to sign up.

District Deputy's Message

Brother Knights,

As we approach the end of the Fraternal Year we want to start to look forward to the things that you as a Council want to achieve. When you look at your upcoming calendars you want to look at things that will work toward the Principles of the: Order, Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism,

Father McGivney started the Knights of Columbus on the main Principle of Charity. What are you as a Council going to do to help with Charity? Make sure you include events that are geared toward being charitable with your time and not just for financial results. This is what we as Knights do the best. Of course, doing Charitable things require having the financial capabilities to be able to accomplish this goal. Make sure your fundraising events work toward a specific Charitable cause. These can be laid out in your budget, so you know where the monies go to prior to the event.

Unity the 2nd principle is a must. We must do things that together as Knights will provide the strong foundation for the year. Remember it is easier for a group of many to accomplish a goal than it is for a group of one.

Fraternity, we are a Brotherhood of Catholic men with the same mindset regarding our religious beliefs. Remember there are only 2 things that are private: Business Meetings and Exemplifications. Invite the Families to participate in your events! This will promote Fraternity within the Council and more participation among those who have families. Think about it, if your family did not want you to be a part of the Knights would you come and participate? I don't think so. Family Socials, Family Picnics, Corporate Communion, Tootsie Roll and

Roadside Cleanups are perfect times to get the families involved.

Patriotism is the Principle of the 4th Degree and can also involve the family in their events. Paying tribute to our Veterans is something all members of the Family should participate in.

The Building the Domestic Church Program is an excellent way to get the family involved. Look at the events that are involved in this program and pick a couple that you feel the Council can participate in. Communicate it to everyone and have the families participate.

I look forward to the upcoming Fraternal year as your District Deputy and the many good things your Council can accomplish. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns that you may have.

Ed Sleyzak
District Deputy 47

Annual Golf Classic



Time to start planning for our Annual Golf Classic. You have heard it many times, this is our largest fundraiser. Currently, we have two key positions open, Marketing Chairperson and Publicity Chairperson. Tim Kasprzyk has agreed to be the Tournament Director again and Stephen Curcio has stepped up to be the Event Chairperson again. If the last two Chairs are not filled, then we will not have a tournament, and this will drastically cut back on our charitable donations.

Please give it some prayerful thought as to whether you can fill any of the two positions. We will be looking for Brother Knights to serve on the committees and support the Chairpersons. This will be a great opportunity for our newest Brothers to get involved in a fundraiser in our Council.

I am confident that my Brothers will step up to fill the two remaining Chairs and that others will support them in this great fundraiser.

Win a Trip to Dublin!

Recruit a new member and you just might win an all-expense paid trip for you and your wife to the World Meeting of Families in Dublin next August!



Only 10 Knights will be selected for this trip, but the more men you recruit, the higher the chance to win: If you recruit one member, you're

entered once — if you recruit 10 members, you're entered 10 times! The drawing will take place on July 1, 2018, and anyone who has proposed a new member this fraternal year is eligible. For information on the World Meeting of Families, please visit worldmeeting2018.ie.

Florida State Council Raffle

Important: All raffle ticket books must be turned in no later than Monday, May 7 at our Council Business meeting or sooner to our Worthy Financial Secretary Don Carpenter. The books have to be in to State by May 12.

Status as of April 27:

Books received by our Council	245
Books distributed	158
Books returned	127
Lost	2
Outstanding	29
Books available	87

That's \$762 in our coffers.

Venerable Father McGivney

Father McGivney: One of Many



We must never forget that the work of a priest spans well beyond his own parish and lifetime. Just imagine how many souls were saved by God working through Father McGivney in his brief ministry. He was only 38 years old when he died, yet God continues to

touch lives through him. First, in the priests who have been inspired by his example; second, through the generations by the lay people whom he touched during his faithful ministry; and finally, in the work of the Knights of Columbus. Acutely aware of this intergenerational impact of priests, I have in my living room a gallery of photographs of priests who have inspired and continue to inspire me by their priestly life, love and example.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur once said: "Old soldiers never die; they just fade away." Well, not only do old priests not die, they don't fade away either. They live on in their brothers from one generation to the next and continue to serve as mentors and role models.

This essay is a testimony to both Father McGivney and my brother priests. Father McGivney is a reminder of the heroic lives that priests lead. His life tells us of the importance of early formation. And finally, it calls each priest to trust that Jesus' work continues in him, and thus will bear much fruit.

I hope that in these reflections you, dear lay person, may recognize in your parish priest — or you, dear Father, may see in yourself — part of Father McGivney's story.

I know Father McGivney. He has been my pastor, my teacher, my friend and my colleague. He represents many of the saintly priests who have touched my life. If his cause for sainthood is successful, he will be the first native-born American

priest to be canonized. I can say from my own experience that there should be many more.

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Insurance Corner

Insure your Life for Life

What is it?

Permanent life insurance is our signature product. It provides money to your family when you die and builds cash value while you live. It's guaranteed. It's secure. It's dynamic.

Who needs it?

Permanent life insurance is a great way to provide security for your family. It may be an ideal solution for people who are interested in:

- Providing money for final expenses so your family doesn't have to.
- Replacing income so that your family's financial life doesn't have to change in case you pass away suddenly.
- Providing college funds for your children in case of an untimely death.
- Protecting your spouse from the burden of a mortgage in the event of the unexpected.
- Giving a donation to a charity or special interest.
- Supplementing an estate or mitigating estate taxes.



How does it work?

Permanent life insurance – like all life insurance – is designed primarily to provide money (also known as a death benefit) to your designated beneficiary when you pass away – guaranteed.

All Knights of Columbus permanent life insurance policies (except for Graded Premium – see below) have premiums that are guaranteed not to increase, so you won't have to worry about any surprises.

Our permanent life insurance policies also accrue cash value over time. Should the policy be eligible for any dividends (which are not guaranteed), you can also elect to put those proceeds back into your policy by purchasing additional paid-up insurance. Additional paid-up insurance increases your policy's death benefit and cash value. Your policy's cash value can be used as cash, either through a partial loan or a full surrender of the policy*, or as collateral.

What options do I have?

Knights of Columbus permanent life insurance products are flexible to fit your needs.

Product Options

Single Premium Whole Life – Secure protection and start your legacy with one, single payment.

10-Pay Life – Pay your premiums in just ten years, and your death benefit is guaranteed for life.

20-Pay Life – Pay your premiums in just twenty years, and your death benefit is guaranteed for life.

Life Paid-Up at 65 – Pay your premiums until 65, so that you don't have to worry about additional expenses in retirement.

Life Paid-Up at 100 – Pay level, guaranteed premiums until your 100th birthday.

Graded Premium Whole Life – Enjoy lower premiums for your first few years to help you get started. Premiums will then gradually increase before leveling off.

The Knights of Columbus also offers several specialty products including: Discoverer – a unique blend of the best features of both permanent and

term insurance; Graded Death Benefit – a guaranteed issue final expenses product; and Survivorship Universal Life – a second-to-die policy for couples, families, or business partners.

Beneficiary Options

You decide who you want your death benefit to go to: a spouse, children, family, a trust, or even charity. You can have more than one beneficiary and can divide up the proceeds proportionally.

Additional Features and Benefits

There are a number of special features and benefits – often called riders – that are available on Knights of Columbus products, such as the spousal waiver of premium, which pays for your spouse's Knights of Columbus premiums when you pass away.

For any questions or any insurance needs you may have, contact our Field Agent, Jack Kelley at 727-504-1142 or by email at jack.kelley@kofc.org.

Prayer for the Sick

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Mary Ann Clark

Ralph Veltre

Jay McCabe

SK Dick Hardesty

Ed Hansen

Lucy Watford

SK John Samuelsen

WDD Ed Sleyzak

Marty Condon

Edward Jaworski

Cindy Kutcher

Steve Christiansen

Francis Costello

Jackson Kelley

Ron Carlson

Brother Knights who have no one to pray for them

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviates our worry and

our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen.

Officers

Grand Knight: Tim Kasprzyk

Deputy Grand Knight: Stephen Curcio

Chancellor: Ray Quiñones

Treasurer: Karlos del Aguila

Financial Secretary: Don Carpenter

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Advocate: Howard Baum

1-year Trustee: Gene Watford

2-year Trustee: Bill Queenan

3-year Trustee: Jay McCabe

Lecturer: Vinnie Urso

Upcoming Events

May 2 – April Officers & Directors Meeting

May 5 - Tootsie Roll Drive, Publix, Valrico Commons, 1971 E State Road 60

May 5 – BBQ, Haley Cove Nursing Home

May 7 - Council Business Meeting

May 16 – Assembly 1850 Meeting

May 20 – Membership Drive

May 30 – Officers & Directors Meeting

Note: Dates in red indicate a meeting date that is not on a normally scheduled meeting day.

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