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## FROM THE DESK OF THE GRAND KNIGHT

My dear Brother Knights, as I write this article for the for September, my thoughts are of you and the fact that family vacations are finished, and the children & grandchildren are now back in school. I also think of the domestic Church and the wonderful opportunities there are now to be together and grow in Christ's love as a family.

This week that I am writing this letter to you. I reflect on the Feasts' of St. Monica and Augustine and how this model of love for our children drives us to pray that God's will, will be accomplished in the family even when it seems not everyone has

the faith of a saint. These stories give us encouragement that our prayers for our domestic Church through patience and long endurance we can know our Lord, will bless our children as He has promised. Remember that our Lord told us that if my Children (you and me) will humble themselves and pray, I will hear their prayers and heal their land.

This month there are a few activities you need to mark on your calendar.

1. Council 1028 will have a Domestic Family Social on Saturday, October 5th, 2019 at the Catholic War Vets Hall Between Belleville &

Smithton, from 5:00PM to 8:30PM. This is a family event and all Council 1028 members, and their families are invited come and meet each other and have free food off the fish stand menu at CWV. There is an outside pavilion and children's playground equipment, as well as, an inside room reserved there. I am looking forward to seeing all of you there and meeting your families.

2. Saint Augustine Parish Picnic, Saturday September 14th. Our Council oversees the Quilt Bingo starting at 7:00PM till? Please arrive early



EARLIER THIS YEAR, I attended the consecration of a beautifully restored church. As the Blessed Sacrament was placed in the new tabernacle, I thought of the Ark of the Covenant, which was the place of God's presence among his people, beginning in the time of Moses. Now, in the New Covenant, the Lord's true presence is a reality wherever Mass is celebrated and wherever the Eucharist is reserved.

As Catholics, we may take this reality for granted today, but the initial reaction to Jesus' discourse on the bread of life was one of disbelief — the Jews saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" and his disciples saying, "This is a hard saying, who can listen to it?" Most of his disciples actually left, and Jesus then turned to the Apostles: "Will you also go away?" As we know, Peter answered, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life". Jesus' question remains painfully real in light of the devastating scandals that have recently rocked the Church and the declining church attendance among Catholics. And if Jesus' question has new relevance, so does Peter's answer. If we were to turn away from the presence of the Lord, where would we go?

In the days ahead, therefore, let us rededicate ourselves to the practice of the moral virtues and pray for an increase in faith, hope and charity. In this way, we will continue to move forward, meeting whatever challenges may arise.

The Lord remains in the midst of his people, and he will never abandon us. He calls us to unity. He calls us to virtue. And in him, we will find a sure path for renewal.

Vivat Jesus!

Carl A. Anderson

Supreme Knight

(by 6:30 PM) so we can assign duties to you. Also, please wear your Knights of Columbus Polo Shirts and we will have our KC aprons on for visibility of the workers. We need all of you to come and help so this will be a success. Remember our parishes need us to support them as they support us.

There will be an installation of some new members at our regular September 12th meeting 7:00PM, so be sure to come and welcome our new members.

May the Lord bless you and your families.

Thank you,

Pete Joergensen

Grand Knight

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Our thoughts and prayers go out to our Knights of Columbus Council 1028 members and families who have either lost a loved one or have someone in the hospital in need of our prayers.

## FAITH IN ACTION

Looking to put your faith into action? Check out the Dynamic Catholic website and subscribe to daily inspirational messages at <http://dynamiccatholic.com/>

*Joe DiGiovanni*

## KNIGHTS NEWS

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## Knights Help Hurricane Dorian Victims

Knights of Columbus members are rushing to help the more than 70,000 residents of the Bahamas impacted by the massive destruction caused by Hurricane Dorian.

Knights are helping to coordinate relief efforts — along with the Archdiocese of Nassau, Catholic Charities, Crossroads Alliance, Aerobridge and Angel Flight — to fly and ship supplies into the various islands of the Bahamas.

Within 24 hours, the Knights of Columbus raised more than \$100,000 through its Disaster Relief Fund, with the funding going to purchasing immediate needs such as canned foods, water, hygiene kits and baby supplies. Since January 2017, Knights have raised nearly \$7 million and volunteered hundreds of hours to help victims of natural disasters.

The Knights of Columbus Supreme Council is also sending blankets, air mattresses, portable gas stoves, solar generators and other basic necessities. Archbishop Patrick Pinder of Nassau thanked the Knights of Columbus for their “concern and support.”

“We would be in miserable state and lacking hope without this kind of assistance,” Archbishop Pinder wrote in a letter to the Florida’s State Council. “This is an excellent example of charity and solidarity. I am profoundly grateful.”

(The category 5 hurricane made landfall on September 1, with maximum winds of 185mph becoming the strongest storm in modern record for the northwestern Bahamas. The islands of Abaco and Grand Bahama sustained the most damage, with many people becoming homeless as the storm wiped out entire neighborhoods.

The logistical challenges of delivering the supplies are immense. For Ron Winn, the Florida Disaster Response Program Chairman, the logistics are more difficult than in previous storms he has seen, like Hurricane Michael last year. But the ocean isn’t stopping him or other Knights from bringing relief to hurricane victims, just like it didn’t stop Knights from assisting Puerto Rico after Hurricane Maria.

“We have to stage [the supplies], it has to clear customs, it’s got to be shipped or flown over to the Bahamas and right now, it’s very limited of where it can go into until they clear a runway or clear a port,” Winn said. “It’s not like clearing a road, I can’t imagine trying to go out and clear a bay.”

Not only are the runaways and ports either submerged or damaged, but once the supplies reach the Bahamas, Winn is working out logistics of shipping them from one island to the other. But Knights are already offering to take their personal boats from Florida to the Bahamas to deliver supplies.

Edwin Thompson, a member of Nassau Council 10415, and his brother Knights are on an island not impacted to the same degree as Abaco and Grand Bahama. They have been trying to contact Knights in Freeport on Grand Bahama, but to no avail.

Thompson and his brother Knights are at the ready to be dispatched once the Archdiocese of Nassau gets the all clear from state officials.

“At the moment, there is nothing much that we have done yet until we have a clearer picture of how we will be able to assist,” Thompson said.

Knights in Georgia and the Carolinas are preparing for Hurricane Dorian, now a category 2 storm, which is currently barreling toward the United States’ east coast.

## Hurricane Victims Need Your Support

For the past several days Hurricane Dorian has devastated the Bahamas and is now beginning to make its way up the United States’ east coast. The victims of the storm, and those in its path, need your assistance.

Give what you can to DISASTER RELIEF. Even small contributions make a big difference. One hundred percent of the proceeds will go to relief efforts.

Help us spread the word. This flyer (can be found at [Visit kofc.org/disaster](http://Visitkofc.org/disaster) or call 800-694-5713) is specially designed to be shared with your community. Hand it out to people in your community. Go door to door. Print copies for your pastor and ask if you can insert them in his parish’s bulletin. You can also post the flyer on personal and council social media accounts - this will cost no more than a few seconds of your time, but it can make all the difference in the life of another.

Also please remember the hurricane victims in your PRAYERS.

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# Monthly Meeting Schedule

**Council Officer's Meeting**  
 2nd Thursday of the Month, 6pm  
 Prior to Business Meeting

**Council Business Meeting**  
 2nd Thursday of the Month

**Assembly Meeting**  
 Quarterly  
 2nd Thursday of the Month  
 January, April, July and October  
 8:00 PM

All meetings begin at 7:00 PM  
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