



# The Communicator



**Knights of Columbus**

**Immaculate Conception Council 11991, Goose Creek, SC**

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## **Grand Knight's Message**



### **Worthy Knights of Council 11991**

As your Worthy GK, the Monthly comments have important announcements and what the Knights did during the Month of June, while the Program Director and Directors will communicate what events and activities planned for July during the Business Meetings.

What does July mean in the Catholic Liturgical Year...."The month of July is dedicated to The Precious Blood of Jesus. July is usually hot and a time for relaxing. It is also the time when crops planted in the Spring are maturing and growing. Just as the crops are dependent upon summer rains not only to grow but to survive **so our spiritual development is dependent upon our frequenting the sacraments and receiving the Blood of Christ.**"

We also celebrate July 4th, Independence Day! We give thanks to all of those who gave the sacrifices and the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms that we have – thank you, Thank You and **THANK YOU!**

May our Lord Jesus Christ continue to bless each of you, your wives and families!

### **What have we done in June 2024:**

- Our Spanish Brothers led the Highway Cleanup on June 1st, the wives also participated, food was prepared with great fellowship! Thank you for your continued efforts!
- Tab Pulling and bagging with support from Chairman SK John Flinn was moved from Tuesday mornings to

Saturday mornings with very good success. This is one success story of continuing to perform the Ministry with a change in the timing! Thank you to those Knights who were able to devote one hour on Saturday mornings, up to 6 Knights were in attendance.

- Installed the 2024 – 2025 Officers on June 6th. Congratulations to all of the new Officers! We appreciate the efforts from 2023 – 2024 Fraternal Year Officers, very good job!
- We received news that the Council achieved the Star Award for the 2023 – 2024 Fraternal Year! Thank you to all Knights for accomplishing this goal!

- Men at Peace Ministries every 1st and 3rd Wednesday's lead by SK Gene Alaura.
- Roundtable Meeting on the 2nd Thursday – if you have time to attend, please do, these Meetings are very spiritual and organized. It will be helpful to learn some Spanish...

- Started to get the Monthly Communicator translated in English and Spanish versions.

- Lastly, the 1st Combo Social for the Council and Assembly on June 20th . Great success!

Thank you for attending the Installation and Combo Social! It was good to see everyone! I will do the best job possible with enthusiasm and excitement while staying humble! ***I will also be about the people! Vivat Jesus!***

## **What is planned for July 2024:**

- Deputy Grand Knight SK Brian Glynn and the Directors will provide those updates during the Business Meetings.

Announcements:

- SK Joe Schepisi PGK has volunteered his services and appointed to lead the COR initiative, thank SK Joe for leading the Council through this endeavor..

- SK Nate Burriss has asked to be relieved of his Family Directorate due to family responsibilities, work and dedication to the Summerville Catholic School. The Council is indebted to you SK Nate for your dedication and efforts! SK Nate has expressed interest in future Officer roles in the next Fraternal year, we'll find him a home!

- SK Brian Glynn DGK will also vacate his Life Directorate.

- SK Ferdy Lemus has been appointed as the Roundtable Coordinator Lead for the Council, congratulations to SK Ferdy. SK Omar Billigue is stepping aside and will mentor SK Ferdy into this role. SK Omar has responsibilities within the State as well as within the Roundtable, there is a balance managing those responsibilities and family. The Council gives SK Omar our gracious congratulations for the development of the Roundtable and has set a benchmark for the State. Well done SK Omar!

- Additional Director positions are being filled from the Roundtable, SK Raul Raiz and SK Fabian Hernandez have accepted both Directorate Roles, Life and Family, for Council 11991 and we are working on a transition plan. Congratulations to you both!

- Within the Roundtable to provide additional structure and learning, appointees have been established to learn the Deputy, Finance and Life roles. The intent is learning and engagement, not establishing separate responsibilities outside of the Council.

- For all Knights, I know this is early... I hope you are working on a log to start documenting your activities and hours for the Annual Fraternal Survey the 1728A form.

**Grand Knight's message and focus will be on:**

- It's always about the people...always about the people. Provide tools to nourish success!

- Create passion and excitement on what and how we do...

- Fill the remaining Chairman's roles within the Council. • Membership growth, Retention and Engagement.

- Membership drives throughout the Fraternal Year.

- Spanish Roundtable integration to Council Officer and Directorate roles. • Exploring how do we communicate effectively in Spanish and Portuguese through UKnight, Meetings and Emails.

- Quality, not Quantity in what we do...

- Keeping our Council financially healthy.

- Recognition Certificates to those who we recognize.

- I will always communicate with the Membership through UKnight, unless addressing individuals. Please make sure your email and telephone numbers are up to date.

- Continue to do the good work in the Ministries we support.

- Keeping Charity, Unity and Fraternity in what we do...

- I am humbled and honored to be your Grand Knight...

**SK Keith Eicher  
Grand Knight**



## Lecturer's Corner

### For your reflection

As we come to the summer season and many of us travel, please keep the following prayer with you.

O Almighty and merciful God, who hast commissioned Thy angels to guide and protect us, command them to be our assiduous companions from our setting

out until our return; to clothe us with their invisible protection; to keep from us all danger of collision, of fire, of explosion, of fall and bruises, and finally, having preserved us from all evil, and especially from sin, to guide us to our heavenly home. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Consider being a part of COR EFF - Evangelization, Faith, and Formation program. Feel free to contact me at (860) 930- 6470 or [denisferrara109@gmail.com](mailto:denisferrara109@gmail.com) for additional information.

Fraternally  
Vivat Jesus

**Denis Ferrara**  
**Lecturer**

**KNIGHTS PROUD OF THEIR MEMBERSHIP WILL WEAR THEIR  
NAME BADGES ANYTIME THEY ARE AT CHURCH**

## Deputy Grand Knight's Message



Worthy Brothers,

As we approach the 4th of July, a day synonymous with barbecues, fireworks, and parades, it's essential to remember the deeper meaning behind the celebration.

For us Catholics, this day holds a unique significance. It's not just about celebrating the birth of our nation; it's also about reflecting on our faith and the role it plays in our lives and our country. The 4th of July is a celebration of freedom, a concept deeply ingrained in our Catholic faith. Our faith teaches us that true freedom comes from God and is a gift to be cherished and protected.

As we celebrate our nation's independence, let's also celebrate the spiritual freedom we enjoy through our faith. As Catholics, we are called to be active participants in our society, contributing to the common good and

upholding the principles of justice and peace.

The 4th of July is an excellent opportunity to reflect on **how we can better serve our communities and live out our faith in our daily lives**. While enjoying the festivities, let's also take a moment to pray. **Pray** for our nation, for peace, and for the protection of the freedoms we hold dear. Pray for those who have sacrificed for our freedom and those who continue to do so.

I encourage each of you to take some time to recharge and spend quality time with your loved ones. Whether it's a family vacation, a quiet retreat, or simply enjoying the great outdoors, let this time rejuvenate your spirit. However, let us not forget our ongoing mission. Summer provides us with unique opportunities to engage in community service and fellowship. I would like to express my

gratitude to each of you for your hard work and dedication. It is your commitment that keeps our council strong and our community thriving. Let us continue to strive for excellence in all that we do, and may our actions always reflect the light of Christ.

July upcoming events:

Council O&D/Business Meeting  
6/27/2024 (Due to July 4th falling on regular Meeting date) O&D @ 5:30 pm until 6:15 pm followed by rosary and Business meeting starting @ 7:00 PM

7/5/2024 First Friday Adoration

7/11/2024 Spanish Roundtable @ 7:15 pm AMC

7/13/2024 Can Tabs @ 9:00 am

7/18/2024 Exemplification 7:00 pm  
Rosary @ 6:30 pm

7/20/2024 Pro Life Rosary @Planned Parenthood 8:00 am

7/20/2024 Helping Hands Food Drive after 5:00 pm mass

In Service to Christ.

**SK Brian M. Glynn**  
**Deputy Grand Knight**

7/21/2024 Helping Hands Food Drive after 7:30 am/9:00 am/11:30 am masses

7/21/2024 Service Sunday 9:30 am & Red Cross Blood Drive in CC

7/25/2024 O & D Meeting 7:00 pm  
(Rosary @ 6:30 pm)

7/27/2024 Can Tabs 9:00 am

7/28/2024 Knights of Columbus  
“Membership Drive Breakfast” 8:00 am

**Membership Retention and Engagement**, please continue to look within your heart to help, each one of you have special talents to share! If you are a Mentor to a newly Exemplified Knights of Columbus member, please reach out to them. There are many areas where help is needed. You may reach out to one of the Directors, Chancellor SK Mickey Tezza, Advocate SK Tim Zayac or myself where your talents fit the most!

Lastly, for those Knights and/or their families, that are ill, suffering or on distress, please continue to pray for them in your prayers.

## District Deputy's Message



My Brother Knights!

The Council is finishing up the fraternal year in great fashion. Besides qualifying once again for the Star Council Award there are several administrative tasks that have been completed to finish out the business cycle. I was very impressed with the officer installation ceremony on June 6th and the joint social on June 20th honoring the outgoing and incoming officers of the Council and Assembly 3697. A problem within the Order is that

many Councils essentially “take the summer off” and lose their momentum for the next fraternal year. This is not normally a problem for Council 11991 and I think the new leadership is off to a great start with planning and training for next year. I have “re-upped” for another year as your District Deputy and I look forward to another successful and prosperous year.

Thank You,  
**Vivat Jesus**

**SK Mark Phillips, PGK**  
**District Deputy #13**

## Our Field Agent's Message



Brothers,

Summer is a time of transition for many people. You may know someone who recently graduated high school or college and is now heading into the workforce. Or you may know a couple who is getting married this summer. These are all joyous occasions that we can celebrate.

At the same time, certain stress can come with any life transition. For a graduate, entering the workforce can take some adjustment. And marrying is certainly one of the biggest life adjustments people can experience. Before long, they may be welcoming children or looking to finance a house. Any transition in your life is a good time to think about your financial situation and your loved ones who depend on you.

Though life insurance may be the last thing on a young adult's mind, it may be the perfect life stage to start preparing financially for the future. On that note, for my brother Knights on the younger side, I have two pieces of good news. And I encourage all my brothers here to

consider how this may apply to yourself or your adult children, grandchildren, and other family members.

First, the younger you are, the more affordable permanent life insurance can be, and the simpler the underwriting process is. At a younger age, you're less likely to have health or medical problems that could make coverage more expensive.

The second piece of good news is that you have options. Maybe you're not yet sure you want permanent life insurance. In this case, you might choose a term insurance policy, which is an affordable option for temporary needs. If you should decide later that you'd prefer permanent coverage, you may have the option to convert your term insurance.

In today's day and age when so many of us may feel pressure to spend above our means, I have been heartened to talk to young people who are quite financially literate and eager to set up a responsible financial strategy for their future. Many of them grew up seeing economic problems in the world, and they want to



make sure they build a strong financial foundation for themselves.

This summer, no matter where you are in your journey through life -- whether you're undergoing a life transition, or

you simply feel that now is the time to think about your financial future -- I encourage you to make an appointment with me. I will be happy to discuss your options with you.

**Vivat Jesus!**  
**God Bless**  
**Yours in Christ**

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## **Upcoming Events: Mark your calendars!**

June 27th – 5:30 PM O&D Meeting before Business Meeting

July 4th – Independence Day

July 5th – 12 PM First Friday Adoration

July 11th – 7:15 PM Spanish Roundtable at AMC

July 18th – Exemplification and Awards Ceremony

July 21st – Helping Hand Food Drive

July 25th – O&D Meeting

### **Faith Program – Benny Sampson**

July 21st - Service Sunday with Red Cross Blood Drive

July 24th – Parish Council Meeting

### **Family Program – Fabian Hernandez**

July 3rd – Men at Peace – 7PM at AMC Room 4

July 17th – Men at Peace – 7PM at AMC Room 4

### **Community Program – Nick Bogart**

Every Friday – 8 AM Feed the Hungry at UMC Goose Creek

July 13th – 9 AM Tab Pulling and Bagging

July 27th – 9 AM Tab Pulling and Bagging

### **Life Program – Raul Raiz**

July 20th – Pro-Life Rosary at Planned Parenthood

## **Good of the Order**

**Sick and Distressed - Please keep them in your prayers for healing and spiritual support**

Souls in Purgatory, All Council Widows, Fr Lawrence Abarra,  
Carol Strunk, John Flinn, John McCauley, Donna Carlson, Michael Cousino,  
Shelly Eicher, Troy Eicher, Betsy Straub, Raquel Burnett, Robert Mallard,  
Loretta Gabriel, Delores Barnes, Martha & Larry Possey, Tina Gabriel, Peggy Gabriel,  
Warren Schepisi, Peggy Mulchany, Irving Billigue, Lorraine and Joe O'Saben,  
Wilma Colon, Linda Kenefick, Heinz Grebsch, Mickey Tezza, Thomas Arnold,  
Guiseppa Schepisi, Matt & Sharon Smith, Ron Stanley

*Almighty and Eternal God, You are the everlasting health of those who believe in You.  
Hear us for Your sick servants for whom we implore the aid of Your tender mercy,  
that being restored to bodily health, they may give thanks to You in Your Church.  
Through Christ our Lord, Amen*

### **Our Birthdays:**

01 Jul - Thomas G Risso, 02 Jul - Isabel A Lazo, 02 Jul - Jason P Wagener,  
05 Jul - Gary W Kratz, 07 Jul - Jeffrey Ciesla, 07 Jul - Russell B Cooper,  
08 Jul - Peter John Jude, 08 Jul - Mark A Phillips, 08 Jul -Rev Anastacio S Villaluz,  
09 Jul - Rodolfo M Kabaitan, 10 Jul - Christopher W Totolo, 10 Jul - Timothy K Zayac,  
11 Jul -Dr Michael J Heitzler, 12 Jul - Donald J Flowers, 15 Jul - Jondavid A Bibeau,  
15 Jul - Wendell A Williams, 16 Jul - Robert Boni Iii, 17 Jul - Miguel A Campos,  
17 Jul - Leonard A Tittle, 18 Jul - Keith A Gunn, 19 Jul - Joseph A Netto Sr,  
21 Jul - Paul Reece, 23 Jul - John C Barbosa, 23 Jul - Jaime P Fernandez,  
24 Jul - John R Flinn, 24 Jul - Daryl J Lareau, 26 Jul - Scott J Balsitis,  
29 Jul - Ron R Snyder, 31 Jul - Thomas J Stanfill

### **Our Anniversaries:**

01 Jul - Leonard A & Cristina Tittle, 04 Jul - Gordon M & Virginia Stevenson Sr,  
04 Jul - Ryan D & Joy Howard,  
06 Jul - Luis R & Luna Rodriguez-Lopez Class-Aviles,  
11 Jul - Harold M & Christine Phillips, 12 Jul - Omar & Norma Billigue,  
14 Jul - Lloyd K & Dawn Bursey, 26 Jul - Lawrence E & Joanna La Belle

## **Links**

Below are some web links to the training courses needed to work with youth in both the Diocese and the K of C (Hold your control key while you click on the link to go directly to these websites)

### **Diocese Safe Haven Training**

[Prevention Education – Safe Haven Training – South Carolina Catholic \(charlestandiocese.org\)](http://charlestandiocese.org)

### **Knights of Columbus Safe Environment Training**

[Youth Protection - Safe Environment Program | Knights of Columbus \(kofc.org\)](http://kofc.org)

### **Boy Scouts Youth Protection Training**

[Youth Protection | Boy Scouts of America \(scouting.org\)](http://scouting.org)

To join the Blessed Father McGivney Guild

### **Father McGivney Guild**

[Father Michael J. McGivney Guild | Knights of Columbus \(fathermcgivney.org\)](http://fathermcgivney.org)

Supreme “For Members Only” website has training opportunities and other resources for all officers, directors and members. GKs, DGKs, Chancellors, Financial Secretary, Membership Directors and others have specific training modules they should complete. Plus, there are the Fraternal Training Webinars, Officer Resources, Faith in Action Videos, “How to” Videos, and much more...

### **For Members Only**

[For Members - General Members | Knights of Columbus \(kofc.org\)](http://kofc.org)

### **Fraternal Programs Report Form – Form 10784**

Please do this if you are the Director or Chairman on any program to record our council achievements.

[Faith in Action Program Forms | Knights of Columbus \(kofc.org\)](http://kofc.org)

Under Form number, choose "10784"  
At the right of that form number, Click on "Online Preferred Method"  
You will be asked to enter your member number and last name  
An email will be sent to your email on file with Supreme. Hopefully it is correctly filed.  
Complete the form for the **Faith in Action** program you are reporting on.  
A PDF copy of the completed form will be sent to the GK and you as a receipt

## Immaculate Conception Council 11991 Officers and Directors Fraternal Year 2023-2024

### Officers

Chaplain	SK Fr Binil Attappattu CRM	843 572-1270
Grand Knight	SK Keith Eicher	843 697-3044
Deputy Grand Knight	SK Brian Glynn	843-499-6136
Chancellor	SK Michael Tezza	843-870-0508
Financial Secretary	SK Tom Risso	843-607-7397
Recorder	Hoap (Chip) Reeves	843 224-2466
Treasurer	SK Ed Cavadias	843 297-2079
Advocate	SK Timothy Zayac	843 834-9021
Warden	Raoul A. Calimlim	843-209-2544
Inside Guard	SK Chris Tololo	843-270-5374
Outside Guard	SK Miguel Campos	843-408-7884
Three Year Trustee	SK Joe Schepisi	301-643-4377
Two Year Trustee	SK Mark Phillips PGK	843-209-4187
One Year Trustee	SK John Mc Cauley PGK	570-241-1559
Lecturer	Denis Ferrara	860 930-6470

### Directors & Chairmen

<b>Round Table</b>	SK Ferdy Lemus
<b>EFF/COR</b>	SK Joe Schepisi
<b>Program Director</b>	SK Keith Eicher

### Faith Program Director

Parish Council	SK Benny Samson
RSVP	SK Joe Schepisi
Communion Breakfast	Dea SK Larry Roberts PGK
Service Sunday	Dea SK Larry Roberts PGK
YMP/CCD	SK Benny R. Samson
Essay Contest	SK Thomas Arnold
Altar Servers	SK Thomas Arnold
Spiritual Reflection	SK Steve Ekhaml
Men at Peace	Luis R Class-Aviles
	SK Gene Alaura

### Family Activities Director

Fish Fry	Fabian Hernandez
	SK Tim Zayac
	SK Keith Eicher
Miscellaneous Charitable Orgs	SK John Flinn PGK
Sunday Breakfast	SK Frank De Asis
	SK Jamie Fernandez
Food for Families/Pack the Van	SK Mike Cousino PGK
Keep Christ in Christmas	Denis Ferrara
Consecration of the Holy Family	Nate Burriss
Founders Day (3/29)	SK Ignacio Pineda
National Family Week	Open

### Public Affairs Officer

Membership	TBD
Retention	SK John McCauley PGK
Newsletter	SK Michael Tezza
	SK David Hood PGK

### Community Program Director

Disaster Preparedness/ICERT	Nick Bogart
	Ron Macaspac
	Daryl Parker
Adopt a Highway	Omar Billigue
Coats for Kids	Daryl J. Lareau
Blood Drive	Joe O'Saben
Adopt a Family	Nick Bogart
Habitat for Humanity	SK David Hood PGK
Soccer Shoot-Out	Luis Class-Aviles
Free Throw Contest	SK Thomas Arnold
Taste of Goose Creek	SK John McCauley
	SK Mickey Tezza
Fall Festival	SK John McCauley

### Life Activities Director

Bereavement	Raul Raiz
Widows	Daryl J Lareau
Novena For Life	SK John Flinn
Marriage Vow Renewal Program	Brian Glynn
	SK Hector Burgos-Rodriguez
Special Olympics	SK Michael Tezza
Columbus HOPE Foundation	SK Michael Tezza
Tootsie Roll Drives	SK Michael Tezza
Pro Life/Marches for Life	SK Tim Kenefick, PGK
Silver Rose	SK Michael
	Cousino FDD PGK

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# Monthly Calendar

## July 2024

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
30	1	2	3 Men At Peace 1:00 pm	4 Independence Day	5 First Friday Adoration 12AM Saturday) 12:00 am	6
7	8	9	10	11 Roundtable - AMC 7:00 pm	12	13 Tab Pulling and Bagging 9:00 am
14	15	16	17 Men At Peace AMC room 4 7:00 pm	18 Exemplification and/or Award Ceremony - Reception to follow 6:00 pm	19	20 Pro-Life Rosary at Clinic 8:00 am  Food Drive - Helping Hands 5:00 pm
21 Red Cross/KofC Blood Drive 8:00 am  Food Drive - Helping Hands 8:00 am  Service Sunday 9:30 am	22	23	24 Parish Council 7:00 pm	25 O & D Meeting 7:00 pm	26	27 Tab Pulling and Bagging 9:00 pm
28 K of C Mens Breakfast 8:00 am	29	30	31	1 Rosary 6:30 pm  Business Meeting 7:00 pm	2 First Friday Adoration (2AM Saturday) 2:00 am	3

# Monthly Calendar

## August 2024

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>28</b> K of C Mens Breakfast 8:00 am	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b> Rosary 6:30 pm  Business Meeting 7:00 pm	<b>2</b> First Friday Adoration (2AM Saturday) 2:00 am	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Men At Peace 1:00 pm	<b>8</b> Roundtable - AMC 7:00 pm	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Tab Pulling and Bagging 9:00 am
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Father McGivney's Birthday	<b>13</b> Father McGivney's Feast Day	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Assumption Day	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Pro-Life Rosary at Clinic 8:00 am  Outdoor Social - Pavillion (Spanish) 6:00 pm
<b>18</b> Service Sunday - Coffee and Donuts with the KofC 9:30 am	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Men At Peace AMC room 4 7:00 pm	<b>22</b> O & D Meeting 7:00 pm	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Tab Pulling and Bagging 9:00 pm
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Parish Council 7:00 pm	<b>29</b> 5th Thursday Planning Meeting 7:00 pm	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>

# Monthly Calendar September 2024

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Labor Day	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Men At Peace 1:00 pm	<b>5</b> Rosary 6:30 pm  Business Meeting 7:00 pm	<b>6</b> First Friday Adoration (3AM Saturday) 3:00 am	<b>7</b> Highway Cleanup 7:00 AM Comm Center 7:00 am
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Roundtable - AMC 7:00 pm	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Tab Pulling and Bagging 9:00 am
<b>15</b> Red Cross/KofC Blood Drive 8:00 am  Service Sunday 9:30 am	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Men At Peace AMC room 4 7:00 pm	<b>19</b> Exemplification and/or Award Ceremony - Reception to follow 6:00 pm  Social - Support for Catholic Schools 7:00 pm	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Pro-Life Rosary at Clinic 8:00 am
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Parish Council 7:00 pm	<b>26</b> O & D Meeting 7:00 pm	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Christmas Card/Candle Sales 5:00 pm  Tab Pulling and Bagging 9:00 pm
<b>29</b> Christmas Card/Candle Sales 7:30 am  Deacon Dan Communion Brunch 1:00 pm	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Men At Peace 1:00 pm	<b>3</b> Rosary 6:30 pm  Business Meeting 7:00 pm	<b>4</b> First Friday Adoration (4AM Saturday) 4:00 am	<b>5</b> Fall Festival 10:00 am

**You can also see our future monthly calendars at our Council Uknight web site:  
<http://www.kofcknights.org/councilsite/events.asp?CNO=11991>**



Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the **LORD YOUR GOD** goes with you, he will never leave you or forsake you.

DEUT 31:6

# AMEN

south  
carolina  
catholic  
men's  
conference

Dr. Ian Murphy  
Paul George  
Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS

featuring



St. Finbar Hall  
900 Orange Grove Road in Charleston

**august 24**

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

**\$75** Early Bird Registration *ends Aug. 3*  
**\$90** Regular Registration *ends Aug. 20*  
**\$15** Livestream Registration *ends Aug. 20*

**register**

<https://bit.ly/sccmc2024>

# schedule

## am

- 8:00 Adoration, Confessions
- 9:00 Breakfast
- 10:00 Welcome
- 10:20 **Speaker - Paul George**
- 11:15 Break
- 11:35 **Speaker - Dr. Ian Murphy**

## pm

- 12:30 Lunch, Confessions
- 2:00 **Speaker - Paul George**
- 2:55 Break
- 3:15 Closing Remarks & Evaluations
- 3:40 Break
- 4:00 **Closing Mass - Bishop Fabre**

# SOCCM24

# speakers



## paul george

Paul has spent the past 27 years helping people know, understand, and live in the true and authentic freedom for which they were created. He has served in various capacities including president of a nonprofit, speaker, mentor, consultant, coach and author. He cherishes his role as a husband and father the most. His first book, *Rethink Happiness: Dare to Embrace God and Experience True Joy*, was released in May 2018 by Ave Maria Press. His most recent book, *Holy Grit: A Sainly Guide to Becoming a Man of Virtue*, was released in 2023 also by Ave Maria Press. Paul received an undergraduate degree in education and a Master in Theological Studies from the University of Dallas. He is a former college baseball and football player and an avid lover of the outdoors. He serves as founder and director of Art of Living Inc. Paul and his wife Gretchen have been married for 25 years and are the proud parents of five – Marie (and husband Matt), Jacob, Sarah, Clare and Addie.



## dr. ian murphy

Ian Murphy experienced a stirring journey into Christianity out of agnosticism. His subsequent ministry to reach other skeptics with the Gospel unexpectedly rocketed to public attention when his valedictorian speech about Jesus made headlines nationwide, inspiring a congressional law. This momentum landed him in the position of head pastor at a Baptist church in Texas, where his ministry remained until his decision to enter the Catholic Church. He became a professor of theology, teaching at Duquesne, Pennsylvania State and Divine Mercy universities, Rosemont College and most recently Avila Institute. His autobiography entitled *Dying to Live: From Agnostic to Baptist to Catholic*, which includes a foreword by Scott Hahn, was published by Ignatius Press. His latest book from Sophia Institute Press is entitled *The Road to Self-Awareness: A Therapy Book for Christians*. A fulltime Catholic writer and speaker, Ian resides near Charleston with his wife Rachel.

*Our Next Retreat,  
the 23rd Emmaus of the Carolinas  
Retreat for Men:  
August 9th – 11th, 2024  
at YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly  
Center, Black Mountain, NC*

"Emmaus" is a retreat weekend designed for those men who feel they would like to explore a deeper relationship with God. Every one of us has considered the questions, "Does God really exist?" or "How should God's existence affect my life?" Unfortunately, we are all very busy and don't allow ourselves enough time to explore the answers. That's what the Emmaus retreat is for. The men organizing and hosting the Emmaus retreat are regular guys who will not try to convince you of their answers; instead they will share their own experiences with you and let you draw your own conclusions. We are not men born Holy, and we have each led very different lives. But, through the power of the Holy Spirit, we have found our way back to the Lord and would like to tell you about these life-changing experiences. For many of us, it was during an Emmaus Retreat that our hearts were touched by God.

The food is abundant, the place is calm and peaceful, and we know it will be a weekend that you will NEVER forget. Your time invested will pay huge dividends!

Invest a bit of your time. Rethink, refocus, reflect, and find your way. If you don't have time to make a retreat like this, it means you NEED a retreat like this!

Click this link if you want to attend

[HOME | emmausofthecarolinas \(marianidesigns.wixsite.com\)](https://www.emmausofthecarolinas.com)