

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. SEBASTIAN COUNCIL #8009



Issue 2

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## MEETING DATES

February 8<sup>TH</sup>  
March 14<sup>th</sup>  
April 11<sup>th</sup>

Meetings will be available via Zoom. The link will be sent in an email on the 2nd Tuesday of the month in the meeting reminder.



## **Grand Knight's Message**

Brothers,  
Happy New Year! We are beginning our spring season of activities. We will begin with the addition of 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday breakfast to our Sunday Services beginning on February 11<sup>th</sup>. We are also assisting other ministries with their event set-up and food service. Our Lenten Fish Fry will begin on February 16<sup>th</sup> and continue after the Rummage Sale on March 1<sup>st</sup>. We have four dinner services scheduled this year and have been asked to plan for five or six dates in the coming years. Please consider joining the kitchen and service team as we become more active in the coming months.



We have resumed the community outreach and service under the guidance of Brother Jerry Rott. He is always looking for more help as we continue to assist the community with small and large repairs and maintenance needs. We are also collecting medical equipment such as walkers, canes and wheelchairs that we can provide to those in need. We can maintain this equipment and loan them as the need arises. We are also in need of help assisting Brother Joe Kazakavage, currently residing at Pelican Landing, to mass on Saturdays. Please contact Brother Frank Miceli @ 561-736-1839 to sign up.

We will be participating in the "22 Crosses A Day" with the District Councils and Assemblies at St. Helens Church in Vero Beach. The details and signup sheet will be available at the upcoming meetings. We are beginning the officer and delegate election process. Any 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Knight in good standing may run for any elected officer or delegate position. Any brother can be nominated, or self nominated so please consider becoming a valuable part in the guiding of our Council.

Vivat Jesus  
GK George Darmetko

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Chicken & Baked Mac  
By Charlie Mitchell

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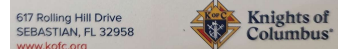
Potluck  
By Tim Cunningham

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Ziti & Eggplant Parm  
By Phil Bova

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Dear Brother Knights,



Happy New year 2024. May it be a healthy and happy year for all of us. It is an honor for me to address you through this newsletter. I thank our Grand Knight for giving me this opportunity and thank you all for your passion and commitment to the faith family of St. Sebastian and all that we do here to proclaim the gospel.

We had a beautiful season of Christmas and are getting ready for the beginning of another important season in the church calendar, Holy Lent. I am sure that we all will have so much to do especially with the weekly fish fry dinners. I thank you for doing this for our faith family and ask all the Knights to come out and be part of this "fraternity building exercise".

This year, we celebrated the Feast of St. Sebastian on Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>. We had our 4:00 pm mass as Feast day Mass followed by a potluck dinner at LeSage Hall. To everyone's delight, it turned out to be an amazing evening of fun, family and fraternity.

We have begun our DSA 2024 campaign with the theme **"Give us this day our Daily Bread" (Matthew 6:11)**. Diocesan Services Appeal is our opportunity to be part of our mission as the Catholic Diocese of Palm Beach. DSA funds cover all the major expenses of our diocese such as the formation of priests, seminarians and permanent deacons, charitable works, catechetical formation of our youth and family etc. In the coming weeks, you will receive more details on DSA 2024 campaign. This year we have chosen February 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> as our DSA commitment weekend. This year, let us try to meet our parish goal as early as possible with donations and pledges rather than prolong it all year long.

I am looking forward to seeing you in the future monthly gatherings and pray God's blessing on each of you and your families.

Fr. Antony Pulikal, Pastor

# Happenings & EVENTS



Sunday *Coffee & Donuts* continues to be well attended. Following the 7:30am and 9:30am masses, stop by and say good morning. Complimentary coffee, juice, chocolate milk, donuts and bagels with assorted cream cheeses are available.



L to R: Marty Morano, Charlie Mitchell, Bill Ryan and Frank Miceli.  
Not pictured: Mike Hall, Joe Cheries and Phil Bova.



## A 'Knight' Out

On Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, some of us met a Big Shots in Vero Beach for some golf fun and dinner. I hope to schedule another 'Knight Out' in February and see many more of you and your families join us. It is always a fun time! If you have any suggestions, let me know.



L to R: Frank Micelli, Nate Berry, George Darmetko and Charlie Mitchell

On Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, we held our annual **Breakfast with Santa** event. A big 'thank you' to the Hall family for coordinating such a fun time for all.



L to R: Mike, Tori and Concetta





We held our annual Keep Christ in Christmas art contest and again, had beautiful submissions. Please enjoy our winning drawings. Our entries have been awarded 1<sup>st</sup> place at the district and regional levels. Their artwork is now forwarded to the state for a chance to be featured on next years Christmas cards, let's all wish them luck and a round of congratulations. We will host the winners for a dinner after the FSC judging has been completed.



Josiah Phan  
Division: Age 5-7



Genevieve Bissonette  
Division: Age 11-14



Paisley Yenny  
Division: Age 8-10

## *SPIRIT OF UNITY TOUR*

On Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, we hosted the “Spirit of Unity” meeting with State Deputy Rick Hughes. Also in attendance were FSC directors, Region 6 RA Bill Van Keuren, District 62 DD Bob Kwiecinski, GK Roger Potvin Council 13153, GK Bill Wetzle Council 5629 as well as officers and members from all district councils.



L to R: Grand Knight George Darmetko, DGK Mike McCormick, SD Rick Hughes, Mark Barletta, Nate Berry, Charlie Mitchell, Frank Miceli



*\*some event dates TBA*



**Fridays** **4:30pm – 7:00pm**  
February 16<sup>th</sup> & March 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Dinners \$12.00 Kid's Meal \$6.00 *Kids Under 6 Complimentary*  
Meal: Fried Cod, French Fries and Beverages included  
Event Contact: Charlie Mitchell 609-234-9546



**Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup>** **5:00pm**  
**Mardi Gras**  
Tickets available at the Office – the Council will be purchasing a table  
Event Contact: Parish Office 772-589-5790



**Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>** **9:30am – 5:00pm**  
4<sup>th</sup> Degree Patriotic Exemplification will be held in St. Francis X. Cabrini, Parish, FL. Ceremony is open to all 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knights and Candidates only. Spouses/families are invited to attend a Ladies Tea during the ceremony. A banquet follows at 3:00pm; all family member are welcome.  
Event Contact: Nate Berry 772-913-3479



**Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>** **2:30pm – 4:30pm**  
Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity at Holy Cross, Vero Beach  
All 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Knights are invited to advance to 3<sup>rd</sup> degree. Families welcome to the reception following the ceremony.  
Event Contact: Anthony Tomasi 561-506-7847



*\*details announced soon*



**Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>**  
Annual Golf Tournament @ Sebastian Municipal Golf Course



**Sunday, May 27<sup>th</sup>**  
Service recognition at Pelican Landing Assisted Living & Wreath laying @ Riverview Park



**Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>**  
Officer / Director Installation and Dinner



**Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>**  
Trunk or Treat



**Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**  
Service recognition at Pelican Landing Assisted Living & Wreath laying @ Riverview Park



**Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>**  
Faith Formation / Fraternal Benefits Recruitment Night



**Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**  
Breakfast with Santa



**Join us on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month following the following the 7:30am and 9:30am masses for a complimentary breakfast of homemade pancakes, sausages, juice, coffee and tea.**

**Sundays**

**February 11<sup>th</sup> \* March 10<sup>th</sup>  
April 14<sup>th</sup> \* May 12<sup>th</sup>**

*(additional dates to be announced)*

**- Donations gratuitously accepted -**

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**Knights of Columbus  
- Sebastian -**

**8<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity  
Golf Tournament**

**@ Sebastian Municipal Golf Course**

**Saturday, April 6th, 2024**

**Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council #8009**

*-more details to be announced shortly -*

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Brothers, please consider donating to this year's tournament if you are not able to participate in April. We are in need of donations like top-shelf liquor for our basket cheer raffle, multiple dozen of golf balls and dining gift cards. For those who aren't able to be as active as they would like, consider a monetary donation as part of your charitable contribution within your Council. Thank you.

**“Many hands make light work”**

# COUNCIL DIRECTORY

## COUNCIL #8009

| Officer Positions   | Name                   | Address   | Telephone #'s                            | Email                       |
|---------------------|------------------------|---|--|-----------------------------|
| Grand Knight        | George E Darmetko      | 617 Rolling Hill Dr<br>Sebastian, FL 32958-6124 | 508-944-9074 (R)                         | GDARMETKOKOFC8009@GMAIL.COM |
| Financial Secretary | Gerald J Rott          | 1970 Barber St<br>Sebastian, FL 32958-6931      | 772-228-8449 (R)<br>716-912-6909 (C)     | finseckofc8009@gmail.com    |
| Deputy Grand Knight | Michael L Mc Cormick   | 1229 George St.<br>Sebastian, FL 32958          | 509-945-6945 (R)<br>509-945-6945 (C)     | 13tabs13@gmail.com          |
| Chancellor          | Mark R Barletta        | 438 Biscayne Ln<br>Sebastian, FL 32958-5529     | 772-207-7263 (R)<br>203-376-2972 (C)     | ROCKETBOY1953@YAHOO.COM     |
| Recorder            | Michael S Davis        | 313 Columbus St<br>Sebastian, FL 32958-4317     | 772-571-5905 (R)<br>740-632-5848 (C)     | MSD1947@COMCAST.NET         |
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| One Year Trustee    | Anthony J Tomasi       | 613 Bayfront Ter<br>Sebastian, FL 32958-5929    | 561 506-7847 (R)<br>561-506-7847 (C)     | atomasi.kofc8009@gmail.com  |
| Two Year Trustee    | Rene G VanDeVoorde     | 12470 Roseland Rd<br>Sebastian, FL 32958-3507   | (772) 589-9006 (R)<br>(772) 589-4353 (C) | RGVANDEV45@AOL.COM          |
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| Vocations Chairman      | Mark R Barletta      | 438 Biscayne Ln<br>Sebastian, FL 32958-5529        | 772-207-7263 (R)<br>203-376-2972 (C)                     | ROCKETBOY1953@YAHOO.COM     |
| Community Director      | Anthony J Tomasi     | 613 Bayfront Ter<br>Sebastian, FL 32958-5929       | 561 506-7847 (R)<br>561-506-7847 (C)                     | atomasi.kofc8009@gmail.com  |
| Life Director           | Peter Bissonnette    | 340 Greenway Ave<br>Satellite Beach, FL 32937-3211 | 831-920-0641 (R)<br>772-913-1738 (C)                     | peter.bissonnette@gmail.com |
| Health Service          | UNASSIGNED           |  |  |                             |
| Public Relations        | Anthony J Tomasi     | 613 Bayfront Ter<br>Sebastian, FL 32958-5929       | 561 506-7847 (R)<br>561-506-7847 (C)                     | atomasi.kofc8009@gmail.com  |
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| Recruitment Committee 2 | Nathan C Berry       | 3171 Ashford Sq.<br>Vero Beach, FL 32966           | 772-913-3479 (C)   | NCBERRY.kofc8009@gmail.com  |
| Recruitment Committee 3 | George E Darmetko    | 617 Rolling Hill Dr<br>Sebastian, FL 32958-6124    | 508-944-9074 (R)   | GDARMETKOKOFC8009@GMAIL.COM |
| Retention Chairman      | Gerald J Rott        | 1970 Barber St<br>Sebastian, FL 32958-6931         | 772-228-8449 (R)<br>716-912-6909 (C)                     | finseckofc8009@gmail.com    |

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| Insurance Promotion | Dale E Grabenbauer | 1416 Tradewinds Way<br>Sebastian, FL 32958-8814 | (772) 321-9757 (C) |       |

| Additional Appointments | Name             | Address                                    | Telephone #'s                        | Email           |
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