



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FATHER THOMAS G LORIGAN COUNCIL 7027

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COMING EVENTS

Date	Time	Until	Event	Location
1			LABOR DAY	St Rose of Lima Chapel
1	5:30 PM	7:00 PM	First Monday Confession	St Ros of Lima Chapel
4	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	K of C Officer's/Planning Meeting	Knights Hall
5	6:00 PM	7:00 PM	Holy Hour w/Adoration, Rosary and Benediction	St Rose of Lima Church
5	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Spaghetti Dinner	Parish Hall
6	Noon	1:00 PM	Rosary for America	Park Ave & Dogwood
7	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	KofC Breakfast (Grandparents Day)	Parish Hall
8			Fr. Thomas G Lorigan (1913-1997)	(See page 2)
9	6:00 PM	8:30 PM	COR	St Rose of Lima Room
11	6:00 PM	7:00 PM	Vespers	St Rose of Lima Chapel
11	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	KoC Council Meeting	Knights Hall
13	5:15 PM	6:15 PM	KoC Exemplification	St Rose of Lima Church
13	6:15 PM	8:00 PM	Reception after Exemplification	St Francis/St Lorenzo Rooms
25	6:00 PM	8:00 PM	KoC Special Dance (Theme: 1950's)	Parish Hall
27	4:00PM	5:00PM	Corporate Communion	St Rose of Lima Church
30			OKTOBERFEST SETUP	Parish Hall
			October	
1			OKTOBERFEST SETUP	Parish Hall
2			OKTOBERFEST SETUP	Parish Hall
2	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	K of C Officer's/Planning Meeting	Knights Hall
3			OKTOBERFEST SETUP	Parish Hall
3	8:30 AM	10:00 AM	First Friday Adoration and Benediction	St Rose of Lima Chapel
3	6:00 PM	7:00 PM	Holy Hour w/Adoration, Rosary and Benediction	St Rose of Lima Church
3	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	NO Spaghetti Dinner	Parish Hall
4	10:00 AM	6:00 PM	OKTOBERFEST	Parish Hall
4	Noon	1:00 PM	Rosary for America	Park Ave & Dogwood

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OKTOBERFEST!
4TH ANNUAL

TRADITIONAL GERMAN FOOD, BEVERAGE & MUSIC!
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4TH 10AM-6PM

Polka Dots
LIVE GERMAN MUSIC!

KIDS' ACTIVITIES

ST. ROSE OF LIMA CATHOLIC CHURCH
6451 PARK AVE, MILTON, FL
WWW.SROLPARISH.ORG



Grand Knight's Report

James Gaus

September has arrived, and while Labor Day traditionally marks the close of summer, we're just getting started! This month is filled with meaningful gatherings, spiritual enrichment, and joyful preparation for the season ahead.

Join us for a heartwarming tribute to the pillars of our families—our grandparents. On Sunday, September 7th, during our Second Sunday Breakfast, we invite all grandparents to enjoy a free breakfast in celebration of National Grandparents Day. It's our way of honoring their wisdom, love, and legacy. This year's celebration holds special significance. In 2021, Pope Francis established the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, observed near the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne (July 26), the grandparents of Jesus. Recognizing the importance of aligning with national traditions, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) approved moving the observance to the first weekend after Labor Day—September 6–7, 2025—to coincide with National Grandparents Day. The theme chosen for 2025 is: "Blessed are those who have not lost hope" (Sirach 14:2). These words beautifully reflect the

enduring faith and resilience of our elders, reminding us that hope in the Lord is the foundation of a reconciled and grace-filled old age.

Upcoming Events in September:

COR Men's Bible Study – September 9. Deepen your understanding of Scripture and connect with fellow parishioners in our monthly COR Bible Study. All men are welcome—bring your Bible and an open heart.

Exemplification Ceremony – September 13. A special evening to formally honor and welcome new Knights of Columbus members into our council. Join us as we celebrate commitment, faith, and fellowship.

Oktoberfest Setup Begins – September 30. As the month winds down, we gear up for one of our most festive events of the year—Oktoberfest, happening on October 4th! Volunteers are invited to help with setup and decorations starting September 30. Let's make this year's celebration unforgettable.

Thank you for everything you do.

Vivat Jesus



Father Thomas G Lorigan

Knights of Columbus Council 7027 Patron

Father Thomas G. Lorigan was born in Bandon, County Cork, Ireland, on July 14, 1913. He entered the seminary and was ordained for the Diocese of Mobile under Bishop Thomas J. Toolen. On August 28, 1939, he immigrated to the United States and was naturalized May 25, 1942. He spent his life in service to the people of Alabama and Northwest Florida, serving as pastor at St. Rose of Lima from June, 1970, until January, 1982. He became a charter member of the Knights of Columbus Council 7027 and was named its patron. He retired to Milton, Florida, and died September 8, 1997.



Field Agent's Report

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Retirement strategies that include insurance products may outperform those without



Ernst and Young, a global consulting organization, conducted a comprehensive study on integrating insurance products into a retirement strategy. To access the EY study, click [here](#). Their analysis evaluates five model retirement strategies and describes their process to determine the outcome metrics.

The five strategies reviewed in this analysis were:

- + Investments only
- + Term life insurance + investments
- + Permanent life insurance + investments
- + Deferred income annuity with IIP¹ + investments
- + Permanent life insurance + deferred income annuity with IIP + investments

Their findings demonstrate the potential benefits of integrating insurance products into investors' retirement preparations. Strategies incorporating permanent life insurance and deferred income annuities with increasing income potential with investments compared well in some cases against investment-only strategies for retirement income, according to E&Y's simulations² forecasting in some cases to have better overall expected performance.

We included the complete report and insights for your convenience. We invite you to review these findings and consider their implications for your retirement strategy. If you would like to discuss the potential benefits of integrating life insurance products and investments to meet your retirement savings and protection needs, please contact your local financial advisor to schedule a call or visit.

Your Premier Catholic Partner for Financial Services – We can help.

INVEST WITH US

Investment Advisory Services
Diverse Model Portfolios
Retirement Strategies
Personalized Service

INSURE WITH US

Life Insurance
Disability Income Insurance
Retirement Annuities
Long-Term Care Insurance



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From the Deacon's Bench

By Deacon Jeff Massey
September Labor Day



Greeting brothers as we begin the Month of September.

In this year 2025, September starts on Labor Day.

Labor Day itself is a federal holiday in the United States, celebrated on the first Monday of September. It honors the contributions of American workers and the labor movement.

President Grover Cleveland signed a law making it a national holiday on June 28, 1894. Cleveland supported Labor Day in September to avoid the associations with socialism linked to May Day.

For us as Catholics, as we reflect on this day, one must be drawn to also reflect on *Rerum Novarum*, or Rights and Duties of Capital and Labor, the Papal encyclical issued by Pope Leo XIII on 15 May 1891, just over 3 years before the National Holiday was established.

Both have their roots in the late 19th Century, early 20th Century Labor Movement, during a time of significant labor unrest and demands for better working conditions especially for Catholic Immigrants and their families who were already benefitting from the Knights of Columbus, which was formed by Blessed Father McGivney in March of 1882. By the time *Rerum Novarum* was published in 1891, 9 years later, the number had grown to approximately 100 councils. By Labor Day in 1894 there were approximately 300 councils across the United States. During this time, Knights supported labor rights by promoting fair wages and working conditions, aiming to uplift the working class, particularly among Catholic immigrants who were often marginalized.

This, as well as, through offering Insurance and Financial Support, Knights provided (and still provide) financial assistance to members in need, including death benefits, and providing support for those unable to work due to illness. This safety net helped workers feel more secure in their jobs.

In addition, The Knights organized community service initiatives, which included charitable activities that benefited workers and their families. This engagement helped strengthen the labor movement by building networks of support.

The Knights of Columbus also played a vocal and crucial role in advocating for labor-friendly legislation:

In **Support** for the Eight-Hour Workday: Knights aligned with the broader labor movements that sought to establish an eight-hour workday, reflecting their commitment to improving workers' lives.

In **Opposition** to Child Labor: Knights supported efforts to end child labor, advocating for laws that protected vulnerable workers.

We know that our job as Knights consisting of both Prayer, and actively working for positive change, is not finished, **far from it**, especially as we, being part of the Global Society, transition from the "Information Age" to the "Age of AI".

The point of all this, is that as we pause as a Nation to honor the contributions of American workers and the labor movement, perhaps with some freshly seared meat and an adult beverage, we should also pause, reflect, and give thanks for the Blessings and change for the better, that we as Knights, help to bring about.

I pray that all have a safe and relaxing Labor Day, as we begin the Month of September.

Pax

SK Deacon Jeff Massey



Life

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If you are interested in helping with Prolife, please try to attend these fundraisers. Magella House Swingin' Soirée is on October 2, 6:30 PM at Sanders Beach ballroom. Observe the ad later in this newsletter.

Next is Sportsmen Givin' Back banquet and drawings Saturday, September 13 at Immanuel Baptist Church. They will have drawings for zero turn lawnmower and choice gun raffle at \$10 dollars a ticket. Also, you can purchase banquet tickets for \$20. All tickets can be acquired at the door.

We are now in our fundraising status for the Ultrasound machine for Life Options. Please help with any fundraising activities we are having in the future. We still would like to have anybody that would like to volunteer to be on the ultrasound machine committee. Please contact Dan Arndt at 850-207-8779. You may call or text.

Sick & In Need Prayer List

Jack Arndt, Claudia Barrett, Emily Botner, Rusty Bradberry, Emily Botner, Rusty Bradberry, Joe Burgos, John Burkhalter, Dave & Donna Byers, Norm Champagne, Richard & Hilda Connolly, Mother of Joey Davis, Sharon Dipkin, Dean Dizon, Louise Egler, Robert Erisman, JP Fane, Vinny Gallo, Ben/Paul Gentry Steve Gentry, Bill Glover, Walter Gross, Joan Haring, Paul Hicks, David & Sharon Hinkle, MaryEtta Hinkle, Ed Horne, Saveria Husslein, Larry Johnson, Todd & Suzi Jones, John Juul,

Mike Kassinger, Thatcher Kerzie, Karen Lewis, Ron Livorno, Sylvia Mabley, Paul Madifila, Barbara Mason, Heidi Massey, Ed McCarthy, Beth & Bill McDonald, Ian McDonald, Susan McDonald, Thea McDonald, Jennifer & Greg Micklos, Bob Miller, Nicole - sister of Justin Paul, Tom Peck, Mark Puno, John & Margo Recke, Jim and Marianne Richardson, Jerry Sciple, Art Sobilo, Gene & Martha Skalsky, Family of Dale Sogor, Mike Stafford, Sterling VanGrowski, Carol Waugh.

Let us pray:

O Heavenly Father, God of Love, You gave us Your Son Jesus to be not only Physician of our souls but also Healer of our bodies and minds. Lord Jesus, We turn to You in this time of illness. Please come to us now, and lay Your healing hand on us and all who are in need of your Mercy. Let the warmth, peace and healing power of Your Spirit fill all of us now with Your life and love. We receive You, Lord Jesus!

Heal us according to Your Divine Will, Lord Jesus, and enable us to serve You with a healthy body, soul, and spirit. May Your Joy, O Lord, be our strength this day.
Amen.

To submit a prayer request to be included here please send an email to info@kofc7027.com



MAJELLA HOUSE
PRESENTS:

Swingin' Soiree

GET READY FOR THE JAZZIEST NIGHT
OF YOUR LIFE WITH

THE SUNNY SIDE JAZZ BAND
DIRECT FROM NEW ORLEANS

Thursday, October 2, 2025

6:30PM

Sanders Beach Ballroom

913 South I Street, Pensacola

ENJOY AN EVENING OF
CATERED CREOLE
CUISINE

LIVE 7 PIECE JAZZ BAND
&

SWING ENTERTAINMENT

SCAN TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT!





Honors of the Months

Month	Knight of the Month	Family of the Month
Year 2025-26		
July, 2025	Robert Browder	John & Jane Garton
August, 2025	Richard Sturgis	James & Marianne Richardson
September, 2025		
October, 2025		
November, 2025		
December, 2025		
January, 2026		
February, 2026		
March, 2026		
April, 2026		
May, 2026		
June, 2026		



Grand Knight James Gaus presented the **Knight of the Month** for August to SK Richard Sturgis on August 31, 2025, at the Corporate Communion Mass. Pictured are GK James Gaus, Kathleen Sturgis, and Msgr. Michael Reed.

Grand Knight James Gaus announced the **Family of the Month** for August to SK James & Marianne Richardson on August 31, 2025, at the Corporate Communion Mass. The Richardsons were not available for the presentation.



Supreme Chaplain's Challenge

by Archbishop William E. Lori

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." (Gospel for Sept. 7, Lk 14:27)

Suffering is an inescapable part of human life, a consequence of the fall. When we deal with our suffering in a virtuous way, we unite ourselves to the cross of Christ. In fact, Jesus tells us that taking up our cross is an essential condition for being his disciple. The wonderful thing is that God will supply whatever grace and strength we need to carry our cross, if only we ask for it in faith. May we always carry our cross daily with courage as faithful followers of Christ.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, as we celebrate the feast of the Exaltation of the Cross on Sept. 14, I challenge you to undertake some sacrifice or mortification — such as abstaining from meat one or two days a week — to strengthen your willingness to carry your cross daily.

Questions for Reflection:

What are the crosses you must carry in your life? Which do you struggle with the most? Do you faithfully and regularly seek strength from Christ in carrying your cross in prayer and the sacraments?

(From kofc.org select "Who We Are", "Our Faith", and "Monthly Challenge")



The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network

APOSTLESHP OF PRAYER

September UNITED STATES

For our relationship with all of creation

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

<https://www.usccb.org/prayers/popes-monthly-intentions-2025>



Florida State Council Memorial & Healing Cards Program

The Florida State Council is proud to reintroduce our cherished **Memorial and Healing Cards Program**—a meaningful way to offer spiritual support to those in need, while also supporting vocations in Florida.

We offer two types of cards:

- **Memorial Cards** for honoring the memory of someone who has passed away.
- Healing Cards** for comfort to someone who is ill or recovering.

Each card features an image of our founder, **Blessed Michael McGivney**, and includes a message that the recipient will be remembered at Mass by our **State Chaplain** and prayed for by seminarians at **St. John Vianney** and **St. Vincent de Paul** seminaries. A donation is made in the recipient's name to the **Florida State Council Charities' Vocations Fund**.

How It Works:

1. The sender fills out a **donation card** identifying:
 - o Type of card (Memorial or Healing)
 - o Recipient's name
 - o Sender's name, address, phone number, and council number
 - o Whether additional cards are requested
 - o Mail the donation card and your donation (checks made out to *Florida K of C Charities, Inc.*) using the provided return envelope.
 - o If your **council number is included**, your council will receive credit for the donation
- Mail the Mass Card to the Recipient (Healing) Family (Memorial).

This program reflects the core of our mission—charity, unity, and fraternity. A card featuring Blessed McGivney, accompanied by Mass and seminarians' prayers, is a powerful expression of support and faith.

Request Cards or Learn More:

Contact **George Elliott**, Memorial and Healing Cards Chairman

✉ Email: grejr13@gmail.com

☎ Phone: (908) 487-8622

Florida K of C Charities, Inc. is our official 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Donations are tax-deductible as allowed by law.



Dear Friends and Community Supporters,

We are proud to announce that Dr. Karen Barber, Superintendent Santa Rosa County District Schools, will be honored with the **North Star Award**, a **national-level recognition presented by Scouting America** for her exceptional community service and leadership.

Please join us for this special celebration:

Date: September 16, 2025

Location: Don Salter Community Center, 5976 Chumuckla Hwy, Pace, FL 32571

Doors Open: 11:30 AM **Program Begins:** 12:00 PM

This award is one of Scouting America's highest honors, given to individuals whose dedication has made a lasting impact on their communities. Proceeds from this event will help encourage and support new children and families to join Scouting—especially those who may not otherwise have the opportunity.

We invite you to participate as an attendee, donor, or table host. Sponsorship opportunities include:

- **Presenting Sponsor – \$5,000**
- **Lunch Sponsor – \$2,000**
- **Table Sponsor – \$1,000**
- **Individual Tickets – \$150**

Attached you'll find a flyer with more details on the event, sponsorship opportunities, and how you can participate in this exciting celebration.

Let's come together as a community to honor Dr. Barber's remarkable achievements and ensure more youth have access to the life-changing benefits of Scouting.

RSVP or Sponsorship Commitment:

<https://donations.scouting.org/#/council/773/event/712>

For tickets, sponsorships, or more information, please contact me or Sara Lewis at sara.lewis@scouting.com or 850-476-6336.

With appreciation,

Angie Walker

Captain, US Navy (Ret), PhD

Chairman, Pensacola Bay District

Gulf Coast Council, Scouting America

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Council and Assembly Officers

Council 7027 Officer Fraternal Year 2024-2025		Assembly 2823 Officers Fraternal Year 2025-2026	
Chaplain	Msgr Michael Reed	Faithful Friar	Msgr Michael Reed
Grand Knight	James Gaus	Faithful Navigator	SK Cesar Mascardo
Deputy Grand Knight	Mike Hamel	Faithful Captain	SK Bruce Mabley
Chancellor	Michael Gaus	Faithful Pilot	SK Gilbert Saenz
Recorder	Bernie Schlutz	Faithful Admiral	SK Joey Davis
Treasurer	Ray Kutch	Faithful Comptroller	SK Bill McDonald
Financial Secretary	Bill McDonald	Faithful Purser	SK Brian McGuire
Advocate	Dcn Jeff Massey	Faithful Scribe	SK Arturo Ojeda
Warden	Justin Paul	Faithful Inner Sentinel	SK Joe Pascal
Inside Guard	Vincent Mauro	Faithful Outer Sentinel	SK Bob Bezick
Outside Guard	Alex Wilson	Color Guard Commander	SK Bruce Mabley
Lecturer	Walter Gross	Patriotic Liaison	SK Joey Davis
One Year Trustee	Ben Urnick	Trustee 3 Year	SK Dan Walker
Two Year Trustee	Mike Stafford	Trustee 2 Year	SK John Recke
Three Year Trustee	Mike Simoneaux	Trustee 1 Year	SK Stephen Schaffter

Knights of Columbus Online Resources

Council 7027 web site has important information such as calendar, newsletters, and member only information.

<http://www.kofc7027.com>

State Council has important information about Knights in Florida.

<https://floridakofc.org/>

Supreme contains something for everyone.

<http://kofc.org>

Knights Gear is clothing and accessories K of C branded.

<http://www.knightsgear.com>

Knightline is a monthly publication with important information for leaders and members.

<http://kofc.org/knightline>

Invocations monthly publication of the Florida State Council.

<https://www.floridakofc.org/Invocation-State-Newsletter>

Knightcast An inspirational video series forming men on their journey to be better husbands, fathers, citizens, and Catholics. <http://kofc.org/knightcast>

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BIRTHDAYS

On behalf of your Council's Brother Knights, we wish you a very Happy Birthday.



Gerald Langille 9/01
Christopher Ausdenmoore 9/03
Alexander Wilson 9/07
Charles Smith 9/08
Hugh McCaffrery Jr 9/11
Mr Joseph Leone 9/11
Ronald Wark 9/14

Gerald Bridges Jr 9/15
Norman Champagne 9/16
John James 9/16
John Berry 9/18
Thomas Tergliafera 9/18
Erik VanGrowski 9/19
Robert Erisman 9/20

Dr Travis Larson 9/20
Thomas Mohan 9/20
Jack Wilson Jr 9/24
Cecil Higginbotham 9/25
James Baker 9/27
James Hull 9/28
Gregory Leech 9/30