

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton August 2025 Council Newsletter



Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism

Faith



- Mark your calendars as we are tentatively planning on having a day retreat on November 8th retreat with Fr. Angel speaking. We will start with mass at 9 AM.
- Come out for our monthly **Rosary** and **Adoration of the Blessed** Sacrament. It's nice to be able to sit in silence in the presence of Jesus. The next Rosary will be on September 19th at the Mary grotto or in the chapel at 7pm. There will not be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on September 5th due to the church closure, but we expect to have it on September 18th from 6pm to 7pm in the chapel. We will also say a rosary before our monthly business meeting on September 8th at 6 pm.
- **Men's bible study** is every Sunday from 9:15 AM to 10:15 AM in the hospitality room. This is a great fraternal activity and it also enhances our spiritual life. You don't need to register, just show up.
- The **Sacred Heart Icon** will be here in November.

Family



• Congrats to the Schluender Family, our **family of the month** for August!

We would like to recognize more good families. If you know of a family who would make a great family of the month, please email us at kofc10169@gmail.com.

• Food for families: Help us serve the needy at the food pantry behind the field at Resurrection School every Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

Community



- Council **Soccer Challenge** is scheduled for October 3rd 4-6 pm with volunteers to arrive by 3:30 pm. The Council officers agreed to conduct the **Basketball Free Throw Challenge** the same day and time. The two events will require at least 15 volunteers, with hopes to engage some youth to help. Let Don Schluender know if you are able to help with either event.
- Keep an eye on the Knights in Action section of your Columbian Magazine. Our council may soon get a mention for our two International Soccer Challenge champions.
- Matt McMann is heading up Trunk or Treat this year as we try to get that event restarted. We are planning on having it on October 30th. Stay tuned as we will probably need members to help out.

Life



- Options for Women will have their annal fundraiser September 25th both noon and 6:30 pm. The event is free to attend, but they hope to get donations from the attendees. Let Don Schluender know if you want to attend.
- **40 Days for Life** will run from September 24th through November 2nd. This includes prayer, fasting and for those capable, prayer vigil on S. Florida Avenue.
- The Life Chain will be Sunday, October 5th at 2 pm, again on Florida Avenue.

Calendar

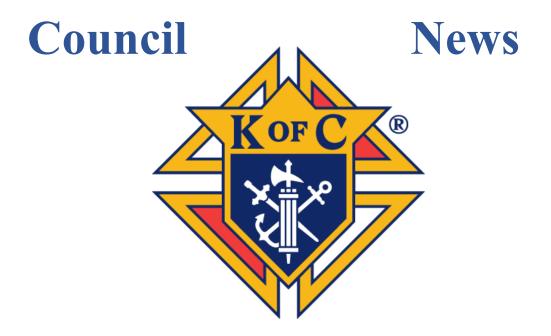
Check out our events calendar by clicking the link below. The birthdays of your fellow brothers are also marked on the calendar as well:

https://www.kofc10169.org/calendar

Fund Raising



- Thanks to all of those who help support **Bingo**, our biggest fundraiser and the lifeblood of our income! We are still a little short in help. If you can only help out once a month or even once a year, we would love to have you! Give your name and phone number to Keith and let him know you are willing to help out. We have it every Thursday from 6:30 PM to 9:30 PM in the Parish Hall. Doors open at about 4 PM if you want to come early to help set up. We also have Bingo every Sunday from 12:30 PM to 3:30 PM at Santa Fe. If you would like to find out more information about helping out, please contact Keith McDonald at elfolks123@aol.com
- Keith and Bev McDonald have given us notice that they will be stepping down as the main Bingo point of contact soon. We have also lost several key helpers at Bingo recently and are looking for others to help step up and fill the void. Thanks to all who have volunteered their time!



- Join us for our next **business meeting** on September 8th from 6:30 PM to about 7:30 PM in the hospitality room located by the bell tower at Resurrection. Stay for food and fraternity after the meeting. We will say a rosary starting at 6:00 PM. If we have enough council members, we may have our officer installation ceremony after the business meeting as well.
- We have about 23 people who haven't paid their dues yet. You can still pay dues online this year again like last year, but this year we won't add a service charge. The dues will be the same amount no matter which form of payment you choose. If you didn't get your dues letter and have moved recently, please email Matt Tompkins your new address at kofc10169@gmail.com. We hope everyone will continue to support our council. The new membership cards are being sent out for those who have paid your dues.
- If you know of someone who would make a good Knight, please welcome them to join us. We are always looking to recruit good Catholic men!
- On the 4th Monday of each month, we will have a **Family Social Night**. There will be food and drinks and lots of fraternity. Bring the entire family. The next one will be Sep. 22nd at 6 PM in the hospitality room at Resurrection.
- The District Deputy gave us raffle books to sell. Each book has 4 tickets going for \$3/ticket or \$10 if the person buys the whole book (\$2 discount). The money raised goes towards the Florida Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc. We will have them at the next business meeting. If you would like to

take some raffle books home to sell, please do so. Just return the stubs and money to a business meeting. The top prize is \$25,000. There are approximately 350,000 tickets printed, so the odds of winning the top prize would be at worst case 1 in 350,000. The actual odds depend on how many tickets are actually sold.

- Welcome to new transfer member Jack Spangler!
- Jim Strollo recently passed away. His funeral will be held at Resurrection Catholic Church on 9/17 at 11:00 AM. Please attend if you can to honor our fallen brother.

Treasurer's Report



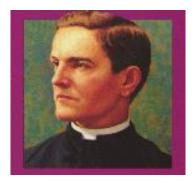
The treasurer reported, for July Income was \$18,461, of which a substantial portion was interest, and expenses were \$5,567. The semiannual audit was submitted. All documents are available if someone wishes to see them. Checks will be going out to several charities.

Insurance



Andrew Burke is our insurance agent. He will help look at your individual situation and make recommendations as to what insurance or financial products would be best suited to you. The Knights of Columbus offers pretty **competitive rates** for many types of insurance, so if you think you might need insurance, contact Andrew and make an appointment at no charge. To make an appointment with him, call him at 863-456-8965 or email him at Andrew.Burke@kofc.org. His website is kofclawandusagency.com. Also check out our website at https://www.kofc10169.org/insurance for more information on what free benefits all members get.

Prayers



Please continue to pray for Fran Cullen and Missy Spindler. Pray for Jim Strollo who passed away and his family he left behind.

Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

Founder of the Knights of Columbus God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request).

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



September Birthdays

Eric Bradner
Craig Heller
William Noah
Chris Noonan
William Robertson II
Den. Jim Spindler
Jim Strollo
Rafael Villavicencio

COUNCIL OFFICERS

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