



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**Mother Seton Palm Coast
Council # 17480**



Join us: Third Thursday at 6 PM

4600 Belle Terre Parkway, Palm Coast 32137



Grand Knight Ralph Esposito Message

February 2025

Brothers, 2024 is now in our rearview mirror. For me personally, the year had some great joy, like becoming the Grand Knight, and some sorrow, as my Mother-In-Law of 42 years had passed away. Now we begin a new journey. As we have entered 2025, our council begins to grow and flourish. With this growth, comes more expectations from all involved in what we do. I couldn't be happier, as one of our goals at the beginning of our fiscal year, was to push to a three-star council with new enrollment. That number would be 39 new members by June 30, 2025. Gentlemen, thanks to all involved, we have shattered that number. Also, we are having events that we have not tried, such as our First Annual Golf Outing, in honor of our late Deacon Tom Ayala, may he rest in peace. I have always wanted to do a Tootsie Roll Drive, and no, not for my candy consumption. We did that very thing, on January 11th, outside of Publix at Island Walk. In eight hours, we raised \$1,273.37. We sent a check for \$500 each to Special Olympics, and Whispering Meadows Ranch in Flagler Beach. This was after our costs. I hope to do more of these events, as there are a few not for profit charities I would like to donate to. This will be possible with all of you.

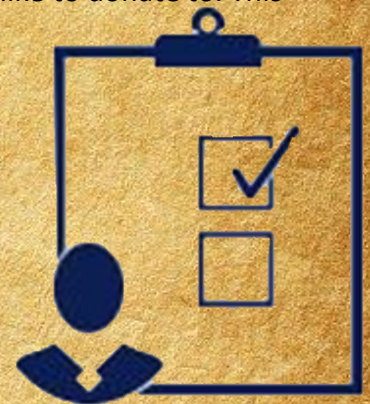
Together, we can continue to rock in the new year!

Here is for a safe, healthy and happy 2025 to you and your loved ones.

Thank you all, and God bless!

Ralph Esposito

Grand Knight Council 17480 #630-362-4450



FEBRUARY 2025

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February 8th KC Free-throw Contest

February 15th KC Valentine Dinner

March 24-27, 2025, Lenten Retreat by Fr. William Garrott, O.P. March 27, 2025, 5 pm: Lenten Penance Service

April 14, 2025: All-Day Adoration and Confessions, 9 am to 9 pm April 19, 2025, 11 am: Blessing of Easter Foods

May 4, 2025, 2.30 pm: First Holy Communion

December 27, 2025, Feast of St. Stephen at St. Stephen Chapel, Mass celebrated at 6 pm by Bishop Erik Pohlmeier

Encouraging Growth and Youth Involvement



As we enter the new year, I want to express my heartfelt appreciation for the phenomenal job all the Grand Knights have been doing. Your dedication and effort in building our membership and developing our programs have not gone unnoticed. You have truly shown what can be achieved when we work together with a common purpose.

However, now is the time to keep our eye on the ball and continue to grow our membership. It is crucial that we remain focused and proactive in our efforts to expand the reach of our councils. By fostering an environment of inclusivity and enthusiasm, we can attract more members and strengthen our councils.

One of the key areas we need to address is the involvement of younger members. It would be incredibly beneficial for us to bring in young individuals who are eager to step up and contribute to our programs. These young members could bring fresh perspectives, energy, and new ideas to our councils. Furthermore, having younger members become officers will ensure the continuity of our leadership and the sustained success of our initiatives.

In conclusion, let us celebrate the achievements of the past year and channel that momentum into continued growth and development. By focusing on increasing our membership and encouraging the participation of younger members, we can ensure a vibrant and dynamic future for our councils. Thank you once again for your extraordinary dedication, and I look forward to seeing what we can accomplish together in the coming months.

In Christ

Vivat Jesus

Greg Gully DD27



SUPREME CHAPLAIN'S MONTHLY CHALLENGE

FEBRUARY 2025

Simon said in reply, "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets." (Gospel for Feb. 9, Lk 5:5) St. Peter describes an experience to which many of us can relate. Sometimes, we work tirelessly at something but come up empty, failing at our task and seemingly accomplishing nothing. But Peter here finds overwhelming success when he listens to the Lord and tries again. It may remind us of the psalmist's words: "Unless the Lord build the house, they labor in vain who build" (Ps 127:1a). In everything we do, let us always seek to do God's will. Then, no matter the outcome, we will not have worked in vain.



Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori: This month, I challenge you to begin each day by offering all your efforts to God. There are many different morning offering prayers; you can find one version in the Catholic Information Service® booklet *Prayer Time* or in the *Vivat Jesus* spiritual planner.

Questions for Reflection: Do you feel that there have been times in your life you have worked in vain because you failed to recognize or follow God's will? Are you ever afraid to "lower the nets" by entrusting your efforts to God? What role does prayer play in growing in trust of God?

Insurance Check-Up for 2025

February 2025

Field Agent
Message
Larry
Kennedy



Happy Valentine's Day!

I've been reading about different kinds of parties to throw to celebrate Valentine's Day. One site online listed 35 different suggestions, from a Fondue Night to a party centered on serving a heart shaped pizza. I guess Valentine's Day is another well-established holiday to celebrate and I'm also guessing that the greeting card industry is happy. (The candy companies and florists are right there with the greeting card industry.) From individual cards that adults send each other to the packs designed for school kids to give to classmates, the stores are stocked with a myriad of selections.

The celebration of love is always popular. After all, isn't love what every holiday celebration is about? Whether it's a birthday, wedding anniversary, or holiday, it's all about love! Valentine's Day, though, sees love get a spotlight. We celebrate our love for another.

Insurance is all about love. Most people buy insurance because they love someone. A husband buys life insurance because he loves his wife and children. If he's not there to provide for them he wants to make sure they can stay in the same home, enjoy the same lifestyle, provide a college education for his children. With many two income families, wives buy life insurance for the same reasons.

Long Term Care Insurance and Disability Income Insurance help protect the family from the vagaries of life: Needing care in the home or in a long-term care facility or being hurt or sick and unable to work affects the family. These products help protect the family one loves.

Even our retirement annuity products help the ones we love. With forward thinking and fiscal discipline, a retirement annuity helps spouses spend their retirement years knowing they can have a guaranteed lifetime income. Less worries for the ones we love.

All the products we have available are centered around protection; protecting the ones we love. Is your protection where you want it to be for your loved ones? Let's meet and discuss what you want. I'll give you a call or feel free to contact me.

Vivat Jesus!

For More information contact:
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Deacon Tom Golf Tournament – Planning has begun



Eucharist Procession at the Abortion Mill in Jacksonville



District Deputy Greg Gully

Brother Knight
Don Stahurski



February Birthdays



Vincent E Dorhan
Gilbert Cuenco
Jeffrey J Tennyson
Ronald V Petrillo
Shawn V Lynn
Wayne W Friday
John D Linehan
Owen F Thompson

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Richard W Gawronski
Raul Velasquez Sr
Dea Robert A Devereux
Carlo A Celico
Andrew R Melendez
Joseph C Lupo
Rev Jose Panthaplamthottiyil

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Knights of Columbus Valentine Dinner

Saturday, February 15th

Doors open at 5PM

Dinner served at 6PM

Menu is roast pork with a cream, cognac mushroom demi Glacé sauce, asparagus with hollandaise sauce, and Parmesan crusted roasted potatoes or salmon in a lemon butter caper sauce.

Wine and Beer available.



Ticket Cost: \$25.00

Music by Martin Lane featuring songs from the Eagles, Fleetwood Mac, Beatles, Queen, Linda Ronstadt, Neil Diamond, Billy Joel, Journey, Kenny Loggins, Kenny Rogers and Dolly Parton, Bob Seger, Tom Petty, Tanya Tucker, 90s country, and classic rock!



**Tickets available after
all Masses starting
January 18th or
available at the office.**



Tootsie Roll Drive



Saturday January 11th:

Tootsie Roll Drive at Publix/Island Walk, from 9a-5p. This is located near the intersection of Palm Coast Parkway and Old Kings Road.



Total proceeds from the Tootsie Roll Drive was \$1,273.37 will benefit local agencies that provide various support to persons with developmental disabilities, including diagnosis, family support, transportation, and education services.



January Meeting Awards



**Knight of the
Month
Jim Boyd**



**Knight Family
Of the Month
Jim Ladrido**



**Brother Ken Wall gets
an award for 75 years
of being a Knight.**



January Meeting Awards

4th Degree Ken Wall Award



Exodus 90

Exodus 90 is a 90 day Catholic spiritual exercise for men like ourselves.

Here is how it works:

Prayer

Read Exodus Reading & Reflection
Make a Holy hour each day
Make a morning offering
Make a nightly Examen
Celebrate the Lord's Day on Sundays

Asceticism

Get a full night's sleep (8 hours is recommended)
Take cold showers
Exercise 3x per week
Avoid unnecessary smartphone or computer use
Give up video games
Give up TV
give up alcohol
No soda or sweet drinks
No snacking between meals
No desserts or sweets
Listen only to music that lifts the soul to God
No unnecessary purchases
Fast on Wednesday & Fridays
(eat one full meal as well as two smaller ones)
No meat on Wednesday & Fridays

Fraternity

Daily anchor check in (one of the men in your fraternity)
Weekly fraternity meeting (5-7 men)

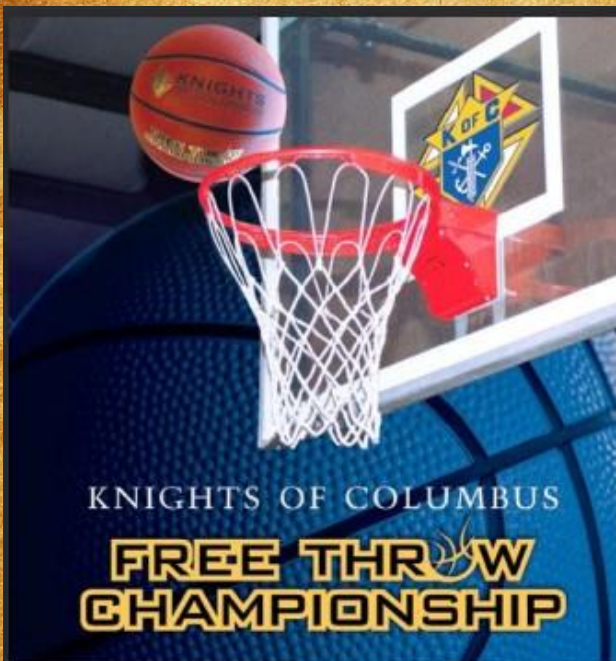
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Exodus 90 is challenging, but do not be afraid.
There's no such thing as a perfect Exodus, as you will read very clearly as you journey with the Israelites in the book of Exodus.

This is God's plan for us. He wants us to come out of what enslaves us to discover our true identity as his sons. He will free us from what oppresses us—if we allow him. But we cannot come to this freedom on our own. He calls us into his freedom through a commitment to prayer, asceticism, and fraternity. First of all, we need to encounter him as the source of true freedom through daily prayer. Next, we must break the chains of what binds us, offering our attachments and distractions to him as a sacrifice. Finally, we need the help of our brothers, other men who also have received the call to freedom and with whom we will make this journey.



Brother Gary Rottman



St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
Basketball Court
4600 Belle Terre Pkwy
Palm Coast, FL 32164

Join in the Fun!



Registration On-Site, No Pre-registration required.
Open to all youth ages 9 – 14.
Certificates and medals will be awarded.
Winner of the Council level competition will
advance to regional level competition.



Sponsored by:



Knights of Columbus
10514 Flagler Beach
11961 Bunnell
17480 Palm Coast

Time: 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Date: Saturday, Feb. 8, 2024

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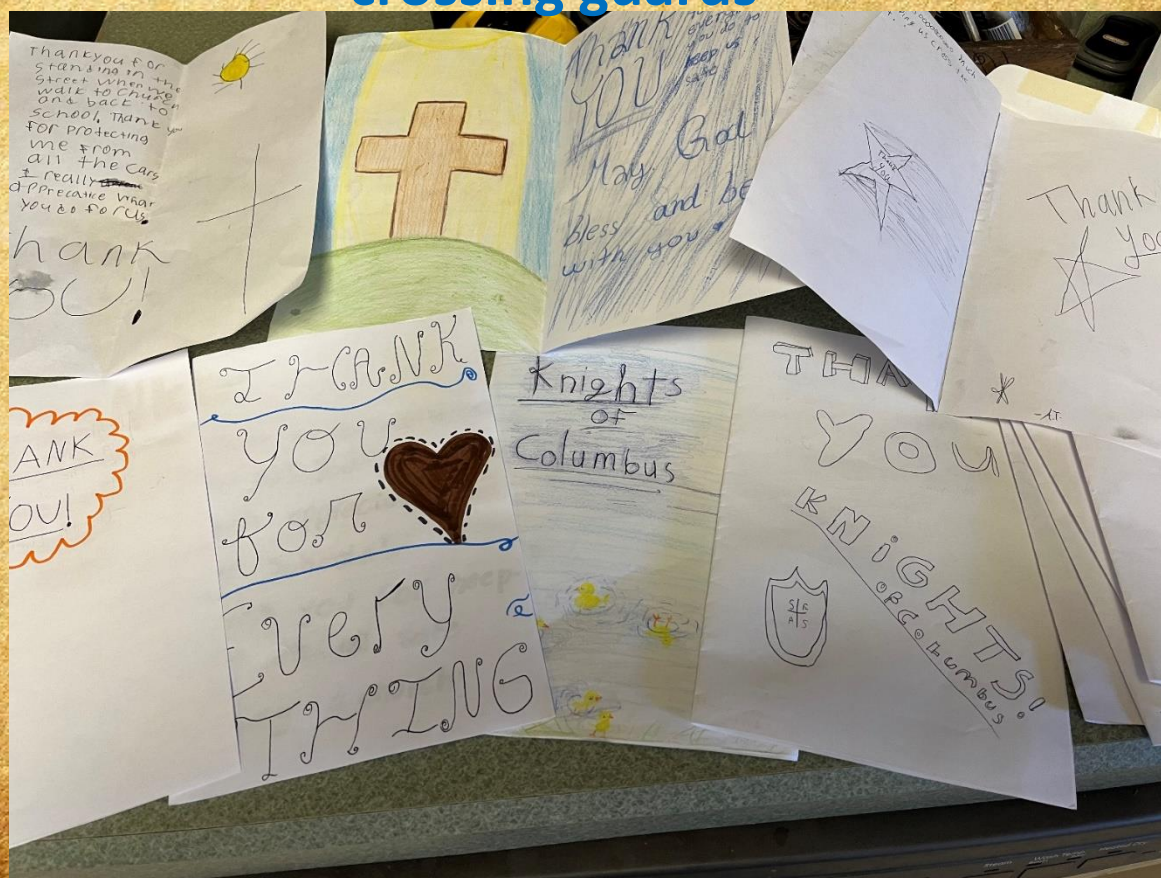


Faith in Action

District 17

Community (Youth)

Thank you cards from student to the KC school
crossing guards



Exemplification January 5th, 2025



DISTRICT 17: Former District Deputy, Kevin Ryan (on the left) and current District Deputy, Greg Gully (on the right) welcome in the new candidates led by District Warden, Owen Thompson.

The exemplification was part of a joint effort from the Mother Seton 17480, St Mary's Korona and Notre Dame Councils.

Notre Dame Worthy Grand Knight, Jerry Chabon, St. Mary's Korona, Worthy Grand Knight, Darren Molony, Former District Deputy, Kevin Ryan and Mother Seton's Grand Knight, Ralph Esposito officiation the Exemplification.



Mother Seton Warden, Benjamin Ladrido and District Warden, Owen Thompson hand out fibers to the candidates to represent Unity.



Exemplification January 5th, 2025



Mother Seton Warden, Benjamin Ladrido and District Warden, Owen Thompson hand out rosaries and lapel pins to the candidates.



7 New Brother Knights from Mother Seton Council, 2 New Brothers Knights from Notre Dame Council and all Knights present take the oath.



The host council St Elizabeth Ann Seton parish, Fr Sergio Santo, led the exemplification.



Fr Sergio Santo shown with Brother Raul Moraes.

Exemplification January 5th, 2025



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**Newest Knight, Brother Raul Moraes,
meets Brother Welmon Pippin.
Yes, Welmon was taken by surprised.**



ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON
GOLF CART RAFFLE
(YOUR CHOICE THE GOLF CART OR \$10,000)
ONLY 300 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD!



**TICKET
PRICE
\$100 EACH**

Raffle will take place once all
300 ticket are sold.

Tickets will be sold at the
Parish Office and after all
Masses starting in December.