

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Emerald Coast Council 11893

October 2025

#### Message from the Grand Knight

Worthy Brothers,

As summer fades and the beautiful Emerald Coast autumn arrives, I hope this newsletter finds you and your families well.

We've been hard at work planning our annual Golf Tournament and Silent Auction! Our brothers have been diligently preparing to ensure a successful event. Please check out the QR code and bid on one or ALL of the items for the Silent Auction.

**Golf Tournament Volunteer Information:** If you're volunteering for setup, please arrive at Emerald Bay Country Club on Sunday, October 5th at **9:00 a.m.** and ask **Brother Al Radz** for your assignment.

This month, we have *two* opportunities to fulfill our **annual fraternal benefit education** requirement:

- At our Monthly Meeting: October 21, 2025 6:00 pm followed by a pot-luck dinner.
- October 27, 2025 @ 7:00 pm: This is an online event. You can find the details further down in this newsletter.

Let's **knock this out together** so we can dedicate more time to creative collaboration and supporting our Catholic community!

Corporate Communion & Boathouse Social: We'll conclude the month with a special Corporate Communion Mass at Corpus Christie Catholic Church on October 26th at 10:30 am. These events are a powerful way to demonstrate our faith and brotherhood to the community. Following the Mass, we'll head to Boathouse on the Harbor in Destin for some fellowship, food, and sunshine. Remember, the Boathouse generously supports our Golf Tournament, so let's show them our appreciation!

It's a busy month, Knights!

Vivat Jesus, Ken Wolfle Grand Knight



#### **2025 Council Officers**

Grand Knight Kenneth Wolfle

Deputy Grand Knight Jeff Hamilton

Chancellor Tom Fears Jr.

Financial Secretary Marty Robbins

Advocate John Bundscho

Treasurer John Colletta

Recorder Joe Manion

Inside Guard Mark Castricone

Outside Guard Brian Weightman

Warden Al Radz

Chaplain Fr. Tom Guido

Lector OPEN

Trustees (1) Mike Greer

(2) Larry Hamilton

(3) Tim Kersanac

#### **Program Coordinators**

Program Director **OPEN** 

Faith Coordinator Eric Garland

Family Coordinator John Magee

Community Coordinator **OPEN** 

Life Coordinator John Bundscho

Membership Director Mark Castricone

Recruitment Committee (1) **OPEN** 

(2) **OPEN** 

(3) **OPEN** 

Retention Chairman OPEN

#### **Service Hours**

Please continue to send in your service hours to Brother Bundscho at

jbundscho@yahoo.com.

#### **Excellence in August**

Knight of the Month: Larry Hamilton

Knights of Columbus Council 11893 proudly honors Larry Hamilton as our Knight of the Month for August. Brother Hamilton's quiet strength and enduring dedication embody the values we hold dear. For years, he has been a steadfast supporter of our Council and our church, consistently contributing his time and talent without fanfare. From his reliable support of events like the annual fish fry and Tootsie Roll Drive to his instrumental role in ensuring the success of this year's Golf Tournament, Larry's contributions have been essential to our achievements. His profound dedication serves as a beacon of inspiration for all members of our Council, making him a most worthy recipient of this recognition.

#### Family of the Month: The Hamilton Family

Council 11893 joyfully celebrates Claudia and Jeff Hamilton as our Family of the Month for August 2025. The Hamiltons, working in harmony, embody a deep commitment to faith and service that strengthens the very fabric of our Catholic community. Claudia's selfless devotion to our children through her work as a Family Faith Formation teacher shapes the next generation of believers with care and wisdom. Jeff, as both an Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister and our Deputy Grand Knight, provides spiritual comfort and strategic leadership that sustains our parishes. Their combined efforts create a powerful force for good, enriching the lives of countless individuals. We offer our warmest congratulations to the Hamilton family, celebrating their extraordinary dedication to our community's spiritual well-being and their exceptional example of living their faith.

October 5, 2025 Annual Golf Tournament @ Emerald Bay CC October 11, 2025 Monthly Public Rosary (12 pm) @ Sacred

**Heart Hospital** 

October 26, 2025 Corporate Communion at CCCC with follow-on

social event at the Boathouse down at the

Harbor in Destin

November 7 & 8 2025 Ladies Auxiliary Bazaar @ RCC

November 15, 2025 Monthly Public Rosary (11 am) @ Sacred

Heart Hospital

November 30, 2025 5th Sunday Rosary (11:30 am) @ RCC

December 6, 2025 Council Christmas Party @ TBD

December 7, 2025 Family Christmas Reception @ RCC

December 13, 2025 Destin Christmas Parade

December 13, 2025 Monthly Public Rosary (11 am) @ Sacred

**Heart Hospital** 

January 16, 2026 Fish Fry #1 @ RCC January 30, 2026 Fish Fry #2 @ RCC

February 7, 2026 Mardi Gras Party @ RCC

February 13, 2026 Fish Fry #3 @ RCC February 27, 2026 Fish Fry #4 @ RCC

March 29, 2026 5th Sunday Rosary (11:30 am) @ RCC

April (TBD) 2026 Crawfish Boil at CCCC

May 31, 2026 5th Sunday Rosary (11:30 am) @ RCC

#### **Newsletter Ideas**

Brother Knights, if you have any ideas on how to improve the monthly newsletter or would like to draft an submission, please send an email to kofc.council11893.gk@gmail.com with the Subject Line: Newsletter, and let us know your ideas.



## October 2025

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#### Knights of Columbus Virtual Fraternal Benefits Event

## Monday, October 27th at 7pm CST

Registration is required using the link below

## www.kofc.org/livingbenefitsFBE

#### **Looking for Program Coordinators**

Calling all organized and passionate individuals! The council is *still* seeking dedicated volunteers to serve as Program Coordinators. Our programs make a real difference in the lives of our Catholic Community, and we need your help to ensure their continued success.

Contact Ken Wolfle at kofc.council11893.gk@gmail.com or 732-710-8461 if you are interested!!!

# If you have not paid your annual dues, please reach out to our worthy Financial Secretary, Marty Robbins at martin.robbins@att.net.

#### **Is Your Information Accurate?**

Every member of the Knights of Columbus in the Florida jurisdiction is listed on the Florida KofC website. Financial Secretaries update council lists on the Supreme and State websites at least quarterly. To ensure your information is correct, please review the brief YouTube video link below to confirm that your personal information and your preferred contact information is correct.

The 5-minute video describes how to log on or gain initial access, and reviews how to correct or confirm your personal information.

Follow the instructions on the video <a href="https://youtu.be/\_IVS3XkgiUs">https://youtu.be/\_IVS3XkgiUs</a> and while you are on the site, check out the other good news and information is available to you with just a click or two.

#### **Destin Christmas Parade Committee**

#### "KEEPING CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS"

The Council is seeking a passionate and dedicated individual to serve as Chairman of our annual Christmas Parade Committee. This is a fantastic opportunity to bring the magic of Christmas to our community and lead a team of volunteers in creating a spectacular event.

Interested individuals are encouraged to contact Ken Wolfle at kofc.council11893.gk@gmail.com or 732-710-8461.

#### **Christmas Party**

Spread the holiday cheer! The Council is looking for a dynamic and creative person to lead the charge as the Chairman for our Christmas Party! If you have a knack for planning amazing events, a love for all things Christmas, and the ability to inspire others, we want to hear from you.

Contact Ken Wolfle at kofc.council11893.gk@gmail.com or 732-710-8461

if you are interested!!!

#### **Mardi Gras Party Committee**

Laissez les bons temps rouler! The Council is forming a Mardi Gras planning committee, and we want *you*! If you've got a passion for beads, baubles, and all things Mardi Gras, we need your energy and creativity. Help us plan an unforgettable celebration filled with music, merriment, and memories. No experience necessary, just a love for the holiday and a willingness to pitch in.

Interested?

Contact Tom Fears at <a href="mailto:tomfearsjr@gmail.com">tomfearsjr@gmail.com</a>
Brian Weightman at <a href="mailto:weightmanbrian@yahoo.com">weightmanbrian@yahoo.com</a>



2025-26 Charity Raffle Prizes

First Prize: \$25,000 Second Prize: \$5,000 Third Prize (2): \$1,000 \$3/ticket or \$10 per book of 4

Drawing Saturday, May 23, 2026 @ State Convention in Orlando

TICKET BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP BY EMAILING <a href="mailto:kofc.council11893.gk@gmail.com">kofc.council11893.gk@gmail.com</a> OR AT OUR MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING.

#### **Your KofC Insurance Agent**





### Timothy Pugh, FSCP®, FICF

Financial Advisor
Office: 850-678-0962 x
3922 Balsam Drive
Niceville, FL 32578

https://info.kofcassetadvisors.org/Meet-Timothy-Pugh.html

#### COUNCIL SHIRTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT



#### **KNIGHTS ON BIKES**

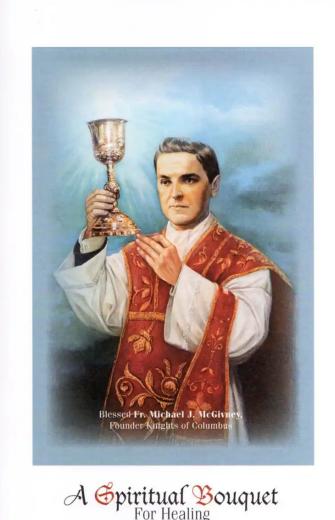


Juan "Rabbit" Hernandez
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## Memorial and Healing Cards



## 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 are used to honor 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**.

#### **Request Cards or Learn More**

Contact **George Elliott**, Memorial and Healing Cards Chairman Email: grejr13@gmail.com Phone: (908) 487-8622

https://www.floridakofccharities.org/Memorial-and-Healing-Cards



## **Knights of Columbus**

## FOURTH DEGREE

#### REACH YOUR HIGHEST POTENTIAL

The Fourth Degree is a group of outstanding Knights, dedicated to promoting patriotism enlightened by their Catholic faith. These Knights, distinguished by exemplary deeds for God, for country, and the Order, are united by the Fourth Degree to support religious, civic, and charitable causes.

Fourth Degree members belong to local units called assemblies. Each assembly is involved in a wide range of public patriotic activities.

Each assembly maintains a Fourth Degree Color Corps and Honor Guard. Uniformed members wearing the Official Uniform, and swords participate in special civic and religious ceremonies. For this reason, the Fourth Degree is often called the visible arm of the Knights of Columbus.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

To qualify for the Fourth Degree, one must:

- 1. Be over 18 years of age.
- 2. Be a member in good standing with your Council.
  - 3. Be a practical Catholic.

#### CHARITY TUNITY FRATERNITY PATRIOTISM

For Further Information Contact:
Robert Urrutia PSD, Master
Florida Jurisdiction
407-486-7883
Robert.S.Urrutia84@gmail.com

https://www.floridakofc.org/Fourthdegree-Forms Nov.

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2025

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church 5323 E County Road 462 Wildwood, FL 34785

> Registration at 9:00 AM Exemplification at 11:00 AM Banquet at 2:00 PM Mass at 4:00 PM

\*\*\*All applications for membership for the Fourth Degree and banquet reservations must be received by October 18

Please contact Brother John Bundscho at jbundscho@yahoo.com. if you are interested!!!



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**COUNCIL 11893** 

#### 2025 CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT Sunday, October 5, 2025

**EMERALD BAY GOLF CLUB** 

Raising Funds for Local Charities Including





4 Man Scramble

SIGN IN: 10:00 - 11:00 am SHOTGUN START: 11:30 am

**Entry Fee** 

\$500 per foursome

\$150 per person

\$600 after September 1<sup>st</sup>

Make Checks Payable to: Knights of Columbus Council 11893

Please mail payments postmarked by September 12th to PO Box 42 Destin, FL 32540

For entries after September 12th please contact John Colletta to reserve a spot

NAME	E-MAIL ADDRESS	CELL PHONE #	HDCP



## **ON-LINE AUCTION**



#### To View Auction Items Visit:

https://app.charityauctionstoday.com/auctions/knights-2025-44191

Friday, October 3rd @ 9:00 am **Bidding Opens:** 

Bidding Closes: Sunday, October 5th @ 6:00 pm

For help setting up an on-line bidding account contact John Colletta @ 850-543-9488



For Additional Information Contact:



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#### SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

	Sponsor a Military Team (\$600): 4 E	ntry Fees (Including Mulligans)						
	Sponsor a 1st Responder Team (\$600): 4 E	ntry Fees (Including Mulligans)						
	Team Sponsor (\$600): 4 E	ntry Fees & Sign placed on 1 tee box or green						
	Eagle Sponsor (\$1900): 8 E	ntry Fees & Sign placed on longest drive hole						
	Shirt Sponsor (\$6000): Log	o on Polo presented to all players						
	Hat Sponsor (\$3000): Log	o on Hat presented to all players						
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	Gold Sponsor (\$400): Cor	npany Sign placed on 3 tee boxes or greens ***						
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	*** \$100 extra for company tab	le with give-aways at ONE sponsored hole						
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*All sponsors receive recognition throughout event!								
	This is to acknowledge that a donati	on was received for sponsorship in the						
	2025 Knights of Columbus Council 11893 Charity Golf Tournament							
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The Knights of Columbus is an all-volunteer fraternal, charitable Catholic men's service organization with 1.9 million members world-wide! Last year our members put in over 75 million hours of community service and our								

#### **For Additional Information Contact:**

Mark Castricone (210) 837-2776 markcastricone@gmail.com

efforts raised over \$185 million dollars for charity.

John Colletta (850) 543-9488 johncolletta@msn.com Tim Kersanac (850) 598-5655 jtkersanac@ft.newyorklife.com





Interested in becoming a vendor? Scan the QR code for our vendor registration!



### All Ages Welcome

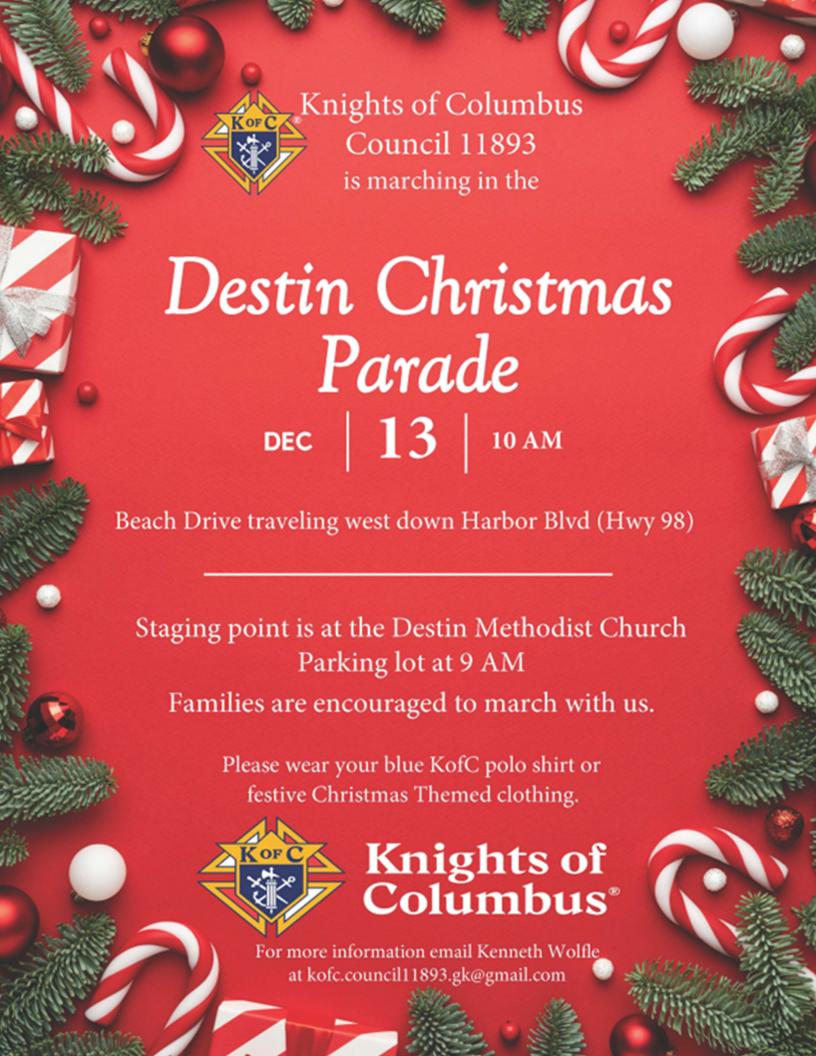
Pizza, Cookies, Hot Chocolate, Family Friendly Games & Activities, Nintendo Switch Station & Bounce-houses



Presented by Resurrection Catholic Church and



Knights of Columbus, Council 11893



Mark your calendar and spread the word!

## SAVE THE DATE!

45th Annual Black History Mass Celebration

Date: Sunday, January 25, 2026

Concert Time 2PM

Mass Time 2:30 PM

Location: Christ Our Redeemer Catholic Church, Niceville Florida 1028 White Point Road, Niceville

Join us as we celebrate 45 years of faith, unity, culture, and history through an inspiring Mass filled with music, reflection, and community.

We look forward to celebrating with you!

Brought to you by: The Catholic African American Cultural Awareness Group of Okaloosa County

For more information, contact Juanita and Terrena Sanks: jsanks@aol.com