

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



BISHOP VEROT COUNCIL # 5845

September 2025

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#### From the Grand Knight



Brothers,

The last five days of August could have been a time to reflect on what we had accomplished earlier in the month and what we planned to do in September but instead it was filled with Knight activities.

August 27 saw the knights assist the HNJ Home and School Association put on a" back-to-school BBQ" with water slides, bounce huts, and a DJ. While the children were playing and the parents bonding, the knights were working to make sure the 300 plus attendees were well fed. We manned the grill cooking and assembling hundreds of hamburgers and hotdogs, and staged and replenished all of the drinks and desserts. Father Scott led the assembled in prayer and all enjoyed an exceptionally fine evening.





On that same day, the knights also prepared a Spaghetti dinner for students at Florida Institute of Technology (FIT). Up to 70 meals were served in the Chapel's dining area after Father Randell conducted Mass in the Chapel and later said grace.



August 28<sup>th</sup> saw the knights assisting the Live4More crew with the guest speaker being Father Tony Welle. Fr. Welle drew over 130 attendees, most of whom were knights, from many different parishes throughout Brevard County. As usual the knights set up the serving areas, prepped the food, served and replenished, and cleaned up.





At our September business meeting, Jeff and Nikki Rollman were recognized as Family of the Month and Tom Ghesquiere as Knight of the Month.

Jeff and Nikki Rollman: Nikki has been a dedicated volunteer at the HNJ Thrift Shop for 15 years. In addition, she is a member of HNJ's Crafters, HNJ's Prayer Shawl makers, and a member of the Funeral Reception team for bereaved families. Jeff is also a valued volunteer at the HNJ Thrift shop, has stepped up to help with our BBQ's, prepping and serving at Live4more events and fish dinners and with our Christmas tree sales.

Thomas Ghesquiere has been one of the Knights who has helped and assisted me during my transition to Grand Knight with his sound advice and experience. Tom has been a longtime volunteer with St. Vincent de Paul, belongs to small prayer groups, is a presenter at our exemplifications, and participates in our First Friday and Fifth Sunday rosaries to mention a few of his church and knight activities. He has also been a steady hand during all of the events we have had. This past month, with assistance from other knights, he became Burger Bob, at both our Blessed McGivney BBQ and the Back to School BBQ. Combined he cooked over 600 burgers and hotdogs. But hours before he became Burger Bob for the" Back to school" event he helped prepare food for up to 70 students at our FIT spaghetti dinner.







We were also able to present Frank Hughes, Bob and Mimi Weidert, and Bill and Susan Gent with the Knight and Family of the month certificates they previously were awarded but had not received.







On September 13<sup>th</sup> the Knights participated in the National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children by attending the 8:30 Mass and joining in other groups and individuals in a rosary at the Knights of Columbus Unborn Memorial Monument. This event followed the Fifth Sunday rosary for Life on August 31.





The Knight's sponsored Soccer Challenge took place on the soccer field behind HNJ Gymnasium on September 15<sup>th</sup>. Thirty-five students ages 9 through 14 took part in the event with six volunteers from the Knights participating. The winners of this event will move on to the district level competition taking place at Melbourne Central Catholic High School.





On Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> the Knights bid farewell to our beloved Chaplin Deacon Michael J. Nussear along with Bishop Noonan, Fathers Scott, Peter, and Mathew, Deacons Eddy and Steve, a score of diocesan Priests and deacons, Deacon Mike's wife Janice, family, friends, and a near fully packed church of parishioners.

Bishop Noonan, with the assistance of our priests and deacons, concelebrated the funeral Mass. Thirteen fourth degree Knights in regalia lined the main isle of the church to honor our deceased Chaplin, and the heads of the Assembly and Council presented Mrs. Nussear with Resolutions of Condolences, Mass Cards, and a wooden cross.

The United States Air Force honor guard gave a gunned salute, conducted the U.S. flag folding ceremony and ended by playing taps. It was an emotional farewell to a beloved and honored brother.











Thirty knights and their escorts attended our September 20<sup>th</sup> Social. The evening began at Intracoastal Brewery Company and ended with dinner at Nomads Canteen. All in attendance had a wonderful time.



Vivat Jesus,

Peter Gioia

Grand Knight

# **September Events**

Sept	2	7:00 pm	Business Meeting	Rm 101
	5	7:00 pm	First Friday Rosary	Chapel
	13	9:00 am	Unborn Memorial Service at K of C monument	Pro-life Monument
	13	11:00 am	CRHP BBQ/serve lunch	Pavilion
	15	9:00 am	Soccer Challenge	HNJ Soccer Field
	16	7:00 pm	Planning Meeting	Room 101
	21	All Masses	Coffee and Donuts	Community Room
	23	7:00 PM	Exemplification	Church
	27	11:00 am	Funeral SK Dr. Rossi	Church
	27	4:30 pm	Sr. Fran 70th renewal of Vows Anniversary	Church/ Community Rm
	29	6:00 pm	Blue Mass honoring First Responders	Church



#### Insurance



#### Let's Bridge the Gap

up now.

Is there a gap between the insurance coverage you have and the insurance coverage you need? Maybe you wonder about this every once in a while, before putting it out of mind. Or maybe you don't think about it all. But September is Life Insurance Awareness Month, so I think it's important to bring this question

According to the most recent Insurance Study performed by the Life Insurance Marketing and Research Association ("LIMRA"), 40 percent of American adults say they need life insurance or need to obtain more life insurance coverage.

That's a lot of people wondering, "What if?" What if you need more? What if you're not prepared for the unexpected?

Let's explore some situations in which you might need to fill an insurance gap:

Young adults. If you're getting group coverage through your employer, consider what will happen if your job situation changes. That coverage is not likely to follow you. The good news is, buying your own life insurance is generally more affordable the younger you are, so don't miss the opportunity to lock in coverage now.

Those with accrued debt. Life insurance can help ensure money is available to pay off any debts, such as student loans or a mortgage, without forcing your loved ones to sell assets or inherit a financial obligation.

Those who are married. Many married couples share financial responsibilities. If one spouse dies, the other could struggle to cover those expenses alone. Life insurance can help provide security for the unknown.

Those with children. Life insurance helps protect children in case of tragedy. It ensures they would be able to maintain their standard of living, stay in their home, help cover childcare or schooling and eventually go to a secondary education option, if desired.

Small business owners. You built your business — now protect it. Life insurance can help with estate planning, final expenses and ensuring your business would operate if the unexpected happens.

There are many reasons why you may need life insurance protection, and I'm here to help you find the coverage that matches your needs.

Don't wait — ensuring you and your family are protected can be quicker and easier than you may imagine.

Set up time to meet with me and we will start the process together. Thank you!

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Best Regards,

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Knight of the Month for September
Tom Ghesquire

Family of the Month for September

Jeff & Nikki Rollman





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## **Upcoming Events:**

October 3rd-First Friday Rosary/Night of Merciful Love,

7:00pm at HNJ Church

October 4th-K of C Corporate Communion, 4:30pm at HNJ Church

October 5th-Life Chain, 2:00pm at Eau Gallie & AIA

October 7th-Business meeting, 7:00pm at Room 101

October 12th-Coffee and Donuts, all masses, Community Room

October 12th-New Parishioners BBQ, 12 noon at HNJ Pavilion

October 16th-Live4More, 6:00pm at HNJ Cafeteria

October 18th-HNJ Lamers Memorial Golf Tournament, 7:30am at Indian

**River Colony Club** 

October 18th/19th-Sell "Keep Christ In Christmas" items,

all masses, atrium

October 21st-Planning Meeting, 7:00pm at room 101

October 22nd-FIT Spaghetti Dinner, 6:00pm at FIT chapel

October 25th/26th-Sell "Keep Christ In Christmas" items,

all masses, atrium

October 25th/26th-Semper Fi/America's fund drive, all masses, atrium

October 28th-Exemplification, 7:00pm at HNJ Church