

Knights of Columbus ó Our Lady Queen of Peace Council 11680 ó Monthly Newsletter

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The Family Council, New Port Richey

May 2017

### Grand Knightos Message

### Hello Brothers

I hope everyone had a Blessed and Happy Easter. We had an awesome turnout for the Easter Egg Hunt, Father counted 85+ kids. I would like to thank all the volunteers, especially my wife Emily. We as men of God are so Blessed to have these woman in our lives. The classroom is coming along nicely, we should be able to have our business meeting in May there. I will let you know the week of the meeting. We had our first Oktoberfest meeting on Saturday, more to come on this later. We will have nominations for next years officers at the meeting.

"...and now nothing they have imagined they can do will be impossible for them." Genesis 11:6

How often do you stop and think about what you are thinking about? So often, people live with their minds on autopilot, taking in whatever thoughts come their way. But if we are going to rise up higher the way God intends, we have to determine to make sure our thoughts line up with God's thoughts. Seven times in scripture God asks, "What do you see?" God is interested in our vision. Before your dream comes to pass, you have to see yourself accomplishing that dream. You've got to get a picture of it. Before you lose the weight, before you break the addiction, you have to see it happening in your imagination.

Today, instead of thinking about your problems, think about God's promises. Get a vision for what He has in store for your future. Imagine yourself living in victory. Imagine yourself healed. Imagine yourself walking in abundance. Imagine yourself blessing other people. Just imagine what God has in store for you because nothing is impossible with Him!

**Christ Lives and God Bless** 

Thomas Young G.K.

# **Pro-life**

### **Pray to end Abortion!!**

O Mary, bright dawn of the new world, Mother of the living, to you do we entrust the *cause of life*: Look down, O Mother, upon the vast numbers of babies not allowed to be born, of the poor whose lives are made difficult, of men and women who are victims of brutal violence, of the elderly and the sick killed by indifference or out of misguided mercy. Grant that all who believe in your Son may proclaim *the Gospel of life* with honesty and love to the people of our time. Obtain for them the grace to *accept that Gospel* as a gift ever new, the *joy of celebrating* it with gratitude throughout their lives and the courage to *bear witness* to it resolutely, in order to build, together with all people of good will, the civilization of truth and love, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life. Amen

**KNIGHTS ON THE WEB** Thereøs a great deal of information on the World Wide Web about the Knights of Columbus. Supreme counciløs web site is: <u>www.kofc.org</u>. Florida State Council web Site: <u>www.kofc11680.org</u>. Our Lady Queen of Peace Council 11680 web site: <u>www.kofc11680.org</u>

# Chaplain's Message



Dear Brother Knights,

Blessings of the Easter! Thanks to all our Brother Knights for your presence and leadership at all the Easter Liturgies. May the Peace of the Risen Lord be with you all! Easter celebration is over. Now the challenge before us is how to live out the resurrection. To help us with it, we may have to give up some of our habits. Each of us know exactly what to give up. Why is it necessary to give up some habits? It is because they may prevent us from achieving our goals in life. If we have a habit, good or bad, there should be a reason for that. We hold on to it because we benefit something out of it. That is where we have to focus. If they wongt help us to achieve our eternal goals, they are unnecessary. Let them go. Let this Easter Season help us to eradicate if not all, some

of such habits. Once in a while let us go for an examination of conscience. If nothing is there to be eradicated, we are blessed.

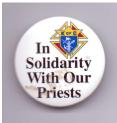
Always believe,  $\exists$  am not a failure; I can win ø Didnøt Jesus always believe in winning? Jesus always said to his listeners: õYou kill me; on the third day I will rise again.ö That  $\exists$ rising on the third dayø, that is what we have to believe always. Let us win again. Let us make ourselves free from all thoughts that defeat us and focus on rising again. That is the message of Easter; rising again from our falls.

Once again I wish you a Blessed Easter Season! Father Sebastian

### **News Letter Deadline**

Please have your Article for the June 2017 issue of the Knightly Newsletter to me by May 20, 2017. <u>If article is not received by the 27<sup>th</sup> of month it will not be published in that month</u>. Any Chairman of any committee that wishes to promote their projects are responsible to get their article to me. Art Ostrander, News Letter Editor phone Number 727-372-9437 Email <u>arthurostrander@gmail.com</u>

### **Prayer for Vocations**



Heavenly Father, Your divine Son taught us to pray to the Lord of the harvest to send Laborers into His vineyard. We earnestly beg you to bless our Diocese and our world with many priests and religious who will love you fervently, and gladly and courageously spend their lives in service to Your Son's Church under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. We pray that lives may be always centered on our Eucharistic Lord which they may be devoted sons and daughters of Mary, our mother, in making you known and loved that all may attain Heaven. Bless our families and our children and choose from our homes

those whom you desire for this holy work. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen

<u>Calendar for Council and Assembly events for May 2017</u> May 01, 2017 Officer's Meeting 7:00pm in hall. May 04, 2017, Business Meeting (Nominations)at 7:30 PM in hall. May 25, 2017 Assembly meeting 7:30 PM in hall

# May 2017 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knights

James E. Blatchley 05/01 Frank R. Buonincontri 05/27 Joseph Fiorentino III 05/24 William R. Higgins 05/11 William J. Huber Jr 05/20 William P. Karakaris 05/11 George Mountford 05/29 Darron R.Ratzmann 05/06 Rev.Kenneth Slattery 05/26 Thomas Young 05/11



Dan Mc Kinnon 05/20 Joseph A. Menicola 05/26 Ronald J. Molles 05/10 John T. Andriano 05/02 Clark N. Hill 05/29



**From the Memorial Director, Brother Dan Poulter** If anyone knows of a brother knight or a family member of a brother knight that is sick, distressed or has gone to be with the

### MARY QUEEN OF THE KNIGHTS

Our Lady, Queen of the Knights, bless all the activities of our order. Keep us true to the pledge, to extend the Kingship of your Divine Son on earth, through your intercession win for us your grace, ever to exemplify in our public and private lives, the virtues which should characterize those, specially dedicated to the service of the heavenly court. Make us always aware, that as you're Knights we are constantly observed, our faith judged, and our order appreciated. Accept, O Mary this renewed pledge of fealty and devotion, of your servants the Knights of Columbus. Amen



### The Value of Membership Referrals

As a professional insurance agent, one of the things I appreciate most is when one of my brother Knight clients or his wife refers another member to me. This is a great endorsement of the service I provided. It tells me that they were so pleased with what I helped them accomplish that they want me to help others achieve the safe level of financial safety and security. When I meet with you, please pass along the names of those who might be able to benefit from the analysis that I provide.

Similarly, there is no stronger membership recruiting tool than the referral. How many of us know an eligible Catholic male who is not a member of the Knights of Columbus? Do you have Catholic family or friends, local or not, who have yet to join? Most likely, theyøve never been asked and donøt know enough about the Order

to seek out membership on their own.

If you have names of potential members, please pass them along to me or your Grand Knight. Let us know if we can use your name when we contact the gentlemen in question. It always more effective to tell a candidate for membership that he was recommended by a current member, especially someone he knows. Dongt worry if the candidate is outside the area I serve or beyond the district of the local councils, we can make sure we put these future members in touch with the right people in their communities.

New members are the lifeblood of the Order. All the good deeds done by the Order are driven by the members. Over the past decade, Knights have given more than \$1.475 billion to charity and provided in excess of 673 million hours of service. And our membership has merely scratched the surface in North America. Imagine the potential.

352-279-2533

Email MARK.BLANTON@KOFC.ORG

Reminder! First Friday of each month the Social Committee puts on a dinner. Please call in for your reservation. 727-849-7521

### **Sick and Distressed**

# Prayers requested for the following Brothers and members and their families.

Father Joseph Pastick, Brother Jim Kremer Healing, Brother Jack Petrosky Niece Lauren, Brother John Barry Healing, Brother Martin Michelon, Brother George Mountford, Brother Richard Overbeck, Marion Morgante, Brother Dan McKinnon and Brother Dan Poulter.

### PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Father of goodness and love; hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence? Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits. May these special people find lasting health and deliverance, and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts. We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed. AMEN

### **<b>†** HEALING PRAYER **†**

"Our Father, Who Art In Heaven, As You Walk Into My Home, Please Take Away All My Worries, Diseases, And Fears; And Please Protect Everyone I Love, All Of My Family, Especially My Children, Other Relatives, And My Friends, In The Name Of Jesus! Amen."



Greetings Sir Knights,

I hope everyone had a Blessed and Happy Easter.

We are about to enter into the month of May which is our patriotic month. I have been in the process of requesting 175 flags for West Elfers Cemetery. Hopefully, Saturday May 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 is going to be a convenient time for all, to help place them on the graves of all the honored that have fallen. The work has started on our new meeting room. It will be located in the detached classrooms by the garage.

The VAVS collection boxes will be placed in the Church for the month of May.

Congratulations to Joe Fiorentino for being chosen Sir Knight of the month

for March. Hope everyone will have a safe and wonderful Memorial Day.

Blessings, George, FN

### **CONGRATULATION!**

Knight of the month Brother Lou Gallino

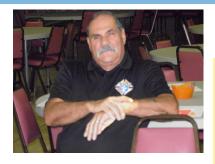


Family of the Month Brother John Barry



### Sir Knight of the Month Sir Knight Joe Fiorentino





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"Due to increases in apparel and decorating costs, we regretfully have to increase our pricing. We strive to keep the cost to the Knights of Columbus reasonable, however prices and fees have been rising since the beginning of 2017, and we can no longer absorb those increases. We are sorry for any inconvenience. New rates take effect May 1, 2017".

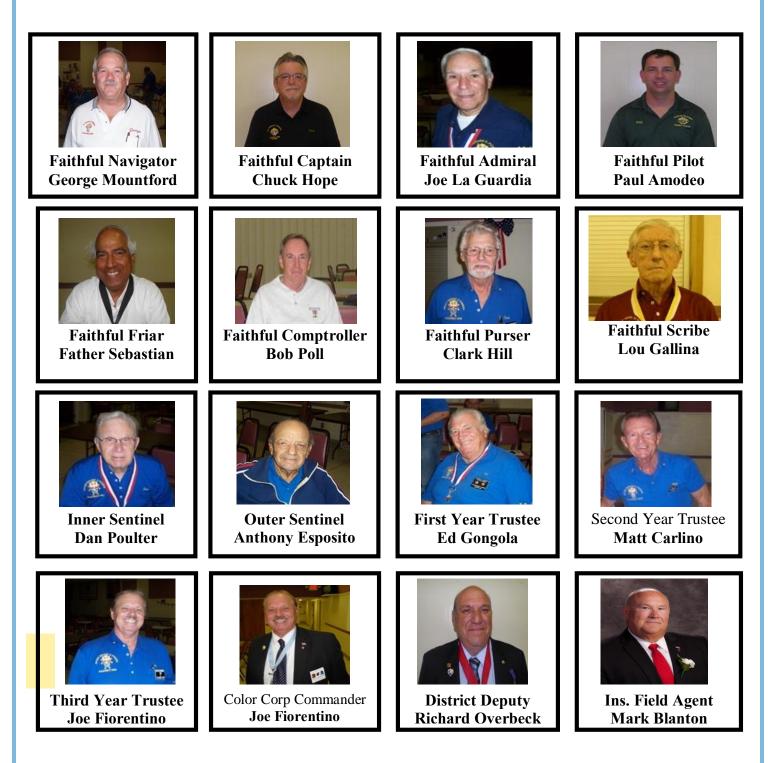
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### Our Lady Queen of Peace Council 11680 Officer's Roster 2016/2017



### Father Gerard E Powers Assembly 2882 Officers 2016-2017



## **150 Club #9 Tally**



Week #	Amount	Number	Name	Check #
1	\$50.00	085	Gay McMahon	4681
2	\$50.00	061	Gail Nalli	4682
3	\$50.00	129	George Mountford	4678
4	\$50.00	001	Joe Florentino	4679
5	\$50.00	127	Robert Homeier	4680
6	\$50.00	047	James Manjone	4688
7	\$50.00	086	Jane Caruso	4689
8	\$50.00	054	Patricia Kownack	4690
9	\$50.00	084	Jeanne Rogers	4691
10	\$50.00	012	David Lewandowski	4700
11	\$50.00	099	Lewis Morales	4701
12	\$50.00	022	Irene Prendergast	4702
13	\$50.00	042	Matt Carlino	4703
14	\$50.00	062	Patricia Thomas	4708
15	\$50.00	150	Tony Nalli	4709
16	\$250.00	083	Robert Galvin	4710
16	\$250.00	084	Jeanne Rogers	4711
16	\$500.00	120	Patricia Briggs	4712
16	\$500.00	116	Patricia Briggs	4713

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE 150 CLUB

WE ARE STARTING 150 CLUB #10 RENEWALS NOW. PLEASE CONTACT US ASAP TO RESERVE YOUR NUMBER(S)

CALL TOM CLEARY, <u>727-846-0392</u> OR TONY NALLI, <u>727-858-7907</u> OR EMAIL TOM AT tom.cleary75@gmail.com

WE ALSO ACCEPT CREDIT CARD PAYMENT, CALL TOM OR TONY F OR INFORMATION

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE KEEPING THE SAME NUMBER, WANT TO CHANGE THE NUMBER OR DON'T WISH TO RENEW YOUR NUMBER.

THANK YOU, TOM CLEARY/TONY NALLI co-chairmen

Our Lady Queen of Peace Knights of Columbus Council 11680

Announces the

150 Club #10

Starting Date July 2, 2017

This program consists of the Donation of \$25.00 per person Maximum number of tickets is 150.

There will be 15 weekly drawings for \$50.00 each

Winning number will be returned to the drum each week so you are eligible to Win a \$50.00 prize more than one time if you are lucky!

Follow the 15 weekly drawings, we will have a brunch and Grand Prize Drawing of (2) prizes of \$250.00 each and (2) drawings for \$500.00 each

Your donation of \$25.00 entitles you to admission to the brunch Plus entry in all drawings

All Proceeds will help the Knights of Columbus Council 11680 Keep our obligations to the Parish and other charitable donations.

Any questions, please call Tom Cleary at 727-846-0392 or Tony Nalli at 727-858-7907

Or tom.cleary75@gmail.com

Cash or check made out to OLQP KofC Council 11680

Another option is credit card Accepting Visa, Mastercard, Discover or American Express

We will be contacting all members starting last week of April, 2017

### NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS FOR KofC COUNCIL 11680 FOR 2017 - 2018

Grand Knight	John Barry
Deputy Grand Knight	Clark Hill
Chancellor	Armando Xavier
Warden	Jose Xavier
Treasurer	Antonio Alves
Recorder	OPEN
Advocate	Edward Gongola
Inside Guard	Dennis O <b>p</b> aniels
Outside Guard	Richard Palladino
3 year trustee	Thomas Young
2 year trustee	Anthony Nalli
1 year trustee	Joseph Fiorentino



Brothers, I am one of the few remaining Charter members still active in our Council. For the first time in a while, I am excited with what's going on. The place is crazy with activity and I am happy that I have been allowed to be part of this new enthusiasm by the active members. I want to congratulate our Grand Knight Tom Young, his wife Emily and the half dozen Brother Knights who helped in our second annual Easter egg hunt on Easter Sunday, attended by 60 to 70 kids and their parents. Secondly a personal thank you to the men who gave of their time after

the Masses Saturday and Sunday to help the Council hold a membership drive. Thank you to the Brothers who spoke at the Masses and were spot on with their own remarks regarding our Council and the many great things we are doing both at the Parish and also in the community. The Church doors had members passing literature out regarding not only the Knights of Columbus but also our Council here at Queen of Peace. Tony Nalli is to be thanked for making up brochures featuring many of the things we do as a Council. Next for those who may not know, we are assisting with the rejuvenation of our Council and new Assembly boards adorning the foyer in Fr. Foynes Hall thanks to Brother Clark Hill, George Mountford and our Grand Knight. They will be beautiful and respectful to our present officers as well as all of our former Grand Knights and Former Faithful

Navigators. We have begun the move to our new meeting quarters in the quadrant of classrooms where members under our brother Joe Fiorentino and Clark Hill have removed one wall and will remove another per Father Sebastian's request to facilitate more meeting space without incurring the cost of air and lighting in the hall. Furniture has been ordered and whatever manual work needs to be done and can be done by the members is being done without cost to the parish or to our Council. Much more is in the works as hall renovation continues under a special committee that are developing their own funds to spruce the place up for possible rental. Much more to be proud of but much still needs to be done. Great cooperation going on between the Office staff and our Council Leaders. We are grateful for all you do and hopefully what's happening will spur on more of you returning to the fold and getting active again. It would be great to see our First Degree Team back in action, (Bill Huber). We have really good leadership and more on the horizon but I would like to see more men attending the meetings and also helping us rebuild this wonderful Council. There's a saying in the Marines, "be proud, be a Marine"; be proud, be a Knight" not in just paying your dues but being active. We have another great slate of Officers and elections are right around the corner, get your name in and get re-involved. Great Membership Drive today, lets see how many join the fold and with us doing a proper job of admissions, we'll find out just what they want to do to help us regrow the "Best of the Best". I promise you that any new member will receive a full evaluation as to why he wants to become a Knight and what he wants to do. No more just signing up men who never even make their degrees. If it happens again, you can fire me. Blessings and the peace and joy of the Easter Season to you and your family. Fraternally,

Joe LaGuardia, PGK, FDD, PFN Membership Director Council 11680



COLOR C ORPS COMMANDER 2882 Request:

HONOR GUARD

Sir Knights :

Tony Alves requesting an Honor Guard for: Our Lady of Fatima Feast, Festa Do Divino Espirito Santo

Place and Time: Sunday May 7th. 2017 at 10:30am.

Portugese Club House. 11205 Areca Dr. <u>Color Guard will meet at -10:00am</u>- at the Club House if you have any questions call Color Corps Commander Joseph Fioerntino <u>727-809-0492</u> <u>Color Corps Please E-Mail me back if you can make it</u>.

DIRECTIONS: US-19 north, right on Ranch Rd. and left on Areca Dr . Portugese club house on your left. Color Corps Commander JOSEPH FIORENTINO III

# Easter Egg Hunt on Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish



















