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Honoring Knights



Knight of the Month for August

*** Father Sebastian**

Family of the Month for August

*** Janice and Mike Novello**



**\$35,000 Donation
OLA Building Fund**

Knightly Round Up!



Knight of the Month for August - Father Sebastián
Family of the Month for August - Janice / Mike Novello

September 2024

FOM Dennis/Franci Beville
KOM Mike Sassano

October 2024

FOM Paul / Barb Petrus
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November 2024

FOM
KOM

December 2024

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FOM Joe Mascari

February 2025

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KOM Jim Thompson

March 2025

FOM Kent / Patty Goodger
KOM Joe Timmons

April 2025

FOM Rich / Debbie Kent
KOM Joe Finamore

May 2025

FOM Mike / Nadine Kulikowski
KOM Rich McBride

June 2025

FOM Tod Taylor
KOM Dave Lawson

July 2025

FOM David Reich
KOM Sam Russell

Car Show Cookout!



CAR SHOW & Cookout



**Knights Of
Columbus**

Saints Cosmas
& Damian
Council 13341

Live DJ 

**All Proceeds Go to
St. Jude Children's Hospital**

Saturday, November 1st, 2025 - 10am to 2pm
Our Lady Of The Angels Catholic Church
12905 SR 70, Lakewood Ranch, FL 34202

\$20 To Show Your Car

All Cars Welcome (Must Arrive By 9:30 am)

Trophies & Door Prizes

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www.KNIGHTS13341.org And Follow The Links



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Online Registration:



Car Show meeting every Monday room 115, Parrish Center



First Responders Mass

Knights of Columbus, Saints Cosmas & Damian Council 13341 sponsored a First Responders Mass at Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Church on Tuesday evening, September 9th at 6:30 PM.

The First Responders Mass is hosted to honor the work of public safety personnel including law enforcement officials, firefighters, emergency medical services personnel, and military personnel.

Particularly in the wake of events of September 11th, 2001, the First Responders Mass, is a way to recognize these brave individuals for their sacrifice, and to remember those who have given their lives in service to their communities.

The Knights of Columbus has taken an active role in sponsoring Masses in the communities in which it serves, to join with the community in expressing appreciation to these dedicated professionals for all their selfless work.

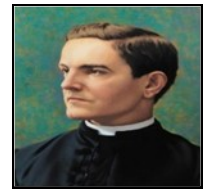
This special Mass honors those who sacrificed their lives on Sept 11, 2001, at the World Trade Center trying to selflessly help others. It also honors those who continue to put their lives on the line by responding to emergencies in our community.

Father Patrick Long presided over the Mass with Deacon Bill Hickey assisting. Brother Keith Green as well as parishioner Benito White were altar servers.

Father Long gave a very poignant sermon.

Gia Havener, our OLA Choir Director, our fellow Knight Dave Springer who was Cantor and members of the choir provided inspiring music befitting the occasion.







First Responders Mass

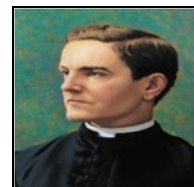


New Website

As you know, our council is always busy. It's important for everyone involved that we are as efficient and effective as possible.

Some of our processes to relay information are dated and irregular. About 5 months ago, we began the process of completely redesigning our website to remedy these issues. I am pleased to announce that this website is now online and open for business. Going forward, all events, times, locations, and volunteer signups will be done on the site. In addition, you can buy your shirts, badges, and pay your council dues, online. There is so much new content to share but, right now, time is short. The new site uses the old web address so please check it soon.

<https://www.knights13341.org>





Corporate Mass!

Council Members, individually or with their wives and other family members attended the 9AM Mass to celebrate the life of our Founder, the Blessed Father Michael McGivney who was born on August 12, 1852 and died on August 14, 1890. Although the actual feast day for Father McGivney was on Wednesday, August 13th, a Corporate Mass is celebrated on Sunday so that as many Knights and their families could attend together as possible.

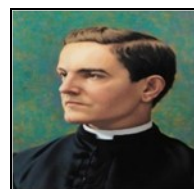
Father Sebastian gave a wonderful homily on the Gospel according to Luke. It is the troubling passage where Jesus exclaims, "Do you think I have come to establish peace of earth? I have come to set the earth on Fire and there will be division in each household.

Father Sebastian said to the congregation, that yes on the one hand, we all really believe that Jesus came to bring peace to the world and he expects us to individually help accomplish this in our lives. What Jesus meant in this case, is that his teachings will not be accepted by everyone. And even in households there will be those who believe and those who don't. Then Father said, that even individually, our hearts can be divided and we will have difficulty accepting all he has preached. But the bottom line is that we must put differences aside and we must persevere in our faith. And we must keep the Faith burning brightly in our hearts.

After Mass many traveled to nearby Tara Country Club to enjoy brunch and catch up with brothers we had not seen in a while or to mingle with new Knights and families



Feast Day Father McGivney



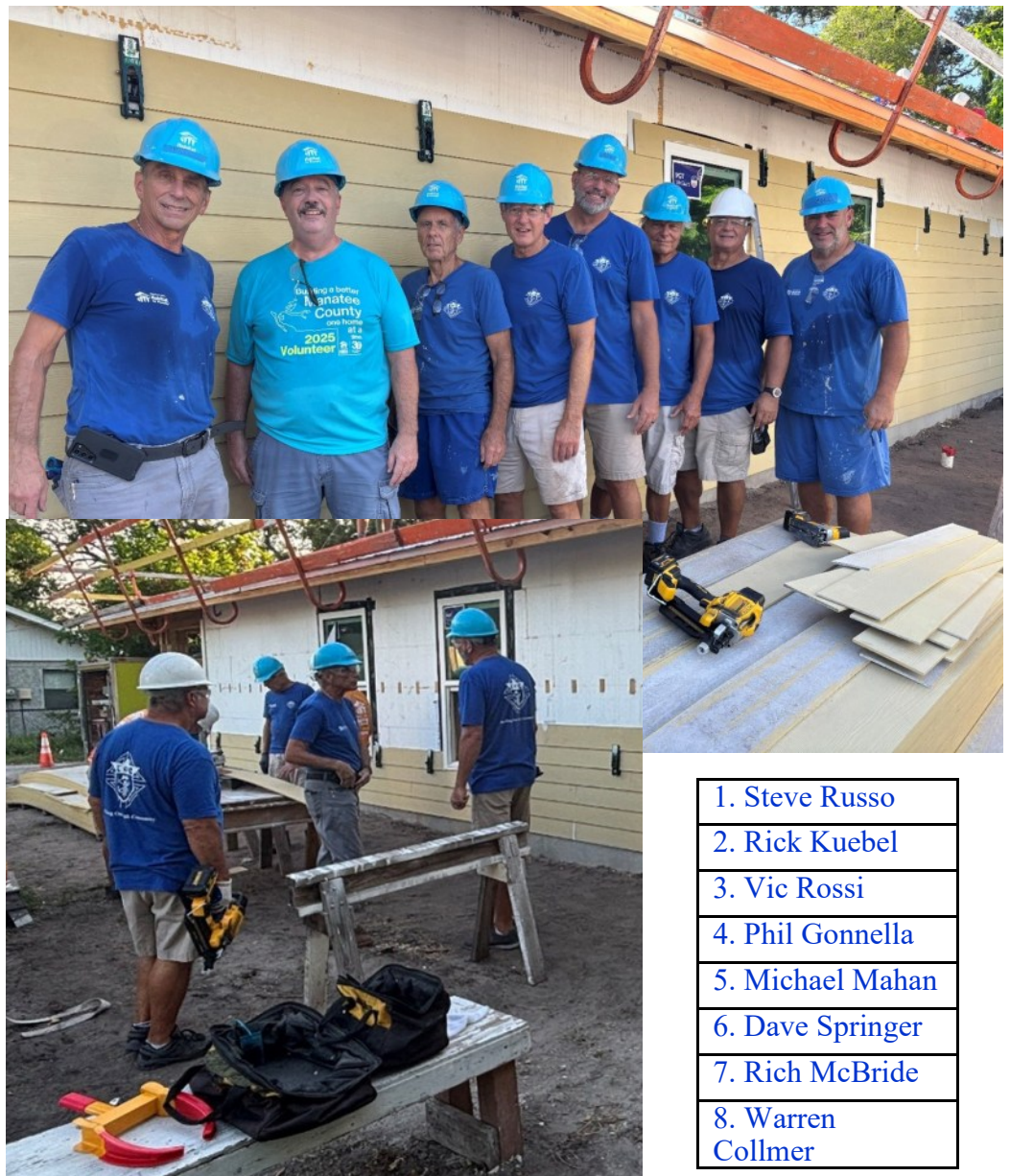


Habitat

On Thursday, August 7th, 2025, 8 Knights of Council #13341 teamed together with Habitat for Humanity at a new house under construction located at 404 10th Avenue East, Bradenton.

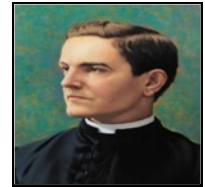
The project team completed the following tasks:
Installed Hardi-Board siding on the exterior of the house.

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1Vd4Xg4QnX/?>



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| 1. Steve Russo |
| 2. Rick Kuebel |
| 3. Vic Rossi |
| 4. Phil Gonnella |
| 5. Michael Mahan |
| 6. Dave Springer |
| 7. Rich McBride |
| 8. Warren Collmer |

Keeping It Straight!



Nailed It!





Brothers to Brothers

All the good works we do as Knights of Columbus are informed by our four core principles: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. Our Brothers to Brothers Program fulfills directly our principles of Unity and Fraternity.

Unity – None of us is as good as all of us. Together, we can accomplish far more than any of us can individually. So, we sticking together...we support and encourage our brother Knights to make life better in our parish and community.

Fraternity – Blessed Michael J. McGivney founded our order to bring men together specifically to help them protect their families in times of distress, sickness and death.

The Program

Brothers to Brothers provides direct outreach to members of our Council experiencing health challenges of varying degrees. We accomplish this at two levels: Council Awareness and Assigned Brothers.

Council Awareness – This is the responsibility of all Knights of the Council. When any member becomes aware of the illness, disability or death of a brother Knight it should be formally reported to the Council. This provides the Council with the opportunity to contact the member or his family to determine how the Council can assist them, and to coordinate with the Parish the involvement of the Council in any funeral service.

Assigned Brothers – As we speak with a Knight or their family about their health challenges, we offer to assign them a current active member. This Assigned Brother is asked to provide all that is necessary to allow their Brother Knight to be as engaged in Council and Parish life as they desire. Most importantly, they ensure they have regular access to receiving the Holy Eucharist, and to assists in arranging that access as necessary. Additionally, the assigned Knight attempt to identify any other practical needs of the family where the Council may be able to assist, such as minor home repairs.

Cosmas and Damian Council Brothers to Brothers Program



We ask those participating as Assigned Brothers to commit to the following with respect to their fellow brother Knight:

**Make contact by phone or visit at least once a month.
Determine if they can attend Mass regularly. If not, offer to co-ordinate with the Parish, visitation by a Eucharistic Minister.
Confirm they are receiving Council / Assembly emails.
Invite them to monthly Council meetings and offer to give them a ride to the meeting.
Invite them to the quarterly Brothers to Brothers luncheon and offer to give them a ride to the luncheon.
Report to Brothers to Brothers Committee members any practical needs with which the Council may be able to assist.
Report to the Grand Knight and the Brothers to Brothers Committee members any significant increase in health problems so prayers may be offered.**





Upcoming Events

October 2nd Officers and Directors Meeting 7 pm Annex

October 13th Columbus Day

October 16th Business Meeting 7 pm Annex

October 7th 24-hour Rosary 8 pm to 6 am OLA Chapel

October 16th Brothers to Brothers 11:00 am Peridia Country Club

State Council & District

When you recruit two men between Sept. 1 and Dec. 31, 2025, you'll be entered into a drawing to receive a cash prize of \$1,500!*

Ten second-place winners will receive a customized, K of C-branded football.

Want two entries? Recruit four men before the end of the year!

Be sure these new recruits include your member number as their proposer, so you get credit and have a chance to win.

This fall, you have the power to bring the Knights of Columbus mission to more Catholic men – profoundly impacting their lives, their families and their communities.

It starts with a simple invitation, and then one more.

Let's go big this fall — let's go for two!

Supreme Council

MARTYRS WITHOUT BORDERS



The heroic witness of 81 Korean War martyrs has been a source of inspiration to the growing number of Knights of Columbus in South Korea. Three of these martyrs were U.S.-born priests — Maryknoll Bishop Patrick J. Byrne and Columban missionaries Msgr. Patrick Brennan and Father James Maginn — whose presence in Korea underscored the Church's international character.



Knights of Columbus
**FOURTH
DEGREE**
Patriotic degree of the Order.



The winners for week 1 Sept 8th Monday Night Football Pool are as follows

A book - Mark O'Brien

B Book - Stanley Fox

Home Team Chicago Bears 24

Visitors Minnesota Vikings 27

The combination was Home 4 down Visitors 7 across,

Book 91 is the winners in the A & B

Home team Texans 19

Visitors Team Tampa Bay Buc's 20

The Week 2 Winners are,

Book A Joe Finamore 4606 Tiel Place Lakewood Ranch FL 34211

Book B Terry Bates 4888 Oak Run Drive Sarasota FL 34243

Congrats to our Week 2 Winners

Go to our Website <https://www.assembly3192.org>

For next weeks winners!

Coming up Patriotic Ball in February and the Armed Forces Day Golf Tournament in April!

Lecture



Bishop Michael F. Burbidge's Statement on the Assassination of Charlie Kirk

As Americans, we are witnesses in just the past few weeks to a vicious pattern of political and social disorder. At Annunciation Catholic Parish in Minneapolis, the killings of Harper Moyski and Fletcher Merkel, two innocent children. In Charlotte, the murder of Ukrainian refugee Iryna Zarutska. And now the political assassination of Charlie Kirk, known for his commitment to civil and rational discourse. We entrust each of these victims to God, our Heavenly Father and author of every human life, and his son Jesus Christ, the reason for our supernatural hope.

What we see unfolding in our nation is a vicious pattern of hatreds rooted in the rejection of God, of the dignity of the human person, and the sanctity of the family. We can eradicate these ills only through a firm reliance on God, through a deeper devotion to Christ and the Gospel, through a sincere love for persons reflected in law, and through a renewed commitment to justice and public order.

We are living through a perilous moment. Our challenge is not only one of partisan disagreement, law, and policy, but in a deeper way our challenge is to uphold the central goods of American political life: of faith, of families, and of a national commitment to live together in harmony as brothers and sisters.

Bishop Michael F. Burbidge

Charlie Kirk was assassinated for his religious beliefs more so than his political. He did not separate the two. He is a Martyr in every sense.

Charlie was not a Catholic he believed in Christ and his teachings. He knew there was real danger to his life but he did not back down from reaching out to the youth of our nation to spread the Gospel.



TMIY

THAT MAN IS YOU!

“That Man Is You!” (TMIY) is a transformative men’s program offered free of charge at over 1,000 Catholic parishes across the U.S. (including Our Lady of the Angels since 2023) that addresses the challenges Catholic men of all ages face today, especially in their roles as husbands and fathers. From mid-September to mid-December and again from mid-January to mid-April, participants meet weekly for 90 minutes to pray, watch videos—featuring speakers covering Church teachings, Scripture, wisdom of the saints, latest social science, and testimonials—and have small group discussions. This program is open to all men (parishioners and non-parishioners), and this fall, two weekly TMIY sessions will be offered. If you have never registered for TMIY at Our Lady of the Angels and would like to attend this fall, scan the QR code to the right with your device to sign up.

For more information, visit <https://www.olangel SCC.org/tmiy/> or contact Mike Gonzales at 913-424-8255 or gonzalesmichaelpaul@gmail.com



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Grand Knight's Korner

As Knights, I think we may have an identity issue. When talking about our council, how many times have you heard-you guys do the fish fries, or my kids loves Breakfast with Saint Nick—the car show was great. Ok that's good. At least they know of us. A phrase that gave me pause was the Knights are an outward facing catholic organization. HMMM.. outward facing. True many activities are directed at the community or parish but is that all we are? No, first and foremost we are catholic gentlemen. Our faith in Our Lord Jesus Christ and our devotion to the universal church is number one. Our motto is putting faith into action. We use this phrase all the time but rarely for the best way to put faith into action: Prayer Brothers, our community and parish need men publicly sharing their faith and joining them in prayer. As Knights, we need to hear this call and do what we do best. Put our faith into action. In the next few months, there will be several new faith programs that you will have an opportunity to participate in. But why wait...let's start now. Later in the meeting you will hear about the 24 Hour Rosary and the Campaign for Life. Grab your rosary and volunteer. Remember prayer is the one activity that every Knight can perform.