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Honoring Knights



Knight of the Month for September

*** Dennis Kalich**

Family of the Month for August

*** Ernie and Terri Soller**

Shining Armor:

Keith Dunlop

Bob Soper





Knightly Round Up!

October 2024

**FOM Paul / Barb Petrus
KOM Randy Knowles**

November 2024

**FOM
KOM**

December 2024

**FOM Al / Ana Tagliaferro
KOM Paul Pless**

January 2025

**FOM Tom / Lori Ludwig
FOM Joe Mascari**

February 2025

**KOM Mike / Maureen Kelley
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**

August 2025

**KOM - Father Sebastián
FOM - Janice / Mike Novello**

September 2025

**KOM - Dennis Kalich
FOM - Ernie / Terri Soller**

Selah Freedom



Gabrielle Triplett

From Selah Freedom was our guest speaker at our October Business meeting.

She gave us an informative and perhaps blunt talk about sex trafficking here in Florida.

She is more than a survivor, more than an advocate, she is helping others and changing lives.



We have been asked to help her and so many others to escape this human trafficking.

About Our Anti-Human Trafficking Organization

Our History, Leadership and Mission

Selah Freedom is a faith-based non-profit anti-human trafficking organization with the mission to end sex trafficking and bring freedom to individuals who have been exploited. We tackle issues on both ends of the spectrum by helping support local victims and survivors through their recovery phases, preventing future young people from becoming victims while providing more awareness about human trafficking to the community at large.

Selah Freedom offers five pillar programs: Awareness, Prevention, Outreach, Residential and Consulting. Selah Freedom provides essential education and support services to those who have been victimized by human, and/or sex trafficking. Selah Freedom operates a local residential campus and an Assessment Home.

In addition, Selah Freedom provides the communities of Hillsborough, Pinellas, Sarasota, Manatee, Polk and Pasco Counties with an exceptionally adept team of professionals who offer free education and outreach to area schools, law enforcement agencies and partnering non-profits. Furthermore, through our consulting program, we have assisted over 100 organizations in 20 US States and 5 countries.



Habitat Just Brushing Up!

On Thursday, September 4th, 2025, 12 Knights of Council #13341 teamed together with Habitat for Humanity at a new house under construction located at 404 10th Avenue East, Bradenton.

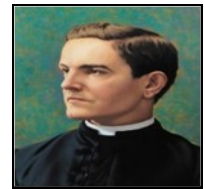
The project team completed the following tasks:

Painted two (2) coats of paint on complete exterior walls of the house.



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| 1. Steve Russo |
| 2. Rick Kuebel |
| 3. Bill Jacques |
| 4. Phil Gonnella |
| 5. Michael Mahan |
| 6. Dave Springer |
| 7. Rich McBride |
| 8. Austin Schlessinger |
| 9. Paul Roy |
| 10. Jim Toolen |
| 11. Tim Jarosik |
| 12. Vin Misciagna |







Keep On Rolling and Rolling!

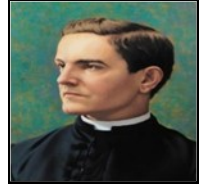
On Thursday, October 2nd, 2025, 10 Knights of Council #13341 teamed together with Habitat for Humanity at a new house under construction located at 404 10th Avenue East, Bradenton.

The project team completed the following tasks: Painted one (1) coat of primer paint and one (1) coat of finish paint throughout the complete interior (walls and ceilings) of the house.

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| 1. Wayne Diller |
| 2. Rick Kuebel |
| 3. Bill Jacques |
| 4. Phil Gonnella |
| 5. Michael Mahan |
| 6. Dave Springer |
| 7. Rich McBride |
| 8. Austin Schlessinger |
| 9. Paul Roy |
| 10. Michael Frederick |



Reaching High Places





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

November 6th Officers and Directors Meeting 7 pm Annex

November 6th Faithful Departed Brothers Mass 11 am

November 9th Tribute to Heros Parade Main Street

November 11th Veteran's Day Mass Sarasota

November 20th Business Meeting 7 pm Annex

State Council & District

Bishop Dewane will celebrate Mass at Sarasota Memorial Cemetery on November 11 at 3:00 p.m., honoring our Veterans. As a Council/Assembly, our duty is to honor, support, and serve our Vets currently serving, retired, and deceased. The Bishop and the KOC are asking for our help on that day. We would provide parking and guest directions, among other services. Last year, we had multiple Brothers support this event, and their support was very much appreciated.

Br. Bob Hedstrom has offered to lead and coordinate this event. Please either email him at rshedstrom@yahoo.com or text him at 847-651-0991 to provide your support.

Supreme Council

Pope Leo XIV received Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly, Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori and the Knights of Columbus Board of Directors in private audience during their pilgrimage to Rome this week for the Jubilee Year of Hope.



Pope Leo expressed his gratitude for the Order's long-time support of the papacy and Vatican initiatives, which he said enables him "to express solidarity with the poor and most vulnerable throughout the world."



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DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

August 22, 2025

Dear Brother Knights,

On Tuesday, November 11, the Diocese of Venice will observe Veterans Day with the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in the Amphitheater at the Sarasota National Cemetery. This is the 16th year the Mass has been held in recognition of the Veterans of the Armed Forces in the United States. The Mass will begin at 3:00 p.m. with the opening ceremonies at 2:45 p.m.

This day is a reminder of the many sacrifices made by veterans to ensure the freedoms we continue to enjoy today. Men and women who went off to war left behind families and friends, homes, careers, and a comfortable life. Some have paid the ultimate price with their lives and may have found their rest in the Sarasota National Cemetery.

It is my pleasure to invite all Knights, their wives, families, and friends to attend the Catholic Mass on Veterans Day in honor of the deceased veterans and to pray for the repose of their souls as well as for the intentions of living veterans.

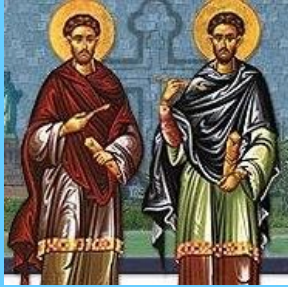
This important celebration involves a great deal of planning and organization both before and on the day of the Mass, and I thank you for your past support. I humbly seek the Councils' assistance again, and request that you consider providing volunteer help where possible, as well as financial support for this effort. Thank you!

I also take this opportunity to extend to you the assurances of my prayers for you and your family.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Frank J. Dewane
Bishop of the Diocese of
Venice in Florida

Lecture



Saints Cosmas and Damian (d. 287 A.D.) were twin brothers born in Arabia. They both became skilled physicians who practiced in Asia Minor. They took no money for their medical services, for which they were well-respected. Because of their charity they drew many to the Catholic faith.

During the Christian persecution under the Roman Emperor Diocletian, Cosmas and Damian were targeted, arrested, and tortured. After being miraculously preserved from injury throughout their cruel tortures, holding firm in their faith to the end, they were finally killed by beheading.

They were martyred together with their three brothers. Their remains were buried in Syria and many miracles were attributed to them.

In gratitude for the healing he received through the intercession of Saints Cosmas and Damian, Roman Emperor Justinian I (6th c.) restored a church dedicated to their honor in Constantinople, which became a place of pilgrimage.

Saints Cosmas and Damian are regarded as the patron saints of physicians, surgeons, and pharmacists. They are mentioned by name in the Roman Canon of the Mass, and share a feast day on September 26th.



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.olangelssc.org/tmiy/> or contact Mike Gonzales at 913-424-8255 or gonzalesmichaelpaul@gmail.com



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