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Saint John Paul II Council 16492



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Knights of St John Paul II,

As we start this Fraternal Year, it is an exciting time to be a Knight and belong to a Parish that is so full of uplifting experiences. God's presence is extraordinarily strong here. Moving forward in our Fraternity this year I am confident we will build on our previous successes that are entrusted to us. I look forward to continuing to thrive and be highly successful Council.

Thank you for trusting me to lead and serve. I will work hard to keep with the programs and traditions of the Knights of Columbus.

Recruiting is our opportunity to build our brotherhood and help our communities. Our community needs us now more than ever and our council needs to continually grow to help meet growing needs and challenges. One of the most effective ways to recruit is a personal invite from a Knight. I would like to ask each of you as a brother of St John Paul II Council, to bring in one new Knight this fraternal year. Yes, we do need to set our sights high especially during these times. When you are at Mass, in your social circles, or wherever you are please try to remember to "ASK". You can send them to our council website "Join Us" https://www.nocateeknights.com/join_us/. We also have forms you can pick up. I would be more than happy to talk with them about the benefits of becoming a Knight.

I sent the Disaster Plan Phone Tree to the membership. Please look for your name and check the information to make sure it's correct. If your name is not listed, please let me know so I can add you.

Please look at the council Roster and if anything is incorrect or highlighted in yellow by your name, send those corrections to PGK Paul Coronato. Also please consider adding your technical/professional experience to the Council roster.

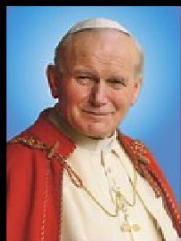
Our worthy FS sent the dues via email. Please look for that email and check your junk/spam folders. Please pay the dues promptly as it helps the council reduce the need for follow up emails, stamps, and phone calls.

We ask that you continue to support our EEM'S and USHERS. You can link to ParishSoft from the My Account link on the Parish Web Site to sign up.

I am excited about the Programs we have planned for the year. They are much like last year and will update and change as the year moves forward. Completing these programs, and I am confident we will, will help to earn us the Star Council Award for the 6th year in a row! Thank you, Brothers, for all your help and support. God Bless.

Vivat Jesus

Ken Gault – Grand Knight



"As the family goes, so goes the nation and so goes the whole world in which we live."

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Faith (Pat Hutton)

<i>Title</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Status</i>	<i>Budget Y/N</i>	<i>Month</i>
Building the Domestic Church Kiosk	Purchase one or two kiosks and pamphlets for either St John Paul II, or Our Lady of Leche Shrine and Prince of Peace Church in St Augustine. Cost of \$150.00 each. Help strengthen the domestic church (our families) by providing exceptional religious education materials to all Catholics. Building the Domestic Church Kiosks contain engaging, faith-based literature and are available for councils to distribute to members, parishioners, and the general public.	Open	Y	SEPT
Retreat Day of Reflection	Create opportunities for prayer and reflection together. To be scheduled with the Parish to include both Council members, men, and young men of the Parish.	Open	NA	NOV
Rosary Program	Build on the rosary before each Council meeting. Presenting rosary's, made by St John Paul II Rosary Ministry, to an organization. Last year was presented to the Catholic Student Center at the University of Florida.	Ongoing	Y	Ongoing / FEB
RSVP Program to help Seminarians	Find a recipient and present a gift donation of \$2000	Open	Y	AUG
First Communion	Present an inexpensive but nice gift to each Communicate.	Open	Y	APR

Family (Ed Drugo)

<i>Title</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Status</i>	<i>Budget Y/N</i>	
Food for Families	Continue to build on the monthly collection.	Ongoing	NA	Ongoing
Family Fully Alive	Purchase and hand out the Family Fully Alive Building the Domestic Church Pamphlet on a designated weekend at all masses.	Open		OCT
Keep Christ in Christmas	Purchase two starter kits and 100 magnets.	Open	Y	DEC
Consecration of the Holy Family	Knights to lead the Rosary and/or The Chaplet of Divine Mercy before masses. We could also consider hosting a family prayer night, and provide snacks and drink.	Open		DEC
Family of the Month	This can be either a Knight or Parish Family	Ongoing	NA	Ongoing

Community (Joseph Pitisci)

<i>Title</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Status</i>	<i>Budget Y/N</i>	
Global Wheelchair Mission	Donate money to purchase Wheelchairs through the Florida State Wheelchair program	Open	Y	SEPT
Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest		Open	Y	NOV
Disaster Preparedness Plan	Continue to update and enhance	Ongoing	Y	AUG
Friday's during Lent	TBD	Open	N	MAR / APR
Citizens with Disabilities Campaign		Open	NA	APR / MAY
Coats for Kids	Purchase and donate to Children's home.	Open	Y	SEPT
Habitat for Humanity	Donation	Open	Y	DEC
Helping Hands	Consider a donation to Port in the Storm, Catholic Charities, and SVDP Friends of the Poor Walk.	Open	Y	AUG

Life (Dennis Siple)

<i>Title</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Status</i>	<i>Budget Y/N</i>	
March for Life	Looking for major participation from the council.	Open	NA	JAN
Novena for Life	Repeat the novena and try to increase participation.	Open	NA	JAN

Ultrasound Program	Consider a donation to St. Gerard. St Gerard efforts focus on assisting pregnant teenagers and unwed mothers and to provide assistance and referrals for medical care, educational needs, or job services to all women	Open	Y	FEB
Special Olympics	Donate and/or support St Johns County Special Olympics Basketball Challenge and Track & Field meet.	Open	Y	NOV

Help Needed, Please Consider...

Sir Knights:

We have been invited to volunteer at the Greater YMCA Back to School Bash. Even though there will be five sites for distribution, we will serve at the First Coast YMCA (St Augustine) at 500 Pope Road, St Augustine, FL 32082.

Back to School Bash is an annual event that assists military families with giving backpacks filled with school supplies for the new school year.

We are asking for help in packing the bags and distributing them to children. Please respond via email that you can attend. We are looking for ten volunteers, please!

Thank you.



**Calling all active duty,
guard and reserve
military members!**

You do so much to keep our country safe –
let us give back to you. Please join us for a
fun-filled day focused on the health and
well-being of you and your family.



--Vivat Jesus

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June 2021 Knight of the Month



Ken Gault

He is an exemplary a Knight who has stepped up to take on the challenge of becoming the Grand Knight for Fraternal Year 2021-2022. This after two years as the Deputy Grand Knight. He has supported this council over the last two years with wise and sound counsel and has led numerous projects to include the phenomenal success with the Citizens with Disabilities. He is a true exam-ple of what it means to be a Knight. Ken is a dedicated Knight, Catholic and family man. He has routinely given of his time to support the council and church events and to help others. His dedication to Saint John Paull II Catholic Church, its Parishioners, and our council has been nothing less than notewor-thy and is keeping with the values and traditions of our Catholic faith and the Knights of Columbus.

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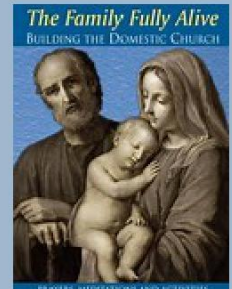
July 2021 Knight of the Month



Clyde Slick

Clyde is a great Catholic and always willing to support the members of this Council. He can be counted on anytime and anywhere as the need arises. He is a dedicated Catholic and Knight of this council and has served as Grand Knight for 2 Years. He has unselfishly given of his time to support most every single event and function for both for the church, the council, and community. Recently Clyde went to great lengths to make 100% sure he would transfer the council leadership efficiently and thoroughly. He completed all of his final assignments and handed the council over to the new leadership team with assurance and grace. His dedication to this Council, Our Parish, our Catholic faith, and the Knights of Columbus are in keeping with the Highest traditions of the Catholic Church and our Order.

June 2021 Family of the Month



Thank you to St. John Paul II K of C Council 16492



June 2021 Family of the Month



The Slick Family is a great Catholic family always willing to support our Pastor, Church Community, and our Council. Both Clyde and Marsha can be counted on when the need arises. Clyde is a member of Saint John Paul II Council 16492 and the Mother of Divine Mercy Assembly 3771. He is a dedicated Catholic and a dedicated Knight. Clyde has always been a continually active and well-respected member of this council since inception in June 2016. Marsha is often seen by his side helping and supporting all he does. Clyde and Marsha have such a great attitude about doing their good works. Together they volunteer faithfully every week at Our Lady of La Leche. Marsha is also highly active at St John Paul II Parish heading up Bible Study and St Vincent DePaul. As a Catholic family, their dedication to the Parishes, our Catholic faith and the Knights of Columbus are in keeping with the Highest traditions of the Catholic Church and our Order.

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June 2021 Special Recognition



Grand Knight Clyde Slick presented a Special Recognition Award to Brother Dennis Siple for setting up and running the Chapter's Inaugural Golf Outing. The event netted a profit of approximately \$725.00 which will go to Camp Amigo.

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A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION IN TIME OF PANDEMIC



The ancient fresco of Madonna del Soccorso (Our Lady of Help) in St. Peter's Basilica was restored with the support of the Knights of Columbus to mark the Year of Faith (2012-2013). Photo courtesy of Fabbrica di San Pietro/M. Falson.

O Mary,
you always brighten our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain
while remaining steadfast in faith.

O loving Mother,
you know what we need,
and we are confident you will provide for us
as at Cana in Galilee.

Intercede for us with your Son Jesus,
the Divine Physician,
for those who have fallen ill,
for those who are vulnerable,
and for those who have died.

Intercede also for those charged with
protecting the health and safety of others
and for those who are tending to the sick
and seeking a cure.

Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who took upon himself our
sufferings and carried our sorrows,
so as to lead us, through the Cross,
to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

*Under thy protection we seek refuge,
O Holy Mother of God.
In our needs, despise not our petitions,
but deliver us always from all dangers,
O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.*

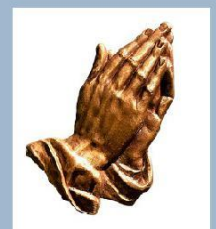
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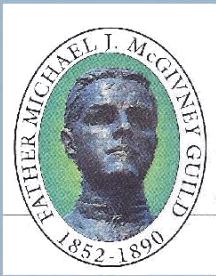
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Father Pagano

Deacon Tony

1. All medical personnel and first responders on the front lines
2. Dominick Palleschi's niece, Denice Hampton who is battling lung cancer.
3. Fred Raby's wife Dorothy's brother-in-law, Gary Neubauer is suffering from Aphasia. Although not life threatening is like dementia.
4. Jeremiah Blocker's nephew, Caleb needs your prayers to beat a serious condition.
5. John Harwick needs our prayers as he will be going through chemotherapy.
6. Bill Moss – his ablation procedure appears to have fixed his medical issue but continue prayers for good health.
7. Lorraine Keller, wife of Brother Robert Keller needs our prayers as she begins radiation therapy for her cancer next week.
8. Brother Bob Mollica ask for prayers for his 1st cousin's grandson Evan who is 10 years old has leukemia. Continued prayers are requested.
9. David and Sophia Jackson multiple surgeries to determine cause of illness.
10. Doug Riss water on brain going to Mayo for evaluation. No update.
11. Matthew Kacorwski a friend of Bill Kelly has been in hospital going through tests for multiple medical issues.
12. Barbara Bogal, Bill Smith's cousin do to back surgery and most of the time bed ridden. She uses a walker when on her feet and has little feeling in her legs. Doctors say feeling will come back in time. I assured her we will add her to our Knights of Columbus prayer list.
13. Bill Smith's cousin Loraine Sojka needs prayers as she is scheduled for an operation that carries a diagnosis of severe.
14. Prayers for Bill Smith for full recovery from a procedure last month. He is home recovering and will have medical follow-up this month.
15. Brother Aaron Kaczorowski from C10850 needs our prayers as he is in the hospital undergoing emergency leg surgery.
16. Bob Cook, former member of C10850 and former active member and family at St. Josephs. Among their many past contributions to our community, he and Darla used to coordinate the very popular Daddy-Daughter Dance. Bob needs our prayers. He has been admitted to the hospital to treat a fever that could not be managed at home.
17. Donald Falletti – pray for a full recovery after his recent successful shoulder surgery.
18. Continue prayers for Brother Paul Coronato's son, Brian Coronato that he may stay in remission and hopefully does not need any additional surgeries.
19. Brother Stuart Lefkove's father, Herman Lefkove died the morning of Wednesday December 9th from a lengthy fight with cancer. Please keep Stuart, Jennifer, and Stuart's mother, Renee in your prayers.
20. Dan and Pat Swing - prayers are needed for a full recovery from Dan's back surgery and Pat's burns she sustained at home.
21. Prayers are needed for Brother Steve Wilson - He was in the hospital for acute **prostitis** that has been treated but will require follow medical appts and labs.
22. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Brother Sir Knight Stan Hinkle and Charter Member of Saint John Paul II and member of Mother of Divine Mercy Assembly 3771.
23. Prayers are needed for John Fitzgerald who has a medical procedure the week of December 14th. Pray that the procedure is successful.
24. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Eleanor Lash, mother of our District Deputy, Bill Kelly's wife, Christine Kelly. Eleanor died peacefully late yesterday. She was surrounded by several of her daughters at the time of her passing.
25. Prayers are needed for Brother Steve Wilson's wife, Julita's sister, Corazon Wood who was in an auto accident and is in hospital in very critical condition.
26. Please pray for Claire Daly, a good friend of Brother Joe Cruz who suffering from stage 4 cancer.
27. Please pray for Kathy Wasowski, wife of Brother Stan Wasowski who will be having a very intensive angle surgery on January 7th and for a full recovery.
28. Brother John GORRY' stepdaughter, Haley Clark who is 23, about to be 24 years old, has been in Emory Hospital in Atlanta since Christmas eve. She needs another heart operation (valve replacement) but has developed aneurysms in her brain which they must correct first. Please pray that this beautiful, young lady is held in God's hands until she returns to good health.
29. UPDATE – cleared for surgery. Pray for a successful surgery and speedy recovery.
30. Prayers are needed for Fred Raby's wife, Dorothy who has been diagnosed with breast cancer again. She defeated it almost 20 years ago and it has struck again with more se-verity. They are waiting on treatment options.
31. Please pray for the repose of
32. the soul of Brother John Harwick
33. Brother Raymond Wong's mother-in-law tested positive for COVID. Raymond and his wife Claire are in self quarantine. They got tested today and awaiting results. Raymond has showed some symptoms but very mild and may be the flu.
34. Brother Steve Wilson continues to need our prayers having fixed his prostrate issues, but still has a follow-up for the heart issue.
35. Brother Joe Cruz's sister, Carmen Lackner needs our prayers. She is 73 years old and currently suffering from Lupus and Vasculitis, both of which may preclude her from receiving the vaccine for Covid-19.
36. Prayers are needed for Willey Oxford a friend of Ray Bordoni. He is Ray's next door neighbor's father, who advanced Parkinson's disease.
37. Prayers are requested for Brother Joe Glas who is having elbow surgery. Pray that the surgery is successful and a quick recovery.
38. Brother Paul Engle needs our prayers as he gets evaluated for a heart condition.
39. Brother Bob Mollica has requested prayers for Vern Watts and his wife Debbie. They attend SJPII. He is very sick with a rare disease and no cure. He has been fighting but getting worse. Currently at the Brooks Rehab center. He needs our prayers.
40. Sir Knight John Harwick passed this date March 1, 2021. Pray for the repose of his soul, Criss his wife and the whole Harwick family.
41. Please pray for Brother Richard Sullivan's wife Gwinn. She is currently in Mayo battling a very serious condition. Please ask the Lord to extend his hand of mercy and compassion over her to give her the strength to persevere.
42. Prayers are needed for the repose of the soul of Sir Knight Tony Ciccone and his family.
43. Prayers are needed for Brother Bill Smith's sister who is very ill.
44. Continue to offer prayers for Brother John Donnelly's wife, Diane Donnelly as she suffers daily, 24/7 from nerve pain caused by Peripheral Neuropathy and possible other autoimmune problems.
45. Please pray for Brother Andy Galeazzi and his family as Andy is currently in preparations for a heart valve replacement. Please say a prayer for him for a successful surgery and a speedy recovery.





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Florida State Council

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Dear Brother Knights,

Summer is in full swing; vacations and backyard barbeques, outdoor sports and yardwork! I look forward to this time of year with flowers in bloom and thoughts of a much needed and anticipated summer vacation. I hope your summer is going well for you!

In last month's message I mentioned taking stock of all the things that need to be done around the house. And I further suggested that taking stock should extend to seeing where you and your family stand when it comes to financial protection. It's interesting to read about Blessed Michael McGivney's attitude in *Faith and Fraternalism* by Christopher J. Kauffman: "Though he [Fr. McGivney] seems to have been well aware of the value of ceremonies as the binding force for fraternal unity, he spent his energy in promoting the insurance feature." You know the story well; how the untimely death of his father nearly derailed Fr. McGivney's plans to become a priest. As the curate of St. Mary's he encountered families in similar situations. So it's no wonder he was so practical when it came to making sure families were financially sound.

In my position I feel a deep kinship with Fr. McGivney in helping to protect Catholic families. I see myself as your partner in facing this planning process. You don't have to go it alone. With our new financial needs analysis tool, with cutting edge software, robust and in-depth, we can approach this together. Since my last message a number of members reached out to me. Let me give you a fictionalized account about two of them. I recently met with a brother Knight and his wife who have a couple of young children. Together, we were able to see that based on what this couple wanted for their family, there was a need in two particular areas. One, the brother's group life insurance, while free as a benefit, was not enough to do what he wanted his life insurance to do. He desired more to make sure, if he had an untimely passing, his wife and children could stay in the same home, could still attend Catholic grade school and could afford to make a college education a reality. The other area that he had not thought about was what I call the "death of his earning power." What if he became sick or hurt and could not work? His employer provided very minimal coverage for a few months, but after that there was nothing. We explored how the Knights could fill that void and make his family whole. All this from spending time with me. The best part for him...and for you, is that this service is absolutely free. Many others in the industry charge fees for this kind of analysis. It's a fraternal benefit that I am happy to provide.

The other couple was recently retired. Well past the stage of this former young couple. I completed a financial needs analysis for them. They were in very good shape financially; had all their proverbial ducks in a row in almost every area. The area that they were concerned with was an extended care event. How could they protect all that they had worked for and saved in the event of needing help with daily living activities? I was able to help them plan for that and shift the financial burden to the Knights. The other issue they looked at was setting aside a little of what they had saved to help their grandchildren. We were able to set up a plan to pass that money tax free to them.

Maybe you have similar concerns; meeting with me can allay them. I am your partner as we share our brotherhood in the Order. That kind of relationship is rarely found elsewhere in the financial services world. Let's get together and see where you stand.

Vivat Jesus!

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