



# EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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## GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Brothers and Spouses,

As we continue in the Lenten season, it is necessary to look forward to the upcoming Easter season (17 April – 5 June 2022). The Easter season is the most important of all liturgical times, which we celebrate as the Lord's resurrection. "if Christ has not been raised, then empty is our preaching: empty, too is your faith." (1 Cor 15:14)

Our Council continues to provide support to our parishes during Lent. Stella Maris's Soup and Sandwiches is scheduled for **6 April 2022**. We will also be conducting a Cross procession on Palm Sunday, **10 April 2022**. All are welcome to participate. We will meet at Christ Our King at 1:30pm, car pool to vicinity of 31 Flavors on Coleman Blvd and then proceed to walk back to Christ our King. The walk is about 2 miles. Upon arrival at Christ Our King, we will say the rosary.

Our next meeting is scheduled for **21 April 2022** at St. Benedict Catholic Church. Prior to the meeting we will be conducting an exemplification for two candidates.

Please continue to pray for the end of hostilities in Ukraine and for the countless refugees the war has created.

Vivat Jesus!

Joe Nesbitt

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS APRIL 2022

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| Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament _____   | 01          |
| COK — 7:30 to 5:00 PM  |             |
| Pro-Life/Rosary _____  | 02          |
| COK — 7:30 AM  |             |
| Ultreya Meeting _____  | 05          |
| COK Chapel — 6:30 PM   |             |
| Stations of the Cross w/Soup/Sandwiches/Bread ____   | 06          |
| Stella Maris—have your soup and sandwich<br>at Hall 6 PM. Stations start 6:15 PM   |             |
| Officers Meeting _____   | 07          |
| COK— Life Center — 6:30 PM.  |             |
| Nocturnal Adoration _____  | 07          |
| Stella Maris—8 PM to 8 AM  |             |
| Palm Sunday _____  | 10          |
| Holy Thursday _____  | 14          |
| Good Friday _____  | 15          |
| Holy Saturday _____  | 16          |
| Easter Sunday _____  | 17          |
| Vigil at Abortion Clinic _____   | 16          |
| West Ashley Abortion Facility 8:00 AM<br>(Corner of Hwy 61 & Fuseler Rd.)<br>1312 Ashley River Rd., Charleston, SC 29407 |             |
| Regular Business Meeting _____   | 21          |
| St. Benedict's Parish Hall<br>950 Darrell Creek Trail<br>Rosary: 6:00 PM<br>Dinner: 6:30 PM<br>Meeting: 7:00 PM          |             |
| KofC 101st Annual State Convention _____   | 22, 23 & 24 |
| Landmark Resort<br>1501 South Ocean Blvd.  |             |



**Brother Knights that Emptied  
Our Book Storage Trailer  
Friday March 4th and  
Took Them to the Dump**



In the picture to the left are Brother Knights that took a trailer load of boxed books to the Mount Pleasant dump. Left to right are Jerry Gimbert, Jeff Pulaski, Tom Franzone, Grand Knight Joe Nesbitt, Marion Wright and Tom Siwarski taking picture.

Before you get upset about dumping all those books here is the reason why: They were used books that we had for 2 years or more and not fit for human handling. They were infested with rat feces, urine and mold. To handle the boxes we all wore long sleeve shirts, gloves, hats and some wore masks not to breath dust from all the feces.

**A Big Job Well Done!!!**



**Brother Knights that cooked dinner  
for the Charleston Fisher House**



On March 10, 2022 six Brother Knights cooked dinner for the families of Veterans of The Fisher House. Left to right they are Richard Garcia, Matt Feltman, Manning Bolchoz, Bob Thetreault. Kevin Campbell, and Jady Fryml.

**Job Well Done By All!!!**

**Family of the Quarter  
February 2022  
Joseph and Michelle Shahid**

Joe and Michelle Shahid have been married for 30 years and are blessed with 6 children. They met at the Air Force Academy and were both in the Air Force until 1999.

They moved back to Joe's home town, Mt Pleasant, and Joe pursued flying C-17s at the Reserves in Charleston. Joe works as a civil engineer and pilot, while Michelle spent 20 years homeschooling her children to instill deep love of the Catholic faith. Joe and Michelle invite people to pray the Rosary with the Holy City Prayer Warriors. They also teach Natural Family Planning to help share God's wonderful gifts to the faithful.

Their 6 children are their greatest blessings. Four of their sons earned the Eagle Boy Scout rank and their daughter earned the Stars and Stripes rank in the American Heritage Girls. God has blessed their children with many talents: Gabriel (24) is a graphics artist, Michel (22) is a first year USC Medical school student, Frediano (21) is an Ave Maria University senior, Blaise (19) is a Clemson sophomore, Eva (17) will be going to Ave Maria University, and John (12) is still homeschooled.



Left to right Family Director Kurt Denner presented the Family of the Quarter Certificate to Joe Shahid, son John, daughter Eva looking at John holding Certificate and his great smile and wife Michelle. Standing in back is our Grand Knight Joe Nesbitt.

**Congratulations Joe, Michelle and Family**

**Knight of the Month  
March 2022  
Martin McNulty**

Martin McNulty and Helen are recent arrivals to the greater Charleston area and reside in Oyster Point, Mount Pleasant. They moved to Charleston at the end of 2019, a few months before the COVID pandemic from Mahwah and Long Beach Island, New Jersey. In 1980 Martin & Helen were married at St John's University Campus Chapel.

Martin was reared in New York City (Brooklyn and Queens.) Helen emigrated from Dublin, Ireland to NY. When first married they resided in NYC and moved to New Jersey shortly after the birth of their first child (son) in 1983.

Martin & Helen are both from big families and were blessed with six children (4 sons & 2 daughters) and as of now eight grandchildren. Currently two of their children reside in Charleston, 2 in Texas (Dallas & Houston), 1 in San Diego and the youngest in Connecticut.

Martin retired at the end of 2019 from a 40 year career in Corporate Investment International Banking as a Foreign Exchange and Derivatives Sales/Trader in NYC.

Their parish in New Jersey was St Elizabeth - Wyckoff. When their children attended St Elizabeth's grammar school, Martin was on the school board for 4 years and served as the president 3 of 4 years. Helen was involved in the HSA, Scouting, Great Books & Arts programs as well as fundraising.

Their children kept them very busy with various activities and sports. Martin & Helen are enjoying retirement and are delighted with their move to Charleston. During their visits to Charleston before relocating they would shop at the Pauline Book & Media Store on King Street hence shortly after their move to Charleston they both became volunteers for the Daughters of St. Paul.

Martin recently became a member of the AOH - Charleston, (Division 1), Carolina Catholic Professionals and attended the recent Men's Emmaus Weekend.

Helen recently joined the COK woman's Bible study and LAOH (Our Lady of Knock Division.)

They enjoy traveling, visiting their children, grandchildren and as well their family in Ireland and in the Tri-State area.

Martin & Helen are happy to be members of the Charleston Catholic Community.



**Congratulations Martin!!!**

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

*James and Connie Ball  
Richard and Diana Buchicchio  
James and Janice Cafaro  
Nick and Sally Collins  
Kurt and Mary Denner  
John and Jennifer Devaney  
Steven and Jenna Deveau  
Steve and Cathy Evangelista  
Joseph and Francesca Frick  
Jady and Kathleen Fryml  
Thomas and Linda Jane Kenzik  
Joseph and Dorothy Palisi  
Joseph and Susie Schill  
Donald and Allyson Thatcher  
Michael and Toni Vasko  
Doug and Debbie Wilgus  
Henry and Shirley Wolf*



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

*William Brumley  
Benjamin Byrnes  
Philip Chuy  
John Danko III  
Michael Fabrizio  
Edward Forte  
Richard Karkowski  
Mark Lipsmeyer  
Vincent Maroun  
Sean O'Toole  
Michael Ricciardone  
Richard Schiliro  
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2022 Knights of Columbus Council 9475

13th Annual Golf Tournament  
for  
The Daughters  
of  
St. Paul

MAY 9th, at the Wild Dunes Harbor Course

Sign-in Starts 10:30 AM.

Cost-\$125 per player. Shotgun start at 12:00 Noon

Contact-Jim Welsch at: 843-442-9614

or


E-mail - [welschj@hotmail.com](mailto:welschj@hotmail.com)

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS  
MAY 2022**

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| Ultreya Meeting                             | 03 |
| COK Chapel — 6:30 PM                        |    |
| Nocturnal Adoration                         | 05 |
| Stella Maris — 8 PM to 8 AM                 |    |
| Officers Meeting                            | 05 |
| COK —Life Center — 6:30 PM                  |    |
| Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament          | 06 |
| COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM                       |    |
| Pro-Life/Rosary                             | 07 |
| COK — 7:30 AM                               |    |
| Mother's Day                                | 08 |
| Golf Tournament                             | 09 |
| Wild Dunes Harbor Course                    |    |
| Sign-in 10:30 AM Shotgun start: 12:00 Noon  |    |
| Regular Business Meeting                    | 19 |
| St. Benedict's Parish Hall                  |    |
| 950 Darrell Creek Trail                     |    |
| Rosary: 6 :00 PM                            |    |
| Dinner: 6:30 PM                             |    |
| Meeting: 7:00 PM                            |    |
| Vigil at Abortion Clinic                    | 21 |
| West Ashley Abortion Facility 8:00 AM       |    |
| (Corner of Hwy 61 & Fuseler Rd.)            |    |
| 1312 Ashley River Rd., Charleston, SC 29407 |    |
| Ascension of the Lord                       | 29 |
| Memorial Day                                | 30 |

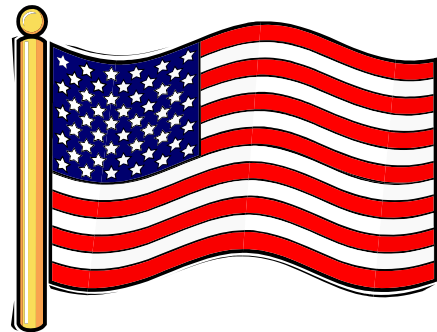
**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

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|----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Co-Chaplain                | Rev. Robert A. Spencer          | 843-884-5587 |
| Co-Chaplain                | Rev. Msgr. Lawrence B. McInerny | 843-883-3109 |
| Co-Chaplain                | Rev. Timothy West               | 843-471-2121 |
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|                            | Robert Geberth-SB               | 845-282-5546 |
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| Insurance Promotion        | Paul Harrington                 | 706-338-7924 |
| Columbus Hope Chairman     | Bill Shoemaker                  | 843-884-1378 |
| Newsletter                 | Fran & Tom Franzone             | 843-729-7734 |
| State Chaplain             | Rev. Robert Higgins             | 843-249-2356 |
| State Deputy               | Paul V. Burchell                | 803-983-5004 |
| District Deputy            | Paul Setti                      | 843-813-2713 |
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## Meditation: Speaking to Others about God

Deacon Kevin Campbell

Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34; John 3:31-36

Our Meditation is about speaking to others about God. We all believe in God but do we let others know it? We should be bold in holding ourselves out as Christians to others, even if there might be some cost for doing that. When we do, we will be richly rewarded with God's Grace. It will lead us to a peace that only God can give. It will lead us to Heaven.

In our first Reading, the Apostles have just experienced the risen Lord. Oh what joy that must have been! They have gone from losing their leader by a horrible crucifixion to having him appear to them, giving them His peace.

Now, there is no stopping them from proclaiming their belief in the risen Christ to others. This is especially true to members of the Sanhedrin who handed Jesus over to the Romans to be put to death.

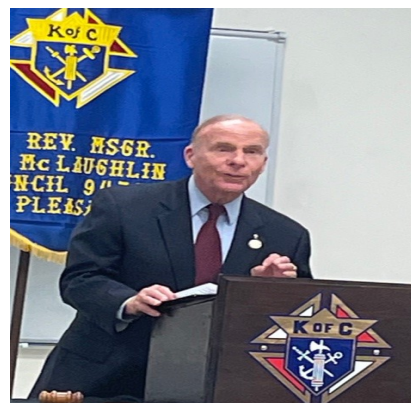
Just recently, the Apostles fled in terror when the soldiers came to arrest Jesus. Then they denied even knowing Jesus. Now they are boldly and courageously proclaiming their belief in him, even if it cost them their lives.

While we will most probably never have to worry about being put to death for proclaiming our love for Jesus, there will be times when we are called upon to stand up for our faith. a good example might be to hold hands and say a blessing before our meal in some public place.

Our Psalmist, most probably King David of the David and Goliath fame, tells us what he does when it comes to proclaiming his faith in God: "I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall ever be in my mouth." This is a wonderful practice and we should all try to do this.

In our Gospel reading, John, who had a first-hand experience with the risen Lord, tells some very comforting words: "Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life."

When we are able to tell others about our personal experience with God and when we are able to boldly proclaim that we are Christians to others, especially to those who are not, we will be showing our belief in Jesus. This will lead us a peace that only God can give and will lead us to eternal life with Him in Heaven one day.



Deacon Kevin Campbell