

# EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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## **GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT**

Brother Knights:

We had a busy month in January living the ideals of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

Our January meeting included an informative presentation concerning college funding. This presentation was attended by members of our local parishes. Thank you to Kim and Tom Siwarski for your hard work in coordinating.

Our annual Oyster Roast in Gold Bug Island was well attended and a good time was had by all. Special thanks to Tom and Fran Franzone for coordinating this event year after year. Special thanks to all who worked at and attended the oyster roast.

On the national front, we continued to see the Catholic Church under attack in the news media, this time with Catholic school kids being demonized and later exonerated for an incident involving professional protesters in Washington DC. This event reminds us to be always vigilant in defending our faith as many in our society stand ready to disparage our fellow Catholics on a daily basis.

A First Degree is planned if Candidates are available, it will be discussed at Officers meeting.

Kevin M. Cunnane GK 9475

### Knights of Columbus Council 9475 Annual Super Bowl Party

When: Sunday, February 3rd, 2019 Time: 5:30pm until party is over. Where: COK—Beach House—1144 Russell Street 29464

Details:

Hot dogs, hamburgers and soft drinks will be provided. Please bring a dish to share (Side or Dessert) Please supply your own Adult beverage. <u>No liquor</u>.

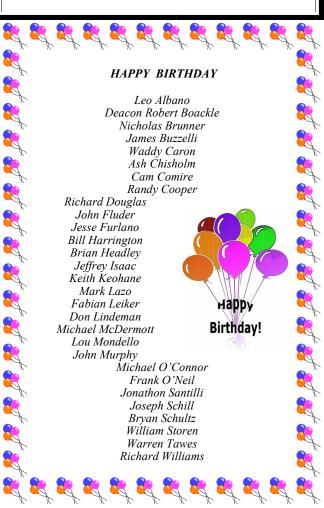
Some Games: Corn Hole, Pool, Ping-Pong and Foosball.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the Beach House!!!

Brother Don Campbell and Matt Kiefer-Chairman

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS FEBRUARY

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	01
COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary	02
COK — 7:30 AM	
Super Bowl Party	03
See information below left column	
Officers Meeting	07
COK—Life Center—6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration	07
Stella Maris — 8 PM to 8 AM	
Operation Columbia Hope	09
See Bill Shoemaker's E-mail Jan. 21 to sign-	
up for 10 to 12:30 or 12:30 to 3 shift.	
St. Valentine's Day	14
Presidents' Day	18
Regular Business Meeting	21
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
First Degree schedule	



### Family of the Month January 2019 Leo and Wendy Albano

Leo and Wendy Albano met at MUSC while in the Physical Therapy program 25 years ago. They have been married for 22 years and have 4 children: Leo Jr.(19), Emma (17), Olivia (15), and Ava (11). The Albano's have been actively involved in various ministries at Saint Benedict church, Christ Our King-Stella Maris church and school, Bishop England High School, and currently at Saint Clare of Assisi church. As a Knight, Leo has assisted with the book sale, the Christ our King bazaar, 40 days for life, and other activities when he is able. Wendy completed RCIA in 1999 and has served in various capacities on Saint Benedict Parish council the Christ our King Stella Maris school board. They both have also been actively involved in the Men's and Women's Emmaus Retreats over the past 10 years. Leo Jr. is a freshman at the University of Notre Dame, playing on the football team, and planning to Major in Chemical Engineering and minor in Theology. Emma is a junior at Bishop England, playing basketball currently, and is president of female faith group formation. Olivia is a freshman at Bishop England, playing basketball currently, and is a peer minister at Saint Clare of Assisi. Ava is a 6th grader at Christ our King Stella Maris School, on the Cheerleading team, and is an altar server at Saint Clare of Assisi. The Albano family is truly blessed to have been inspired by all of the other amazing Catholic mentors and families in the Charleston area over the past 20 years. This faith community has so much to offer to all of us!

### Congratulations Leo and Wendy!!!



Left Grand Knight Kevin Cunnane presenting Family of the Month Leo Albano with Knights cup and right our Council Director Tony Certa presenting Certificate.



#### Knight of the Month January 2019 John Tumminelli

John NYC born and raised on the south shore of Long Island - growing up in the small hamlet of Copiague. Upon getting married in 1995 to Lisa, His beautiful wife of 23 years, they settled into the neighboring village of Lindenhurst and began our family of three sons - Joseph who is 19 and likely Air Force bound within the next few months; Dominic is a freshman in Wando HS, who shares his father's love of playing and producing music; Andrew is 10, a fantastic drummer, and his one boy who will still snuggle with his Dad on the couch watching TV.

Professionally, John worked for NY Telephone/Bell Atlantic/Verizon as a Telecommunications manager and engineer for 17 years, and have since been fortunate to gain knowledge and experience in many facets of technology and software development. John was a manager and team member for the 9/11 WTC Restoration as well as the Hurricane Sandy Verizon network restoration team. John took a leap of faith in 2013. After volunteering for a buyout, He went to work for an Israeli software company operating in NY, Europe, and based in Tel Aviv. This position also gave him the opportunity to explore Jerusalem and Nazareth first hand, and to witness the Holy Land in depth. Truly, this was a wonderful bonus and was fascinating to visit as a Catholic. Opportunity knocked again where John took an executive position with a German software company. The position allowed him to leverage their family's relocation to the beautiful Lowcountry of SC in 2015. John's wife and he had been enamored with the area for a number of years. John currently runs his own Technology Company, and look forward to continuing his professional journey as a southerner.

John was a long time parishioner of St. Martin of Tours RC Church in Amityville and made all his sacraments there with the sole exception of baptism. St. Martin's is also where then Father Robert Guglielmone was a very endearing priest to our parish for many years before he moved on to continue his own pastoral journey toward Bishop of Charleston.

Music performance, both live and recording in bands or orchestras, has been a longtime passion for John. It also facilitated a deepening of his own faith as a Catholic and served as a catalyst for getting him actively involved in church. It served as a means to share his time and talents, and expanded his spiritually on many levels as a young man finding his way in life. John enjoyed many years as a choir member at St. Martin's, played clarinet in the orchestra, and it also provided an outlet for his true love of playing guitar, facilitated by the parish folk group.

John is very humbled to be chosen as Knight of the Month and feel's that this gesture will be a new spiritual catalyst in his life to help him step up, and to give as much he can to grow as a Knight of Columbus - and as a Catholic.

**Congratulations John!!!** 



Left Council Director Don Campbell presenting Knight of the Month John Tumminelli with Knights cup and Grand Knight Kevin Cunnane is presenting Certificate.

Guest Speaker Kim Siwarski Gave An Excellent Presentation On Collage Financial Aid



## **Presentation**



**Brother Knights, Family and Friends Attending Presentation** 



<u>Grand Knight Kevin Cunnane Thanking Guest Speaker</u> <u>Kim Siwarski and presenting Her with Knights Cup</u>

## IF YOU MISSED OUR 2019 OYSTER ROAST HERE ARE A FEW PICTURES OF A GREAT EVENT



Enjoying eating the Oysters.



Folks just enjoying each others company.



Oysters are so good no one looking up.



left is Debbie Pulaski and right Diana Barnett our dessert chairman . Center is Julie Gautreaux helper.

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St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
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Meeting: 7 PM	
Knights Mass	_04?
St. Benedict's at the 11:30 AM Mass	

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Gerald and Carmela Baty Stan and Lisa Blalock William and Jo Anne Cary Michael and Kay Fabrizio Tom and Fran Franzone Fred and Faye Koch Jeff and Debbie Pulaski Joe and Hilda Rosenberger Joe and Jeannie Scheirman Jim and Susan Welsch



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Paul Harrington

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## Meditation on Making a Family Holy

# Sir 3: 2-6, 12-14; Ps 1-5; 1 John 3:1-2, 21-24; Luke 2: 41-52

Recently we celebrated the Feast Day of the Holy Family. What makes a family holy? This Meditation will focus on the 10 Commandments in general, but especially on the 4<sup>th</sup> Commandment, which directs us to honor our mothers and fathers. By obeying the 10 Commandments we are subordinating our wills to the will of God.

In our first reading, Sirach basically restates the Fourth Commandment. He points out that there are benefits when we honor our parents: "obeying this commandment will result in a long life, forgiveness of sins and good children" (Sr. 3 4-6).

Our Psalm references a concept that is often misunderstood but it is actually the basis for the 10 commandments: Fear of the Lord. The Psalmist, most probably King David, tells us: "Blessed is everyone who fears the Lord and walks in his ways" (Ps 123: 1). It is so important to understand what this means as it is the foundation for making a family holy. Fear of the Lord is not the fear of going to hell, although a heavy dose of that fear is not that bad. It is a fear of the separation from His presence. Pope Francis said: "the Fear of the Lord is a gift of the Holy Spirit. It doesn't mean being afraid of God, since we know that God is our Father who always loves and forgives us. It is a joyful awareness of God's grandeur and a grateful realization that only in Him do our hearts find true peace."

For some, Fear of the Lord is the fear that we may separate ourselves from His love and His presence when we sin. it is totally on us because God never stops loving us. A family with a healthy Fear of the Lord is holy.

In our Second Reading, we are told God's love for us allows us to be called children of God (1 John 3:1-2). The greatest sign of His love for us was the gift of His Divine Son. Belief in His Son makes us believers in Him and makes us His true children. Obeying the 10 Commandments will lead to believing in His Son and loving one another. When we keep His Commandments, we remain in God and God remains in us (1 Jn 3: 21-24). This will not guarantee our families a life without challenges, but it does equip us with a method to get through the greatest challenges we may face.

If we temporarily lose a child or grandchild while we are shopping, we can relate to what the Holy Family was going through in our Gospel Reading. This anxiety-filled situation shows us that while the Holy Family was holy, it was not without its own challenges. Miscommunication, misunderstandings, not giving clear directions, concern, worry, fear, reasonable upset, were all present here.

But the story line really comes down to obeying the Commandments. First, the parents, at what must have been a major inconvenience, travel a great distance to obey the Jewish commandment requiring them to present their child to God in the temple (Luke 2: 41-41). Then, the young boy, Jesus, subordinates His love for His parents, to obey the will of His Heavenly Father, to be with Him in the temple. He then obeys the Fourth Commandment. He submits His love of being in the temple with other like-minded people to the will of His parents to leave and go home with them (LK 2: 48-52). The key point is that submitting their wills to God's commandments, made them holy.

Bishop Robert Barron once wrote: "the family bond will be greater if each member subordinates their love for each other, to the love, the will, the purpose of God. In other words, they fall in love with the greater love of God, while remaining in love with each other". When our families obey the 10 Commandments, when we submit our love for each other to the love and will of God, our families become holy.



Deacon Kevin Campbell