



EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Brothers, as we continue carrying on during this pandemic, it is easy to lose sight of our mission: "We are Catholic men building a bridge back to faith. There is much good and necessary work to be done in this world, and that's what Knights do every day." We accomplish this by supporting worthwhile charities, providing opportunities to live and spread the Catholic faith and fostering our members to be better husbands, fathers, sons and role models. We continue to provide charitable assistance to the Low Country Pregnancy Center, Our Lady of Mercy Community Outreach and ECCO. Our cross procession is still scheduled for Palm Sunday, 28 March 2021. Finally, we continue to search for new members that enable the Knights to continue with our mission as stated above.

We will conduct our monthly meetings virtually until that time when it is safe for all members to attend in person. Our next meeting is scheduled for 18 Feb 2021. If you have any candidates for membership please inform myself or any Council officer prior to or during the next meeting. Additionally, we have planned an exemplification for the Feb 2021 meeting.

Continue to pray for the end of the pandemic and we will see you at the next Council meeting.

Vivat Jesus!

Joe Nesbitt

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FEBRUARY 2021

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COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary_____	06
COK — 7:30 AM	
St. Valentine's Day_____	14
Presidents' Day_____	15
Ash Wednesday_____	17
Regular Business Meeting_____	18
Regular Meeting will be Zoom - Grand Knight will send information.	
SC District Fourth Degree 83rd Exemplification_____	20
St. Gregory the Great—Bluffton, SC	
.Prayer Visual at Abortion Facility_____	20
West Ashley Abortion Facility 8:00 AM (Corner of Hwy 61 & Fuseler Rd.) 1312 Ashley River Rd., Charleston, SC 29407	
First Sunday of Lent_____	21

Form #100 Belongs in All of These Places

- Briefcase
- In Your Pocket
- Near Your Phone
- Glove Compartment
- Everywhere You Go!



**SIGN UP A
NEW MEMBER
TODAY!**



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**Knight of the Month
January 2021
Jerry Gimbert**

Jerry was born in Pittsburg, PA and grew up in Roanoke Virginia where he attended St Andrews Catholic School graduating in 1955.

He joined the Navy in early 1956 and served aboard a Destroyer based in Norfolk, VA. until his discharge in 1959. He returned to Roanoke and worked in the family Construction Business.

He met Loretta during that time and they were married in November 1961 at St. Andrews Catholic Church. They are blessed with four children and eight grandchildren.

Jerry began his career in retail management in 1969 with Western Auto Supply Company and later with True Value Hardware Company selling franchises.

After retiring in Dover, DE, Jerry and Loretta relocated in 1999 to South Carolina to live closer to family.

Jerry has been a Knight for many years serving in several Councils in Virginia, North Carolina and Georgia. After moving to Charleston in 2007 he transferred to Council 9475. He co-chaired the Book Sale, assisted in Operation Hope, 40 Days for Life and Home Works.

He is a member of Christ Our King parish and was on the parish staff as Assistant to the Facilities Manager from 2013 - 2017. He volunteers as an Usher at COK and volunteers at Saint Vincent de Paul Society.



Congratulations Jerry!!!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

*Leo Albano
Joe Bamond
Deacon Robert Boackle
Nicholas Brunner
James Buzzelli
Ash Chisholm
Cam Comire
Richard Douglas
Eric Firehammer
John Fluder
Jesse Furlano
Brian Headley
Robert Jackson
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Al Kravchuk
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Lou Mondello
John Murphy
Michael O'Connor
Frank O'Neil
Jonathon Santilli
Joseph Schill
Bryan Schultz
William Storen
Warren Tawes
Robert Thetreat
Richard Williams*

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

*Carlos and Trish Riley Araiza
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*



Brother Jerry Barnett and Wife Diana Help Granddaughters with Fund Raiser

Brother Jerry Barnett and Diana's granddaughters, Abigail and AnnaGrace are raising money by selling used golf balls for 50 cents each to give to charity. They find the balls in ponds, grassy and wooded areas. They then take them to their Grandparents home where they clean them. Any golf balls that do not meet their standards are discarded. So far they have donated \$2,080.00 to the following charities. ECCO, USO, Disabled Veterans, Boys Town, St. Jude, ASPCA, Low Country Food Bank, Salvation Army, American Cancer Society, The Shriners, East Cooper Meals on Wheels, and A family in need.

If any Brother Knight is interested in helping them help others you can contact them at 843-884-0210 or by E-mail at diana12479@yahoo.com. Even if you don't golf you might have friends that do and you can spread the word.

Thank You and God Bless,
Abigail, AnnaGrace and Proud Grandparents



In the back Grandparent Brother Jerry inspector,
Center AnnaGrace and front Abigail sorting golf balls.



Above are containers of golf balls sorted by vendor .



Above are left to right Abigail, Monsignor Carter
And AnnaGrace as they make a donation to ECCO.


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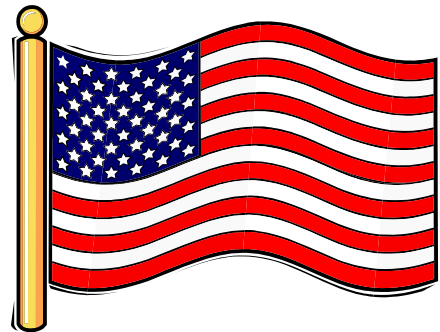
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Our Journey to Heaven

Dt 18: 15-20; Ps 95: 1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mark 1: 21-28

Our Meditation remind us that no matter what we have going on in our lives, we are all really on a journey to Heaven. Along the way, we will encounter problems. We will have worries, fears and anxieties. We will be tempted to sin by the devil. But if we keep our eyes on Jesus, if we listen to Him, He will amaze and astonish us. He will teach us things that the World does not want us to know. He will show us a new way to live our lives.

The World may tell us that we absolutely need to have something, like a new car or house, a baseball bat, or a dress. While it might bring us some satisfaction, it will be fleeting. Having it will not bring us true joy. What Jesus gives us is a joy that amazes. It is eternal. He wants us to come, share in His joy.

In our first Reading, Moses has led the Jewish people out of their slavery in Egypt. They are about to enter into the Promised Land. This was a real tough crowd to please. They constantly complained and tested Moses and God. More than once, Moses, who foreshadowed Jesus, had to stand in the breach so that God would not severely punish them for their lack of faith.

Moses, speaking for God, tells the Jewish people, and us that we need to listen to Jesus. If we don't, there will be consequences. We will miss out on the joy that is Jesus and we will run into roadblocks on our journey to Heaven.

Many of us say prayers every day. Prayers of petition, forgiveness and intercession. Do we ever asked ourselves: "are we doing all the talking?" Do we ever listen for God to speak to us? We may find that He speaks to us all of the time. We just need to take the time and find a place where we can listen for God to speak to us.

Our Psalm calls for the Jewish people, and us, to praise and worship God on our journey to Heaven. It directs us to listen to God and respond in the right way. We need to do a better job than the Jewish people. The Jewish people quarreled with God and tested Him.

If we listen for him to guide us, He will lead us down the right path. We will realize He wants the best for us and, as His unconditional love showers over us, we will be filled with His peace, joy and happiness.

In his First Letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul tells us not to be anxious or to worry about things we can do nothing about. Unless we have a clinical psychological problem, allowing anxiety and worry to take over our lives may actually be sinful. The sinfulness comes from us not trusting Jesus enough to take care of the problem. We refuse to turn it over to Him or, we give it to Him for a little while, but then we take it right back. We need to turn our problems, anxieties, and worries over to Jesus who will take care of them, in His time and in His way.

In Mark's Gospel, Jesus is having a great day in Capernaum. He preaches in the synagogue. His homily amazes and astonishes the people. They say that he is so much better than the scribes who usually preach. He speaks with authority as he puts the meaning of the scripture in his own words.

This is our Jesus. We need to be constantly amazed and astonished by His teachings and by the power we can receive from His grace, if we accept it. We should get excited about having Jesus in our lives. He is the source of our joy on our journey to Heaven.

So what can we take from our Meditation today:

1. We are all on a journey to Heaven. We need to listen for Jesus' teaching and be sure to live our lives as he has taught us;
2. Along the way, we will have problems, worries, fears, anxieties, even temptations to sin, which are usually from the devil.
3. Don't hesitate to turn all of these over to Jesus. He is there to help us, to amaze us and astonish us as He gives us true joy on our journey to Heaven.



Deacon Kevin