



EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Brothers and Spouses,

2021 is in the books and we now look towards 2022. COVID brought about a lot of challenges but were solved by the diligence and hard work of many of the brothers. We were able to come together again at meetings, fund raising events and social gatherings. The upcoming year brings the promise of more good stuff to come.

December was our biggest month for events. We were able to participate in the Mount Pleasant Christmas parade on 12 December 2021. Many thanks to Josh Hulen for coordinating this effort. We were fortunate to be able to conduct a second Columbus Hope Drive on 19 December 2021 at St. Benedict's. Thanks to Bill Shoemaker for coordinating this effort as well as collectors Tom Kenzik, Joe Shierman, Kenneth Kobularcik, Carlos Arazia, Joe Harking Sr, Dick Baumer, Bob Thetreault and Mike McDermott. They collected \$2,094 during the four masses. Last but certainly not least was the Christmas Party on 17 December 2021. Many thanks to Matt Feltman and his gang of helpers, (too many to list), that set up, provided food and cleaned up. Fun was had by all to include the visit by Santa Claus, (a close personal friend of Jon Tirpak).

Finally I would be remiss in not putting a spot light on Tom Franzone and his wife Fran. They both were involved in all the December events. They provide so much for the Council and especially its internal workings. If it weren't for them, there would be a lot of things undone. They add class to everything they do. Tom makes sure I write these columns and get them in on time. Tom and Fran, a great big thanks to you from myself and Council 9475.

Our next meeting is scheduled for 20 January 2022 at St. Benedict Catholic Church. See you there.

Please continue to pray for the end of COVID-19.

Vivat Jesus!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS JANUARY 2022

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God _____	01
Pro-Life/Rosary _____	01
COK — 7:30 am	
Ultreya Meeting _____	04
COK Chapel — 6:30 PM	
Officers Meeting _____	06
COK Life Center—6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration _____	06
Stella Maris —8PM to 8AM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament _____	07
COK — 7:30 AM to 12:00 Noon	
Prayer Visual at Abortion Facility _____	15
West Ashley Abortion Facility 8:00 AM	
(Corner of Hwy 61 & Fuseler Rd.)	
1312 Ashley River Rd., Charleston, SC 29407	
Martin Luther King Day _____	17
Regular Business Meeting _____	20
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
950 Darrell Creek Trail	
Rosary: 6:00 PM	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:00 PM	
KofC Annual Oyster Roast _____	22
Gold Bug Island	



Charleston Fisher House

On December 2nd, on behalf of the 4th Degree Assembly, SK Don Campbell, SK Bill Shoemaker, SK Jon Tirpak (with his wife Angie), and SK Bob Fintak prepared a meal for the families of Veterans at the Charleston Fisher House. Grilled pork chops, baked asparagus, mashed potatoes, squash and homemade cookies were all served. Thank you SK Don for arranging this wonderful event. Plans are already in the works for another successful meal in the spring. More details to follow. Sir Knights, please consider volunteering for this much appreciated and always rewarding event.

Thanks,
Matt.



Above left to right are preparers and servers Bill Shoemaker, Don Campbell, Bob Fintak, Jon and wife Angie Tirpak.



Look at the above mouth watering beautiful golden brown juicy pork chops prepared and served by the crew to the left.



Above is the beautifully set serving table.



**OUR CHRISTMAS FLOAT
IN
MT. PLEASANT CHRISTMAS PARADE
12/12/2021**



The above Knights decorated the float left to right Tom Franzone, Carlos Araiza, up on ladder chairman Josh Hulen, Grand Knight Joe Nesbitt and Jerry Gimbert.



Above is our Keep Christ in Christmas and it's OK to say Merry Christmas float in the parade with Christ Our King Youth Group riding on it.

**A Great Evening at Council 9475 and Assembly 3243
Christmas Party
At
Christ Our King Beach House**



What a great surprise when Santa showed up (Jon Tirpak) with Santa is Cindy Feltman. Cindy and her husband Deputy Grand Knight and Faithful Navigator Matt hoisted our party.



With Santa left is Fran Franzone and right is Diana Branett. They both look like they've been Naughty.



What a great festive meal we had by what was provided by the Knights and dishes brought by those that attended the party. We had plenty to eat and lots of great desserts.



Having fun bottom left is Diana Barnett giving Jeff Pulaski an ear full talking with her hands, that's the Italian in her. Standing right is Neil Whitman having Debbie Pulaski pulling winning ticket for a table prize poinsettia plant and standing left is our host Matt Feltman waiting for winning number to give them plant.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

*Thomas and Donna Brown
Benjamin and Beth Byrnes
Melvin and Elnora Lands
Wilfred and Mary Jane Lemire*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

*Raul Acevedo
Edward Bernard
Stan Blalock
Martin Bogdan
Robert Bohnstengel
Richard Burman
James Cafaro
David Dolan
Noah Dubois
Coleman Dunne
Edward Fitzpatrick
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If you recognize this elegant salad spoon and fork that was left at our Christmas Party at Christ Our King Beach House. Please contact our Grand Knight Joe Nesbitt 843-297-9873.

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COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary _____	05
COK — 7:30 AM	
St. Valentine's Day _____	14
Regular Business Meeting _____	17
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
950 Darrell Creek Trail	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7 PM	
Prayer Visual at Abortion Facility _____	19
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Presidents' Day _____	21
 SC District Fourth Degree 83rd Exemplification _____??	
St. Gregory the Great—Bluffton, SC	

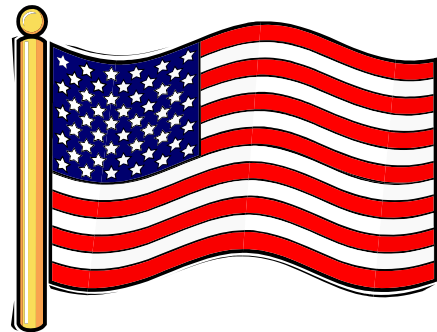
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Meditation on the Feast Day of the Holy Family

1 John 3:1-2, 21-24; Luke 2: 41-52

The celebration of the Feast Day of the Holy Family is coming up. We should ask ourselves: what makes a family holy?

The readings for that day focus on the 10 commandments. By obeying the 10 Commandments we are subordinating our wills to the will of God.

The Second Reading from the First Letter of St. John tells us God, the Father, loves us. The greatest sign of His love is the gift of His divine Son. Belief in His Son makes us believers in Him and makes us His true children.

If our families set aside time to be with the Lord: saying prayers, like a family rosary, before bed or when we are on a road trip; praying before meals, even when we are out to dinner; and never missing Sunday Mass, we develop good habits. These good habits will lead us to obeying the 10 Commandments. When we do, the Father remains in us, we remain in the Father, and we will believe in His Son. This will lead our families to be filled with God's peace, joy, love, and happiness.

This will not guarantee that our families will be without challenges, but it does equip us with methods to get through any challenge 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 the Gospel of Luke. 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.

But their story really comes down to obeying the 10 Commandments. First, Mary and Joseph, at what must have been a major inconvenience, travel a great distance to obey the ancient Jewish Commandment requiring them to present their child to God in the Temple. 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.

Jesus then obeys the Fourth Commandment by subordinating His love for being in the temple to the will of His parents to go home with them. The key point is that subordinating their wills to God's commandments, made them holy.

Bishop Robert Barron tells us: "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 we pray as a family, when we obey the 10 Commandments, when subordinate our love for each other to the love and will of God, our families become holy.



Deacon Kevin Campbell