



EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Brothers,

Our annual golf tournament was conducted 10 May 2021 at the Wild Dunes Harbor Course. A great turnout coupled with great weather, enthusiastic golfers and a flawless program resulted in the Knight's earning \$16,000+ for the Daughters of St. Paul. A great big **Thanks** go to Bob Fintak and his crew for setting up and running the event.

We conducted our second in person meeting 20 May 2021. The high light of the night was the final reading and voting on the Council Officers for 2021-2022. We welcomed Michael Grizzle, a transfer from Florida to the Council. Additionally, the winner for the 2021-2022 Knights Scholarship to Bishop England was announced. The winner is Owen Patrick Fritts, an eighth-grade student at Christ Our King-Stella Maris.

The June business meeting will be in person at St. Benedict's 17 June 2021. We will begin with the rosary at 6:00pm followed by the business meeting at 6:30pm. As the COVID-19 numbers decrease along with increasing vaccinations, the parishes are gradually returning to something that appears to be the way it was "pre COVID". If everything falls in place, we will be having dinner prior to the June business meeting. There will be some changes: as opposed to "buffet style" dinner will be served "cafeteria style". More details to follow.

Last but not least, the installation for the new Council Officers will be 6:00pm, 24 June 2021 at St. Benedict Catholic Church. This will be a combined installation for both the Council and the Assembly.

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 JUNE 2021

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Ultreya Meeting_____	01
COK Chapel — 6:30 PM	
Officers Meeting_____	03
St Benedict's Parish Hall 6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration_____	03
Stella Maris — 8 PM to 8AM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament_____	04
COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary —_____	05
COK — 7:30 AM	
Raising of the Flag_____	12
On the Yorktown at Patriots Point 9:30 AM	
Flag Day_____	14
Regular Business Meeting_____	17
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
950 Darrell Creek Trail 29466	
Rosary: 6:00 PM	
Meeting: 6:30 PM	
Prayer Visual at Abortion Facility_____	19
West Ashley Abortion Facility 8:00 PM	
(Corner of Hwy 61 & Fuseler Rd.)	
1312 Ashley River Rd., Charleston, SC 29407	
Father's Day_____	20
Installation of Officers_____	24
At St. Benedict's Time 6:00 PM	



Brother Knights Our 12th Annual Golf Tournament For The Daughters of St. Paul



Left to right Sister Margaret and Sue Fintak waiting for mulligan purchasers. Next are Gerry Gimbert, Bill Shoemaker and Jim Welsch our sign-up team.



Center is our Golf Chairman Bob Fintak giving last minute instructions before the golfers take off for a great day of golf.

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Score board of all teams . First, second and third place teams circled. On right closest to pin #13 Neil Whitman. Closest to pin #3 Judy Dekeukelaere. Longest drive ladies Peggy Gale. Longest drive men Danny McKay



First place winners left to right Neil Whitman, Steve Kellner, Steve Goodman and not in picture Phil McClary.



Second place winners left to right Frankie Hamer, Stephen Mahaffey, Cory Greer and Mark Lazo.



Third place winners left to right Marshall Depass, Michael Carroll, Todd Overdorf and not in picture Brent Roberts.



Handing out door prizes as Chairman Bob Fintak calls them out left to right Sister Julia, Sue Fintak and Sister Margaret.



After a great meal golfers socializing a waiting their door prize number to be called.



The Sisters that work hard with Chairman Bob Fintak and his wife Sue to arrange and set up the golf tournament left to right Sister Margaret, Sister Lupe, Sister Gioan and Sister Julia.

**Knight of the Month
May 2021
Dee Ring**

Dewitt (Dee) Ring was born and raised in Rochester, NY and is the youngest of six children. His great grandparents provided the local Irish community a home for Our Mother of Sorrows school and church. He attended Catholic school until studying at the State University at Oswego and graduated in 1978 with degrees in Communication Studies and Psychology.

Dee traveled west and was hired by Oscar Mayer and three weeks later moved to Portland, Oregon. His career as a Sales Manager gave him the opportunity to live in California, Ohio, Maryland, Wisconsin, and Virginia.

While living in Cincinnati, Ohio, Dee was married to his wife Martha, now married 26 years. They have been blessed with three boys ranging in age from 24 to 21 years of age.

Along the way, they lived in Cleveland, Ohio for 13 years. Their boys attended catholic school and Mom helped with charity events and Dee coached his boys through 10 years of Catholic grade school. Dee has participated in several Christ Renews His Parish retreats, served on Pastoral Council and has been involved as a Core member in St. Mary's Life Teen Program. He started a men's group that celebrated our faith and shared common concerns to support one another and our community.

Dee transitioned into retirement in August of 2015 after 38 years. He spent the first year of retirement volunteering for Habitat for Humanity building houses in the city of Richmond. Then in February of 2018, they made their move to Daniel Island and joined St. Claire parish.

Dee joined the Knights of Columbus council 9475 in August of 2020. Since the pandemic he has assisted the Rotary Club by building desks for underprivileged children for studying at home.

Dee hopes to be a disciple for his Church through the many opportunities that the Knights of Columbus offers.

Congratulations Dee!!!



Left is our Deputy Grand Knight and acting Family Director Matt Feltman presenting Dee center with the Knight of the Month Certificate and Grand Knight Joe Nesbitt standing-by just present Knights cup To Dee.

**Knight of the Month
May 2020
Robert Thetreault**

Because of the Corona Pandemic Bob was unable to receive his Knight of the Month Certificate and Knights cup which were presented at this meeting.

Bob and his wife, Denise, moved to Mt. Pleasant in August 2019 and live in the Park West section of town. They moved here from Mint Hill, NC, and are originally from Chicopee, MA. They are parishioners of St. Benedict Catholic Church.

Denise has a daughter Melissa in Somers, CT who she put up for adoption many years ago. Bob and Denise have one granddaughter, Milly, and another grandchild on the way in January. They also have two white mini schnauzers named Gus and Paul. Bob is the Southeast Regional Manager for MassMutual, and works from the local MassMutual Agency in downtown Charleston.

Bob and Denise were Eucharistic Ministers at St. Michael Catholic Church in East Longmeadow, MA, and Bob delivered communion to the residents at the local Senior Living Center. Bob joined the Knights of Columbus shortly after moving to Mint Hill, NC in 2013 and became a 4th Degree Knight in 2019. He became the Warden of his Council in 2017 and was the Chancellor of his Council in 2018, and 2019.

Bob was the Co-Chair of his council's annual Golf Tournament, the Pastor's Masters and their annual food drive, Feeding Families. In 2019, Feeding Families won the state award for best charitable event after collecting 11,000 pounds of food for approximately 300 families at Christmas. The 2019 Pastor's Masters raised significant cash to help the Council purchase a mobile ultrasound machine through the Knights of Columbus Ultrasound Initiative.

While in Mint Hill Bob joined a local small faith group named Fringe. This group was made up of Catholics who got together once a month to pray and discuss religious topics. The group ran the Annual Blanket Banquet which was an event to help the homeless in Charlotte. All of the homeless received a sleeping bag, blanket, toiletries, and clothes. This event was very popular in the community and was often featured on the local news.

Bob is also a member of the Western North Carolina Chapter of the Knights on Bikes which is a group of Knights who own motorcycles and put on separate events in addition to Council activities. One popular event involved visiting veterans at the VA Home on Veteran's Day and providing care packages and camaraderie. This event was a big hit with the veterans.

Bob and Denise love it in Mt. Pleasant and look forward to getting involved in activities with both the Council and Assembly.

Congratulations Bob!!!



Left is Bob holding Knight of the Month Certificate that Grand Knight Joe Nesbitt just presented and is holding Bob's Knights cup.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

*Stanley and Jean Adams
Richard and Audrey Burman
John and Angela Demo
Mark and Diane Dickson
Lawrence and Gerrie Elberfeld
Edward and Diane Forte'
Michael and Mary Lou Grizzle
Robert and Linda Humphrey
Gene and Natalie Knisley
Al and Catherine Kravchuk
Ben and Joanna Laaper
Michael and Cristan Lawrie
Patrick and Jane McDavid
William and Ruth Ann Murphy
Joe and Jody Nesbitt
Isaac and Margaret Perkins
Thomas and Kim Siwarski
Don and Kim Slowek*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

*James Ball
Jerry Barnett
Luke Billman
John Danko Jr.
John Demo
Matt Evangelista
Bill Evens

Michael Flato
Richard Garcia
John Gay Jr.
Gregory Gormley
Thomas Gwiazdowski
Connor Herlihy
John Karnaszewski
Timothy Keenan
Ken Kobularcik
John Maize Jr.

Patrick McDavid
Scott Myers
Daniel Papineau
Kenneth Schwallie
Mark Smith
Robert Turner
James Viers
Doug Wilgus
Bennett Wyse*



Thank You from Brother Bill Shoemaker

**K of C helping East Cooper Faith Network
FIXIT**

Thank You to Brother Knights Jerry Gimbert, Greg Raven, Martin McNulty and Bob Fintak for coming out to help move furniture so that new plywood and laminate flooring could be put down in Emma's home. We did this in 2 days and enjoyed seeing Emma's joy.

I will keep trying to involve the council in this community work.

Thank You Brother Knights, Brother Bill Shoemaker



**The Following Brother Knights Were Vote
To Be Our Officers
2021—2022**

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Our May 20 Regular Business Meeting**

Grand Knight _____ Joe Nesbitt
Deputy Grand Knight _____ Matt Feltman
Chancellor _____ Bobby Geberth
Recorder _____ Michael Fabrizio
Treasurer _____ Jim Welsch
Advocate _____ Bob Fintak
Warden _____ Jon Tirpak
Inside Guard _____ Steve Raynor
Outside Guard _____ Carlos Araiza
3rd Year Trust _____ Tom Siwarski
2nd Year Trustee _____ Kevin Cunnane
1st Year _____ Don Campbell



**Presentation of Insurance
Founders' Award for 2019-2020**

In picture standing left is Insurance Agent Paul Harrington who presented the **Founders' Award Plaque** to Past Grand Knight Tom Siwarski for meeting the Councils Insurance Quota of 2.5 percent of the membership.

**Congratulations Past Grand Knight
Tom Siwarski!!!**



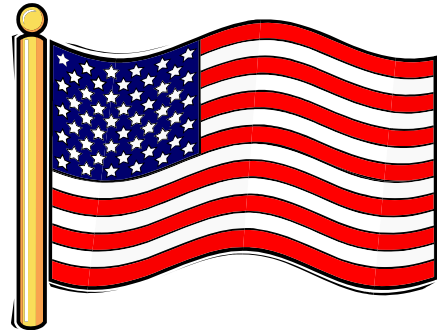
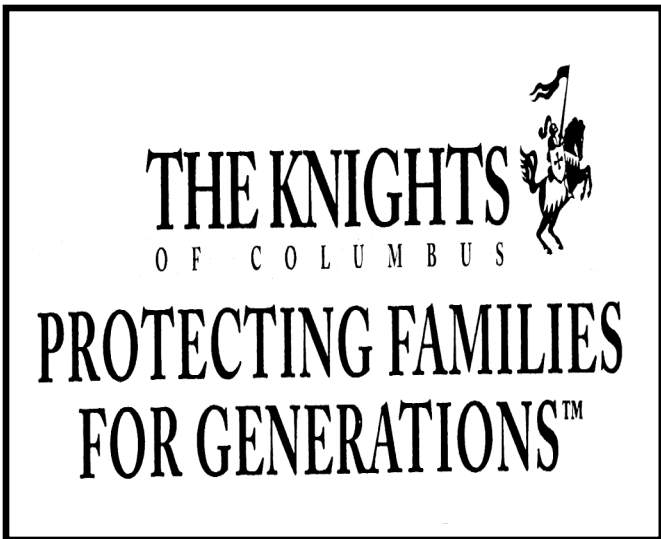
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Independence Day	04
Ultrya Meeting	06
Christ Our King Chapel 6:30 PM	
Regular Business Meeting	15
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1312 Ashley River Rd., Charleston, SC 29407	

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GOD BLESS AMERICA

Meditation on the Most Holy Trinity

By Deacon Kevin Campbell

St. Augustine was walking by the seashore one day, attempting to find an explanation for the mystery of the Trinity. As he walked along, he saw a small boy on the beach, pouring seawater from a shell into a small hole in the sand. “What are you doing, my child?” Asked Augustine. “I am emptying the sea into this hole,” the boy answered with an innocent smile. “But that is impossible, my dear child,” said Augustine. The boy stood up, looked St Augustine right in the eye and replied, “What you are trying to do – comprehend the mystery of the Trinity even more impossible.” Then he vanished. The child was an angel sent by God to teach Augustine a lesson.

When we consider the Trinity, the key word is mystery. There are at least 3 ways to approach it: we can disregard it or not believe it. Jesus called these people: the wise and the learned. These were code words for the scribes and the Pharisees. Today we call them close minded and the arrogant.

a second way is to say I fully understand and comprehend it. This is somewhat questionable. St. Augustine, one of the greatest theologians of all time, who wrote the book about it, called: “On the Trinity”, said 30 years after he had written the book: I do not fully understand what I have written.”

The third way is to just accept it. Jesus called these people: the child-like. Later he would say: “the only way to get to heaven was to have a child-like faith in me”.

It is important that we realize it is not a problem if we do not fully comprehend the Trinity. What we need to do is to try and understand what we can, and then build on that.

So how do we go about taking whatever our understanding of the Trinity is and building upon it? When we pray, it is important to remember that we have only one, true God. Then we focus on the special role of each person of the Trinity: first, we have our heavenly Father, to whom great praise and glory must be given because he created us. Jesus called God, the Father: Abba or Daddy. We can have the same intimate relationship with God as our Daddy. We should refer to him as Abba, our Daddy.

Then we have our Brother, Jesus, who showed us how to live our lives. Out of love for us, he chose to suffer and die so that we would be in heaven with him one day.

Finally, we have our Friend, the Holy Spirit. He gives us his gifts including wisdom, understanding, knowledge and courage so that we can get through all of the trials and temptations in this life. He wants us to have the peace, joy and happiness that only God can give.

So we have God, the Father, our Daddy, who is the creator of all things; God, our Brother, Jesus, who died and rose again to give us new life; and God, our Friend, the Holy Spirit, who gives us his gifts for our journey.

Daddy, Brother, Friend...

Let’s think of them in this way every time we pray. When we do, we will enjoy a better understanding of this mystery. When we do, we will have a closer relationship with our Daddy, our Brother and our Friend.



Deacon Kevin Campbell