



# EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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## GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Brother Knights:

We had a very busy April starting with the golf outing. Thanks to Bob Fintak for chairing the outing and all those who helped organize, sell sponsorships and those who played as well. The Council sponsored a public speaking contest at Christ Our King Stella Maris School. Thanks to Will Simmons for coordinating the speech contest.

We had two Brother Knights take their 3rd Degree John Danko III and Matt Feltman. Congratulations John and Matt!!

On Palm Sunday, the Council and the Assembly worked together to conduct a Cross Procession along Coleman Boulevard. Thanks to Tom Sloggett for building the cross and Don Campbell for coordinating the event.

We all witnessed the fire at Notre Dame Cathedral and we can all be proud of the efforts of the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus in quickly offering a financial commitment to assist with what will be a major rebuilding effort.

Thanks as well to Joey and Eileen Keller who travelled to Greenville to represent the council at the State Convention. Congratulations to the new State Officers including State Deputy Daniel Barton, who has always been a friend to our Council.

Kevin M. Cunnane  
GK 9475



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS MAY

Officers Meeting_____	02
COK —Life Center — 6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration_____	02
Stella Maris — 8 PM to 8 AM	
Men's Hike_____	2-5
Additional Info to come John Danko III	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament_____	03
COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary_____	04
COK — 7:30 AM	
Mother's Day_____	12
Regular Business Meeting _____	16
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
950 Darrell Creek Trail 29466	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7 PM	
Memorial Day_____	18
Ascension of the Lord_____	30
Spaghetti Dinner Planned _____	TBA

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

William Arent  
 Joseph Bandiera  
 William Bladykas  
 Frank Budd  
 Donald Burkard  
 Don Campbell  
 Donald Carbone  
 Daniel Clerici  
 Kevin Crean  
 Ron Davis  
 Roland DeVita  
 George Detyens  
 Dean Ellis  
 James Fisher  
 Josh Headley  
 Ryan Kinowski  
 John Marrs Jr.  
 Michael Merwin  
 Joseph Palisi  
 Edward Robinson  
 Norman Russell  
 John Simisky



**Knights of Columbus Council 9475  
10th Annual Golf Tournament for  
The Daughters of St. Paul**



Above at player registration table and setting up are left to right Brothers Leroy Ceresa, Bob Brennan, Bill Shoemaker and Jerry Gimbert hanging sign.

**First and Second Place Winners**



First place winners are left to right Marshall Ormand, Tony Morelli, John David Griffith and Robert Fairey.



Signing up for mulligan, putting closet to hole prize and hit one ball from red tee are Past Grand Knight Don Campbell left in black, Deacon Don Campbell gray jacket, right is Brother Jerry Gaeta behind him in picture is St. Marie Thecla and background are Sr. Margaret Kerry and Mimi Gaeta looking in the distance.



Second place winners are Frankie Hamer, Cory Greer, Stephen Mahaffey and not in picture left before taken Mark Lazo.



The hotdogs are ready!

Fukman	77	Hymas	64	McCartney	60
Smith		Haynes		Softer	
Hoyer		Woster		Freesley	
Norman		Sink		Perini	
McLaughlin		Kuczynski		McCallough	
McLolland	76	Monast	62	Brimson	
Johanson		O'Shea		Laba	67
Craven		Compianso		DiPietro	
Cutney		Williams		Morelli	1st
Mean	61	Edinger	64	Morelli	58
Wiser		Feesey		Fairey	
Wiser		Williams		Griffith	
Clinton		Wick Collins	3rd	Riven	
Ankerson	77		59	Feagin	65
Smith				Altman	
Ahern				Catanzarite	
McRally		Harkins		Schwinn	
Erisham	65	Koch	68	Humphrey	66
Herner		Cookley		Johnson	
Snigg		Harkins		Williams	
Teders		Harrison		Shuler	
Daugamah	77	Harrison		TBD	59
Stiles		Curtis		TBD	
Delorano		Cason		TBD	
Campbell		Barton		Lazo	
Campbell	64	White	63	Mahaffey	2nd
Campbell		Cox		Hamer	59
Keller		Rusey		Greer	
Brasell	67	Dichson	68	Marchewka	
Mathewes		Jones		Freselli	69
Dawkes		Curry		Marchowski	
Molin		Curry		Thompson	

Picture of overall scoring.



**Family of the Month  
April 2019  
Mike and Julie Flato**

Wife Julie, married 32 yrs. 2 children: Aimee graduated from Clemson in 2014 and is working for a non-profit group in Dallas, TX. Michael Jr. graduated from the College of Charleston in 2013 and, is a part-time snowboarder, Director of soccer and coach, and banquet server in Vail, CO. Julie grew up in Louisiana and graduated from Tulane with honors. She has worked at Hood Law Firm, LLC as Head Paralegal for 40 years. Mike was born in Effingham, SC, right outside of Florence and grew up in North Charleston. He graduated from Bishop England and attended USC. He is a retired residential home builder, has worked as an appraiser and in real estate. He also owned a high energy nightclub downtown called Fanigans where he met Julie. He is a basketball and soccer referee also assigns soccer referees for Mt. Pleasant Rec Department. Over the past 20 years on and off he has been a volunteer soccer and basketball coach for MPRD and Christ Our King.

They are both involved with the Cursillo Movement, participate in their weekly groups, attend the monthly Ultreya meetings at Christ Our King and have worked as team members for the Cursillo weekends for the past 20+ years. They attend Christ Our King church where they are Extraordinary Eucharistic ministers, and greeters. Mike is also an usher and on the senior ministries team that does a communion service at an assisted living facility. He has volunteered with the I-Beam program, mentoring and reading with elementary children. Julie is chairman of the Family Life Committee for Christ Our King and heads up the annual Feast of Christ the King parish dinner, COK Ice Cream Social and the parish picnic. She is a member of Parish Council. Mike has been a member of the KOC since 1993, and is a Fourth Degree, holding different positions over the years, rising to Deputy Grand Knight. He has given out many a Tootsie Rolls with his kids. He was one of the first Altar servers, and is still serving at 7:30 am Mass. He established the KOC free throw contest in the current format. When not involved in church, the Knights or sports, you can find them dancing the shag at one venue or another. Mike at one time competed professionally in dance contests and he taught many locals (and Julie) how to do the Shag, our "state dance". He helped establish the first Shag club in the Charleston area, which has now grown into 3 different clubs.

Through the Knights and Cursillo they have been able to share a Christ filled life with their family and friends.

**Congratulations Mike and Julie!!!**



Left Matt Feltman acting Family Director center Grand Knight Kevin Cunnane presenting Mike Flato with Family of the Month Certificate and Knights cup.

**Knight of the Month  
April 2019  
Joe Nesbitt**

- Joe and Jody Nesbitt met in Terre Haute, IN while Joe attended Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology studying Civil Engineering and Jody attended Saint Mary of the Woods studying Studio Art. They were married in 1976 at Saint Jude Catholic Church in Fort Wayne, IN.

- Upon graduation, Joe worked for Chicago Bridge and Iron as a Field Engineer prior to going on active duty in the Army. In addition to Germany and 11 stateside postings, Joe was stationed, unaccompanied, in Panama, South Korea, Saudi Arabia and Afghanistan.

- Joe retired from the Army and worked for ITT as the Fort Bragg Port Coordinator at the Charleston Naval Weapons Station and then CGI, doing field services business development. Now semi-retired, he works as a defense logistics consultant. Jody continues providing travel services and opportunities.

- They have three children: Paul, Kristen and Mark living in Columbus, OH, Lexington, and Chicago and 4 grandchildren: Campbell, Cooper, Charlie and Lucy.

- Active members in Saint Benedict since 2004 where Jody is on the parish council and Joe serves as an usher and Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister. In addition he takes part in local Cursillo groupings and Emmaus functions.

- Joe joined KofC in Nov 2017; is now a 4th Degree Knight and the Council's Warden. He looks forward to actively participating in many Knight

**Congratulations Joe!!!**



Left Grand Knight Kevin Cunnane holding Knights cup center Council Director Don Campbell presented Knight of the Month Joe Nesbitt with Certificate.



**Below are pictures of Brother Knights, Family Members and Others  
In Our Cross Procession from Baskin Robbins to Christ Our King Church 2.6 Miles**



Prayer before Cross Procession started



About halfway to Christ Our King Church  
with Brother Knight Greg Raven carrying Cross



Cross Procession started with John Danko III carrying the Cross



Close behind Cross is Assembly 3243 Colorguard left Sr. Knight  
Bob Fintak and Commander Bill Shoemaker with followers.



The Cross, Assembly 3243 Colorguard and  
Cross Procession are crossing Houston Northcutt Blvd.



Cross Procession made it to COK Altar Garden and  
are saying the Rosary lead by Deacon Kevin Campbell.



**We had a Quest Singer  
Jim Quinn at Our April Meeting**



Above is our quest singer Jim Quinn singing Ave Maria.



Above are Brother Knights who participated April 29, 2019 at St. Benedict's Church Stations of the Cross. Left to right are Jim Morini, John Danko III, Joe Nesbitt and Joe Harkins.



**Form #100  
Belongs in  
All of These Places**

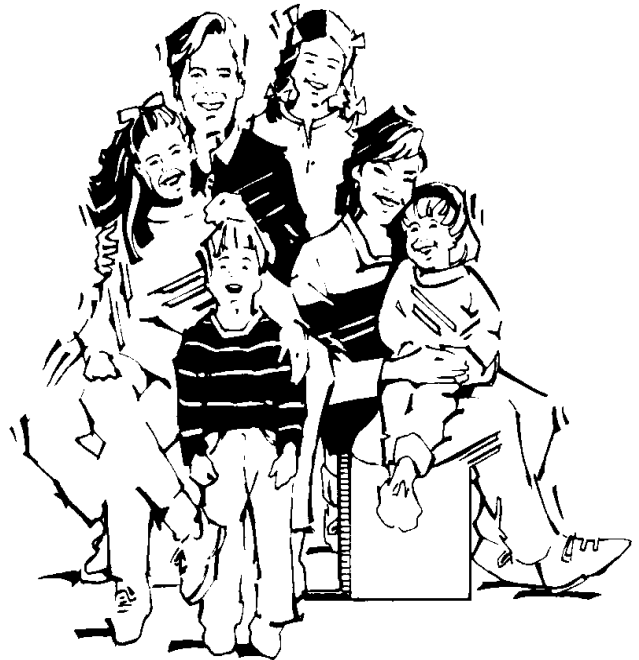
- Briefcase
- In Your Pocket
- Near Your Phone
- Glove Compartment
- Everywhere You Go!



**SIGN UP A  
NEW MEMBER  
TODAY!**



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**



**FAMILY FIRST**

## 2019–2020 OFFICER NOMINATIONS

Grand Knight\_\_\_\_\_Tom Siwarski  
Deputy Grand Knight\_\_\_\_\_Joey Keller  
Chancellor\_\_\_\_\_Joe Nesbitt  
Recorder\_\_\_\_\_John Danko III  
Treasurer\_\_\_\_\_Jim Welsch  
Advocate\_\_\_\_\_Bob Fintak  
Warden\_\_\_\_\_Bobby Geberth  
Inside Guard\_\_\_\_\_Jerry Gimbert  
Outside Guard\_\_\_\_\_Joe Harkins Jr.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Year Trust\_\_\_\_\_Kevin Cunnane  
2<sup>nd</sup> Year Trustee\_\_\_\_\_Don Campbell  
1<sup>st</sup> Year\_\_\_\_\_Sean O’Toole

**These candidates were presented at the April regular business meeting and to be voted on between the May 1<sup>st</sup> and June 15<sup>th</sup> regular business meeting.**

Nominating Committee:

Don Campbell  
Sean O’Toole  
Bill Shoemaker

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**  
**JUNE 2019**

Pro-Life/Rosary — _____	01
COK — 7:30 AM	
Nocturnal Adoration _____	06
Stella Maris — 8 PM to 8AM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament _____	07
COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Book Sale Set Up _____	8 to 11
Move Books from storage and set-up	
Book Sale Starts _____	12
Will run for two weeks till June 26	
Installation of Officers _____	TBA
Officers Meeting _____	06
COK — 6:30 PM	
Flag Day _____	14
Raising of the Flag _____	15
On the Yorktown at Patriots Point 9:00 AM	
Father's Day _____	16
Regular Business Meeting _____	20
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
950 Darrell Creek Trail 29466	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7 PM	
First Responders Breakfast _____	21
More information to follow	

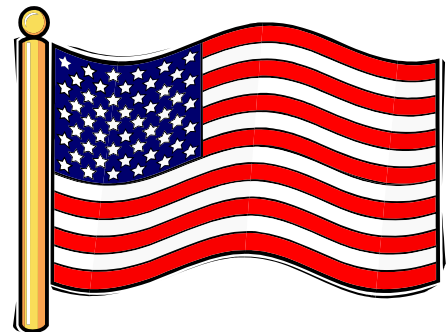
***HAPPY ANNIVERSARY***

- William and Lauren Bladykas  
Francis and Claudia Budds  
Don and Kathy Campbell  
George and Jennifer Caramico  
Leroy and Debra Ceresa  
Richard and Janet Clark  
Kevin and Amanda Crean  
Dominic and Rosemary DeConciliis  
Jeffery and Gayla Decapua  
Charles and Jeri Drouillard  
Dean and Wendy Ellis  
Patrick and Christine Farrell  
Robert and Sue Fintak  
Jesse and Rainey Furlano  
Carl and Ann Geier  
Richard and Mary Happe  
David and Joanne Jones  
Matthew and Pam Jones  
William and Nancy Kundingger  
John and Janice Maize  
Michael and Cynthia McDermott  
Randolph and Elena Pierce  
Charles and Jennifer Stark  
Anthony and Ana Stelluti  
Harry and Nancy Trautman  
Marion and Doris Wright  
Bennett and Suzanne Wyse



**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

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Warden	Joe Nesbitt	843-297-9873
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	Jerry Gimbert	843-655-9111
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	Stan Adams - SB	843-884-8331
	Jerry Gimbert - SC of A	843-655-9111
Insurance Promotion	John Bride	843-388-5147
Operation Hope Chairman	Jack Vax	843-856-2212
Newsletter	Fran Franzone	843-729-5413
State Chaplain	Rev. Robert Higgins	843-249-2356
State Deputy	Mike Allen	803-397-7803
District Deputy	Ed McDowell	843-518-0963
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**GOD BLESS AMERICA**

## Meditation on Listening to God and Obeying Him

Jonah 3: 1-10; Luke 11: 29-32

Our meditation today gives us examples of people who listened to God - and the results from doing so - as well as those who refused to listen. Listening to God may come during our personal prayer time or from people who God has sent as messengers to us. We should always be open to God's messengers.

If we increase our prayer time, we will see signs of God in our lives as we become holy, as we draw closer to God. This will also lead us to be humble as we become more aware of the greatness of our God and the love he has for us. This humility will lead us to repentance, an intense sorrow for our sins. As we try to make lent 2019 the best lent ever, we need to repent of our sins and return to God with our whole hearts.

In the Book of Jonah, we find Jonah to be a reluctant prophet. He was told by God to go to the city of Nineveh and warn the people of their impending doom. Because they were so evil, God was going to destroy them in 40 days unless they repented. The back story is interesting. Nineveh was an important city in Assyria, the enemy of Israel. Assyria had conquered Israel in 721 BC and had made Israel a vassal state, completely controlled by Assyria. Jonah did not think the people would listen to him and he really did not want them to listen. He wanted them to continue their evil ways so God would destroy this enemy of his. Much to his surprise and disappointment, the king of Nineveh listened to him. The king ordered everyone to repent, to turn back to God, so that God might relent in his punishment.

The reaction of the king and the people to the warnings of Jonah was a miracle. It also provides some lessons for us: listening to God; seeing the signs of God in our lives; acting upon those signs in our lives, in humble obedience to God. Here Jonah listened to God. He was obedient to him even though he did not want to go to Nineveh to save his enemy. By going, he humbled himself in God's service. As a result, the entire city turned back to God and was saved from destruction. They saw Jonah for what he was: a messenger from God, a sign from God. They listened and were saved.

We need to be open to the signs from God in our lives. This comes from listening to him; taking the time to hear what he is telling us, perhaps during our prayer time. Sometimes when we pray, we do all the talking. We need to make sure we take the time to let God to speak us.



In the Gospel of Luke, Jesus had just performed an exorcism: he removed a demon from a blind and mute man, curing him. This sign from God was not enough for the hard-hearted scribes and Pharisees. They wanted yet another sign from Jesus to prove that he was God. Jesus says no further signs will be given to them. He knew nothing would convince them. Jesus reminds the Jewish people of Jonah's accomplishment of turning the people of Nineveh from their evil ways and back to God. He does this to praise the response of the people of Nineveh, who were gentiles, to this sign of God in their lives. He contrasts this to the non-belief of the Jews and their leaders to the sign of God in their midst, namely himself.

What can we learn from this meditation?

- We need to take the time to listen to God, especially in our private prayer time.
- We need to increase our prayer time during this Lenten season being sure to listen to God as he speaks to us.
- If we do, we will see signs of his existence, his presence in our lives, as we increase our holiness. We will increase our holiness by prayer and by receiving the sacraments, particularly the Eucharist and Reconciliation.
- We will humbly return to him with our whole hearts and ask him to forgive us for the times we have offended him. We will ask him not only to forgive us from our sins but to restore his peace in us.

Come Easter, we will have lived the best lent ever.



Deacon Kevin Campbell