



# EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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## GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Brother Knights:

Thank you to all the Knights that helped with service events over the last few weeks. One large crew worked to transport donated books from the library sale to storage for our future book sales. Another crew worked the Christ our King Stella Maris School bazaar cooking the food for a large crowd.

At our October Council meeting we welcomed Nick Brunner to our council. He comes to us via the new online membership portal. We also welcomed two transfers: Bob Brennan and Luke Billman to the council. Welcome aboard gentlemen.

We also bid farewell to Brother Don Lindeman, who has been one of our most active Knights. Don will be relocating to Ohio to be closer to his family. Don has always set a fine example of charitable service for both the Council and the Assembly. Thank you Don for all you have done to enrich the Knights of Columbus and all of us who have come to know you.

The council also agreed to support the Knights of Columbus disaster relief efforts for Hurricane Michael. Please consider supporting those efforts personally as well. One hundred percent of donations are used to provide direct aid to disaster victims.

Kevin M. Cunnane  
GK9475

## **Knight of the Month October 2018 Joe Scheirman**

- Joe has been a Knight for 21 years and was founding member of the 4th Degree Assembly and is past Faithful Navigator
- Joe hails from the other Charleston, West Virginia. Graduated from University of Charleston in 1972 and was a member of varsity soccer. Graduated from Army boot camp and advanced training at Fort Knox. Also, graduate of WV police academy and Sergeants Major Academy.
- Joe retired from Department of Army as supervisory staff administrator and Sergeant Major with 38 years of service
- Married Jeannie in 1976 and have two daughters Jo Ellen and Jennifer, and son, Jeffrey who died of cancer at age 26. They have three grand children
- Joe's family received the Great American family award signed by Nancy Regan
- Joe is a Eucharistic minister for St Benedict's and ministers monthly at Somerby. He is a dedicated Knight and involved in many projects - book sale, wreath sale, tootsie roll, spaghetti dinner

Congratulations Joe!!!

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS NOVEMBER

All Saints Day	01
Officers Meeting	01
COK — Life Center — 6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration	01
Stella Maris — 8:00 PM to 8:00 AM	
All Souls Day	02
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	02
COK — 7:30 AM to 6:00 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary	03
COK — 7:30 AM	
Election Day	06
Veterans Day	11
Operation Christmas Child move Items to Grace Hall	12
Moving Items from Greg's House 6 to 8PM	
Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing	13
Grace Hall - 12:30 to 6 PM. Then 6 PM to 7 PM take to Hibben Church	
Regular Business Meeting	15
St. Benedict's Parish Hall Dinner: 6:30 PM Meeting: 7:00 PM	
Thanksgiving	22
Christmas Wreaths arrive	23
Feast of Christ Our King	25

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

*John Bolchoz  
Allan Briggs  
Raymond Brindley  
Joseph Caturano  
Dominic DeConciliis*

*Jady Fryml  
Jeffrey Garrett  
Timothy Hensch  
Anthony Herlihy  
David Hunton  
Ben Laaper  
Austin Lazo  
Alfredo Lopez  
Charles McCloy  
Gene McLaughlin  
Charles Momeier  
Walter Mueller  
John Mutter*

*John O'Brien  
Donald Pagley Jr.  
Donald Pietkiewicz  
Larry Plumb  
Herman Pundt  
James Raih  
Edward Soltis  
Vincent Ullo  
Frank Walsh*



**Family of the Month  
October 2018  
Joey and Eileen Keller**

Joey and Eileen Keller relocated to Charleston just after Thanksgiving, 2017 from Madison, MS. Joey spent His entire career in the defense industry supporting our heroes in uniform, they moved from TX, to AZ, to KY, to MS, to AL, back to MS, and now SC. After 34+ years with Texas Instruments/Raytheon/L-3 Communications, Joey joined SAIC in N. Charleston and assumed Director of Contracts. They are settled in Mt. Pleasant and hopefully this will be the last stop, but they never say never!

Joey joined the Knights in 2011 and achieved the 4th degree that same year. He held a variety of positions to include Pro-Life Chairman, Recorder, Chancellor and Deputy Grand Knight for Council 11945 in Gluckstadt, MS.

Joey has been a member of the Church choir for years and enjoys the music ministries. He has always found comfort when relocating, knowing that he could join the Knights, be part of the choir and immediately come to know people with the same values and interests.

Eileen and Joey have been married more than 34 years, they have two grown daughters that live in KY. When they told the girls they were relocating to MS, they said, uh, we don't think so! So they stayed behind! Eileen is a degreed Accountant and "retired" several years ago to focus on her ministries with the church and in the community. She has opened her heart and her mind for what God has planned for her here in Mt. Pleasant. Eileen has been very active over the years leading bible studies and retreats, teaching religion classes (CCD, RCIA, Adult Ed), supporting Eucharistic Adoration, Stephen Ministries, Legion of Mary, and taking Holy Communion to the sick and home-bound. She is an active Eucharistic Minister at St. Benedict's, participates in weekly bible study and recently began serving as pastoral leader of the St. Benedict's Walking with Purpose bible study. Eileen volunteers weekly at ECCO and takes every opportunity to visit the beach.

Eileen and Joey are really enjoying getting to know Charleston and the St. Benedict family. Joey feels blessed to serve as Chancellor of our Council 9475 and they each wanted to pass on their gratitude to the Council for considering them as Family of the Month.

Congratulations Joey and Eileen!!!



Our Chancellor Joey Keller center received the Family of the Month Certificate from Family Director Tony Certa left and Grand Knight Kevin Cunnane is presenting Joey with Knights cup.

**Pictures of Brother  
Knights Working the COK Bazaar**



Left to right Don Lindeman with the French Fries, Jerry Barnett keeping an eye on the Hot Dogs and Jim Welsch stirring the Chili.



Left Leo Albano opening bag of French Fries for Don and right Mickey McMahon getting more hamburgers for the grille.



Left Jerry Barnett giving Mickey McMahon a hug of Brotherly love and support for a job well done manning the grille.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**  
**DECEMBER**

Pro-Life/Rosary_____	01
COK-7:30 AM	
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 5:00 PM	
Immaculate Conception_____	08
Council 9475 and Assembly 3243 Christmas Party_TBA	
Decorate Float for Mt. Pleasant Christmas Parade___	08
Mt. Pleasant Christmas Parade_____	09
Regular Business Meeting_____	20
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
950 Darrell Creek Trail	
Rosary : 6:05 PM	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:00 PM	
Christmas Day_____	25

***HAPPY ANNIVERSARY***

*John & Jane Bride Jr.*  
*Cam & Patti Comire*  
*Ed & Lisa Doyle*  
*Rocco & Michelle Falcone*  
*Michael & Mary Ferri*  
*Jerry & Loretta Gimbert*  
*Bill & Gloria Harrington*  
*Brian & Kelly Headley*  
*Anthony & Margaret Herlihy*  
*Steve & Judy Kemp*  
*Mark & Laura Kennedy*  
*Ken & Diane Kobularcik*  
*Don & Drema Lindeman*  
*Brenden & Beth Lo*  
*Gene & Elaine McLaughlin*  
*Hugh & Stacey McLaughlin*  
*Henry & Patricia Miller*  
*Tom and Ruth Sloggett*  
*Robert & Catherine Turner*  
*Jack & Esther Vax*  
*Frank & Barbara Walsh*



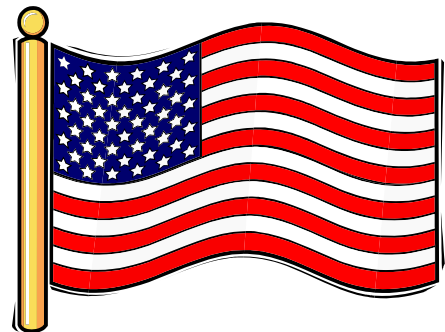
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**SPOUSE E-MAIL UPDATE:**

Please send your spouse's first and last name with her E-mail address to Neil at [ngwhitman@yahoo.com](mailto:ngwhitman@yahoo.com)

**If she is not receiving Newsletter or Knights information.**



**GOD BLESS AMERICA**

## Meditation: the Problems of Discipleship

Deacon Kevin Campbell

Job 9: 1-12, 14-18; Ps 88: 3; Luke 9: 57-62

Our meditation is about three areas of concern: when bad things happen to good people, what do we do when our prayers seem to go unanswered, and the problems with discipleship, when we want to follow Jesus. These concerns, which can shake the foundation of our faith, can be addressed with patience, persistence, and perseverance. With the help of the Holy Spirit, the 3 P's will give us the strength, wisdom, knowledge, and the hope to get through every spiritual crisis.

The book of Job is about the profound sufferings of an innocent person at the hands of the devil. God allows the devil to test Job. Job is a good and holy man. He is also very rich. Job suffers a severe and sudden reversal of his fortunes. He not only loses his property and his children, is plagued by some disease which effects his whole body, but on top of all of this, his 3 best friends are convinced that he is suffering from all of this because of some wrong doing on his part that has offended God. He vigorously denies doing anything to offend God. At first he is reluctant to call upon God for help: "If I appealed to him and he answered my call, I could not believe that he would harken to my words". Finally, he cries out to God to help him.

God answers him but in a way that we might not expect. God tells him that God's ways are not known to mere men and it is not right to question God's wisdom. It was God who created the world. This makes perfect sense to Job and, as he accepts this explanation, he returns to his humble-self and is eventually rewarded.

Our lesson is that even the just suffer. Sufferings will test our faith in God but we cannot understand the depth of God's divine wisdom. We just need to trust God completely. This can only come through a life of prayer and for this, we will be rewarded. Unfortunately, prayer, asking God to help us through some crises, is not like turning on and off a light switch. The key is to never give up, to persist, preserve, and have patience.

John Wesley, who went on to be the founder of the Methodist church, was going through a period of such spiritual dryness, that he thought we had lost his faith in God. His mentor told him to keep preaching and keep praying as if he had not lost his faith. If he did this, his faith would surely return to him and it did. He became one of the most influential preachers of all time.

In Luke's gospel, Jesus speaks of the sometimes difficult, but at the same time, unconditional nature of Christian discipleship: if you want to be a follower of his, you cannot do it on your terms but his. You cannot let things of the world distract you if you really want to proclaim to others that the Kingdom of God awaits them. The Kingdom of God, which can be here on earth, as well as in heaven, is just a different way of experiencing life than what the world presents to us. It can be filled with the peace, joy and happiness that only God can give, rather than the anxiety, fear, and worry that the world might offer us.

Some of what Jesus says might concern us: "Let the dead bury their dead". By this he means let those who are spiritually dead bury their dead. By this exaggeration, Jesus was trying to jolt his listeners into action. His statement about not having a place to lay his head was his emphasis on his lowliness, his humility. It is an example of how to live our lives, not concerned with worldly wealth, but with our love for him. This definitely challenges us to see if we are fit, if we are ready to serve God in this world.

So what can we learn from this meditation: Bad things do happen to good people, to us, our families and friends. As people of faith, we cannot allow any circumstance to damage our faith in God. That would be playing into the hands of the devil. We need the 3 P's instead: patience, perseverance, and persistence. We just need to continue praying as hard as we can for God's help to get through any crisis we are in. when I am in some crisis, I like to visualize holding on to the foot of the cross until the crisis is over. Following him will not always be easy but the rewards are eternal.



Deacon Kevin Campbell