



EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

My Dear Brother Knights,

For all of the Knights who attended the Council Meeting on Sept 19, it was really special.

We started with a Mass honoring Brother Joe Harkins from his retirement as the maintenance supervisor for St Benedict's as well as honoring he and his wife Peggy for their 60 years of marriage.

We welcomed three new Knights into the council, Peter Zarzaca, David Been, and Johnny Safe. Bob Holmes and Frank Fallon were presented with their KOC badges.

We celebrated the diaper drive by Brother Bob T and all the diapers that were brought in for the Lowcountry Pregnancy Center. This drive will continue with separate drives at the 4 parishes. Good work with this Bob!

The culmination of all the efforts of the Membership Committee and the Church Directors is about to happen with Recruitment Masses at each of the Parishes and the Pastors saying a few words about the Knights and encouraging men to join from the Ambo.

The first one is at St. Claire's which has Masses at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday and 9 and 11:00 a.m. on Sunday. As many of us as possible should show our support for our Brothers at St Clair's by attending as many Masses as we can. I know that I'm going to be at 5:00 p.m. and 11:00 a.m. but we need some more of us at these Masses and some at all the Masses. Since the tables will be set up after Masses, you can show up a few minutes before the Mass would be over, assuming Mass is 45 minutes. My visions is we have some of us to say hello, hand out material and answer questions about KOC and some of us to sign up new Knights.

More information to follow on the other Recruitment Masses at COK, Stella-Maris and St. Benedict's

Finally, we had Brett Higgins talk to us about a new fundraiser which should be fun and exciting. We will have the opportunity to go to different sporting events and other venues that his company, EPI supervisors. We will be paid for our involvement. We can invite our children who are over 18 and spouses to join us and the Knights of Columbus will be paid for everyone who assists. More information to follow.

Thank you for all you do for the Knights of Columbus.

Deacon Kevin

CALENDAR OF EVENTS OCTOBER 2024

Ultreya Meeting_____	01
COK Grace Hall — 7:00 PM	
Officers Meeting_____	03
COK—Life Center — 6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration_____	03
Stella Maris — 8PM Thu. to 8AM. Fri.	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament_____	04
COK — 7:30 AM. Fri. to 6:00 PM.	
Pro-Life/Rosary_____	05
COK — 7:30 AM	
Stella Maris recruitment_____	05 & 06
St. Benedict's recruitment_____	12 & 13
Columbus Day_____	14
Regular Business Meeting_____	17
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
950 Darrell Creek Trail 29466	
Rosary: 6:00 PM	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:15 PM	
Prayer Vigil at Abortion Facility_____	19
West Ashley Abortion Facility 8:00 AM	
(Corner of Hwy 61 & Fuseler Rd.)	
1312 Ashley River Rd., Charleston, SC 29407	
Knights of Columbus cookout_____	19
COK Beach House 11 AM to 4 PM. All Knights bring a prospect member.	
Harbor Cruise_____	26
See flyer page 6 for fun, fun event information.	
Halloween_____	31



**“If you missed our spaghetti dinner
Tuesday Sept. 10, 2024
it was a great event”**



In the kitchen cooking sauce, meatballs, and sausage are left to right Brother Knights John Bride, Chris Kerrigan, Michael O’Conner, and our spaghetti dinner chairman Mark Lazo.



The ladies filling our homebound dinners from left way in the back to front are Ginny Holmes, Jane Bride, Fran Franzone, Jane Kenzik, Doris Wright, and Lois Cummings. They did an outstanding job in their assembly line getting 34 dinners ready for homebound delivery.



At our serving table preparing takeout meals Brother Knights left to right with the white hair is Tom Kenzik, then Jerry Barnett, and DJ Thatcher. Holding the two takeout meals is Brother Kurt Denner’s wife Mary.



Manning the refreshment table are left to right in white shirt Mark McMahon, Grand Knight Deacon Kevin Campbell, and Joe Harkins. Pouring some refreshment in his glass is Brother Jim Sheehy.

Spaghetti dinner continued



Brother Knights manning the salad and runners are left to right Jim Veraldi, in the window Bob Holmes and Keith Keohane.



Seeing that the dessert table is kept stocked is Martha Campbell sitting, beside her is her daughter Suzanne in pink and granddaughter Lilly. Holding a takeout dinner and dessert is Joy Altman long time parishioner supporting our spaghetti dinner.



Here we have Brother Jim Sheehy sitting having dinner and I teased him with his harem. But, to be fair Jim is sitting next to his wife Katy and their lady friends left to right Rosemary Tountas, Betty Rosenberg, Suzanne Humphrey, and Geri Daly. Enjoying the spaghetti dinner and friendship.



Taking a break eating dinner left is Brother Knight Thomas McKenna and after delivering homebound meals are Brother Knight Deacon Brian Justice and his son Liam.

(A great time was had by all)

**East Cooper Knights of Columbus Council 9475
Diaper Drive**



In picture above, surrounded by diapers, left is our diaper drive project manager Bob Thetreat and Grand Knight Deacon Kevin Campbell.

The East Cooper Knights have collected over 2500 Diapers for the Low Country Pregnancy Center. The 2500 diapers collected so far represent half of our 5000 goal. Please contact Bob at heyatate@aol.com if you would like to donate diapers for this worthy cause.

**Our guest speakers
were from
Cristo Rey Charleston High School**

MISSION:

Cristo Ray Schools are collage preparatory, Catholic schools for students of all faiths. They exclusively serve students with limited economic resources and provide access to college through a unique model that integrates rigorous academic curricula with four years of professional work experience.

DREAM:

- Of access to a high quality college preparatory education for financially disadvantaged students in the greater Charleston area.
- Of a business community that invest in its own future by investing in educational opportunities for its youth.
- Of the potential flourishing of the greater Charleston community if we cultivate instead of squander young talent and potential.

BUILD:

- A high school campus for the future students of Cristo Rey Charleston.
- A pipeline of Job Partners that will provide the founding freshmen class the opportunity to work.
- Partnership with the Greater Charleston Civic, Education and Philanthropic community that will set the students we seek to serve up for success.

LAUNCH:

- Open the doors with our founding freshman class, faculty and staff in August 2026.
- Bring in year one with a class of 100+ freshman and build up to a fully enrolled school by year four of 400+students



Above left to right our Grand Knight Deacon Kevin Campbell, guest from Cristo Rey, Executive Director Joanna Wusinich, Co-Chairs of the Feasibility Study Bill Hecht, and Timothy Hayes, and Jobs Committeeman Frank Fallon a Brother Knight.

New Knights receiving their name badge



Left Grand Knight Deacon Kevin Campbell just presented Bob Holmes with his new name badge.

Knight of the Month September 2024 Jeff Pulaski

Jeff has been a member of the knights of Columbus since 2009.

Jeff retired in 2015 after 36 years driving for UPS. Jeff is truly a very busy “retiree” as he is employed by McAlister-Smith Funeral Home. He was the Mt. Pleasant chapel administrator before moving to a part-time role doing funeral services. He is a Sacristan for COK which involves inventory of supplies for the sacristy, assisting with baptisms and benedictions. He also serves as an usher and Altar Server.

He is the current Financial Secretary for our Council, which he has held that position since 2014. He is a 4th degree knight and one of the founding members of the Assembly. He also serves as The Faithful Captain

He is married to his wife Debbie; they have been married for 32 years. Debbie is also retired from a career in Human Resources.

Congratulations Jeff!!!



Left Grand Knight Deacon Kevin Campbell just presented Frank Fallon with his new name badge.



Above left Family Director Kurt Denner just presented our Financial Secretary center with Knight of the Month certificate and our Grand Knight Deacon Kevin Campbell is presenting Jeff with a Knights cup.

Guest Speaker Brett Higgins with Fund Raising Opportunities



To the left is guest speaker Brett Higgins being thanked by our Grand Knight Deacon Kevin Campbell for his talk on fund raising opportunities for our council. Brett's company EPI supervisors, supplies manpower for different sporting event venues that our council can work. Our council gets paid for man hours worked. We can invite our children over 18 and spouses to join us the council will be paid for everyone that works.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

*David & Darlene Creaturo
John and Maryann Czarnecki
Ron and Debra Davis
David and Meghan DiPietro
Stephen and Joan Fallon
Gregory and Stasi Gormley
John Jr. and Siobhan Maize
Mark and Beth McCabe
Michael and Debra Merwin
Benjamin and Katie Minister
Clarence and Mary Murphy
Edward and Kathleen Murry
John and Monica Mutter
John and Sarah Napolitano
Larry & Karen Plumb
Henry and Martha Rogers
Robert and Denise Thetreat
John and Lynn Tortorici
Neil and Melinda Whitman*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

*Deacon Kevin Campbell
William Cary
Richard Clark
Daniel Corcoran Jr.
Carl Counasse
Steve Evangelista
John Gilsean
Lloyd Hahn
Paul Harrington
Daniel Jost III
Steve Kemp Jr.
Chris Kerrigan
Austin Knisley
Michael Lawrie
Tom Libhardt
Gregory Loss
John Mahoney
David McLaughlin
Clarence Murphy
Louis Richter
Mark Stadtmueller
Marion Wright*



THE KofC HARBOR CRUISE IS BACK AGAIN
Come join us for this fun, fun, fun filled event
All are welcome so bring your friends and neighbors

We sail Saturday October 26st, 2024 - Board @ 6:30 pm Cruise from 7:00 pm until 9:00 pm

Onboard the beautiful *Charleston Princess*

Sailing from the Charleston Maritime Center (right next to the African American Museum)

Three decks, including seated dining, bow and aft observation decks and dance floor



\$98 per couple - \$49 single

Includes

Music by Eddie Lukow - back by popular demand.
Appetizers, light dinner, dessert,
soft drinks, water, beer & wine served by on board staff.
Cash bar available for mixed drinks and cocktails.

For tickets E-mail

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843-270-9834 - please leave a message on my voicemail

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
NOVEMBER 2024

All Saints Day _____	01
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament _____	01
COK — 7:30 AM. Fri. to 6:00 PM.	
All Soul's Day _____	02
Pro-Life/Rosary _____	02
COK — 7:30 AM	
Election Day _____	05
Ultreya Meeting _____	05
Christ Our King in Grace Hall 7:00 PM	
Officers Meeting _____	07
COK — Life Center — 6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration _____	07
Stella Maris — 8:00 PM to 8:00 AM	
Veterans Day _____	11
Prayer Vigil at Abortion Facility _____	16
West Ashley Abortion Facility 8:00 AM (Corner of Hwy 61 & Fuseler Rd.) 1312 Ashley River Rd., Charleston, SC 29407	
Regular Business Meeting _____	21
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Rosary: 6:00 PM	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:15 PM	
Feast of Christ Our King _____	24
Thanksgiving _____	28
Christmas Wreaths arrive _____	29

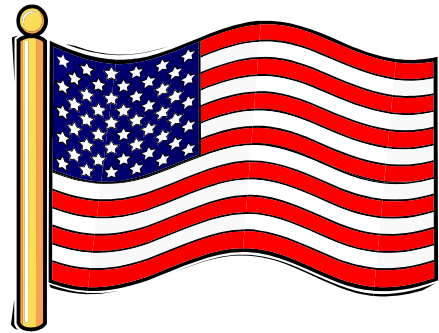
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Knights of Columbus



**A catholic fraternal organization dedicated to
charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism**



GOD BLESS AMERICA

Embracing the Rosary and the Spirit of Service

Dear Brother Knights,

As we enter the month of October, a time traditionally dedicated to the Holy Rosary, we are called to deepen our prayer life and reflect on the mysteries of Christ through the eyes of His Blessed Mother, Mary. The Rosary is more than a series of prayers; it is a powerful meditation on the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord, and it draws us closer to Jesus through Mary.

The Knights of Columbus, founded under the patronage of the Blessed Virgin, have a special devotion to her and her Rosary. This October, I encourage each of you to recommit to this beautiful form of prayer. Whether you are a seasoned devotee or just beginning to explore the Rosary, there is always more to discover and more grace to receive.

In the joyful, sorrowful, luminous, and glorious mysteries, we find inspiration for our own lives. We see in Mary a model of humility, obedience, and profound faith. As Knights, we are called to emulate these virtues in our service to the Church and to our communities. Just as Mary said "yes" to God's plan with unwavering trust, we too are called to say "yes" to the opportunities for charity, unity, and fraternity that come our way.

Consider the Joyful Mysteries: The Annunciation, the Visitation, the Nativity, the Presentation in the Temple, and the Finding in the Temple. Each of these moments in Mary's life can inspire us to look at how we welcome God's will in our own lives, how we serve others with joy, and how we bring Christ to the world.

Reflect on the Sorrowful Mysteries: The Agony in the Garden, the Scourging at the Pillar, the Crowning with Thorns, the Carrying of the Cross, and the Crucifixion. These remind us that our faith often calls us to endure suffering with hope, to support one another in our crosses, and to stand firm in our beliefs even in the face of trials.

The Luminous Mysteries highlight key moments in Jesus' public ministry: His Baptism in the Jordan, the Wedding Feast at Cana, the Proclamation of the Kingdom, the Transfiguration, and the Institution of the Eucharist. These mysteries illuminate our mission to be lights in the world, spreading the Gospel through our words and actions.

Lastly, the Glorious Mysteries: The Resurrection, the Ascension, the Descent of the Holy Spirit, the Assumption of Mary, and the Coronation of Mary as Queen of Heaven. These mysteries fill us with hope and remind us of our ultimate destiny – eternal life with God.

As we meditate on these mysteries, let us also put our faith into action. This month, I challenge each of you to find new ways to serve. Perhaps it's volunteering at a local charity, participating/organizing a parish event, or simply reaching out to a brother Knight in need. **Our faith calls us to be men of action, grounded in prayer and committed to making a difference.**

In closing, let us entrust our efforts to Our Lady. May she guide us, intercede for us, and inspire us to live out our vocation as Knights of Columbus with renewed vigor and devotion.

Mary, Queen of the Knights, pray for us.

In Christ,

Rev Libin Augustine CMI

Parochial Vicar, Christ Our King Catholic Church



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