



EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Brother Knights:

We were all saddened to hear the horrific news of more allegations of priests abusing young people. This is proof that there is evil in the world and that evil can infect those in the church. This reminds us that the church is not a collection of perfect souls but rather a collection of flawed humans. I urge all my Brother Knights to commit to praying for our Priests as well as all those affected by such horrific abuse. We also should stand for the truth and contrition to be the guiding path forward. As the strong right arm of the Church, the Knights of Columbus stands ready to stand against those who would do harm to the vulnerable and I know you all share that sentiment.

God Bless

Kevin M. Cunnane
Grand Knight

CALENDAR OF EVENTS SEPTEMBER

Pro-Life/Rosary	01
COK — 7:30 AM	
Labor Day	04
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 PM	
Spaghetti Dinner	13
COK Life Center– Grace Hall 5 PM to 7:30 PM	
Christ Our King Arts and Crafts Fair	15-16
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Regular Business Meeting	20
St. Benedict’s Parish Hall Rosary: 6:10 PM Dinner: 6:30 PM Meeting: 7:00 PM	
Stella Maris Fall Festival	28
Stella Maris Church Grounds 5 to 8 PM	

Daughters of Saint Paul Presented Our Council with a Video Presentation About all their Works



Above are Daughters of St. Paul left to right Sr. Margaret Kerry, Sr. Jennifer Tccla, Sr. Paula Marie, Sr. Marie Thecla and Sr. Lupe Hernandez. They presented our council with a outstanding video presentation about the Daughters of St. Paul for our partnership with them in a Golf Tournament raising \$15,675.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- Francis Budds
- Daniel Busher
- George Caramico
- Kenneth Clair
- David Creaturo
- John Devaney III
- Patrick Farrell

- Michael Ferri
- Thomas M. Franzone
- Justin Gaeta
- Brendan Geraghty
- Joseph Harkins
- Joseph Harkins Jr.
- Joshua Hulen
- Richard Kelly
- Mark Kennedy
- Samuel Limbaker
- William Murphy
- Edward Murray
- Joseph Neri

- Jeff Pulaski
- Robert Pullano
- Greg Raven
- Joe Scheirman
- Frederick Sieber
- William Simons
- Thomas Sloggett
- Don Slowek
- John Vax



**Family of the Month
August 2018
Tom and Kim Siwarski**

Tom and Kim Siwarski have been married for 39 years. They were both born and raised in the suburbs of Philadelphia so they are huge Philadelphia Eagles fans. They have one son, Tom Jr., their daughter-in-law Nora and two grandchildren Justin who is 6 and Allison is 1 ½. They are so blessed to have them all living right next door so they keep Nama and Pop-Pop very busy. Their son is a fishing charter captain in the Charleston area and Nora works in financial aid at MUSC.

After living in their “starter home” in Aston PA for 25 years they hit the road until they settled in Mount Pleasant in 2014. They lived on the eastern shore of Maryland in Cambridge for a few years and then built what they thought was their retirement home in eastern North Carolina. Along came our first grandchild and here they are.

Tom worked for 30 years in the merchant marines retiring as a Chief Engineer. Following his life at sea, he worked in New Bern NC operating a power plant that burned methane gas from a nearby landfill to produce electricity. He fully retired in 2013. Tom keeps busy with hunting, fishing and playing with the grandchildren. He is an usher at St Benedicts and helps with maintenance when needed. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus and has helped with the book sale, spaghetti dinner, oyster roast and is currently Deputy Grand Knight.

Kim has worked for the past 23 years in higher education, focusing on financial aid, student loans and financial literacy. She hopes to retire within the next 5 years. Kim is a 4-year breast cancer survivor and is involved in breast cancer support groups. Kim has participated in the Woman’s Emmaus Group for several years. She is also involved with several groups including the Charleston Area Justice Ministry (CAJM) to raise awareness and hopefully decrease injustice in the community.

Congratulations Tom and Kim!!!



Above left is Grand Knight Kevin Cunnane presenting Knights cup and right is Family Director Tony Certa presented Tom with Family of the Month Certificate .

**Knight of the Month
August 2018
Tom A. Franzone**

Tom is a charter member of the Knights and has been very active through the 31 years our council has been in existence. He is a 4th Degree Knight and plays an integral part on our First Degree Team. Tom is a Past Grand Knight having gone through all the offices of our council. He is our Program Director, a post he has handled with diligence for the past 21 years.

Tom is married to Fran for 57 yrs. They have three grown children, Mark, Lynda and Tom. They also have 8 grandchildren, Roman, Gabrielle, Rosario, Mackenzie, Coleman, Caroline, Mattie and Alex.

Tom is an active member of Christ Our King Church. Tom coordinates schedules and trains ushers for the five weekend masses. He also schedules Brother Knights to serve as Altar Servers every Sunday at the 7:30 AM Mass. Tom is also on the Liturgy Committee and helps decorate the church with support of Brother Knights for Feast of Christ Our King, Christmas and Easter. He also coordinates Brother Knights to move books for the Book Sale fund raiser. Tom is our Oyster Roast Chairman as he has for the past 15 yrs. And with Fran’s help Chairman of our Christmas Wreath Sale. They also decorate the tables for our spaghetti dinners fund raiser.

Tom and Fran organize our Newsletter, help coordinate Knights social events, and participates in fund raising events. Tom seems to be where you need him.

Tom enjoys yard work, fingerprinting at the police station, golf and being with family and friends.

Congratulations Tom!!!



Above left is Council Director Don Campbell presenting Tom with Knight of the Month Certificate and insulated Knights cup.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
OCTOBER

Officers Meeting_____	04
COK—Life Center — 6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration_____	04
Stella Maris — 8:00 PM to 8:00 AM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament_____	05
COK — 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary_____	06
COK — 7:30 AM	
Columbus Day_____	08
St. Regular Business Meeting_____	18
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:00 PM	
COK/SM Bazaar_____	20
COK School grounds—8:00 AM to 5:00 PM	
4th Degree Exemplification_____	27
Myrtle Beach - TBA	
Halloween_____	31

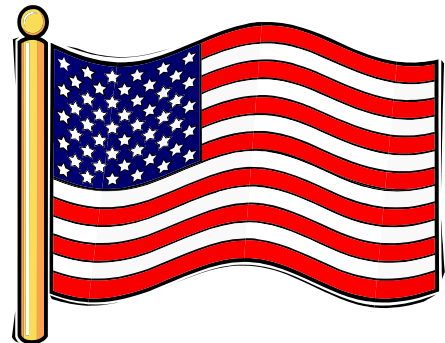
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

*Jerry & Diana Barnett
Francis & Geraldine Blair
Daniel & Kate Busher
Joseph & Peggy Harkins
Matthew & Stacy Kiefer
John & Heidi Mahoney
Edmund & Elizabeth McMahon
Mike & Beth McGinty
Larry & Elaine Miller
John & Nancy Murphy
John & Julianne Simisky
Jon & Angie Tirpak
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GOD BLESS AMERICA

SPOUSE E-MAIL UPDATE:

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

If she is not receiving Newsletter or Knights information.



CRAFT FAIR



**Jewelry, pottery, iron work, accessories, handmade items, Holiday and Christmas items, and more!
Food and fun for the whole family**

Christ Our King Catholic Church 2nd Annual Art & Craft Fair

**September 15, 2018 from 10:00am-6:00pm
September 16, 2018 from 8:00am-2:00pm**

**For vendor application and more information please contact Marie at
(843) 884-5587 or visit www.christourking.org**



Meditation: Words to be remembered for

Mark 12:18-27

Come, Holy Spirit, Come

Our Meditation today is about memorable words, words we want to be remembered for. It will make us think: what words do we want to be remembered for?

The Gospel of Mark presents an incident from the growing adversarial and contentious relationship Jesus has with the Sadducees that will eventually lead to his crucifixion. The Sadducees were members of the powerful priestly party. Unlike the Pharisees, they did not believe in life after death. They also believed that you could only rely on the Pentateuch for spiritual guidance. The Pentateuch contained the first five books of what we now call the Old Testament: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy. They believed that if it wasn't in these books, it didn't happen and they said that life after death wasn't in there. They were trying to trap Jesus with a fact situation which, they thought, would show how ridiculous it would be to believe in the afterlife.

From the time of Moses, as we were told in the Book of Exodus, if an older brother, who was married, died, his younger brother had to marry his brother's widow to keep the family property in the family. Jesus artfully and passionately stated his position in such a way that he reduced his critics to silence! Basically he said that his opponents really don't know the scripture as well as they thought they did and they don't understand the power of God, especially the power God has over death and resurrection.

Of course this will be more fully shown after Jesus is raised for the dead.

The point is that we need to always think about how our words will be remembered. Will they be for good? If we take a moment and think before we speak; take a moment to ask God for the right words to say, could our words be remembered in a really positive way? Could those times in our lives, when we are being confronted with some really adversarial situation, be remembered for when we silenced our opponents? Some of us might have a tendency to go from right to wrong with the things we say when we get into an argument, often times with the people who are the closest to us, like our spouse or other family members. We should try to take a step back, ask God for the words to say, to help us stay on the high road. Prayerfully we will take the position that God wants us to take.

Let's ask the Holy Spirit to help us when we have these opportunities to use our words to be remembered for in a good way. He is waiting for us to ask.



Deacon Kevin Campbell