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The Knight's News

Council 8155 – The Family Council

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Happy
Valentine's
Day



St. James the Apostle Catholic Church



Grand Knight's Report



Joseph James
Grand Knight

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Upcoming Activities

Thursday, February 2 - Assembly 3686 meets at 7 pm in the William Room



Wednesday - February 8 - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following morning Mass



Monday - February 13 - Business Meeting - in St. Joseph room @ 7:00 pm



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Wednesday - February 22 - Ash Wednesday - Lent Begins - 0 Mass a @ 8:30 am and 7 pm



Friday - February 24 - First Lenten Fish Fry in St. Joseph Room @ 5 pm



Monday - February 27 - Officers Meeting - 7 pm in William Room



Thursday - March 2 - Assembly 3686 mets in William Room @ 7 pm



Friday - March 10 - Second Lenten Fish Fry in St. Joseph Room @ 5 pm



Council 8155 meets the second Monday of the month in the St. Joseph Room at 7 pm
An Officers Meeting is held the fourth Monday of the month in the William Room at 7 pm

February Events

February 2nd: *Groundhog Day*

February 2nd: *Assembly 3686 Business Meeting @ 7pm William Room*

February 8th: *Eucharistic Adoration following Morning Mass*

February 13th: *Council Business Meeting at 7:00 PM in St. Joseph Room*

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February 20th: **Presidents' Day**

February 22th: *Eucharistic Adoration following Morning Mass*

February 22nd: **ASH WEDNESDAY – LENT BEGINS Mass @ 8:30am & 7 pm**

February 27th: *Officers' Meeting at 7 pm in the William Room*

CURRENT BOOSTERS

Our Newsletter needs your support...

Please submit your \$5.00 donation for 2022 by either mailing it to 9325 Sunshine Blvd. New Port Richey, FL 34654, or by giving it to our Treasurer *John Gudavich*. You may submit anytime during the year, but the listing runs from February to February of the next year.

◁ Phil & Louise Aleci ▷ Michael & Stephane Barrett ▷ Tony
& Anne Bernardo ▷ David & Diane Coughlin ▷ Leroy &
Joyce Cram Jr. ▷ Rich Cunningham & Carole Mallory ▷ Marilyn DeDea
Alex DeDea ▷ John & Georgiana Devaux ▷ Anthony Fonte ▷
Richard & Joyce Garry ▷ Keith Gosnell ▷ Mark Gransden ▷ Eric Harvey
▷ James Hawthorne ▷ Alan & Sandra Herd ▷ David & Dianne James ▷
Frederick & Claire King ▷ James & Mary Majorana ▷ Michael
Marchesano ▷ Bill & Patricia Meagher ▷ Joseph & Kristine Panetta ▷
Thomas & Lorraine Parsons ▷ Ben Perkins ▷ Ed & Nora Pflieger ▷
David & Joan Ries ▷ Bill & Sue Toler ▷ Norman & Betsy Triznadel

Please Note: Donations are due for the Booster List for 2023. If you wish for you and your family to be listed here, please speak to John Devaux or John Gudavich to submit your donation. Thank you!

Thank You for your financial support!

From the Desk of the
FINANCIAL SECRETARY



My Brothers:

It's that time of the year again to send me your **\$5 BOOSTER MEMBERSHIP**. Names will be listed in our Newsletter each month. So, send me your \$5 ASAP (\$10 to list both you and your wife).

Activities are beginning to pickup for the council. This month, we will have a **"Hot Breakfast"** instead of our regular **"Coffee and Donuts"** on Sunday, February 19, following the 9 am Mass only. Our first Hot Breakfast in December was well received by the parishioners and Fr. Dominic. We donated \$400 from the proceeds to the parish New Roof Loan. We are hoping for an even better turn out then the 65 that attended our first breakfast. Breakfast will consist of scrambled eggs and sausage, pancakes, yogurt and fruit bar, coffee and juice. A donation of \$10 is suggested.

Our first of three planned **"Fish Frys"** will be Friday, February 24, to be held in the St. Joseph Room we will begin serving at 5 pm. The next two "Fish Frys" will be March 10 and 24.

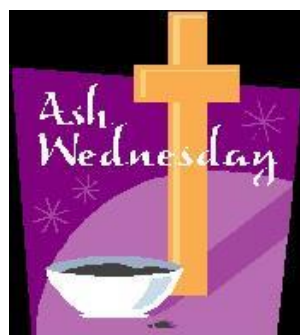


Don't forget **Valentine's Day** on Tuesday, February 14 and **Ash Wednesday** is fast approaching. Lent begins on Wednesday, February 22. Masses will be held at 8:30 am and again at 7 pm.

Hope to see you at our **Business Meeting** on Monday, Feb. 13, at 7:00 pm. In the St. Joseph Room. And our **OFFICERS PLANNING MEETING** in the William room at 7 pm on Monday, February 27.

God Bless,

John Devaux,
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JOHN A. DEVAUX
Financial Secretary - Council 8155
Faithful Comptroller - Assembly 3686



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Port Richey, FL

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Knights of Columbus

Member/Spouse

FRATERNAL BENEFIT

Whereas, the primary purpose of our Order as set forth in the Charter, Section 2 (a) is “rendering pecuniary aid to its members, their families, and beneficiaries of members and their families,” and (b) “rendering mutual aid and assistance to its sick, disabled, and needy families;” and

Whereas, the Board of Directors, at the request of the Supreme Council in this International Year of the Family, 1994, desires to recognize the numerous contributions made by members of the Knights of Columbus, their spouses and families, to the welfare, growth, and financial stability of the Order through their varied activities and charitable works for the benefit of mankind; and in appreciation for their efforts expended in membership recruitment and council development; it was

Voted, at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors on October 20–23, 1994, that a Member/Spouse Fraternal Benefit be given at no cost to all members (and their wives) in good standing, belonging to councils of and residing in countries that have been designated as insurance territories by the Supreme Council, provided that the member’s council is in good standing.

Accidental Death Benefit

The Knights of Columbus will pay a benefit upon the death of a member or his spouse, occurring within 90 days, as the result of injury sustained in a covered accident. Protection is on a 24-hour basis for accidents that may occur anywhere in the world during activities on or off the job, on business, pleasure, vacation, or at home, except for the exclusions listed.

Benefits

Years of Continuous Membership	Member Benefit	Spouse Benefit
Less than two years	\$1,000	\$1,000
Two years, but less than three	1,500	1,500
Three years, but less than four	2,000	2,000
Four years or more	2,500	2,500

The benefit amount will be reduced by \$500 on the member’s 65th birthday and each subsequent birthday, until the benefit amount is stabilized at \$1,000. The \$1,000 coverage will continue thereafter, provided the member and the member’s council are in good standing and both so reflected on the records of the Supreme Council.

The spouse benefit at all times corresponds to the member’s benefit. At no time will the spouse benefit exceed the member’s benefit. Should the member predecease his wife, she shall continue to be covered thereafter at a fixed benefit of \$1,000. Should the spouse and the member die within 90 days from the same accident, however, the scheduled benefit will be paid.

Beneficiaries

The accidental death benefit will be paid to the next of kin in accordance with Section 71.2 of the Order’s laws. The claim for this accidental death benefit must be received at the Supreme Office of the Knights of Columbus within three years of the date of death.

Exclusions

This accidental death benefit will not be paid if death results from: suicide, self-inflicted injury while sane or insane; sickness or disease (except bacterial infection resulting from accidental cut or wound); flying, except as a fare-paying passenger on a regularly scheduled airline; or injury from driving or riding in a speed or organized contest.

Amendment or Discontinuation

The Member/Spouse Fraternal Benefit shall be effective September 1, 1994, and may be amended or discontinued at any time by action of the Order’s Board of Directors.

If you fail to see your Birthday or Anniversary here, or in subsequent issues, please submit the information to JohnDevaux8155@gmail.com . Thank you.

February Birthdays:

Member

John Devaux – 4th
Tony Luzader – 11th
Gregory Lydting – 11th
William A. Taglieri – 19th
Dominic Siani – 23rd
Alan Herd – 26th
Benjamin Rivera – 26th

Wife

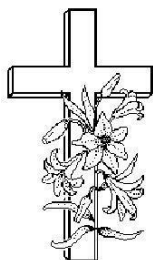
Connie Damato – 10th
Anne Bernardo – 23rd
Flora Lydting – 24th



February Anniversaries:

NONE

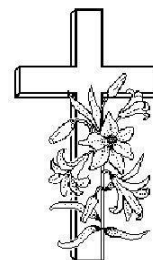
Sick and Distressed



Phil Aleci
Stephane Barrett
Diane Coughlin
Virginia Doran
Mark Gransden
Tony Luzader
Gail Oliver
Ed Pflieger
Bob Roth
Dave Wolverton

Michael Amarando
Tony Bernardo
Joanne DeSilva
Marie Duffy
John Gudavich
Dottie Maslowski
Richard Overbeck
Dave Ries
Bill Schommer

Josephine Amarando
Rose Bliss
Georgiana Devaux
Lorraine Gransden
Randy Koenigsfeld
Bill Meagher
Mark Pflieger
Wayne Ries
Dominic Siani



All those who have tested positive with COVID-19

Please let us know if you know someone who needs to be added or if you no longer need to be on this list. Please E-mail John Devaux at JohnDevaux8155@gmail.com

Join Us For A

Hot Breakfast

(In place of Coffee & Donuts)



scrambled eggs

sausage

pancakes



fruit bowl &

yogurt bar

coffee & juice



Suggested Donation \$10

All proceeds go to the New Roof Loan

Sunday, February 19

Following 9 am Mass

St. Joseph Room



Knights of Columbus Council 8155

St. James Council #8155



Knights of Columbus



Fish Fry #1

In The St. Joseph Room

Friday February 24 5:00 pm

Fish Fry with
fries, home-
made coleslaw,
hush puppies
dessert

\$ 14



**Advance Sales
ONLY**

**NO Tickets
at the door**



**TAKE-OUTS
AVAILABLE**

ONE SERVING PER TICKET

Meal includes: coffee, ice tea or water

Purchase your ticket from a Knight or Church Office



St. James Council #8155

Officers for 2022 - 2023



GRAND KNIGHT
Joe James



DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT
Joe Panetta



CHANCELLOR
Dave Ries



WARDEN
Jeremy Bobowski



RECORDER
Bill Meagher



TREASURER
John Gudavich



ADVOCATE
Mark Gransden



INSIDE GUARD
Michael Bobowski



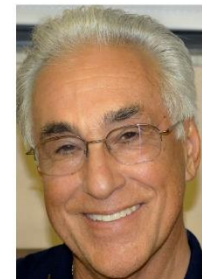
OUTSIDE GUARD
Michael Barrett



3 Year TRUSTEE
Ed Pflieger



2 Year TRUSTEE
Rich Cunningham



1 Year TRUSTEE
Phil Aleci



FINANCIAL SECRETARY
John Devaux



LECTURER
Dan Winfield



CHAPLAIN
Fr. Dominic Corona

Florida State Council Knights of Columbus



\$55,000



Charity Raffle

FIRST PRIZE - \$25,000

2nd Prize: \$15,000

3rd Prize: \$5,000 (3 of them)

Ticket Donation: \$5 each

Contact our Grand Knight Joe James for tickets

727-480-4172 or email: GKStJames8155@gmail.com

Drawing will be held on Saturday, May 13, 2023



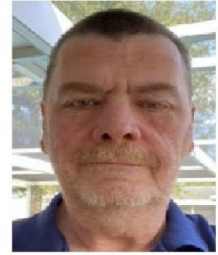
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St. James the Apostle Knights of Columbus Council #8155



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Faith Director's Message



Dan Winfield

The Kingdom Awaits

The Kingdom of God is one of Jesus' most mentioned teachings in the Gospels and appears very frequently in Mark's Gospel. We would be spiritually ignorant if we did not acknowledge how important the Kingdom of God is. The Kingdom of God is not buildings and organizations because it is much bigger than that! The Kingdom of God is preparing people to be disciples here on Earth and looking forward to being with Jesus in eternity. Yes, our goal is one day to enter the gates of heaven and hear "good job, faithful servant". However, we also need to focus on God's work that still needs to be done here on Earth. Mark's Gospel readings also point to a prominent part of God's Kingdom and spiritual formation: God is a god of process. Seeds do not produce fruit instantly. Christians do not become or make disciples overnight. Things take time and this is true of our spiritual growth. We may have a life-changing experience but God is not done with that mountain-top moment. He is just getting started! Spiritual formation takes time, and it starts with the small yet intentional steps. Find some time to get into the Bible on a daily basis. Strengthen your spirit with a devotional book or other Christian readings that equip you to experience freedom and bring freedom to others. Pray for yourself and ask Jesus for you to decrease so Jesus can increase in your heart, mind, and soul.

Ponder:

If you are stuck in a situation right now, take a look behind you. What have you conquered and who helped you in the journey?

Pray:

Dear Jesus, may we focus on the Kingdom of God both on earth as it is in heaven. We commit our eyes, ears, heart, hands, and feet to reaching out to others in Your name. May people see Jesus in how we live. Amen.

Trip to New Haven

Brother Knights,

I was in New England on business in late July and took some time to go to New Haven, CT. to visit the sites of our Founding Father.

My first visit was on Sunday morning at the Fr. McGivney Pilgrimage Center (formally known as the KofC Museum). I spent almost 3 hours walking around and visiting with the hosts at the front desk as I was the only one there at that time. It was inspiring to kneel and pray before Fr. McGivney's First Class Relic, see the history of our Order with the various Popes and learn even more about the history of the Knights and read about all the previous Supreme Knights and view photos, artifacts and Regalia from our beginning.

I then attended 5:00 PM Sunday Mass at St. Mary's and was humbled again to pray at the casket of Fr. McGivney who is entombed in the back of the Church and see the banner of the First Knights of Columbus Council, which I found out later was just reactivated a short time ago. The architecture is amazing and just being there as part of the history was a little overwhelming.

On Monday, our Regional Growth Director Jose Jimenez arranged for me to meet with him at the corporate offices. While the staff attendance was light, due to many still working flex schedules or getting ready to attend the Supreme Convention, it was still exciting to see the training rooms and tour the Holy Family Chapel, which most of you would recognize as the setting for the new Exemplification Ceremony Supreme first put out and Brother Jose was a member of the team.

In my many years of being a Knight, I traveled to New England on several occasions, but never had an opportunity to visit New Haven. This has always been on my bucket list and I am thankful I had the opportunity to finally fulfill this one.

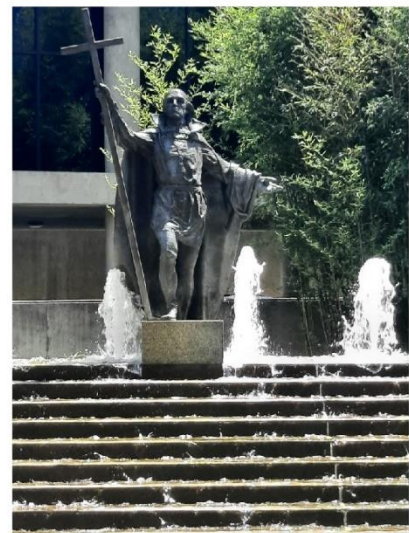
Vivat Jesus,

Joe James

E-Membership Chair and DD 41

Trip to New Haven

Our Grand Knight, JOE JAMES, took a trip last summer to New Haven, Connecticut, home of where the Knights of Columbus were started. Here are a few pictures of his visit to the K of C Museum.



Pro Life Fundraiser

\$5.00 each item

4" x 8" car magnet



Lapel Pin



St. James the Apostle Catholic Church



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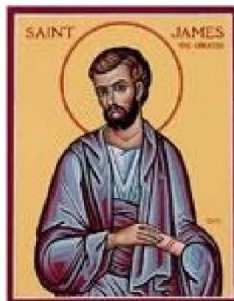
Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9 am - 1 pm -

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727-862-6981

Bishop McLaughlin High School
727-857-2600



Mission Statement

St. James the Apostle Parish
is called by God
to be a Christ centered,
Loving family,
under the guidance
of the Holy Spirit,
dedicated to proclaiming
the Gospel and serving Christ
in our
Catholic Church
and in our community.

Pastor: Reverend Dominic Corona

Retired Clergy: Monsignor Dennis Hughes

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am and 1:00 pm

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday: 8:30 am



DUNKIN'



3 Locations to Serve You

11409 US Highway 19
Port Richey
727-863-4564

16737 US Highway 19
Hudson
727-863-6200

9322 A State Road 52
Hudson
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Knights of Columbus

St. James Assembly #3686



4th Degree Section

4th Degree News

St. James the Apostle Assembly #3686



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*Assembly #3686 meets the First Thursday following the
First Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm
at St. James' Parish in the William Room.*

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Thursday - March 2 - Business Meeting @ 7 pm in the William Room

*If you or your spouse is a member of the Knights of Columbus (it doesn't have
To be St. James' Council or Assembly) we will conduct a rosary for you at your request.
Contact the office or the Faithful Navigator above.*

St. James Assembly #3686

Officers for 2022 - 2023



**FAITHFUL
NAVIGATOR**
Joe Panetta



**FAITHFUL
CAPTAIN**
Michael Barrett



**FAITHFUL
PILOT**
David Ries



**FAITHFUL
ADMIRAL**
John Gudavich



**FAITHFUL
SCRIBE**
William Meagher



**FAITHFUL
PURSER**
Mark Gransden



**FAITHFUL
COMPTROLLER**
John Devaux



**INNER
SENTINEL**
Michael Bobowski



**OUTER
SENTINEL**
Tony Bernardo



**3 YEAR
TRUSTEE**
Ed Pflieger



**2 YEAR
TRUSTEE**
Joe James



**1 YEAR
TRUSTEE**
Rich Cunningham



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Origin of Ash Wednesday

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Ash Wednesday marks the onset of the Lent, the 40-day period of fasting and abstinence. It is also known as the 'Day of Ashes'. So called because on that day at church the faithful have their foreheads marked with ashes in the shape of a cross.

The name 'Day of Ashes' comes from "Dies Cinerum" in the Roman Missal and is found in the earliest existing copies of the Gregorian Sacramentary. The concept originated by the Roman Catholics somewhere in the 6th century. Though the exact origin of the day is not clear, the custom of marking the head with ashes on this Day is said to have originated during the papacy of Gregory the Great (590-604).

In the Old Testament ashes were found to have used for two purposes: as a sign of humility and mortality; and as a sign of sorrow and repentance for sin. The Christian connotation for ashes in the liturgy of Ash Wednesday has also been taken from this Old Testament biblical custom.

Receiving ashes on the head as a reminder of mortality and a sign of sorrow for sin was a practice of the Anglo-Saxon church in the 10th century. It was made universal throughout the Western church at the Synod of Benevento in 1091.

Originally the use of ashes to be token penance was a matter of private devotion. Later it became part of the official rite for reconciling public penitents. In this context, ashes on the penitent served as a motive for fellow Christians to pray for the returning sinner and to feel sympathy for him. Still later, the use of ashes passed into its present rite of beginning the penitential season of Lent on Ash Wednesday.

There can be no doubt that the custom of distributing the ashes to all the faithful arose from a devotional imitation of the practice observed in the case of public penitents. But this devotional usage, the reception of a sacramental which is full of the symbolism of penance (cf. the *cor contritum quasi cinis* of the "Dies Irae") is of earlier date than was formerly supposed. It is mentioned as of general

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observance for both clerics and faithful in the Synod of Beneventum, 1091 (Mansi, XX, 739), but nearly a hundred years earlier than this the Anglo-Saxon homilist Ælfric assumes that it applies to all classes of men.

Putting a 'cross' mark on the forehead was in imitation of the spiritual mark or seal that is put on a Christian in baptism. This is when the newly born Christian is delivered from slavery to sin and the devil, and made a slave of righteousness and Christ (Rom. 6:3-18).

This can also be held as an adoption of the way 'righteousness' are described in the book of Revelation, where we come to know about the servants of God. The reference to the sealing of the servants of God for their protection in Revelation is an allusion to a parallel passage in Ezekiel, where Ezekiel also sees a sealing of the servants of God for their protection:

"And the LORD said to him [one of the four cherubim], 'Go through the city, through Jerusalem, and put a mark [literally, "a tav"] upon the foreheads of the men who sigh and groan over all the abominations that are committed in it.' And to the others he said in my hearing, 'Pass through the city after him, and smite; your eye shall not spare, and you shall show no pity; slay old men outright, young men and maidens, little children and women, but touch no one upon whom is the mark. And begin at my sanctuary.' So they began with the elders who were before the house." (Ezekiel 9:4-6)

Unfortunately, like most modern translations, the one quoted above (the Revised Standard Version, which we have been quoting thus far), is not sufficiently literal. What it actually says is to place a tav on the foreheads of the righteous inhabitants of Jerusalem. Tav is one of the letters of the Hebrew alphabet, and in ancient script it looked like the Greek letter chi, which happens to be two crossed lines (like an "x") and which happens to be the first letter in the word "Christ" in Greek Christos). The Jewish rabbis commented on the connection between tav and chi and this is undoubtedly the mark Revelation has in mind when the servants of God are sealed in it.

The early Church Fathers seized on this tav-chi-cross-christos connection and expounded it in their homilies, seeing in Ezekiel a prophetic foreshadowing of the sealing of Christians as servants of Christ. It is also part of the background to the Catholic practice of making the sign of the cross, which in the early centuries (as can be documented from the second century on) was practiced by using one's thumb to furrow one's brow with a small sign of the cross, like Catholics do today at the reading of the Gospel during Mass.

St. James Council #8155



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