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## Grand Knight's Message

Thank you for attending our Council meetings and events. Continue to attend meetings and give a member a ride to the meeting. Meeting dates and times are listed in the Church bulletin.

We had hurricane Irma on Sep 10th and 11th. Knights helped board up the Church buildings before the storm. Knights helped remove the boards and store the boards after the storm. People lost power and some people lost their water supply also. We all shared our water and generator power with other people (our neighbors). We shared what we have, that is charity. Everybody has a story about someone who helped them, often this was a total stranger.

The storm ended overnight on Monday the 11th. At 9 am in the morning a young boy knocked on my front door. He had a rake and wanted to rake my yard. This was early in the morning and I was happy for the offer. The boy started raking my yard debris into piles. I did not know this young boy. I got dressed and started raking the yard debris toward the edge of the road. We worked together and after a couple hours my front yard looked great. I thanked the young boy and he told me he was going to help somebody else in the neighborhood.

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Knights helped repair Carmen Quigley's back and side fence. The fence sections were blown flat by the storm.

We lost a good Knight in September. Joe Dischinger passed away. We all miss Joe. Joe was our Inside Guard and the Tootsie Roll drive chairman. The Tootsie Roll drive helps us collect donations. All the Tootsie roll money that is collected is donated to people with special needs.

Knights cooked spaghetti and served spaghetti to Florida Institute of Technology students on Sep 20th. We estimate 100 students ate dinner that night.

Some important upcoming dates and opportunities to volunteer:

Sep 20 - FIT spaghetti dinner. Meet at OLOG at 3:30pm to car pool.

Oct 7 - - Third Degree at Fr. Gabriel Council, candidates in place by 12:15

Oct 7 - Penny Social sponsored by St. Vincent DePaul. 11am. See Phil Rucki for details.

Oct 14 - Yard Sale sponsored by St. Vincent DePaul.

Oct 14 - Landscape day 9-11 am

Oct 14 - Rosary in front of the Church, celebrating 100 year anniversary of Fatima and the Miracle of the Sun

Oct 15 - Pumpkin delivery 4:30pm tentative date and time.

Oct 22 - Parish Picnic

Nov 15 - - Second Degree at Fr. Gabriel Council, candidates in place by 6:30 pm

Nov - Tootsie Roll event date to be determined, we collect donations for people with disabilities

The Hygiene Ministry desperately needs donations of Mens and Womens: underwear, tee shirts,

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socks, deodorant, bug spray, sunscreen, chapstick. These items can be dropped off at the hall on Fridays from 11-2 or at the Church office. Note: St. Vincent DePaul needs help every Wednesday at 8:15 am to unload food at the Battersea St. location. Help St. Vincent DePaul if you can.

## In Memorium



**Joseph Kenneth Dischinger**

**Born: 1/5/1943**

**Born to Eternal Life: 9/10/2017**

Our brother Sir Knight Joseph Dischinger, has been a Knight since 12/04/2009. He served as the Inside Guard of our council for @4 years and has been the Chairman of the Tootsie Roll Drive since the passing of our brother Willie Jenkins. Joe was a 4<sup>th</sup> degree Knight and a member in good standing, always volunteering to serve his council, his church and community. Joe will be missed but he is in the company of his wife Eddie and his good friends Ed and Jan Murphy. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

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An advertisement for Knights of Columbus Insurance. It features the company logo on the left, which includes a shield with a cross and the text 'Knights of Columbus INSURANCE YOUR SHIELD FOR LIFE'. To the right is a portrait of Brian Lazusky, a man in a suit and tie. Below the portrait, his name 'Brian Lazusky' is printed, followed by his phone number '336-254-8734', his address '10086 Greenshire Way, Orlando, FL 32827', and his email 'brian.lazusky@kofc.org'. At the bottom, a dark blue banner lists services: 'Life Insurance • Long-Term Care Insurance Retirement Annuities • Disability Insurance'. Below the banner, the text 'Protecting Catholic families since 1882.' is written in a small font.

### Raising Awareness About Life Insurance

Each September since 2003 has been designated as Life Insurance Awareness Month.

Like most awareness-raising campaigns, Life Insurance Awareness Month was created because there is an overwhelming lack of understanding of life insurance, its uses, its benefits, and its variations among the general public. Each year, the Life Insurance Market Research Association (LIMRA) puts out the

results from a recent survey, and unfortunately, the numbers they report continue to be discouraging. A recent survey found that more than 75 percent of people polled did not have a personal financial advisor, even though 68 percent of them said their opinion of the current economic conditions was somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable. In other words, a majority of those surveyed were uncomfortable with the economy and the uncertainty it brings, yet they did not seek professional assistance. Maybe they spoke with their friends and family. Maybe they hoped the instability would go away on its own. Maybe they did not know to whom to turn. If

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you fall into this category, please remember that as a member of the Knights of Columbus, you have a full-time, professional agent you can call your own. My primary responsibility is the care and service of your family's life insurance, retirement and long-term care needs. I'll answer your questions because I want your decisions to be informed ones. I want to help.

Another LIMRA statistic said 43 percent of people did not buy life insurance because they worry about "making the wrong decision." Talk with me, your agent, and, afterwards, you'll understand that the only wrong decision was not purchasing sooner to protect your family's future.

## The Miracle of the Sun

### 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Please join us in reciting the Rosary of Our Lady on Saturday, Oct. 14 at twelve noon at Our Lady of Grace Church in commemoration of this blessed event.

Beginning in the spring of 1917, three Catholic shepherd children living near Fatima reported apparitions of an Angel, and starting in May of 1917, apparitions of the [Virgin Mary](#), whom the children described as the [Lady of Fátima](#). The children reported a prophecy that prayer would lead to an end to the [Great War](#), and that on October 13th of that year the Lady would reveal her identity and perform a

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miracle "so that all may believe."<sup>[14]</sup> Newspapers reported the prophecies, and many pilgrims began visiting the area. The children's accounts were deeply controversial, drawing intense criticism from both local secular and religious authorities. A provisional administrator briefly took the children into custody, believing the prophecies were politically motivated in opposition to the officially secular [First Portuguese Republic](#) established in 1910.<sup>[15]</sup>

The three children ([Lúcia dos Santos](#) and her cousins [Jacinta and Francisco Marto](#)) who originally claimed to have seen [Our Lady of Fátima](#) also reported seeing a panorama of visions, including those of [Jesus](#), [Our Lady of Sorrows](#), [Our Lady of Mt. Carmel](#), and of [Saint Joseph](#) blessing the people.<sup>[25]</sup> In the fourth edition of her memoirs, written in 1941, Lúcia said that on the occasion of their third visit to the [Cova da Iria](#), on July 13, 1917, she asked the lady to tell them who she was, and to perform a miracle so that everyone would believe. The lady told to her that they should continue to come to the Cova each month until October, when the requested miracle would occur.<sup>[19]</sup>

Various claims have been made as to what actually happened during the event. According to many witnesses, after a period of rain, the dark clouds broke and the sun appeared as an opaque, spinning disc in the sky. It was said to be significantly duller than normal, and to cast multicolored lights across the landscape, the people, and the surrounding clouds. The sun was then reported to have

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careened towards the earth before zig-zagging back to its normal position.<sup>[19]</sup> Witnesses reported that their previously wet clothes became "suddenly and completely dry, as well as the wet and muddy ground that had been previously soaked because of the rain that had been falling".<sup>[20]</sup> Not all witnesses reported seeing the sun "dance". Some people only saw the radiant colors, and others, including some believers, saw nothing at all.<sup>[21][22][23][24]</sup> The only known picture of the sun taken during the event doesn't show anything unusual.<sup>[9][10]</sup>

The event was declared of "supernatural character" by the [Catholic Church](#) in 1930. A shrine was erected near the site in Fatima, which has been attended by thousands of faithful.<sup>[34]</sup> Pope Pius XII approved the "Fatima apparitions" in 1940. In 2008, a note was discovered which Pius XII wrote in 1950 that says that he saw the miracle while he walked in the Vatican Gardens at various times.<sup>[4]</sup>

In 2017, [Pope Francis](#) approved the recognition of a miracle involving two of the children, Francisco and Jacinta Marto, who were involved in the Fatima event of 1917, which paved the way for their [canonization](#).<sup>†</sup>

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### Pumpkin Patch 2017



#### The Pumpkins are coming

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Pumpkin Patch will be held from Oct. 15 thru Oct. 31. The pumpkin truck is scheduled to arrive @4:30 PM on Sunday, Oct. 14. Please join in helping unload the truck and sign up to participate in selling the pumpkins. A sign-up sheet will be available at the next business meeting, Oct. 2.

### Happy Birthday

10/03 – Sixto Ortiz  
10/04 – Francis Phillip  
10/07 - Andre Franco  
10/07 – Kenneth Gilbert  
10/14 – Timothy Lubbering  
10/17 – David Jacques  
10/25 – John Lacey  
10/29 – William Cox  
10/30 – Rev. Fr. Emmanuel Akalue

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### First Degree Anniversaries

- 10/01/76 – Thomas Duffy
- 10/01/86 – Steven Kremer
- 10/06/94 – Kenneth Lulewicz
- 10/21/97 – Richard Bourne
- 10/27/03 – Richard Seeberger
- 10/30/03 – Mark Stephenson
- 10/06/04 – Thomas Dean
- 10/16/08 – Michael Fornataro
- 10/21/08 – Angel Andujar
- 10/28/09 – Misael Velasquez

### HE FAMILY FULLY ALIVE ! Building the Domestic Church



*By understanding its mission, the family can more fully embrace God's plan for the fullness of divine life and love that he wishes to share with the family.*

#### **Meditation**

*From Carl Anderson and Father José Granados' Called to Love*

Jesus said to the disciples: "You are the light of the world" (Matt 5:14). The Lord's words apply in a special way to the family. Light, after all, fulfills its "mission" of bestowing warmth and visibility not by some extra activity added to its nature,

but simply by being what it is. Similarly, just as the mission of the sun is nothing other than to shine, the mission of the family is just to be itself. John Paul II was calling the family to this essential mission when he exclaimed: "Family, become what you are!" What happens when the family becomes what it is? Here is John Paul II's answer:

... the family has the mission to become more and more what it is, that is to say, a community of life and love. ... The family has the mission to guard, reveal and communicate love, and this is a living reflection of and a real sharing in God's love for humanity and the love of Christ the Lord for the Church His bride. (Familiaris Consortio, 17)

... The family, we said, is the hearth from which the light of love spreads out to vivify the structures of society. ... Significantly, the mission of the Church can be described in similar terms. The Church exists, after all, to radiate God's love into the world. The Church is the sacrament of love that both shows forth and effects man's union with God and man's union with man (see LG [Lumen Gentium], 1).

1. How do we as a family allow our light to shine before others in the world? How do we think of and care for others outside of our family?
2. What can we do to allow ourselves to be God's missionaries and to radiate his love into the world?
3. Do we live our family life as missionary disciples? Do we allow Jesus' word to dwell in our family and to teach us what it means to love? How can we do more to build up one another for the mission of love?

#### **Scripture Reading – Psalm 144:1-3; 9-15**

*A prayer of thanksgiving for God's faithfulness*

Blessed be the LORD, my rock,  
who trains my hands for battle,

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my fingers for war;  
My safeguard and my fortress,  
my stronghold, my deliverer,  
My shield, in whom I take refuge,  
who subdues peoples under me.  
O God, a new song I will sing to you;  
on a ten-stringed lyre I will play for you.  
You give victory to kings;  
you delivered David your servant.  
From the menacing sword deliver me;  
rescue me from the hands of foreign foes.  
Their mouths speak untruth;  
their right hands are raised in lying oaths.

May our sons be like plants  
well nurtured from their youth,  
Our daughters, like carved columns,  
shapely as those of the temple.  
May our barns be full  
with every kind of store.  
May our sheep increase by thousands,  
by tens of thousands in our fields;  
may our oxen be well fattened.  
May there be no breach in the walls,  
no exile, no outcry in our streets.  
Blessed the people so fortunate;  
blessed the people whose God is the LORD.

## Family Project

Set aside a Sunday afternoon this month to pray the rosary together as a family. Consider having a family brunch before praying, and talk to your children about the rosary and how it is prayed. Pray especially for peace in your family and for the healing of family wounds.

For those who surf the Web



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