



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWSLETTER

COUNCIL #7621 - TARPON SPRINGS, FL - 3/2024

HAPPY
Easter



For more information: <https://www.kocignatius.org>

Edge Youth Basket Raffle

RAFFLE

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT EDGE YOUTH SUMMER CAMP

We need your help!

Can you donate to our Baskets Themes?

- * Spirits-Wine/ Craft Beer * Fishing * Golf
- * Lottery Scratch-off Bouquet * Bookworm
- * Spa * Teen Night w/Friends * Staycation
- * Car Detailing * Martial Arts
- * Chocolate & Dessert

**Leave Donations at
Church Office**

**NO LATER THAN
MARCH 6th**

**1 TICKET = \$1
15 TICKETS = \$10
25 TICKETS = \$15**

**We gladly accept \$\$ to
WeShare or Gift Cards!**



FUNDRAISER-MARCH 22
Drawing at Lenten Fish Fry 4-7 PM

Fish Fry Friday-Lenten Dinner

***Thank You to
ALL our
volunteers!***



**...To ALL our
Servers!**



**...and to ALL of you
who came to enjoy a
meal with us!**

See you Friday

Tickets Available at Fish Friday

FINAL DRAWING TO BE MARCH 22nd, 2024

Winter Raffle is Here!

Only 250 tickets will be SOLD!

\$20 per ticket

1st Place will receive 25% 2nd Place will receive 15%
3rd Place will receive 10%

Have you got your ticket(s) yet?

IF NOT--> BUY ONLINE!

What's Happening!



March 1st Tonight!

4:00 - 7:00 PM

Into The Breach-Episode #5

“Marriage & Family”

Thursday, March 7th - 8:00

Join Us in the Hall



More Happenings!



March 8th / 4 - 7 PM

Get tickets online!

DON'T FORGET!

Turn your clocks ahead 1 hour

Daylight Savings begins

Sunday, **March 10th**



March 15th

4:00 - 7:00 PM

CORPORATE MASS

Saturday, March 16th

4:00 PM

Join us with your family

Wear your KOC Shirt



HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!

Sunday, March 17th



More Happenings!

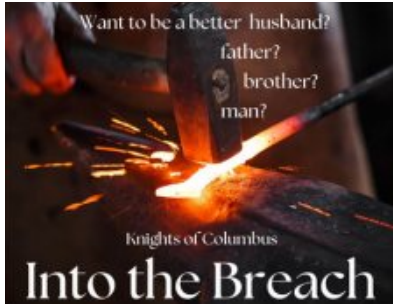


St. Ignatius of Antioch Council 7621
Tarpon Springs, Florida

KOC Council Meeting

Thursday, March 21st - 7:00 PM

Become an Officer-Contact Chuck Hope-727-494-2345



Episode #6 "Stand Up for Life"

Thursday, March 21st - 8:00 PM

Invite a friend - Meet in the hall



FINAL Fish Friday
March 22nd 4 - 7 PM

WINTER RAFFLE DRAWING TONIGHT!

Have you got your ticket(s) yet?



ONLY 250 TICKETS SOLD!

Spiritual Reflections

Men of faith ...

*Heavenly Father,
we thank you for the gift of St. Joseph,
the husband of Mary and foster father of Jesus,
and we thank you for St. Patrick,
the holy bishop and evangelist of Ireland.
Help us to follow their examples
as holy and righteous men of faith,
ever ready to love and serve you
and to share your mercy with others.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*



My dear brothers,

Let me begin by thanking you for your faithful service to the Lord and our family of faith during Lent. The Knight's Lenten Dinners have been incredible evenings of grace featuring not only delicious food but wonderful Christian fellowship. You are an inspiration to me and to so many. Thank you. If you have not attended or volunteered for a Lenten Dinner, please do! It will be a blessing to you and your families.

This is the time when we need to discern next year's leadership for our Council. I encourage you to give it some serious consideration. You may want to turn to two March saints for inspiration. The first is the holy bishop and evangelist St. Patrick whose feast day is the 17th. As a teenager he was kidnaped and enslaved to work as a shepherd in Ireland. During this difficult time, he grew ever closer to our Lord and was finally led by an angel to his freedom. After a few years, he returned to Ireland to share our rich faith with the people. If you want to give yourself and your family a treat, read his *Confessions*. It will inspire and challenge you! The Lorica or Breastplate of St. Patrick is one of my favorite prayers and hopefully it will become one of yours as well.

In March we also celebrate St. Joseph, husband of Mary and foster father of Jesus. He was an amazing man who dared to follow the Lord's dream. While we know little of him, I can't help but wonder what a profound impact he had upon the Lord as a youth. He is a great model of what it means to be a loving father, husband, and Christian in the world. Reread the first chapters of Matthew. Think of how you might better follow His example!

Both Patrick and Joseph are wonderful examples for us to follow, especially as brother Knights. I encourage you to draw ever closer to them as we journey to the Easter Mysteries.

Know that you and your family are in my prayers. May God bless you and your loved ones during this Holy Season of Lent!

Fr Bill

Fr. Bill Swengros
Chaplain



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Grand Knight's Note

Council #7621

Sir John Donnell



My fellow Brothers,

March, is a wonderful Month, featuring March Madness, First Day of Spring, St. Partick's Day, and this year Roman Catholics participate in the Lenten season through the month of March ending on March 29th, Good Friday.

This a time of thoughtful prayer and fasting in preparation for Easter on March 31st. The day we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ and the defeat of death!

So, make good on your promise to adore Christ in a manner he deserves. Have a inspiring spiritual revival.

God Bless.

Sir John Donnell

Grand Knight



District Deputy Note

District 37

Sir David Creamer



Brother Knights,

Lent is a time for Prayer, Penance, Alms, and renewing our faith. Finding time for prayer is important and can develop into a habit which we can then continue throughout the year.

Penance is required during the Easter season, but is also a good way to bring us closer to God so that we can live our lives in a better way.

Giving alms or other acts of charity follow the main purpose of being a Knight, giving to others so that we can help them as well as improving ourselves.

Lent being a time for renewing our faith almost goes without saying it, but we must sometimes be reminded to prepare ourselves for this grandest of holy days, a day in which we receive the ultimate present from God, the chance of everlasting life with Him.

As we get ready for Easter, our acts sometimes are visible to others and act as an example for them to follow and for us to shine forth in a better light, closer to God. Let us all prepare ourselves and celebrate Easter as a slightly better person.

May God bless us all for all that we do. Happy Easter.

Vivat Jesus!

David Creamer

District Deputy 37



Knights of Columbus
**FOURTH
DEGREE**
Patriotic degree of the Order.

Fr. Edward J. Farrell
Assembly #1774

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Holiday, FL

Next meeting is Monday, March 11th at 7:00PM

“Disaster Preparedness”



If you're a Third Degree Knight in good standing, you can become a "Sir Knight" by joining us in the Patriotic 4th Degree.

Call for Information: **727-815-8912**

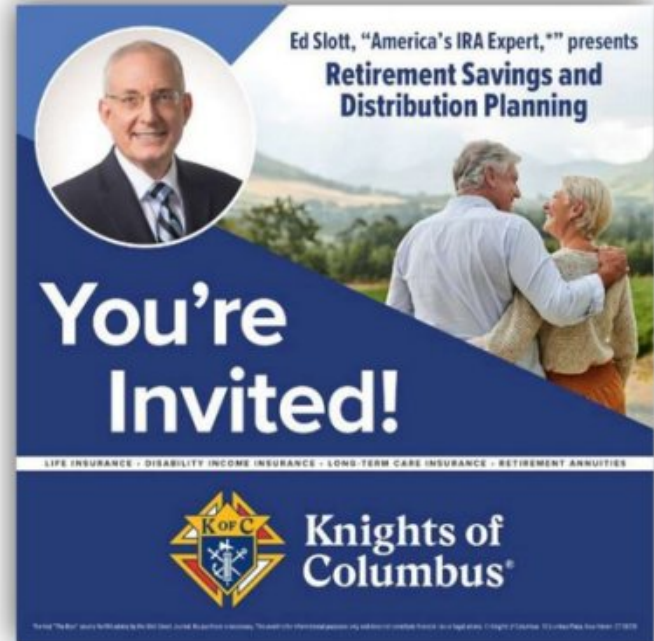
Ask for Don Tobey, Faithful Navigator

A Message from our Field Agent: **PLAN AHEAD!**

Dear Brother Knights,

Knights of Columbus, your premier Catholic partner for financial services, is pleased to offer an informational webinar. This special live webinar, "**Retirement Savings and Distribution Planning**," features nationally recognized speaker, television personality and best-selling author, Ed Slott. Ed combines current research, in-depth expertise, and humor to teach viewers about the ins and outs of their retirements and provides insight to the latest tax and planning information.

Since our founding, Knights of Columbus has been committed to helping provide financial security and stability to our members and their families. So, we're proud and excited to bring Ed's expertise to you and we can't wait to see you there!



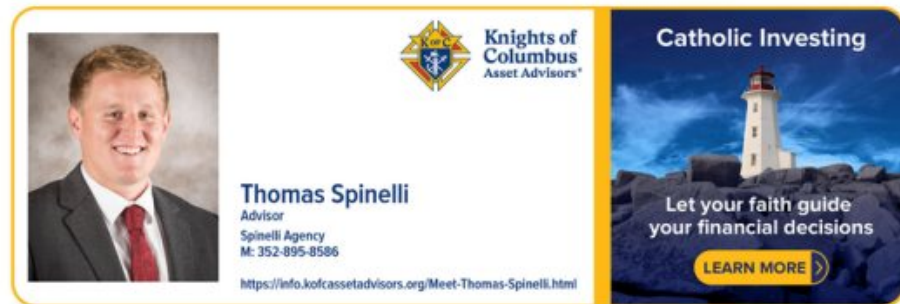
April 2nd at 8:00 PM EST

<http://tinyurl.com/KofCApril2>

Faithfully,

Thomas Spinelli

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No purchase is necessary. This event is for informational purposes only and does not constitute financial, tax or legal advice.