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# **The Knight's News**

***Council 8155 – The Family Council***

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St. James the Apostle Catholic Church



# Grand Knight's Report



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**Grand Knight**

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## Upcoming Activities

**Wednesday - January 1 - New Year's Day**



**Thursday - January 2 - Assembly 3686 meets in William Room @ 7 pm**



**Sunday January 5 - Memorial Mass for Knights at 9 am Mass**



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**Wednesday - January 22 - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after the morning Mass**



**Monday - January 27 - Officers' Meeting @ 7 pm in the William Room**



**Thursday - February 6 - Assembly 3686 meets in William Room @ 7 pm**



**Sunday - February 9 - Super Bowl LIX in New Orleans**



**Monday - February 10 - Council 8155 Business Meeting in St. Joseph Room @ 7 pm**



*Council 8155 meets the second Monday of the month in the St. Joseph Room at 7 pm*

*Officers' Meeting the 4th Monday in the William Room at 7 pm*



## *From the desk of . . .* **FINANCIAL SECRETARY**

**JOHN DEVAUX**

My Brothers:

I hope everyone had a very Blessed and Merry Christmas. My family did.

It is hard to believe that another year is over. Where did it go? We held three **Tootsie Roll Drives** at our local Publix Supermarkets and did very well collecting over \$3,000 to help our **Citizens with Disabilities Campaign**. We also held our **Veterans Supplies Collection** and our parishioners donated a fantastic amount of toiletries and clothing. We held our **Hot Breakfasts** and **Coffee & Donuts** and they were well attended. We had three **Lenten Fish Fries** that were complete successes. Check our activities calendar in our **Newsletter** and see what you can do to help your Council.

Please keep in your prayers all those who have died this past year.

We will have another **Hot Breakfast** this month on January 19. We have hash browns, scrambled eggs, sausage links, pancakes, yogurt, juice and coffee at our **Hot Breakfasts**. Join us if you can. It will be after the 9 am Mass in the St. Joseph Room. We are planning a **Hot Breakfast** March 16 and May 18 before taking the summer off.

Lent starts March 5. Our **Lenten Fish Fries** begin the first Friday after Ash Wednesday, which is March 7. The next two **Fish Fries** will be March 21 and April 4 this year. Our Annual **Easter Egg Hunt** will be on Easter Sunday, April 20, following the 11 am Mass.

The Council and Assembly get together on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month for **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** in the Chapel following the 8:30 morning mass. Join us if you can fit it in your schedule. This month it will be January 8 and 22.

Whatever traditions you follow, may you have a healthy, safe and prosperous 2024!

God Bless,

John Devaux,

*Financial Secretary*

St. James Council #8155

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# January Events

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## CURRENT BOOSTERS

**Our Newsletter THANKS the following for their support...**

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**Please Note: Donations are due for the Booster List for 2025. If you wish for you and your family to be listed here, please speak to John Devaux or Michael Bobowski to submit your donation. Thank you!**

*Thank You for your financial support!*



# Faith Director's Message



Dan Winfield

## "In Haste"

We don't often use the phrase "in haste" in our daily lives. That makes it stand out even more in in **Luke 2:16-21**. The shepherds probably reserved "in haste" for when there was a threat or a demand. In fact, thinking about it, I'm the same way in my life. My ability to move "in haste" often has to do with the need I perceive. Am I running late? Is the kid hurt? Did someone call and ask me urgently?

But what about when my motivation for taking action "in haste" has to do with excitement? What if it was driven by my excitement? The new baby I want to meet, the returning family member, the visitor I haven't seen in ages...

The shepherds were excited, and that made them move "in haste." They didn't really discuss it much—and they didn't need to. They knew where they needed to be. They knew what they needed to do. And it demanded them to go "in haste," not wasting any time and not waiting for morning.

When the Spirit moves us and inspires us to act "in haste," amazing things can happen. We may, for instance, see Jesus: in the helpless infant, in the overwhelmed parents, in the ragtag group. And we should always, inspired by Mama Mary, keep and ponder in our hearts, leaving room for further action by the Spirit.

### ***Ponder:***

What are you being invited to do "in haste"—not in a hurry and not without purpose, but with direction and excitement?

### ***Pray:***

Jesus, give me the joy and courage to run "in haste" to Your arms, to do Your will, to sit silently and ponder.

# District Deputy's Message



**DAVID**



Brother Knights,

Happy New Year!

With the stressful, but fulfilling season of Christmas past us now, let us prepare for the next half of our calendar year and plan to accomplish as much as we can to meet our goals of spreading His word through our actions and charitable works. We are bolstered with the great feelings that come out of Christmas, and we come up with ideas to help others through the coming hard times before we begin to prepare for Lent and the good that it brings. These seasons give us reasons to gather and to be able to help others out which is the most basic act of being Catholics. But us being seen doing these events and being leaders is what catches others attention and makes some men want to be Knights also. We can always use more help and new memberships can make it easier to get done what we are trying to accomplish. Being seen as helpful servants of God is a great goal for us to achieve and can help us out in the future.

May God bless us all for all that we do.

Vivat Jesus!

David Creamer

District Deputy 37



**LOU ANZIANO**

***Field Agent***

# Did You Know?

Brothers,  
Happy New Year! The Knights of Columbus has very exciting news to share as we jump into 2025.

Beginning January 1, 2025, a dividend increase took effect for eligible participating insurance policies. This is in addition to the increased [fraternal benefits](#) announced last year. Inspired by our founder Blessed Michael McGivney, we continue to seek opportunities to help provide our members with financial security.

What does an increased dividend rate mean?

Dividends are amounts that may be paid annually from the surplus funds of the Knights of Columbus and are paid on an equitable basis by class as determined by the Board of Directors.

These dividends can be used in various ways, including to:

- Purchase paid up additions, which is the default option.
- Place the dividends on deposit and earn additional interest.
- Receive the dividends in cash. Reduce billed premium. (Dividends are not guaranteed)
- Reduce an existing loan.

Over the past 30 years, Knights of Columbus has paid more than \$22 billion in dividends and insurance benefits.

I would love to sit down with you in the coming year to discuss how this dividend increase may help you achieve your financial security goals. If you have any questions about this, or any of the benefits of having a Knights of Columbus insurance policy, please come chat with me, and we'll schedule a time to meet.

Thank You.



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

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## January Birthdays:

### **Member**

James Webber – 4<sup>th</sup>  
Guy Rasmussen – 6<sup>th</sup>  
Ed Pflieger – 11<sup>th</sup>  
Bill Schommer – 15<sup>th</sup>  
Matthew Saikaly – 19<sup>th</sup>  
Edward Spodarek – 20<sup>th</sup>

### **Wife**

Lorraine Gransden – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Helen Perkins – 3<sup>rd</sup>



## January Anniversaries

***Ben & Helen Perkins – 8<sup>th</sup> - 53 years together***  
***Steve & Peggy Overbaugh – 10<sup>th</sup> – 50 years together***



Phil Aleci  
Rose Bliss  
John Devaux  
Joanne DeSilva  
Lorraine Gransden  
Donna Gudavich  
Louis Leonard  
Dottie Maslowski  
Richard Overbeck  
Nora Pflieger  
Bob Roth  
Dave Wolverton

## Sick and Distressed

Stephane Barrett  
Diane Coughlin  
Georgiana Devaux  
Marie Duffy  
Mark Gransden  
Randy Koenigsfeld  
Gale Leonard  
Patricia Meagher  
Mark Pflieger  
Dave Ries  
John Sammel

Tony Bernardo  
Rich Cunningham  
Matt Devaux  
Jim Duffy  
John Gudavich  
Vickie Lamparski  
Tony Luzader  
Gail Oliver  
Ed Pflieger  
Wayne Ries  
Dominic Siani



***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](mailto:JohnDevaux8155@gmail.com)***



# Hot Breakfast

RETURNS SUNDAY

January 19



*scrambled eggs*

*sausage*

*pancakes*

*hash browns*

*yogurt*

*coffee*

*juice*



***Suggested Donation \$10***

**Sunday, January 19**

**Following 9 am Mass**

**St. Joseph Room**



**Knights of Columbus Council 8155**



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St. James the Apostle Knights of Columbus Council #8155



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# STAR COUNCIL AWARD



**Grand Knight Joe James shows the Star Council Award the council received for the 2022 - 2023 fraternal year. It says the council achieved 166% of Supreme's Goal for recruiting. The last time the council received the award was 2019-2020 as Double Star and the Grand Knight was Phil Aleci with 225%.**



# ***St. James Council #8155***

## ***Officers for 2024 - 2025***



**GRAND KNIGHT**  
Ben Rivera, Jr.



**DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT**  
Jeremy Bobowski



**CHANCELLOR**  
Dave Ries



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Don Cross



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**ADVOCATE**  
Mark Gransden



**INSIDE GUARD**  
Dominic Siani



**OUTSIDE GUARD**  
Michael Barrett



**3-Year TRUSTEE**  
Tony Bernardo



**2 Year TRUSTEE**  
Ed Pflieger



**1 Year TRUSTEE**  
Rich Cunningham



**FINANCIAL SECRETARY**  
John Devaux



**LECTURER**  
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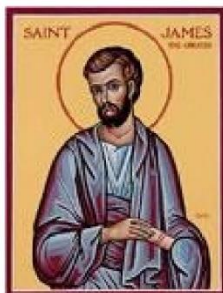
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Catholic Church  
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*Pastor:* Reverend Dominic Corona

## Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday: 8:30 am

## St. James the Apostle Charter Members

### Fr. Michael Devine

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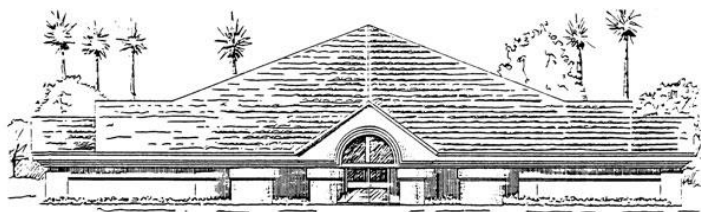
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Robert J. Williams  
Tom A. Wilson

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Hugh McCluskey  
Deacon Paul G. Metilly  
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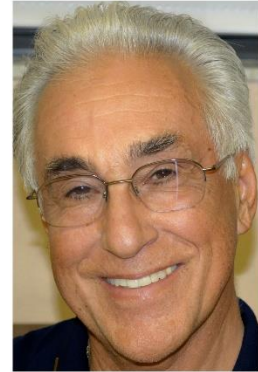


***4th Degree Section***

# 4th Degree News

## St. James the Apostle

### Assembly #3686



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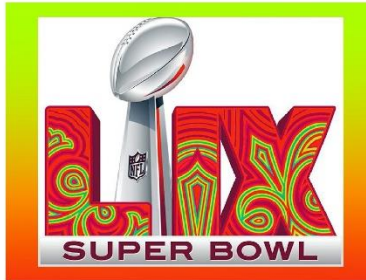
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# Super Bowl LIX Squares



*A fundraiser for  
St. James 4th Degree  
Knights of Columbus  
Assembly 3686*



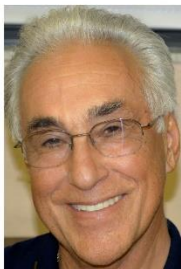
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[JohnDevaux8155@gmail.com](mailto:JohnDevaux8155@gmail.com)**



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**FAITHFUL  
NAVIGATOR**  
Phil Aleci



**FAITHFUL  
CAPTAIN**  
Michael Barrett



**FAITHFUL  
PILOT**  
David Ries



**FAITHFUL  
ADMIRAL**  
Ed Pflieger



**FAITHFUL  
SCRIBE**  
Michael Bobowski



**FAITHFUL  
PURSER**  
Mark Gransden



**FAITHFUL  
COMPTROLLER**  
John Devaux



**INNER  
SENTINEL**  
Joe James



**OUTER  
SENTINEL**  
Tony Bernardo



**3 YEAR  
TRUSTEE**  
Rich Cunningham



**2 YEAR  
TRUSTEE**  
Jeremy Bobowski



**1 YEAR  
TRUSTEE**  
Anthony Fonte





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**St. James the Apostle Assembly #3686**



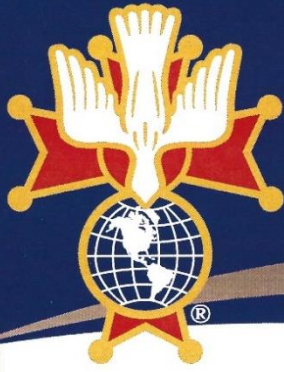
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# Star Assembly



Past Faithful Navigator ED PFLIEGER shows the plaque that our Assembly 3686 was presented at our April meeting by Deputy State Master Ken Jeffres. The award is for the fraternal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. Only 14 Assemblies out of 175 in Florida received the award. Our Assembly has 45 members.





# Civic Award

Recognizing  
St James The Apostle  
Assembly 3686  
Port Richey, Florida  
For outstanding implementation  
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October 1, 2022

Date

*Patrick E. Kelly*  
Supreme Knight

*[Signature]*

Supreme Master



**Charter Members of**  
***St. James the Apostle Assembly 3686***  
**November 9, 2016**



**Michael Amarando**  
**James Bernacki**  
**Louis Coppola**  
**Alexander DeDea**  
**Raymond DeDea**  
**John Devaux**  
**Clifford Gill**  
**Keith Gosnell**  
**Eric Harvey**  
**Frank Mancuso**  
**Edwin Pflieger**  
**John Sammel**

**William Baker**  
**Anthony Bernardo**  
**James Crowley**  
**Kevin DeDea**  
**Vincent DeHart**  
**Thomas Doran**  
**Timothy Girvin**  
**John Gudavich**  
**Alan Herd**  
**Thomas Mullen**  
**Benjamin Rivera Jr.**  
**Ernest Veneziano**

**Charles Wills**

***First Set of Officers***

**FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR – Michael Amarando**  
**FAITHFUL COMPTROLLER – John Devaux**  
**FAITHFUL CAPTAIN – John Gudavich**  
**FAITHFUL ADMIRAL – Edwin Pflieger**  
**FAITHFUL PURSER – Anthony Bernardo**  
**FAITHFUL PILOT – Richard Lamparski**  
**FAITHFUL SCRIBE – Keith Gosnell**  
**INNER SENTINEL- Timothy Girvin**  
**OUTER SENTINEL – Frank Mancuso**  
**3-YEAR TRUSTEE – William Baker**  
**2-YEAR TRUSTEE – James Bernacki**  
**1-YEAR TRUSTEE – Charles Wills**







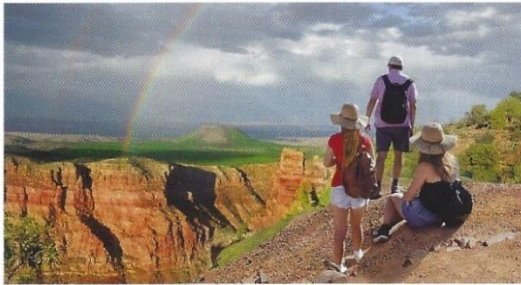
# *Faithful Navigators*

## **Assembly 3686**

*Instituted November 8, 2016*

*St. James the Apostle*

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<b>2018 - 19</b>	<b>Edwin Pflieger</b>	
<b>2019 - 20</b>	<b>Edwin Pflieger</b>	
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<b>2021 - 22</b>	<b>Edwin Pflieger</b>	
<b>2022 - 23</b>	<b>Joseph Panetta</b>	
<b>2023 - 24</b>	<b>Phil Aleci</b>	
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<b>2026 - 27</b>		



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