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The Knight's News

Council 8155 - The Family Council

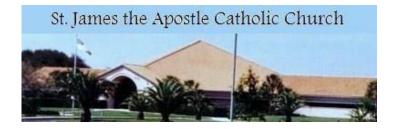
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September 22



Meeting Changes

NOTICE:Beginning this
September, our *Business Meeting* will be held on the
2nd <u>WEDNESDAY</u> of the
month and our *Officers Meeting* on the 4th
WEDNESDAY, both @ 7 pm

Grand Knight's Report



ANTHONY (TONY) BERNARDO Grand Knight

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Upcoming Activities

Monday - September 1 - LABOR DAY: Process in with the flag joining the Assembly at morning Mass

Thursday - September 4 - Assembly 3686 meets in William Room @ 7 pm



Wednesday - September 10 - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after morning Mass



Wednesday - September 10 - Council 8155 Business Meeting in St. Joseph Room @ 7 pm



Thursday - September 11 - PATRIOT DAY: Process in with the flag joining the Assembly at morning Mass

Sunday - September 21 - HOT BREAKFAST TODAY - Following 9 am Mass





Wednesday - September 24 - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after morning Mass

Wednesday - September 24 - Council Officers Meeting @ 7 pm in William Room REMINDER



Wednesday - October 8 - Council 8155 Business Meeting in St. Joseph Room @ 7 pm



Monday - October 13 - COLUMBUS DAY: Process in with the flag joining the Assembly at morning Mass



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

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

From the desk of the . . . FINANCIAL SECRETARY



JOHN DEVAUX



SCHOOL IS OPEN. PLEASE BE CAREFUL WHEN DRIVING.

The "Knight Alert" for our yearly dues has gone out. I ask that if you have not sent in your dues, please send it as soon as possible. Thank You to all who have already sent in your dues. We appreciate your quick response.

We held our Fifth Annual Blessed Father Michael J. McGivney "Share-the-Wealth" Raffle. We drew the winners at our Officers Meeting August 25. We had two raffles, one for our members and spouse and one for our parishioners and friends. Sales got off to a slow start but finished with a bang. We sold 82 tickets to the members and 122 to the parishioners and friends. We had three prize drawings in each and the council raised a little over \$600 and gave the church \$206. We hope you plan on participating in the raffle again next summer. Final results are in this month's **Newsletter**.

On Labor Day. September 1, the Council will join our Assembly to process in with the flag at the beginning of the morning Mass. They will also join together on September 11, Patriot Day, and bring in the flag. Please wear either your Council or Assembly shirt, but no shorts or sandles.

This is the time of year when our activities begin to pick up. We will begin our Hot Breakfasts on September 21 following the 9 am Mass. We will also start planning our Tootsie Roll Drives, Veterans Clothes and Toiletries Drive, and Baby Clothes Drive in the Spring. Our Fish Fries will be during Lent in 2026. Please volunteer to help at any of our events.

God Bless and stay safe.

John Devaux, Financial Secretary St. James Council #8155 JohnDevaux8155@Gmail.com



September 1



September 11

September Events

September 1st: Labor Day: Process in with flag at morning Mass

September 4th: Assembly 3686 Business Meeting in William Room 7 pm

September 10th: Council Business meeting @ 7 pm in the St. Joseph Room

September 10th: Eucharistic Adoration following Morning Mass

September 11th: Patriot Day: Process in with flag at morning Mass

September 20th: Installation of Officers following 4 pm Mass September 21th: HOT BREAKFAST following 9 am Mass

September 24th: Officers' Meeting in William Room @ 7 pm September 24th: Eucharistic Adoration following Morning Mass

CURRENT BOOSTERS

Our Newsletter THANKS the following for their support...

Phil Aleci ← Mitchel Amarando ← Michael & Stephane Barrett ← Tony & Anne Bernardo > David & Diane Coughlin > Leroy & Joyce Cram > Rich Cunningham & Carole Mallory ⇔ Marilyn DeDea ◆Alex DeDea ◆ John & Georgiana Devaux ⇔ Anthony Fonte ⇒ Keith Gosnell ⇒ Mark & Lorraine Gransden <> Eric & Michelle Harvey <> David & Dianne James <> Joe & Julie James <> Frederick & Claire King <> Randy & Terry Koenigsfeld ← Gregory & Flora Lydting ← James & Mary Majorana ← Michael Marchesano >> Ben Perkins >> Ed Pflieger >> Larry & Laura Richardson <> David Ries <> Dominic & Stacie Siani <> Bill & Sue Toler <> Norman & Betsy Triznadel ← Ernest & Edna Veneziano

Please Note: Donations are due for the Booster List for 2025. If you wish 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!

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Faith Director's Message



Dan Winfield

Forgive

Our children act as we do and will react to life's events as they have seen us act. The hardest lesson a parent teaches their child is taught not with words - but actions.

Jesus knew all too well how we act in various situations when we are hurt. He exhorts us to try making peace, to forgive. He gives us the steps to do so.

First, quietly go to the person and try to work it out. If it still festers, take it to other family members for help creating peace. Even go so far as involving an outsider to settle the dispute.

Those are the actions we need our children to see, to model. Sadly though, efforts to make peace will sometimes be rebuffed. These are the times we need to prepare our children to face.

Show them how you walk away and forgive no matter what. Children will experience other children who don't like them, tease them, or won't want to play with them. Showing them how to forgive and walk away is one of the hardest lessons a parent has. It is hard because we feel their pain, oftentimes more intensely than they do! But first and foremost, we need to tell them and show them forgiveness is the right action. Forgiving others, even if they never know or care they are forgiven, enriches the one who forgives.

Forgiving the people hurting them will free their heart so they can walk away and not return the hurt in kind. They will then see the love others have for them. They will hear the call of true friends.

Ponder:

Do your children see you holding onto past hurts from others, or do they see you forgiving them, not allowing a hurtful comment to ruin your day?

Pray:

Lord, help me model to my children the art of forgiving others no matter what. Let them see You in me today, so they,too, will learn how to forgive.



DAVID CREAMER

Brother Knights,

Doing God's work while helping others. This is the simple principle by which we go by as Knights. Being filled with the Holy Spirit should inspire us to continuously be looking for ways to assist others whether directly or indirectly. While Christ was here on earth, His ultimate purpose was to make it possible for us to achieve eternal life with Him. All of the work that we do and the influence that we shine onto others is helping us and others to acquire that prize. All of the charitable work that we do and the good that we spread is a sign that we are allowing the Holy Spirit within us to be visible, and hopefully to the point where others will come and join us in our acts of kindness. Being a good Catholic is what it is all about.

May God bless us all.

Vivat Jesus! David Creamer District Deputy 37



Did You Know?

LOU ANZIANO
Field Agent

Is there a gap between the insurance coverage you have and the insurance coverage you need?

Maybe you wonder about this every once in a while, before putting it out of mind. Or maybe you don't think about it all. But September is Life Insurance Awareness Month, so I think it's important to bring this question up now.

According to the most recent Insurance Study performed by the Life Insurance Marketing and Research Association ("LIMRA"), 40 percent of American adults say they need life insurance or need to obtain more life insurance coverage.1

That's a lot of people wondering, "What if?" What if you need more? What if you're not prepared for the unexpected?

Let's explore some situations in which you might need to fill an insurance gap:

Young adults. If you're getting group coverage through your employer, consider what will happen if your job situation changes. That coverage is not likely to follow you. The good news is, buying your own life insurance is generally more affordable the younger you are, so don't miss the opportunity to lock in coverage now.

Those with accrued debt. Life insurance can help ensure money is available to pay off any debts, such as student loans or a mortgage, without forcing your loved ones to sell assets or inherit a financial obligation.

Those who are married. Many married couples share financial responsibilities. If one spouse dies, the other could struggle to cover those expenses alone. Life insurance can help provide security for the unknown.

Those with children. Life insurance helps protect children in case of tragedy. It ensures they would be able to maintain their standard of living, stay in their home, help cover childcare or schooling and eventually go to a secondary education option, if desired.

Small business owners. You built your business—now protect it. Life insurance can help with estate planning, final expenses and ensuring your business would operate if the unexpected happens.

There are many reasons why you may need life insurance protection, and I'm here to help you find the coverage that matches your needs.

Don't wait — ensuring you and your family are protected can be quicker and easier than you may imagine.

Set up time to meet with me and we will start the process together. Thank you!

Lou Anziano, Field Agent Louis. Anziano@kofc.org 813-753-0255

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

September Birthdays:

Member

Timothy Parkin – 2nd

Kenneth Chmielewski – 5th

Eric Harvey – 7th

James Klausch – 8th

Sean Dockery – 19th

David James – 19th

Michael Bobowski – 21st

Bill Toler – 22nd

Thomas Gallagher – 28th

Kenneth Kurynka – 28th

Wife

Mary Parkin – 2nd

Michele Harvey – 3rd

Joyce Cram – 7th

Jeannette Rodriguez – 8th

Gail Leonard – 11th

Betsy Triznadel – 26th

Mary Majorana – 27th

Mary Jane Cordero – 28th

Joan Kidder – 30th



September Anniversaries

Norman & Betsy Triznadel -5th- 66 years together

James & Marie Duffy -8th - 63 years together

Michael & Laura Violante - 14th - 46 years together

Timothy & Mary Parkin - 18th - 54 years together

Charles & Mary Jane Cordero - 21st - 62 years together

Michael & Sherry Bobowski - 28th - 29 years together



Sick and Distressed

Phil Aleci	Stephane Barrett	
Rose Bliss	Diane Coughlin	Rich Cunningham
John Devaux	Georgiana Devaux	Matt Devaux
Joanne DeSilva	Marie Duffy	Jim Duffy
Lorraine Gransden	Mark Gransden	Donna Gudavich
Marie Kennell	Randy Koenigsfeld	Vickie Lamparski
Louis Leonard	Gale Leonard	Tony Luzader
Dottie Maslowski	Gail Oliver	Richard Overbeck
Mark Pflieger	Ed Pflieger	Dave Ries
Wayne Ries	Bob Roth	John Sammel
Dominic Siani	Dave Wolverton	

<u>Please let us know</u> 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 <u>John</u>Devaux8155@gmail.com



September 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Process in with Flag at morning Mass	Mary Parkin's Birthday Timothy Parkin's Birthday	Michele Harvey's Birthday	4	Kenneth Chmielewski's Birthday Norman & Betsy Triznade's 66th Anniversary	6
Fric Harvey's Birthday Joyce Cram's Birthday	Jeannette Rodriguez's Birthday James Klausch's Birthday Jim & Marie Duffy's 63rd Anniversary	9	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament after 8:30 Mass Council Business Meeting @ 7 pm in St. Joseph Room	Process in with Flag at morning Mass	12	13
Michael & Laura Violante's 46th Anniversary	15	16	17	18 Timothy & Mary Parkin's 54th Anniversary	David James' Birthday Matthew Saikaly & Bridget Giglio's 10th Anniversary Sean Dockery's Birthday	20
Charles & Mary Cordero's 62nd Anniversary Michael Bobowski's Birthday	Bill Toler's Birthday	23	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament after 8:30 Mass INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS @ 7 pm Officers Meeting @ 6:30 pm in William Room	25	26 Betsy Triznadel's Birthday	27 Mary Majorana's Birthday
Kenneth Kurynka's Birthday Mary Cordero's Birthday Michael & Sherry Bobowski's 29th Anniversary Thomas Galagher's Birthday	29	Joan Kidder's Birthday	3 4 10 11 17 18	Aug 2025 T W T F S 1 2 5 6 7 8 9 12 13 14 15 16 19 20 21 22 23 26 27 28 29 30	18 250	3 4 10 11 17 18 24 25

Join Us For A

Hot Breakfast

September 21



scrambled eggs
sausage
pancakes
hash browns
yogurt

coffee

juice











Suggested Donation \$10



Sunday, September 16 Following 9 am Mass St. Joseph Room



Knights of Columbus Council 8155

5th Annual



Raffle Winners

Members Drawing Parishioners Drawing

1st - Mitch Amarando - \$205 1st - Susan Brunda - \$310

2nd - Michael Bobowski - \$123 2nd - Juan Rosa - \$186

3rd - Jean Becotte - \$124 3rd - Ben Rivera, Jr. - \$82

St. James Council #8155 Officers for 2025 - 2026



GRAND KNIGHT Anthony Bernardo



DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT Jeremy Bobowski



CHANCELLOR Dave Ries



WARDEN Don Cross



RECORDER

Dave Coughlin



TREASURER Michael Bobowski



ADVOCATE Mark Gransden



INSIDE GUARD Dominic Siani



OUTSIDE GUARD Michael Barrett



3-Year TRUSTEE Ben Rivera, Jr.



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1 Year IRUSIE Ed Pflieger



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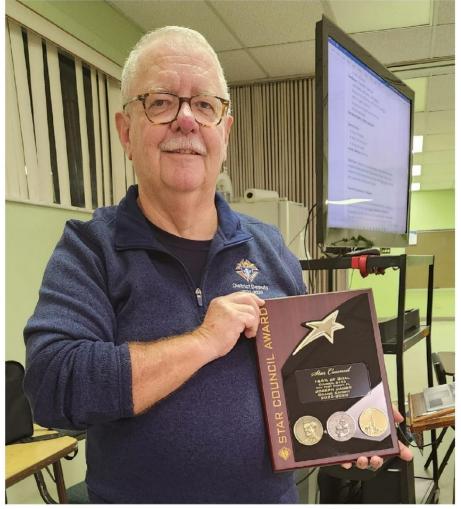
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LECTURER



Fr. Dominic Corona

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%.

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Car Magnet



\$3.00

magnet is 3" x 3"

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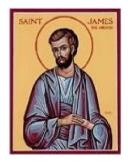
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Mission Statement

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

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

Leroy P. Alas Louis J. Ammiano Anthony Barry John Bellani William B. Braswell Edward F. Carroll Flor Figueroa Douglas A. Gallo

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Donald J. Waugh
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James J. Yeo – 1st Grand Knight
Thomas J. Zajewski

Council #10955 Sept. 28, 1992

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Hugh McCluskey
Deacon Paul G. Metilly
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St James Assembly #3686



4th Degree Section

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UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Monday - September 1 - LABOR DAY - Process in with the flag at morning Mass

Thursday - September 4 - Assembly 3686 meets in William Room @ 7 pm

Wednesday -September 10 - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after morning Mass

Thursday - September 11 - PATRIOT DAY - Process in with the flag at morning Mass

Wednesday - September 24 - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after morning Mass

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

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

Thursday - December 4 - Assembly 3686 meets in William Room @ 7 pm

Assembly 3686 meets the first Thursday following the first Wednesday of the month in the William Room at 7 pm

Rosh Hashanah

Today is the beginning of the Jewish New Year.

It is the anniversary of God creating Adam and Eve.

It is the Teshuva, repenting of sin and returning to God.

Remember where we came; the Old Testament is fulfilled in the New Testament.



Jesus, I Trust in You!

The best-known rite of Rosh Hashanah is the blowing of the shofar, a musical instrument made from an animal horn. The shofar is blown at various instances during the Rosh Hashanah prayers, with a total of 100 blasts over the day.

Wake Up America – be disciples and Wake up the World!

While the blowing of the shofar is a Biblical statute, it is also a symbolic "wake-up call", stirring Jews to mend their ways and repent. The shofar blasts call out: "Sleepers, wake up from your slumber! Examine your ways and repent and remember your Creator."

St. James Assembly #3686 Officers for 2025 - 2026



FAITHFUL
NAVIGATOR
Michael Barrett



FAITHFUL
CAPTAIN
Jeremy Bobowski



FAITHFUL
PILOT
David Ries



FAITHFUL
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Ed Pflieger



FAITHFUL SCRIBE Michael Bobowski



FAITHFUL
PURSER
Mark Gransden



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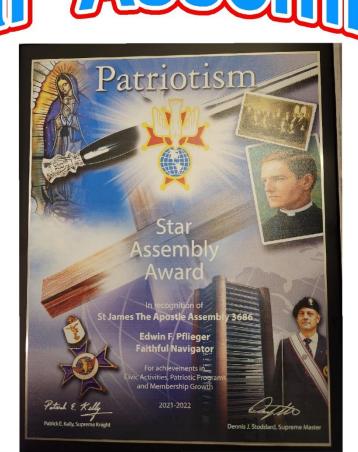




September 2025 St. James the Apostle Assembly #3686

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Process in with the Flag at morning Mass	2	Michele Harvey's Birthday	Assembly Meeting @ 7 pm in William Room Frederick Libby Jr's Birthday	5	6
7 Eric Harvey's Birthday	8 Birth of the Virgin Mary James Klausch's Birthday	9	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament after 8:30 Mass	Gail Leonard's Birthday Patriot's Day Process in with the Flag at morning Mass	12	13
Cheryl DeHart's Birthday Exaltation of the Holy Cross Grandparents' Day	15	16	17 Citizenship Day	18 Michele Baker's Birthday	19 Matt Saikaly & Bridget Giglio's 10th Anniversary	20
Feast of Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist Michael Bobowski's Birthday	22	23 Autumn begins	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament after 8:30 Mass	25	26	27
28 Michael & Sherry Bobowski's 29th Anniversary	Peast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels	30	3 4 10 11 17 18	Aug 2025 T W T F S 1 2 5 6 7 8 9 12 13 14 15 16 19 20 21 22 23 26 27 28 29 30	Oct 2025 S M T W T 1 2 5 6 7 8 9 12 13 14 15 16 19 20 21 22 23 26 27 28 29 30	3 4 10 11 17 18 24 25

SEPTEMBER 2025





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.



St James The Apostle
Assembly 3686
Port Richey, Florida
For outstanding implementation
of patriotic programming
faithful to the principles of the

Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus

October 1, 2022

Date

Patrich E. Kelly
Supreme Knight

Supreme Master

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SEPTEMBER 2025



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

Term	Name	
2016 - 17	Michael Amarando	
2017 - 18	Michael Amarando	
2018 - 19	Edwin Pflieger	
2019 - 20	Edwin Pflieger	90
2020 - 21	Edwin Pflieger	
2021 - 22	Edwin Pflieger	
2022 - 23	Joseph Panetta	and it.
2023 - 24	Phil Aleci	
2024 - 25	Phil Aleci	
2025 - 26	Michael Barrett	
2026 - 27		

Knights of Columbus Member Benefits

Aside from the numerous personal rewards that come from being a Knight, here is a list of the many substantial rewards for you and your family.



Columbia Magazine — Free subscription to the Order's award-winning magazine examining issues of concern to Knights, Catholics and families

Knights of Columbus rosary — Blessed by the supreme chaplain, presented during the Admission Degree to each new member

Daily Mass of Remembrance at St. Mary's Church — Mass for deceased members and their wives at the birthplace of the Order

Insurance — Access to a portfolio of top-quality life insurance, long-term care insurance, disability income insurance and annuity products exclusive for members, their spouses and their dependent children

Family Fraternal Benefit — For eligible families: a) pays \$1,500 for the child who dies before the age of 61 days; b) pays \$750 for the child who is stillborn at least 20 weeks after conception; c) offers guaranteed-issue insurance — up to \$5,000 — to any child under age 18

Orphan Benefit — \$80 monthly allotment for orphans of eligible families; up to \$7,000 in college scholarships available

Member/Spouse Fraternal Benefit — Accidental death coverage for member and spouse at no cost Widow Benefits — a) continues to be covered under the Member/Spouse Fraternal Benefit; b) may purchase life insurance, long-term care insurance or annuities up to one year after insured member's death; c) receives a free lifetime subscription to Columbia; d) eligible with her children for scholarships, student loans, etc.

Scholarships — Scholarship programs for higher education available to members, their spouses and children

Leadership Development — Opportunity to build personal leadership skills, public speaking ability, organizational skills, etc.

Fourth Degree — Eligibility to join the Patriotic Degree

Honorary Life Membership — At age 70 with 25 years of membership

Membership Card — Entitles participation in all Catholic, fraternal and social activities in member's council and also in over 15,000 councils throughout the world

Activities — Participation in a variety of programs and activities conducted by your council

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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.