

Columbus Crusader

Newsletter of Our Lady of Light Council 10498 in Estero, FL
Roman Catholic Brothers in Christ, Chartered in 1990



July 2024

Charity, Unity, Fraternity,
Patriotism

Officers for 2024-2025 Fraternal Year

Grand Knight: Jim Mendolera
Deputy GK: Stefan Gehrold
Chancellor: Robert Dumont
Recorder: Bob Lehman
Treasurer: Joe Ercolino
Advocate: Don Fiscella
Warden: Ron Molinaro

Inside Guard: Frank Valvo
Outside Guard: Brent Labreche
Trustee 1yr: Todd Junker
Trustee 2yr: Mitch Pappas
Trustee 3yr: Felix De Los Santos,
Jr.
Fin Secretary: Ron Kuhnen

Lecturer: Pat Becker
Field Agent: Chase Ross
District Deputy: Steve Hill
Chaplain: Fr. Hugh McGuigan

General Membership Meeting: Next meeting Tuesday, August 6th at 7:00 p.m. (In Parish Center)

Grand Knight, he implemented Bingo which has generated a lot of money that we have been able to donate to Knights of Columbus Charities. Our first Bingo games were held in the parking lot during Covid with about 10 to 15 cars. Now that we have Bingo in the Parish Center, our last Bingo night had more than 220 players. Also during his time as Grand Knight, we have grown by more than 75 new members. "Thank you Felix" for all you have done for the Knights of Columbus.

This is my first Newsletter editorial, so I want to ask all Brother Knights to continue to support our future events as much as you are able to with your participation and help. When we all work together it will only strengthen our Council. I hope to see more new faces at our events. This month's events are:
Business Meeting July 2

Breakfast Buffet Setup on July 20 at noon
Breakfast Buffet on July 21
Planning Meeting on July 25 in Room #305.

I also want to welcome your new 2024 - 2025 Officers - Deputy Grand Knight Stefan Gehrold, Financial Secretary Ron Kuhnen, Chancellor Bob Dumont, Recorder Bob Lehman, Treasurer Joe Ercolino, Advocate Don Fiscella, Warden Ron Molinaro, Inside Guard Frank "Cheech" Valvo, Outside Guard Brent Labreche, 1 Yr. Trustee Todd Junker, 2 Yr. Trustee Mitch Pappas, 3 Yr. Trustee Felix De Los Santos.

Brother Jim Scialabba has moved to Georgia and we wish Jim "Good Luck and a health in the future and thanks for all your time and effort in our kitchen preparing the many meals."



From the Grand Knight

Greetings Brother Knights,

I first want to "Thank" our Brother and Past Grand Knight Felix De Los Santos for his contributions and fantastic work he has done the past five years serving as our Grand Knight. His leadership, dedication, knowledge, and loyalty has made our Council stronger than it has ever been. During his tenure as

The Knights are Pro-Life

See website at:
[Knights Pro Life](#)

Vote **No** on Amendment 4

Titled “Amendment to Limit Government Interference with Abortion,” Amendment 4 would enshrine **unregulated abortion** in our state constitution, making Florida one of the **most pro-abortion states** in the nation. The amendment language is **misleading** and its proposed outcomes are **dangerous**.



From the Chancellor

Hi Brother Knights

I hope you are having a good summer. We have started our new year with our new Grand Knight Jim Mendolera and thank Felix

According to the Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops: “An extremely grave amendment has been placed on the November 2024 ballot that seeks to erase pro-life protections by inserting language into the Florida Constitution prohibiting regulation of abortion. The amendment would allow late-term abortions, including when the baby is capable of feeling pain, and would eliminate laws requiring parental consent and safety protocols for women. “We urge all Floridians of goodwill to stand against the legalization of late-term abortion and oppose the abortion amendment. In doing so, we will not only protect the weakest, most innocent, and defenseless of human life among us but also countless women throughout the state from the harms of abortion”.

De Los Santos for his 5 years of great leadership. One of our Brother Knights, Tom Wolfe, has asked for prayers for a friend Alexis Costa who just gave birth to premature twins, a daughter Aurera and son Cayden. I just found out Cayden did not make it. Please continue to pray for Aurera. You can go to [mealtrain.com](#) if you wish to help the Costa family. Please pray for Frank 'Cheech' Valvo who is having a procedure done on Monday July 1. Please

For more information please visit:

[Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops](#)

[Informed Church Video](#)

[Florida Amendment 4 Info](#)

God Bless,

Jim Mendolera, GK
Knights of Columbus Council 10498

Let us not forget the perpetual watchword of our Order is *“Tempus fugit, Memento mori.”*

continue to pray for all Brother Knights who have passed and those who are sick and recovering.
Mary Pray For Us
Bob Du Mont

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630-352-1979



Please pray for the following brothers, family members, and significant others: Tony Almeida, John Bradford, Kathy Corbett (wife of Bill Corbett), Joe Drago, Bob Dumont, Jim Culley, Jackie Erickson (daughter of brother Dave), Jack Horan, Horace "Bud" Fichera, Jes Jensen, Joe Klempka, Ray Lachapelle, Greg Mitchell, Ron Molinaro, Pat Neville, Jim Scialabba



July

Peter	J	Ennis	7/1	Fritz	M	Roka	7/24
Brian	K	Mc Cone	7/5	Lonnie	E	Fissori	7/26
Patrick	D	Morroney	7/5	Ralph	E	Landefeld	7/27
Marco	A	Salomon	7/5	Gary	V	Crawford	7/29
Terry	D	De Freeuw	7/9	Leon	R	Quesnette Jr	7/29
John	J	Uzdilla	7/9	Chase	R	Ross	7/30
Todd	J	Junker	7/12	William	B	Shikany	8/4
Anthony	J	Gilborges	OSFS 7/13	Raymond	C	Lachapelle	8/8
Robert	F	Bogacz	7/17	James	W	Sauerwald	8/8
John	F	Colleli	7/18	Henry	J	Pasterz	8/10
Robert		Lehman	7/21	Russell	S	Klare	8/12
David	T	Spears	7/21	Michael	C	Bursztyn	8/15
Peter		D Elia	7/22				
Joseph	F	Roach	7/23				

In Case of Death: At the death of a Brother Knight, notify the Grand Knight or the next in charge, who will then contact the family and offer sympathy and help from the Council. The Council member contacting the family should ask whether a wake will be held and if so, whether the family would like the Council to do a rosary service. If a Mass will be offered, the family should be asked if they would like a resolution of condolence to be presented. Any ceremonial presentation requested should be done only with permission of the clergy. If the deceased Brother is a 4th Degree member, the Grand Knight will notify the Insurance Field Agent and the Faithful Navigator of the Assembly. Grand Knight: Jim Mendolera. Email: jmendolera323@yahoo.com. Telephone (239) 390-0346. Please visit our website at <http://www.kofccouncil10498.org/> for additional information and upcoming events. Please contact our Financial Secretary Ronald Kuhnen (715) 215-0408, kuhnen10498@gmail.com, to make updates to your personal profile (change of address, change or added phone, email address, etc.) To add or delete from the prayer list above, or correct birthday and/or name please contact Pat Becker. Publisher: Patrick Becker. E-mail: patbecker50@yahoo.com Telephone: (239) 948-7534

FACILITY CALENDAR REQUEST FORM

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Organization: Knights of Columbus OLOL Council 10498

Event/Mtg: _____

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 NEW EVENT

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Day	Date	Facility Requested Room(s)	Start Time	End Time	# of People	Event Title	NB
Tues	7/2/24	P.C.	7:00 PM	9:00 PM	20	Business Meeting	
Saturday	7/20/24	P. C. / kitchen	Noon	1:00 PM	10	Set up for breakfast	
Sunday	7/21/24	P. C./kitchen	5:30 AM	1:00 PM		Pancake Breakfast	
Thursda	7/25/24	Hopkins 305	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	10	Planning Meeting	
Tuesday	8/6/24	P. C.	7:00 PM	9:00 PM	20	Business Meeting	
Saturday	8/17/24	P. C./kitchen	Noon	1:00 PM	10	Set up for breakfast	
Sunday	8/18/24	P.C./kitchen	5:30 AM	1:00 PM		Pancake Breakfast	
Thursda	8/29/24	Hopkins 305	7:00 PM	8:00 PM		Planning Meeting	
Tuesday	9/3/24	P. C.	7:00 PM	9:00 PM	20	Business Meeting	
Saturday	9/14/24	Church/P. C. Hopkins 302	11:00 AM	2:00 PM		Blue Mass & Reception Color Corps	

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Sunday	9/15/24	P. C./kitchen	5:30 AM	1:00 PM		Pancake Breakfast	
Thursday	9/26/24	Hopkins 305	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	10	Planning Meeting	
Sunday	9/29/24	Chapel	10:00am	10:25am		5th Sunday Rosary	
Tuesday	10/1/24	P. C.	7:00 PM	9:00 PM	20	Business Meeting	
Saturday	10/12/24	P. C.	4:00 PM	9:00 PM		Bingo @ 5:00pm	
Thursday	10/24/24	Hopkins 305	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	10	Planning Meeting	
Saturday	10/26/24	Parking Lot	6:00 PM	7:30 PM		Trunk or Treat	
Saturday	10/12/24	P. C./kitchen	Noon	1:00 PM		Set up for Breakfast	
Sunday	10/13/24	P. C./kitchen	5:30 AM	1:00 PM		Pancake Breakfast	

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Tuesday	11/12/24	P. C.	7:00 PM	9:00 PM	20	Business Meeting	
Saturday	11/9/24	P. C./kitchen	4:00 PM	9:00 PM		Bingo @ 5:00pm	
Saturday	11/16/24	P. C./kitchen	Noon	1:00 PM		Set up for breakfast	
Sunday	11/17/24	P. C./kitchen	5:30 AM	1:00 PM		Pancake breakfast	
Wednesday	11/27/24	Hopkins 305	7:00 PM	8:00 PM		Planning Meeting	
Tuesday	12/3/24	P. C.	7:00 PM	9:00 PM		Business Meeting	
Saturday	12/7/24	Store in P. C.				Stuffed Animal Collection	
Sunday	12/8/24	Store in P. C.				Stuffed Animal Collection	
Saturday	12/14/24	P. C./kitchen	Noon	1:00 PM		Set up for breakfast	
Sunday	12/15/24	P. C./kitchen	5:30 AM	1:00 PM		Pancake Breakfast with Santa after 10:30 Mass	

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Thursda	12/19/24	Hopkins 305	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	10	Planning Meeting	
Thursda	1/2/25	P. C.	7:00 PM	9:00 PM	20	Business Meeting	
Saturda	1/11/25	P. C./kitchen	4:00 PM	9:00 PM		Bingo @ 6:00pm	
Saturda	1/18/25	P. C./kitchen	Noon	1:00 PM	10	Set up for breakfast	
Sunday	1/19/25	P. C/kitchen	5:30 AM	1:00 PM		Pancake Breakfast	
Thursda	1/30/25	Hopkins 305	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	10	Planning Meeting	
Tuesday	2/4/25	P. C.	7:00 PM	9:00 PM	20	Business Meeting	
Friday	2/14/25	P. C.	5:00 PM	9:00 PM		Concert @ 6:00pm	
Saturda	2/15/25	Church	3:00 PM	6:00 PM		Tootsie Roll Drive after all Masses	
Sunday	2/16/25	Church	7:00 AM	6:00 PM		Tootsie Roll Drive after all Masses	

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Saturday	2/22/25	P. C./kitchen	Noon	1:00 PM	10	Set up for breakfast	
Sunday	2/23/25	P. C./kitchen	5:30 AM	1:00 PM		Pancake Breakfast	
Thursday	2/27/25	Hopkins 305	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	10	Planning Meeting	
Tuesday	3/11/25	P. C.	7:00 PM	9:00 PM	20	Business Meeting	
Saturday	3/15/25	P. C.	4:00 PM	9:00 PM		Bingo @ 6:00pm	
Saturday	3/22/25	P. C./kitchen	Noon	1:00 PM	10	Set up for breakfast	
Sunday	3/23/25	P. C./kitchen	5:30 AM	1:00 PM		Pancake Breakfast	
Thursday	3/27/25	Hopkins 305	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	10	Planning Meeting	
Tuesday	4/1/25	P. C.	7:00 PM	9:00 PM	20	Business Meeting	
Saturday	4/19/25	Parking Lot	8:00 AM	Noon		Easter Egg Hunt	
Sunday	3/30/25	Chapel	10:00am			5th Sunday Rosary	

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Thursday	4/24/25	Hopkins 305	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	10	Planning Meeting	
Saturday	4/26/25	P. C./kitchen	Noon	1:00 PM	10	Set up for breakfast	
Sunday	4/27/25	P. C./kitchen	5:30 AM	1:00 PM		Pancake Breakfast	
Tuesday	5/6/25	P. C.	7:00 PM	9:00 PM	20	Business Meeting	
Saturday	5/10/25	P. C./kitchen	4:00 PM	9:00 PM		Bingo @ 5:00pm	
Saturday	5/10/25	Church	4:00 PM	5:00 PM	10	Hand out flowers for Mother's Day after Mass	
Sunday	5/11/25	Church	7:00 AM	Noon	10	Hand out Flowers for Mother's Day after all Masses	
Thursday	5/29/25	Hopkins 305	7:00 PM	8:00 PM	10	Planning Meeting	
Tuesday	6/3/25	P. C.	7:00 PM	9:00 PM	20	Business Meeting	
Saturday	6/21/25	P. C./kitchen	Noon	1:00 PM	10	Set up for breakfast	

