

Columbus Crusader

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



March 2024

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Officers for 2023-2024 Fraternal Year

Grand Knight: Felix De Los Santos, Jr.

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District Deputy: Steve Hill

Chaplain: Fr. Hugh McGuigan

General Membership Meeting: Next meeting Tuesday, April 2nd at 7:00 p.m. (In Parish Center)



You can also contact Jim Mendolera or Bobby Du Mont.

Please mark your calendar for the upcoming events. The 2 new events this month are Bingo on the 16th, and the Easter Egg Hunt on March 30th. Any help is appreciated, thank you.

Please keep Brother Joe Klempka in our thoughts and prayers. I have not been able to communicate with him or his family but was told he was at Gulf Coast Hospital and had surgery 2 weeks ago. May Brother Joe have a quick recovery.

Please let us know if you are aware of any brother Knight sick or in distress.

Please mark your calendar for June's 4th Degree Liberty Ball. It will be at OLOL Parish

Center. For details please see Brother Jim Mendolera.

Coming Events.

Tuesday, March 5th Business Meeting 7 PM, PC

Saturday, March 16 Bingo

Saturday, March 23 set up for breakfast 1 PM setup.

Sunday, March 24 Breakfast

Buffet after all masses **Thursday,**

March 28 Planning Meeting, 7 PM Classroom 301

Saturday, March 30 Easter Egg Hunt 8 AM to noon

Sunday, March 31 5th Sunday Rosary

***** There is no Breakfast scheduled in May *****

From the Grand Knight

Greetings Brother Knights,

I would like to thank Brother Joe, Deacon Dale, and all Brothers Knight who assisted with the Men's Morning Reflection on March 2nd. We had a great turnout.

Approaching soon is the election of new officers. Please attend our planning meeting and/or business meeting if you are interested in becoming an officer.

Felix De Los Santos Jr.

Grand Knight Council #10498



From the Chancellor

Hello Brother Knights,

I hope everyone is doing well. Thank you to all that have helped with are Tootsie Roll drive, Breakfast and retreat. We are a great Council because of all of your help. Easter week is coming very soon. Signup sheets are in the usher's room for all services. Please remember Palm Sunday on March 23rd and 24th to pass out Palms at all Masses

Please continue to pray for all Knights who have passed or are ill.

Mary pray for us,

Bob Du Mont 630-352-1979



Please pray for the following brothers, family members, and significant others: Tony Almeida, Kathy Boss (wife of Joe Boss Jr.), 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



From the Pro Life Office

Greetings, Brother Knights:

February Respect Life Events

The OLOL community showed up for the annual Immokalee Pregnancy Center at St Leo's on Feb 15. We occupied four tables and had 22 out of 27 registered parishioners in all. We were all treated to a spirited and enlightened presentation by Myra Neyer, a former director of a Planned Parenthood abortion referral clinic and the Catholic mother of seven. She spared no detail (even the gory) to describe the incidents that drove her from indirect support of abortion to a vocal advocate for the protection of the dignity of all human life. To see her talk, go to [IPC Talk](#).

OLOL was represented at the 40 Days for Life - Ft Myers kickoff on Feb 11th at St John XXIII. We heard an easy-to-listen-to presentation by Ramona Trevino, another Roman Catholic who worked for Planned Parenthood, whose faith was re-ignited by Catholic radio, leading to her living her faith more fervently and abandoning Planned Parenthood's lies.

Our 40 Days for Life parish witness and public prayer began on Monday, Feb 19 with a fine showing of parishioners from 12-4PM at Planned Parenthood - FT Myers, 6418 Commerce Park Dr. One *new* participant on that day is a fellow knight, who joined in a robust recital of the rosary which culminated in a turn-away of a couple to the

Community Pregnancy Clinic (CPCi) in Ft Myers. The undeniable connection in this case between spiritual exercise and a favored result is a beautiful sign of the power of public evangelization for Christ and His littlest ones.

LOVE THEM BOTH, PROTECT THEM BOTH - State-wide Prayer Campaign

The Florida Supreme Court vigorously participated in arguments related to the appeal to deny ballot access to the proposed constitutional amendment for abortion on demand in Florida. Please continue to pray the Novena Prayer sponsored by the Bishops of Florida as we approach the likely decision date near April 1. Click [here](#) for the Novena prayer.

You can listen to the oral arguments in the 1st hour of the session at this location-> [FL SC Oral Args Feb 7 2024](#).

Yours in Christ,

Bob Reynolds

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March

Frank	P	Ragonese		3/1	Timothy	F	Freeland		4/1
Thomas	J	Costin		3/3	Thomas	J	Szott		4/1
Kenneth	J	Corr		3/5	Frank	J	Ferlito		4/3
Robert	J	Dumont		3/5	Edward	L	Trimner		4/3
Joseph	W	Boss	Jr	3/10	Daniel	A	Kerinuk	Jr	4/7
John	K	Bradford		3/10	Thomas	S	Young		4/7
James	H	Harlow		3/12	Frank	G	Mc Nulty		4/8
Joseph	G	Plesko		3/13	Brian	A	Caron		4/9
Edward	J	Riley	Jr	3/13	Robert	J	Evans		4/9
Dave	H	Crawford		3/16	Jerry	D	Martin		4/9
John	M	Horan		3/16	Mark	A	Gilbert		4/10
Joseph	K	Lamb		3/16	Rich		Nuckols		4/10
James	W	Devine		3/17	Peter	J	Spiropoulos		4/10
Martin	N	Nwodo		3/18	Michael	J	Conley		4/11
David	E	Rossi		3/22	Bernard	J	Reinckens		4/11
James	J	Mendolera		3/23	Kent	A	Schmitt		4/11
Dustin		Delago		3/25	Thomas	D	Yavorsky	Sr	4/11
Matthew	Y	Solis		3/26	Timothy	J.	Sheedy		4/14
Edward	J	Higgins		3/29	Christopher	W	Cauley		4/15
Ralph	M	Abate		3/30					
Vince	G	Perfetto		3/30					

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: Felix De Los Santos. Email: FDELOSSANTOS@OUTLOOK.COM. Telephone (973) 449-2412 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