

Columbus Crusader

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



November 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: ?
Chaplain: Fr. Hugh McGuigan

General Membership Meeting: Tuesday November 12th at 7:00 p.m. (In Parish Center)



Hurricane Shelter to those residents that needed to evacuate their homes. Most of our members sustained little or no damage compared to our K of C Councils just north of us. The Trunk or Treat Event was a success. More than 200 adults and children participated—see pictures attached.

This month the following events are planned:

Saturday, November 9th at 5:30 PM – BINGO

Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$15.00 or at the door for \$18.00. Tickets are available at the Parish Office or contact Brother Joe Ercolino amjercolino@gmail.com.

TICKETS FROM LAST MONTH WILL BE HONORED FOR THIS MONTH'S BINGO.

Saturday, November 16th at 4:45 PM- Set up for Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, November 17th – Pancake Breakfast

Pancake Breakfast after all the Masses. There will be an Art Show in the Parish Center during breakfast. .

Tuesday, November 19th – First Responder's Prayer Service

A First Responder's Prayer Service (Formerly Blue Mass) at 6:00 PM in the Parish Center. Guest Speaker is Monsignor James Donnelly, Retired NYPD Chaplain. Please invite family and friends to attend and to give "Thanks and appreciation" to our First Responders who serve and protect our community. A light dinner fare and refreshments will be provided after the service. See flyer attachment.

From the Grand Knight

Council 10498 welcomes new Knight Jimmy Loo, who participated in the Exemplification at our last Business Meeting.

The month of October was an unusual month. Our BINGO and Pancake Breakfast were cancelled due to Hurricane Milton. Our Council donated Hot Dogs to the Estero Community Park

**Thursday, November 21st –
“Knights Night Out”**

We will meet at Duffy’s at Stoneybrook at 6:00 PM. Please RSVP to Deputy Grand Knight Stefan Gehrold at dr_st_gehrold@yahoo.de or 239-383-2101. Limited to 40 people in a private room.

**Wednesday, November 27th –
Planning Meeting**

Planning Meeting in Classroom 305 at 7:00 PM

In December – Stuffed Animal Collection on Saturday, December 7th and Sunday, December 8th. All stuffed animals will be brought to both Narthexes in the church.

4th Degree News –

The Knights are Pro-Life

See websites at:

[Knights Pro Life](#)

[Forty Days for Life Fort Myers](#)



From the Chancellor

Hello Brother Knights,

Our Lady of the Rosary Assembly 2542 invites our Council Brother Knights and their wives or significant other to attend the **Broadway Palm dinner/show Saturday, December 7, 2024 “Another Night Before Christmas”** a musical comedy. Contact Sir Knight Ralph Abate, Faithful Navigator, for tickets at 239-273-4727 or ralphflhomes@gmail.com no later than November 14th. Limited seating. \$56.10 per person.

Attention 3rd Degree Knights – There will be a 4th Degree Exemplification on Saturday, November 30, 2024 at Resurrection Catholic Church, 1211 Winter Garden Vineyard Rd., Winter Garden, FL 34787.

I hope everyone is safe and did not have any damage from Hurricane Milton. Thank you to all who attended Marybeth Brummett's funeral. Brother Bob Bailey has been moved out of rehab to assisted living at Hope Preserve. It is located at Six Mile Cypress and Plantation in room 3207. If you can visit, I am sure he would appreciate visitors.

Remember Brother Tom Copmann brother-in-law David Cross who has just passed and pray for Tom's wife Kathy and family.

If you are interested, please contact me.

Vivat Jesus,
Jim Mendolera, Grand Knight
Knights of Columbus Council
10498

SIGN OF CHARITY and UNITY - CHARITY has been defined as “willing the good of another person for his or her own sake.” In other words, **Charity** is always a selfless gift.

Jesus Christ, present in the Most Blessed Sacrament, is the source of **UNITY** within the Church.

“Knights are called to share the gifts of Charity and Unity they receive in Christ’s Sacrament of Love”

Remember All Saints Day is November 1 and is a Holy Day of Obligation with 3 Masses starting with a 7:00 PM vigil on October 31, 8:30 AM and 7:00 PM Friday. Ushers please help if you can.

Please continue to pray for all Brother Knights who have passed and those who are sick or recovering.

Mary Pray for us

Bob Du Mont

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



November

Victor	A	Rossetti	11/1	Brian	F	Farrar	11/22
Albert	A	Almeida	11/2	Steven	L	Pierson	11/25
Edward	A	Sedillo	11/2	Timothy	P	Farley	11/25
Robert	C	Gordon	11/6	Robert	S	Bailey	11/27
Richard	J	Malone	11/6	Robert	J	Connor	12/1
Marlyn	E	Markusson	11/7	Bill		Dabaldo	12/2
James	K	Courtney	11/9	Zachary	A	Maas	12/2
Jaroslav	T	Sniosek	11/11	John	L	Benoit	12/2
Henry	L	De Genova	11/11	David	S	Ged	12/3
Thomas	C	Wolfe	11/12	John	A	Garner	12/5
Gregory	C	Arabie	11/13	Raymond		Corder	12/6
Stefan		Gehrold	11/14	Richard	L	Hall	12/7
Peter		Thompson	11/15	Kevin	H	Rielly	12/10
Gary	F	Krueger	11/17	Sean	C	James	12/14
Michael	T	Adams	11/17	Jerry	P	Tant	12/14
Joseph	D	Ercolino	11/18	Ralph	A	Lacivita	12/14
		De Los					
Felix		Santos	Jr 11/20				
Rex	W.G.	Fernando	11/21				

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 Patrick Becker.
E-mail: patbecker50@yahoo.com.

Knights of Columbus Trick-R-Treat October 26, 2024



First Responders' Prayer Service

Hosted by The Knights of Columbus Council #10498

Join us as we gather and pray for all Firefighters,
Law Enforcement, and EMS; active, retired,
fallen, and their families of all Faiths

Tuesday, November 19, 2024

6:00pm

in the Parish Center of
Our Lady of Light Catholic Community
19680 Cypress View Dr., Fort Myers



Guest Speaker:
Msgr. James Donnelly,
Retired NYPD Chaplain

Refreshments and light fare served immediately following

**WE HONOR YOUR SERVICE AND
SACRIFICE**