

Columbus Crusader

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



September 2026

Charity, Unity, Fraternity,
Patriotism

Officers for 2026-2027 Fraternal Year

Grand Knight: Stefan Gehrold
Deputy GK: Frank Esposito
Chancellor: Jeremy Brown
Recorder: Bob Lehman
Treasurer: Joe Ercolino
Advocate: Don Fiscella

Warden: Ron Molinaro
Inside Guard: Brent Labreche
Outside Guard: Frank Valvo
Trustee 1yr: Todd Junker
Trustee 2yr: Felix De Los Santos,
Jr.

Trustee 3yr: Bob Dumont
Fin Secretary: Ron Kuhnien
Lecturer: Pat Becker
Field Agent: Todd Camron
District Deputy: Steve McPhillips
Chaplain: Fr. Michael Young

Next Month General Membership Meeting: Tuesday, October 6, 2026 at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center. Food and refreshments will be provided.



From the Grand Knight

Dear Brother Knights,

Congratulations to the September Knight of the Month, Frank Esposito, our Deputy Grand Knight. Also, congrats to our Family of the Month, brother Jeremy Brown and his son Philip, who is doing an awesome job as one of our altar boys.

We resumed our normal activities in August after the July

break. Our pancake breakfast on the 16th saw a good turnout. Particular thanks go to the kitchen crew and brother Dale Milcetic for handling the check-in.

Also, brother Joe Ercolino organized the 5th Sunday Rosary prayed before the 10:30 mass. The Rosary was well received by our brothers and the parishioners present, with a few hundred participating. After the 10:30 mass, 30 brothers and guests met at Haney's for lunch. Thanks to Joe and Fr. and brother Mike Young for leading us in prayer.

We gave the KofC semiannual membership pitch prior to all masses on the 15th and 16th. We were able to successfully invite 8 brothers (transfers and new knights). This resulted in achieving 43% of our goal for

new members for the current year with a net gain of 6 members.

For our September activities please refer to the council website at:

<https://www.kofccouncil10498.org/>.

If you want to join our Council, please contact any of our officers, or go to:

<https://www.kofc.org/>

on the Web and click "Join" to sign up.

Vivat Jesus
Dr. Stefan Gehrold
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From the Chancellor

Dear Brother Knights,

This month I am humbled that my son and I received the Family of the Month award, and we honor Frank Esposito with our Knight of the Month award. Let us also pray for the repose of the souls of brothers Jim Ripley and Bob Haug, who passed recently. Let us also pray for Brother Richard Nuckols' mother, as she regains her health. Let us continue to pray to our Heavenly Father for these and every Brother Knight who has passed into eternal rest, and

for those brothers and their families who may be ill or facing hardship.

Vivat Jesus!

Jeremy Brown

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Please pray for the following brothers, family members, and significant others: Tony Almeida, Bob Dumont, Jim Culley, Jackie Erickson (daughter of brother Dave), Jack Horan, Horace "Bud" Fichera, Jes Jensen, Greg Mitchell, Ron Molinaro, Pat Neville, Jim Scialabba, Ron Kuhn, Robert Lehman, Ed Sedillo.



September

Paul	C	Calavitta	9/1	Charles	M	Stellwag	9/22
Michael		Canonico	9/7	Ronald	A	Molinaro	9/23
Martin	J	Kenney	9/7	Patrick	E	Maley	Jr 9/24
Paul	D	Rogers	Jr 9/7	Matthew	J	Mullen	9/26
Danny	L	Mckee	9/10	John	T	Valus	9/27
Frank	J	Valvo	9/10	William	C	Banfield	9/29
Harold	A	Rheel	9/12	David		Crockett	9/29
John	A	Scavelli	9/14	David	A	Erickson	10/1
Frank	J	Esposito	9/16	Robert	B	Bogacz	10/14
Joseph	R	Hanko	9/16	Richard	W	Mathson	10/14
Donald	J	Hansen	9/19				
Jimmy	V	Loor	9/19				
Henry	G	Steil	Jr 9/21				

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: Stefan Gehrold Email: dr.gehrold@gmail.com. Telephone (239) 221-9181.

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.



