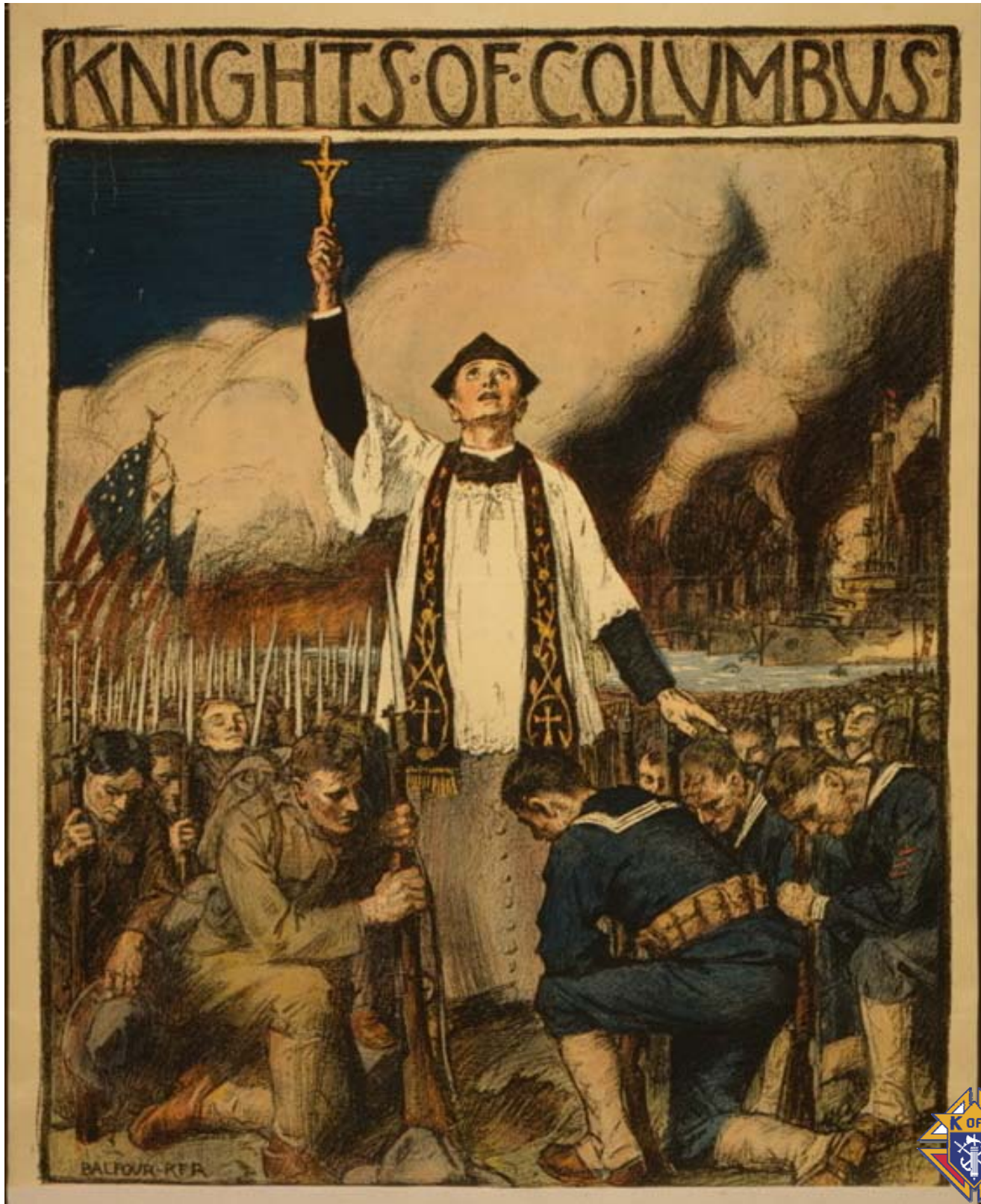


# KNIGHTLY NEWS

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**Trustee 2 years**

*Ed Regan*

**Trustee 3 years**

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General Meetings held the 1<sup>st</sup>  
Thursday of every month

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**On the cover:** World War I poster depicting role of the Knight of Columbus in the war effort.

**Remember the Mothers in Our Lives**

This Mother's Day let us all take a few moments to reflect on the roles the many different mothers in our lives have played. Let us remember those whom have gone to their justly reserved rewards and honor those among us.



*As Mary was the model of prayer, of love, and of obedience to the will of God, by your grace make mothers holy and rich with your gifts.*

*Bind families together in the bonds of peace and safety so that mothers will feel nurtured by love.*

*May all mothers enjoy good health and spiritual well being to enable them to care for their families.*

*All-loving God, we give you thanks and praise for mothers young and old.*

*We pray for young mothers, who give life and count toes and tend to our every need; May they be blessed with patience and tenderness to care for their families and themselves with great joy.*

*We pray for our own mothers who have nurtured and cared for us; May they continue to guide us in strong and gentle ways.*

*We remember mothers who are separated from their children because of war, poverty, or conflict; May they feel the loving embrace of our God who wipes every tear away.*

*We pray for women who are not mothers but still love and shape us with motherly care and compassion.*

*We remember mothers, grandmothers, and great-grandmothers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen.*



**Spiritual Reflection**

**Memorial Day – A Time for Gratitude and Remembrance**



Memorial Day is the day that we pay respect to all those who made the ultimate sacrifice in defending the freedoms of this country. It is a day to reflect on the price that is actually paid in protecting our nation and our way of life. It is sad that it has become a weekend of BBQs and blowout sales without any attention given to what the day really is intended to honor. In the words of Abraham Lincoln, "That from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion." Please take a few moments to offer this prayer for those who have given their lives in defense of freedom.

*Heavenly Father, On this Memorial Day, we pray for those who courageously laid down their lives for the cause of freedom. May the examples of their sacrifice inspire in us the selfless love of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Bless the families of our fallen troops, and fill their homes and their lives with Your strength and peace. In union with people of goodwill of every nation, embolden us to answer the call to work for peace and justice, and thus, seek an end to violence and conflict around the globe. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**Prayer Requests**

*Please add these persons to your daily prayer list*

+Albion, Melissa  
 Barette, Rozetta  
 Broyard, Michele  
 Burfeind Jr., George  
 Costanza, Family  
 +DelVecchio, Carlo  
 Fontaine, Andre  
 Gula, Carol  
 The Hetlingers  
 King, Kathleen  
 LeClaire, Faye  
 McDermitt, Rose  
 Miller, Suzanne  
 O'Callaghan, Dennis  
 Petersen, Vincent  
 Russo, Diane  
 Sierocuk, Marion  
 Savranskian, Pat  
 Walling, Karen  
 Flores, Tony  
 Grant, George

Allocca Family  
 Bassler, Ray  
 Budwitz, Jack  
 Campbell, Andrea  
 Cruz, Anita  
 Dietsel, Myrtle  
 Gasteen, Bill  
 Hancock, James Br.  
 Hopkins, Jim & Pam  
 Kotzin, Carl & Mary  
 Lissner, Eileen  
 McWha, Bill & Millie  
 Moore, Dick  
 Pagano, Sam  
 Preville, Claire  
 Ryan, Pat  
 +Skerencak, Josephine  
 Spagnola Family  
 West, Isabelle  
 Kella, Mary  
 Laurant, Jim

Aubuchon, James  
 Bauer, Mrs. Theodore  
 Bull, Judie  
 Carboneau, John  
 Cunningham, Don  
 Downey, Mary Ann  
 Goldstein, Karen  
 Haviland Family  
 Kella, Bill Br. Knight  
 +Langhamer, Rodd  
 Lubrano, Mike  
 Menna, Antoinette  
 Murphy, Paul  
 Pegg, Tom  
 Rios, Libertad  
 Sants, Cathy  
 Spinnerweber, Bill  
 Touhy, James  
 Wielgos, Sara  
 Michetti, Jeannie  
 Nieskes, Sandy

Arpino, Frank  
 Belsley, Roger  
 Bump, Marvin  
 Coakley, Michael  
 Dackal, Ed



Petersen, Mathew  
 Rossi, Joe  
 Schmidt, Jodi  
 Szanyi, Father Mark  
 Veno, Larry  
 Strzelecki, Patrica  
 Lusk, Dick  
 Hayes, Annie

**Pre-Meeting Rosary**



Brothers are invited to attend a corporate rosary beginning at 6:30 PM. Prayer is a "we" thing. "Our Father, who art in heaven...give us this day our daily bread," etc. Jesus prayed that we may be one, and one of the ways we can "practice" this and actually DO this is to pray together and actually pray in unison the same prayers. This is an opportunity for you to avail yourselves of that experience.

## Luncheons for Life – May 2015



a pro-life networking opportunity

Please join us on

**May 14, 2015**  
**11:30AM to 1:30PM**

**Sara Bay Country Club**  
**7011 Willow Street**  
**Sarasota, FL 34243**

Please RSVP to *Kathie Majerchin* at [sullyivan@aol.com](mailto:sullyivan@aol.com) or  
941-421-9859 by May 9, 2015

## First Year Knight? Earn the Shining Armor Award

Awarded for service to the Order with distinction during the first year of membership, the “Shining Armor Award” is given to those men who exemplify what a true Knight of Columbus is.

**To qualify for the “Shining Armor Award” new Knights must do the following during their first year of membership:**



- Be involved in at least three council service programs
- Attend at least three council business meetings
- Receive their Second and Third degrees
- Meet with their council’s insurance representative
- Recruit at least one new member

To help members keep track of their progress toward attaining the award, special qualification cards are available from the Grand Knight. As an achievement is accomplished, the Grand Knight will sign off on it.

Currently recipients receive Certificates of Recognition along with special "Shining Armor" Lapel Pins in recognition of their achievement.

## Volunteer Opportunities

*As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: - 1 Peter 4:10*

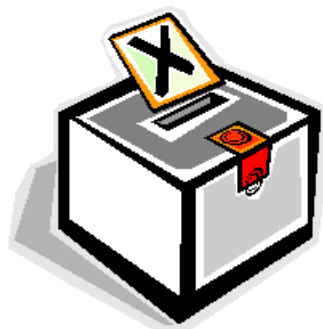
<p><b>Coffee &amp; Doughnuts – May 3 &amp; May 17</b></p> <p>All Masses Clean up and set up Contact Grand Knight</p>	<p><b>Mother’s Day – May 9 &amp; 10</b></p> <p>All Masses Distribute Carnations to the Ladies of the Parish Contact Grand Knight</p>
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## Call for Nominations & Notice of Elections

This serves as both a call for nominations and notice of elections for Officer Positions in Knights of Columbus Council 15821. A **Nominating Committee consisting of Brothers Fred Madigan and Edward Regan and Ron Silva** was formed to accept nominations and seek candidates for the open offices. The committee submitted a slate of nominees at the May business meeting. Any person wishing to be nominated can also be nominated from the floor at the June 4, 2015 business meeting. Any current Third Degree (or above) member of this Council is eligible. Candidates must be present to be elected. The open offices and duties are:

**Grand Knight:** The grand knight is responsible for the welfare of the council. He presides over council meetings, acts as an ex-officio member of all committees, appoints a membership and programming director, convenes officers for a monthly meeting, and ensures all necessary reports are submitted to the state and Supreme Council. He should also be aware of the council's financial status and ensure that his signature appears on all checks drawn.

**Deputy Grand Knight:** The deputy grand knight is second in command. He assists the grand knight with council affairs and fulfills all duties assigned to him by the grand knight. Should the grand knight be absent from a council meeting, the deputy grand knight will preside. He is chairman of the council's retention committee



**Chancellor:** The chancellor has a variety of responsibilities. Primarily, he assists the grand knight and the deputy grand knight in the execution of their duties and oversees the council in both their absences. He is charged with strengthening the members' interests in council activities. The chancellor is chairman of the admissions committee.

**Recorder:** The recorder is similar to a court reporter or a secretary. He is responsible for maintaining a true record of all actions of the council and its correspondence.

**Treasurer:** The treasurer is responsible for the safekeeping and maintaining records of all council funds and accounts. He is responsible for depositing money into the council's accounts and provides a certificate of such monies to the grand knight. He is also responsible for payment of all expenses.

**Advocate:** The advocate is the legal representative of the council and serves as the council's attorney at trials and investigations of any interest to the council. While he does not need to be a member of the legal profession, he should be familiar with the council by-laws, the Order's Charter, Constitution and Laws (#30), Methods of Conducting a Council Meeting (#1937), and Robert's Rules of Order.

**Warden:** The warden is the 'watchdog' for council property and degree paraphernalia, except the property of the financial secretary, treasurer and recorder. He is also responsible for setting up the council chambers for meetings and ceremonial work. During ceremonial exemplifications, he will appoint and supervise guards.

**Inside & Outside Guards:** The guards have similar responsibilities, but distinct differences. The outside guard tends to the outer door admitting visitors and members to the inner door. Once at the inner door, the inside guard confirms that their membership cards are current.

**Three Year Trustee:** The board of trustees consists of three members elected by the council and the grand knight, who serves as chairman of the board. They oversee the work of the financial secretary and treasurer, and with the deputy grand knight serve on the council's retention committee. During council elections, only the three-year trustee is voted on, with the others moving on to become two and one-year trustees, respectively.

**Appointed: Financial Secretary** (by Supreme Knight on recommendation of the Council), and **Lecturer** (by Grand Knight),.

## Knights of Columbus in World War I

Everyone Welcome, Everything Free" was the motto of the Knights of Columbus clubhouses which sprung up in Doughboy training camps, in major U.S. cities and wherever a Doughboy could be found. Manned by Knights of Columbus secretaries who were affectionately known as "Caseys" the clubhouses provided recreation and a few of the amenities of home to any serviceman regardless of race or religion. And to Catholic servicemen they provided Chaplains and place to practice their faith. The Knights were one of the youngest volunteer organizations drawn into support to the AEF. They had been founded October 2, 1881 when a small group of men met in the basement of St. Mary's Church on Hillhouse Avenue in New Haven, Connecticut. Called together by their parish priest, Father Michael J. McGivney, these men formed a fraternal society that would one day become the world's largest Catholic family fraternal service organization. They vowed to be defenders of their country and their families and their Faith. These men were bound together by the ideal of Christopher Columbus, the discoverer of the Americas, the one whose hand brought the Holy Faith to this New World. They called themselves Knights of Columbus.



During World War I, Supreme Knight James A. Flaherty proposed to U.S. President Woodrow Wilson that the Order establish soldiers' welfare centers in the U.S. and abroad. The Order raised more than \$14 million for this program on its own, and was allocated another \$30 million from a national fund drive. The pioneer work was done by half a dozen Knights of Columbus chaplains who reached France in October 1917 and combined with their priestly duties the activities of Knights of Columbus secretaries. They were given a sum of money and one of them started the first Knights of Columbus club in France, at St-Nazaire, then the principal debarkation port of the AEF. A survey was made and the first group of secretaries arrived in March 1918. They set up headquarters at 16 Place de la Madeleine, Paris, and from that center the activities of the Knights radiated all over France, through England and Scotland, touching on Ireland and Italy, and following the Army of Occupation into Germany.

### Clubs & Huts

The establishment of clubs and the building of huts for the recreation of the soldiers was an attempt to give the boys a home away from home. The secretaries proved to be incredibly industrious. From their bases at Toul and St-Menehould they would take supplies to the front. Secretaries conveyed commodities along congested roads. They ministered to the men, made their way through the woods to units which had become temporarily cut off from the mess kitchens: they helped with the wounded in the first-aid stations, served hot drinks to the soldiers under fire, acted as stretcher bearers, accompanied and aided the burial details, suffering the same privations and hardships of war as the doughboys.



During their first month the Caseys passed out 37,719 cartons of chocolate; 25,250 cartons of chewing gum; 14,772 baseballs, 2,286 sets of boxing gloves, and 1,687 football; 10 million sheets of writing paper and 8 million envelopes. In a time when the health impact of smoking was not understood they also distributed 57 million cigarettes. However poor the hut on the front might be, the soldiers loved it. It was "a poor thing but mine own." Here they could write letters, smoke cigarettes, chew gum or drink coffee. Athletics were a special care of the Knights. Many of the leading figures in boxing and baseball such as Johnny Evers of Tinker to Evers to Chance fame crossed the ocean in the service of the Knights and worked the camps. A ballfield and boxing ring were features of many of the Knights of Columbus Clubs.

By the end of the War the "Caseys" had earned the respect and admiration of many veterans they had served. That admiration led to the largest influx of new Knights ever into the 40-year-old organization at War's end.



At the end of the war, American Expeditionary Force commander, General John J. Pershing, who had signed General Order No. 63, allowing the Knights to provide services to the men in Europe said that, "of all the organizations that took part in the winning of the war, with the exception of the military itself, there was none so efficiently and ably administered as the Knights of Columbus."

The Knights work did not end with the War. Following the War the Knights set up employment boards for returning Veterans and later joined with the VFW and American Legion in support of the returned Doughboys. When the Knights of Columbus war activities officially ended in 1921 the Knights had provided immeasurable support to our veterans and universal respect of those they had served.



**Corporate  
Communion  
May 31, 2015  
9 AM Mass**

**Breakfast following.  
Contact Bob Kelley for  
details**



New Third Degree members pose for a group shot with District Deputy Michael J. Costanza, Sr (in red). Additional exemplification photos can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/kc3rd>

### **Happy Birthday!**

**John Lauffer**  
(May 6)

**Donald Christner**  
(May 6)

**Dennis Pavlock**  
(May 14)

**Lee Konzelman**  
(May 27)


**Michael McBride**  
(May 29)





# Council 15821 Calendar of Events May 2015



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<i>Coffee &amp; Donuts All Masses</i>			<i>Officers Meeting 6:30 PM</i>	<i>Monthly Meeting 7 PM</i>		<i>Mother's Day All Masses</i>
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
<i>Mother's Day All Masses</i>						
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
<i>Coffee &amp; Donuts All Masses</i>						
24		26	27	28	29	30
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<i>Corporate Communion 9AM</i>						

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