

Christopher Columbus

# The Navigator

October 2022



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Officers Meeting / 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday - 6pm | 3<sup>rd</sup> Council Membership Meeting / 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday - 7pm

## 2022-2023 Council Officers

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Lecturer:	Rich Mueller (PGK)	3 Year Trustee (2022):	Jeremy Wilkins (PGK)
Advocate:	Pete Rivera (PGK, PFN)		

## OCTOBER - Council Activities

Date	Day	Time	Event
4	Tuesday	6pm	Council Officers Meeting
		7pm	Knights Club Meeting
5	Wednesday	5pm	Knights Club BINGO!
11	Tuesday	7pm	3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree Membership Meeting
12	Wednesday	5pm	Knights Club BINGO!
13	Thursday	6:30pm	Fatima Prayer Knight
14	Friday	6:30pm	Priest Appreciation Knight
18	Tuesday	7pm	<b>CANCELLED - 4<sup>th</sup> Degree MTG</b>
19	Wednesday	5pm	Knights Club BINGO!
21	Friday	9am	Rummage Sale
22	Saturday	9am	Potato Bagging   Rummage Sale
23	Sunday	9am	Rummage Sale
24	Monday	5pm	Cribbage Knight
26	Wednesday	5pm	Knights Club BINGO!
31	Monday		Halloween, get your ghouls on!

## Council News



### **Fatima Prayer Night**

Will be held at the Knights Club of Oak Harbor on Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm. Please come and join us to pray.

The Divine Mercy Chaplet starts at 6:30pm followed by the Rosary at 7:00pm.

A dessert social follows. Please bring a dessert to share. For more info, contact Event Chair, Walt Daspit, at [walt.daspit@enterprisecs.net](mailto:walt.daspit@enterprisecs.net).

Weather permitting, prayers may be held in the grotto.



### **Priest Appreciation Dinner**

This event is scheduled for Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, at the Knights Club in Oak Harbor. Social Hour begins at 6:30pm with a Salmon dinner being served at 7:30pm. The meal includes mix vegetables, rice pilaf, salad, and dessert. Contact Event Chair, Ralph Byars, at either [rwbyarsjr@comcast.net](mailto:rwbyarsjr@comcast.net) or 360-969-0149.

### **Rummage Sale**



This event starts on Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup> and runs through October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Hours are between 8am and 4pm. No clothing. Will accept most anything that is in good condition and can be resalable...with emphasis on good and resalable conditions. Looking for volunteers to help throughout this event. Request help Thursday and Sunday to unpack and repack, respectively. All proceeds to help with the Knights Club lounge rehab project. For more info, contact Event Chair, Doug Warren at either [whidbeyrep@gmail.com](mailto:whidbeyrep@gmail.com) or 360-929-5763.

### **Potato Bagging**

Fr. John E. O'Brien Council 3361 is hosting their annual Potato Bagging at the Potato Hut (Knights Club of Oak Harbor). Event is scheduled for Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, starting at 9am. For more info, contact Event Chair, Rusty Waters, at either [ingodwetrust2@comcast.net](mailto:ingodwetrust2@comcast.net) or 360-969-4009.



### **THANK YOU, THANK YOU**

The generous donation for rosary supplies is greatly appreciated by the members of St. Augustine Rosary Makers. Since the pandemic, we have mailed approximately 10,000 rosaries. They are sent to people in the United States whose ministry is to give rosaries to school children, care facilities, faith formation classes and prisoners. They may be shipped to foreign countries in containers ships carrying other supplies. Be assured of many prayers being said for the members of the council - *Lee Newman*

## **Council News** *(cont.)*

### **Cribbage Knight**

Our first monthly Cribbage Knight was a rousing success! The event was enjoyed by all who attended. We had food, drink, Monday Night Football, great fellowship, and yes... cribbage.

Our next Cribbage Knight will be held on Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. Being that this month holds Halloween, we'll have a Halloween theme. So, break out those costumes (or not) and join us for a knight of brotherhood and get your best ghou! on! Doors open at 5:00pm with Run Time starting at 6pm.

This is a POTLUCK event, bring a dish and/or snack to share. Open to all Knights, families, and friends.

### **Council Christmas Party**

Christmas is just around the corner. A Christmas Party Committee is forming, and current committee members have begun planning this event. As always, a white elephant gift exchange is planned. More details will be released when they come into view, but mark your calendars, the event is scheduled for Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup>. Past Christmas Parties have proven to be an awesome event and is the council's best event of the year!



If you would like to participate in the committee, please contact Event Chair, Rich Mueller, at [richard.mueller2@comcast.net](mailto:richard.mueller2@comcast.net) who is always looking for help.

### **Crabby Paddy Feast**

Marked your calendars, on Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, the Knights Club of Oak Harbor will be hosting a Crabby Paddy Feast! More details to follow.



### **Watch the Skies!**

Ben Servatius, son of Joel and Celine Servatius, recently completed his private pilot's license.

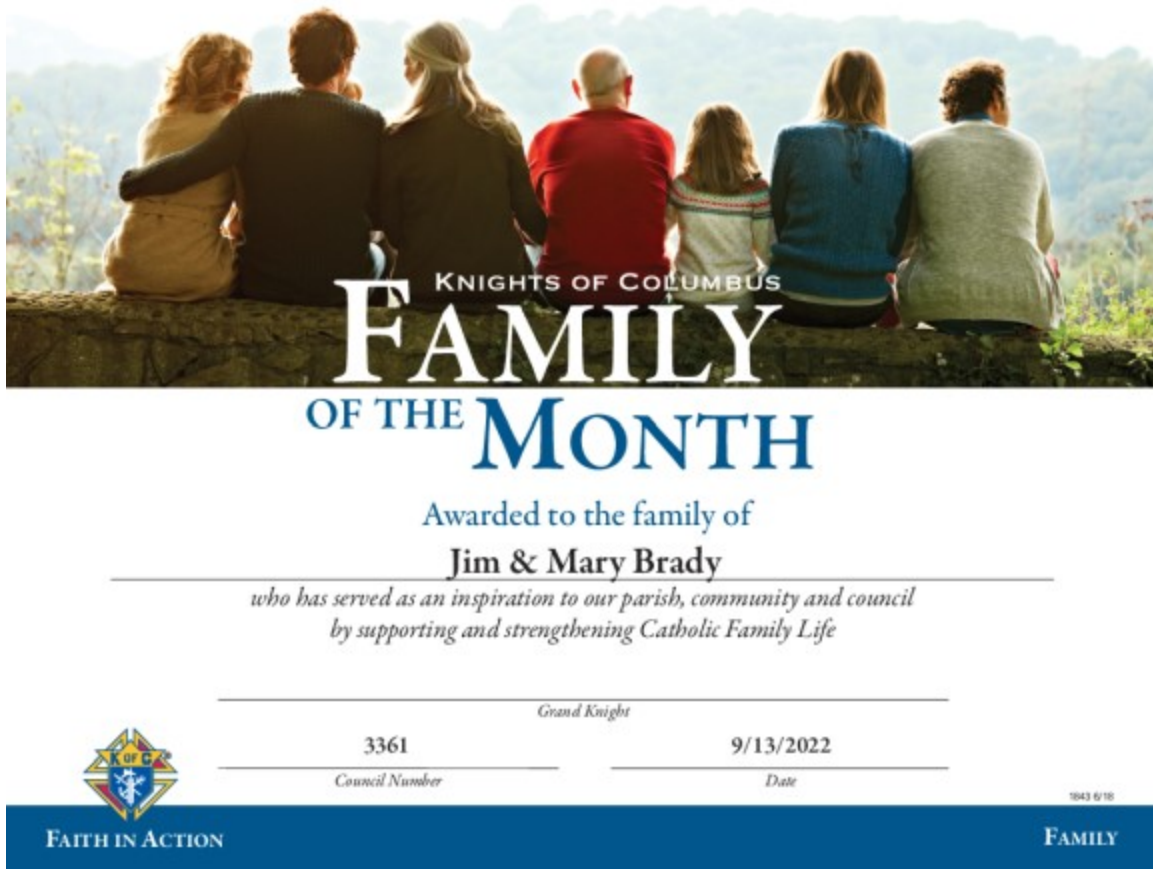
Ben is one of this year's scholarship recipients and will be attending Central Washington University to pursue his commercial pilots license.

Congratulations Ben and good luck at Central Washington University this year!



## **Council News** (cont.)

### **Good of the Order**



James (Jim) & Mary Brady are this month's Family of The Month!

Jim has been a Knight for the past 29 years. He and his wife have been managing the St. Augustine's AGAPE Ministry for the past 12 years. Their efforts in organizing, preparing, and cooking meals, soliciting volunteers for setup and cleanup, and ensuring all were authorized by the state of Washington to handle food and serve meals have been crucial to Oak Harbor and St. Augustine communities in serving the destitute.

Also, Jim & Mary have volunteered time with serving coffee and donuts after Sunday Mass and at Knight of Columbus events.

Jim and Mary exemplify of what the Knights of Columbus are all about...to serve.

As the Grand Knight of this council, I am truly honored to have a Knight family of this caliber who support the principles of the Knights of Columbus.

## **Council News** (cont.)

### **Good of the Order**



Rich Mueller is this month's Knight of the Month!

Rich has been a Knight for 21 years. He is a forefront member of this council who is always looking for ways to help our community with ideas, soliciting help, and requesting project funds. If all else fails...he does it himself. He gets the job done.

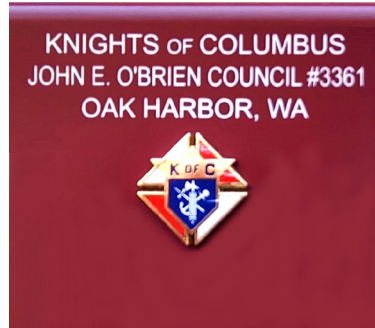
In the past couple of months, he has organized a team to move donated wood to Skagit Valley Humane Society, highly involved in Boy Scouts activities, chaired a highly successful July 2022 Fireworks Sales, and most recently prepared and cooked for the council's Annual Family Picnic which was enjoyed by all attending. He continues to embody the qualities of what it means to be a Knight of Columbus.

## Council News (cont.)

### Council Name Badges and Fraternal Vests

Council Name Badges are burgundy with white lettering with our council info. Council Fraternal Vests are Navy Blue w/ embroidered names and emblems and has a breast pocket. Available in different sizes for \$65.00. Do you have one? If not, then contact the council the Financial Secretary.

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# You're Invited

Dear Knights of Columbus Candidate:

We are pleased to invite you to a special, on-demand ceremony of admission and advancement. This Knights of Columbus ceremony advances new and existing members through the lessons of Charity, Unity and Fraternity required of a Third Degree member.

These ceremonies, known as exemplifications, are normally done in person. However, due to current social distancing precautions, we now offer these ceremonies online.

By clicking the “View Now” link below, you will be able to register for and watch the ceremony, which takes approximately 30 minutes to complete. After viewing the ceremony, you will be a Third Degree Knight!

When completing your registration form, you will be asked for your Council Number. For Fr. John E. O’Brien Council, it’s 3361.

**VIEW NOW**

#### Instructions:

- Open the registration form by clicking the “View Now” link above.
- Provide the required information, including the council number you are joining.
- Watch the 30 minute ceremony.
- Please note that your family and friends are welcome to observe the ceremony.
- If you are unable to complete the ceremony, clicking the “View Now” link above will bring you back to the registration page where you can enter your email address in the “Already Registered” field and continue watching the ceremony.

We look forward to you becoming a Third Degree Knight of Columbus!





## Knights of Columbus



### ***Constitutional Roll of Membership***

THE UNDERSIGNED, each for himself, in consideration for his admission to membership in the Knights of Columbus, does hereby covenant and agree with the Knights of Columbus as follows:

- a. That I am not less than 18 years of age, and I am a practical Catholic man in union with the Holy See, which means that I accept the teaching authority of the Catholic Church on matters of faith and morals, that I aspire to live in accord with the precepts of the Catholic Church, and that I am in good standing in the Catholic Church.
- b. That the Charter, Constitution, and Laws and the Rules and Regulations of the Knights of Columbus, and of any subordinate unit thereof of which I may at any time be a member, which are now in force, or which may at any time hereafter be duly made or enacted, shall be binding upon me.
- c. That I will abide by the decision of the Board of Directors of the Knights of Columbus, or their successors in office, in all matters of difference or dispute between the Knights of Columbus or any council or any officer or member thereof and myself relative to membership or the obligations of membership.
- d. That, in accord with the disciplinary and procedural rules of the Knights of Columbus, and the Order's commitment to a policy of Zero Tolerance of abuse of minors and vulnerable persons, I declare that I am not currently required by law to register as a sex offender or child offender; that I agree to notify my council's Grand Knight and/or Financial Secretary of any arrest, charge, indictment, guilty plea, criminal conviction, civil judgment, or adverse administrative determination involving either sexual misconduct or an offense against a child; that I agree to notify my council's Grand Knight and/or Financial Secretary of any felony conviction that occurs after having been initiated in the Knights of Columbus; and that I further agree that any suspension, expulsion, or forfeiture of membership shall not result in a refund of membership fees.
- e. That I have read my application for membership in its entirety and am fully acquainted with its contents and I hereby warrant that each and every material statement made by me therein is true. On my honor as a Catholic gentleman, I declare it to be true.



# Cribbage Knight!



## **Knights Club of Oak Harbor**

3259 Old Goldie Rd., Oak Harbor, WA

Run Time is 6pm - 8pm

Cribbage Dates: October 24<sup>th</sup>, November 21<sup>st</sup>, and January 23<sup>rd</sup>

This event is for Knights, family, and friends. Bring a cribbage board and cards (if you have them). Don't know how to play, we'll teach you! Also, bring a snack to share.

Monday Night Football will be on the big screen.

Last thing...bring that competitive Spirit!



# 4th Degree News



Greeting Sir Knights,

Just wanted to thank all Sir Knights (SK) who attended our recent 4<sup>th</sup> Degree meeting. Lots of discussion about what we should do this coming year. I will be forwarding the minutes for everyone to review in the very near future.

As we discussed about upcoming events:

## October 2022

- 14<sup>th</sup> Fr. John E. O'Brien Council 3361 will be holding its annual "Priest Appreciation Dinner" (tickets are now available, please contact SK Ralph Byars, SK Rusty Waters or SK Francis Bagarella)
- 18<sup>th</sup> **NO** 4<sup>th</sup> Degree meeting next month (Due to Anacortes having their annual dinner)
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Fr. John E. O'Brien Council 3361 will be hosting their annual Potato Bagging at the Potato Hut (Knights Club of Oak Harbor)

## November 2022

- 15<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Social Dinner at Frida's (Mexican Restaurant in Anacortes. Reservations has been made for approximately 25 people. We will be using the Knights Bus (Seating capacity is approx. 25) to transport Sir Knights and spouses to dinner. If you need a ride from Oak Harbor, Coupeville, or Langley so that arrangements can be made for pick-up and drop-off for Sir Knights from these locations. Please contact Francis Bagarella.

## December 2022

- 20<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Degree meeting in Oak Harbor. I will change the location if St. Hubert is available to host meeting. For those coming from Anacortes, I will pick you up with the Knights Club bus and return you to Anacortes once the meeting is over.

If anything was missed, or if you need to address any concerns, please contact Francis Bagarella at [fbagarella1959@gmail.com](mailto:fbagarella1959@gmail.com).



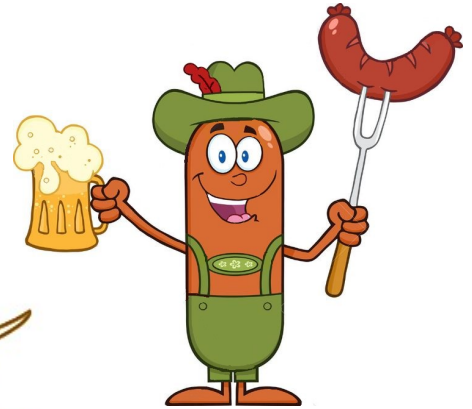
# Other Knightly News



***From Fr. Treunet Council 3611, Anacortes...***

## ***St. Mary's Second Annual Wurst Festival***

The KofC are hosting an Oktoberfest at the Fr. Auer Center on Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> starting at 6pm. Event menu includes sausages, Bavarian Potatoes, Sweet & Sour Cucumber Salad, Mac & Cheese, Kinder Meals (for Children), Dessert, Coffee, Tea and Bottled Water.



Also, checkout Mad King Ludwig's Ratskeller for Beer, Wine, Soft Drinks and Soft Pretzels.

Activities include a Wurst 50/50 Raffle, Music, Bag Toss, Dart Games, and Face Painting.

The Knights are now selling tickets and are available after weekend Masses. Don't wait! There are only 200 tickets of which 100 have been sold. Contact Dennis Wilson at [dmwilson89@gmail.com](mailto:dmwilson89@gmail.com).

So...

***SCHNELL, SCHNELL, MACHT SCHNELL to get your tickets!***



# Parish News

## St. Augustine Christmas Bazaar

Friday & Saturday, Nov. 4-5  
& After All Masses Nov. 4-5



### We Need Your Donations:

Household Treasures: Gently used or re-gifted decorations, jewelry, collectibles, coffee table books, etc. No used clothing, please!

Craft Items: all handcrafted donations welcome.

Bring Items to the Parish Hall  
after all Masses during October

Food Kits: Assembled Friday, October 14, 10 am in the Parish Hall.

Baked Goods: Accepted November 3-4. No cream pies, jams, jellies, or items needing refrigeration.

### We Need Your Help:

Sort & Price: Wednesdays (except October 12) & Fridays 10:15am-noon on the Stage.

Set Up: October 31, 6:15 pm & November 1, 10am-3pm

Take Down: November 6, Noon

To volunteer call: Barb Dumit at 360-240-9509 or  
Kathy Jones at 360-929-7632

## St. Mary Christmas Bazaar

Start making your treasures or planning your baked goods donation for the December 3rd Christmas Bazaar. Text or call Janet Rojas at 360-969-1609 with any questions.

### **Traveling Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mother**

For prayer and meditation in your home, please call Heather to schedule a visit at 360-720-0722.

## Many Thanks

Our heartfelt thanks go to the Knights of Columbus who truly proved themselves to be knights in shining armor by coming to the rescue of the Mass on the Grass and Parish Picnic. When a scheduling conflict arose, the Knights came forward and offered to host the picnic at the Knights Club of Oak Harbor. We are so grateful for the Knights and their willingness to help!

## Prayers are Needed!

For the Unborn  
For Individuals you know needing Prayers  
For our Deployed Military  
For our Country  
For our Homebound  
For those affected by Natural Disasters  
For the people of Ukraine  
...and for those in Our Hearts



## My Lord

Please help those who are experiencing physical and mental trauma. For the prayers being offered, be answered to help them during their hour of need. May they too, receive Your grace to ease their suffering. Your will, not mine, be done.  
Through Jesus Christ.  
Amen





## ***In Honor Our Women***

When God created woman, he was working late on the 6th day...

An Angel came by and asked. "Why spend so much time on her?"

The Lord answered. "Have you seen all the specifications I have to meet to shape her?"

She must function on all kinds of situations,

She must be able to embrace several kids at the same time,

Have a hug that can heal anything from a bruised knee to a broken heart,

She must do all this with only two hands. "She cures herself when sick and can work 18 hours a day"

The Angel was impressed. "Just two hands... impossible! And this is the standard model?"

The Angel came closer and touched the woman. "But you have made her so soft, Lord".

"She is soft", said the Lord.

"But I have made her strong. You can't imagine what she can endure and overcome."

"Can she think?" The angel asked...

The Lord answered. "Not only can she think, but she can also reason and negotiate."

The Angel touched her cheeks.

"Lord, it seems this creation is leaking! You have put too many burdens on her."

"She is not leaking...it is a tear." The Lord corrected the Angel.

"What's it for?" Asked the Angel.

The Lord said. "Tears are her way of expressing her grief, her doubts, her love, her loneliness,  
her suffering and her pride."

This made a big impression on the Angel,

"Lord, you are a genius! You thought of everything.

A woman is indeed marvelous"

Lord said. "Indeed, she is.

She has strength that amazes a man.

She can handle trouble and carry heavy burdens.

She holds happiness, love, and opinions.

She smiles when she feels like screaming.

She sings when she feels like crying, cries when happy and laughs when afraid.

She fights for what she believes in.

Her love is unconditional.

Her heart is broken when a next-of-kin or a friend dies but she finds strength to get on with life"

The Angel asked. "So she is a perfect being?"

Th Lord replied. "No... she has just one drawback.

***She often forgets what she is worth."***