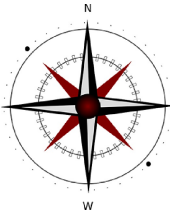


# THE COMPASS



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## *A MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT*

Fasten your seatbelts, gentlemen, we're about to get a multi-engine aircraft safely into the air. We're at the end of the runway and cleared for takeoff. The pilot flying shoves the throttles up and, as we accelerate, we turn our attention toward three critical speeds. The first speed is called  $V_1$ . As the aircraft accelerates, the pilot not flying calls this speed out. When he does, the pilot flying moves his hand off the throttles so he doesn't inadvertently try to abort the takeoff because beyond  $V_1$ , you're not guaranteed to be able to keep the aircraft on the paved surface if you try to stop. So, we've reached  $V_1$ , and we're going flying come hell or high water. The next speed we accelerate through is  $V_r$ , or rotation speed. When the pilot not flying calls this speed, the pilot flying pulls back on the yoke, rotating the nose off the ground at about three degrees per second until a climb attitude is established. But we still have one more critical speed, called  $V_2$ , or takeoff safety speed. That's the speed at which the aircraft can climb with the loss of one engine so as to clear at least a 35 foot obstacle at the end of the runway. Once that speed is reached, there's a "Thank You, God," sigh of relief.

Gentlemen, as the pandemic storm has eased and the air has become more stable, I would say our takeoff for this council's flight is at about the  $V_r$  stage. We're past  $V_1$ ; we're committed to getting this thing off the ground whether we want to or not. We're lifting this beast into the air, but we haven't reached the safety of  $V_2$  yet. I'd say we will reach  $V_2$  on Sunday evening, October 31<sup>st</sup> after we've both set up and taken down the St. Paulapalooza Parish Festival. After that, we can breathe the "Thank You God" sigh of relief, complete the after-takeoff checklist, and transition into the tasks of recruiting, running bingos, hosting Veterans' Day Parades, etc. In other words, we'll

still have the work of keeping a healthy K of C council airborne. But at that point, we'll be able to flip on the autopilot, lean back, and enjoy a hot cup of coffee.

Vivat Jesus,

– Bill Eldridge

## *FAMILY OF THE MONTH*

The Family of the Month for October is **Tony, Carol, Morgan, and Jenny Casmus**. Everyone can imagine that service as a Grand Knight is a family commitment. Tony was the longest-serving Grand Knight in the history of the council. Another remarkable thing about Tony is his savoir-faire. He knows how to get stuff done. He doesn't get angry or frustrated or bent out of shape. He's just Tony, and we appreciate that. Carol is equally unflappable in her music ministry and the many other roles she plays in the parish. And then there are Morgan and Jenny. Morgan is active in the parish she attends. And Jenny is a whirlwind at St. Paul. She is an anchor in the Life Teen Ministry as well as the ACTS program. Tony and Carol did it right with these girls. Both of them are strong in their faith and active in their communities. We are blessed to have families such as the Casmuses. And we are pleased to award them this long overdue **Family of the Month Award**.

## *KNIGHT OF THE MONTH*

This month we celebrate a man who has long been associated with the council and who is one of the most congenial and thoughtful people ever. It's fitting that the Month of the Holy Rosary is the month we recognize **Glenn Angel**. Glenn has been instrumental in the Rosary recitations along with other church-related events our council has participated in for many years. He's also been a lynchpin in our youth activities such as our recognition of

the altar servers and choir members. Glenn is a consummate servant of the faith. Glenn and Therese and their three children are a model family for Catholic identity. We are gifted to have Glenn as a friend; we are blessed to have him as a fellow parishioner. We pray that we have many more years of service in the company of Glenn Angel.

### **OCTOBER 7<sup>TH</sup> MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

Our Membership Meeting on the evening of Thursday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, will begin in the Church with the praying of the Rosary to celebrate the Feast of the Holy Rosary as presented by the Liturgy Committee. Then we will move to the Parish Center for our meeting either in the East Room or the Center Room depending on the needs of the various ministries. Our Lecturer, **Ed Long**, will offer us his background as a church archivist and how he plans to enlighten our council for the next couple of months. We plan to have food and beverages for our fellowship following the nuts-and-bolts portion of the meeting.

### **OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE**

- Brother **Deacon Bob Bonomi** can use help on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays at the Catholic Charities Facility that he is helping transform from a hotel into a Homeless Facility. Please contact Deacon Bob at 469-387-6824 on a Monday if you are able to help during the following week.
- Brother **Tim Lyons** is looking to hand off the reins of the Blood Drive liaison that he has served as for the last eight years. He will provide a year or two of tutelage to get the next person up to speed.
- Set up and take down for the **St. Paulapalooza Parish Festival**. We will need **ten to fifteen volunteers** to help us on Saturday morning, October 30<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM or so to set up the tents and other equipment for the festival which runs from 3:00 - 8:00 PM. Then the next day, Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, we will need an equal amount of manpower to take down the tents and equipment starting around 5:30 PM. The festival runs from

11:00 AM to 6:00 PM on Sunday. This will be a good opportunity, as we will also be able to enjoy the festival while it is in progress.

- We have plenty of raffle tickets to sell. The tickets go for \$10. The prizes are: A \$1,000 Visa Gift Card, a 70" Ultra Hi Def 4K Smart TV, a \$500 Visa Gift Card, an iPhone, an iPad, and more.

### **ST. PAUL SCHOOL NEWS**

The **St. Paul Catholic Classical School Archery Program** is set to begin: our Principal, Courtney DeMakas, has advised us that our donation along with the grant money she received has covered the costs of all of the equipment needed to start the program. She expressed her heartfelt thanks to the council.

### **FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION ON 9/11**

Our Order exists beyond the council level. The **Fourth Degree** is the patriotic arm of the Order. It is an organization wherein we are blessed with the opportunity to meld the principles of our faith and our nation together. Fourth Degree Assembly 2266, which meets at St. Mark's in Plano, is now under the leadership of Faithful Navigator (think Grand Knight) **Chris Curto**. Three of our council members became new Fourth Degree members (Sir Knights) on September 11<sup>th</sup>. Pictured Left to Right are **Joe Prampin** and wife **Sandra**, **Kevin Alewine** and wife **Liz**, Faithful Navigator **Chris Curto** and wife **Jeanie**, and **Ed Long** and wife **Charlene**.



## **COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE**

### **PROGRESS**

Our efforts to contact all the members of the council to see how they are and let them know that we are thinking of them is now at about 35% complete. We look forward to this percentage increasing as the weeks and months continue. Please be open to these messages of support and brotherhood.

<b>CALENDAR OF EVENTS</b>	
Thursday, October 7 <sup>th</sup>	Membership Meeting Parish Center (7:00 PM Rosary in the Church; 7:30 Meeting in either the East Room or the Center Room - Door Code 18820#)
Sundays in October (10 <sup>th</sup> , 17 <sup>th</sup> , 24 <sup>th</sup> , and 31 <sup>st</sup> )	Rosaries after 8:00 AM Mass in the Chapel
Saturday, October 16 <sup>th</sup>	K of C Bingo and Dinner (Tamales): 6:30 PM in the Parish Center
Sunday, October 17 <sup>th</sup>	K of C Hosts Coffee and Donuts after 9:30 AM Mass
Thursday, October 21 <sup>st</sup>	Officer Planning Meeting (open to any member), Parish Center Room 4, 7:00 p.m. (Door Code 18820#)
Saturday, October 30 <sup>th</sup>	Set up for St. Paulapalooza Festival, 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.
Sunday, October 31 <sup>st</sup>	Take down for the Festival: 5:30 p.m.
Thursday, November 4 <sup>th</sup>	Membership meeting at the Parish Center, 7:00 PM Rosary, 7:30 PM Meeting
Thursday, November 11 <sup>th</sup>	Veterans Day Parade 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM at St. Paul School
Thursday, November 18 <sup>th</sup>	Planning Meeting, 7:00 PM at the Parish Center



October 1 **William Sanchez**  
 October 2 **Deacon Bob Bonomi**  
 October 4 **Dan Raz**  
 October 10 **Tom McNamara**  
 October 12 **Chris Dunlap**  
 October 15 **William Loessberg**  
 October 16 **Omar Elsaadany**

October 17 **JP Kernan**  
 October 18 **Tony Casmus**  
 October 21 **Father Tymo**  
 October 23 **Paul Reittinger**  
 October 25 **Robert Scichili**  
 October 28 **Mike Reiman**  
 October 31 **Ron Keptner**

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### ***REGULAR FUNDRAISING***

Our regular fundraising endeavors:

*Donating Blood:*

We are number 22058 with Carter Blood Care

*Tom Thumb:*

Good Neighbor Program No. 54476

*Albertsons:*

Community Partner No. 49000119848

*Kroger Neighbor to Neighbor Donation Program:*

Bar Code No. 10000081304

*Compass Bank:*

When opening an account refer to our Affinity code 87719

Forms for all of the above are available at each meeting from our Financial Secretary.

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