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Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree

Florida District - Desoto Province

**BISHOP NORBERT M. DORSEY CP**

**ASSEMBLY #3482**

ASCENSION CATHOLIC CHURCH

Melbourne Florida





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Third Degree members who wish to live out patriotism together can join “the Fourth Degree”

A Fourth Degree member of the Knights of Columbus

- Men who have chosen to embrace the Order’s fourth principle of patriotism
- Men who lead the efforts to reach out to veterans and active military in our community
- Embody the fact that one can be a faithful Catholic and also be a faithful citizen
- Members of this degree have the special honor of holding the title “Sir Knight”





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## Fourth Degree Assemblies

- Help Knights to put their faith, and their love of country, into action
- Participate in color and honor guards and organizing programs that promote Catholic citizenship
- Sir Knights chose/volunteer to become Color and Honor Guardsman – uniform is NOT mandatory
- More than 3,500 Fourth Degree assemblies around the world





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## KOC ORGANIZATION

- The Third Degree, through its elected officers, on the Supreme and the State Council levels is the governing body of the Order, with the Supreme Board of Directors, the highest authority.
- The Board appoints the Supreme Master and the Vice Supreme Masters of the Fourth Degree.
- A Vice Supreme Master presides over a Province which consists of a number of Districts.
- The Supreme Master appoints the Master of the District who supervises the Assemblies in his jurisdiction.
- The Assemblies, in turn, are composed of members of one or more Councils in the Assembly area.





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## Fourth Degree Members in Council

- 86% of Council Members are Fourth Degree Sir Knights
- Fourth Degree Sir Knights lead Most Council Activities
- Most Council Officers are Fourth Degree Sir Knights
- Fourth Degree Sir Knights actively wear Council Red Shirts when participating in Council Activities





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## PATRIOTIC ACTIVITIES

- Patrick SFB Deployed Spouses Dinner
- Election Day Voting Precinct Staffing
- St. Patrick's Day, Independence Day and Veterans Day Parades
- Memorial Cemetery Clean Up at J.N. Tucker / Shady Oaks
- 911 Ceremony at Veterans Center at Merritt Island
- Veteran Graves Flag Placement Ceremony at Shady Oaks MC
- Disabled Vietnam (ARVN) & American Vets Fundraiser Dinner
- Wreaths Across America Ceremony at Shady Oaks and Sloan MC
- Dedicated Flag Retirement Site and American Flag Collection
- US Flag Presentation & Flag Retirement Ceremonies with American Heritage Girls and Boy Scout Troop 373
- Vietnam Traveling Wall Wreath Laying Ceremony





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## Assembly Flag Retirement Ceremony







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## Dedicated Flag Retirement Site & Program







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### Parades







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## March for Life and Eagle Scout Project







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## Wreaths Across America Ceremony

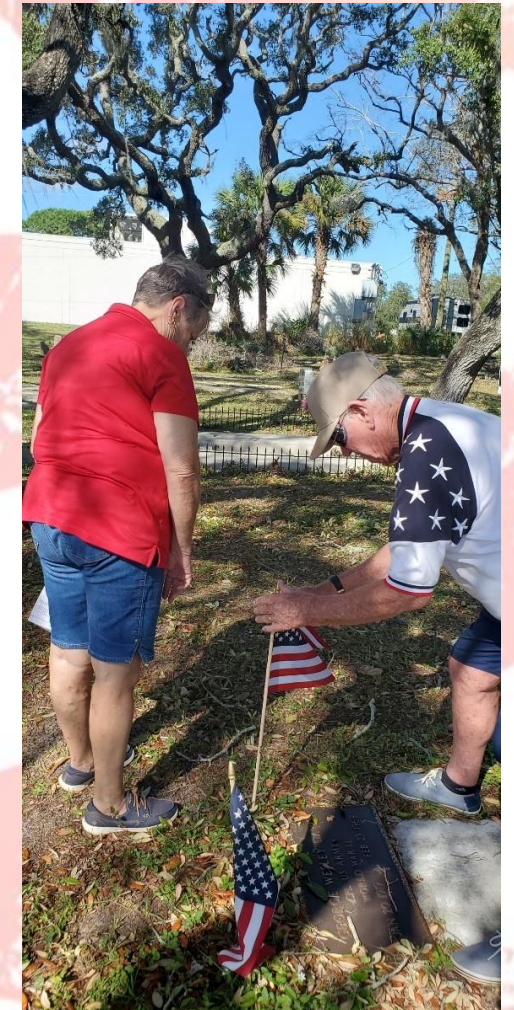






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## Flag Day Ceremony at SHADY OAKS Memorial Cemetery







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## St. Joseph ICON Visit at Ascension







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## Vietnam Traveling Wall Memorial Wreath Ceremony







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## AHG FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY







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## BSA Troop 373 FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY







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## Patrick SFB Deployed Spouses Dinner







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## Patriotic Rosary & Home Visit Rosary







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## Tucker/Shady Oaks Memorial Cemetery Clean -Up



**VETERAN CEMETERY RESTORATIONS INC.**

**J. S. Stone Memorial Cemetery Clean-Up**  
Saturday March 18, 2023 9am - Noon  
2621 Grant Street  
Melbourne FL 32901  
Off University Blvd, turn north on Grant Street

Needed for Clean-Ups  
Lawn Mowers (riding preferred), lawn edger's, gas/electric blower, tree limb cutters, if you have tools, bring them!

Veteran Cemetery Restorations Inc. Supplied  
Food & drinks, tables and chair, pop up tents, D2 Biological Cleaner, sprayers, gloves, brushes  
Tyvek bags, clippers, rakes, cutters, buckets, towels

Rain or shine! Bring your friends and your smiles! Food/ Snacks & Drinks provided to all volunteers!

Veteran Cemetery Restorations Inc.  
1700 W New Haven Avenue Suite 509  
Melbourne FL 32904 321-401-7123  
321-514-9874 Bruce

Florida Not for Profit Corporation 501c3 FE/EIN 83-3970235  
Facebook: Veteran Cemetery Restorations  
Contact: <http://VeteranCemeteryRestorations.org>  
[veterancemeteryrestoration@gmail.com](mailto:veterancemeteryrestoration@gmail.com)





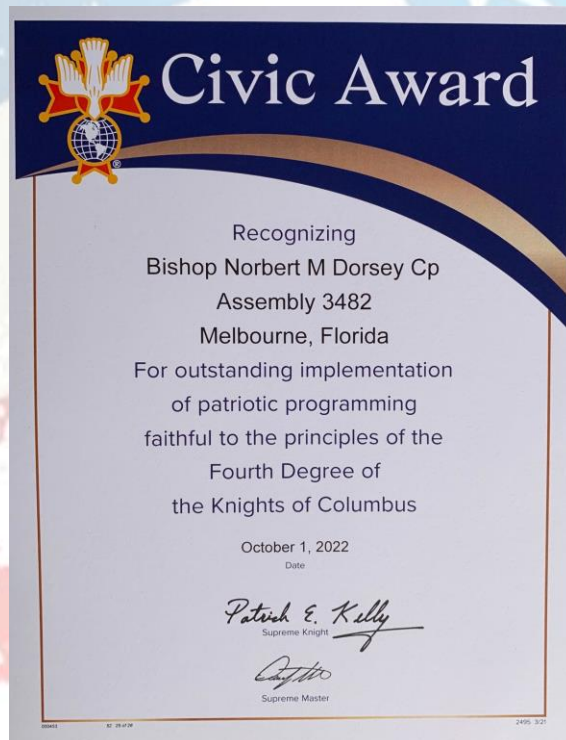


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### AWARDS

- Supreme “To Be A Patriot Award” (Outstanding Patriotic Program)
- Supreme “Civic Award” (4 Patriotic Activities)
- STAR ASSEMBLY AWARD







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## Color Guard and Honor Guards

- Are present in their distinct uniform/regalia at Civic and Church events,
- Parades and Processions
- Acting as honor guards and color corps, or standing in respect at the funerals of members, in church celebrations or during adoration of the Eucharist





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## Color Guard and Honor Guard Activities

- Assembly & Quarterly Council Corporate Communion
- 18 Funeral Honor Guards
- All Souls Day Memorial Mass at Ascension
- St. Joseph Icon Prayer Service at Ascension
- Cardinal Peter Kodwo visit to Ascension
- Bishop Noonan Confirmation at St Joseph's
- St. Patrick's Day, Independence Day and Veterans Day Parades
- Vietnam Traveling Wall Wreath Ceremony
- Wreaths Across America Ceremony at Tucker and Sloan MC
- ACCW May Crowning at Ascension
- Eucharistic Procession at HNJ and St. Mary's





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### Honor Guards







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## Funeral Honor Guard







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## Honor Guard ACCW May Crowning and 911 Memorial







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## MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- Over eighteen years of age
- A citizen of the country in which he resides.
- A Third Degree member in good standing in his Council
- A practical Catholic in union with the Holy See.
- Exemplification fee is set annually by the Board of Directors and includes a lapel pin, social baldric and one ticket to the Exemplification Banquet.





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## EXEMPLIFICATION

- AUGUST 26TH IN ST. AUGUSTINE
- NOVEMBER 25TH IN ORLANDO
- SIR KNIGHTS, ARE AVAILABLE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH INFORMATION ABOUT THE FOURTH DEGREE AND ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE
- COMPLETE AND SUBMIT THE APPLICATION IN-TIME FOR THE EXEMPLIFICATION DATE.





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### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM 4

**FOURTH DEGREE MEMBERSHIP DOCUMENT**  
**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
 A SOCIETY OF CATHOLIC MEN

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MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: XXXXXXXXX

LAST NAME		FIRST NAME		MIDDLE INITIAL		TITLE	
STREET		CITY		ST / PROV		POSTAL CODE / COUNTRY	
HOME PHONE		DATE OF BIRTH		MARITAL STATUS		1st DEGREE DATE	
						COUNCIL NO. 14573	
CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY?		BY BIRTH OR NATURALIZATION?		IF NATURALIZATION HAVE FINAL PAPERS BEEN RECEIVED?		YES NO	
IF YOU WERE PREVIOUSLY INITIATED IN THE FOURTH DEGREE, GIVE:		INITIATION		TERMINATION		ASSEMBLY NUMBER	
DATE OF						CITY	
						ST/PROV.	
REASON FOR TERMINATION		ASSEMBLY		NUMBER		CITY	
		NEW OR PRESENT		3482		Melbourne, FL	
PARISH		FORMER					
Ascension Melbourne FL							
I HEREBY DECLARE THAT THE ABOVE IS TRUE AND CORRECT AND THAT I AM A PRACTICAL CATHOLIC IN COMMUNION WITH THE HOLY SEE.							
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT		DATE		I CERTIFY THAT THE APPLICANT IS A THIRD DEGREE MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING			
SIGNATURE OF PROPOSER		ASSEMBLY		IN		COUNCIL NO. LOCATION	
PROPOSER MEMBER NUMBER (REQUIRED)				DATE		SIGNATURE OF FINANCIAL SECRETARY	
FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR		DATE		RECEIVED FEES OF \$		DATE	
FAITHFUL COMPTROLLER		DATE		APPLICANT INITIATED AT		DATE	
						Signature of Master (required for new members only)	





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As Sir Knights

- we have the opportunity to grow in our faith while helping others
- support our parish and local community
- become better Catholics, husbands and fathers
- encourage active Catholic citizenship
- foster the spirit of patriotism in our members and our community at large.

**JOIN TODAY** – See JOHN MILLER Membership Chairman





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DEGREE**

*Patriotic degree of the Order.*