

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 12376



March 2026

OUR LADY QUEEN OF THE APOSTLES



GRAND KNIGHT'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

Spring is here my fellow brothers. We are into our 2nd week of Lent. God is good. Let us pray for our military as they defend our freedom and keep us safe from evil.

We are going into our 3rd week of our fish fry and I want to thank all our brother for their support and participation during our biggest fundraiser. Let's keep up the great work.

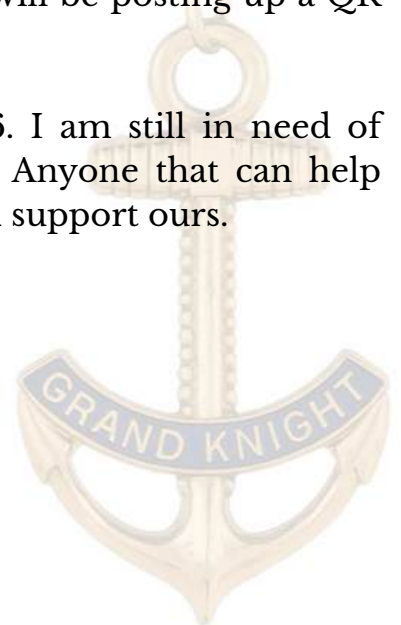
This month is our first round of nominations in our election process for the incoming Officers 2026-2027 fraternal year. It is important to attend and vote on your new leaders who will strengthen this council. If anyone is interested in running, please come to the meeting so that we can nominate you into a position. This is a great opportunity for our newest members to get involved and learn how our council runs. I look forward in seeing everyone there.

I want to thank everyone for there help in making our Valentines Day dinner a great success. A big thank you to Elaine and the Coulmbiettes, Brother George Searing and Deacon Sean for being our servers. Also, a Thank you to Fr. Andy in renewing our wedding vows and Paule Jean with beautiful pictures to capture the night. I will be posting up a QR code so that everyone can retrieve their pictures and upload them.

CCW is hosting a Catholic Women of Faith on March 14th, 2026. I am still in need of volunteers for the late morning shift to help from 11am-1:30pm. Anyone that can help please email me. Let's support our fellow ministries as they help and support ours. Thank you all again.

May God bless you.

Vivat Jesus!
Guy Scavelli
Grand Knight





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DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT MESSAGE

Worthy Brothers,

As we prepare for our 3rd. Friday Fish Fry, we need volunteers for setup
Please help & focus on what truly matters.

Take care, & God Bless

Vivat Jesus!

Pete Salamalay

Deputy Grand Knight





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UPCOMING EVENTS

March 6st
Fish Friday
5pm
Celebration Hall

March 9th
Officer Mtg
7PM
Festival Hall

March 13th
Fish Friday
5pm
Celebration Hall

March 14th
Columbiette's
Women's Night
need KofC Volunteers

March 20th
Fish Friday
5pm
Celebration Hall

March 23rd
General Mtg
Rosary @ 7 pm
Festival Hall

March 25th
4th Degree Meeting
Festival Hall

March 27th
Fish Friday
5pm
Celebration Hall

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Food Pantry at Festival Hall

The **Knights of Columbus** are responsible for keeping our food pantry stocked, with much of the food provided through **RBI**. Located in Festival Hall, the pantry supports those in need by distributing food on **Tuesdays and Fridays from 1-3 PM**. There are **two volunteer shifts available each day: 12-3 PM or 1-4 PM**.

Volunteers who arrive from **12-1 PM** assist with food preparation and setup, while those staying from **3-4 PM** help with cleanup after distribution. This effort is organized by Brother George Searing, and brothers interested in volunteering are encouraged to reach out to him directly to get involved.

MAJOR FUNDRAISER

LENTEN FISH FRYDAYS



–Six Fridays of Lent –

5:00 - 7:00 PM Celebration Hall

WE WANT NEED YOU!

Dates

- ~~February 20~~
- ~~February 27~~
- ~~March 6~~
- ~~March 13~~
- ~~March 20~~
- March 27

WE NEED YOUR HELP
TO MAKE THIS EVENT
SUCCESSFUL!

Please volunteer to help!



– VOLUNTEERS MAKE IT HAPPEN –

- Each Friday morning 9:00 AM Fish prep, ColeSlaw prep and room setup
- Each Friday 4:00 PM Room prep/setup as needed
- Each Friday 4:30 PM Kitchen cooking and fryer help
- Each Friday 4:45 PM Servers final room check and preparing for people
- Each Friday 5-7:00 PM 50/50
- Each Friday 7:00 PM Kitchen and room clean up

Please volunteer to help as much as possible!

COUNCIL OFFICERS 2025-2026

GRAND KNIGHT

Guy Scavelli

**TREASURER**

William Shea

**WARDEN**

Neville Moo Young

**3 YEAR TRUSTEE**

Greg Mazzella

**DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT**

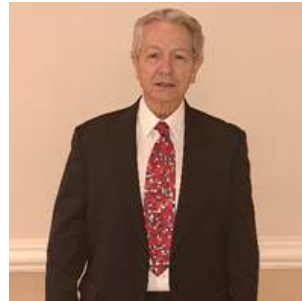
Pete Salamalay

**RECORDER**

Bob Cataldo

**INSIDE GUARD**

Vincent Loria

**2 YEAR TRUSTEE**

Bill Mergens

**CHAPLAIN**

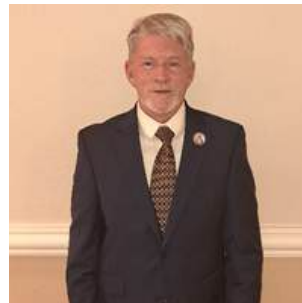
Rev Laurent Assenga

**ADVOCATE**

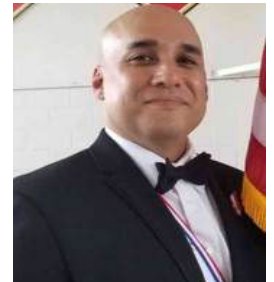
Dan Carbone

**OUTSIDE GUARD**

Ray Taylor

**1 YEAR TRUSTEE**

Ken Ida



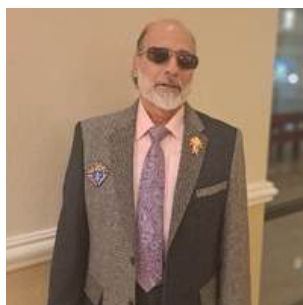
District Warden

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Jose Calas

**CHANCELLOR**

Frank Balzano

**LECTURER**

Deacon Robert Laquerre





CHAPLAIN'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

Brother Knights,

In this month of March, we are now in the sacred season of Lent. The first part of the 'Ordinary season of the year' concluded on Tuesday before Ash Wednesday and will resume again as the second part of the 'Ordinary season of the year' on the Monday after Pentecost Sunday. In between the first part and the second part of the 'Ordinary season of the year' are the Lent season followed by the Easter season. Lent season began on February 14th with the 'Ash Wednesday' celebration. It is a season of forty days recalling the forty days of our Lord Jesus' temptations in the wilderness at the beginning of His public ministry. Lent is an important season of spiritual renewal not only for individuals but for the whole Church. It is also a period of preparation for Easter, which this year will be celebrated on Sunday, March 31st. Brothers, during Lent, the liturgy of the season and other exercises/activities are offered to the people of God, giving them opportunity for spiritual renewal and conversion of heart to God. Let us therefore try our best to participate actively in the liturgy of the season and other exercises/activities and the end result we will be renewed, converted more to God and therefore be stronger Knights of Columbus and missionary disciples of Jesus Christ. What we are required to do is to open our hearts and mind to let the Holy Spirit work in us and with us. In this way true renewal and conversion will be achieved. When true renewal and conversion is achieved then for sure we will be stronger Knights and missionary disciples. Our world at present is urgently in need of the Knights as missionary disciples to share the message and mission of Jesus Christ to the world as envisioned by the Founder of the Knights of Columbus Venerable Michael McGivney (1852-1890). Let us be sure that if we allow the Spirit of God to work in us and with us then the mission of Christ will bring good fruits in us, in our families, in our communities, and in our world at large and God's kingdom will continue to grow.

Happy New Year 2026

Fr. Laurent Assenga
Chaplain



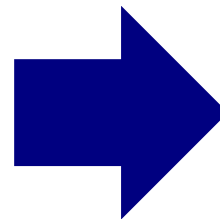
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ELECTIONS

First call for Nominations 2026-2027 Officer Positions

Position	Nominee 1	Nominee 2
Grand Knight		
Deputy Grand Knight		
Chancellor		
Recorder		
Treasurer		
Advocate		
Warden		
Inside Guard		
Outside Guard		
Three Year Trustee		

**Use the QR code to the right to send council payments or donations via Zelle.
Important: Don't forget to add a note so we know what it's for!**



Visit the Council's website!

<https://www.kofc12376.com>

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Help your Council keep it's records updated.**

Update your information on our website!

Click [HERE](#) to update your Council Information.



A KNIGHT'S REFLECTION

On Sin, The Sinner, You... And Our Inheritance of Redemption!

Sin:

Sin is not merely the breaking of a rule; it is a wound in our relationship with God and with one another. It distorts our vision, weakens our love, and pulls us away from the freedom God desires for us. Sin often begins quietly and when unexamined—within the facade of selfishness, indifference, pride, and/or fear, it grows. Yet even in sin, God never turns away. Instead, He calls us back, offering mercy that is greater than any failure.

The Sinner:

The sinner is not merely “The Other Guy”. Every one of us falls short of the Goal to perfection. Scripture acknowledges that we are all sinners and fall short of the glory of God, However, all are invited into redemption.

Our Lord never rejected the sinner! He embraced the person while rejecting sin. Jesus recognized that we are a fallen race whereby he entered our world to save us from ourselves.

Jesus embraced compassion, and reinstated integrity to those within the community deemed as sinners and who were cast aside. Jesus dined and spoke with those who were labeled as “Sinners”.

As "God loving Catholics", we must recognize the sinner not as a label, but as a beloved child of God — broken, yes, but never beyond hope.

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A KNIGHT'S REFLECTION

On Sin, The Sinner, You... And Our Inheritance of Redemption!

You:

Consequently, We/You are all both Wounded and Chosen. Although, throughout your life's journey you carry your own struggles, habits, and regrets, you also carry Grace. You are met by Christ exactly where you are, not where you think you should be. Honesty, humility, and trust is what our Lord asks of you—not perfection.

However, our Lord did say in Scripture, Matthew 5:48, “Be Perfect, just as your Heavenly Father is Perfect”! It's a Goal that we may reflect God's perfect character. Not flawlessness in human action but striving for wholeness in Christ's enabling Grace.

When acknowledging your own need for mercy, you grow in compassion for others. In receiving forgiveness, you are sent to forgive. Your conversion becomes a witness, and your mercy becomes a reflection of Christ's love for the world. May we always love the sinner while never excusing sin,—beginning with ourselves—and may we walk together toward repentance, healing, and holiness.

In the Gospel of Saint Luke 18:9-14, Jesus addresses the Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector.

Scripture blatantly substantiates between those who are confident in their own self righteousness

looking down on others, such as the sorrowful but humble tax collector that went home justified and redeemed in the eyes of Almighty God.

The Verdict:

It remains that “Those who exalt themselves will be humbled and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

...And so my Beloved Brothers in Alms, I leave you...

In Christ's Love,
Frank X.



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Birthdays

Jose Grullon	3/3
Rodney Brimlow, Deacon	3/4
Timothy Laquerre	3/10
Joseph Paladino	3/14
Jesus Lopez	3/18
Enrique Sobrino, Sr.	3/20
Fred Cicchitti	3/20
Charles McShane	3/20
William Shea	3/22
Rony Isaac	3/24
Alfred De Filippo	3/25
Orlando Marconi Jr.	3/26
Marcus Margotta	3/27



Anniversaries

Joseph & Lisa Ryan	3/3
Raymond & Dolores Janevero	3/4
Enrique Sr. & Felicita Sobrino	3/4
Christopher & Maria Korbela	3/11
Charles & Meg Lockmiller	3/14
Brian & Margie Aucoin	3/21



FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

****For Brothers, Family Members and those in need of our prayers please contact the G.K. or the D.G.K. so they can make those names available to all of the brothers.****

- Brother Ray Glaubrecht
 - Medical Procedure
- Brother John Ralle's sister, Beta





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KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Our Knight of the Month is a new member to the council and is very motivated and willing to help us in whatever needs to be done. He has been a great help during the fish fry as he is there either helping out with the ticket sales or cleaning the pots and pans. He has also been helping in the pick-up of our Sunday donuts. Anytime we need him he is only a phone call away. This Knight of the month goes to **brother Steve Holdaway**. Keep up that energy as this council is happy to have you as a brother.



FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Our Family of the month goes to a family we all know and see quite often at our church. They were a big help during the Valentine's Day Dinner Dance set up as his wife crafted the centerpieces which was a beautiful addition to our decor. This brother is very dedicated to our parish as is the head of the ushers, as well as a part time maintenance staff member. The Family of the Month goes to **Greg and Mary Mazzella**. Thank you for all you do and continue to do.





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SUN

MON

TUE

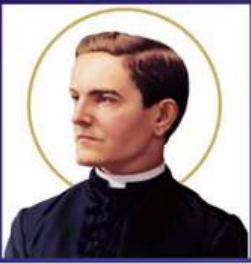
WED

THU

FRI

SAT

1	2	3	4	5	6 Fish FRY 5pm Celebration Hall 	7
8	9 Officers Mtg 7pm Festival Hall 	10	11	12	13 Fish FRY 5pm Celebration Hall 	14 Columbiettes Women's night Need KOC in Kitchen
15	16	17	18	19	20 Fish FRY 5pm Celebration Hall 	21
22	23 General Mtg 7:30pm Festival Hall <u>ROSARY AT 7PM</u> 	24	25 4 TH Degree General Meeting 6:30pm Festival Hall 	26	27 Fish FRY 5 pm Celebration Hall 	28
29 Palm Sunday	30	31	1	2 Holy Thursday	3 Good Friday 	4 Holy Saturday 
5 EASTER! 	6	7	8	9	10	11



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FOUNDER OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Blessed Father
McGivney

Apostle to the Young

**Protector of Christian
Family Life**

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Prayer for Canonization of Blessed Father Michael J McGivney

God, our Father protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here you make your request). Through Christ our lord, Amen

Catholic Devotion of the Month



St. Joseph

“I do not remember even now that I have ever asked anything of [St. Joseph] which he has failed to grant... To other saints the Lord seems to have given grace to succour us in some of our necessities, but of this glorious saint my experience is that he succours us in them all...”
(Autobiography of St. Teresa of Avila)



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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU

DON'T FORGET TO SIGN OUR LOG BOOK
MONDAY TO FRIDAY 8:30AM-7:00PM