



Knights of Columbus

Fair Oaks Council #6066

A Division 5/District 7 Council



"Jesus, I Trust in You!" — Always Forward, Never Back

MARCH

2026

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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

By GK Tremain Hayhoe



Brothers,

February was a success! PGK Chris Ward will share details on the Free Throw Contest. Our Wheelchair Breakfast, chaired by Worthy Warden Trevor Harris, was a great event. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make it happen. We served tasty breakfast burritos and raised over \$2,900.00!

Since Supreme covers the remaining cost for every \$150 raised, we were able to buy 19 wheelchairs for those in need. Thank you to our St. Mel parish for your amazing generosity!

We are Marching forward! Keep going on your Lenten commitments this month.

Upcoming events:

Sunday, March 8th: CUF ceremony after the 10:30 am mass. Please continue to reach out to potential new members!

March 14th: St. Patrick's Day Dinner.

March 16th: March for Life.

We have a busy month ahead, and spring weather is coming, with Easter in April! May God continue to bless you and your families during Lent.

Fraternally,

GK Tremain Hayhoe

ADORATION CHAPEL SCHEDULE			
Friday Morning 6:00 AM to 7:00 AM			
NAME	PHONE	November	December
John Brennan	916-548-4962	All Fridays	All Fridays
Andy Anderson	916-826-5617	3rd Friday	3rd Friday

Adoration Chapel



Into the Breach Video Series By PGK Chris Ward

At the February Planning Meeting we talked about the strong recommendation from Supreme that all Knights should view the Into the Breach Video Series. The Into the Breach video series is a 12-episode series that seeks to answer the question of what it means to be a man and how to live as a man in today's world. It is inspired by the Apostolic Exhortation for Catholic men written by Bishop Thomas Olmsted of the Diocese of Phoenix.

Each episode focuses on a different aspect of authentic Catholic masculinity and features interviews with well known Catholic commentators, as well as the personal story of a man who has deeply experienced the episode's topic in his own life. Each episode lasts approximately 12 minutes. Into the Breach contends that men are made for greatness and the true expression of that greatness is to be heroically virtuous. In Catholic terms, that means to have a character marked by goodness, truth, strength, and courage, in imitation of Christ. The goal is to help men grow in their faith and become the men that God is calling them to be. The 12 episodes are titled: Masculinity, Brotherhood, Leadership, Fatherhood, Family, Life, Prayer, Suffering, Sacramental Life, Spiritual Warfare, Evangelization, and The Cornerstone. All 12 episodes can be found on Supreme's website at kofc.org/intothebreach.

About 4 years ago, we as a Council put on one episode at the conclusion of our Business Meeting, once a month. In our discussion about this at the Planning meeting, we decided to air one episode during the mealtime prior to our Business Meeting each month, to provide everyone exposure to the videos. As mentioned above, if you are unable to get to the Business Meeting, you can always go online and watch the videos at home. There are also three study guides available online.

Into The Breach Video Series Study Guide, Into the Breach: The Mission of the Family Study Guide, and Into the Breach: The Mission of the Family Couple Study Guide that you can download for free. Physical copies of these may also be found on our kiosk in the Church Vestibule.

Editor's Note: The Navigator provides us with a way of keeping in touch with one another. We provide articles of the past month's activities, as well as upcoming events. Although many of the articles are written by the Grand Knight, anyone can provide input. Anyone chairing an event or fundraiser should write a brief article and add a photo or two.

All that's necessary is the article(s) and photo(s) in email form, sent to Dominique Hipolito at navigator6066@googlegroups.com or dhipolito2025@gmail.com. It doesn't need to be any special font or text size. Send your article as soon as possible, **but no later than 10 days before the next business meeting.**

George Perkins, Editor

NEXT COUNCIL CUF IS SUNDAY, MARCH 8TH

By PGK Chris Ward

Sunday, March 8th is our next scheduled CUF (Welcome Ceremony) for new Knights after the 10:30AM Mass in the Church. We remind all Council members that they are invited to be present and welcome the new Knights into our order. As this is our Ceremony, we want to make sure we have invited new candidates from our Parish to attend. Adding new members is every member's responsibility. Please make an effort to invite your family and friends, practical Catholics over the age of 18, to join us. "New blood" helps our Council grow with the ideas and help they provide for our Faith in Action activities. What does it do for them?

Being a member of the Knights will help them grow stronger in faith and charity. It can also help them develop financial security through our insurance and financial advisement programs. Consider inviting someone today. If you need help, contact me at wardchrisj@hotmail.com , 916-834-1772, or GK Tremain Hayhoe at 310-621-7650, hayhoestudios@gmail.com. Thanks!

ST. MEL CRAB FEED EVENT

By GK Tremain Hayhoe

We had a great time on February 7th at the St. Mel Crab Feed and nobody was crabby! Here is a photo from that day. Good job, everyone!



ST. MEL PARISH CENTER
5:30pm – 9:00pm
SATURDAY
14TH MARCH 2026
SAINT PATRICK'S DAY DINNER!

Includes:
Dinner
Corned Beef • Potatoes • Carrots • Cabbage Salad • Rolls
☘ **1 Drink Ticket** (Beer or Wine)
☘ **1 Raffle Ticket** **RAFFLE**

Adults (13+) \$40
Includes Dinner + 1 Drink Ticket + 1 Raffle Ticket
Children (6-12) \$20
Children (5 & under) Free
(Immediate Household)

WHEEL O' LUCK
\$25 Gift Card
\$50
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LUCKY CHARMS

Dessert Auction • Raffle Prizes • Live Irish Music
Tickets Available after all Masses
Starting **2/28** through **3/7**
and Sold at the Door **3/14**

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KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

by GK Tremain Hayhoe

The Knight of the Month for February 2026 was PGK Chris Ward. Fun fact- I've known Chris since I was in the Boy Scouts going to St. Mel- he was my scout leader! We won't talk about how long ago that was, but the bottom line is he's been a mentor of mine for a while. Now, I consider him a friend (and still a mentor)! Chris has been instrumental these past few months in this transition period helping us knights power through all of the changes. He's been mentoring me with this new position, and it's only fitting that when I joined the knights I was lucky enough to earn a Knight of the Month when he was Grand Knight; now I get to return the favor! Chris is one of the unsung heroes of our council; he just gets stuff done and doesn't complain about it, and still has time for a joke or three along the way. Your work does not go unnoticed brother.

Thank you Chris for all that you do, all that you have done, and all that you're going to do!

Fraternally,
GK Tremain Hayhoe





The Knights of Columbus of St. Mel

will have a meet up for the

 **California March for Life**

on **March 16, 2026**, in the
State Capitol Park at 12 Noon
with a march at **1:00 PM**



**Meet at the Sunrise and
Folsom Blvd Light Rail Station
at 9:45 AM with
10:15 AM departure.**

**Meet other Baby Savers
and Save Babies!**

For more information, please text Alan Absalon at
(916) 934-9082

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Knights of Columbus Baby Supply Drive

at St. Mel

to support
Sacramento Life Center

March 21-22 & 28-29

How to Help:

Please donate new, unopened items such as:



Diapers (Newborn-Size 6) & Pull Ups



Baby Wipes & Diaper Cream



Bottles, Pacifiers, Bibs & Blankets



New Baby Clothing (0-24 months)



Gift Cards (Target, Walmart, Grocery Stores)

Drop Off:

Bring donations to St. Mel before or after masses
or to the Parish Vestibule on both days.

For questions, please contact
Life Director Alan Absalon at

916-934-9082



COUNCIL CALENDAR CHANGES

By PGK Chris Ward

Brothers, please make the following changes to your Calendars for upcoming Council 6066 meetings and events:

Updated March Planning Meeting:

Thursday, March 26th, 7:00 PM

Rescheduled due to St. Mel Lenten Parish Service is at 6:30PM on Thursday, March 19th.

Updated April Business Meeting:

Thursday, April 9th, 7:00 PM

(location to be determined; Parish Center is unavailable on the 9th).

April 2nd is Holy Thursday.

Tentative new date for the Hawaiian Luau event is **Saturday, June 14th** in the Parish Center.

Tentative date for the Father Doheny Fund/St. Mel Rummage Sale is the weekend of **June 26-28**, with collections of goods and setup starting on June 20th. This event is awaiting approval of Doheny Hall/Small Hall by St. Mel School.

March Business Meeting Meal Assignment

March 5th, 2026 - PGK Chris Ward

WHEELCHAIR BREAKFAST REFLECTION

by SK Trevor Harris

Well, another year has come for the Wheelchair Breakfast. It was such a great turnout, and we made \$2902.83 on Sunday. That is more than enough for 19 wheelchairs, which is amazing. I changed the menu for the first time and I think if I decide to chair the event next year (which is too early to tell), we'll maybe do breakfast burritos again. Helping me was Alan Absalon, David Vincent, John Brennnan and his wife Christine Brennan, Dominic Hipolito, Mario la Schiassa, Sean O'Grady, Chris Ward, Andy Anderson, Pat Miles, Grand Knight Tremain Hayhoe, among others! I appreciate everyone's help for such a big success. Thank you very much!



The Four Chaplains Mass/Reception at St. Mel

By PGK Chris Ward

On Saturday morning, January 31st, the Centennial Assembly Honor Guard (4th degree), and our Council, assisted the Saint Michael the Archangel Veterans Group here at St. Mel in honoring the Four Chaplains in a special Mass followed by a reception in the Saint Jude Room. On February 3rd, 1943, the USAT Dorchester was heading across the icy North Atlantic Ocean from Newfoundland to an American base in Greenland carrying service men, merchant seamen, and civilian workers. The ship was hit by a torpedo from a German U-boat and began to sink. Half of the life boats were unavailable for use from the hit of the torpedo below the water line and ice was also locking them in place. The Dorchester would sink in less than 20 minutes. The four Chaplains on board, Lt. Clark Poling (Dutch Reformed), Lt. George Fox (Methodist), Lt. Alexander Goode (Jewish), and Lt. John Washington (Catholic Priest), helped men get on life jackets and into the remaining life boats, even giving up their own life jackets. Then gathering together, they sang hymns and prayed, going down with the ship. Some 670 men died of the 900 on the boat, but many more would have perished without the actions of these Chaplains. Mass was celebrated at 8:30AM by Father Des, assisted by Deacons Dave Lehman and Dave Campbell (Our Lady of Grace Parish in West Sacramento). They were escorted to and from the altar by the Centennial Assembly Honor Guard including SK John Brennan (current Faithful Navigator of the Assembly) and SK Pete Lopez (our DD). Brother Bill Heilmann and Dorothy Wagner (Pat Wagner's wife) led us all in hymns during the Mass. SK Pat Miles did the reading, and SK John Atilano and his wife Rosalie brought up the gifts.

After Mass, the reception was held in the St. Jude Room. We had purchased donuts, muffins, and fruit to go with coffee or juice for the event. The cost of the food and drinks was split evenly with the St. Michael Veterans group. Brothers Trevor Harris and Pat Miles assisted in the setup and cleanup of the food. While everyone was gathered for the after Mass snack, Deacon Dave Campbell spoke on military Chaplains (he is currently a SFC in the Chaplain Corps). He was very informative and brought up several interesting details on how Chaplains and Chaplain Assistants function in the military. For example, just because you are Catholic, doesn't mean you work with a Catholic Priest. Deacon Dave said he has been assigned to work with a Methodist minister and a Jewish rabbi at different times. He particularly noted that he had to learn how to set up for Jewish services and was not allowed to touch certain scrolls used in Jewish ceremonies. Chaplain Assistants also are present to protect the Faith leader they are assigned to, carrying a rifle, something a Chaplain does not do.

All in all, everyone had an enjoyable time and appreciated our support with the food and assistance at the Mass. Even members from the Folsom Council had come to join us for this event. It was also great to work again with another Parish ministry on this event, something that we should definitely do when we get the chance.



Become a Fourth Degree Knight

There will be a Fourth Degree Exemplification on March 14, 2026, at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Folsom. The event will run approximately from 10 am to 3 pm. Family and friends are invited to the ceremony. Please contact SK John Brennan at 916-548-4962 or JPBrennan7262@gmail.com for more information.

Benefits of Joining the 4th Degree of the Knights of Columbus

When Blessed Michael McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus in 1882, there were only three degrees in our Order, Charity (1st Degree), Unity (2nd Degree), and Fraternity (3rd Degree). In the late 19th century, there was some discrimination against Catholics. One reason for this discrimination was that people thought that Catholics were more loyal to the Pope than they were to the United States of America. The Knights of Columbus wanted to show that Catholics could be loyal to, and love both our faith and our country, so they created the Patriotic Degree, the 4th Degree of our Order. The first exemplification of the 4th Degree occurred on February 22nd, 1900, in New York City. In February 2025, the Knights of Columbus celebrated the 125th Anniversary of the 4th Degree of our Order.

The Mission of the 4th Degree is to honor our Veterans, support Sir Knights and their families at a time of loss, and conduct Patriotic educational programs.

Reasons to become a 4th Degree member of the Knights of Columbus:

- The 4th Degree is the highest degree of our Order.
- 4th Degree members earn the title of Sir Knight (SK).
- Because you love our country, and you love our faith.
- When the time comes that God calls you home, you are eligible for the 4th Degree Honor Guard to be present at your Memorial Service. This benefit is also extended to your Spouse, your Parents, and your Children. This honor is not available to 3rd Degree members.
- Chalice Program – In your memory upon passing, your name is engraved on a Chalice with the names of 3 other Sir Knights from our Assembly. These Chalices are donated to priests around the world, and you are remembered every time the Chalice is used in Mass.
- You are eligible to participate as a member of the Knights of Columbus Honor Guard.
- We typically do no fundraisers. Our annual dues of only \$30 allow us to support Seminarians and purchase Chalices for the Chalice Program.

DATING AS A CATHOLIC MAN

By Alan Absalon

Dating is an important and complicated aspect of being a Catholic man, for those who do not choose the sacrament of Holy Orders. It is a type of conversation and meet up where anything can happen and one will need to go through a wide gamut of emotions in getting to know a potential match. It is one of those aspects that does not have a right or wrong answer on how to approach it. It is important that we know these things in addition to upholding the importance of life and family.

I went on a speed dating event where I saw a potential woman. We exchanged phone numbers that night and began talking via text. We had our first date and I felt that it had the potential to be a good match, as we had similar interests. I felt I knocked it out of the park, as she initiated a hug after the end of our date. Fast forward to the fourth date. One of the things I shared with her was more of my career and life goals, and where I see myself in five years. She also shared her life and career goals as well. However, one of the things she said that I immediately began to notice about her was how she only perceives a friendship and not a relationship, as she said that she is content with herself and “loves herself.” There is nothing wrong about loving yourself. However, that is a red flag for me. I am in the dating scene not for a friendship but for a relationship that will materialize into marriage and produce children. She added that she would like a long term relationship and marriage without children and said, “I am happy in my role as an auntie.” I mentioned to her indirectly that a long term relationship that materializes into marriage that produces children are my non-negotiables. I felt disappointed that my family values did not match at all with hers. We should not be afraid to show our values to a woman with whom we may potentially meet as a life partner.

One of the aspects of our society is how many people are choosing to not have children. They feel it is too burdensome to balance both parenthood and a career. My former date was conveying this idea. It is our duty to uphold the sanctity of the family and it is crucial that we build strong families that will contribute to our society in positive ways. It is our duty not only to build strong families of faith with children, but also have the mindset that having children is not going to be a burden at all. It is unfortunate that some women choose to have an abortion so they can continue with their career or remain childless. We need to uphold the importance of faith in our lives and not be afraid to uphold our church’s moral and family values when we date a woman. It is important that we let them know about building strong families, with both a mother and a father. With strong families comes a stronger workforce that can replace workers who are going to retire.

It is imperative as men of faith that we show to our life partners that we are there to support them. It is also our duty to show that there are many community resources such as the Sacramento Life Center that women with children can access so that they can balance parenthood and a career. Since my dating experiences also happened during the season of Lent, it has allowed me to reflect on myself as an individual who knows that no matter what happens, Christ will always be there for me. Do not be afraid to pray and reflect, and seek Christ in our life so that we can be better individuals to our future and current life partners.

MARCH 2026

March Anniversaries

by SK Patrick Wagner , FS

Congratulations to the following couples celebrating their blessed date this month:

Peter J. Abi-Nader & 03/05

Diane Abi-Nader

Chuck V. Hager & 03/07

Mary Hager

March Birthdays

by SK Patrick Wagner, FS

To many More!

John P. Hallissy 03/03

David Vincent 03/04

Joel Obayashi 03/05

Guillermo Quiroz 03/05

Andrew Miller 03/22

C. Donald Jones 03/29

Matrick J. Miles 03/31

Wives:

Nancy Mammano 03/06

Angela Reed 03/08

Donna Tuffo 03/09

Nancy Luckie 03/14

Michelle Swink 03/14

Kathleen Anderson 03/16

Lisa Freindenfelt 03/16

Sara O'Grady 03/19

Marrine Katague 03/26

Cecilia Mary La Branch 03/31

SICK AND DISTRESSED LIST AS OF 01/28/2026

Frank and Judy Abi-Nader, Bruce King, Paul Parker, Mel Rose and Jeff Rose, Bernadette Lazo, Mario La Schiazza, Patty MacEgan, Darleen Janson, Chris Guzman, David Abi-Nader, Elizabeth Annett , B. Gruneisen, Steve Grass, Tom Kelley, Patrick Quinlan, Michael Holbrook, Nora Stroud, Vic Warmerdam, Barney Brinkman, David Murgia, Sue Van Zant, Brandon Ernst, Bill Wagner, Kyle Ramos, Susie Sallee, Ed Lopes, Daniel Cronk, Courtney Calvitti, Rebecca Johnson, Joseph Jones, Rick Terry, Mike McLeod, Don Wagner and Family, Marilyn O'Neil

DECEASED LIST AS OF 01/28/2026

Nestor Hipolito, Elaine Flynn, Robert Richmond, Scott Yesitis, Mary Miles, Kathy Leuschen, Alice Orr, Nancy Allison, Meryl Susmilich, George Kolenski, Al Schindler, Chris Ornales, Robert Pineschi, Steve Freitas, Cely Realuyo, Bob Mayer, Cely Realuyo, Richard Gilberg, Brendan Murphy

MASS CARDS:

Anyone knowing of a fellow brother or his spouse having passed away or ill, please notify Tyson Villa so a Mass Card can be sent. Bro. Tyson can be contacted by phone at 916-213-3767 .

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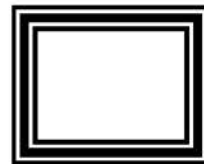
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IN GOD WE TRUST

March 2026

- 5 (Thursday)- Council Business Meeting 7pm
- 8 (Sunday) - CUF
- 14 (Saturday) - St. Patrick's Day Dinner
- 16 (California March for Life)
- 21/22 (Sat, Sun) - Baby Supply Drive
- 26 (Thursday) - Planning Meeting 7pm
- 28/29 (Sat, Sun) - Baby Supply Drive
- 28 (Saturday) - NorCal Chapter Meeting
- 29 (Sunday) - Palm Sunday

April 2026

- 2 (Thursday) - Holy Thursday
- 3 (Friday) - Good Friday
- 5 (Sunday) - Easter Sunday
- 9 (Thursday) Council Business Meeting 7pm
- 12 (Sunday) - Divine Mercy Sunday
- 16 (Thursday) - Council Planning Meeting 7pm
- 25/26 (Sat, Sun) - BGMH Mother's Day Cards, Spiritual Bouquets



Please take the time to check out our web site: www.kc6066.org. If you have any changes, suggestions, and/or even photos, please send them to our Grand Knight, Tremaine Hayhoe 310-621-7650



COUNCIL #6066 EVENTS CALENDAR