

Knights of Columbus

Fair Oaks Council #6066

A Division 5/District 7 Council



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NAVIGATOR

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



GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

By GK Tremain Hayhoe

Brothers-

Happy Fall to you and your families! Now that summer has come to an end and many of us are back from vacation, it's time to start looking ahead to the coming months. There is no easy way to put this: during our last Officers' Meeting, our Worthy Treasurer and Financial Secretary informed us that our council account balance is dangerously low.

That's the bad news. The good news is that this is not a reason for doom and gloom. Rather, it is an opportunity for us to put our heads together and develop new fundraising ideas while expanding on the efforts that are already working.

I am not talking about additional collections from the parish. Instead, we should focus on practical, low-cost, high-return fundraising events. Some ideas discussed recently include hosting a spaghetti dinner every other month or adding a raffle to our potluck events. These are excellent suggestions, and we should explore how to implement the ideas that receive the most support.

Last year's ID Drive was very successful, and we are planning to make this year's event just as successful. One challenge we face is when 100% of the proceeds are donated to a charity. While that is certainly a noble goal, we must also recognize that our council invests the time, effort, and upfront costs necessary to make these events happen. If we donate all proceeds without retaining any funds, we risk continuing the financial challenges we currently face.

Moving forward, let's consider establishing a percentage of proceeds that the council retains, whether that is 10%, 50%, or another amount. We can work with the Treasurer, Financial Secretary, and beneficiary organizations to determine what is fair and sustainable for everyone involved.

Our three most pressing goals for this fall are:

1. Develop and execute a Fall/Winter fundraiser.
2. Find a Brother Knight willing to serve as Chair for the Golf Tournament that has been moved to the spring.
3. Foster positive attitudes and support when brothers bring forward new ideas.

Let's continue seeking meaningful ways to serve our community while strengthening our council financially. The more successful we are in raising funds and enjoying fellowship together, the more we will be able to give back to those in need.

I encourage all of us to support one another's ideas. Not every suggestion will be feasible, but every idea deserves consideration. Fundraising does not need to be complicated. In fact, simpler is often better. I welcome your ideas and suggestions, and we will discuss these topics further at our Business Meeting on October 1st.

If you are interested in taking on a leadership role by chairing a new fundraiser, please step forward. We are always looking for brothers willing to lead, and you will have the full support of the council. Thank you all for being such dedicated and amazing brothers. Teamwork truly makes the dream work!
What are your thoughts? Every brother's idea and suggestion matters. Please feel free to contact me anytime by phone or text at 310-621-7650. May God continue to bless you and your families this Fall and throughout the year ahead.

Fraternally,

GK Tremain Hayhoe

November's Council Dinner

By Dustin Stroud



November may be another month away, but I have special news for our council concerning the dinner that will be provided for our council meeting on Thursday, November 5th. As you can see in our dinner volunteer article below, Sir Knight Mario La Schiazza will be providing the dinner for November's meeting. Chef Mario has asked me to write an article about the dinner he will be providing us. We will be having a Thanksgiving themed dinner with everything prepared by Chef Mario himself (not to be confused with Mario Batali, but I do think Sir Knight Mario is right up there with his culinary skills). The menu for the dinner includes:

-Ham Cut Steak	-Half Baked Sweet Potatoes	-BBQ Beans
-Pumpkin Soup	-Pumpkin Pie	-Coffee

This time the dinner will start early at 5:30 PM, to give us all time to eat while everything is fresh and hot. Hope to see everyone there and God bless.

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



Volunteers for the Business Meeting Meal at 6pm

Thursday, October 1 **Alan Absalon (916) 934-9082**
Thursday, November 5 **Mario La Schiazza (916) 870-8996, mariolaschiazza204@gmail.com** and **Pat Miles (916) 849-8698, milespatrick4940@gmail.com**
Thursday, December 3 **Chris Ward 916-834-1772**
Thursday, January 8 **John Brennan 916-548-4962**

We could use more volunteers to provide a meal for the Council prior to our Business meetings. If you can help, let Chris Ward know. If you are scheduled to provide a meal and can't, contact Chris Ward at 916-834-1772 or wardchrisj@hotmail.com, if possible, at the beginning of the week in which the Business Meeting will be held. Thanks.



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. Anyone can provide input. If you chair an event or fundraiser, 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 Dustin Stroud at navigator6066@googlegroups.com or dustin.stroud@yahoo.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

Open Director Positions for The Doheny Fund
By SK John Brennan



After serving as a Doheny Fund Director for over 5 years, SK Michael Karelius has submitted his resignation. Also, SK Pat Wagner, who has taken on more responsibilities for the Parish, is looking to resign as soon as we are able to find a replacement. Thus, we will be accepting nominations from now until the end of our next General Council Meeting to fill 2 Director positions. At the end of the meeting, the elected officers and Financial Secretary will vote on the candidates to elect the new Directors as stated in The Doheny Fund by-laws.

The Father Richard Doheny Religious Education Fund (The Doheny Fund), a registered 501(c)(3) charity, was established by Knights of Columbus Fair Oaks Council # 6066 to support individuals pursuing Catholic instruction, including Seminarians, students attending a Catholic high school, and the St. Mel OCIA program. The Doheny Fund has five Directors, each elected to a 5-year term. One Director term ends each December 31st on a rotating basis. The Seat on the Board is open to any member in good standing of the Knights of Columbus Fair Oaks Council # 6066. If you are interested or know of anyone who is interested in serving as a Director on The Doheny Fund, please contact me or any of the Directors listed below prior to our October 1, 2026, General Meeting of Fair Oaks Council # 6066. Nominations will be accepted prior to and during the meeting on October 1, 2026.

The Directors meet at least quarterly throughout the year to manage the investment fund activities. The main fundraiser for The Doheny Fund is the St. Mel Rummage Sale, which will be in July 2027. All Directors must be committed to preparing for and conducting the rummage sale from start to finish. Many hours go into organizing the sale, especially the week of the event when we accept donations, sort the treasures, sell as much as possible, and then clean up the hall when the sale is over. All leftovers must be packed for final donation to a charitable organization like the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Our bylaws state the election will be made by the majority vote of the following individuals: (1) the thirteen elected and appointed officers of the Knights of Columbus Fair Oaks Council #6066, and (2) the Financial Secretary of the Knights of Columbus Fair Oaks Council # 6066. The election will be held at the conclusion of the General Meeting.

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Become a Fourth Degree Member of the Knights of Columbus

By SK John Brennan

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. For over 125 years, the Knights of Columbus have been promoting our Patriotism to our Country as Catholic gentlemen.

The Mission of the 4th Degree is honoring our Veterans, supporting Sir Knights and their families at a time of loss, and conducting and supporting Patriotic educational programs. Examples of Patriotic events include:

- Stand Down Events to help Veterans
- Flag Dedication Ceremonies
- Flag Retirement Ceremonies
- Veterans Day Events
- Memorial Day Events
- 4th of July Events
- Remembering The Four Chaplains

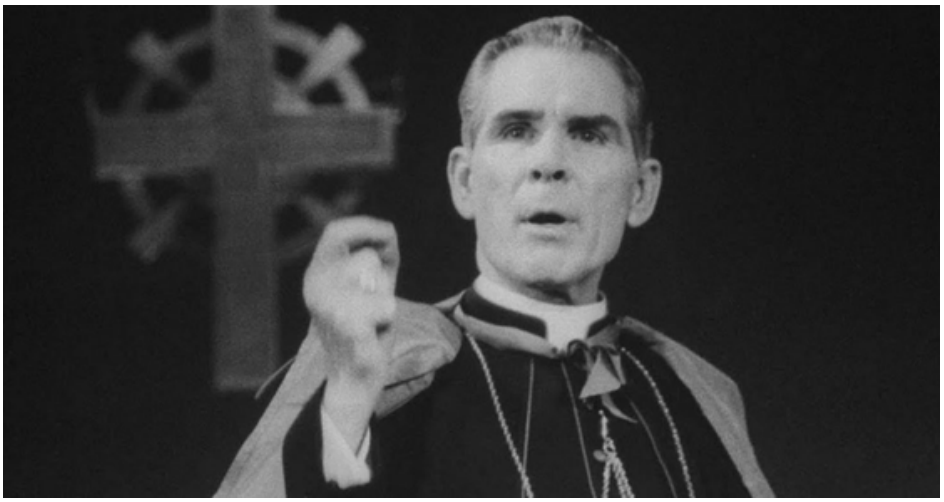
Reasons to become a 4th Degree member of the Knights of Columbus are:

-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.
-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.

The next Exemplification for the Fourth Degree will be at St. John the Baptist in Folsom on November 14, 2026. Please contact SK John Brennan at 916-548-4962 or JPBrennan7262@gmail.com for more information.

Blessed Archibishop Fulton J. Sheen

By Dustin Stroud



The Church has celebrated the beatification of Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, one of the most influential Catholic evangelists of the twentieth century and a fellow Brother Knight of the Knights of Columbus.

The beatification Mass was held on September 24 at The Dome at America's Center in St. Louis, Missouri, with Cardinal Luis Antonio Tagle serving as the Papal Representative. This historic occasion recognized Archbishop Sheen's heroic virtue, tireless evangelization, and lasting impact on the Church.

As Brother Knights, we can look to Archbishop Sheen as a model of bold and creative evangelization. During the 1970s, he addressed two Supreme Conventions of the Knights of Columbus, encouraging members to embrace a "theology of the laity" and to bring Christ into every aspect of daily life.

Many people remember Archbishop Sheen for his groundbreaking television program, "Life Is Worth Living," which aired from February 12, 1952, to April 26, 1955. Through his remarkable communication skills, wit, and deep faith, he inspired millions of viewers and helped bring Catholic teachings into homes across America.
The miracle most closely associated with Archbishop Sheen's beatification involved James Fulton, a baby born in Illinois on September 16, 2010.

At birth, James was declared stillborn. He showed no heartbeat or signs of respiration for 61 minutes, and medical personnel were preparing a death certificate. During this time, his parents prayed specifically for the intercession of Archbishop Fulton Sheen. Against all medical expectations, James suddenly revived and survived without lasting complications.
The Church recognized this extraordinary event as the miracle required for Archbishop Sheen's beatification.
Let us continue to pray for another miracle through the intercession of Blessed Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen so that he may one day be canonized as a saint.

Blessed Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, pray for us.

The Sacramento Life Center Gala - An Amazing Cause to Save Babies
By Alan Absalon



On Saturday, November 7, 2026, the Sacramento Life Center will host its annual Life Gala at the Hyatt Regency in downtown Sacramento. This event is the organization's largest fundraiser and gathering of the year, bringing together pro-life advocates, community leaders, and supporters from across the Sacramento region. Attendees will hear powerful testimonies from individuals and families whose lives have been positively impacted by the Sacramento Life Center's mission and services.

It is important to recognize that the Sacramento Life Center does not receive government funding and operates entirely through the generosity of donors, community leaders, and advocates who support its life-affirming mission. The organization serves a diverse population throughout the Sacramento area, providing encouragement and resources to help families choose life for their children. In addition to pregnancy support services, the Life Center offers comprehensive women's health services, support groups for new parents, and scholarship opportunities for families working to further their education while raising children.

Since becoming a Knight, the Knights of Columbus' commitment to defending and promoting life has been central to my growth as a leader within the Fair Oaks Council. It has been a blessing to work alongside fellow community leaders who share a passion for protecting life within their parishes and communities.

As the Fair Oaks Council Life Director, I was pleased to secure and purchase a table for ten guests at this year's Life Gala. Having attended the event last year, I was deeply moved by the stories of the families served by the Sacramento Life Center and inspired by the organization's dedication to helping parents succeed by providing essential support, guidance, and critical baby supplies.

I am confident that this year's gala will be equally inspiring, and I encourage my fellow Knights to consider attending this important event. For more information about the Life Gala or to reserve a seat at our table, please contact me at **(916) 934-9082** or **Alan.Absalon@gmail.com**.

Take Me Out to the Ball Game

By Dustin Stroud







"Take me out to the ball game! Take me out to the crowd!" I had that song stuck in my head throughout the week leading up to the River Cats game on Sunday, September 20. As a way to enjoy some fellowship and brotherhood with my fellow Knights, a small group of us attended the game between the Sacramento River Cats and the Reno Aces.
Our group consisted of Deputy Grand Knight David Vincent, who generously rented the suite where we watched the game, Grand Knight Tremain Hayhoe, Martin Baker and his son, David, Alan Absalon, Sir Knight George Perkins, Sir Knight and Worthy Warden Trevor Harris, and myself.

Although the River Cats lost 4-1, we still had a great time. For lunch, we enjoyed French fries, chicken tenders, and hot dogs. We had soda and beer to drink, and I treated myself to a surprisingly tasty frozen wine-and-vodka cocktail.
After the game ended, as we were leaving the stadium, a few of us had the opportunity to meet legendary baseball player Dusty Baker and have our picture taken with him.

This was my first time attending a professional baseball game, and I am happy to say that my first experience was anything but disappointing.









Knights of Columbus, Fair Oaks Council # 6066

CampaignforPeople withIntellectual Disabilities

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

October24, 2026 at 5:30PM

St. Mel Parish Center





The Knights of Columbus Fair Oaks Council #6066 cordially invites EVERYONE to our 10th Annual Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

Tickets are available in the Parish Office (916) 967-1229

ForRSVPs, callor textJohnBrennanat(916)548-4962

or email: jpbrennan7262@gmail.com




DessertAuction
Fun forthe Family

TICKETS
$20 per Adult, $10 forChildren Under 12 yrs.
Proceeds will benefitCampReCreationandLaurelRuffTransitional School

mens Day of Faith

Saturday, October 10

ST. MEL PARISH
FAIR OAKS



MEET Fr. Nathan Cromly

Our very special guest priest is a nationally known speaker, writer, retreat leader, outdoorsman and president of the St. John Institute who challenges us to Dare Great Things for Christ.

Fr. Cromly will reveal the timelessness of St. Paul's leadership, what can happen if we let Christ transform our lives, and how we can find practical guidance from this great saint. Let's step up and learn to lead by following Christ.

Don't Miss it!

SATURDAY SCHEDULE:

- Check-in begins at6:30 am
- Rosary 7:00 am
- Holy Mass 7:30 am
- Eucharistic Procession
- Continental Breakfast
- Inspirational Talks by Fr. Nathan with Q&A
- Hearty Catered Lunch
  Gourmet Steak & Chicken Fajita Bar
- Special Prizes Too!

DOS COYOTES

SIGN UP TODAY!

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TICKET PRICES FOR SATURDAY	SINGLE TICKET	TABLE OF 8*	FATHER & SON
	$50	$350	$80
			$40each

** Note: Limited seating on discounted tables*

Friday, Oct. 9 - FREE Family Event

FRIDAY EVENING: 6:00 pm

"HOLINESS IN THE HOME"
Learning Family Life from St. Paul

Fr. Nathan Cromly is giving a talk to the whole family - all ages! Invite a friend.



FREE Ice Cream!

No registration for Friday required. Just show up.



Meet Bishop Rey

Special blessingand greeting from Most Rev. Bishop Rey Bersabal.

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October Anniversaries

by SK Patrick Wagner , FS

Congratulations!

Sean & Sara O'Grady	*10/03*
Ferryanto & Rohjati Tjhin	*10/19*
Randy & Catherine Rozanski	*10/25*
Thomas & Claudia Beigel	*10/30*

SICK AND DISTRESSED LIST AS OF 10/01/2026

Jo Morrison, Carol Warmerdam, Vic Warmerdam, Pat Quinlan, Chris Hayhoe, Bill Terry, Tony Absalon, Loretta Brennan, Mario La Schiazza, Elizabeth Baker, Darlene Jansen, Celia Wagner, Nora Stroud, Amanda Sparks, Mike Hummer, Bill Savage

DECEASED LIST AS OF 10/01/2026

Marion Cervetti

October Birthdays

by SK Patrick Wagner, FS

To many More!

Anthony Greco Jr	*10/01*
Richard R Welsh	*10/04*
Ruben De Anda Padilla	*10/05*
Paul H Gohring	*10/06*
Henry G Luckie	*10/07*
Rodd J Tufto	*10/07*
Clifford J Leiker	*10/09*
Patrick D Povey	*10/09*
Jesse Hoskins	*10/11*
Jerry Sullivan	*10/11*
William J Savage	*10/15*
Clement J Dougherty	*10/20*
Troy V Olsen	*10/20*
Manuel Cepeda Duenas Jr	*10/21*
Denis C Shunta	*10/21*
Daniel L Styer	*10/26*
Clifford M Ingram	*10/29*
Christopher Owen	*10/30*
Salvatore V Ricca	*10/30*
Dustin Stroud	*10/30*
Donald A Wagner	*10/31*
Wives:	
Alison Fox	*10/01*
Rosalie Duenas	*10/03*
Monica Crumley	*10/04*
Judy Abi-Nader	*10/06*
Gloria Sunquist	*10/09*
Candice (Candy) Ward	*10/20*
Mary Hager	*10/26*

MASS CARDS:

Anyone knowing of a fellow brother or his spouse having passed away or ill, please notify Dustin Stroud so a Mass Card can be sent. Bro. Dustin can be contacted by phone at 279-228-4860.

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IN GOD WE TRUST

October 2026

01 (Thursday)- Council Business Meeting
04 (Sunday)- Parish Blood Drive
09 (Friday)-10 (Saturday) Men's Day of Faith
15 (Thursday)- Council Planning Meeting
17 (Saturday), 18 (Sunday), 24 (Saturday)- ID Drive Donations
24 (Saturday)- ID Drive Spaghetti Dinner

November 2026

1 (Sunday)- All Saints Day
5 (Thursday) Council Business Meeting
7 (Saturday)- Knights Memorial Rosary/Mass 3:30PM
7 (Saturday)- Sacramento Life Center Gala
11 (Wednesday)- Mass/Veteran's Day Celebration
14,15 (Saturday, Sunday)- Baby Supply Drive
19 (Thursday)- Council Planning Meeting
21 (Saturday)- NORCAL Chapter Meeting
26 (Thursday)- Thanksgiving Day
28,29 (Saturday, Sunday)- Keep Christ In Christmas Cards
29 (Sunday)- First Day of Advent

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

COUNCIL #6066 EVENTS CALENDAR