



Knights' News

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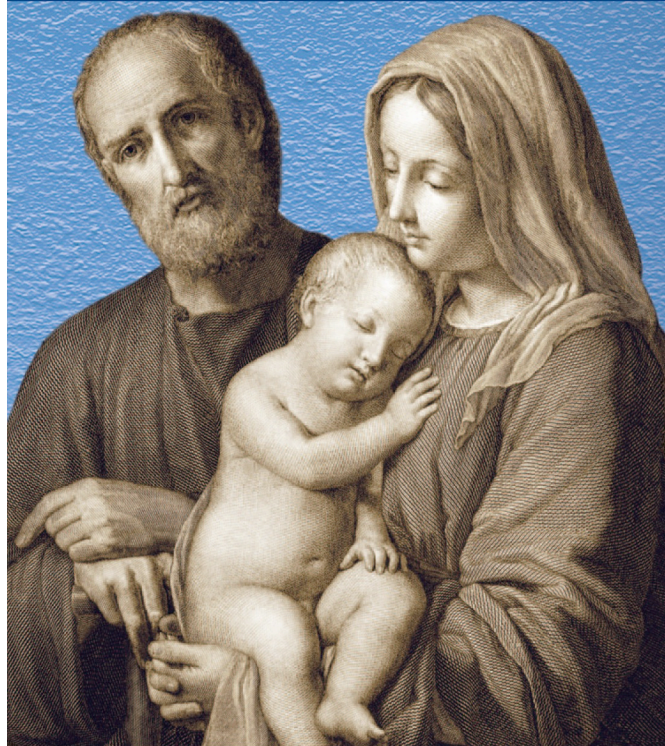
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The Family Fully Alive

Building the Domestic Church



PRAYERS, MEDITATIONS AND ACTIVITIES
TO ENRICH YOUR FAMILY LIFE

BLOOD DRIVE

Paradise Community

Tuesday, February 20

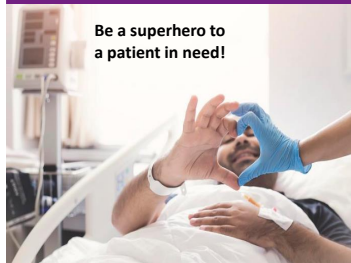
12:30 – 4:00 p.m.

The Veterans Memorial Hall

Appointments Strongly
Recommended

For an appointment, [scan QR code](#) or [Click Here](#). Or visit donors.vitalant.org & enter Blood Drive Code **SMFM048** or call Vitalant at 530.893.5433.

Please bring a photo ID.
Please eat well & drink plenty of water
prior to donating.



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a patient in need!



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gift card

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Details at vitalant.org/shareyourlove

Please complete your Fast Track Health History
the **day of your donation** at vitalant.org/health.



GRAND KNIGHT'S NOTATIONS

We live in a dangerous world and again U.S. servicemen and women pay the price. Our servicemen and women are located in over 200 bases across the world. It doesn't matter if they are active duty, reserve or national guard, the military mission is the same and they belong to us! It really pains me to see this kind of news, again, losing servicemembers. Please pray for our military, out there doing it every day!

They were with the 926th Engineer Battalion out of Fort Moore (formerly Fort Benning), Georgia. It was a heavy construction/equipment unit supporting the local mission. In these "Tent Cities" the soldiers would sleep and relax but nearby, prepositioned bunkers, hardened against enemy attack were empty. No warnings?

Pentagon Identifies 3 Army Reserve Soldiers Killed in Jordan When Iran-Backed Militants Flew Drone into Living Quarters



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Sp4 Breonna A Moffett, 23

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DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT

The month of February is traditionally dedicated to the Holy Family. The Knights of Columbus offer many publications promoting family prayer, worship, and spiritual formation. One such is "The Family Fully Alive", a compilation of prayers and meditations that families can engage in together in addition to their regular worship at church. The booklet, along with other publications, is available through the Knights for a minimal price and can be ordered online by clicking [here](#). The booklet pictured in this article can also be downloaded free of charge online by clicking [here](#). From the time of Christ to the present, our family values remain much the same. Is our family safe and free of worry, do we have sufficient means to live our lives, and perhaps most importantly, do our values honor God, human dignity, and a respect for life?

Fittingly, the State featured program for February is *Mass for People with Special Needs*. A brochure describing the program can be downloaded from online by clicking [here](#). Essentially, it involves reaching out to those in the parish and local community who are intellectually disabled. Involve them in a function at your parish (breakfast, lunch, or dinner) and arrange with your Pastor to celebrate a Mass in conjunction with the activity. ALL functions involving and/or benefitting the intellectually disabled count as a *Life* activity on the Form SP-7 *Columbian Award Application*. In California, the *Frank Nigro Columbian Foundation Supporting People With Intellectual Disabilities* serves as a 501(c)(3) donor advised fund for council contributions to organizations benefitting the intellectually disabled, ensuring contributions from individuals are fully tax deductible.

I am pleased to announce the "Cor" program has gotten off to a great start in District 2 under the leadership of the two councils in Chico! The first meeting was held January 16, 2024, and was well attended. The group will continue to meet monthly on the third Tuesday at 7:00 PM in Room 2 of the Our Divine Savior Church Social Hall. "Cor" (Latin for Heart) is a meeting sponsored by the Knights of Columbus for the men of the parish focusing solely on prayer, scripture, and faith formation. Aply led by Rob Holt from Chico Council 1137, the meetings are a joint project of Chico Council 1137 and ODS Council 13765.

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Calendar of Events**February / March**

Feb. 2	Presentation of the Lord
Feb. 2	Ground Hog Day
Feb. 3	St. Blaise, (blessing of the throats)
Feb. 11	Valentine Day Pancake Breakfast
Feb. 14	Ash Wednesday, (first day of Lent)
Feb. 14	K of C Officers meeting, 9:00 am
Feb. 14	Valentine's Day
Feb. 16	Stations of the Cross 6:00 pm, (soup at 5:00 pm)
Feb. 21	Business Meeting, Rosary at 6:30 pm Business meeting 7:00 pm
Feb. 23	Stations of the Cross 6:00 pm, (soup at 5:00 pm)

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS:John Courtney—1stKevin Dixon—1stWilliam Courtney—8thBill Lawson—25th**CHANCELLOR'S REPORT**

Please continue to pray for those on our prayer list: Greg Wright, Leo and Beverly Benedetti, Ron Martin, John Thomas, Jim and Lani McManus, Leo Bourgeois, Richard Reniero, Greg and Kathy DeCristofaro, Gina and Duncan Barnard, Israel Garcia, Barbara Brown, John Johnson, Karen Philips, Jerry Foster, Jeff Tolly, Barbara Collins, Bob Smith, Jim and Lillian Daley, Deacon Ray Helgeson and Pope Francis.

It is with sadness that we learned that Karen Phillips passed away Wednesday, January 31st. Her funeral at STM will be February 8th with the Rosary starting at 10:30 am.

Please remember those who are serving our country in the armed forces and those who fell victim to the natural disasters and the Corona Virus. Pray for all the health professionals, all our police and law enforcement officers, firefighters, EMT's and all who are trying to keep us safe. Pray for our brothers and sisters and allies who were left behind in Afghanistan. Pray for Israel and all the innocent victims of war. Pray for America which stands for One Nation under God, with Liberty and Justice for ALL.

For additions, deletions, corrections, please call your Chancellor, Greg DeCristofaro at 873-4132.

KNIGHT HUMOR—SOME THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

- How is it that we put man on the moon before we figured out it would be a good idea to put wheels on luggage?
- Why is it that people say they "slept like a baby" when babies wake up like every two hours?
- If a deaf person has to go to court, is it still called a hearing?
- Why are you IN a movie, but you're ON TV?
- Why do people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money in binoculars to look at things on the ground?
- Why do doctors leave the room while you change? They're going to see you naked anyway.

DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT (CON'T)

Membership for those joining online continues to be free through June 30, 2024. By entering the code "BlessedMcGivney" in the online application found on the Supreme Council website at www.kofc.org/joinus, first-year membership dues are waived. The online application can also be easily accessed with the camera on your smartphone using the QR Code included in this article. Be sure and enter your membership number in the appropriate line on the application so you get credit for the recruitment.



Those who sign up online will immediately begin receiving emails, *Columbia Magazine* and a membership card allowing them to attend council meetings. They can easily be moved into a council if accepted by a vote of the membership and by attending a welcoming ceremony of Charity, Unity and Fraternity. Online members count as new members when they join a council. Let's all commit to bringing in one or more new members by year end!

Once again, my compliments to the councils in District 2 for the support you provide your Pastors and parish community. Thank you for your charity and service! May God bless.

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KNIGHT'S CORNER

It is good to see everyone stepping up to the plate to help out with the Valentin's Day Pancake Luncheon. I know our Grand Knight, David Lemire, will welcome all your help and support.

The Fourth Degree is still looking for a few good men to serve the Patriotic Branch of the Knights of Columbus. We are hoping to find new members to join the Honor Guard. The Honor Guard serves as the Bishop's escort when he visits us and when he presides over Confirmation in our area. The Honor Guard also serves as escorts for our fallen Forth Degree Knights at their funeral. It also serves as an escort for the Garden of Innocence ceremonies to give a dignified burial to those abandon babies. Please prayerfully consider joining us. Greg DeCristofaro will be happy to give you an application.

If you would like to serve your community, think about joining the many helpers from our parish at the First Baptist Food Pantry. See Greg DC. For more information. Please call (530)873-4132 or (530) 588-3790.

INSURANCE INFO

LIFE INSURANCE • DISABILITY INCOME INSURANCE • LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE • RETIREMENT ANNUITIES

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