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## **Grand Knight**

Brother Knights,

A big thank you to brother knight, Arnie, for hosting a pool party at his house ... it was a beautiful day, clear skies and the pool was at a perfect temperature for a good lap. The hamburgers and hot dogs were delish but nothing beats Arnie's homemade salsa. John Kapman even went in for a swim as it was cooling and therapeutic for him ... there were a good 10+ people that came, all but two got

wet.

I also want to express my gratitude to all the Brothers who made our recent Wheelchair Drive a huge success. From our readers at each mass to those and their family volunteers who helped collect donations at each of the doors. Our Wheelchair drive efforts have already helped those from our own Parish! Like our ID Drive, we are constantly at the top of participating Councils in California in raising funds for these worthwhile causes helping those who cannot help themselves. Please give yourselves a nice pat on the back for a job well done! Also, please be prepared to help with our ID Drive coming up in November!

The saint of the month I have chosen is Saint Vincent de PauL St. Vincent de Paul is, recognized as the patron saint of charity, known for his profound compassion and dedication to serving the poor. St. Vincent de Paul was born on April 24, 1581, in Pouy, France. He initially pursued a comfortable life as a priest, serving the wealthy elite. However, a pivotal moment in 1617 changed his path when he realized the dire needs of the poor while hearing the confession of a dying farmer. This encounter ignited a deep compassion within him, leading him to dedicate his life to charitable works. His feast day is September 27th.

Let us all ignite, renew and invigorate our own dedication to Charity, Unity and Fraternity!

Blessed be God, SK Chris Langness, PGK



## **Deputy Grand Knight Program Director**

Brothers,

Boo! October is here, and a new season of opportunities to live out our mission as Knights. This is the perfect time to continue building out momentum from Sept Boo! October is here, and a new season of opportunities to live out our mission as Knights. This

is the perfect time to continue building out momentum from Septemberuniting in faith, charity, and fraternity. As we move deeper into the fall season, let us focus on striving and leadership that will grow beyond this month, leaving a lasting impact on our council, parish, and community.

Please find time to support the "OC Walk for Life" Annual Walk for Life event held at Christ. Oct. 4th (see flyer on pg 8) and we can carpool from the Hall if any are interested. Our monthly "1st, 2nd and 3rd degree Exemplification" Oct. 8th at Fennimore Hall. Lasly, we have been requested to help with the "Trunk or Treat at BSS" Oct. 24 Blessed Sacrament School ground. Lastly, the Parish Faith Formation Office through our Brother Connor has asked us to provide overnight security at the "BS Confirmation Retreat" Oct. 17 and 18th, volunteers will ned to have safety trained and fingerprinted. Let me know if you can help.

Regular meetings, Knights Out, Adoration and other agendas remain in-place with their respective schedule. Again, see our on pg 11, on the calendar at our website or attend meetings to get more information.

Let's make October a month where we stay engaged and visible, showing what it means to be Knights of Columbus. Together we will make this season one of growth, action, and faith.

Vivat Jesus, Erasmo Yanez, DGK & Pram Director

## \*\*\* CALL FOR HELP \*\*\*

- ♦ Orange Walk-4-Life, see flyer on pg. 8
- BSC Confirmation II Retreat overnight watch Oct. 17-19. (requires Diocesan safety training and background check)
- Blessed Sacrament School Trunk or Treat Oct 24. Council 3926 has been asked to provide security and traffic control

## **Knight of the Month**

The Knight of the Month of September, is John Dang. Even though his car was in the shop, he still found a way to come and help his fellow knights. He would call me to ask for a ride to meetings or to help with the teardown ofthe Vietnamese food market ... He still comes around even with our constant teasing and joking, always with a sense of ease! Join Council 3926 in congratulating Bro. John on this distinction and thank him for his commitment, service and good spirit!



Always quick to help!

## Family of the Month

The Family of the Month for September is the Kien Le family. Kien's oldest son Viet, just got married on Saturday, August 30th, 2025. The next day after hopefully some long needed rest, Kien, Viet (the newly wedded husband), his new wife Chelsea, and little brother Bob came out to the church and helped tear down the Vietnamese food market, put away tables and canopies. Even though they seemed to be refreshed, I could see they still were tired but yet they came to help and powered through! The Le family always seems to step up when there is need, please give Brother Kien and his family nod of acknowledgement and thank you!



The Kien Le Family: Viet-Anh, Viet-Long, Viet-Khoa, Hanh and Thuy-Vi, are blessed to serve.

## **Award Well Deserved!!!**

During our Wheelchair Drive in late September, Brother Chris, as he did last year for both the Wheelchair and ID Drives, volunteered to speak at 4 of the 5 Vietnamese Masses. Well on his journey in Diaconate Formation, Brother Chris is a well respected pillar of Blessed Sacrament Parish's Vietnamese community and his participation resulted in a strong donation response from the group. PGK Arnie had recognized Brother Chris for his service and presented him with his award and Knight of the Month gift. Please thanks Bro. Chris with a hearty handshake of gratitude!



A humble dedicated servant



## From the Insurance Agent Brother Jose Cisneros

Brothers.

Did you know some life insurance policies include living benefits? Do yours?

Certain policies offer benefits during your lifetime – these are known as "living benefits."

One such benefit is a whole life insurance policy's cash value, which can grow tax-deferred. You can access it during your lifetime either through a partial loan or a full

surrender of the policy, or as collateral. You would have this at your disposal to help with a down payment, tuition, to supplement your income in retirement, or in case of emergency.

Secondly, living benefit riders, which you can add to a whole life policy, can help make funds available to you if you're diagnosed with a chronic or terminal illness.

No one expects a devastating diagnosis, but if it happens, you'll be able to put your whole life insurance policy to work immediately — while you and your family need it.

One of those riders is the new Chronic Illness Armor rider, which helps guard your family against the financial strain of a chronic health diagnosis. For a modest premium, this rider allows you to access your policy death benefit to cover mortgage payments, medical bills or any other expenses that come in the wake of a chronic illness. There are no restrictions on what you can use the accelerated benefits for!

The Terminal Illness Rider will also accelerate your death benefit and can help provide funds if you receive a terminal diagnosis that shortens your life expectancy. Like the Chronic Illness Armor rider, this benefit can be used to cover anything from a family trip to end-of-life expenses.

In short, life insurance with living benefit riders can help your family prepare not just for an unexpected death, but also serious illness through a means that al-

lows you to use your benefits during your lifetime. It's a daunting scenario to consider, but if it does happen, financial relief is possible.

Set up time to meet with me, and we'll create a personalized insurance plan that matches your needs.

Thank you!

### **Jose Cisneros**

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## **Council Rules and Decorum**

With a number of new Brothers to the Council, we would like to remind and impress upon our official requirements and protocol during the meetings. Council 3926 his a rich tradition adhering to certain formalities and decorum that has served us well over the last seven decades, and we must keep with these practices.

Here are some of the few items that need to be observed:

- Respect toward our Grand Knight during the meetings, when the Gavel goes down (see Gavel Protocol below), we officially come to order starting the meeting and the Grand Knight is fully in charge.
- When wanting to speak, raise you hand, when you are acknowledge, or when the GK or Deputy GK (Program Director) asks a question, stand, salute the GK, speak loudly and clearly stating what you want to say. When finished, sit down and continue on with whatever is being discussed.
- No food or beverages of any king should be taken to the meeting, no talking, cell phone use or other distractions are allowed. Pay attention to what is being discussed, take an active part, and remember that what is being discussed is important council business. The meetings are an opportunity to participate and learn.
- Remember, the Grand Knight is in charge and deserves all of our respect during the meetings and at all times.

## Membership Card & Gavel Protocol

You should attend your council meetings, and <u>your membership card is necessary for admittance</u>. The warden will inspect your membership card at every meeting. Once admitted, go directly to a seat and take an active part in the meeting.

During the meeting, the number of raps of the gavel by the Grand Knight signify as follows:

One rap: For the Council to come to order or be seated.

Two raps: For the officers to arise.

Three raps: For the council to arise.

Programme For all to kneel in prayer.

(Reprint from The Columban Chronical Vol. 2024, Issue 2)

## Wheelchair & ID Drive





The last weekend of Sept. saw a hugely successful Wheelchair Drive and support for the intellectually disabled at Blessed Sacrament Church. Thank you to all of our brothers, family, and friends; and particularly Brothers who spoke at all the Masses, including DGK Erasmo's wife, who spoke on our behalf at the Spanish Mass! Thank you also to Fr. Anthony and all our Priests for their approval, support and prayers! They not only supported but provided strong encouragement at each of the Masses during the closing announcements!

Above: Knights out in numbers to support the fundraiser. Right: Some of our pulpit speakers and all did a wonderful job delivering the message of Charity! Below: Father Tuyen joined the team for a picture opportunity and was specially supportive of the event and of the Council at the Vietnamese Mass.



## **Save the Date**

Knights of Columbus in the Diocese of Orange present:



## Orange Walk for Life 2025

Dignity of Life...

...from Conception to Natural Death

October 4, 2025, 8:30 AM

At the Our Lady of La Vang Shrine at Christ Cathedral



## This event is for everyone.

- International Rosary
- Dignity of Life Message Mass
- Eucharistic Procession
- Prolife Partners Reception and Lunch



Parking is limited. Carpooling is recommended. Caravan to Christ Cathedral if you can.



## **Know Your Faith**

- Q: Which of these is not one of the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse mentioned in Revelation 6?
  - A. Conquest
  - B. War
  - C. Famine
  - D. Death
  - E. Earthquakes



(Answer on page 10)



## SICK AND DISTRESS LIST



Etta Joham, RIP	Jim Miller	Tre Le	
Blanca Hernandez, RIP	Herman Godinez	Maria Marquez	
Esperanza Ruiz, RIP	Charlie Koonze	Ada Rodriguez	
Salvador Ruiz, RIP	Armando Sanchez	Katie Langness	
Benny Hernandez, RIP	Johnny Le		

## Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney Pray for us



## \*\*\* Happy Birthday! \*\*\*



## October

Gabriel Bonifacio	Daniel Chavez Tapia	Connor Ho		
John Ngo	Lance Hole	Francisco Gapuz		
Alberto Gonzalez	Arnold Aparicio	Florencio Alfonso		
Richard Silbas	Erasmo Yanez	Octavio Corona		
Paul Tran				

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

## **Degree Ceremonial Team**

Council 3926 has for decades hosted degree ceremonials for new candidates to the Order, new member to our own or to other local councils. The degrees are hosted at Fennimore Hall every 2nd Wednesday of the Month and we often host many candidates. There is no better way to learn and internalize our core values of Charity, Unity and Fraternity, than to become a team member and to teach. The Ceremonial Degree Team is in need of new members to continue this valued tradition and invites all interested Brothers to join and support. Please contact Team Captain, FS Kien, if you are interested.

## Parish Small Market Clean-up

Father Anthony has asked the Knight to help the Vietnamese Group clean-up the Small Market they operate on the weekends at Blessed Sacrament Church. Clean-up is every Sunday evening at 7pm, currently outside of Mary's Hall, and involves assisting with collapsing and storing a few tables and canopies, and helping put away unsold items. This usually takes around 30 mins with sufficient helping hands. We would like to set up several teams of 2-3 brothers that can stagger this ongoing support week after week. Please consider helping and with enough teams, each brother would only need to commit once or twice a month! Please contact FS Kien if you can commit to helping.



\*\*\* Cancellation Notice \*\*\*

<u>Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church</u>

Blood Drive



Due to renovations at the Church the scheduled Red Cross Blood Drive on October 19th has been cancelled.

## **Know Your Faith**

- Q: Which of these is not one of the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse mentioned in Revelation 6?
- A: The correct answer is:
  - E. Earthquakes



(from Inquizion by Patrick Madrid)

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Refer to kofc3926.org/calendar/ for changes and updates.

## October 2025

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Dinner & Bus Mtg	2	3	4 Orange Walk for Life
5	6	7	8 Degree Ceremonial	9 Adoration	10	11
12	13	14	15 Officer & Bus Mtg	16	17. FF Retreat	18. BSC FF Retreat
19 BSC FF Retreat	20	21	22 Knight's Night Out	23	24 BSS Trunk or Treat	25 Recruit- ment Drive
26 Recruit- ment Drive	27	28	29 Family Rosary	30	31	

## November 2025

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
						1	
2 BSC Me- morial Mass	3	4	5 Dinner & Bus Mtg	6 KoC Memorial Mass / Adoration	7	8 Hall Maintenance	
9	10	11	12 Degree Ceremonial	13	14	15	
16	17	18	19 Officer & Bus Mtg	20	21	22 ID Drive	
23 ID 30 Drv	24	25	26 Knight's Night Out	27 Happy Thanksgiving	28	29	