



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

### GIROUD-HEIMANN COUNCIL

### JULY-AUGUST 2025 NEWSLETTER

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- **NO KNIGHTS PANCAKE BREAKFAST, BUSINESS MEETING, AND OFFICER'S MEETING FOR JULY AND AUGUST, 2025 – HAPPY SUMMER!!!**
- Jun 29 – 9:30 am to 11:00 am: Rosary Before Mass & Knights Ministry Sunday 10 am Mass
  - Announcement of Scholarship Winners during announcements.
- Jul 04 – Independence Day: Fly the Flag
- Jul 08 - 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm: Officer Installation (Church) & Council Dinner (Parish Hall)
- Jul 15 – 7-00 pm to 8:30 pm: COR Bible Study Group
- Aug 19 – 7-00 pm to 8:30 pm: COR Bible Study Group

### **GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT:**

Brother Knights.

As I finish up my term as your Grand Knight, I would like to thank the Officers who served with me and gave me their commitment, guidance, wisdom and prayers. I'll do this in the Jimmy Fallon – "Thank You" Note style.

- To Fr. Martin and Joshy, thank you for your spiritual guidance over our council and your occasional Dad jokes.
- To Brother Antonio, thank you for filling in as GK when I could not be there, especially with my injury over the past few months, and thank you for those practical jokes you pulled on me that kept me laughing.
- To Brother Scott, thank you for always stepping up and helping when we are short-handed, and those interesting cop stories that kept us on edge.
- To Brother Mark, thank you for your job keeping us in line and communicating with Supreme, and those Sunday morning stories that you would tell me while we ran the front desk at the Pancake Breakfasts.
- To Brother Paul, thank you for the extra time to write up the minutes at our meetings, and for teaching me the proper way to tap a keg at the BBQ event.
- To Brother Dave (the Adult in the Room) thank you for your guidance and wisdom for helping me address those gnawing and sticky situations that would occasionally pop up (You know which ones I'm talking about).
- To Brother Pat, thank you for keeping your fingers on the pulse of this council and letting us know which Brothers need our help and prayers. And thank you for your presentations and prayers during the meetings.
- To Brother Mike G, thank you for keeping me on the right path during meetings (Point of Order). We know you are going through a tough time, and your Brothers are praying for you.
- To Brother Charlie, thank you for running the 50/50, setting up the council jewels before the meeting, and making sure that I return the jewel before going home. I did that at my last council in Paradise and my wife was wondering where I got the new necklace.
- To Brother Sergio, thank you for being the best Inside Guard that no one would mess with, and thanks for showing me the best place to buy breakfast on the north end of town before a big council event!

- To Brother Tomas, thank you for always being there, willing to help, and helping me brush up on my Spanish one word at a time.
- To Brother Dan, thank you for always reminding me what it's all about, "It's all for Him" finger pointing upward towards the sky. And thank you for teaching me in the kitchen, "It's not burned. It's caramelized."
- To Brother Mike J, thank you for volunteering to cook dinner for the Business Meeting when we were short staffed. You raise the bar on meals and manage to hit it out of the park.
- To Brother Steve, thank you for your service as Fourth Degree Navigator, and thank you for the road trip down to State Convention in Visalia. It was great to meet other Brother Knights throughout the state.

I would like to think that Fr. McGivney wanted councils to transition the officers of the council, not because of time served, but to have our order teach the meaning of leadership and God's love and mercy to our fellow Brothers, the next generation. Have a great summer Brothers. KO

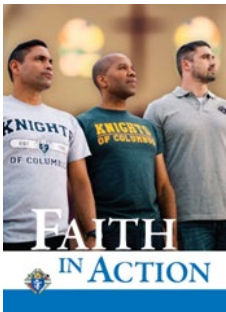
Vivat Jesus! Fraternally.

Kieran O'Leary "KO" - Grand Knight

## District Deputy Report – July 2025

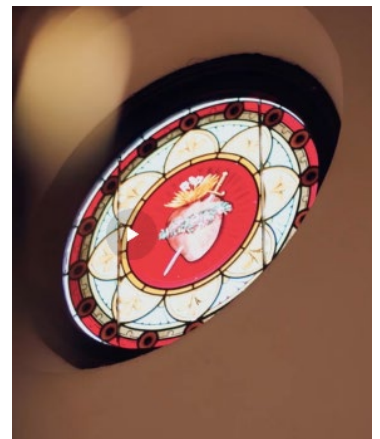
My Brothers,

Welcome to the new Columbian Year! And congratulations on your accomplishments this past Columbian Year! Congratulations also to the new members and newly elected officers of all the councils in District 2. My thanks to the officers who are continuing and those who are retiring that have contributed greatly to the many good works of the Order.



As we plan for the new Columbian Year, it is Important we have a plan – a “*Faith in Action*” plan. Information on many engaging council programs and activities can be found on the Supreme website by clicking [here](#), including free and low cost guides and publications that can be used to inform members and parishioners of their faith and Catholicity. It is important we have programs and activities to engage our members. Reach out to those you haven't seen in awhile and invite them out to coffee, or to a council meeting. Plan a potluck or social event and let them know you care. Above all, **be visible in your parish**. Participate as ushers, lectors, greeters, sacristans, and extraordinary ministers.

“Cor” meetings and faith formation for the men of your parish continue to be a high priority. Cor (Latin for heart) is intended to “*form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through, prayer, formation, and fraternity.*” If you have not done so already, I urge you to register for information on “Cor” and view a short video by clicking [here](#). Study materials and curricula built on the theme “Cor Ecclesiae” are available from the Supreme Council designed for use in Catholic men's ministry, particularly in a group study. Information on a study guide based on St. Joseph and Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter which includes excerpts from *Patris Corde*, is available by clicking [here](#). Information on yet another curricula entitled “Men of the Word” is available by clicking [here](#).



A couple of housekeeping matters for this month: be sure to report your council officers elected for the new year to Chapter, State and Supreme as soon as possible. It is also important to plan an upcoming Installation of Council Officers, either in conjunction with a council meeting or as a separate council event (I am open to both).

As we plan for the new year, I challenge each council in District 2 to do their very best in helping their Pastors, parishes and church ministries. We exist to serve the church. While the Knights of Columbus is known for charitable service and fraternity, Father McGivney's intention in founding the Order was to fortify men first as disciples of Jesus. We are Catholic men and proud of it!

May God bless,  
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**KNIGHTS IN ACTION:**

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

Brothers and parishioners in need of Prayers: Mike Gainok, Pat Dunn, Bob Smith, Tom Cunningham Jr., Roy Roney, Jim Callas, Tom McCarthy. Widows of Knights: Mary Nichols, Terry Nelson, Jamie Montgomery, Mary Jo Johnson.

***Please pray for our deceased Brothers and Widows that have passed. And don't forget a prayer of one Hail Mary each night as per the request of our beloved Pope Leo XIV.***

**JULY & AUGUST BIRTHDAYS:**

**Please acknowledge the birthdays of each of our brothers by wishing them a Happy Birthday.**

THOMAS	G	WOLPH	13-Jul
ERIC	L	MARKEY	18-Jul
MIGUEL	T	ROSSO	18-Jul
WILLIAM	F	BRUENING	19-Jul
GEORGE	A	SMITH	24-Jul
RICHARD		UTTERBACK	25-Jul
THOMAS	E	MC CARTHY	1-Aug
ALBERTO	B	BAYSA	4-Aug
PATRICK	B	MURRAY	16-Aug
DANIEL	A	RODRIGUES	16-Aug
ROBERT	J	GREGG	20-Aug
JONATHAN	A	REVOLINSKY	25-Aug
MIKE	E	PEARSALL	27-Aug
DAVID	J	MULQUEENEY	28-Aug
LEON		CONTRERAS	29-Aug

**KNIGHTS HUMOR: (from a Ronald Reagan Speech)**

A fella was falling off a cliff, and as he was falling, he grabbed a limb sticking out the side of the cliff and looked down 300 feet with the Canyon floor below, and then looked up and said, "Would if there's anyone up there give me faith tell me what to do". And a voice from the heavens said, "If you have faith, let go". He looked down at the Canyon floor and then took another look up and says, "Is there anyone else up there"?