



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

### GIROUD-HEIMANN COUNCIL

### FEBRUARY 2026 NEWSLETTER

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- Feb 01 – 7:00 am to 12:00 pm: Knights Pancake Breakfast
  - 9:00 am & 11:00 am: Selling Fat Tuesday Dinner Tickets after Mass
- Feb 08 - 7:30 am to 11:30 am: Coffee & Donuts after Mass
  - 9:00 am & 11:00 am: Selling Fat Tuesday Dinner Tickets after Mass
- Feb 10 - 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm: Business Meeting
- Feb 14 – 9:30 am: Basketball Free Throw Competition – ODS Social Hall
- Feb 15 - 9:00 am & 11:00 am: Selling Fat Tuesday Dinner Tickets after Mass
- Feb 17 – 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm: Fat Tuesday Dinner – Drive Through Event
- Feb 18 – Ash Wednesday
- Feb 24 – 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm: Officer's Meeting

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

Brother Knights,

January has been a busy and productive month for our council, and I want to thank all the Brother Knights who continue to support our parish and community.

On February 14th, we will host the Basketball Free Throw Youth Challenge, which was a great opportunity to encourage our youth and support sportsmanship and confidence. We could use a little help and support, so it goes smoothly. We also have Fat Tuesday Gumbo Drive-Through on February 17th. This event always brings our council and parish community together and will not be possible without the hard work of our volunteers. This event we will definitely need as many Brothers as possible, so we can make it a success.

As we prepare to enter the Lenten season, I encourage all Brother Knights to continue leading by example through prayer, service, and charity.

Thank you for your continued dedication to our council and parish.

Vivat Jesus!

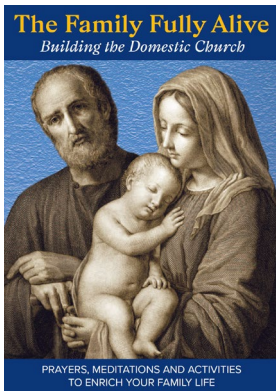
Antonio Leon, Grand Knight

Knights of Columbus Council 13765

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## **District Deputy Report – February 2026**

My Brothers,



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 booklets, along with other publications, are 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 “HOLY HOUR”. A *Holy Hour* Service accompanied with a *Eucharistic Procession* encourages deep personal encounters with Christ through the Eucharistic. It can take the form of adoration and meditation in the form of time spent with Our Lord. As Catholics, we believe in the Real Presence: that Jesus Christ is truly present – body, blood, soul, and divinity – in the Eucharist. Talk with your Pastor about organizing a regular *Holy Hour* or host a *Eucharistic Procession*. Further information about the program can be obtained by clicking [here](#). As such, we are compelled to grow in our devotion to Jesus in the Eucharist and to share His presence with the world.

Also featured during the month of February is the American Wheelchair Mission. Since 2003, the Knights of Columbus have funded the delivery of tens of thousands of wheelchairs around the world. A \$150 contribution can give the gift of mobility to people in need, in Mexico, the Philippines and to veterans right here at home. For further information, and to donate see [amwheelchair.org/knights-of-columbus](http://amwheelchair.org/knights-of-columbus).



Membership for those joining online continues to be free through June 30, 2026. By



entering the code “BlessedMcGivney” in the online application found on the Supreme Council website at [www.kofc.org/joinus](http://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 with 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 participating in a 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 to your Pastor and parish communities. Thank you for your charity and service!

May God bless,  
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## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE:**

Brother Knights,

I have had a few conversations in the past with brother Knights asking what happens with the proceeds from our Knights of Columbus insurance and financial products and wondering why other insurance companies might be insinuating our products are somehow not comparable. Those discussions made me realize that it might be worthwhile to mention why our founder, Blessed Father Michael J. McGivney, gathered those Catholic men together in the basement of St. Mary's church in New Haven, CT back in 1882. Many of those men were recent immigrants working hazardous jobs and dying young leaving their families destitute. Blessed Father McGivney even experienced this firsthand when he had to leave the seminary to go home and assist his family when his own father died. Through the grace of God and financial assistance from the bishop, he eventually went back to the seminary and the rest, as they say, is our amazing history.

One of the primary reasons Blessed Father McGivney gathered those Catholic men was to help provide financial security for them and their families. Through insurance, these new Knights and their families could have that financial protection AND the additional proceeds could be used by the order to provide funding for Catholic based works of charity locally and beyond. Over 143 years later, with over \$123 billion of life insurance in-force and over \$190 million supporting Catholic charities and causes around the world just last year alone, I would think our founder is looking down and smiling. Although some of the insurance proceeds are provided back to our insured brothers and their families in the form of dividends (although not guaranteed) each year, the Knights use the additional proceeds from your insurance coverage to support Catholic based causes true to Blessed Father McGivney's vision: supporting vocations, Catholic schools, churches and hospitals, and financial aid to victims of disasters around the world are a few of the great causes. At the California Knights Convention a few years ago, a video was shown of the wheelchairs that are provided to those who could not otherwise afford them. Seeing a poor Catholic man in a third world country who had no option but to drag himself around without legs his whole life being placed into a wheelchair for the first time and seeing the sheer joy and tears of gratitude he displayed was heartwarming beyond words. In addition to providing financial security for your own family, investing with your faith and the proceeds that it provides are indeed making miracles happen. Can other financial companies you might work with say the same?

God Bless,

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### **FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

Brothers and parishioners in need of Prayers: Jim Callas, Bob Smith, Tom Cunningham Jr., Roy Roney, Tom McCarthy, Debbie Atkins, Suzanne Roden. Widows of Knights: Carol Clairborne, Mary Nichols, Terry Nelson, Jamie Montgomery.

***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.***

***January Family of the Month: Michael and Mel O'Connor***

***January Knight of the Month: Brian Broadway***

### **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS:**

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

First Name	Middle	Last Name	Birthday
JONATHAN	A	REVOLINSKY	4-Feb
GERALD	L	GRANDSTAFF	7-Feb
DEVIN	S	OLIO	17-Feb
ANTONIO	C	LEON	21-Feb
DANIEL	A	RODRIGUES	21-Feb
MICHAEL	C	COMPUESTO	22-Feb
DAVID	A	BRANDT	26-Feb

### **KNIGHTS HUMOR: from President Ronald Reagan Speech**

I've been around for a while myself. One of my favorite quotations about age comes from Thomas Jefferson. He said that we should never judge a president by his age, only by his work, and ever since he told me that I have stopped worrying.....

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**2025-2026 Columbian Year**

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