

The Silver Knight News

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State Deputy's Lenten Message

As we enter the holy season of Lent, I pray that you and your families are experiencing a blessed Lenten journey. This sacred season calls us to prayer, fasting, and almsgiving — but it also calls us to renewal. Lent is a time of spiritual strengthening, and as Knights, it is also a time to renew our commitment to charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism.

The month of March presents us with both a spiritual opportunity and a fraternal one.

A Season of Renewal — Both in Faith and in Membership

Just as Lent invites personal conversion, March invites us to strengthen our councils through intentional growth. Strong councils build strong parishes. Strong parishes build strong families. And strong families build a strong Catholic Church.

The month of March is when Nevada Jurisdiction launches a “full court press” focused on membership initiatives: “March Madness - Nevada’s Growth Drive”

Objective: Convert interest into completed online applications

<https://www.kofc.org/get-involved/join-kofc/>

This is not passive recruiting. This is intentional, personal invitation.

Focus on Specific Groups

Councils are asked to concentrate outreach efforts on:

- Fathers of altar servers
- Catholic school dads
- Parish volunteers
- Hispanic ministry members

These men are already serving. They already love the Church. They simply need to be invited.

Remember: Most Catholic men have never been asked to join.

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Host an Open House / Fraternal Night / Cor Meeting etc.

Each and every council should host at least one membership growth event this month.

Keep it simple:

- Food and fellowship
- Short, powerful presentation (20 minutes or less)
- Testimony from a Knight
- Clear invitation to join

Very important: If not a Cor meeting then invite families. When wives and children see the Nights of Columbus mission, they provide support for the membership decision.

Make it welcoming. Make it joyful. Make it meaningful.

Conduct Live CUF Degree Exemplifications

Fraternity is strengthened when men join together.

Each district should conduct: Minimum: One live CUF Degree Exemplification

Live exemplifications create energy, unity, and pride in the Order. District Deputies, please work closely with your Grand Knights to ensure scheduling and promotion are handled early.

March Metrics

Let us be bold and measurable:

- 5+ new members per council
- Strong attendance at Open Houses
- At least one live CUF per district

If every council adds five new members this month, Nevada will experience extraordinary growth.

A Final Lenten Reflection

Lent reminds us that growth requires sacrifice. Membership growth requires effort. It requires phone calls. Personal invitations. Follow-ups. Hospitality.

But the reward is eternal!

Every new Knight strengthens: Our parishes, Our families, Our charitable impact, and the future of the Order in Nevada

Let us approach this March with the same intensity and focus that defines the season — disciplined, intentional, and mission-driven.

May this Lenten season renew your faith, energize your council, and inspire courageous leadership.

Message from the State Chaplain

Brother Knights,

I am writing this on President's Day, just days from Ash Wednesday. President's Day weekend is very important in Las Vegas (well, that is, if you are a gardener) because veggies and herbs start to come in at Star Nursery. Anyone who gardens, knows that prior to planting the new vegetables or herbs, you must prepare the soil. You must pull out the old dead plants, churn up the ground to break up the old root mass, and you must, if needed, add nutrients, adjust the sprinklers (or fix any leaks), and clean up the old material from the previous year's growth.

You might be asking -- why is Father Steve talking about gardening? Because preparing a garden is like preparing for Lent. For there to be any growth in our lives, especially spiritually, we need to pull out old dead weeds and plants. We must see where sin has crept into our lives and remove it by going to confession. We must break up the old roots of sin and temptation and avoid those things that cause us to sin. People in recovery hear the phrase: people, places, and things. What people, what places, and what things cause you to sin? Maybe, we need to avoid people who gossip or lie. Maybe, we need to avoid bars or casinos -- if we have a problem drinking or gambling. Then we need to prepare the soil of our hearts and minds for the new plants, the new growth.

This Lent, let's focus on preparing our hearts by spending more time in prayer -- or by removing those distractions that are keeping us from prayer. Let's focus on what is preventing us from putting our faith into action. Do I need to give something up, like sweets, chocolates, excessive food, coffee or sodas to get in better shape? Do I need to exercise more? Do I need to stop watching sports, movies, news, or doom scrolling on social media? Do I need to read the Bible more, pray more, use the "Hallow" app, do the "Bible in the Year," or something else to grow spiritually? We need to prepare our hearts and minds, just like preparing the soil for a garden, for new spiritual growth. Let's do whatever we need to do to prepare for Lent today.

During the Lenten season, the church focuses on those who are preparing to be received as Catholics at the Easter Vigil and those students and adults who will be receiving their First Holy Communion and Confirmation. How can your Council and Assembly support the Elect (those to be baptized, confirmed, and receive the Eucharist) and Candidates (those who will be received into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil)? Many churches need sponsors and people who can help with the Becoming Catholic process. If you support the Catechumens, Elect, and Candidates and expose them to the work of the Knights of Columbus, you will be surprised by how many new members you can recruit.

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We don't seek God's power, we seek His presence. His power & everything else we need is always found in His presence.

John Wimber

Message from the State Chaplain

Lastly, what is your Council or Assembly doing to support our seminarians? I know in my own Council, I have not heard anything yet about the Seminarian Raffle Ticket drive. So, when is the Seminarian Raffle? When are you going to have your next Membership Drive? Lenten Fish Fries are an excellent opportunity to recruit new members. Let's all start focusing on having a great Lenten season. Let us prepare our "gardens" (our hearts and minds) to receive Jesus in a new way. Let us be prepared to be amazed at how your relationship with God and with others will grow. I am looking forward to the vegetables and herbs I will harvest. I am also looking forward to seeing how many people's lives are changed this Lenten season. Happy Lent.

Message from the EFF Director

Start With Jesus. Finish With Jesus.

There is a quiet danger that can creep into even the strongest Catholic organizations. We can become busy with good works but forget the One for whom we are doing them.

The Knights of Columbus was founded in 1882 by Blessed Michael McGivney, not simply to build membership, run programs, or provide insurance. He founded the Knights with a clear and holy mission: to bring Catholic men and their families closer to Jesus Christ while protecting them spiritually and physically.

Father McGivney saw Catholic men drifting away from their faith. Many worked long hours, felt isolated, and were tempted by groups and influences that pulled them away from the Church. He knew that men needed a strong Catholic brotherhood to remain faithful husbands, fathers, and leaders of their families.

At the same time, he witnessed families fall into devastating poverty when a husband or father died unexpectedly. Insurance was often unavailable or too expensive for Catholic families. Father McGivney responded by creating a fraternal brotherhood in which Catholic men would support one another and ensure that widows and children were cared for in times of tragedy.

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*Show me where you spend
your time, money and
energy and I'll tell you
what you worship.*

John Wimber

Message from the EFF Director

Everything the Knights of Columbus does must flow from that mission.

He understood a powerful truth:

If you strengthen men, you strengthen families.

If you strengthen families, you strengthen the Church.

Far too often, we hear, "Recruit more members!" Recruitment is important, but we must ask ourselves why we recruit. The purpose is not numbers, recognition, or growth for its own sake. The true purpose of recruiting is evangelization. We recruit so more Catholic men can encounter Jesus Christ. We recruit so more fathers can lead their families in faith. We recruit so more families can grow stronger through the sacraments, brotherhood, and a life rooted in Christ. These are simple questions that have a profound impact on us, our families, our Councils, Parishes and communities and yes, on the whole world.

If recruitment becomes about numbers alone, we lose our purpose. But when recruitment becomes about leading men to Jesus, it becomes sacred work.

The same truth applies to the Knights of Columbus insurance program. It is not simply a financial product. It is an act of love and responsibility. Life insurance protects families when tragedy strikes. It ensures that wives and children are not left vulnerable during their most painful moments. It allows a husband and father to continue providing for his family even after he is gone. That is living out our vocation as Catholic men who are called to love, protect, and serve.

Jesus must remain at the center of everything we do.

We should pray before we recruit.

We should pray before we plan programs.

Vivat Jesus!

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*It seems the more I think
about not sinning, the more
I sin, but the more I think
about just loving Jesus, the
less I seem to sin. Falling
in love seems to be the key.*

John Wimber

Note from State Historian

Wishing You Good Health and Prosperity in the New Year 2026

Schedule More Exemplifications!

A “Birdseye” comparison between the beginning years of the Knights of Columbus and Fallon, NV: 1882 for the Knights and 1896 for Fallon, in 1896 the Crop Dusters ruled the sky over Fallon while today the Top Gun School is the rule. Both continue to soar to great heights!!!

Council updates are as follows:

- I continue to be in contact with our District Deputies and Grand Knights to make sure each Council has a respective Council Historian, for this new Columbian year and going forward. The Council Historian will assist the State Historian in reaching into the respective Council archives for access to the noteworthy events or activities of the Council and Brother Knights. In some Councils this role will reside with the Grand Knight, due to the size of Council membership. Please be prepared to discuss who is best suited for this position on your Council. As always, this is your chance to tell and record your Council’s continuing story!
- In concert with Worthy State David M. Clarke and myself, we recommend Councils setting up a “cloud based” storage system for each Council’s records, photos, activity accounting, etc. The continuity of record keeping can then be documented/updated over the continuing “Columbian Year” by the Council Historian.
- Please use my email address: jmichael_brady@att.net to assist in adding any historic documentation, as indicated above, to capture the Nevada State history of our Fraternal Order. I look forward to continuing to collaborate with you, my Brother Knights

Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us!

Remember: The message Blessed Michael McGivney continues to have for us, that we carry on the work he began 143 years ago, when he gathered a group of Catholic men in the basement of St. Mary’s Church in New Haven, CT.

Continue to Celebrate Father Michael J. McGivney’s “Blessed” status!

Sometimes God offends our minds in order to reveal our hearts.

John Wimber

The Knights of Columbus in Nevada

Fraternal Faith and Frontier Growth:

The Knights of Columbus emerged as a Catholic fraternal organization dedicated to mutual aid, faith, and service. As we examine the growth and expansion of the Knights of Columbus in Nevada and compare it with national patterns of development, emphasizing how regional conditions shaped local expression.

Nationally, the Knights of Columbus expanded rapidly in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, following Catholic population centers. The establishment of state councils, insurance programs, and standardized rituals supported sustained growth. By the mid-twentieth century, the Order had become a major international Catholic organization.

Nevada's first Knights of Columbus Council 978 was founded in Reno in 1905, reflecting the westward spread of Catholic institutions. Early councils were closely tied to parish life and served relatively small Catholic populations scattered across vast geographic areas.

As Nevada's population increased—particularly in Las Vegas and Reno—additional councils were chartered. Nevada councils balanced national priorities with local needs, emphasizing parish support, charitable fundraising, and community engagement.

Compared to eastern and Midwestern states, Nevada experienced slower initial growth due to its smaller Catholic population and frontier character. However, Nevada councils demonstrated strong cohesion and adaptability, mirroring national principles of the Order while responding to local conditions and circumstances.

Nevada Knights played visible roles in civic life through parish support, memorials, veterans' support, youth programs, and charitable works. These activities reinforced Catholic presence in predominantly non-Catholic communities.

The history of the Knights of Columbus in Nevada reflects both national continuity and regional adaptation. Through steady growth and community-centered service, Nevada councils contributed to the broader mission of the Order while shaping a distinctive local legacy.

When God calls you to an extraordinary task, He provides extraordinary resources.

John Wimber

Knight in the Light Submitted By: J. Michael Brady, State Historian

**SK Ruben Munguia, GK, PFN,
Northern District Marshal**



*The Church is not the
building, its the people, its
not just the gathering, its
also the scattering.*

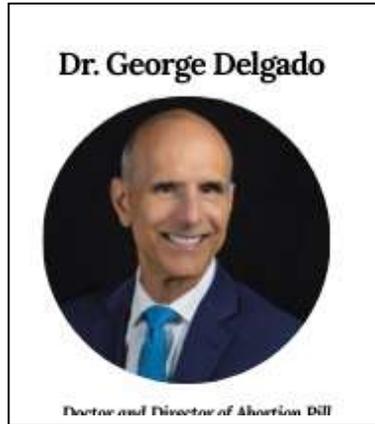
John Wimber

In 1994, I retired from the US Army and went to work for the Postal Service. In 2001, at the urging of my father, my dad, uncle, nephew and I all joined the Knights of Columbus. During this time, I was active both in Council 4443 in Sacramento, CA, and my own parish of All Hallows Church. I was a Lector, Extra Ordinary Eucharistic Minister, Altar Server and a CCD Confirmation instructor. I did this for sixteen years.

I retired from the Postal Service in 2015 and six later, my wife Camille and I moved to Gardnerville, NV. We have never looked back. After a couple of months of getting used to the Parish of St Galls, I transferred into Council 12845, and Assembly 2777. A few months later, I was elected the Faithful Navigator. This was my first taste of holding an officer position. I held for two years. I also joined the Color Corps. After I left my post as Faithful Navigator, District Master Dan Dexter asked me to become District Marshal for Northern Nevada. Dan was always on hand to mentor, coach and correct me. I have also served as Deputy Grand Knight and now as Grand Knight.

Through all this, as in life, there are ups and downs, but I have always been encouraged by my brother Knights in my council and assembly, the Color Corps and the councils in my area of responsibility. I am proud to call all Knights my brothers and my family. They have made these last four years a blessing and great joy. I am very happy to call myself a Knight of Columbus and look forward to whatever the future holds.

Abortion Pill Reversal on Trial in California



Last month we reported that Dr. George Delgado, M.D. Director of Abortion Pill Reversal (APR) and of Culture of Life Family Health Care was the keynote speaker at the Imago Dei Sanctity of Life Conference held in Las Vegas on Jan. 17. He and his wife Liz received the St. Gianna Molla Pro-Life Award at the 2017 Walk for Life West Coast. He is a Fourth Degree Knight.

This month we note that Dr. Delgado's Abortion Pill Reversal (APR) is on trial in California. In Sep. 2023, California Attorney General Rob Bonta filed a lawsuit in Alameda County Superior Court against Heartbeat International (HBI) and RealOptions Obria Medical Clinics. The state alleges that these organizations use "fraudulent and misleading claims" to advertise a procedure known as "abortion pill reversal" (APR). The complaint filed by the Attorney General's Office alleges:

- False Advertising: The defendants claim APR is "safe and effective," which the state argues is not supported by credible scientific evidence.
- Failure to Disclose Risks: The lawsuit claims the groups do not warn patients about potential side effects, specifically the risk of severe bleeding.
- Violation of State Law: These actions allegedly violate California's False Advertising Law and Unfair Competition Law.

Thomas More Society, a Pro-Life law firm based in Chicago, is defending Heartbeat and RealOptions in court. "Two years of litigation has shown there are zero consumer complaints, zero evidence that APR is harmful," stated a Society spokesman.

The Society spokesman related the story of a young woman from San Diego who was had taken the abortion pill and was later treated successfully by Dr. Delgado at COLFS Medical Clinic. "She gave birth to a healthy baby boy who is now 14 years old. The young woman is currently a mom of three, a college grad, and works in contract management."

The California trial is expected in April 2026. The Attorney General is seeking a permanent injunction to block clinics from promoting APR as safe and effective in California, along with various civil penalties.

*Find where God is and get
behind what He's doing.
He always wins.*

John Wimber

Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge



Each month, Archbishop William Lori – Supreme Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus – selects a brief passage from the Gospel reading of one of the Sunday Masses of the month. This month we look at Mt 5:11, the reading for Feb. 1.

“Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you [falsely] because of me.”

In the next verse, Jesus continues, “Thus they persecuted the prophets who were before you” (Mt 5:12b). His words imply that his disciples are prophets in their own right, following after the prophets of old. Indeed, as his disciples, we become priests, prophets and kings by virtue of our baptism. In our prophetic role, we are called to speak God’s truth even when it is unpopular in the eyes of the world.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to learn more about the Church’s teachings on one or two contemporary issues that you are concerned about, so that you can better defend the truth when an opportunity arises. Look to the Catechism of the Catholic Church and booklets from the Order’s Catholic Information Service (kofc.org/cis) as resources.

Questions for Reflection:

Do you shy away from speaking the truth because you fear opposition or repercussions? Does your silence on issues of faith or morals sometimes give others the false impression of agreement? How do you make sure you are being respectful and charitable to others when speaking the truth?

*Our heart's desire should
be to worship God; we
have been designed by God
for this purpose. If we
don't worship God, we'll
worship something or
someone else.*

John Wimber

Vocations Director Visits Holy Land

Greetings fellow Christians!!

This may seem like an unusual greeting but it is an important one. I was blessed to visit the Holy Land once again this month (my second visit in 13 months). Our fellow Christians in the land where our Lord walked need our prayers!! And our presence!!

I (and my two travelling companions) were based in Bethlehem (which is in Palestine) right next to Manger Square and the Church of the Nativity. I was able to spend many hours in the grotto, the place of our Lord's birth. It was encouraging to see more pilgrim groups, but still a far cry from the "normal" amount of groups and visitors. The Christian presence in Bethlehem is approximately 10,000 people. Unemployment is high due to the lack of visitors. Checkpoints are more numerous, including every time one leaves or enters the city. Christians are leaving. Hope is dwindling.....

But not lost!! A 15 minute walk toward the Shepherd's Field brings one to Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church. It is a vibrant parish of 1,800 individuals (340 families). In addition to the beautiful church, there is a Catholic school, outdoor gathering space, indoor playground, and a bookstore that is open to the public. The pastor, Fr. Louis Salman, is also In Jerusalem, we walked the Stations of the Cross and visited the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, where Jesus was crucified, died, was buried and rose from the dead. There are only 6,500 Christians remaining in Jerusalem. They live with name calling and ill treatment on a daily basis. Overall the Christian presence in the Holy Land has dwindled to just one percent of the population.

We hear the word "Palestinian" and often think of terrorism. Christians (and Muslims) in the Holy Land are Palestinian, mostly natives of Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Some are Jordanian. None that I have seen are terrorists. The way they are treated by the State of Israel is appalling.

Please continue to pray for our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. They may not look like us, but they experience the love of Christ in the same way. If you are able, please visit this special place. It is SAFE to visit! Pilgrimages from North America are beginning to return, including at least two that originate from Las Vegas: bibletrektours.com.

Our Lady, Queen of Palestine, Pray for Us!!

Deacon Rick

Our passion is to imitate the ministry of Jesus in the power of the Spirit. This requires that we follow Jesus out of baptismal waters, through our personal deserts, and into the harvest.

John Wimber

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LIFE Reflection for LENT

“Having a Good/Bad Lent” *

Jesus seems to have something more radical in mind about doing good to others, and us becoming perfect. (See Mt. 5:48). As St. John Henry Newman explains his simple rule of life: “It is the saying of holy men that, if we wish to be perfect, we have nothing more to do than to perform the ordinary duties of the day well... There are no short ways to perfection, but there are sure ones.” Our notions of perfection often tend to make it into something impossible. Newman helps by offering a definition, “By perfect we mean that which has no flaw in it, that which is complete, that which is consistent, that which is sound.” Practically, this means: Do not lie in bed beyond the due time of rising; give your first thoughts to God; make a good visit to the Blessed Sacrament; say the Angelus devoutly; eat and drink to God’s glory; say the Rosary well; be recollected; keep out bad thoughts; make your evening meditation well; examine yourself daily; go to bed in good time, and you are already perfect.” *Shared with permission:

<https://www.thecatholicthing.org/2023/02/27/having-a-good-bad-lent/>.

Our pro-life mission is not complete, consistent, or sound. At the Mid-Year, SD David Clarke asked us all to “reflect and recommit ourselves to the mission that defines us as Knights of Columbus. At the very heart of that mission is the defense of human dignity, particularly the dignity of human life.” Question 6 - if passed in November - endangers the most vulnerable segments of our society – the preborn babies and their mothers. Please watch a special 3 minute message from Melissa Clements, Director of Nevada Right to Life (Video)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DBWQtrDe8MQ>

“All 8,000+ Knights of Columbus members are urged to advocate for the sanctity of life while simultaneously supporting mothers and families through initiatives such as local diaper drives and the Supreme Council Aid and Support After Pregnancy (ASAP) program, which helps new mothers who are facing challenging circumstances.”

We need to accomplish:

- Raise \$25K - 50% of the cost for one new ultrasound for First Choice pregnancy center’s expansion. Supreme will match the other 50%. KofC has helped supply 2,000 ultrasounds nationally.
- Raise \$25K for a security system for Living Grace Homes’ (LGH) new maternity home before renovation begins this year. The added property will rescue 90 more women per year.
- Vote NO on abortion referendum Question 6 – evangelize families.

GK’s and Councils – Please

- Send Council members’ emails to the State to receive monthly Silver Knight News and Life reports.
- Identify a Life Director or Life contact and send it to the State Life Directors Steve Brown and Mark Gilmour.
- Invite more men into formation (COR) and small groups.
- Help men learn, lead, or join LIFE programs. We can help you.

Gifts and abilities, no matter how magnificent, are either limited or enhanced by character.

John Wimber

Council 10780 Holds COR Meeting



For the past year, at Our Lady of the Valley Council 10780 in Pahrump, the Community Director and COR Leader, Brother Ed, led in prayer during the council meetings. To allow for deeper faith formation and more intentional fellowship, the council moved the COR meeting to its own dedicated time from 5:30 to 6:30 P.M. --- just before the regular Council meeting.

A Successful Launch

The first COR meeting held outside of the standard Knights meeting took place yesterday and was off to a great start.

- Attendance: The fellowship included 12 Knights and four men who were not Knights.
- The Message: Ed Bevilacqua led a discussion about God and the words of Jesus.
- Fellowship: The group spent 45 minutes in discussion followed by 15 minutes of sharing a meal of tacos
- The Impact: The men left the meeting feeling energized and ready for the council's new "Jesus First" framework.

Join Us for the Next Meeting

COR (Latin for heart) is built on three pillars: Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity. It is designed to help us all become better husbands, fathers, and leaders.

Next Meeting: March 11 at 5:30 PM (one hour before the council meeting).

Who is invited: All Catholic men in the parish are welcome; they do not have to be Knights. If you know a friend who needs a Christ-centered community or a "recharge" in their faith, please invite them to join us.

Instead of focusing on the great men of God, I prefer to focus on the Great God of men.

John Wimber

Ponderosa Council's First Ever Friday Knights Bingo!



Brother Jun Bautista presented a \$100 bill to a lucky winner

For the first time ever, Ponderosa Council 4928 in Sparks, held a bingo game event at Holy Cross Catholic Church on Friday Feb. 6. Dubbed "Friday Knights Bingo!" the event was attended by 50 people and featured hot meatball and cold sub sandwiches, coleslaw, assorted chips, plus a variety of drinks. The event was put together by Grand Knight Anthony Watts who came up with an electronic bingo system that automatically randomly chose and displayed numbers on three TV screens placed in the Saint Joseph and St. Francis rooms at the church. Each game featured a \$20 prize with a \$100 jackpot for the end game.

Brothers WDGK Morgan Liddick, Trustee Robin Pagni, SK Art Taviera, and WPGK Marv Cochran provided logistical support both before and after the event. Christi Pagni and Leslie Cochran also pitched in to make this a successful event. Brother John Bell handled the cashier station with aplomb. All their efforts were greatly appreciated.

Participants reported they had a very good time and are looking forward to us doing our next bingo event. They also indicated they'll be bringing more family and friends. All monies raised will go toward Ponderosa Council's charitable causes.

Visitation of God's presence is a byproduct of worship. However, we don't worship in order to gain His presence. He is worthy to be worshipped whether or not He chooses to show up.

John Wimber

Pro-Life Director on Radio Talk Show



L to R: Ken Wilson and Mark Gilmour

If we serve Jesus then every act & thought has meaning. Acts of kindness aren't just niceties, they become acts of worship.

John Wimber

Mark Gilmour, the State Life Director for Southern Nevada, was featured on First Choice Pregnancy Services (FCPS) weekly radio talk show hosted by Ken Wilson. First Choice Pregnancy Services is an intervention center located near what may be the busiest abortion clinic in Nevada. "We actively seek out abortion-minded women searching for an abortion. We inform them that God has other plans for their lives and those they carry. As an intervention center, we interrupt the flow of mothers offering children as sacrifices on the altars of money, career, convenience, or shame," said a Services spokesman.

Mark Gilmour is a parishioner St. Thomas More Parish in Henderson and a member of Council 17996. He helped his Council win the State Award for Best COR (Faith) Program 2023-2024. He currently serves as a lector and leads a Men's Prayer Group. He became Life Director for Southern Nevada last year. Asked what he talked about on the show, Mark replied, "Everything I am active in and passionate about: FCPS, Allyfe, Living Grace Homes, 40 Days for Life, the Imago Dei Movement, Question 6 on the Nevada ballot, the Knights of Columbus, and Margaret Prior who needs a kidney."

The hour long program was broadcast on Christian Talk Radio KKVV 1060 am on Thursday, Feb. 12 at 5 pm, Friday, Feb. 13 at 6 am, Sunday, Feb. 15 at 9 and again on Monday, Feb. 16 at 4 pm. It is available on YouTube at

<https://youtu.be/khtpkeJ7yrA?si=qijSRqgucSFExJHD>

WAYS to View Scriptural Stations of the Cross Video

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- Stations begin at 14:00 – takes 1 hr.
- Be sure to listen to Final Thoughts begins at 1:10

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Knights of Columbus CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY MAY 1, 2026
AT ST. JOSEPH HUSBAND OF MARY,
EXTENDED PARKING LOT
3:00PM-6:00PM

Grab a partner or come solo –we'll match you up! All skill levels welcome. Family-friendly event.

Trophy's to the 1st and 2nd place teams!
Food & drinks available for purchase

Register now with the QR code

Registration Fee:
\$30 per Team
\$15 Individual

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A little friendly fun between councils



**116th Annual Nevada
Knights of Columbus
State Convention
May 1-3, 20226**

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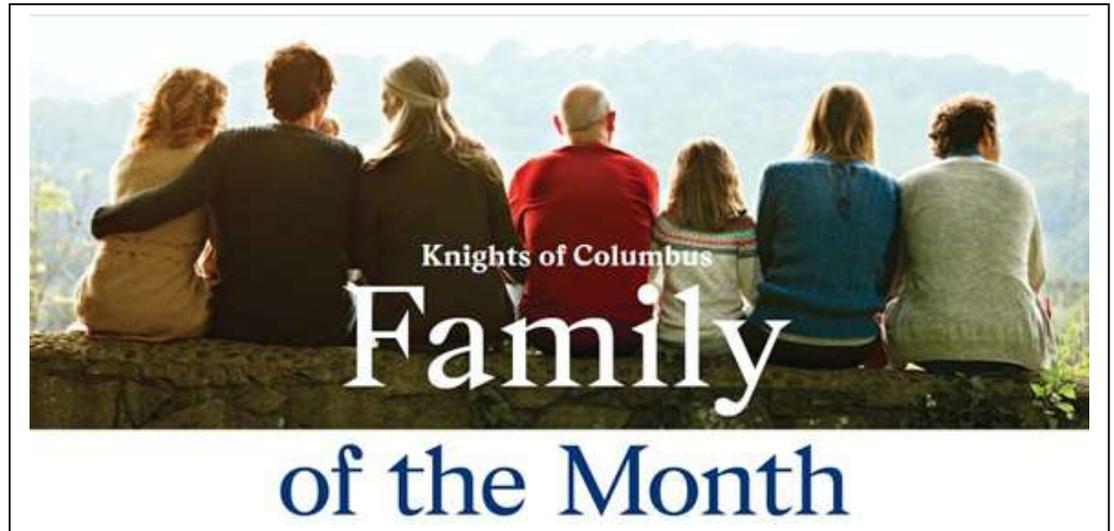
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Supreme Honors Nevada Family of the Month



Worship is not about personality, temperament, personal limitations, church background, or comfort. It is about God.

John Wimber

Every month, local councils seek one parish family that models Christian family values and visibly lives those values every day. The Council recognizes this family as the "Family of the Month." Once a year, each participating council also selects one of the previous twelve Family of the Month winners to represent the council/parish as the potential international Family of the Year. The Knights of Columbus Family of the Year is chosen by the Supreme Council and recognized at the annual Supreme Convention. The Supreme Council whole-heartedly supports the development of strong and vibrant families.

Once a month Supreme Council recognizes Families of the Month in all 50 states and ten Canadian provinces. In January, Fraternal Operations in New Haven, CT, notified Grand Knight Martin McDavitt and Financial Secretary Jobert Lacebal at Christ the King Council 7322 at St. Albert the Great Parish, that a family in their parish had won Supreme's Family of the Month recognition for Nevada for December 2025. Each winning family is awarded a Holy Family gift which is sent to their home within 4 - 6 weeks.

Fraternal Operations at Supreme encouraged GK Martin McDavitt and FS Jobert Lacebal to "contact your council's winner to congratulate them on their win."

This Month's Photos

Council 4928 Friday Knight's Bingo!

(See story on page 15.)



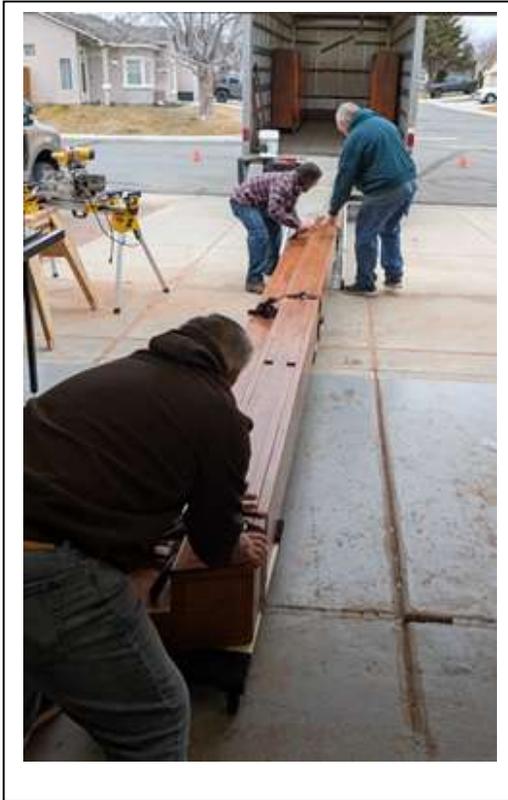
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PGK Roger Pahachek's funeral



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On Monday, Feb. 16, Ponderosa Council 4928 installed a new altar platform at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Sparks, NV.



Designed by WPGK and master carpenter Steven Schiwiart, the new platforms were months in the making and aimed to increase the space available for conducting Mass. The previous platform was too small, often requiring clergy to step off to perform basic functions. This expansion has tripled the platform's size, allowing for greater continuity and improved safety during services.



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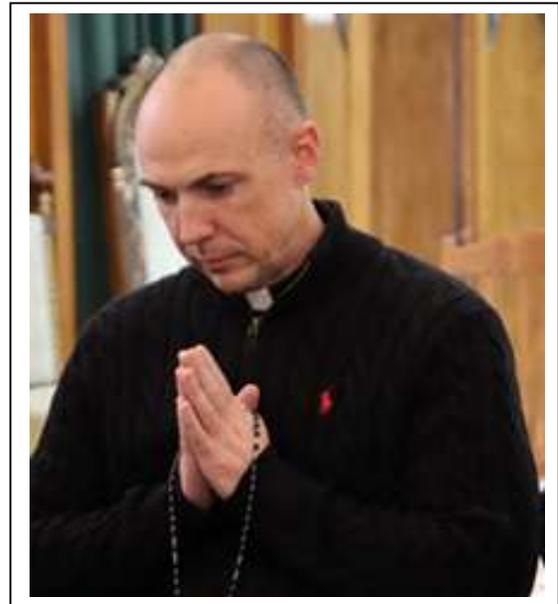
Volunteers helping Steve and Debbie Schiwiart included WGK Anthony Watts, WDGK Morgan Liddick, SK Chuck Moses, WPGK Marv Cochran and his wife Leslie, and SK David Jenkins. The team worked for about three hours to transport the platforms from the workshop and complete the installation. Fr. Bobin Babu was also present to assist with precise alignment and adjustments.



Following careful leveling and rearrangement, the new altar was ready for use starting with the Tuesday morning Mass.

This Month's Photos

Photos of the Exemplification held at St Thomas Aquinas Cathedral on Feb 1. Council 978 had three candidates, including Father Francis Coyne. Our Lady of the Desert Council 12877 from Immaculate Conception Parish had six candidates.



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