

JANUARY 2026 NEWSLETTER

**HOLY SPIRIT ASSEMBLY NO. 3588
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**MEETINGS: O/D 2ND WEDNESDAY OF THE
MONTH AT 6:30 P.M.
GENERAL MEETING 4TH WEDNESDAY STARTING
AT 7:00 P.M.**

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MESSAGE FROM OUR FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR...



Happy New Year Brother Sir Knights and Ladies.

I am hoping everyone had a blessed Christmas and enjoyed the festive season with Family and Friends. I think it's funny to see Christmas Trees at the curb for recycling just a day or so after Christmas. I remember my parents kept our Christmas Tree up till "Little Christmas". That is a term I remember when growing up and our home celebrated it during the Christmas season. I found it quite interesting when my Granddaughter who is 12 was describing the Feast Day on January 1, 2026, "The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God" and how important that day is. I listened to her very closely pretending as this was the first time I heard of this event. It always amazes me what children want to remember and share with adults.

The Assembly had it's Christmas Party on Saturday December 13, 2025. It was quite a turnout. With nearly 100 individuals in attendance it truly was a great time. This year we invited the Ascension Council 11139 to join us and partake in the Festivities since they were anticipating on having their Christmas Party on the same day. I asked why not join us for one big party. The catered food by Andres' Catering was outstanding. All I heard was positive remarks. Thanks to All the Ladies that brought Appetizers and Desserts that night. Everything was outstanding. Thank you Ladies....! The Ladies Auxiliary raffled off a few Silent Auction items and was in charge of the 50-50 raffle. I was happy they were able to do this plus make some money for the Auxiliary as well. But a party with 100 attendees just doesn't happen by itself, I wanted to personally thank everyone who assisted in any way that night with the party. You know who you are. Thank You. You are the BEST. There is a lot of upcoming agenda items for the Holy Spirit Assembly's to address in the coming months. Attending Assembly monthly meetings will keep everyone informed.

Remember Dues Notices went out a while ago with Dues for 2026 being \$30.00 with an optional \$5.00 donation if you so wish to make it. You may send in your payment with check to the Assembly's PO Box, Use Venmo or Zelle which ever is easier for you. Please continue to pray for those Sir Knight's and Ladies on our web site prayer list. Let's not forget them. Also, if you haven't entered your Service/Volunteer hours on the Assembly Web site, please do so. Time is running out to get them logged in for the year. Our January monthly Assembly Meeting will be held at Christ Prince of Peace (CPOP) January 28, 2026 at 7:00pm in their lower level. Please plan on attending. Directions will be forthcoming. If anyone has any comments, questions are concerns, please feel free to give me a call or contact me through email. I will get back to you as quickly as possible.

May God continue to bless You and your Families at this Special Time of the year. May the Peace and Love of God be always with YOU.

Ron Meier, FN.

Knights of Columbus Assembly Advisor Holy Spirit Assembly 3588



Assembly Mission – To support the mission of the Knights of Columbus, acknowledge a belief in God, to promote charitable works, and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, active-duty military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and Country, we advocate for veterans, educate our communities, and promote patriotism, good citizenship, faith and God’s grace.

Assembly Vision - To support the vision of the Knights of Columbus while becoming one of the recognized leaders in our community for providing support for our veterans, our military, and their families by shaping a positive future in an atmosphere of fellowship, patriotism, peace and security.

USO:

The next KofC shifts at the USO at Lambert Airport are Tuesday, January 27th, 2026, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. and 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. or after the last bus leaves for Fort Leonard Wood. When there is a 5th Friday as there is in January 2026 (30th), the Assembly will man that shift as well at the USO from 2:00 pm till 6:00 pm

Anyone wishing to volunteer at the USO should fill out an application at www.volunteers.uso.org

Once Yvette Summy, Center Operations Specialist, sees your application, she will be in contact with you to complete the registration.

So, if you are interested in working at the USO, please contact Gene Fallert with our Assembly at 573-535-9507 or gene@fallert.net. Why not give it a Try!!!

VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS HELPED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT ASSEMBLY

[USO of Missouri https://missouri.uso.org/KaufmanFund](https://missouri.uso.org/KaufmanFund)

[Heros Care https://heroscare.org/](https://heroscare.org/)

[Joshua Chamberlain Society https://www.chamberlainsociety.org/](https://www.chamberlainsociety.org/)

[Got Your Six Support Dogs https://gotyoursixsupportdogs.org/](https://gotyoursixsupportdogs.org/)

[Gary Sinise Foundation https://www.garysinisefoundation.org/mission/](https://www.garysinisefoundation.org/mission/)

[Archdiocese for Military Service https://milarch.org/](https://milarch.org/)

[Fisher House https://fisherhouseinstl.org/](https://fisherhouseinstl.org/)

[St Louis Dental and Oral Health https://va.gov/st-louis-health-care/](https://va.gov/st-louis-health-care/)

[Tri-County Veterans in Need Team https://tricountyveteranssupportnetwork.org](https://tricountyveteranssupportnetwork.org)

[Focus Marines Foundation https://focusmarines.org/](https://focusmarines.org/)

[Flag of Honor https://flagofhonor.org/](https://flagofhonor.org/)



Comics/Humor



Daily Prayer:

“3” Minutes of Daily Prayer”

**3:00pm for Sir Knights, Spouses
and Family**



Nearly every Sir Knight, spouse, family member or acquaintance desires prayers for guidance, inspiration, thanksgiving or petitions - minor or major. The Holy Spirit Assembly 3588 website has a readily available

PRAYER REQUEST portal of petition or thanksgiving. As faith filled Sir Knights, spouses and family members, we can be powerful daily

intercessors for these prayer requests. Jesus expired on the Cross at 3 PM for all sinners. 3 PM has long been considered the hour of mercy and many saints have encouraged 3 PM for reverently offering prayers. In fact, Jesus Himself said to St Faustina, "In this hour, I will refuse nothing to the soul that makes a request of Me in virtue of My Passion...immerse yourself in prayer there where you happen to be, if only for a very brief instant." For the intentions in our PRAYER REQUEST portal, we invite you to pray daily at 3 PM **the Apostles' Creed, Our Father, 3 Hail Mary's, a Glory Be (The Trinity Prayer) and the Fatima Prayer. (Preceded and ended with the Sign of the Cross.)** The prayers will take 3 minutes of our time. Interestingly, if 400 Sir Knights simultaneously pray, the accumulation of 20 hours of prayer are then offered to our Heavenly Father in the name of Jesus. These prayers are the prelude to the 20 mysteries of the Holy Rosary of our Blessed Mother, Mary and provide the opportunity to recite a decade or an entire rosary, if time

permits. Remember scripture - Matthew, Chapter 18, Verse 20 states "For where 2 or 3 are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." This suggestion - enacted daily - assures a united prayer offered by our Sir Knights and others, together in His name.

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

FATIMA PRAYER

**O My Jesus, forgive us our sins,
save us from the fires of Hell and
lead all souls to Heaven, especially
those who are in most need of
Thy mercy.**

HOLY SPIRIT ASSEMBLY #3588

Who We Are

ASSEMBLY COUNCILS & CHURCHES - NAME (LOCATION)

1. ASCENSION #11139 (CHESTERFIELD)
2. CARDINAL RITTER #6500 (CREVE COEUR)
3. CHRIST PRINCE OF PEACE #12986 (MANCHESTER)
4. HOLY INFANT #10794 (BALLWIN)
5. INCARNATE WORD #9981 (CHESTERFIELD)
6. OUR LADY OF THE PILLAR #4751 (LADUE)
7. ST ALBAN ROE #12022 (WILDWOOD)
8. ST CLARE OF ASSISI #7119 (ELLISVILLE)
9. ST CLEMENT OF ROME #13604 (DES PERES)
10. ST JOSEPH #9522 (MANCHESTER)
11. STE GENEVIEVE DU BOIS #15775 (WARSON WOODS)



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ASSEMBLY OFFICERS - NAME (PARISH COUNCIL)

- FAITHFUL FRIAR—"FR. MATHEW" CHERUPARAMBIL (ST JOSEPH)
- FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR—RON MEIER (ASCENSION)
- FAITHFUL CAPTAIN—DAVE TAYLOR (ST JOSEPH)
- FAITHFUL PILOT—TOM HELLER (ST JOSEPH)
- FAITHFUL ADMIRAL—BILL KLEIN (ASCENSION)
- FAITHFUL COMPTROLLER—DON MUELLER (INCARNATE WORD)
- FAITHFUL PURSER—RON CASEY (ASCENSION)
- FAITHFUL SCRIBE —ED VOKOUN (ST ALBAN ROE)
- INNER SENTINEL—TOM WARDENBURG (ST ALBAN ROE)
- OUTTER SENTINEL—JEFF GROTEGEERS (INCARNATE WORD)
- TRUSTEE 1 YEAR—ANDY DYSZLEWSKI (INCARNATE WORD)
- TRUSTEE 2 YEAR—PAUL WATTERS (ST. CLARE)
- TRUSTEE 3 YEAR—JOHN BRUGGER (ASCENSION)

LADIES AUXILIARY OFFICERS—NAME (PARISH COUNCIL)

- PRESIDENT— CAROL CRADDOCK (OUR LADY OF THE PILLAR)
- VICE PRESIDENT—BRENDA MAST (ASCENSION)
- TREASURER—CAROLYN VOKOUN (ST ALBAN ROE)
- SECRETARY/MEMBERSHIP—JUDY BURLESKI (ASCENSION)
- TRUSTEE—NORMA BERG (ASCENSION)
- TRUSTEE—BETTY HARTMAN (ST CLARE OF ASSISI)
- HISTORIAN—MARCIA PRICE (ASCENSION)

JANUARY 2026 CALENDAR & BIRTHDAYS

Click on a name's name under Happy Birthday to send him a birthday note

◀◀ PREVIOUS MONTH

JANUARY 2026

NEXT MONTH ▶▶

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28 Happy Birthday SK Michael C Bick SK John J Inkley	29 Prayer Service, SK Rob't Bryant, Assy. 3930 7:00 pm (Color Corps Event) Happy Birthday SK Shawn S Harrison	30 Funeral for SK Robert Bryant, Assy. 3930, 7 Holy Founders, 12/30, Show: 9:30 am 10:00 am (Color Corps Event) Happy Birthday SK Donald G Walther	31 Happy Birthday SK Harry C Eggleston	1 Happy Birthday SK Henry R Bauer SK Ronald J Honaker SK Michael A Pfeifer	2 Happy Birthday SK J Christopher Kerckhoff	3 Happy Birthday SK Joseph A Caratenu SK Thomas A O'Reilly
4 Happy Birthday SK Paul A Temme	5 Happy Birthday SK Dean Walker McClellan	6 Happy Birthday SK Gregory M Gantz SK Julio J Santiago	7	8 Happy Birthday SK Thomas J Brown	9	10 Happy Birthday SK Russell H Isaak
11	12 Happy Birthday SK Patrick E Flynn	13 Happy Birthday SK Michael J Carroll	14 Officer/Directors Meeting 6:30 pm	15	16	17 Happy Birthday SK Riccardo A Comana
18 Peace & Justice Mass, Cathedral 1:00 pm (Color Corps Event)	19 Happy Birthday SK Deacon Keith G Mallon SK Rick Reznikov	20 Happy Birthday SK Joseph F Strange Jr	21 Happy Birthday SK Gary A Lewis SK Daniel A Schlesinger SK Arthur J. Tilley	22	23	24 Happy Birthday SK Richard J Hasler
25 Happy Birthday SK Anthony H Koester	26	27	28 General Meeting 7:00 pm Happy Birthday SK Timothy F Fann SK John Patrick Thompson	29	30	31 Happy Birthday SK Gerard J Sander (PP) SK Thomas L Trog

JANUARY 2026



1/1 NEW YEARS DAY

1/14 O/D/L PLANNING MEETING (ST. CLARE AT 6:30)

1/19 MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY

1/19 GRAND KNIGHT/LIASON'S MTG (ASCENSION MPR 7PM)

1/27 USO AT LAMBERT AIRPORT (6 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT)

1/28 GENERAL MTG @ CPOP BEGINNING AT 7 P.M.

1/30 USO AT LAMBERT AIRPORT (6 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT)

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.

Archbishop Lori shares a brief reflection on the passage and issues a challenge for men to live for the month.

The next month, men undertaking the challenge as a group gather and share their experiences living the challenge.

The Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge is ideally suited for *Cor*, but can also be done in other group settings or individually.

By taking up the Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge, men take direct, concrete action to grow in their faith and help their brothers do so as well.

THIS MONTH'S CHALLENGE

DECEMBER 2025

“Even now the ax lies at the root of the trees. Therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.” (Gospel for Dec. 7, Mt 3:10)

In these reflections over the past year, we have meditated on the importance of our faith bearing fruit in good works. In a way, this Gospel passage, quoting St. John the Baptist, might seem out of place during Advent. But throughout this season, we reflect not only on Christ's coming in the incarnation, but also his second coming in judgment at the end of the world. Let us pray and work to ensure we lead truly faithful and fruitful lives as disciples of Jesus.

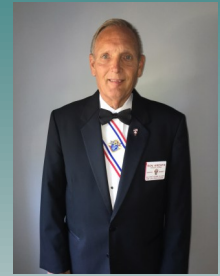
Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to spend some time reflecting on the four last things — death, judgment, heaven and hell — to better prepare yourself for eternity.

Questions for Reflection:

Do I live with my sights set on heaven? Am I aware of the reality of hell? Do I live my life so as to be prepared for my death and judgment?

WEBMASTER/NEWSLETTER EDITOR



HERE IS THE JANUARY NEWSLETTER. IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE CONSIDERED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE FEBRUARY 2026 NEWSLETTER, PLEASE SEND IT TO ME (RONKRENTZ1@GMAIL.COM) BY THE 15TH OF THE MONTH (ENTRYS FOR THE FEBRUARY 202 ISSUE WILL NEED TO BE SUBMITTED BY 1/15/26. I HOPE YOU ENJOY THE NEW FORMAT.

WEBSITE INFORMATION

TIP #3 RECORDING YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS

1. SELECT MEMBERS ONLY FROM THE HOME PAGE, (WWW.KOFCASSEMBLY3588.ORG) THEN PUT IN YOUR MEMBER # AND D.O.B. AND CLICK LOGIN
2. SELECT RECORD VOLUNTEER HOURS, THEN POST VOLUNTEER HOURS.
3. THIS WILL OPEN YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS PAGE.
4. SELECT DATE OF YOUR ENTRIES, THEN SELECT ACTIVITIES (IN BLUE) AND SELECT APPROPRIATE ACTIVITY.
5. EX: MEETINGS, COULD GO UNDER COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES. SELECT "MISC" & TYPE IN MTG TYPE & HRS/MIN.
6. ONCE DONE, GO DOWN TO BOTTOM & SELECT "SUBMIT ALL ENTRIES"
7. ANOTHER PAGE WILL COME UP, THEN SELECT "CONFIRM ALL ENTRIES".

TIP #4 PRAYER REQUESTS

1. ON HOMEPAGE (WWW.KOFCASSEMBLY3588.ORG), SELECT "PRAYER REQUESTS".
2. CLICK ON "SUBMIT YOUR REQUEST" THEN PUT IN YOUR MEMBER # & PASS CODE (DOB).
3. YOU CAN THEN PUT IN YOUR PRAYER REQUEST & CLICK THE SUBMIT BUTTON AND YOU ARE DONE.

TIP #5 WHAT IS MY # AND WHERE CAN I FIND MY MEMBER #?

YOUR MEMBER # IS FOUND ON YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD FOR BOTH THE 3RD AND 4TH DEGREE.

*** I WILL PUT SOME ADDITIONAL TIPS IN EACH NEWSLETTER TO HELP MEMBERS UTILIZE OUR WEBSITE.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS/COMMENTS, PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO CALL ME (314-277-9976) OR EMAIL ME AT RONKRENTZ1@GMAIL.COM



OF COLUMBUS AND LADIES AUXILIARY

St. Patrick's Dinner & Celebration

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, IN THE ASCENSION MPR

\$40 per person

**Open bar
(beer, wine, soda, water)**

Doors Open at 6 p.m.

**Buffet Dinner Served
at 6:45 p.m.**

**Delicious corned beef dinner buffet by Russo's Catering.
Dessert included with coffee or iced tea.**

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED

Make your reservation by: FEBRUARY 20.

Must be 21 or older to attend

GROUP TABLES of 8 (can hold 10) are available. *Please provide the group contact along with the names of table attendees.

Tables of 8 will be assigned unless you have a specific party or parties you would like to be seated with. **Please provide that information.

CONTACT

LaVerne Thoman for reservations, at 314-578-1500

Email at Laverne.Thoman@cbgundaker.com

LIVE IRISH ENTERTAINMENT!

Musical entertainment provided by Mitzi MacDonald and Keltic Reign, Clarkson School of Irish Dance, and more!

SPECIAL GUEST: ST PATRICK

REMINDERS:

- **PAYMENTS** must be received by **FEBRUARY 27** to hold your reservation.
- **Make checks payable to:**

Knights of Columbus #11139 and mail to:
Steve Price, 208 Woodcliffe Place Drive,
Chesterfield, MO 63005

Please, no payments at the door.