

# MARCH 2026 NEWSLETTER

HOLY SPIRIT ASSEMBLY NO. 3588  
FOURTH DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
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WWW.KOFCASSEMBLY3588.ORG

MEETINGS: O/D/L 2ND WEDNESDAY OF THE  
MONTH AT 6:30 P.M.  
GENERAL MEETING 4TH WEDNESDAY STARTING  
AT 7:00 P.M.

## PAYMENTS FOR DUES, DINNERS, ETC.

YOU CAN USE A CREDIT CARD BY GOING  
TO OUR "MEMBERS ONLY" SECTION  
WHERE YOU WILL SEE HOW TO USE  
VENMO OR ZELLE.



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## MESSAGE FROM OUR FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR...



The other day I attended a Parish Mission at Ascension Church and as i was leaving the service the Priest asked me, “How is your Lenten Journey going”. I told Father it has been very hard with the devil tempting me every minute of the first week of Lent. But I feel good, I have fought off temptations and still holding true to the items I have given up for Lent. We never want the devil to win. I hope your Lenten journey is a time of peace, reflection and renewal. At our February 2026 Assembly Meeting we had a USO Ambassador come and speak about the USO Missouri at Lambert International Airport. After giving a great presentation I believe we may have convinced a few more Brother Knights to join the ranks as a volunteer at the USO. Please consider it, the work is fun and meeting and speaking with individuals in the Military or new recruits headed to Basic Training is very rewarding. Time is running out to get any new candidates signed up for the 4th Degree Exemplification taking place on Saturday March 21, 2026 at St. Charles Borromeo in St. Charles, MO. Keep in mind the deadline for signing up for the Exemplification and the meal is March 14, 2026. But if anyone would have a late Candidate that still wants to come after the cut-off date that particular candidates name will not appear in the program and can still attend. Remember Honor Guard and Escorts are welcomed to attend and stay for dinner. Cost for the Lunch reservation is \$20.00 per person. (See attached Flyers) The Assembly is seriously searching for a Candidate from within our Assembly Ranks that would consider taking on the positions as “Pilot”. This would be a two year commitment. Our Assembly is so blessed with some outstanding Sir Knights, so please consider taking on this position. If you would want to talk to me before making any commitment, please don’t hesitate to reach out to me. Our Assembly has finally filled the position of Civic Director vacated by SK John Brother SK Ron Casey has stepping into that role and gave a great report at our last Assembly Meeting. I am looking forward to see what good information Ron has to share with us in the months to come. It is hard to believe that the first day of Spring is Friday March 20, 2026. So if we just hold on a little bit more we will be over the hump and onto better weather. Please continue to pray for our Brother Sir Knights who have recently been called home to God; Brother SK’s Robert Hartman, Anthony Koester and Vernon Dunn and keep our Brother who are ill in your daily prayers as well.

Also Happy Birthday to all Brother Sir Knights who have a Birthday in the month of March 2026.

In 2 Corinthians 9:6 St. Paul writes: Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sow generously will also reap generously. I find this to be very True.

God Bless you All, Ron Meier, Faithful Navigator

**Knights of Columbus Assembly Advisor Holy Spirit Assembly**

**3588**



Anyone wishing to volunteer at the USO should fill out an application at [www.volunteers.uso.org](http://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](mailto:gene@fallert.net). Why not give it a Try!!!

**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 atmos-

**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)

# MARCH 2026 CALENDAR & BIRTHDAYS

◀ PREVIOUS MONTH

MARCH 2026

NEXT MONTH ▶▶

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>1</b> Happy Birthday SK Kenneth R Wening SK Carl T Williams	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Happy Birthday SK Roger C Jacques	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> SK Tony Koester Funeral, Incarnate Word, 10:00 am to 12:30 pm 10:00 am (Color Corps Event)  Happy Birthday SK Paul L Steube SK Thomas H Warrington	<b>7</b> Happy Birthday SK Mr. Theodore R Naegel (MM)
<b>8</b> Accolyte Confirmation w/ AB Rozanski 12:00 pm (Color Corps Event)  Happy Birthday SK Frank C Dunne SK Joseph G Herrmann SK Donald L Mueller (MM)	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Happy Birthday SK Arthur A DeVillar SK Felix J Ferrise SK Jeffrey R Logullo SK Rev. Walter M Munna	<b>11</b> Officers/Directors/Liaisons Meeting 6:30 pm	<b>12</b> Happy Birthday SK Stephen E Dickhut	<b>13</b> Happy Birthday SK Patrick R Buehrle	<b>14</b> Happy Birthday SK Terry V Altepeter SK Mark S Faller SK Gordon Gary Grace (MM)
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Happy Birthday SK Michael R Leonard SK Jason T Zurheide	<b>17</b> St. Patrick's Day  Happy Birthday SK David P Giuliani SK Patrick J Muenks	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Mass at Shrine of St. Joseph 12:00 pm (Color Corps Event)  Happy Birthday SK Gerald P Burmeister SK Thomas A Ortmann	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Exemplification, Assy 571, 9:00 am (Color Corps Event)  Happy Birthday SK Michael J Lane
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Happy Birthday SK Timothy W Gamma SK Theodore C Juen	<b>24</b> Happy Birthday SK John M Russo (PP)	<b>25</b> General Meeting 7:00 pm	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Happy Birthday SK Phillip C Desloge SK Ryan J Hillenbrand	<b>28</b> Happy Birthday SK Jon J Gehbauer SK Mark J O'Donnell
<b>29</b> Palm Sunday  K of C Founder's Day  Happy Birthday SK Leonard Bodus SK D Andy Dyszlewski (PP)	<b>30</b> Happy Birthday SK James O Buehrig	<b>31</b> Happy Birthday SK Deacon Donald C Efken SK Mr. Jerry E Follis	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Good Friday  Happy Birthday SK Donald E Bennish (PP)	<b>4</b>

# MARCH 2026



- 3/11 O/D/L PLANNING MEETING (ST. CLARE AT 6:30)
- 3/17 ST. PATRICK'S DAY
- 3/24 USO AT LAMBERT
- 3/25 GENERAL MEETING @ ST. CLEMENT OF ROME



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](mailto: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**

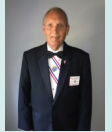
#### **REMINDERS:**

- **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.**

MESSAGE FROM FAITHFUL CAPTAIN  
DAVE TAYLOR....



TO OUR 4TH DEGREE SIR  
KNIGHTS!!!

WE ARE CONTINUING TO GROW  
OUR ASSEMBLY 4TH DEGREE  
MEMBERSHIP.

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT. PLEASE  
PASS ALONG TO ALL 3RD DEGREE  
KNIGHTS TO

CONSIDER JOINING THE PATRIOTIC  
4TH DEGREE.

THERE WILL BE AN UPCOMING 4TH  
DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION THIS  
MARCH IN ST. CHARLES.

**\*\*IT WOULD BE GREAT IF ALL  
GRAND KNIGHTS COULD PUT THIS  
ITEM ON THEIR**

**FEBRUARY AGENDA AND SAY A  
FEW WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT  
TO JOIN THE PATRIOTIC 4TH  
DEGREE.**

**DIRECT ANY AND ALL QUESTIONS  
TO FAITHFUL CAPTAIN SIR KNIGHT  
DAVE TAYLOR.**

**HE CAN BE REACHED AT 636-775-  
6615**

## WEBMASTER/NEWSLETTER EDITOR

HERE IS THE MARCH NEWSLETTER. IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE CONSIDERED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE APRIL 2026 NEWSLETTER, PLEASE SEND IT TO ME, (RONKRENTZ1@GMAIL.COM) BY THE 15TH OF THE MONTH ( EN-TRY FOR THE APRIL 2026 ISSUE WILL NEED TO BE SUBMITTED BY 3/15/26. I HOPE YOU ENJOY THE NEW FORMAT.

### **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 RE-QUESTS".
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.

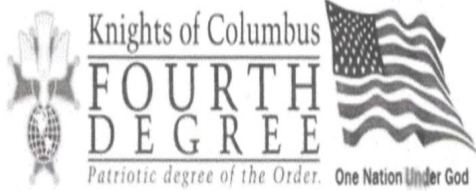
### **TIP #5 WHAT IS MY # AND WHERE CAN I FIND MY MEMBER #?**

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

# 4th DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION



## FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2026

HONOREE: SK, PSD, FORMER MASTER, VICE SUPREME MASTER BOB HAWKINS

HOSTED BY: ST. PHILIPPINE DUCHESNE ASSEMBLY #571

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC CHURCH

601 N. 4<sup>TH</sup> ST., ST. CHARLES, MO 63301

This exemplification gives you a rich history on how Catholics have and continue to play a significant role in the shaping of our American society, and to implore us to continue to be religious patriots in our community today.

*Wives and Families Invited to attend Ceremony!*

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

8:30 am – 9:30 am	Registration
9:30 am	Candidates Line-Up
10:00 am	Exemplification
12:00 noon	Lunch

The Exemplification Fee is set at \$90.00 per candidate\* by Supreme

\* The cost for a Priest to go through the Degree is \$47.00 (Deacons and Seminarians must pay \$90.00)

- The Dress Code for a candidate for the Fourth Degree is as follows:
  - A candidate should wear a black or dark (blue or gray) business suit, with black shoes, white dress shirt and dark tie. Candidates should NOT wear a Tuxedo
  - A candidate serving in the Armed Forces of his country, as well as fulltime police and firefighters, may wear a Class A or Dress Uniform.
  - A candidate who is a Priest, Deacon, or Seminarian may wear proper clerical attire.
- The cost of the Lunch *IS INCLUDED* for Candidates. Additional meals may be purchased for \$20.00 each.

Current 4<sup>th</sup> Degree members are encouraged to attend to support these new Sir Knights

*Numerous Honor Guard members are needed at the Degree!*

All copies of the Form 4 - Fourth Degree Membership Document (*properly signed by Faithful Navigator, Faithful Comptroller and Financial Secretary*) for each candidate, along with the upper portion of the Meal Reservation Form below should be mailed to:

Michael Grudzinski  
611 Peaceful Way  
Maryville, MO 64468

Make Checks Payable to  
"Michael Grudzinski – Missouri District Master"

**REGISTRATION AND MEAL TICKET ORDERS ARE DUE BY MARCH 14**

### CANDIDATES – FILL OUT AND RETURN THIS UPPER PORTION

Candidate Registration	\$90.00
Candidate Meal (no charge)	1 (qty) = \$ 0.00
Spouse / Other Guests (\$20 per meal)	_____ (qty) = \$ .00
Total enclosed for Candidate Registration and Guest Meals	\$ _____

Candidate Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

(St. Charles Borromeo)



### ONLY CURRENT 4<sup>th</sup> DEGREE MEMBERS STAYING FOR THE MEAL NEED TO FILL OUT AND RETURN THIS BOTTOM PORTION

Remit this form and check to:

Doug Kissinger  
149 Iowa Dr.  
Ozark, MO 65721

Make Checks Payable to  
"Michael Grudzinski – Missouri District Master"

Sir Knight / Guests (\$20 per meal) \_\_\_\_\_ (qty) = \$ .00

Total enclosed for Sir Knight and Guest Meals \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Sir Knight Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Sir Knight Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Sir Knight Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

(St. Charles Borromeo)

**CURRENT MEMBER MEAL TICKET ORDERS ARE DUE BY MARCH 14**

## SUPREME CHAPLAIN MONTHLY CHALLENGE

March 2026

**So Thomas, called Didymus, said to his**

**fellow disciples, “Let us also go to die with him.”** (Gospel for March 22, Jn 11:16) Look at the bravery of Thomas! Jesus had just announced his intention to travel to Judea, where he had narrowly escaped getting stoned to death. Given the potential danger ahead, Thomas seems prepared for martyrdom. Later, of course, he and the other disciples would flee as Jesus was arrested, and Thomas would doubt reports of Jesus’ resurrection. As fallible humans, our strength and resolve sometimes collapse into weakness. May we always seek the courage to follow Jesus faithfully, even when the going gets tough.



### Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, as we continue through Lent, I challenge you to pray the Stations of the Cross each week — in your parish community, with your family or individually — with the intention of receiving the courage to suffer for Christ. A good resource is the Catholic Information Service booklet *The Way of the Cross: Traditional and Modern Meditations* ([kofc.org/shopcis](http://kofc.org/shopcis)).

### Questions for Reflection:

Are you a good disciple of Christ? How can being a Knight of Columbus help prepare you to take up your cross and follow him? Are you willing to suffer for your faith if called upon?