

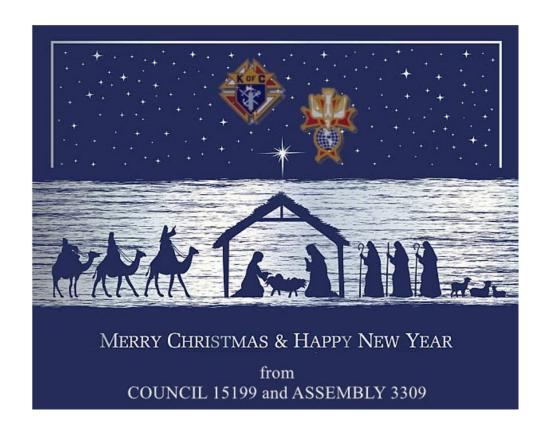
NEWSLETTER

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December 2025

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DECEMBER 2025 SUPREME CHAPLAIN'S MONTHLY CHALLENGE

"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?

2025-2026

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Wednesday Night Online Rosary

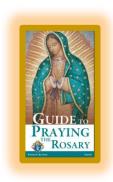
Please join the Knights Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm for our weekly rosary

Parishioners, Family and Friends are invited

Join from your computer, tablet, or smartphone

Click on the link below to participate https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/196982653

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December 2025

And That Is Enough for Now:

I was reading an article from Work on Fire Evangilization & Culture recently written by Dr. Tod Worner. He was describing what he had seen the day the last of the hostages were released by Hamas back to their Israeli families. We all saw some of it on national TV, and when we watched, we were happy for their return, and for the families they returned to. While the tensions in the Middle East are not over, and some of the fighting in Gaza is still going on, Dr. Worner was making the point that these hostages returning home was, in and of itself, a *very* important moment, for the world, for us who watched, for Isreal, and most importantly for those families.

In a world that is so cynical, so angry, that questions every win we can get, that questions why the other problems weren't solved first, we have to take a step back and appreciate what we got in that moment. What we got, was one step closer, maybe a small step albeit, but a step just the same, closer to peace. A step that would not have happened were it not for all those who worked to negotiate that moment.

"Blessed be the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God."

A very wise old Sergeant, one of the wisest men I ever had the honor of knowing, worked a domestic call with me one night on graveyard. When we came out of the call and were getting back into our cars I made the comment, "I don't know that we did any good." He answered, "we did do some good, we stopped the fighting, maybe just for a little while, but we did stop the fighting, did ya see the looks on those children's faces when the fighting stopped?'

Then he said, "Whitey, take your wins where you can get them." And ya know, we didn't have to go back to that house again that night.

Some years later I was working days during the summer. We got a call for a lost child, a 4 year old boy who was last seen, by his mother, chasing after some stray cat. Me and a couple of other officers started searching the neighborhood and I soon found him in a bush a couple of houses down, still chasing after that damn, uh - darn cat.

The look on that mother's face when I brought the boy back, along with that mangy cat, was of joy, relief, and love for her son, and it somehow humbled me. For me, it was just another call on another day, but for that mother who was living in that moment, it was the most important moment in her entire life.

Dr. Worner went on to talk about the parable of the lost sheep, the parable of the prodigal son, the joy of those who have just found their lost ones. He talked about that look of joy, relief, and love he saw on the faces of the families who were living in that moment, it was the most important moments of their entire lives.

When I was reading this article from Dr. Worner, I was reminded of that night with Sgt. Angel Torres, a deeply religious Catholic man, and what he was trying to tell me. Worner ends his article with this:

"Because in those moments of reunion, I saw God. And that is enough for now." Looking back, I know now I saw God in those children's faces, I saw Him in that mother's face; and I think that's what that wise old Sgt. was trying to telling me that night: Take your wins where you can get them, find God in them, because He's *always* there, and then:

Well - Maybe that's enough for now.

Family of the Month



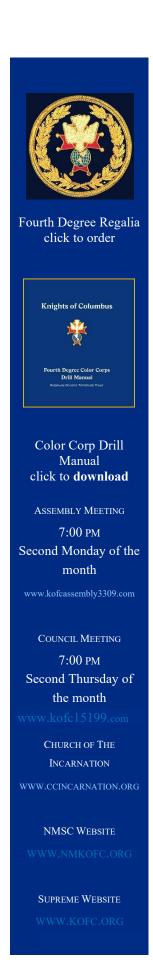


of the Month

Awarded to the family of Katherine and Fernando Alvidrez

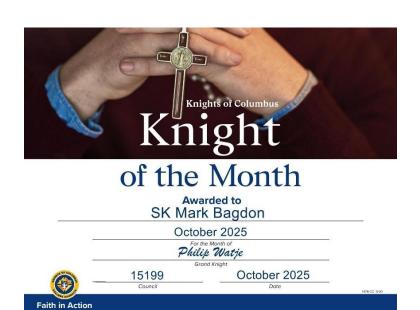
who has served as an inspiration to our parish, community and council by supporting and strengthening Catholic Family Life

Congratulations Katherine (Katie) and Fernando (Ferni) Alvidrez



Knight of the Month





Congratulations SK Mark





You can play a key role in advancing Father McGivney's cause by joining the Guild for free and praying for his intercession and canonization.

<u>JOIN THE GUILD</u>

CANONIZATION PRAYER

May Father McGivney intercede for you!

Vanessa Maciel - Nov 12, 2025

We see you, we honor you, and we thank you:' Las Vegas commemorates Veteran's Day



Vanessa Maciel/Optic photo

Liz Alvarado, left, stands next to her husband Ret. Col. John Alvarado and both salute the colors during a Veterans Day ceremony at Veterans Park on Tuesday. Ret. Col. John Alvarado was the ceremony's keynote speaker.

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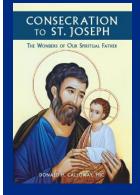
Veterans Day Mass 2025, Assembly 3309, Church of the Incarnation, Rio Rancho

SK Julian Gonzales, USMC Veteran, was presented with the medals and ribbons he earned during the Vietnam War but never received.





























Assembly 3309 delivered Cake and Punch to the VA to celebrate birthdays



(l-r) New Mexico VAVS (Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service) Rep SK Steve Budenski, FN Jim Guth , DM Frank Melo





We have a lot to share!

First, we are excited to announce that our next raffle will be for this highly desirable 1959 Chevy Apache 31, a 1/2-ton pickup truck!

It has been years since we brought you a V8 truck, and this one is very special. You can see all of it's build stats on our website. This pickup has the power and comfort to cruise Route 66 from beginning to end!

Second, last year's raffle brought you two prize cars during the same raffle, and we are grateful to everyone who supported us. This year, we made the decision to bring you two V8's again, in a new way!

We will raffle two V8s back-to-back, each over a shorter amount of time, giving you a chance to win more often!

The drawing for the 1959 Chevy Apache will be held on *Saturday, February 14, 2026* during the Bishop's Mardi Gras, hosted by the Catholic Peoples Foundation, in Gallup, New Mexico.

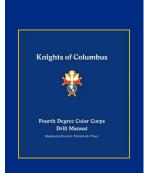
The next raffle will follow directly after it, and the drawing for that prize will be held on *Saturday, July 25*, 2026 during the 100th Anniversary Celebrations of Route 66 in Gallup, New Mexico! (We are so excited to share that car, but we will wait juuuuust a little bit longer.)

Third, we have a great need this year! We had two seminarians, and ordained one to the priesthood this Summer. Then we added three new men as seminarians this month, so we will be helping to pay for the schooling of four seminarians this year!!!

So join us for two amazing raffles and help us support the poorest diocese in he United States. Thank you for your continued support!

Buy Tickets Here!

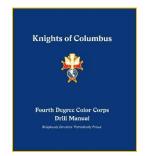
Need not be present to win, and as always "We pay the taxes!"



Color Corp Drill Manual click to **download**



Fourth Degree Regalia click to order



In Step

Honor Guards at CUF Exemplifications

Last weekend, at Saturday evening 5:00 PM Mass, my council held their quarterly Mass for council members and their families, followed by an Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity.

We included a Fourth-Degree honor guard for the mass, escorted the gift bearers, and remained in force for the Exemplification.

We train monthly and did a quick walk through prior to mass. Our Honor Guard was PREPARED!

Our Honor Guard looked great, and we left a very good impression on the Parishioners and the new candidates.

Our Grand Knight spoke on the Fourth Degree (he was in the honor guard) at the end of the CUF and I am happy to report that we will have one (likely both) of those new members as a candidate(s) for the next Fourth Degree in our area.

Training in advance is more than a good idea; it is vital to achieve our goals.

We showed the Parishioners our Faith as we served in the Honor Guard for mass

- We showed our support for one of our councils in our Assembly
- We set an example for new members and encouraged them to not only get involved in their council, but to join us in the Fourth Degree.

Take advantage of these opportunities and be prepared with regular training.

If you have any other questions on training your members, please email me at MJPKNIGHT9282@aol.com.

Fraternally,

Michael J. Porter, PSD,FM,FVSM Fourth Degree Director of Training

Updated Drill Manual

The Drill Manual contains significant changes including certification of Color Corps Members in Marching and Manual of the Sword (Appendix A), as well as appearance standards (Appendix C).

Could you wear the Fourth Degree uniform blazer with other slacks and a regular tie when going out with his wife? The answer is: No

Letter to Mommy and Daddy after Abortion

Mommy... why did you hurt me? Daddy did you know? Why didn't you fight for my life?

Jesus said I would have looked just like you Your hair, your eyes, and

smile I know you didn't mean it Mommy

Daddy I know you love me.

Daddy, you will never get to see me

You'll miss my first words, you'll miss me fall and get up.

Mommy, you'll never get to comb my hair or paint my nails, you'll miss me go to kindergarten

You guys will miss my whole life And I will to....

But don't worry, I am with Jesus now.... Next time think about what you are doing, and who you are hurting,

I AM A PERSON

Mommy, Daddy, I love you, wish you would have loved me too

By: Danielle Martinez



Culture of Life

ASAP (Aid and Support After Pregnancy)

Host a fundraiser for a pregnancy resource center or maternity home. Pregnancy resource centers and maternity homes can be found by searching through databases available at heartbeatinternational.org, birthright.org and pregnancycarecanada.ca among others. Visit kofc.org/asap for resources.

| Preganacy Centers in NM | Mailing Address | City | Phone |
|---|--|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Birthright | 3228 Candelaria NE | 3228 Candelaria NE Albuquerque | |
| Birthright | 609 N. Butler Ave. Farmington | | |
| Birthright | 203 Manzaneras Ave #16 | Socorro | 575-835-42 |
| Project Defending Life | 729 San Mateo Blvd NE | 729 San Mateo Blvd NE Albuquerque | |
| Life Choice Pregnancy Resource Center | 621 N. Main | 621 N. Main Clovis | |
| New Beginnings Caring Pregnancy Center | 108 W. Hagerman | 108 W. Hagerman Carlsbad | |
| New Life Pregnancy Center | PO Box 43 Taos | | 575-758-28 |
| Open Arms PC | PO Box 3579 Truth or Consequences | | 970-799-47 |
| Pregnancy Help Center of Artesia | 610 W. Quay Ave Artesia | | 575-736-64 |
| Right to Life of New Mexico | 2413 Wyoming Blvd NE Albuquerque | | (505) 881-4 |
| LegacyPregnancy Resource | 1100 E. Llano Hobbs | | 575.942.25 |
| Southern NM Outreach | 1222 N. White Sands Blvd Alamogordo | | 575 434-55 |
| Origins | 2704 Southern Blve SE | 2704 Southern Blve SE Rio Ranch | |
| Care Net Pregnancy Center of Los Cruces | PO Box 1865 Las Cruces | | 575-526-62 |
| Turning Point A Pregnancy Help Center | 3201 S. Main Suite C Las Cruces | | 575-520-11 |
| Care Net of the East Mountains | 21 Main St Suite 202 | n St Suite 202 Edgewood | |
| Care Net Pregnancy Center Rio Rancho | 2451 Monterrey Rd Rio Rancho | | 505-896-23 |
| Care Net Pregnancy Center Los Lunas | 601 Main SE, Ste 26 | Main SE, Ste 26 Los Lunas | |
| Chaves County Pregnancy Resource Center | PO Box 3611 | PO Box 3611 Roswell | |
| Hands of Hope Pregnancy Center | 120 Boardman Dr Gallup | | 505-722-71 |
| Our Lady of Guadalupe Gift of Life Center | 811 St. Michael's Dr. Suite 103 Santa Fe | | 505-988-12 |
| Life-Way of Lincoln County | 270 A Country Club DDr Ruidoso | | 575.973.00 |
| Restarting a CPC | · | | 719-439-31 |
| Grace Place Pregnancy and Health Center | 4801 N. Butler, Ste 3102 | Farmington | 505-327-47 |



Celebrate the Gospel of Life

Mary,
bright dawn of the new world,
Mother of the living,
to you do we entrust the cause of life:
Look down, O Mother,
upon the vast numbers
of babies not allowed to be born,
of the poor whose lives are made difficult,
of men and women
who are victims of brutal violence,
of the elderly and the sick killed
by indifference or out of misguided mercy.
Grant that all who believe in your Son
may proclaim the Gospel of life
with honesty and love
to the people of our time.
Obtain for them the grace
to accept that Gospel
as a gift ever new,
the joy of celebrating it with gratitude
throughout their lives
and the courage to bear witness to it
resolutely, in order to build,
together with all people of good will,
the civilization of truth and love,
to the praise and glory of God,
the Creator and lover of life.

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Prayer Requests



Lady Alice Garcia Lady Joan Archuleta SK Ray Montoya Deacon Jerome Paszkiewicz SK Larry Kolker SK Ernie Marquez Lady Karen Thuli, wife of Dcn Mark Thuli Dolores Bernal, wife of Deacon Louis Bernal

SK Clemente Garcia SK Henry Chavez Lady Peg Bagdon SK Pat Bodin Lady Cindy Melo Lady Trudy Meyers Brother Jack Reznick SK Frank Cruz

Peggy Meyerson, wife of Deacon George Meyerson Father Leo Ortiz

Lady Elaine Chavez SK Frank Morganti SK Joe Berryman Lady Jacqui Berryman SK Ron Cook SK James Starr Brother George Schlegelmilch SK Ray Montoya GK SK Tim, and Lady Amanda Sheehan Lady Marian Oldham Deacon Louis Bernal Roseann Pino, sister of PFN John Alvarado Lady Roxane Delgado, wife of SK Lady Cecilia Brunoni SK Frosty Johnson Jennifer Talik Daughter in Law of SK Stan Talik and Lady Debbie SK Garold Hohmann SK Joseph Lepre Lady Zenaida Cantu SK Henry Chavez SK Julian and Lady Teresa Gonzales SK Anthony Gutierrez Lawrence Goddard Lady Debbie Talik Michael Lee, nephew of Father John Carney

God Almighty, Heavenly Father, Physician of our souls and bodies, You, who sent Your only begotten Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, to heal every sickness and infirmity, visit and heal also Your sick and distressed Knights and their beloved from all physical and spiritual ailments.

Gene Delgado

Through the Grace of the Holy Spirit, grant these Knights and their beloved patience in their sickness, strength of body and spirit, and recovery of health. Lord, You have taught us through Your Word to pray for each other that we may be healed. We pray, heal your servants and grant to them the gift of complete health.

For You are the source of healing and to You we give glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Amen



- +SK Michael Hamm
- +Angelo Garcia, Son of SK Clemente and Lady Alice Garcia
- +SK Steve Wilson
- +Lady Marcella Johnson
- +Baby Ezekiel Brenton
- +Michael Tobin
- +Pat and +Joanne Salerno
- +Jeanne Cynova
- +Thomas Maloney Brother of SK John Maloney
- +Lawrence Goddard
- +Thomas Meyer Brother of SK Ron Meyer
- +Lawrence Brenner Brother of Lady Trudie Meyer
- +PGK SK Joseph Lepre
- + Therese Zerwas, Mother of Father Rick Zerwas
- + Johnny Sawder Torres, Brother of Lady Alice Garcia +Bill Clifton
- +SK Marty Cantu
- +Clyde Archuleta, Son of +SK Ralph and Lady Joan
- +SK David Chavez
- +SK Tom Guzman
- +Patricia Walker, Sister of Lady Marjorie Starr

- +Alvin Cynova
- +SK Ralph Archuletta
- +Warren Ferguson
- +Gloria Baca, Sister of SK Gerald Roybal
- +Mary Kerr, Sister of Lady Josie Roybal
- +Christopher Melo, Son of Lady Cindy and SK Frank Melo
- +Lady Toni Chavez Wife of SK David L Chavez
- +Sierra Rodriguez Granddaughter of Lady Pam and SK Jimm White
- +Juan Canales
- +Dean Ramaeker
- +SK Ken Weiman
- +Dave Ashley
- +SK Tony Vigil
- +Lady Alicia Vigil + John B Sayer
- +Frank Guillen

In your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters.

In this life you embraced them with your tender love; deliver them now from every evil and bid them eternal rest. The old order has passed away:

welcome them into paradise, where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain, but fullness of peace and joy with your Son and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen



Church of the Incarnation

Office and Church Hours Monday – Thursday, 9:00am – 5:00pm Fridays 8:00am-1:00pm

Daily Mass
Mon, Wed & Thurs: 5:30pm
Tuesday & Friday: 8:00am

Weekend Mass
Saturday: 4:00pm
Sundays: 8:00am, 10:30am and 12:30pm

Confessions
Mon., Wed & Thurs: 4:30pm-5:15pm
Tuesday & Friday: 7:15am -7:45am
Saturdays 2:00pm -3:45pm
Sunday 9:30am -10:15am

Eucharistic Adoration
Monday & Wednesday: 6:00pm-7:00pm
Fridays: 9:00am – 1:00pm
Contact Information for Staff and
Clergy



Prayer Partners Needed for Religious Education

As we begin our RE year, we are looking for people who would commit to praying by name for one or more students weekly this school year. What does this entail? At least once a week you take a few moments to pray for your student(s) in your regular daily prayers. At the start of the year you will be given your student(s) first name only and asked to pray for them all year long. Our hope is to have all of our students covered in prayer this year!

TO SIGN UP, CONTACT AMANDA AT AMANDA@INCARNATION.CHURCH





In the Know – Programs, Events and Activities

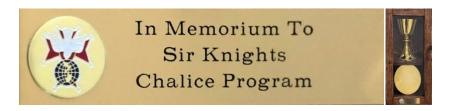


Council Officer's Meeting – First Thursday of the month

Council General Meeting – Second Thursday of the month

Assembly General Meeting – Second Monday of the month

Virtual/Online Rosary – Wednesday Evenings – Contact Gra Knight (gk15199@gmail.com) for details



The Chalice Program is a beautiful and lasting gesture to memorialize and pay tribute to a Sir Knight who has passed away. A Chalice and Paten with the name of the deceased Sir Knight engraved (on the Paten) are given to a Mission Church for use during the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass



December 2025 Birthdays

| | ROBERT | S | BRUNONI | 12/3 |
|-----|-----------|---|-----------|-------|
| DEA | MARK | W | BUIE | 12/4 |
| | MATTHEW | J | WALSH | 12/5 |
| | BLAIR | J | WHITE | 12/9 |
| | STEVEN | J | SCHROEDER | 12/11 |
| | BONIFACIO | R | GARCIA | 12/14 |
| | DEAN | D | PITTS | 12/20 |
| | PATRICK | M | BRENNER | 12/20 |
| | RICK | Α | ROOD | 12/22 |
| | JOHN | A | LIBRANDE | 12/26 |

Happy Birthday!

May God continue to bless you with peace, love, health, and happiness!

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Partner with Your Agent to Succeed

Are there men in your parish and community who have yet to join your council? Do you wish that more of your current members were engaged in the work of the council? Would you like more council members to be comfortable asking another man to join the Order? Your agent stands ready to help you with all these things and more. Reach out to him today to start a discussion on how you can partner for success





Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

Founder of the Knights of Columbus

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please report all favors received:
The Father McGivney Guild
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www.fathermcgivney.org

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Join in Praying for Our Founder's Intercession

The faithful around the world are turning to Blessed Michael McGivney for their personal prayer petitions. Visit the Father McGivney Guild website where you'll find a list of the latest favors received, as well as a form to submit your own petitions.

Also, click here to download and pray a Litany of Blessed Michael McGivney.





Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle,





be our protection against
the wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray;

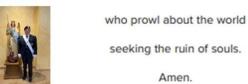




and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God,

cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits

















Our Lady, Queen of the Knights, bless all the activities of our Order. Keep us true to our pledge, to extend the kingship of thy divine son on earth.

Through Thine intercession, win for us the grace, ever to exemplify in our public and private lives, the virtues that should characterize those especially dedicated to the service of the heavenly court. Make us always aware that as your Knights, we are constantly observed, our faith judged, and our Order appreciated.

Accept, O Mary, this renewed pledge of fealty and devotion, of Thy Servants, the Knights of Columbus.