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## MARCH Birthdays

Yamuel Rodgiguez - 5  
James Moglia - 6  
Rolando Escobar – 12  
Andy Andras - 23  
Robert Kines – 29

**March 29, 2024**

Good Friday



A Stabat Mater depiction, 1868

## Grand Knight Report

### Grace

In my conversion from Protestantism one of the biggest differences was between the Protestant idea of grace and the Catholic idea of grace. Most Protestants, at least in the United States, equate the word grace with the word favor. To have God's grace on your life simply means you have God's favor, as opposed to His wrath. It just describes God's attitude toward you.

The Catholic idea of grace is so much more. It is a substance. It is the very life of God. There is baptismal grace, sanctifying grace, and actual grace, and Catholic theologians usually speak of graces. Grace leads to conversion, sanctification, healing, blessing and the strength to bear up under the trials of life and to resist temptation. So how do we receive grace? After baptism and confirmation, we receive more graces by praying for them. In the Bible prayer is often linked to fasting. When we fast and perform other mortifications, we show God that we are really sorry for our sins (contrition), and that we desire and value His grace more than the comforts of this life and the things of the world. In addition to receiving grace for ourselves, we can also pray for grace for others. If you look around and think that the world is in a mess what it needs is more of the grace of God. That is, after all, what Lent is all about.

Vivat Jesus!  
Larry Wynja



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## District Deputy Report

Dear Brother Knights

The Knights of Columbus annual State Convention is coming up in May and I believe your Council has selected 2 delegates to represent your Council at the Convention. This is a great opportunity for the 2 Knights to spend a couple days with other Knights in Orlando and hear from the State Leaders giving guidance on various activities of the Knights. Your 2 leaders will receive a lot of take-aways which they will share with you when they return.

Now is also the time when your Trustees start working on a slate of officers for the next fraternal year. While it frequently happens that the Trustees and/or Grand Knight asks Knights to step up to the various office positions, any Knight can request to be placed on the ballot for election. So, if you don't get asked but have an interest in learning more about an officer position and possibly run for an office, talk to one of your Trustees or Grand Knight. Filling an officer position gets you more involved and active with your Council. Some officers have probably been in the officer positions for a number of years and are interested in stepping down, so other Knights are always needed to step into the officer positions.

We are now in the middle of Lent and obviously a very important time for our faith. Hopefully you are following the various Lenten activities such as giving up something, saying extra prayers, maybe going periodically to a weekday mass or stations of the cross, etc. Holy Week will soon be here with Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter. Take some time away from your regular activities to spend some extra time with your family and friends. Keep up all the good works you are doing as members of the Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus  
Bill Ingham  
DD 47

## Mass Schedule

SATURDAY:	4:00 PM	6:00 PM Spanish Español	
SUNDAY:	8:00 AM	9:45AM	12:00 PM Spanish Español
MONDAY:	12:15 PM		
TUESDAY:	12:15 PM		
WEDNESDAY:	12:15 PM		
THURSDAY:	12:15 PM Spanish Español		
FRIDAY:	12:15 PM		

## What it means to be a Knight by Fran Nason



Prayerfully consider being a "mentor" for new Brother Knights. My initial thoughts include:

- ☐ Monthly phone call reminders and follow ups regarding meetings.
- ☐ Developing a personal relationship that new members know they can count on you. Please let your GK know if you are interested and are willing to "Make a friend. Be a friend. Bring a friend to Jesus through the Knights of Columbus. The most common response to the question "Why are you not a Knight of Columbus?" is that no one asked the individual. What are you waiting for? Go ask.

Look at yourself in the mirror and ask if you did that one little thing. Did you ask someone you know to join the Knights of Columbus?

Contact our Worthy Grand Knight and he will work with you to get the new member into the Council.



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## Insurance Agent Report



Happy Easter!

Easter is the very end of March, the 31st, so I will take this time to hope you conclude your Lenten observances with a celebration of the Resurrection! March is Ethics Awareness Month for the insurance industry. Oxford Languages defines ethics as “moral principles that govern a person’s behavior or the conducting of an activity” In many professions there is an ethical code that practitioners are to observe. In medicine, we’ve boiled down the Hippocratic oath to, “First, do no harm.” Attorneys have the American Bar Association’s “Model Rules of Professional Conduct.” In psychology there are codes of conduct for both treatment and for research.

The insurance industry is no different. Here at the Knights of Columbus I think all members are familiar with our founding principles: Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. These have been ingrained in us. However, there are also four Core Values that all who represent the Knights subscribe to. By “represent the Knights” we include Supreme Officers, employees, independent contractors like me, and other vendors and contractors who are expected to live up to our four Core Values. From our Code of Ethics and Conduct handbook the Core Values are these: Integrity: Firm adherence to ethics, honesty, and a moral code.

Professionalism: Promoting the highest standards in all we do.

Excellence: Leading by example and constantly striving to be the best.

Respect: Treating each other with the highest regard.

I consider it an honor to be assigned to serve your council and I take seriously my responsibility to care for each of you members. Furthering Blessed Michael McGivney’s vision of caring for the widow and orphan is my goal.

I hope to always live up these Core Values in all my work with the council and with each and every one of you.

Vivat Jesus!

## KOM



The Knight of the Month for February is Steve Berg. **Did you know that Steve is a PGK? Ask him about it.**

## FOM



The WGK is accepting nominations for Family of the Month. This nominee does not necessarily need to be a Knight.



### Super Bowl Knight

Congratulations to Kansas City Chiefs kicker Harrison Butker, a Knight since 2015, who kicked four field goals in the Chiefs' Super Bowl victory Sunday night, including a record-breaking 57-yarder. Butker, who [joined the Order as a student](#) at Georgia Tech, spoke to college Knights in 2020 and challenged them to live their vocations with conviction and joy. “The greatest impact that I will make with my time on this earth,” he said, “is remaining dedicated to my primary vocation — helping my family get to heaven.”





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## Basketball Free throw Competition Feb 6, 2024



Our Council, with the cooperation from the Boys & Girls Club, held the annual Basketball Free throw competition on Feb 6, 2024. There were 25 participants. KoC Volunteers included Steve Berg, GK Larry Wynja, State Executive Administrator Marc Anderson and DGK Larry Langowski

## Dave Farrugia, PGN, FDD, PFN (Family Director)

**Msg. Scully Assembly.** Our next meeting of the Assembly is on Thursday, 21 March at 7:30. The Assembly is participating in **Operation Code Vet** on Saturday, 27 April, and it will be a painting job for a Veteran who needs help. All Knights are invited to participate in this worthy project. More information on specifics next month. I hope you all will consider donating a few hours for this worthwhile cause. Fraternally, Dave Farrugia, PGK, FDD, PFN, (Project Vet Coordinator)

**Wheelchair Fund.** I am thankful for the donations you so willingly put in the jug each month to help someone obtain a wheelchair. Every little bit helps, and I am most appreciative of your generosity. Dave Farrugia, PGK, FDD, PFN (Wheelchair Chairman)

**Family of the Month.** If you have a nominee, please let me or the Grand Knight know who they are and a little bit about why you are nominating them. The family does not have to be involved with the council. Look around at church and you see a lot of men and woman volunteering to serve in different ministries. These folks make very good candidates. Fraternally, Dave Farrugia, PGK, FDD, PFN (Family Director)

**March 31, 2024, is Easter Sunday**





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## Important Dates March-April

March 2, 2024, Youth Retreat Dinner, March 2, 2024, 6 pm  
Mary Hope of Christians

Officers Meeting. **Monday Mar 4, 2024**, 7 pm, White House

Council Meeting **Monday Mar 11, 2024**, 7 pm, White House

Lenten Food Pantry Drive Feb 14-April 7, 2024

Read Stations of the Cross 7 pm March 15, Church.  
**NEED VOLUNTEERS!** Please show up by 6:30 pm

Officers Meeting. **Monday April 1, 2024**, 7 pm, White House

END Lenten 40-40-40 April 7, 2024, 7 pm, White House

Council Meeting **Monday April 8, 2024**, 7 pm, White House

Council Miniature Golf Tournament April 20, 2024  
at Ace Golf on Bloomingdale. **NEED VOLUNTEERS!**

March

Su	M	T	W	R	F	Sa
						2 Youth Retreat Dinner
3	4 Officers	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Council	12	13	14	15 Council Stations of the Cross	17
17	18	19	20	21	22	24
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 Easter Sunday						

April

	1 Officers	2	3	4	5	6
7 END Lenten 40-40-40	8 Council	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 Council Mini Golf at Ace Golf
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

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April 20, 2024, Miniature  
Golf Tournament

**VOLUNTEERS FOR DAY  
OF EVENT NEEDED!**