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This September edition draws us close to Our Lady of Sorrows, inviting us to reflect on the quiet courage of a mother who never abandoned her Son. Her steadfast love teaches us that faith is often lived most deeply in moments of trial. As we honor her this month, may her strength inspire us to remain faithful, hopeful, and compassionate in all we do.

"Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother." John 19:25

May her witness guide our hearts and our service as Knights.

In Christ's Love
Jeff Kroeger
Editor

Dear Brother Knights,
As we enter the month of September, the Church invites us into one of the most profound devotions in our Catholic tradition: **Our Lady of Sorrows**. This devotion draws us into the heart of Mary's suffering — not to dwell in sadness, but to understand the depth of her love, her strength, and her unwavering fidelity to God. Mary's sorrows are not moments of defeat; they are moments of heroic faith. They reveal a mother who stood firm when the world fell apart, a disciple who remained faithful when others fled, and a woman whose love never wavered, even in the face of unimaginable pain.

For us as Knights of Columbus, Mary's sorrows offer a powerful model of perseverance, compassion, and courage. They remind us that our mission is not always easy, but it is always worth pursuing. They teach us that true charity often requires sacrifice, that unity is forged in shared burdens, and that fraternity grows strongest

when we walk with one another through both joys and trials.

As your Grand Knight, I am honored to lead our council into this month of reflection, renewal, and deeper devotion. My two years as Deputy Grand Knight taught me the strength of this council — your willingness to serve, your dedication to our parish, and your commitment to one another. Now, as we continue this fraternal year together, I believe Our Lady of Sorrows offers us a spiritual anchor and a source of inspiration for the work ahead.

The Seven Sorrows: A Pathway to Understanding Mary's Heart

The devotion to Our Lady of Sorrows centers on **seven moments** in Mary's life when she suffered deeply, yet remained steadfast in faith:

- Simeon's prophecy in the Temple
- The flight into Egypt
- Losing the Child Jesus for three days

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- Meeting Jesus on the way to Calvary
- Standing at the foot of the Cross
- Receiving His lifeless body
- Laying Him in the tomb

Each sorrow reveals a different dimension of Mary's love — a love that endured fear, uncertainty, grief, and heartbreak. Yet in every moment, she remained faithful. She trusted God's plan even when she could not see the outcome. She stayed close to Christ even when the cost was great.

This month, I encourage each of you to meditate on one of these sorrows. Ask yourself: What does this teach me about perseverance? About compassion? About courage? About faith? Mary's sorrows are not distant events; they are lessons for our lives today.

A Powerful Gift to Our Parish: Relics of the Mexican Martyrs

This September, our parish community will receive a profound blessing — the opportunity to venerate the **Relics of the Mexican Martyrs**, heroic men and women who gave their lives during the Cristero War rather than deny Christ or abandon the Church.

These martyrs include priests, religious, and laypeople who stood firm in faith despite brutal persecution. Many died with the words “¡Viva Cristo Rey!” — Long live Christ the King! — on their lips. Their courage mirrors Mary's own steadfastness at the foot of the Cross, making this event especially meaningful during the month dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows.

- The relics remind us that:
- Faith is worth defending

- Suffering can be transformed into witness
- Courage is contagious
- Holiness is possible in every age

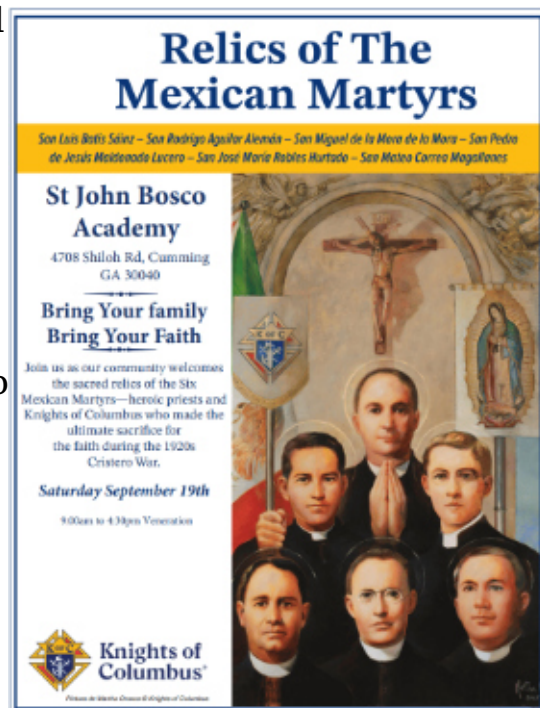
Our council is honored to support this event, and I encourage every Knight — and every family — to attend. Moments like this do not come often. Standing before the relics of

martyrs is a powerful encounter with the reality of our faith and the cost of discipleship. It is also a reminder that the Knights of Columbus was born to defend the Church, support the clergy, and stand firm in the face of adversity.

Let us approach this event with reverence, gratitude, and a renewed commitment to living our faith boldly.

A Council That Stands With Others in Their Sorrows

Our Lady of Sorrows reminds us that suffering is part of the human experience — and that no one should carry it alone. As Knights, we are called to stand with those who are hurting: families facing hardship, parishioners struggling with illness, neighbors burdened by financial stress, and men who feel isolated or overwhelmed.



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This month, let us recommit ourselves to being present for others. A phone call, a visit, a prayer, a meal delivered, a ride offered — these small acts of charity reflect Mary's compassion and bring Christ's love into the lives of those who need it most.

Our council has always been strong in service, but September invites us to serve with deeper empathy. Let us be men who notice the quiet sorrows around us and respond with generosity and brotherhood.

Faith in Action: Programs Rooted in Compassion

As we continue rolling out our Faith in Action initiatives, September gives us a unique lens through which to view our programs. Mary's sorrows remind us that faith is not only about prayer — it is about presence. It is about showing up when others need us. It is about serving with a heart that understands suffering.

This month, we will emphasize:

- **Faith:** Opportunities for prayer, reflection, and Marian devotion
- **Family:** Support for families facing challenges or transitions
- **Community:** Outreach to those experiencing hardship or loneliness
- **Life:** Advocacy for the vulnerable, the grieving, and the forgotten

These programs are not just checkboxes for the fraternal year. They are expressions of Mary's heart lived out through our council.

Growing Our Order Through Authentic Witness

Recruitment remains a priority, but September

invites us to approach it with a deeper sense of mission. Many Catholic men carry hidden sorrows — stress, isolation, uncertainty, or a longing for purpose. The Knights of Columbus offers fraternity, faith, and support. It offers a place where men can grow, serve, and belong.

When you speak to men in our parish, share not only what we do, but who we are. Share how the Knights have supported you. Share how fraternity has strengthened your faith. Share how service has given you purpose. Authentic witness is the most powerful recruitment tool we have.

Let us invite men not just into an organization, but into a brotherhood that walks with one another through both joys and sorrows.

Fraternity: Carrying One Another's Crosses

Our Lady of Sorrows teaches us that love is strongest when it is shared in suffering. Fraternity is not only about social events and gatherings — though those are important — but about carrying one another's crosses.

This year, let us deepen our brotherhood. Let us check on one another. Let us pray for one another. Let us support one another. When one Knight suffers, the whole council stands with him. When one Knight rejoices, the whole council celebrates with him.

This is the heart of fraternity. This is the heart of Mary.

A Call to Courage, Compassion, and Commitment

As we honor Our Lady of Sorrows this September, let us strive to imitate her virtues in our daily lives. Let us be men who stand firm in faith, even when the path is difficult. Let us be men who respond with compassion when

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others are hurting. Let us be men who serve with courage, humility, and love.

Our council is strong, but its strength comes from you — your time, your ideas, your faith, and your dedication. Together, under the guidance of Our Lady of Sorrows and inspired by the witness of the Mexican Martyrs, we will accomplish great things.

Thank you for your trust, your commitment, and your brotherhood. I look forward to a year of meaningful work, renewed energy, and continued success.

With Blessings.

Vivat Jesus!

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Lecturer Reflection

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Denis Mucha

Credit: [Catholic Apostolate Center](#)

Feasts in September

Feasts we are celebrating in September.

September 1: [St. Giles](#)

September 3: [St. Gregory the Great](#)

September 5: [St. Teresa of Calcutta](#)

September 8: [Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary](#)

September 9: [St. Peter Claver](#)

September 10: [St. Nicholas of Tolentino](#)

September 12: [Bl. Gertrude Prosperi](#) and [The Most Holy Name of Mary](#)

September 13: [St. John Chrysostom](#)

September 14: [Exaltation of the Holy Cross](#)

September 15: [Our Lady of Sorrows](#)

September 16: [Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian](#)

September 17: [St. Hildegard of Bingen](#) and [St. Robert Bellarmine](#)

September 18: [St. Joseph of Cupertino](#)

September 19: [St. Januarius](#)

September 20: [Sts. Andrew Kim Taegon, Paul Chong Hasang and Companions](#)

September 21: [St. Matthew the Apostle](#)

September 22: [St. Thomas of Villanova](#)

September 23: [St. Adomnán](#) and [St. Padre Pio](#)

September 26: [Sts. Cosmas and Damian](#)

September 27: [St. Vincent de Paul](#)

September 28: [St. Wenceslaus](#) and [St. Lorenzo Ruiz](#)

September 29: [Sts. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael](#)

September 30: [St. Jerome](#) and [St. Francis Borgia](#)



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St. Vincent de Paul

Since we do so much charity work as Knights of Columbus, I thought talking about him would fit your theme very well.

<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-vincent-de-paul/>

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Credit: [History Place](#)

This Place in History

September 1, 1983 - Korean Air Lines Flight 007 was shot down by a Russian fighter jet while on route from New York to Seoul, killing all 269 persons on board. The Boeing 747 reportedly strayed 100 miles off course over secret Soviet Russian military installations on the Kamchatka Peninsula and Sakhalin Island. It crashed in the Sea of Japan.

September 2, 31 B.C. - Roman legions under Augustus Caesar defeated Mark Anthony's naval force at Actium.

September 3, 1783 - The Treaty of Paris was signed by John Adams, Ben Franklin and John Jay, formally ending the American Revolutionary War between Britain and the United States.

September 4, 1781 - Los Angeles was founded by the Spanish Governor of California, Felipe de Neve, near the site of the Native American village of Yang-na. The original name was El Pueblo de la Reina de Los Angeles (The Town of the Queen of the Angels).

September 5, 1774 - The First Continental Congress assembled in Philadelphia with 56 delegates, representing every colony, except Georgia. Attendants included Patrick Henry, George Washington, Sam Adams and John Hancock.

September 7, 1822 - Brazil declared its independence from Portugal after 322 years as a colony.

August 6-10, 1787 - The Great Debate occurred during the Constitutional Convention. Outcomes included the establishment of a four-year term of office for the President, granting Congress the right to regulate foreign trade and interstate commerce, and the appointment of a committee to prepare a final draft of the Constitution.

September 8, 1565 - The first Catholic settlement in America was founded by Spaniard Don Pedro Menendez de Aviles at St. Augustine, Florida.

September 9, 1943 - The invasion of Salerno began during World War II in Europe as Allied forces under General Mark Clark made amphibious landings along the western coast of Italy near Naples. Initial gains by the Allies met strong resistance from German forces.

September 10, 1898 - Elizabeth, Empress of Austria-Hungary, was assassinated in Geneva by an anarchist.

September 11, 2001 - The worst terrorist attack in U.S. history occurred as four large passenger jets were hijacked then crashed, killing nearly 3,000 persons. Four separate teams of Mideast terrorists, operating from inside the U.S., boarded the morning flights posing as passengers, then forcibly commandeered the aircraft. Two fully-fueled jumbo jets, American Airlines Flight 11 carrying 92 people and United Airlines Flight 175 carrying 65 people, had departed Boston for Los Angeles. Both jets were diverted by the hijackers to New York City where they were piloted into the twin towers of the World Trade Center. The impact and subsequent fire caused both 110-story towers to collapse, killing 2,752 persons including hundreds of rescue workers and people employed in the towers. In addition, United Airlines Flight 93, which had departed Newark for San Francisco, and American Airlines Flight 77, which had departed Dulles (Virginia) for Los Angeles, were hijacked. Flight 77 with 64 people on board was diverted to Washington, D.C., then piloted into the Pentagon building, killing everyone on board and 125 military personnel inside the building. Flight 93 with 44 people on board was also diverted toward Washington but crashed into a field in Pennsylvania after

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passengers attempted to overpower the terrorists on board.

September 12, 1953 – John F. Kennedy, 36, married Jacqueline Bouvier, 24, in a ceremony before 750 invited guests at St. Mary's Church in Newport, Rhode Island, conducted by Archbishop Richard Cushing of Boston.

September 13, 1814 – The Battle of Fort Henry in Baltimore Harbor occurred, observed by Francis Scott Key aboard a ship. He watched the British attack overnight and at dawn saw the American flag still flying over the fort, inspiring him to write the verses which were later coupled with the tune of a popular drinking song and became the U.S. National Anthem in 1931.

September 15, 1944 – The first entry of American troops into Hitler's Germany occurred as elements of the U.S. 7th and 5th Corps reached the southwestern frontier of Germany.

September 16, 1620 – The Mayflower ship departed from England, bound for America with 102 passengers and a small crew. The ship weathered dangerous Atlantic storms and reached Provincetown, Massachusetts on November 21st. The Pilgrims disembarked at Plymouth on December 26th.

September 18, 1947 – The U.S. Air Force was established as a separate military service.

September 19, 1994 – U.S. troops invaded Haiti, with the stated goal of restoring democracy..

September 22, 1862 – President Abraham Lincoln issued a preliminary Emancipation Proclamation freeing the slaves in territories held by Confederates as of January 1, 1863.

September 24, 1980 – War erupted between Iran and Iraq as Iraqi troops crossed the

border and encircled Abadan, then set fire to the world's largest oil refinery.

September 25, 1789 – The first U.S. Congress proposed 12 Amendments to the Constitution, ten of which, comprising the Bill of Rights, were ratified.

September 26, 1960 – The first-ever televised presidential debate occurred between presidential candidates John F. Kennedy and Richard M. Nixon. Many who watched were inclined to say Kennedy 'won' the debate, while those who listened only to the radio thought Nixon did better. Nixon, who declined to use makeup, appeared somewhat haggard looking on TV in contrast to Kennedy.

September 27, 1995 – The Israeli cabinet agreed to give Palestinians control of much of the West Bank which had been occupied by Israel for 28 years.

September 28, 1978 – Pope John Paul I died after only 33 days in office. He was succeeded by John Paul II..

September 29-30, 1941 – Nazis killed 33,771 Jews during the Babi Yar massacre near Kiev.

September 30, 1955 – Actor James Dean was killed in a car crash in California at age 24. Although he made just three major films, *Rebel Without a Cause*, *East of Eden* and *Giant*, he remains one of the most influential actors.

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Knight/Family of the Month

July 2026	Kevin Garrett
June 2026	Aaron Hale
May 2026	Roger Williams
April 2026	Scott Mackie
March 2026	John Pucinio
February 2026	Geary Beaulieu
January 2026	Brandon Costa
December 2025	Feliciano Jahuey
November 2025	Dan Jozwiak
October 2025	Joe Buneicky
September 2025	Bogdan Valarmov
August 2025	Doug Hoffman
July 2025	Jeff Kroeger
Family of the Month - July 2026	Deacon Bob & Adrienne(Andy) Grimaldi

Knight/Family of the Year

Family of the Year - 2023	Jeff & Linda Popowitz
Knight of the Year - 2023	
Family of the Year - 2024	Chet & Katherine Sulek
Knight of the Year - 2024	Dave Elam
Family of the Year - 2025	Tony & Rosie Terbrueggen
Knight of the Year - 2025	Alberto Adrianza
Family of the Year - 2026	Peter & Joyce Hildebrand
Knight of the Year - 2026	Jeff Popowitz

Awarded to the family of

erved as an incredible inspiration to our parish, community c
by supporting and strengthening Catholic Family Life

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Feast Days

Credit: EWTN.com

What is the significance of the Nativity of Mary?

Only three birthdays are celebrated on the Church's liturgical calendar, the Nativity of Our Lord (December 25), the Nativity of His Forerunner, John the Baptist (June 24), and the Nativity of His Mother on September 8. Thus, the Church uniquely honors the three principal figures connected to the Incarnation and the Redemption."



What does the Exaltation of the Cross mean?

The Exaltation of the Cross honors Christ's Cross, an instrument made sacred by the Lord's offering of Himself upon it for our salvation. It is celebrated in both Catholicism and Orthodoxy on September 14.



Feast Days

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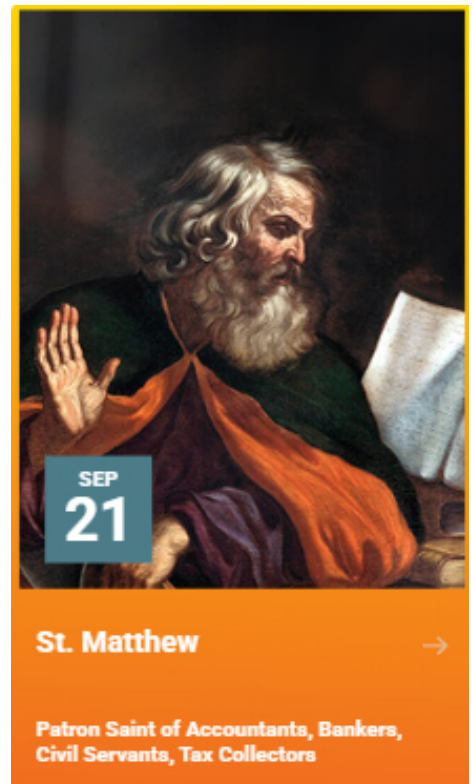
Why is Mary called Our Lady of Sorrows?

We celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows on September 15. It commemorates the profound union of heart that existed between the Mother of the Redeemer and the Savior, through which she experienced many interior sorrows as a consequence of His Mission, but particularly during His Passion and Death.



Why do we celebrate the Feast of St. Matthew?

St. Matthew was one of the Twelve Apostles called by Our Lord. He is most known for his profession as a tax collector and his role as one of the four evangelists. The Church celebrates the feast of this great Saint out of reverence for his role as an Apostle of Christ, his Gospel writings, and his work of evangelization.



Feast Days

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Who are the three archangels?

The three archangels whom the Church honors by name are St. Michael, St. Gabriel, and St. Raphael. They are also the only three angels who are mentioned by name in Sacred Scripture. The feast of all three Archangels is September 29. In the traditional calendar, this was St. Michael's Feast day, with St. Gabriel's being March 24 (the day prior to the Annunciation) and St. Raphael's being October 24. Communities which celebrate the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite still celebrate the three feasts.



The Holy Archangels →

St. Michael: Patron Saint of Grocers, Soldiers, Doctors, Mariners, First Responders, Police, EWTN Radio
St. Gabriel: Patron Saint of Telecommunication Workers, Radio Broadcasters, Postal Workers, Messengers
St. Raphael: Patron Saint of Travelers, Blind People, Nurses, Pharmacists, Physicians, Ill People

September is dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows

Credit: [Catholic Culture](#)

Month of the Harvest

Since man is both a spiritual and physical being, the Church provides for the needs of man in his everyday life. The Church's liturgy and feasts in many areas reflect the four seasons of the year (spring, summer, fall and winter). The months of August, September, October and November are part of the harvest season, and as Christians we recall God's constant protection over his people and give thanksgiving for the year's harvest.

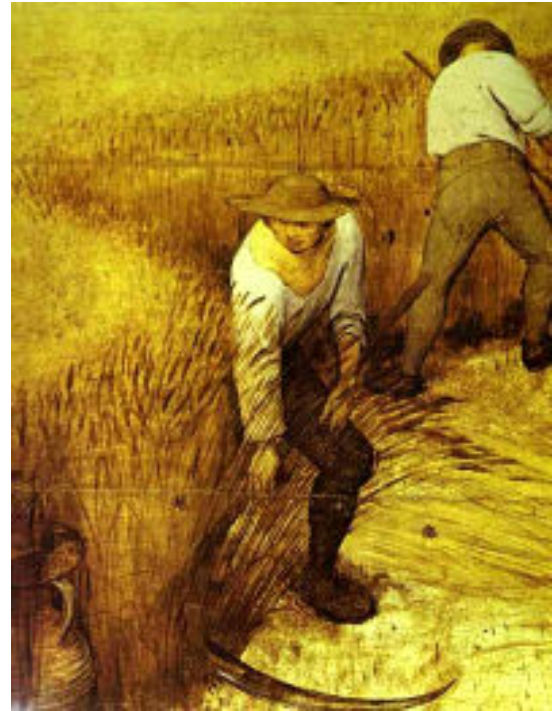
The September Ember Days were particularly focused on the end of the harvest season and thanksgiving to God for the season. Ember Days were three days (Wednesday, Friday and Saturday) set aside by the Church for prayer, fasting and almsgiving at the beginning of each of the four seasons of the year. The ember days fell after December 13, the feast of St. Lucy (winter), after the First Sunday of Lent (spring), after Pentecost Sunday (summer), and after September 14, the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, after the Third Sunday of September (autumn). These weeks were known as the quattor tempora, the "four seasons."

Since the late 5th century, the Ember Days were also the preferred dates for ordination of priests. So during these times the Church had a threefold focus: (1) sanctifying each new season by turning to God through prayer, fasting and almsgiving; (2) giving thanks to God for the various harvests of each season; and (3) praying for the newly ordained and for future vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Since the reorganization of the Roman calendar in 1969 after the Second Vatican Council, Ember Days are still retained in principle, but how and when they are to be observed is at the discretion of each country's Episcopal Conference. There is no longer set Mass readings for the Ember Days in the current Roman Missal.

Another harvest feast is September 29, the Feast of the Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael. Before the revision of the calendar, this used to be only the feast of St. Michael. In many countries this day was referred to as "Michaelmas" and celebrated with traditional foods and customs.

By Jennifer Gregory Miller



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Highlights

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September 14

[Triumph of the Cross](#)



This feast commemorates the rescue of the true Cross of Christ by Emperor Heraclius in a victory over the Persians. Our Mother the Church sings of the triumph of the Holy Cross, the instrument of our salvation.

Recipe of the Month

[St. Michael's Waffles or Gaufres](#)



In France, paper-thin sweet wafers called gaufres were baked by street vendors. Serve waffles on St. Michael's Day to continue this tradition.

Activity of the Month

[Make a Cross](#)

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross is an appropriate feast day to thank God for the blessing of Christ dying on the Cross, which opened the gates of heaven for mankind. Here is a family project which involves making a homemade cross.

Symbols

[Mary](#)



The Monogram of the Blessed Virgin. The letters of the name "Maria" are evident in this ancient symbol. A crown was sometimes placed over the monogram by medieval artists.

[St. Matthew](#)

The moneybags refer to the occupation of St. Matthew before he was called to follow Christ. He was a tax gatherer known as Levi.

[St. John Chrysostom](#)



The great work of the Archbishop of Constantinople to overcome crime, heresy, and corruption was interrupted by avaricious enemies who effected his exile, which lasted four years, and ended with his death.



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Credit: Catholic Culture

Highlights (Continued)

St. Jerome

One of the Four Western Fathers, along with Sts. Augustine of Hippo, Ambrose of Milan and Gregory the Great. He contributed courage and wisdom in his defense of the truth. His translation of the Bible into Latin, known as the Vulgate, is in general, the version authorized in the Roman Catholic Church.

O afflicted Virgin, O soul great in virtues, as in sorrows, both the one and the other spring from that great fire burning in they heart for God, the only love of thy heart! —St. Alphonsus Ligouri



Saints and Reflections

Credit: [Catholic Culture](#)

Highlights of the Month

September falls during the liturgical season known as Tempus per Annum or Ordinary Time (formerly Time After Pentecost), which is represented by the liturgical color green. Green is a symbol of hope, as it is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. The liturgical color green is worn during prayer of Offices and Masses of Ordinary Time.

The main feasts of this month are:

3. Gregory the Great, Memorial
5. St. Teresa of Calcutta (Kolkata), Opt. Mem.
6. TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, Sunday
8. Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Feast
9. Peter Claver (USA), Memorial
12. Most Holy Name of Mary, Opt. Mem.
13. TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, Sunday
14. Exaltation of the Holy Cross, Feast
15. Our Lady of Sorrows, Memorial
16. Cornelius and Cyprian; Ember Wednesday, Memorial
17. Robert Bellarmine, Hildegard of Bingen, Opt. Mem.
19. Januarius; Ember Saturday, Opt. Mem.
20. TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, Sunday
21. Matthew, Apostle, Feast
23. Pius of Pietrelcina, Memorial
26. Cosmas and Damian, Opt. Mem.
27. TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, Sunday
28. Wenceslaus; Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Opt. Mem.
29. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels, Feast
30. Jerome, Memorial



September 2026 Photos



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Faith in Action Programs

The importance of these programs and that we accomplished 30 points in the Faith in Action categories for Columbian year 2026. Only 16 points are needed for Star Council, and we continue to go above and beyond with the help of all of our brothers.



Check out the new Faith in Action section on the website

FAITH		TonyT	Status	COMMUNITY		TimH	Status
Spiritual Reflection				Global Wheelchair Mission			
Refund Support Vocations				Habitat for Humanity			
Into the Breach							
Holy Hour				Coats for Kids			
FAMILY			Status	LIFE		AaronH	Status
Family Prayer Night				Pregnancy Center Support			
Food For Families				Ultrasound			
Family of the Month/Year				Special Olympics			
Family Fully Alive				March for Life			

Minimum is 2 from each pillar to obtain 16 points

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Featured Spotlight this month

Credit: [Catholiconline.news](https://www.catholiconline.news)

How Pope Leo XIV's Silence Is Speaking Loudly

In a world accustomed to loud leaders and polarized politics, Pope Leo XIV's understated approach to the papacy is beginning to draw notice, even from secular observers. Writing in *The Atlantic*, one commentator described his as a "quiet American papacy," a surprising contrast to the stereotype of bold, outspoken American leadership and the global fanfare that greeted his election earlier this year, according to *The Atlantic*.

Though low-profile, Leo's first six months as pope have been far from idle. As *The Atlantic* notes, "In June, he convened tech leaders to discuss the dangers that the unchecked expansion of AI pose to human dignity." Over the summer, he gave his first major interview affirming the Church's teaching on human



sexuality while emphasizing "a commitment to welcoming LGBTQ Catholics." He has also "repeatedly called for peace in Ukraine and the Middle East" and issued his first major teaching document, *Dilexi Te*, which condemned "the unrestrained pursuit of wealth." In it, Leo warns that "a culture still persists—sometimes well disguised—that discards others without even realizing it, and tolerates with indifference that millions of people die of hunger or survive in conditions unfit for human beings," according to *The Atlantic*.

Despite these efforts, Leo has not dominated global headlines the way his predecessor did. Pope Francis's early days were filled with symbolic gestures that captured the world's imagination—personally paying his hotel bill, living in the modest Vatican guesthouse, and washing the feet of inmates. As *The Atlantic* observes, Francis's famous question—"Who am I to judge?"—came to define his pontificate, sparking enthusiasm and division alike. Leo, by contrast, seems intent on tempering the noise, not amplifying it.

That restraint extends even to his relationship with President Donald Trump. *The Atlantic* reports that while Pope Francis directly criticized Trump's border policies, calling them "not Christian,"

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Credit: Catholiconline.news

How Pope Leo XIV's Silence Is Speaking Loudly (continued)

Pope Leo “hasn’t referred to Trump himself.” Instead, he has described “America’s handling of immigrants as ‘inhuman’” and urged bishops to defend the vulnerable, lamenting the “physical and spiritual mistreatment of migrants.”

Some commentators, such as conservative Catholic writer Ross Douthat, have warned that Leo’s approach risks “vagueness and vapor,” potentially losing moral clarity in a world hungry for strong voices. Yet, as *The Atlantic* argues, the pope’s quietness might be deliberate—a corrective to the “one-man rule” mentality shaping today’s global politics. “I don’t see my primary role as trying to be the solver of the world’s problems,” Leo himself explained. “I don’t see my role as that at all, really, although I think that the Church has a voice, a message that needs to continue to be preached, to be spoken and spoken loudly,” according to the report.

This paradox—speaking loudly through quietness—may be the defining feature of Leo XIV’s early papacy. His subtlety is not weakness but an invitation: a call for Catholics to look beyond headlines and rediscover their own responsibility to act. As *The Atlantic* concludes, Leo’s silence might not signal withdrawal but rather “a provocation: Pay less attention to the Attilas of the present age, and more to what we ourselves are doing and failing to do.”

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Featured Spotlight this month



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Stunning Discovery at Jesus' Tomb Matches a Detail Recorded in the Gospel

Archaeologists working beneath the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem have uncovered evidence of ancient cultivated land dating to the time of Christ, a discovery that strikingly echoes the Gospel of John's description of the place where Jesus was buried.

The Church of the Holy Sepulchre, one of Christianity's holiest sites, is traditionally believed to encompass both Calvary, where Jesus was crucified, and the tomb where His body was laid before the Resurrection.

The Gospel of John specifically describes the area surrounding Christ's tomb as a garden.

"At the place where Jesus was crucified, there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb, in which no one had ever been laid," John 19:41 records.

Now, archaeological work beneath the church has revealed physical evidence that the area was indeed cultivated approximately 2,000 years ago.

According to Popular Mechanics, a team led by Francesca Romana Stasolla of Sapienza University of Rome discovered evidence of ancient olive trees and grapevines beneath the church. The findings indicate that the area associated with Jesus' burial had once been used for agriculture.

The excavations began in 2022 as part of renovation work at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. The religious communities responsible for the church had agreed in 2019 to replace its 19th-century flooring and allowed archaeologists to investigate what lay beneath it.

"With the renovation works, the religious communities decided to also allow archaeological excavations under the floor," Stasolla told the Times of Israel, as quoted by Popular Mechanics.

Beneath the church, archaeologists encountered an ancient quarry dating to the Iron Age. By the



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time of Jesus, portions of the quarry had become a burial area containing tombs cut directly into the rock.

Researchers also found that the landscape had been altered for cultivation. According to Stasolla, low stone walls were constructed and the areas between them filled with soil.

The archaeobotanical evidence proved particularly significant because of its similarity to the description preserved in the Gospel of John.

“The archaeobotanical findings have been especially interesting for us, in light of what is mentioned in the Gospel of John, whose information is considered written or collected by someone familiar with Jerusalem at the time,” Stasolla told the Times of Israel.

“The Gospel mentions a green area between the Calvary and the tomb, and we identified these cultivated fields,” she added.

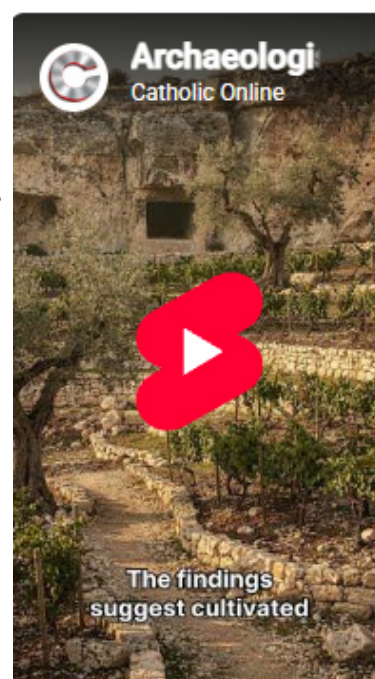
The discovery does not, by itself, prove that the tomb traditionally venerated inside the Holy Sepulchre is the tomb of Jesus. However, it provides archaeological evidence that an important detail in the Gospel account corresponds with what researchers have found beneath the church.

The excavations also uncovered coins and pottery dating roughly to the fourth century, when the site became the location of a major Christian church under the Roman Emperor Constantine.

Constantine, the first Roman emperor to convert to Christianity, ordered a church constructed at the location identified by early Christians as the site of Christ's burial. After centuries of destruction, rebuilding and modification, the present Church of the Holy Sepulchre largely took shape under the Crusaders in the 12th century.

Analysis of the archaeological material is far from complete. Stasolla said that fully studying the artifacts uncovered during the project could take years.

For Catholics and other Christians, the discovery is especially noteworthy because it offers a tangible connection between archaeology and a detail recorded in Scripture nearly two millennia ago. The Gospel does not merely place Christ's tomb near Calvary; it specifically remembers a cultivated, green space surrounding the place of His burial.



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“Whether someone believes or not in the historicity of the Holy Sepulchre, the fact that generations of people did is objective,” Stasolla continued. “The history of this place is the history of Jerusalem, and at least from a certain moment, it is the history of the worship of Jesus Christ.”

The discovery cannot settle every historical question surrounding the tomb of Christ. But beneath the stones of one of Christianity’s most sacred churches, archaeologists have now found something remarkably consistent with the Gospel account: at the time of Jesus, there really was cultivated land near the place Christians have venerated for centuries as Calvary and the empty tomb.

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The Future of the Church Begins With a Child — And the Time to Act Is Now

The future of the Church begins with a child.

That belief is at the center of a new campaign from Your Catholic Voice Foundation, which is seeking 1,000 Monthly Mission Partners to help expand Catholic education and formation for children and families around the world.

The campaign comes at a moment when children are being shaped every day by social media, smartphones, algorithms, artificial intelligence, entertainment, and a culture competing constantly for their attention.

The question facing Catholic families is becoming increasingly urgent:



If the world is forming our children every day, who is forming them in the Faith?

Your Catholic Voice Foundation believes the Church must meet this generation where it already lives, learns, searches, watches, and asks questions.

Through Catholic Online, Catholic Online School, Catholic Learning Resources, Scripture, the Saints, prayer, and a growing digital Catholic mission, YCVF is working to make faithful Catholic formation accessible to children and families wherever technology can reach them.

But that mission requires sustained support.

That is why the Foundation is asking 1,000 Catholics to become Monthly Mission Partners and stand behind the work month after month.

Monthly support helps make possible the creation of Catholic lessons, Scripture resources, educational media, faith formation materials, parent and teacher resources, and new ways for children to encounter Jesus Christ.

The campaign is built around a simple conviction:

“IF WE LOSE THE FORMATION OF THE CHILD, WE LOSE THE FUTURE OF THE CHURCH.”

Must Watch

Controversial Section



Controversial title this month



Credit: EWTN

I wanted to add this section to share tough topics. I am torn between sharing this section in our newsletter. Because Jesus teaches us to love everyone even our enemies. But I think it's also important to raise awareness to topics that might not be known to everyone and ban those companies and services that do not value human life.

A wise man once told a story about how someone approached them and said that they will not donate to help Pro-Life activities as they are not in agreement. The quick reply from this wise man was, "are you also against providing housing and support to those women that wish to carry their babies to full term?" That simple statement produced a donation. So it is about awareness and understanding.

Please submit your items [here](#) to share in the next newsletter.

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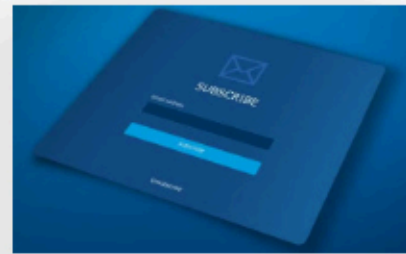
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The Experts Lied, the People Paid, and God Was Right All Along



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For years, Americans have been told to “trust the experts.” Trust the political experts. Trust the media experts. Trust the public policy experts. Trust the medical experts. Trust the economic experts. Trust the consultants, the panels, the bureaucrats, the institutions, the people with titles, degrees, grants, microphones, and government access.

But after years of confusion, decline, division, debt, fear, censorship, broken cities, broken families, broken schools, and broken trust, a serious question must be asked: what exactly have these experts produced?



If the fruit of a tree tells us what kind of tree it is, then much of the modern expert class has produced bitter fruit. They have not made families stronger. They have not made children safer. They have not made communities holier. They have not made working people richer. They have not restored peace. They have not brought moral clarity. They have not healed the spiritual sickness of the age.

Instead, too many have taught ordinary people to doubt themselves, distrust their own eyes, ignore their conscience, and surrender their judgment to credentialed strangers.

That is not wisdom. That is control.

From a Catholic perspective, this is not merely a political problem. It is a spiritual problem. The expert class has become a substitute priesthood for a secular age. It issues commandments. It defines acceptable speech. It tells parents what they may believe, workers what they must accept, voters what they must ignore, and believers what parts of their faith are too “outdated” for the modern world.

But man was not made to be ruled by technocrats. Man was made by God, in the image of God, with reason, conscience, moral responsibility, and a soul. No expert can replace that. No government office can replace that. No university department can replace that. No media panel can replace that.

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Credit: CatholicOnline.news

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This does not mean knowledge is bad. It does not mean doctors, engineers, economists, scientists, or teachers have no role. Of course they do. Real expertise, humbly used, is a gift. But expertise becomes dangerous when it stops serving the human person and starts ruling over him. It becomes dangerous when it demands obedience instead of offering evidence. It becomes dangerous when it mocks faith, silences dissent, and treats ordinary people like children.

The Catholic answer is not ignorance. The Catholic answer is prudence.

Prudence means we look at reality. We test the fruit. We ask whether policies strengthen families, protect life, honor truth, defend the poor, reward work, preserve freedom, and lead souls toward God. If the so-called experts fail those tests, Catholics have no obligation to kneel before them.

We need a great awakening of moral courage. Parents must trust their duty before God. Workers must trust their dignity. Citizens must trust their conscience. Catholics must trust the Faith. And all of us must stop outsourcing our lives to people who suffer no consequences when they are wrong.

The age of blind expert worship needs to end.

The people do not need another lecture from the same failing institutions. They need truth. They need courage. They need responsibility. They need God.

So yes, listen. Learn. Study. Ask questions. But do not surrender your soul.

Trust God. Form your conscience. Use your reason. Look at the fruit.

And when the experts demand obedience to lies, confusion, or moral insanity, the answer should be simple:

NO...



Controversial Section



Was Charlie Kirk a Martyr — and Should He Be Canonized?



Credit: [CatholicOnline.news](https://www.catholiconline.news)

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Charlie Kirk's assassination on September 10, 2025, was more than a tragic loss, it was a direct strike against a man who devoted his life to calling America back to God. He was gunned down in cold blood while speaking to students at Utah Valley University. He died doing what he always did: telling the truth, fighting for what is right, and refusing to back down.

Charlie Kirk wasn't just a commentator. He wasn't just political activist. He was a soldier for Christ in a culture that has declared war on faith, family, and freedom.

A Fighter From Day One

At 18, Charlie founded Turning Point

USA and never looked back. He built a movement that gave conservative young people a voice, a megaphone, in classrooms and campuses that told them to sit down and be quiet.

And he didn't stop there. With Turning Point Faith, Charlie rallied pastors and churches, preaching the message that Christians cannot stay silent. He embraced the call to shape every sphere of society, politics, business, media, education — with biblical truth.

Charlie said what so many are too afraid to say: there is no real separation of church and state, not when the state is trying to erase God.

Faith and Family: His True North

Charlie's fiercest devotion wasn't to politics, it was to his faith and his family. He married Erika Frantzve in 2021, a woman who shared his mission and built ministries of her own. Together they brought two beautiful children into the world and fought to give them a country that still believes in freedom and faith.

Even at the height of his influence, Charlie never hid his belief that America's only hope was a spiritual revival. He said it, he lived it, and, in the end, he died for it.



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Martyrdom in Our Time?

We must ask the hard question: was Charlie Kirk killed simply because he was a public figure, or because he was **public enemy number one to a culture that hates the Gospel he preached?**

Martyrdom is not just about dying; it's about dying because you refuse to betray the truth. If that is what happened in Utah, then Charlie Kirk may very well be remembered as one of the first martyrs of a new era.

Should He Be Canonized?

Canonization is rare, and it is sacred. But should we not at least ask whether a man who lived and died fighting for biblical truth deserves that consideration? Charlie's life pointed countless young people toward God, emboldened churches, and defended the unborn. His blood, shed while proclaiming truth, may inspire generations.

History remembers martyrs not because they were perfect, but because they were willing to die for what was right. Charlie Kirk did exactly that.


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He's also a bona fide Christian martyr who was murdered because of his faith, which motivated everything he did.


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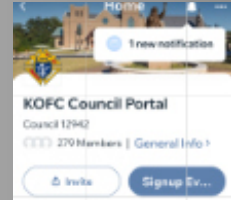
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Get involved with your council, nominate your fellow knights or families on the regular. Updates have been made on the process to help automate. Please come check it out

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Knight of the Month



Family of the Month



Knight of the Year



Family of the Year



Nominate Awards

Family of the Month/Year

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Guide Book:
Provide and support the development of strong and vibrant families. Each council establishes a committee to recognize a deserving family of the Month and Family of the Year with potential for recognition on the international level.

Each month, the council Family of the Month committee selects one parish family that models Christian family values and visibly lives them every day. 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 each year of the annual Supreme Convention.

Knight of the Month/Year

Guide Book:
The Knight of the Month committee doesn't need to work out a "Supernatural" each month. The committee should look for a member that lives traditional Catholic masculine values and deserves recognition for doing so.

Each month, the council Knight of the Month committee selects one knight that models Christian family values and visibly lives them every day. Each year, those councils participating in the Knight of the Month program should also select a Knight of the Year. When selecting your council's Knight of the Year, follow guidelines similar to those used by the committee in choosing each Knight of the Month. Eligible Knights of the year recipients must be a member of the Knights of Columbus.

Don't forget to Opt-in to share your contact to other knights in our council, click on each one to take you there.

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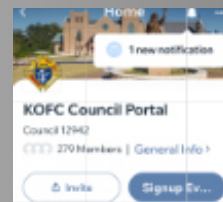
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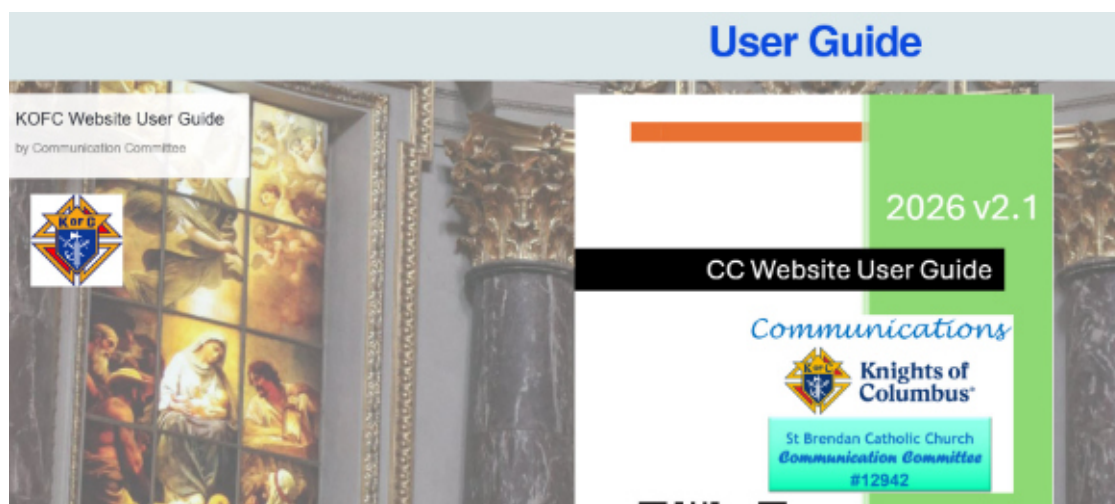
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Along with the recognition workflow, I want to automatically fill out the church form to be sent to the communications director for St Brendan to request a bulleting announcement for the KOM and FOM.

Communication Committee Admins can Request

This is completed, it sends an email to Shannon the communications director at St Brendan just like the form is filled out. You have the opportunity to confirm or cancel after you submit the KOM or FOM. It does work with FOY and KOY but was not specially designed for this. Uses mailgun as the email sender.

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Our Pastor's Page

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Father Scott Reilly, LC, [Click Here](#) for his podcast. See Also Fr Scott's [Facebook Page](#)



Remember and Pray for

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Prayer Requests

For Knights and their families: See most up-to-date list online.

You can now enter your own [prayer requests](#) **USING THE LINK HERE** ~~no~~ need to wait for someone else.

Every Saturday the prayers from the council meeting and any updates provided will be posted as a group.

PRAYER FOR HEALING A SICK LOVED ONE



Blood of Christ, Eucharistic drink and refreshment of souls, save us.

Almighty Lord,
I come before your throne today on behalf of my sick loved one. Father, they're weak and their body is in pain and distress.
Lord, I pray that you have mercy on them and heal them from this disease
You are Lord, The All-Powerful One, The Almighty One and there's nothing that's beyond you. So I humbly ask that you touch them with your healing grace and restore them to health. Remind them of your love for them and help them to trust in you for their recovery. Show them your healing power and make them whole again, in Jesus 'name,

Amen

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Prayer of the Month



Prayer from the Roman Missal

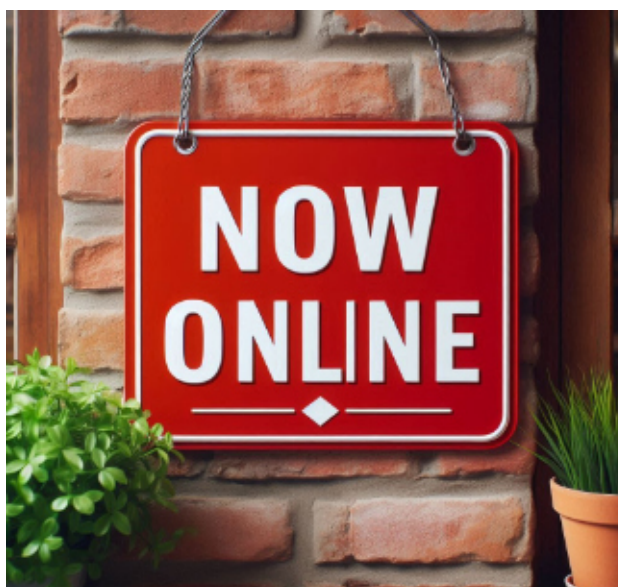
Almighty, and everlasting God, who hast appointed Thine only-begotten Son to be the Redeemer of the world, and hast been pleased to be reconciled unto us by His Blood, grant us, we beseech Thee, so to venerate with solemn worship the price of our salvation, that the power thereof may here on earth keep us from all things hurtful, and the fruit of the same may gladden us for ever hereafter in heaven. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us Remember our Deceased Knights



Eternal rest grant
unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual
light shine upon
them. May their
souls and the souls of
all the faithful
departed, through
the mercy of God,
rest in peace. Amen.

O Lord, your
sorrowing Mother
stood by your cross;
help us in our
sorrows to share
your sufferings.



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A Mass Card is an Excellent Remembrance

On occasion when one of our Brother Knights or his spouse has passed on, our Council would like to send a Mass card in remembrance. In order to do this, we need the following information.

Name of deceased Knight or deceased spouse

Your Name, Address, Phone number, E-mail address

Please E-mail this information to [Steve Herzog](#),

Card will be mailed out in 2 or 3 days. Thank you and God Bless.

Happy Birthday Brother Knights

September Birthdays



Daniel	E	Apa	6
Christopher	D	Bell	15
David	Chri	Burgett	18
James	R	Cheshire	23
Frederick	J	Dri	13
Ralph	S	Flynt	5
Dennis	C	Foster	11
Jerry	A	Frasso	22
Genaro		Garcia Sanchez	19
Stephen	O	Hendriks	16
Stephen	J	Herzog	23
Ryan	M	Jewett	10
Michael		Lambert, Iii	20
Emilio	J	Lopez	26
William	C	Lusk	29
Justin	W	Mizell	18
Todd	L	Papetti	4
J. Jesus	Pere	Perez	17
Mike	J	Perkowski	29
Lawrence	J	Peterson	30
John	A	Pucino	8
Matthew	W	Robinson	18
John	J	Rusinski	14
Jason		Silvers	11
Robert (bob)		Szambelan	19
William	A	Thornton	8
Ernesto	J.M.	Victoria	21
Christopher	S	Wagnon	8
Bruce	J	Wierzbinski	25
Michael		Wolf	24

Awarded for service to your council and our Order with distinction, the Shining Armor Award is awarded to those men that exemplify a true Knight of Columbus. Two of our own well deserved recipients' of the Shining Armor Award

Congratulations Brother Knights

Family and Knight of the Year 2026

Knight of the Year

Jeffrey Popowitz



Family of the Year

Peter & Joyce Hildebrand



Knight of the Month

Kevin Garrett

July

Family of the Month

Bob & Andy Grimaldi



of the Month

Awarded to
Kevin Garrett

July 2026

For the Month of
SK Curt Misko
Grand Knight

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Faith in Action



of the Month

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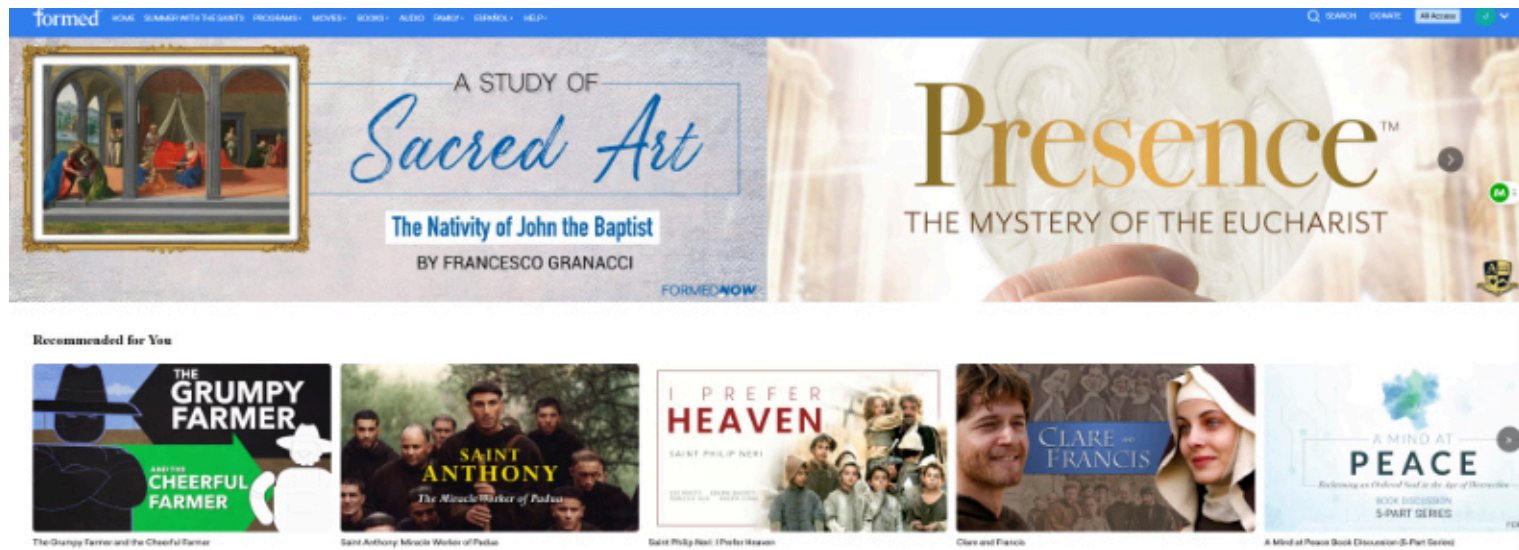


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Special Knight Ads



Wear the Mission: Help Spread Awareness for AboutFace-USA

Did you know that veterans make up approximately 10% of homeless households in Georgia? The challenge isn't always a lack of resources, but often not knowing where to find the right support. At AboutFace-USA, we bridge that gap by connecting veterans with essential resources and services, including support for homelessness, mental health, suicide prevention, financial wellness, and more. By purchasing an AFU T-shirt for \$25, you are helping spread awareness of our mission while supporting the programs that provide critical assistance to veterans and their families! Every shirt worn helps start conversations and ensures more people know about the resources available through AboutFace-USA.

To Purchase Your Shirt

Send \$25 via Venmo: @AboutFaceUSA

OR

Donate \$25 on our website: www.aboutfaceusa.org

T-shirt pickup: 188 Tri-County Plaza, Cumming, GA 30040

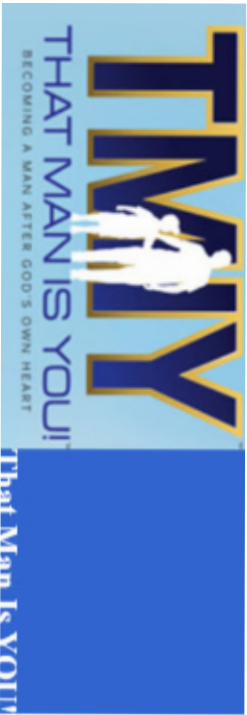
Monday through Friday | 10AM - 4PM

Help Us Spread the Word

Support veterans and make sure those who have served, and their families, know where to turn for help.

St Brendan Calendar Events

Event	Date	Start	End
Men's Encounter with Christ team MD	9/4/2026	7:00 AM	8:30 AM
Confessions for men's retreat	9/10/2026	6:15 PM	8:30 PM
2nd Thursday Men's Mini retreat	9/10/2026	6:30 PM	9:00 PM
Men's Encounter with Christ team MD	9/11/2026	7:00 AM	8:30 AM
Faith Explained (Deacon Bob)	9/17/2026	6:00 PM	7:00 PM
Adoration for Vocations	9/17/2026	7:30 PM	8:30 PM
Men's Morning of Reflection	9/18/2026	6:45 AM	7:15 AM
Men's Encounter with Christ team MD	9/18/2026	7:00 AM	8:30 AM
Men's Morning of Reflection	9/18/2026	7:15 AM	8:45 AM
DIG	9/22/2026	6:30 PM	9:00 PM
Faith Explained (Deacon Bob)	9/24/2026	6:00 PM	7:00 PM
Men's Encounter with Christ team MD	9/25/2026	7:00 AM	8:30 AM
Knights Families Social	9/25/2026	6:00 PM	9:00 PM



Communication Committee Ad

New Knights, looking for ways to get involved, your Communication Committee is looking to expand, please come and help with all the important communications that impact all Knights. We want to continue to pack the newsletter with lots of great information but we need your **HELP!**

We are looking for Knights that already attend most of the events to take pictures and submit to our Google drive.

Need a Knight to follow-up to ensure that all events are known and appropriately advertised ahead of time.

Need a Knight that can point and click a camera(phone) who attends most knight events to provide us pictures.

You know anyone that can step up and provide any of these services, please contact us at cc@12942kofc.org



Test your Knowledge

Then, just click and drag to mark your find.

Catholic Studies

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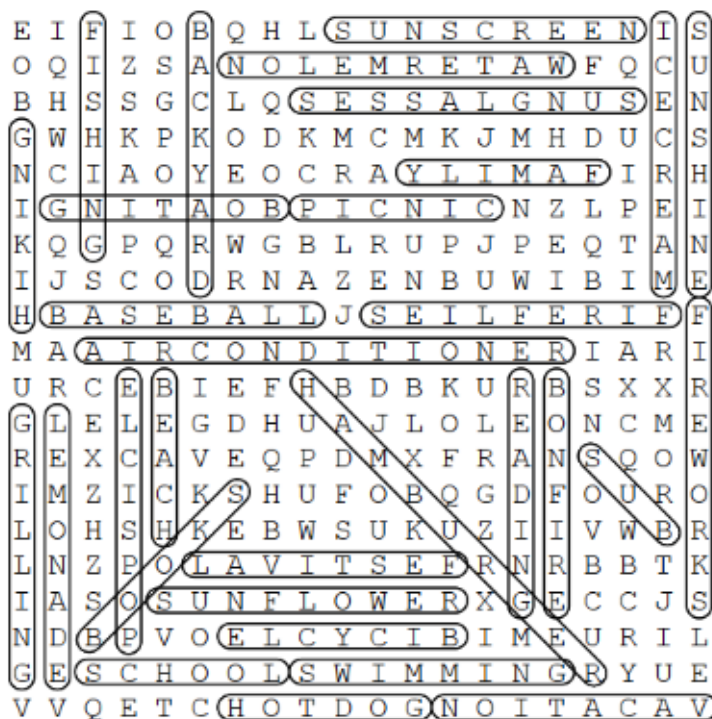
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15. Diocese 16. Trinity 17. Bible 18. Reverence 19. Passage 20. Stewardship 21. Grace
22. Prophet 23. Revelation 24. Beatitudes 25. Resurrection 26. Salvation 27. Communion
28. Pilgrimage 29. love 30. kindness

Answers: In next month newsletter

Need another challenge - [Try this Mother Teresa crossword puzzle](#)

Answers to last month's challenge.

How did you do?



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