



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

San Joaquin Chapter 6

February 12, 2026



CALL TO ORDER by CP - 6:30__PM

Opening –Prayer – Our Father, conducted by SK
Gil Esquer-President.

Break for Dinner: - Reconvene 7:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance: SK Louie Ortega-Vice
President.

ROLL CALL not required as we use a sign in sheet.

Total Attendance: 27. Attendees by Council: 1311-1, 2517-3, 2557-3. 4178-7, 4784-9,10449-4.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

[Chapter January meeting minutes](#)

CP entertain a motion accept January meeting minutes Motion Made-Dave Roberts. Second—Anthony Corona.——
Approved Vote By Acclamation.

BILLS & COMMUNICATIONS

Chapter Treasurer's Report: **Worthy Nelson**_____

Present Bills to be paid: None submitted.

Vouchers total: 5/25, 11/25, 12/25, 1/26 - \$ 5,078.53.

Receipt totals: 11/25, 12/25, 1/26 - \$ 365.00.

Beginning Balance: \$ 11,149.44

Receipt & Voucher Summation: -\$ 4,713.53

Balance: \$ 6,435.91

Bank: \$ 6,538.78

Cash at Hand: \$ 105.00

Motion to approve by: Richard Fantazia. Second-Don Marcetti.

Approved Vote By Acclamation.

CHAPTER CHAPLIN'S Report: **Reflection by Jerry Reggiani** No Report.

CHAPTER PRESIDENT's Report: **Gil Esquer**

Let me start by saying thank you to Fr. Keshor at St. Joachim's in Newman as well as WGK Frank Duarte Council 2517 for inviting me to assist with their membership drive on Saturday, Jan. 24, 2026. It was a good turnout, and we spoke with some interested parishioners and met with a couple of long term members that have been inactive for a while and are asking to get re-involved. Fr. Keshor gave wonderful accolades to the Knights and urged the Catholic men that were present to get involved and help the Knights. We spoke at both English and Spanish Masses and I look forward to hearing great things from the Newman Council. I would also like to announce that WChp. Secty. Lolly Gomez is working with State to see if we can acquire another container of wheelchairs to be staged in our Chapter. So, we are asking all Councils, if anyone can arrange a site and store a container of wheelchairs for our Chapter. We have several of the larger sizes, we are trying to secure a better selection of all sizes in our Chapter. Unfortunately, very few councils are participating in the northern part of the State.

Cont'd, Chp. Pres. Report:

We are also asking all Councils to submit any proceeds of their wheelchair drives to the Chapter Treasurer so we can submit one large check to the State from the SJ Chapter No. 6.

I also want to say thank you again to the Riverbank Council #13321, Fr. Heslin Council #2557 and Msgr. Kennedy Council #1986, for inviting me to assist with their CUF's.

And, I want to remind all Councils to send your CUF dates to SJ Webmaster Br. Lou Gervais, so that he can post them in our Chapter Website CUF calendar. In doing so, you make it possible for a nearby council to attend a CUF, if they can't schedule one on their own.

I know there are councils that do not wish to participate in Chapter events (for whatever reason), but I ask you to remember the basic virtues of the Knights: **Charity, Unity, and Fraternity**. Like the threads of a cable, we are stronger together; *United in a common cause*. We are here to work together to support our Parishes, our communities and our Catholic Faith. Please extend a hand to help a or to be helped by a brother council.

Thank you all, for all you have done and all you will continue to do.

Gil Esquer – Chapter President

San Joaquin Chapter No. 6.

2025-2026

CHAPTER VICE-PRESIDENT Report: **Worthy CVP Louie Ortega**

Let me re-emphasize the importance of each council attending the Chapter meeting. You will engage with the Chapter to approve new business, present council reports, assist with other councils in need of help and exchange ideas. Volunteer your services to any organizational chair representing the Knights in our Chapter. Our chapter website "kofcchap6ca.org" has just about all or any information regarding the Knights. Chapter Officers, chairman, districts and council information, reports, scheduled activities, and information regarding the 4th Degree of the Order.

ADVOCATE S REPORT: **Worthy Jeff Rhodes:** Excused, No Report.

PCP Lou – Items of Interest – Excused, No Report.

REPORTS OF CHAPTER Directors, and Committees

REPORT OF GA/FA: No report.

Chapter Vocations & Fr. McGivney Guild: Fr. Cesar Martinez, Excused. No Report.

Chapter Program Director: CVP Louie Ortega See the next reports.

Membership R/R: Gil 42% of quota

Ceremonials: Edmundo Arellanos? No Report.

Essay/Poster Contest: Don Grishaw, Excused. FYI, essay/poster contest winners submitted to State.

➤ **Dave Roberts, District Marshal:**

Chapter Trainer: Any assistance needed or support, contact me via phone or email. Just a reminder, our Chapter Website has a lot of training information available at: kofcchap6ca.org.

Coats for Kids: It is still cold outside and coats are still available for purchase thru Supreme. Conduct a Coat for Kids fundraiser or collection. There is still a need.

Star Tracker: Go to the State website: californiaknights.org. Open the site and search for your council information.

4th Deg. Report: Riverbank Council will be hosting a 4th Degree Exemplification May 02, 2026.

and also See our [Callout Schedule](#)

Culture of Life: Richard Fantazia "We need prayers, our society is in an abortion mode and we need to pray to rid this society and change their mind set. As Knights we need to continue to be in the fore front for Life."

➤ **Lolly Gomez:**

Special Olympics: Is scheduled on March 7, 2026 at the University of the Pacific. Information has been released on the site, the need of volunteers, table and chairs. Arrive at 8 AM to help with set up, assist in the lunch prep and be ready to serve at 11 AM.

Basketball Free-throw: Fr. Juan Crespi #4784 hosting the Chapter/Regional Basketball competition at St. Luke's Gym in Stockton, doors open at 8 AM.

Wheelchair Program: All councils are asked to make a monetary contribution and purchase a wheelchair \$ 150.00. Wheelchairs are available to the Knights councils to support local members in need or the community such as the "Veterans". _____

Icon coordinator: Lou _____

[ICON Schedule](#) published on our website. [ICON Program Info](#)

Upcoming Chapter Activities Continued:

1. **Chapter Callout** – DD Anthony Corona
2. **Seminarian Dinner/Parade of GK's** – Oct. 14, 2026 – Need a host council
3. **4th Degree Exemplification** –

REPORT OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Chapter Directors and Committeemen:**
2. **District Wardens**

REPORT: NEW BUSINESS -

Special Olympics Budget (\$2,000.00)? The SO Budget was Motioned and approved at the October 2025 Chapter meeting.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: Council Report – Sick & Deceased Report

Fr. Rose Council #4178: Raised over \$3,200.00 on our Wheelchair Weekend. Supported the Parish's bus, Walk for Life/West Coast.

Upcoming: March 7th, will be grilling hamburgers for the Special Olympics at UOP. March 13th, will celebrate our Council's 70th Anniversary.

Sick: Dolores Arrambide, Ben Argueller.

Fr. Juan Crespi Council #4784: Kicked off our Applebee's Breakfast fundraiser, tickets \$12, Hosted the Basketball Free Throw for Council and District Division.

Upcoming: continued Applebee's Breakfast fundraiser thru Feb. 22nd, Breakfast date Feb. 28th. Provide beverage and equipment for the Diocese Wedding Anniversary event. Provide lunches for the St. Luke's Youth ministry on Feb. 23nd. Will host the SJ Chapter/Regional Basketball Free Throw at St. Luke's, and engage in the Ministry Day at St. Luke's on Feb. 22nd.

Sick: Chris Maldonado, Chris Ketchen, Greg Washington's mother.

St. Joseph Council #10644: Hosted the Blue Mass honoring living & deceased first responders in Stanislaus County. Hosted our annual Crab Feed Dinner for 370+ people on Feb. 7th. Hosted a 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Degree Exemplification on Feb. 3rd, where we welcomed 5 new members into the Order and 2 from St. Stanislaus Council.

Upcoming: We will be hosting 5 straight Friday Night Fish Fry's starting Feb. 20th, we serve around 550 people.

Cont'd Reports,

Deceased: John White, Leonard Churilla.

Sick: Wayne Victor Sousa, Donald Handcock.

All Saints Council #12780: Provided Ushers, safety officers, Eucharistic Ministers, greeters at the weekend Masses. Held a CFP National Championship Game Party to benefit the Turlock Continuum College. Purchase Vivat Jesus Spiritual Planner for the members. Began a mentoring program for potential new members. Held a Parish blood drive with 35 people participating. Received applications for the local Knights of Columbus scholarships. Participated in the Walk for Life.

Upcoming: Provide Ushers, safety officers, Eucharistic Ministers, greeters at the weekend Masses. Hold the first of three fish fries. Select recipients for the local Knights of Columbus scholarships.

NEXT MEETING: March 12, 2026 is being hosted by Fr. Heslin #2557 -

Turlock, Contact GK Paul Delgado – email paulcdelgado@yahoo.com

CLOSING PRAYER: Hail Mary (Fr. McGivney prayer)

Raffle: Bring Raffle Prizes for the next meeting in Turlock.

Minutes executed by E. Lolly Gomez, SJ Chapter Secretary.