



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

**Fr. Heslin Council #2557**

Chartered December 14, 1924

<https://www.kofcchap6ca.org/2557-2/>



## **Newsletter for April 2026**

**SPECIAL EDITION - Read closely.**

### **Grand Knight's Message – Paul Delgado**

Worthy Brothers,

It's an honor to serve as your Grand Knight for another month of charity, unity, and let's be honest trying to figure out how we've managed to keep this building going. It's a mystery that has baffled the greatest minds in the Order for decades. Looking at the latest news from the California State Council, there's a clear theme: Growth and Bold Faith. Our brothers across from the Golden State are doing incredible things, and it reminds me that we aren't just a local club, we are part of a massive "Columbian" machine fueled by coffee and a desire to do good.

The Main Event: Operation "Chicken for Signs"

Speaking of doing good, we have a big one coming up! We are hosting a Drive-Through Chicken Fundraiser to support Father's new signage project for the parish. Father has a vision for making our church easier to navigate, and we have a vision of eating delicious birds. It's a win-win. We need everyone on deck for this whether you're a master of selling tickets, a pro at bagging sides, passing orders out, or just really good at waving from the sidewalk without looking like a total goofball. The Goal: Sell enough chicken to make sure nobody ever gets lost looking for the rectory again.

In the spirit of the state newsletter's call to action, I want us to focus on Unity. Being a Knight isn't just about the fundraisers (though my cholesterol might disagree); it's about being the man who stands up when the parish needs a hand and the man who kneels down when a brother needs a prayer. If you haven't been to a meeting in a while, come back. We promise the minutes won't be too long, and the company is better than whatever is on TV.

## Quick Reminders

**Recruitment:** If you see a "younger" man at Mass (anyone who can stand up without their knees making a popping sound), invite him to join us!

**Service:** Sign up for a shift at the Chicken Drive-Through. Let's show Father how the Knights get things done.

**Prayer:** Keep our sick and distressed brothers in your daily intentions.

Let's continue to be the "strong right arm of the Church" here in our community. Let's work hard, laugh often, and maybe just once buy the right amount of chicken for this event.

## Vivat Jesus!

## Paul C Delgado G.K

### Past Grand Knight's Message

Hello Knights & Friends,

I hope you all had a Happy & safe Eater weekend.

This last year has been an interesting journey. I had the opportunity to get involved in a different level of the KofC. I've learned a few things along the way. But the bottom line is that people are people wherever you travel. We all have different ideas on how to achieve similar goals.

It has been a nice journey, and I have chosen to be the best Knight that I can be. I cannot make you a better Knight or person unless you choose to become one. The choice is always in our hands. Let's continue our trek to make our community proud of our council. We have much to offer and we need more assistance to succeed.

I would like to set up a gathering of Past Grand Knights in mid-June. We can make it a dinner or munchies event. Who would be interested in attending? Please let me know asap so we can plan a successful event. Thank you

Gil Esquer – PGK

Current San Joaquin 6 CP

## Council News – Jesse Acevedo

### Fr. Heslin Council Hosts Friday Meatless Soup

Our council provided the Meatless Soup on Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to all of you who were able to participate and brought soups.



### Another Chapter Meeting Hosted by Fr. Heslin Council



## Youth Group Relic Program

On March 8<sup>th</sup>, our Youth Group at Sacred Heart hosted the Relics of three Saints. The relics are from Saint Carlo Acutis, Saint Maria Goretti, and Saint Jose Sanchez Del Rio. Honor Guard was present as well.



Thank you to the Knights that participated in the Easter Vigil mass and blessing of the fire on Saturday April 4<sup>th</sup>. Ushers who arrived to help me were Brothers – Angel Delgadillo, Paul Lencioni, Luis Cabrera, Marshall Beyer, Joe Ottman, Daniel Padilla Sr, Daniel Padilla Jr., Santiago Elizondo, Angel Reyes and Steven Singh, again Thank you Gentlemen.



## Up Coming Events

**April 5<sup>th</sup> – EASTER SUNDAY**

**May 2<sup>nd</sup> – Chicken Drive Thru at our hall parking lot**

**May 2<sup>nd</sup> – Chapter 4<sup>th</sup> Degree exemplification - Riverbank**

**July – Fireworks Booths**

**Please mark your calendar for these events. We need help organizing them, setting up, volunteering for the actual event, and help with the cleanup. Let's make each event as successful as possible!**

## Council & Assembly Meetings

**Rosary** will begin at 6:15pm before each monthly meeting at Fr. Heslin Hall.

**Council Meetings** are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7pm at Fr. Heslin Hall.

## Assembly News

**Monsignor Alvernaz**-Meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month at 7pm at Fr. Heslin Hall. Please contact Faithful Navigator for Dinner Reservations or use the Band App.

**Fr. Giles Assembly**-Meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at 7pm and Dinner is at 6pm. Please RSVP for dinner.

**Chapter Meetings** are on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month.

## Sacred Heart School/Pre School-News

Catholic School has been a very valuable experience for our children because it gives them a strong foundation to succeed their high school years. Sacred Heart School has filled that need with many teachers that have many years of experience that are led by the principal, Sara Michelena.

For a tour of the school or any questions in general, Sara Michelena contact information is listed below.

**Mrs. Sara Michelena**

Principal

Sacred Heart School Turlock

209-634-7787



## Columbian Properties Update – Don Grishaw

### UPDATES FROM TURLOCK COLUMBIAN PROPERTIES

- The Board of Directors has approved the design plans for the Kitchen Project and has voted to fund Tasks #2 and #3 which allow the architect Jim Shaw to complete the Blueprints so they can be presented to contractors for bids.
- Proposed Drawing will be on display in the hall near the alarm readout.
- Revisions are being made to the Turlock Columbian Properties By-laws. After the Board of Directors has made the final revisions and voted to approve the new By-laws, they will be presented to the council for approval.
- Work continues in the storage rooms. Take a look at the pictures below:



## Churches From Around The World – Don Grishaw

The photos shown below are from Iglesia de San Nicolás in Burgos, Spain. Burgos is located in the northern part of Spain. The city was founded in 884. It became a major trade center and pilgrimage stop on the Way of St. James which takes you to Santiago de Compostela in the western part of Spain. Note the ornate wall behind the altar with the image of San Nicolás and the intricate artwork on the outside of the church.



## An Editorial – The Way, We See It – Richard Fantazia

*This Article will be back next month....*

Richard Fantazia

## April 2026 Birthdays – Joe Ballas

Member	Birthday	1 <sup>st</sup> Degree	Born
Mike Buck	7 <sup>th</sup>		
Jorge Sanchez	9 <sup>th</sup>	New Member	
Ron Macedo	12 <sup>th</sup>		
Steve Reyes	13 <sup>th</sup>		
Jonathan Delgado	13 <sup>th</sup>	New member	
Fr. Kishor Yerpula	14 <sup>th</sup>		
Anthony Silva	15 <sup>th</sup>	1974	1947
Bernard Mailloux	16 <sup>th</sup>		
Eddie Davila	17 <sup>th</sup>		
J. Robert Serna	18 <sup>th</sup>		
Tom Oakley	18 <sup>th</sup>		
Lyle Zimmer	21 <sup>st</sup>		

**Insurance Agent – coming soon...**

## Vocations Crucifix Program – Angel Delgadillo



Our Vocations Crucifix program here at Sacred Heart is directed by our very own Brother Knight, Angel Delgadillo, and his wife Lupe Delgadillo. They have been working tirelessly on organizing Masses and seeking out families to take the Crucifixes home to pray each week. He

has a Vocations Crucifix for the Knights in our council which my family had the honor of launching by being the first hosts of the Crucifix.

If you and your family are interested in bringing home a Crucifix and praying the rosary for the Vocations, please contact our very own **Brother Knight Angel Delgadillo** at (209)484-2948.

## **YouTube and Regular TV Sunday Mass Schedule**

**YouTube** - Go to the search box and type in "Sacred Heart Church, Turlock" and hit Enter, and you will see the dates of the Masses as well as images. Just select the Mass you want to see and enjoy Mass with Father Pat or any other of our Sacred Heart priests.

### **Regular TV Mass Schedule**

Local Channel 40KTXL at 5:30am-6:00am

Local Channel 58KQCA at 8:00am-8:30am

DirecTV Channel 370 EWTN at 5:00am-6:10am



**Hello Father Heslin Knights & Friends,**

*This is a personal request from me to the council. This is a SURPRISE from Rosa.*

*On Sunday April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026, I will be celebrating 51 years of marriage (Yes to the same woman! Lol.).*

*One of the problems with longevity is running out of ideas on how to surprise your spouse. Later in the year we have a Mediterranean Cruise starting in Greece, to Croatia and debarking in Italy. Of course, with the current World events who knows how that will go!*

*Anyway, I am asking my family, friends and fellow knights to please try to attend the 10:00 am mass on the 12<sup>th</sup>. Father Pat has graciously allowed me to speak from the pulpit after the announcements. I have received a special blessing from Bishop Cotta that I will read to commemorate 51 years together. I am also planning to have a bouquet of flowers to present to her as well. I hope some of you can make it, your attendance would be greatly appreciated. If possible, I would love to have the Knights escort her to the front of the church as I finish speaking. Just a thought.*

*Thank you very much.*

*Gil Esquer*

## Council Officers for 2025-2026 Columbian Year

	<p><b>Grand Knight</b> Paul Delgado (209)495-7837 <a href="mailto:paulcdelgado@yahoo.com">paulcdelgado@yahoo.com</a></p>	
<p><b>Deputy Grand Knight</b> Paul Lecioni (209)216-7767 <a href="mailto:lencmob3@gmail.com">lencmob3@gmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>Chaplin</b> Father Rao <a href="mailto:abbadasarirao@gmail.com">abbadasarirao@gmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>Chancellor</b> Kevin Edwards (209)485-8949 <a href="mailto:kevin.miami25@gmail.com">kevin.miami25@gmail.com</a></p>
<p><b>Advocate</b> Erich Gemperle (209)988-6791 <a href="mailto:erichgemperle@sbcglobal.net">erichgemperle@sbcglobal.net</a></p>	<p><b>Recorder</b> Don Grishaw (209)620-0968 <a href="mailto:dgrishaw@sonic.net">dgrishaw@sonic.net</a></p>	<p><b>Financial Secretary</b> Joe Ballas (209)404-3578 <a href="mailto:j.ballas@sbcglobal.net">j.ballas@sbcglobal.net</a></p>
<p><b>Treasurer</b> Ron Giannone (209)678-4721 <a href="mailto:rongrun@sbcglobal.net">rongrun@sbcglobal.net</a></p>	<p><b>Warden</b> Alan Julien (209)765-4453 <a href="mailto:alansprite59@gmail.com">alansprite59@gmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>Inside Guard</b> Jorge Sanchez (209)678-1228 <a href="mailto:jorge@minervashome.com">jorge@minervashome.com</a></p>
<p><b>Outside Guard</b> Carlos Sandoval (209) 678-2722 <a href="mailto:carlos@minervasgallery.com">carlos@minervasgallery.com</a></p>	<p><b>Lector</b> Manual Lima (209)589-8737 <a href="mailto:mlima@prodigy.net">mlima@prodigy.net</a></p>	<p><b>3<sup>rd</sup> Year Trustee</b> John Borges (209)495-1724 <a href="mailto:borgesj4500@gmail.com">borgesj4500@gmail.com</a></p>
<p><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Year Trustee</b> Richard Fantazia (209)585-5428 <a href="mailto:cmfcfp@sbcglobal.net">cmfcfp@sbcglobal.net</a></p>	<p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Year Trustee</b> Joe Ottman (209)277-2552 <a href="mailto:joeottman49@icloud.com">joeottman49@icloud.com</a></p>	<p><b>Insurance Agent</b></p>



## Newsletter Staff

Your Newsletter Staff consists of Brother Knights; Richard Fantazia, Gil Esquer, Don Grishaw, Angel Delgadillo, and Jesse Acevedo. Our Current Grand Knight's message is done by Jon Borges.

Our primary purpose is to provide our Brother Knights, who cannot attend our meetings, an up-to-date information regarding our council, our assemblies, our chapter, our Sacred Heart Church, and Sacred Heart school.

We encourage any Brother Knight that is interested in contributing to this Newsletter in any way to get in contact with any member of the Staff. As usual, our staff will be delighted to hear any suggestions, comments, or concerns regarding the council's newsletter. Thank you for your support.

Jesse Acevedo



**Scan it with your phone and see how easy it is to use!**

**Well, Gentlemen, a nominations committee has been formed. They will be reaching out to some of you to see if you may be interested in being a council officer in the coming 2026-27 Columbian year. Do not be afraid to ask questions or to step up. Your council needs your help in any way you can contribute. Consider accepting an office, a committee or a chairmanship. Thank you from your Council.**

Comics

Source: Pinterest

