



# KC QUOTE

March 2026

Mt Vernon Council #5998



## *St. Joseph*

### WHAT IS THE KC QUOTE?

The KC Quote is the Knights of Columbus Mount Vernon Council #5998 newsletter published 12 times a year for members, their families, and their friends. It is published on the first Friday after the first Thursday of the month.

### COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month at the Knights of Columbus Mt. Vernon Hall. (Note: This month's will be held on July 11th).

### **Saturday, March 14th**

St. Patrick's Day Party

### **Thursday, March 19th**

Meet the Knights

### **Tuesday, March 24th**

Council Exemplification Ceremony

### **Tuesday, March 31st**

Fraternal Benefits Night

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## LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

You are invited to join Fellow Brother Knights for a Lenten Bible Study every Saturday through Lent at 7:00 AM in the Council Lounge.

Please bring your Bible as we reflect on the week's Gospel.

### Kevin Robert Moran

Born to Earthly Life ~ January 14, 1951  
 Born to Eternal Life ~ February 16, 2026

Born in Floral Park, Long Island, New York, on January 14, 1951, to Marie Ellen and Joseph John Moran, Kevin grew up and lived most of his life on Long Island and attended Archbishop Molloy High School in Queens, NY. Kevin had a passion for reading and learning. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degrees in English Literature from Adelphi University, Garden City, New York, and from the State University of New York at Oswego; and also the Certificate in Paralegal Studies from Nassau Community College, Long Island. Kevin loved this country and proudly served in the United States Army Infantry 1971-1973 and was awarded the National Defense Service Medal.

Kevin is survived by his wife Maria Patricia Lutz; two brothers and their wives, Joseph and Raetal Su Moran; Michael and Maryann Moran; two sisters and their husbands, Judy Moran Trinder and Thomas; and Patricia Moran Faria and George; and a host of nieces, nephews, step-children and in-laws — all of whom will miss Kevin greatly.

Kevin was a good, simple and well-educated man who loved God. He understood the purpose of man on earth and eternal life. He clearly and without a doubt knew why we were created as eternal beings of free will. God the Creator gave us freedom to choose from two eternal destinations: to live eternally in Heaven or eternally in hell. These options are our own choice, yet the love and mercy of God is greater than the worst of our sins as long as we repent.

Kevin dedicated his life to loving God and the community in need. He was a Third Order Franciscan; a member of the American Legion; a Fourth Degree member of the Knights of Columbus, most recently served as the Council 5998 Lecturer; and a devoted New York Mets baseball fan. Forty-two years of his life were dedicated to guiding and sponsoring suffering addicts towards their recovery. Kevin genuinely practiced charity. He loved The Little Sisters of the Poor. They were his girls. Kevin was a pro-life advocate; this was close to his heart. He marched every January in the Pro-Life March in Washington, DC, regardless of the cold, rain or snow. Kevin and his wife Patricia could disagree on many topics, but one thing they shared is their mutual love for God and how blessed and proud they are of having been born faithful cradle Catholics. Kevin and Patricia both agreed this was the inheritance received from their beloved parents.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.

# MARCH CALENDAR

## COUNCIL CALENDAR:

The Council Calendar will be maintained and updated on our Council website at [KofC5998.org](http://KofC5998.org)

## NOTE:

Scheduled events may be subject to cancellation at the time of this publication; for more up to date information on our latest events, access our website at [KofC5998.org](http://KofC5998.org)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				<b>5</b> <b>6:30 PM</b> Council Officers Meeting <b>7:30 PM</b> Council Rosary <b>8:00 PM</b> Council Business Meeting	<b>6</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Bingo	<b>7</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Pro-Life Vigil and Rosary  <b>11:00 AM</b> Patriotic Rosary
<b>8</b> <b>7:30 AM</b> St. Louis Pancake Breakfast	<b>9</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Corporation Meeting	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Bingo	<b>14</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Pro-Life Vigil and Rosary  <b>5:30 PM</b> St. Patrick's Day Party
<b>15</b> <b>7:00 AM</b> Good Shepherd Pancake Breakfast	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> <b>ST. PATRICK'S DAY</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> <b>ST. JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b>  <b>7:30 PM</b> Meet the Knights Night	<b>20</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Bingo	<b>21</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Pro-Life Vigil and Rosary
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> <b>6:30 PM</b> Potomac Assembly Meeting	<b>24</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Council Exemplification	<b>25</b> <b>THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD</b>	<b>26</b> <b>MLB OPENING DAY</b>	<b>27</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Bingo	<b>28</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Pro-Life Vigil and Rosary
<b>29</b> <b>PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Fraternal Benefits Night	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> <b>6:30 PM</b> Council Officers Meeting <b>7:30 PM</b> Council Rosary <b>8:00 PM</b> Council Business Meeting	<b>3</b> <b>KOVAR BAKE SALE</b>  <b>7:00 PM</b> Bingo	<b>7</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Pro-Life Vigil and Rosary  <b>11:00 AM</b> Patriotic Rosary

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## OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

<b>PRESIDENT</b>	SK Rich Hayden
<b>VICE PRESIDENT</b>	Pat Conron
<b>SECRETARY</b>	Kyle Hayden
<b>TREASURER</b>	Tim McCauley
<b>ASST. TREASURER</b>	SK PGK John Michals
<b>DIRECTORS</b>	SK PGK FDD PFN Jim McCracken SK Larry Dietrick SK PGK PFN Ray Duff SK PGK PFN John Hannon
<b>CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD</b>	SK GK Rodney Chambers



## FACILITIES/ BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR

Bonnie Samuel  
 Phone: 703-360-1964, Ext. 1

## COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

<b>BINGO</b>	SK Larry Dietrick
<b>BUDGET &amp; FINANCE</b>	Tim McCauley
<b>BY-LAWS</b>	John Hannon
<b>CHARITY</b>	Marvin Spychaj
<b>CREDENTIALS</b>	Vacant
<b>FACILITY MANAGEMENT &amp; OPERATIONS</b>	John Hannon
<b>LONG RANGE PLANNING</b>	Eugene Maggioncalda
<b>NOMINATIONS</b>	Vacant
<b>GROUNDS</b>	Mike Murphy

## HOSPITALITY MANAGER/ SPECIAL EVENTS COORDINATOR

Bonnie  
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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
**ST. PATRICK'S DAY**  
**PARTY**

**SATURDAY,**  
**MARCH 14, 2026**

**TICKETS ONLINE THROUGH MARCH 5TH**  
\$29/ADULT | \$50/COUPLE  
\$20/TEENS (13-17) | \$5/KIDS 12 & UNDER

**TICKETS AFTER MARCH 5TH / AT THE DOOR**  
\$39/ADULT | \$60/COUPLE  
\$30/TEENS (13-17) | \$5/KIDS 12 & UNDER



**DOORS OPEN**  
**AT 5:30 PM**

**NOTE: THERE WILL LIMITED WALK-UP AVAILABILITY.**  
**PLEASE REGISTER IN ADVANCE TO SECURE YOUR SPOT!**

# **POLISH NIGHT**

**Sunday, April 12, 2026**

**Celebrating the 250th Anniversary of the United States of America and the Contributions of Our Polish Brethren**



Engineer COL Tadeusz Kościuszko contributed to the American Revolutionary War effort during the 1777-1778 winter at Valley Forge by building crucial defense fortifications.



On September 15, 1777, on the orders of Congress, Washington made Casimir Pulaski a Brigadier General in charge of the Continental Army cavalry at Valley Forge, training the troops into a fierce fighting force.

**MENU:** **KIELBASA KRAKOWSKA (POLISH SAUSAGE)**  
**PIEROGI (POLISH DUMPLINGS)**  
**GOLUMPKI: "LITTLE PIGEONS" (STUFFED CABBAGE)**

**PROGRAM:**  
**6:30PM DOORS OPEN; SOCIAL HOUR**  
**7:00PM "POLISH HISTORY IN AMERICA"**  
**7:30PM DINNER**  
**8:30PM ENTERTAINMENT: MUSIC & DANCING**

**PRICE: \$40/PERSON**  
**SIGN-UP DEADLINE: MARCH 25, 2026**  
**LIMIT: 60 PEOPLE, NO EXCEPTIONS**

# SPRING DINNER WITH WINE PAIRING

MAY 9, 2026

**\$100.00/COUPLE**

**SIGN-UP DEADLINE: APRIL 22, 2026**

**LIMITED TO 15 COUPLES**

**ANTIPASTI - ASSORTED ITALIAN MEATS AND CHEESES**

**WINE PAIRING: PROSECCO**

**SHRIMP LEUWELLEN - SHRIMP STUFFED WITH CRAB AND HERBS, TOPPED WITH SAUCE FLORENTINE AND CHEESE**

**WINE PAIRING: CHARDONNAY**

**RISOTTO CON FUNGHI - RICE COOKED WITH VARIETY OF WILD MUSHROOMS IN A RICH BROTH, TOPPED WITH PARMESAN CHEESE**

**WINE PAIRING: BAROLO**

**MEDITERRANEAN LAMB - LAMB COOKED WITH LEEKS, POTATOES AND MEDITERRANEAN SPICES - SERVED WITH ITALIAN BREAD**

**WINE PAIRING: SHIRAZ**

**CREME BOULE - OLD FASHIONED CUSTARD**

**WINE PAIRING: TROCKEN  
BEEREN AUSLESE**



## **A WORD FROM OUR PROGRAM COORDINATOR RON LILLEY**

### **Adopt-A-Highway Program – Fall Litter Pick-Up Event**

As you may have noticed, our signs are now up on both ends of our stretch of Richmond Highway (Jeff Todd Way to SkyView/Forrest). Along with denoting some pride we can take in serving the community, they may also enhance the goodwill we've earned with our various acts of community service!

Our commitment is to do litter pick-up events twice a year, which are on a Spring and Fall routine.

The work is fairly simple – litter pick-up alongside both sides of our 1-mile stretch. No special skills required! A decent-sized group can tackle it in a couple of hours, and it can be a good opportunity for students to earn community service credits for school requirements (with adult supervision for road safety).

This Spring's Litter Pick-Up Event will be Saturday, April 18th (8:30 to 10:30-ish AM), based at the Council Hall.

Our website will link to an information page with further details. See Ron Lilley (434-531-9904) about participating, or just show up!



**RICHMOND HIGHWAY  
ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY PROGRAM**

**SPRING LITTER PICK-UP**

**Saturday, April 18th | 8:30 - 10:30 AM**

**Meet at KofC Council #5998 Hall  
8592 Richmond Highway**

**Good Shepherd & St. Louis Parish Youth (Ages 10-18)  
Encouraged to Participate & Earn Community  
Service Hours**





# MARCH 2026 BIRTHDAYS

<b>George M. Anderson</b>	<i>March 2</i>
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<b>John E. Michals</b>	<i>March 2</i>
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<b>Espedito Gasparo</b>	<i>March 3</i>
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<b>Stephan M. Moki</b>	<i>March 3</i>
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<b>Rodney Lee Chambers</b>	<i>March 4</i>
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<b>Tim J. McCauley</b>	<i>March 6</i>
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<b>Julian T. Martinez Sr.</b>	<i>March 7</i>
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<b>Salvador Raza</b>	<i>March 7</i>
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<b>Jason F. Hackl</b>	<i>March 8</i>
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<b>James J. Mlinarcik</b>	<i>March 8</i>
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<b>An Binh Nguyen</b>	<i>March 8</i>
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<b>Gary J. Scalph</b>	<i>March 8</i>
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<b>Thomas P. Coyne</b>	<i>March 10</i>
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<b>Steven E. Harris</b>	<i>March 10</i>
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<b>Raymond M. Fleury</b>	<i>March 11</i>
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<b>Rev. Lino Rico-Rostro</b>	<i>March 11</i>
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<b>Michael J. Phan</b>	<i>March 12</i>
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<b>Gregory W. Plank</b>	<i>March 12</i>
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<b>Brian P. Rohde</b>	<i>March 14</i>
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<b>Clinton S. Tucker</b>	<i>March 14</i>
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<b>Dr. Kenneth M. Hrechka</b>	<i>March 16</i>
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<b>Pierre U. Powers</b>	<i>March 17</i>
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<b>Christopher P. Sheedy</b>	<i>March 17</i>
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<b>Michael C. Hunter</b>	<i>March 18</i>
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<b>Patrick J. Gallagher</b>	<i>March 19</i>
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<b>Christian N. Braunlich</b>	<i>March 21</i>
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<b>Henry Deramous</b>	<i>March 21</i>
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<b>Eric W. Holland</b>	<i>March 22</i>
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<b>Michael A. Michell</b>	<i>March 23</i>
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<b>Benjamin C. Aschmann</b>	<i>March 26</i>
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<b>Steven S. Woznak</b>	<i>March 28</i>
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<b>Sergio Zalasar</b>	<i>March 28</i>
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<b>Kevin J. Degnan</b>	<i>March 29</i>
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<b>Robert L. McMullan</b>	<i>March 29</i>
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<b>Michael K. Evans</b>	<i>March 30</i>
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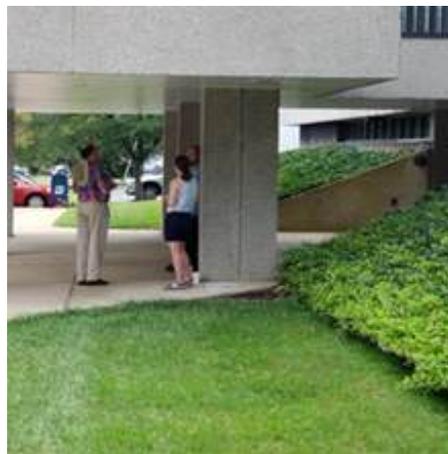
**PRO-LIFE CORNER**



# PRO-LIFE CORNER

Our Pro Life Rosary at Sherwood Hall Avenue next to the Shell Gas Station is featured every Saturday from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

Often we have Fr. Ferguson from Good Shepherd, Fr. O'Hare from St. Louis, or Bishop Burbidge of our Arlington Diocese to lead us in prayer. We offer free pregnancy tests and we have a mobile ultrasound unit available to help women with free ultrasounds to see their babies.





# PRAYER LIST

**THE FOLLOWING BROTHERS, RELATIVES AND CLOSE FRIENDS ARE IN NEED OF YOUR PRAYERS.**

## PRAY FOR BROTHERS AND THEIR FAMILIES WHO ARE SICK OR IN NEED:

- Nora Bolger, SK Barry and Anne Bolger's daughter
- DD Maurice Chau & Kathy Chau
- SK Larry Dietrick
- William & Johanna Dietrick
- SK John Dougherty
- SK PGK PFN Ray Duff & Renee Duff
- Amy Snyder, SK Larry Dietrick's niece
- SK Edd and Pat Dzanis
- Bette Jo Eifert, widow of SK Carl Eifert
- Joe Emrico
- Father Wilhelm Ettner
- SK Mike Evans
- Susan Fecher, wife of SK Rich Fecher
- Pat Finn
- SK Freddie Flowers
- Constance "Connie" Genuino, wife of Rafael "Ralph" Genuino
- Connie Graves widow of PGK Ernie Gravese
- Dr. Fred Grello, Uncle of SK Steve Smith
- SK Reyes Guerra
- Fr. Mike Hann, resident of GS
- Field Agent Ralph Heinze
- Magda Holmes, and SK David Holmes
- Allison Kargas, daughter of Chris and Kim Kargas
- Marty Kelly and niece Ashley
- Marilyn Kempton, grandmother to PGK Robert K Reynolds
- CWO4 Shane Leipertz, nephew of SK John Dougherty
- Barbara Lovell wife of Brother Hue Lovell
- Julian Martinez
- Matulich Family
- SK Art McCormick
- SK 2PGK Leo & Tanti McCormick & Family
- Mike Michell
- Mary Millikin, wife of Brother Knight John Millikin
- Harriett and SK Christopher Moore
- Carol O'Shea, friend of SK Paul Sonosky
- Bruce Parmiter, father of Bobby Parmiter
- SK PGK Steve Piscitelli ofs & Donna Piscitelli
- Gretchen Reilly, daughter of PGK Jim Reilly & Janis
- Padama Reilly, granddaughter of PGK Jim Reilly & Janis
- Pam Rubin, wife of SK PGK Larry Clark
- Noah Rogers, brother of GK Andy Rogers
- Rick Valentine, father of Steven Valentine
- Nelly Verdosoto, mother of Brother Orly Verdosoto
- Robert Vermont, father of Dave Vermont, son-in-law of SK Bud Powers

## PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF OUR BELOVED DECEASED:

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| SK DUTCH ANDERSON (2021)                       | TOM GIBBONS (2025)                            | JENNIFER MASAITIS, DAUGHTER OF CHERYL & MARVIN SPYCHAJ (2022) |
| POPE EMERITUS BENEDICT XVI (2022)              | JOHN KARPOVICH (2021)                         | FR. PHILIP MAJKA (2023)                                       |
| JOE BAVARIA (2024)                             | SK PGK DON LOGEAS MAJ GEN RET (2023)          | LT COL PHILIP MAXWELL (2024)                                  |
| BRUNO BOTTCHER (2022)                          | GERRY LOGEAS, WIFE OF PGK DON LOGEAS (2024)   | JOAN MURPHY, SK 2PGK MICHAEL MURPHY'S MOTHER (2023)           |
| LOIS BOWMAN (2023)                             | RICHARD KNAPP (2023)                          | CONNIE MOORE                                                  |
| FRANK CAREY (2021)                             | JEROME L. KNITTLE (2022)                      | SK KEVIN MORAN (2026)                                         |
| HENRY CHAU, BROTHER OF PGK MAURICE CHAU (2023) | SK ROBERT KOPASZ (2023)                       | SK DAVE MUSHRUSH (2025)                                       |
| MARIA CIOCIOLA, JIM BATCHELDER'S SISTER        | CAROL KOSLOW (2023)                           | TOFI OWEN (2023)                                              |
| LEONARD CUDDY (2021)                           | RICHARD A. KOSLOW (2025)                      | PGK BUD POWERS (2025)                                         |
| FR. JEROME R. DALY (2023)                      | STEPHANIE KOSLOW AND FOR KOSLOW FAMILY (2021) | SK PFN ROBERT T. REYNOLDS (2021)                              |
| JOHANNA DIETRICK (2025)                        | MELINDA KRAMER, WIFE OF STEVEN KRAMER (2021)  | SK PGK DON ROGAN (2025)                                       |
| CARL EIFERT (2024)                             | GRAHAM MARTIN, MIKE ARGO'S COUSIN (2022)      | PHILIP TWUMASI (2024)                                         |
| JOSEPH P. FERGUSON (2025)                      |                                               | ELEANOR WOOD (2023)                                           |
| POPE FRANCIS (2025)                            |                                               |                                                               |

**MAY THEIR SOULS AND ALL THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD REST IN PEACE. AMEN.**

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# A LOOK AHEAD TO APRIL 2026

## THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

2	Thursday	6:30 PM 7:30 PM 8:00 PM	<b>HOLY THURSDAY</b> Council Officers Meeting Council Rosary Council Business Meeting
3	Friday		<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>
4	Saturday	11:00 AM	<b>HOLY SATURDAY</b> Patriotic Rosary
4, 11, 18, 25	Saturday	9:00 AM	Pro-Life Vigil & Rosary
5	Sunday		<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>
10, 17, 24	Friday	7:00 PM	Bingo
11	Saturday	TBD	Woodlawn Little League Opening Day
12	Sunday	7:30 AM 6:30 PM	<b>DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY</b> St. Louis Pancake Breakfast Polish Night
13	Sunday	7:00 PM	Corporation Meeting
18	Saturday	8:30 AM 5:00 PM	Spring Litter Pickup Scotch Night
19	Sunday	7:00 AM	Good Shepherd Pancake Breakfast
27	Monday	6:30 PM	Potomac Assembly Meeting

## ST. LOUIS SHROVE TUESDAY



## GOOD SHEPHERD SHROVE TUESDAY



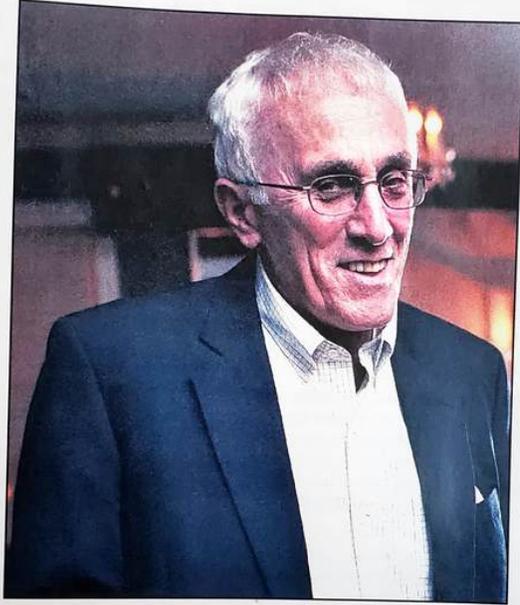
## ST. LOUIS PANCAKE BREAKFAST



## GOOD SHEPHERD PANCAKE BREAKFAST



## FUNERAL MASS OF SK KEVIN MORAN



*Mass of Christian Burial  
Kevin Robert Moran  
Saint Louis Catholic Church - Alexandria, Virginia  
Tuesday, March 3, 2026*

