



April 2026

# KC QUOTE

Mt Vernon Council #5998

THIS ISSUE IS DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF SK KEVIN MORAN



## *The Blessed Sacrament*

### 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).

**Sunday, April 5th**

Easter Sunday

**Thursday, April 9th**

Council Business Meeting

**Sunday, April 12th**

St. Louis Pancake Breakfast

**Sunday, April 19th**

Good Shepherd Pancake Breakfast

# APRIL 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
			1	2 <b>HOLY THURSDAY</b>	3 <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> <b>12:00 PM</b> Way of the Cross for Victims of Abortion	4 <b>HOLY SATURDAY</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Pro-Life Vigil and Rosary <b>11:00 AM</b> Patriotic Rosary
5 <b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>	6	7	8	9 <b>6:30 PM</b> Council Officers Meeting <b>7:30 PM</b> Council Rosary <b>8:00 PM</b> Council Business Meeting	10 <b>7:00 PM</b> Bingo	11 <b>9:00 AM</b> Pro-Life Vigil and Rosary
12 <b>SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY</b> <b>7:30 AM</b> St. Louis Pancake Breakfast	13 <b>7:00 PM</b> Corporation Meeting	14	15	16	17 <b>7:00 PM</b> Bingo	18 <b>8:30 AM</b> Spring Litter Pickup <b>9:00 AM</b> Pro-Life Vigil and Rosary
19 <b>7:00 AM</b> Good Shepherd Pancake Breakfast	20 <b>6:30 PM</b> Potomac Assembly Meeting	21		23	24 <b>7:00 PM</b> Bingo	25 <b>9:00 AM</b> Pro-Life Vigil and Rosary
26	27 <b>6:30 PM</b> Potomac Assembly Meeting	28	29	30	1 <b>7:00 PM</b> Bingo	2 <b>9:00 AM</b> Pro-Life Vigil and Rosary <b>11:00 AM</b> Patriotic Rosary
3 <b>2:00 PM</b> Sunday Bingo	4	5 <b>CINCO DE MAYO</b>	6	7 <b>6:30 PM</b> Council Officers Meeting <b>7:30 PM</b> Council Rosary <b>8:00 PM</b> Council Business Meeting	8 <b>7:00 PM</b> Bingo	9 <b>9:00 AM</b> Pro-Life Vigil and Rosary <b>6:00 PM</b> Spring Dinner with Wine Pairing

# COUNCIL DIRECTORY

## FRATERNAL YEAR 2025-2026

<b>CHAPLAIN</b>	Fr. Keith O'Hare	<b>COMMUNITY DIRECTOR</b>	SK PGK John Michals
<b>GRAND KNIGHT</b>	SK Rodney Chambers	<b>FAITH DIRECTOR</b>	SK Paul Kayanan
<b>DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT</b>	SK Wayne Johnson	<b>FAMILY DIRECTOR</b>	TBD
<b>CHANCELLOR</b>	SK Andrew Graf	<b>YOUTH DIRECTOR</b>	SK Patrick Doyle
<b>FINANCIAL SECRETARY</b>	SK William McGuirk	<b>DIRECTOR/FOOD FOR FAMILIES/BREAD FOR OUR BROTHERS</b>	SK FDD PGK PFN Jim McCracken
<b>RECORDER</b>	SK Eugene Maggioncalda	<b>LIFE DIRECTOR</b>	Bob Whittaker
<b>WARDEN</b>	Chris Kargas	<b>GOOD SHEPHERD ROUNDTABLE CHAIRMAN</b>	SK PGK PFN Herbert Ray Duff
<b>TREASURER</b>	Dr. Marty Smyth	<b>ST. LOUIS ROUNDTABLE CHAIRMAN</b>	SK FDD PGK PFN Jim McCracken
<b>LECTURER</b>	SK PGK Kevin Moran	<b>KOVAR</b>	SK Andrew Graf
<b>ADVOCATE</b>	SK Chuck Roman	<b>KCIC</b>	SK Andrew Graf
<b>INSIDE GUARD</b>	Bob Parmiter	<b>VOCATIONS</b>	SK Andrew Graf
<b>OUTDOOR GUARD</b>	Dave Rivaldi	<b>PUBLICATIONS &amp; PUBLIC RELATIONS (KC QUOTE)</b>	Steven Valentine
<b>TRUSTEES</b>	3 Year SK DW PGK Andy Rogers 2 Year SK PGK John Michals 1 Year SK PGK Mike Argo	<b>PHOTOGRAPHER</b>	SK Jerry Krueger
<b>INSURANCE FIELD AGENT</b>	Vacant	<b>COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM DIRECTOR</b>	VACANT
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<b>PROGRAM DIRECTOR</b>	DGK SK Wayne Johnson	<b>MEMORIALS DIRECTOR</b>	TBD

# MOUNT VERNON COLUMBUS CLUB, INC.

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<b>CHARITY</b>	Marvin Spychaj
<b>CREDENTIALS</b>	Vacant
<b>FACILITY MANAGEMENT &amp; OPERATIONS</b>	John Hannon
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<b>NOMINATIONS</b>	Vacant
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# IN LOVING MEMORY OF SIR KNIGHT KEVIN MORAN

## 1951–2026

### ***As Delivered by SK Rodney Chambers at the Funeral Mass for SK Kevin Moran***

My brothers and sisters in Christ, family and friends of Sir Knight Kevin Moran, and my fellow Knights of Columbus—thank you for gathering here today in this sacred place as we commend Kevin’s soul to the mercy of God and celebrate the hope of the Resurrection.

We come together with heavy hearts, but also with deep gratitude. Gratitude for Kevin’s life, for his friendship, for his example of service, and for the faith that shaped everything he did. As Grand Knight of the Mount Vernon Council, I stand here not only on behalf of our council, but as one of many who were blessed to know Kevin as a brother, a mentor, and a friend.

Kevin joined the Knights of Columbus in 1996, and from that moment forward, he lived the principles of our Order—Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism—with a quiet strength and unwavering commitment. He served faithfully for nearly three decades, offering his time, his talents, and his heart to the mission of the Knights and to the people around him.

Before coming to Virginia, Kevin served the St. Thomas Council in West Hempstead, New York, where he was twice elected Grand Knight and also served as Recorder and Lecturer. Those roles are not simply titles—they are signs of trust, of leadership, and of a man who could be counted on. Kevin was that man.

When he moved to Alexandria and joined the Mount Vernon Council, he didn’t slow down. He stepped forward again and again, serving as Faith Director, Life Director, Family Director, and most recently as our Lecturer. Each of these roles reflects a different dimension of who Kevin was: a man of prayer, a defender of life, a champion of families, and a teacher who loved to share wisdom, humor, and reflection.

Kevin lived his faith not only in church or in council meetings, but in the way he treated people. He was steady. He was kind. He was dependable. He was the sort of man who showed up—who quietly made things better, who encouraged others, who offered a listening ear or a thoughtful word at just the right moment.

As Lecturer, Kevin had a gift for helping us pause amid the busyness of life and remember why we serve. His reflections were thoughtful, often profound, and always rooted in faith. He reminded us that our work as Knights is not just activity—it is ministry. It is discipleship. It is love in action.

Today, as we gather for this Funeral Mass, we are reminded that Kevin’s life was anchored in Christ. He believed in the promises of the Gospel. He believed in the mercy of God. And he believed that death is not the end, but a doorway into eternal life.

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In the Knights of Columbus, we often speak of building a civilization of love. Kevin did that—not in grand gestures, but in the steady, faithful way he lived his life. He served his councils, his parish, his community, and his family with humility and devotion. He lived the Beatitudes. He lived the virtues. He lived his faith.

Kevin's passing leaves a void in our council and in our hearts. But his legacy remains. It remains in the programs he strengthened, in the brothers he encouraged, in the friendships he formed, and in the witness he gave to what it means to be a Catholic gentleman.

We honor him today not only by remembering him, but by carrying forward the spirit with which he served. Kevin would want us to continue the work—faithfully, joyfully, and united as brothers.

As we commend Kevin to the loving arms of our Heavenly Father, we take comfort in the words of Christ: "I am the Resurrection and the Life. Whoever believes in Me, even if he dies, will live." Kevin believed those words. He lived those words. And now he rests in that promise.

May eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.

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## 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**

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

### **Adopt-A-Highway Program – Spring 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**





# **KNIGHT OF THE MONTH APRIL 2026**

## **STEVEN VALENTINE**

Mount Vernon Knights of Columbus Council 5998 is proud to recognize Brother Steve Valentine as our Knight of the Month for April 2026. Steve's dedication, professionalism, and steady leadership have made him an invaluable member of our Council. As the editor of the KC Quote, Steve has elevated our newsletter into a reliable, engaging, and informative publication that strengthens communication across our entire Council family. His careful attention to detail and commitment to creating a timely and high quality publication ensure that members remain connected to our mission, our activities, and one another. Steve and his wife also played a vital role in the success of this year's Saint Patrick's Day Irish Night Party, one of our most cherished community events. Their hard work, creativity, and willingness to step forward contributed greatly to the evening's joyful spirit and strong turnout from parishioners, families, and prospective Knights. Brother Steve's service continues to exemplify the principles of our Order. We are honored to recognize his outstanding contributions to Council 5998.



# **FAMILY OF THE MONTH APRIL 2026**

## **THE ENRIGHT FAMILY**

Mount Vernon Council 5998 is proud to recognize Brother Terry Enright and his wife, Trish as our Family of the Month for April 2026. Together, Terry and Trish have gone above and beyond in their support of one of our Council's most cherished traditions, our annual Irish Night (Saint Patrick's Day Party). Throughout the planning and preparation for this year's celebration, the Enright's worked closely with the Deputy Grand Knight, offering invaluable assistance in coordinating the many details that make the event such a success. Their dedication, creativity, and willingness to step forward ensured that every aspect of the evening was handled with care and enthusiasm. Most notably, Terry and Trish took the initiative to secure multiple private donors who generously contributed door prizes, adding excitement and community spirit to the celebration. Their efforts strengthened the event and helped foster the joyful fellowship that defines our Council. The Enright family's commitment to service and fraternity sets a shining example for all our members. We are honored to recognize their outstanding contributions to the Council.

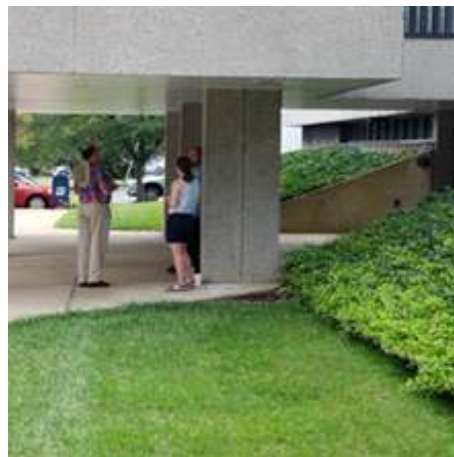
**PRO-LIFE CORNER**



# 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:

- Emily Blankenburg, relative of SK DGK Wayne Johnson
- 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
- SK Richard Frigon
- Constance "Connie" Genuino, wife of Rafael "Ralph" Genuino
- Connie Graves widow of PGK Ernie Graves
- 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
- Steve Roman, brother of SK Chuck Roman
- 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:

- |  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| 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.**

To be placed on or taken off of the Prayer List, please contact the editor of the KC Quote, Steven Valentine, [info@kofc5998.org](mailto:info@kofc5998.org)

# A LOOK AHEAD TO MAY 2026

## ***THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY***

1, 8, 15, 22, 29	Friday	7:00 PM	Bingo
2, 9, 16, 23, 30	Saturday	9:00 AM	Pro-Life Vigil & Rosary
2	Saturday	11:00 AM	Patriotic Rosary
3	Sunday	2:00 PM	Sunday Bingo
7	Thursday	6:30 PM 7:30 PM 8:00 PM	Council Officers Meeting Council Rosary Council Business Meeting
9	Saturday	6:00 PM	Spring Dinner with Wine Pairing
10	Sunday	7:30 AM	<b><i>Mother's Day</i></b> St. Louis Pancake Breakfast
11	Monday	7:00 PM	Corporation Meeting
17	Sunday	7:00 AM	<b><i>THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD</i></b> Good Shepherd Pancake Breakfast
24	Sunday		<b><i>PENTECOST SUNDAY</i></b>
25	Monday	6:30 PM	<b><i>The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church</i></b> <b><i>Memorial Day</i></b> Potomac Assembly Meeting
31	Sunday		<b><i>The Most Holy Trinity</i></b>

# PHOTOS – MARCH 2026

*CLICK BELOW TO VIEW ON GOOGLE PHOTOS*

- COUNCIL EXEMPLIFICATION**
- ST. LOUIS PANCAKE BREAKFAST**
- ST. PATRICK'S PARTY 2026**
- GOOD SHEPHERD PANCAKE BREAKFAST**
- MEET THE KNIGHTS**

