



## San Joaquin Chapter & District January 2023 Newsletter

Worthy Brothers,

Welcome to the start of a brand new year. Our Chapter has been revived and is making great progress. We have risen from the ashes and are energized. I am proud of each of you and proud to be a Knight working with you. Remember that with God nothing is impossible.

**TIP:** This is an interactive newsletter and content in **BLUE** that is underlined are HYPER-Links. Just click on them and it will open that content for you.

Our January focus is "[NOVENA FOR LIFE](#)", one of our Life Programs. This year our State Deputy has reached out and ask that all Knights hold a Novena for our West Coast "Walk for Life" that begins on January 12 through January 20, 2023 to support our Walk for Life on January 21.

SUPREME KNIGHT Patrick Kelly has called Knights of Columbus across the United States to participate in the March for Life in their respective areas. Jan. 20, 2023, the first national march since the reversal of Roe v. Wade in June 2022. Here on the West Coast we start on Jan. 21, 2023. Make no mistake, the March for Life marches on — and so must we," the supreme knight affirmed. "That's why I am asking every Knight, if you possibly can, to come to Washington and march for life in January.

Our **KC-EPCS** App is live and our piolet testing is over. Most of our Chapter Officers, Directors, Committeemen, and District Deputies have created their own accounts and some have their own "Private Groups" created. All GKs, DGKs, and FSs that we were able to obtain valid email address were sent an invitation last week. We strongly encourage each of you to create your account and get started. Our KC-EPCS app supports Android, iPhone, Apple and PC based products and the mobile apps are available via the Apple Store and Google Play Store.

Just go to our "[Quick Start Guide](#)" which will walk you through creating an account and get started. Training modules are available of our [Chapter Website](#). [Just click here](#).

Currently, we have more than 130 members and 24 Groups create and seeing some wonderful results. We urge all Councils to get on board with this app and so that we can have a universal app that is secure and private for all our Knights communication (better that Facebook, Twitter, and Flocknote combined) that will enable all of us to evolve as we continue to grow while continuing to supporting our Churches, Priest, Parishioners, and Communities. Note: Any council or Knight that needs help in getting started, have questions, or wish to schedule a private training session, to please contact your CP or Brother Young Vu ([contact@dhspirit.org](mailto:contact@dhspirit.org)).

**Request for HELP:** We are looking to fill the following position within our Chapter. We need a Chapter Advocate, chairmen for New Council / Round Table Development, a Coats for Kids chairmen and we have openings for 5 to 7 committeemen to help us with our "[Communications Media and Outreach Committee](#)" Please step-up to help us to help our councils by accepting one of these positions. Just drop me a line or call (530-519-9048), TXT MSG, or Email: [loug@kofcchap6ca.org](mailto:loug@kofcchap6ca.org).

We also need Councils to step up and host our Chapter meetings. Currently we have our January and March meetings hosted for this year. The rest of 2023 including February is still open. Please see our live [Chapter Meeting Schedule](#) published online with all the details needed to host a meeting and step up.

**Important:** It has come to my attention that there are issues that results in delays and frustration in getting a Financial Secretary appointed and processed. I am happy to report that a detailed procedure has been published on our website called: [FS Appointments](#). This procedure is located in the left column on each of the respective District pages on our website. DDs, please take note and get this info out to your respective Councils. Just FYI, we have a Chapter assigned trainer to help Financial Secretary. Just contact [Dave Roberts](#).

## Logo Contest Extended to January 12, 2023.

We are awaiting additional entries for our Logo Contest. It would be helpful to receive them before the Chapter Meeting on Jan. 12. We will be awarding a prize for the one selected at that meeting. Please submit your ideas electronically to [Dave Roberts](#) or just bring 6 printed copies to the Jan. meeting.

**Note:** Each Council's GK or his representative are encouraged to attend our Chapter Meetings and get important information and updates to bring back to your Councils. The next Chapter meeting will be on Jan. 12, 2022 at the Knights Hall in Turlock. All is published on our [Website Homepage](#). Social time at 6:00 pm and dinner around 6:30 pm. All Councils needs to have at least one representative at each of our meeting. Meeting begins at 7:00 pm. We urge you to contact your DD if you are unable to attend and make sure that he has all the latest info from your Council.

**Important:** Council and Sick & Deceased Reports for our Chapter Meetings are due no later than 2 days before that month's meeting and are to be sent to the Chapter Secretary, Don Grishaw ([dcgrishaw@gmail.com](mailto:dcgrishaw@gmail.com)) with CC: to CP ([loug@kofcchap6.ca.org](mailto:loug@kofcchap6.ca.org)). Our Chapter needs to hear from each Council and attendance will be taken and published in our Chapter meeting minutes. We have implemented a special program with rewards for attendees. OH! You would like to know what "rewards" Well! Come to the next meeting and find out.

We are energized and look forward in working together to become the best that we can be. We need to continue focusing on "What we can Do" step up and be part of growing and evolving. The programs that Supreme and our State Council have identified promote doing just that. Remember our Second Degree – "UNITY" as together we can do so much more, so "Let's Make it Happen". If you need help, please reach out anytime and let me or one of our Chapter officers know. We promise to help or find the resources needed. If you find something that is out of date, needs to added, change, or has something missing, please let me know.

Remember to take the time and check our [Chapter Homepage](#) and [District Homepage](#) OFTEN and check out your local Assembly's home pages as there you will find the most current information.

I personally wish you and each of your families a very Happy and Healthy New Year. Remember that together, **WE DO MAKE A DIFFERENCE**. Let us continue.

Blessed Fr. McGivney, Pray of US.



Sincerely Yours in Christ  
Lou Gervais, SJC CP, DD-58