



THE COUNCIL REPORT

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NEW BROTHERS

Welcome to Council 15339!

Nelson Urbano
Cesar Flores
John Gonzalez
Nicholas Byrne
Andrew Dean
Anthony Velasco
Tyler Bateman
Houssam Birkhimer



The Council's goal is
 to initiate seven
 new (non-transfer) members
 this Columbian year
 (ending in June).

Please encourage Catholic
 gentlemen that you know to
 join Council 15339.

GRAND KNIGHT'S REFLECTION

Thoughts on Our Founder

Brothers, our founder, Blessed Father Micheal McGivney, is well-known for his many virtues. He is best known as an innovator, founding our order, the Knights of Columbus.

I recently read a story about how Fr. McGivney directed a community play, going so far as to rent a theater in a neighboring city to stage the production.

If Father McGivney was living today, how would he make use of the tools and resources that we have that he didn't have in his time?

How would he meet people where they are in today's culture? In the interests and life circumstances of the families and youth of the community?

Let's try to remember his innovative spirit as we serve our community. Let's try to be more like him in looking for ways to engage and try new things. Let's be open to new possibilities and be inspired by the same **Holy Spirit** that guided him.

Let's continue to pray for the canonization of Father McGivney (**see page 11**). Remember to seek his intercession for your intentions and those of your family and community.

Vivat Jesus!
 James Weimholt

Faith in Action...Charity, Unity, Fraternity



The bi-monthly St. Margaret Mary's + Chino Neighborhood House food drives collect hundreds of pounds of food to help the community



Brothers and their families gather for worship, prayer, and fellowship at Sunday Mass, Holy Rosary events, and Corporate Communion



Brothers and guests attend special events such as visiting the **Shroud of Turin exhibit** at Christ Cathedral in Garden Grove. More outings are being planned for the the upcoming months. Please check the Council calendar for details

LOOKING BACK

JAN

Free Throw Contest
Walk for Life & ONELIFE LA

FEB

Spaghetti Dinner

MAR

Lenten Fish Fry
Shroud of Turin Exhibit

APR

Good Friday Rosary

MAY

15th Annual Golf
Tournament

JUN

Essay Scholarship Awards
Vacation Bible School Dinner



LOOKING FORWARD

View upcoming events on
the Council website at
kofc15339.org

SNAPSHOTS



EXEMPLIFICATIONS



C **Charity**
U **Unity**
F **Fraternity**



New Fourth Degree Knights



Patriotism



15th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Putting on an event like the 15th Annual Golf Tournament is a massive undertaking requiring months of meticulous planning, organizing, and fundraising. This year was no exception, and the tournament was a resounding success!

We owe a debt of gratitude to our event committee, led by some of Council 15339's most experienced leaders: Gary George, Louis Duran, Armando Hernandez and Nick Montano. Thanks to their vision, and the hard work and generous donations of our committee members and supporters, the day was a tremendous success.

The venue provided a beautiful backdrop, and the delicious lunch—courtesy of Nick Montano and Roscoe's Famous Deli—was a major hit.



Our golfers and participants had a fantastic time, and the feedback has been overwhelmingly positive.

The excitement reached a fever pitch with our grand raffle prize: a Paris Trip for Two, generously donated by City of Lights Travel. While there could only be one lucky winner (*c'est la vie!*), the raffle brought incredible energy to the event. Congratulations to our winners, Manny and Sandra Mendes, and thank you to everyone who participated!

Walking the Ancient Way



Every year, hundreds of thousands of pilgrims hoist backpacks, lace up hiking boots, and set out on foot across Europe. Their destination? The Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela in Galicia, northwestern Spain.

This network of ancient pilgrim routes is known as the **Camino de Santiago** (the Way of St. James). For well over a thousand years, it has served as one of the most significant expressions of Christian pilgrimage in the world.

What is the Camino de Santiago?

The Camino is not a single path, but a tapestry of trails starting from points in France, Portugal, and across Spain, all converging at the tomb of St. James the Greater.

The most popular route, the Camino Francés (the French Way), stretches nearly 500 miles across northern Spain, crossing the Pyrenees and winding through historic villages, rolling vineyards, and vast plains.

The pilgrimage dates back to the early 9th century, when the remains of the Apostle James were discovered in Galicia. Throughout the Middle Ages, walking the Camino was a profound act of penance, devotion, and renewal, a tradition that remains alive today. Pilgrims collect stamps in a special booklet called a *credencial*, proving they completed at least 100 kilometers on foot to receive their *compostela* (the traditional certificate of completion).

The Feast of Saint James

The ultimate culmination of the Camino experience is tied to the liturgical calendar, specifically July 25th: The Feast of St. James.

For a pilgrim, arriving in Santiago de Compostela on or just before July 25th is a profound milestone. The city erupts into a spectacular celebration blending deep religious reverence with vibrant culture.

A special holy year occurs whenever the Feast of St. James falls on a Sunday.

During a Holy Year, the cathedral's sealed Holy Door (Puerta Santa) is opened to the public for the entire 12 months. Pilgrims who pass through the door, confess their sins, receive Holy Communion, and pray for the intentions of the Holy Father are granted a plenary indulgence.

Reflection for the Council

For Knights, the Camino is a powerful metaphor for our own spiritual journey. It reminds us that faith is not a static state, but a road to be traveled with perseverance, fraternity, and a reliance on God's providence. When the physical miles get tough, the camaraderie of fellow travelers pulls you through, much like the charity and unity found within our council.





St. James is the Patron of Spain and his feast day is July 25th. You might not be able to join the **Camino de Santiago** this year, but here is the recipe for a delicious Seville-style sandwich that captures the spirit of the Camino adventure. Enjoy!

The Seville "Serranito" Sandwich

Prep Time: 15 minutes
Cook Time: 15 minutes
Yield: 4 sandwiches

Ingredients

- 1 lb pork loin chops or beef tenderloin, sliced into thin cutlets (about 1/4-inch thick)
- 4 long, mild green peppers (such as Anaheim peppers)
- 8 slices Jamón Serrano (Spanish dry-cured ham; you can substitute high-quality Prosciutto)
- 4 slices Manchego cheese (or a good sharp white cheddar)
- 4 rustic baguettes or Italian rolls (around 6–8 inches long, split open)
- 2 large ripe summer tomatoes, cut in half
- 3 tbsp extra-virgin olive oil
- 2 cloves garlic, peeled and cut in half
- Coarse sea salt and black pepper to taste

Instructions

1. Blister the Peppers: 8–10 minutes.

Heat 2 tablespoons of extra-virgin olive oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add the whole green peppers. Cook them slowly, turning occasionally, until the skins are completely wrinkled, blistered, and soft. Remove the peppers from the skillet, place them on a plate, and season them with a pinch of coarse sea salt. Keep the flavorful oil in the pan.

2. Sear the Cutlets: 3–4 minutes.

Turn the skillet heat up to medium-high. Sear the meat in the oil for just 1.5 to 2 minutes per side until browned and just cooked through. Remove and let rest.

3. Prep the Bread: 2 minutes.

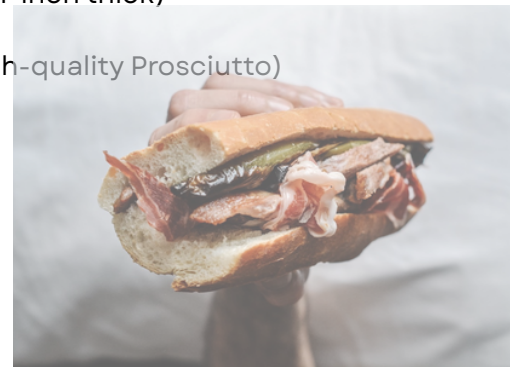
While the meat rests, open your sandwich rolls. Toast the inside faces lightly on the grill or in a dry pan. While the bread is still hot, rub the cut side of a raw garlic clove vigorously against the interior crust. Next, take a tomato half and squeeze/rub the juicy, fleshy side directly onto the bread, letting the crumb absorb the fresh tomato pulp and oils.

4. Build the Layers: 2 minutes.

On the bottom half of the tomato-rubbed bread, lay down a hot, seared cutlet. Immediately place a slice of Manchego cheese on top of the meat so it begins to melt from the residual heat. Carefully split open one of your blistered green peppers, remove the stem/seeds, and lay it flat over the cheese.

5. The Grand Finale: 1 minute.

Top the green pepper with 2 overlapping slices of Jamón Serrano. The heat from the pepper and meat will gently warm the cured ham, releasing its aromatic oils. Close the sandwich with the top bun, press down firmly so all the juices mingle, slice diagonally, and serve immediately.



MORE
SNAPSHOTS



SCHOLARSHIPS



Council 15339 is privileged to support the bright futures of St. Margaret Mary's School graduates as they take the next major step in their academic and faith journeys.

The Council hosts the annual **Scholastic Essay Contest**, which is open to eighth graders who are transferring to Catholic high schools in the fall.

To apply, the students are asked to write a comprehensive essay reflecting on three areas:

- Their history of service to their parish, school, and community.
- The Catholic high school they plan to attend.
- The meaningful role that Catholicism plays within their own families.

This year's winners are:

Gianna Jones (attending Aquinas High School)

Taylor Vermilion (attending Bishop Amat High School)

Each of these exceptional students were presented with a commemorative award plaque at St. Margaret Mary School's graduation ceremony as well as a scholarship check for \$2,000, which will be sent directly to their respective high schools.

Congratulations!



Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church.

Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen



The Council encourages all members to:

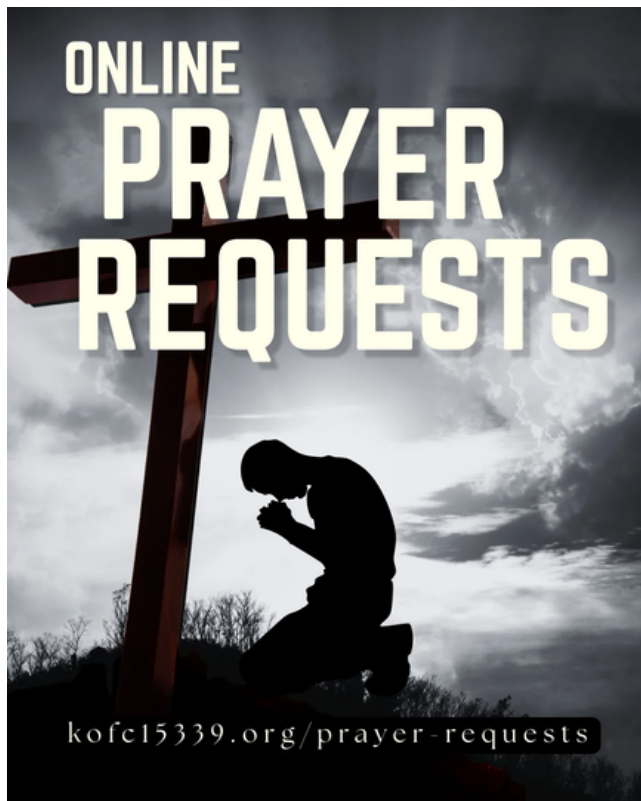
Participate: Join us for our monthly meetings and events.
Lend your skills to our events and projects.
Your involvement makes a difference.

Promote: Follow us on social media and share on your social media about upcoming council and community events.

Propel: Reach out to the leadership team with your ideas.
Let the council know what you are interested in by submitting a **Member Interest Survey** online at:
<https://kofc15339.org/member-interest-survey>

*“And whatever you do,
in word or in deed, do
everything in the name
of the **Lord Jesus**,
giving thanks to
God the Father
through him.”*

Colossians 3:17



*“But, since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For **God** has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our **Lord Jesus Christ**, who died for us so that whether we wake or sleep we might live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.”*

1 Thessalonians 5:8-11

GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING

Second Tuesday Each Month

6:00 PM – Dinner

7:00 PM – Rosary

7:30 PM – Meeting

MEETING LOCATION

**St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church
12686 Central Ave Chino, CA 91710**

Visit kofc15339.org for more info

In the Works...



The word “*cor*” is Latin for “*heart*,” and the mission of the program is to form and strengthen men in faith and virtue through a brotherhood committed to prayer, formation, and fraternity.

More details coming soon...



FAITH



FAMILY



COMMUNITY



LIFE

Event Calendar

2026 Schedule subject to change - visit kofc15339.org/events for current events

Jul

19 Coffee & Donuts

26 SMM/CNH Food
Drive

Aug

01 Annual Audit

08 Exemplification

15 Officers Installation

16 Coffee & Donuts

22 Wheelchair Initiative

30 Corporate
Communion

Sep

20 Coffee & Donuts

24 Soccer Challenge

26 Spaghetti Dinner

27 SMM/CNH Food
Drive

Oct

04 Past Grand
Knight's Dinner

11 Tootsie Roll Drive

17 Exemplification

18 Coffee & Donuts

Nov

08 KofC Memorial Mass

15 Coffee & Donuts

20 Seminarian Burse

28 SMM/CNH Food
Drive

30 Corporate
Communion

Dec

04 Advent Rosary

20 Coffee & Donuts

26 Consecration to the
Holy Family



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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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VIVAT JESUS!