

# Into the Breach

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## Overview

*Into the Breach* is a call to battle for men which urges them to embrace masculine virtues in a world at crisis. The original *Into the Breach* video series, inspired by the apostolic exhortation of Bishop Thomas J. Olmstead, outlines the challenges faced by men of faith in the world today. The new *Into the Breach: The Mission of the Family* video series presents the Catholic vision of family life and inspires them to incorporate it into daily life. By viewing and discussing these inspirational series, and using their accompanying study guides, participants will be equipped with the wisdom and practical tools they need to better lead themselves and their families in living out the Faith. Resources are available at [www.kofc.org/intothebreach](http://www.kofc.org/intothebreach).

## Featured Program Requirements

- Hold eight sessions to discuss the content of the original *Into the Breach* video series or apostolic exhortation (#340), or five sessions of *Into the Breach: The Mission of the Family* video series.

## Action Steps

1. Identify a program chairman to oversee all action steps and delegate tasks, as needed. If coordinating with the parish, confirm pastor approval with grand knight, and then set up subsequent parish ministry collaboration meetings.
  - Councils are encouraged to integrate *Into the Breach* into their *Cor* gatherings. Additionally, *Into the Breach: The Mission of the Family* may be used as a program for couples within the parish community.
2. Determine an appropriate place to hold your discussion. If using the *Into the Breach* video series, make sure you will have access to a television or a computer and projector.
  - All episodes can be downloaded or streamed at [www.kofc.org/intothebreach](http://www.kofc.org/intothebreach). Councils are encouraged to download the episodes to avoid technical challenges. If streaming, make sure you have a good internet connection.
3. Schedule times for your small groups to meet for discussions. Sessions should be at least one-hour and should be scheduled no longer than one month apart from each other.
4. Build public interest for the group! Promote your discussion group in your parish and larger community through a variety of efforts:
  - Prominently display promotional posters
  - Bulletin announcements
  - Pulpit announcements
  - Posting on your council and parish website / social media pages
  - Make personal invitations using posters and invitationary flyers
5. Coordinate men from your council and your parish to help lead the small group discussions. You should have enough discussion leaders so that no group is larger than 8 people, including the leader. Discussion leaders should guide the discussion using the resources provided in *Into the Breach* (#340), *Into the Breach Video Series Study Guide* (#11059) or *The Mission of the Family Video Series Study Guide* (#11556).



6. To gain credit for your program, complete the associated reporting forms.
  - Immediately after each session of your program, complete the [Fraternal Programs Report Form](#) (#10784)
  - At the end of the fraternal year, complete the [Columbian Award Application](#) (#SP-7)

### General Resources

1. #10730- [Brochure](#)
2. #340- [Booklet](#)
3. #11147- [Leader Addendum](#)
4. #10793- [St. Michael the Archangel Prayer Card](#)

### The Mission of the Family Video Series

1. #11556- [Study Guide](#)
2. #11557- [Prayer Card](#)
3. #11562- [Vertical Poster](#)

### Into the Breach Video Series

1. #11059- [Study Guide](#)
2. #10994- [Flyer](#)
3. #10731A- [Vertical Poster](#)
4. #10731B- [Vertical Poster](#)
5. #CI-DVDBREACH- [DVD Series](#)

Program resources can be ordered by your grand knight, financial secretary and/or program director on Supplies Online via [Officers Online](#).

### Link

Video series: [www.kofc.org/intothebreach](http://www.kofc.org/intothebreach)