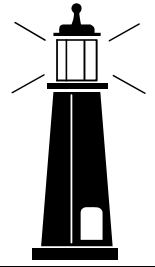


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## GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

This June 13<sup>th</sup> our Council celebrates the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its Charter as Council #10644 of the Knights of Columbus. The records show that there were 35 Charter Members, and many of them are still active in our Council! The Charter Grand Knight, Herb Saska, can still be seen at monthly meetings, keeping close watch on his Brother Knights, and offering "words of wisdom" when called upon (and even sometimes when he isn't)! And there is not often a dinner or event that Herb and many other Charter Members can be seen at to show their support for the mission of the Knights. As of May 2011, our Council has a membership of 286 Brother Knights and 17 Widows of Council Brothers. What a testament to our Founding Brothers that what they started has not only withstood the test of time but has grown and flourished!

"YOU WILL KNOW THEM BY THEIR FRUITS." Matthew 7:16

And fruits there have been over the last 20 years. It would be impossible to calculate the number of volunteer hours and monies that this Council has given in the service of others! It would be impossible to name all those Brothers who gave so much of themselves, so many in the background, unnoticed, un-thanked, to just give the "fruits" away to the needy! It would be impossible to list all the individuals, groups and events that have benefited from the work of this Council! And it isn't over with yet!!!

As we start our 21<sup>st</sup> year in July 2011; there is no slowing down of the fund raisers, events and functions that are planned! Be sure and join us for the annual "Kick-Out" and Anniversary Celebration Dinner and Dance on June 18<sup>th</sup> in Fr O'Hare Hall. More information will be coming.

I have been truly blessed to have been able to serve all my Brothers this past year. The Grand Knight's job is not done by one person. It takes the support, council and manual labor of many, many others to get the job done. Thank you everyone for the opportunity to work with you. And I look forward to supporting all the Grand Knights and Brothers in our Council in the next 20 years!

**John McCave, Grand Knight**



## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

You will know, Brothers, that I never come to our Council meetings (well, in the last 12 years, I think I've come four times). That was because the meetings were on Thursdays, the day we priests get together for a day off. This regular priestly fraternity is quite important for us padres, and I thank you for understanding why I was so infrequently at Council meetings. I say the meetings "were" on Thursdays, because the Council has been kind enough to change our monthly meetings to Tuesdays. I am most grateful and look forward to attending the Council meetings from July onward. May God bless our Council, and may our Blessed Mother, sustain us with her prayers!

Yours sincerely in Christ,

**Fr. Joseph Illo**

Pastor, St. Joseph's Church



## CELEBRATE!



### Member Birthdays

Tony Lee	6-1	Robert Wildt	6-1
Matt Henderson	6-2	Dennis Murphy	6-3
Jon White	6-5	Dan Dwyer	6-7
Alan Parrigon	6-8	Salvador Becerra	6-9
Lovinio Casiano	6-11	Bill Black	6-12
Vince Galas	6-13	John McCave	6-15
Michael Ford	6-17		
Amado Valencia Jr	6-17	Neil Corbeil	6-18
Daniel Nieto	6-18	Kurt Wharton	6-19
Warner Norleen	6-23		
Michael Loschke	6-23	Bill Vermillion	6-25
Robert Galindo	6-26	Jose Nunes	6-26
Mike Perine	6-29		
Father John Peter	6-29	Dick Dwyer	6-30

### Anniversaries

Carol-Lynn Moraca	6-1	Judy Tuss	6-1
Joan Tacchini	6-5		
Margaret Mayoral	6-6	Bertha Amaya	6-7
Cher Silva	6-7	Judy Murphy	6-9
Doris Di Menco	6-16		
Rita Humphreys	6-17	Trina Malsom	6-17
Rosemary Torres	6-19	Joyce Earl	6-18
Lisa Gonzales	6-20		
Karen Henriquez	6-22		
Mary McDevitt	6-22	Julie Nunes	6-22
Aninya Lamanet	6-24	Sherri McGue	6-24
Mary Miceli	6-24	Jane Spieker	6-24
Rosie Rios	6-25	Michelle Frey	6-27
Patty Duffy	6-30		
Nicole Miranda	6-30	Priscilla Pino	6-30
Maria Evena Cristerna	6-30		



### Ladies' Birthdays

Tamara & Anthony Butera	6-1-96
Bev & Ed Fernandes	6-2-63
Wilma & Tony Lee	6-2-62
Kathleen & Brandon Harker	6-4-05
Lucy & Mel Mattos	6-5-76
Kim & Pat Ringer	6-9-90
Kathleen & Mike Glendon	6-10-85
Marilyn & Donald Hancock	6-11-56
Carol-Lynn & Sam Moraca	6-12-82
Christi & Dave Wharton	6-12-82
Mary & Kent Marlett	6-13-70
Teresa & Reuben Peterson	6-14-74
Kristin & Jerome Thiele	6-14-85
Nicole & Michael Miranda	6-15-85
Lita & Dr. Bob Selover	6-15-82
Mona & Robert Wildt	6-15-75
Gwendolyn & Nick Cupini	6-16-46
Andrea & Robert Hemsley	6-18-88
Judy & Monte Bauer	6-19-83
Anita & David Racher	6-19-62
Cheryl & Ralph Driggs	6-20-70
Rose & Ronald Lamont	6-20
Marti & Don Reed	6-21-80
Jean & David Diehl	6-23-79
Melinda & Roy Gordon	6-23-73
Wesley Ann & Ray Jones	6-23-73
Rosalinda & Roger Farias Sr	6-24-72
Soledad & Raul Raya	6-26
Piedy & Michael Callahan	6-27-81
Bronwyn & Jason Jackson	6-27-98
Joanne & Rick Serpa	6-27-81
Susan & Raphell Taylor	6-28-85
Pam & Rick Dinubilo	6-30-79



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				Ascension		
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		Officers' Meeting		Council Meeting	Memorial Mass	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Pentecost	Council 10644 Anniversary 1991					Kick-Out Dinner and Council Anniversary Celebration
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Trinity Sunday Father's Day	Parish Blood Drive			Corpus Christi		
26	27	28	29	30		

## DAVE'S DISCUSSION

“And when the days of Pentecost were drawing to a close, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a violent wind coming, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them parted tongues as of fire, which settled upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in foreign tongues, even as the Holy Spirit prompted them to speak.” (Acts 2, 1-4)

Pentecost (Whitsunday), with Christmas and Easter, ranks among the great feasts of Christianity. It commemorates not only the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and Disciples, but also the fruits and effects of that event: the completion of the work of redemption, the fullness of grace for the Church and its children, and the gift of faith for all nations.

May we all accept prompting from the Holy Spirit in our Knights' activities, as well as in the rest of lives.

In Christ Jesus through Mary our mother,

**Dave Scott, PGK**





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“The Knights of Columbus are a perfect example of the contribution which laity can make by working together. The manner of good works that you perform yourselves are further multiplied by those which you inspire in others. In this way, you are being faithful to a serious command.... Your light must shine before men so that may see goodness in your acts and give praise to your heavenly Father.” Those of the words of Blessed John Paul II. Is there any more reason than those words to invite other Catholic men to join us in the Knights of Columbus?

**Rick Dinubilo  
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Continue to pray for Bishop Steven Blaire; Father Illo's mother, Janice; Darlene Nielsen; Lisa Scott; Priscilla Pino; Nicole Miranda; Matt Iorns' mother, Sharon; Camille Iorns; District Deputy Steve Day's mother, Dorothy; Wilma Lee; and the eternal reposed of the soul of Rosana Hollander.

Pray for our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, our parish priests and our troops wherever they are stationed.

You can reach me at 527-6958 with news of any brothers or family members ill of in distress.

**John Karaz**

## TONY'S TIME

Once upon a time there was a dress code for men who worked in offices. It consisted of a suit, tie, shined shoes and a neat haircut. This is the "conservative look".

Today, in many cases, the "dress code" has been abandoned or altered to reflect a casual look. In some cases long hair and even sneakers are tolerated. If you are going for an interview, dress conservatively. Note what other workers are wearing, so if you get the job, you can fit right in with either conservative or casual dressers.

The subject of dress brings to mind an experience I once had. I worked for a big insurance company and, of course, one had to dress with a dignified look. It was the week of the big agents meeting at the home office. I had to get in early for this, so not to disturb anyone at home I got dressed in the dark.

Sitting next to my boss I happened to look down at my shoes. What I saw shocked me. I was wearing one black shoe and one brown one! I could not hide this, so nudged my boss and pointed at my shoes. The boss was not upset and later we had a good laugh over my *faux pas*.

So, dress appropriately for an interview, check your shoes, and always remember the song from Annie, "You're Never Fully Dressed without a Smile."

**Tony Lee**

## JOHN'S JOKES



In honor of my wife's planned trip to France: "France has neither winter nor summer nor morals. Apart from these drawbacks it is a fine country." -- Mark Twain

"I would rather have a German division in front of me than a French one behind me." -- General George S. Patton

"Going to war without France is like going deer hunting without your accordion." -- Norman Schwartzkopf

"We can stand here like the French, or we can do something about it." -- Marge Simpson

"As far as I'm concerned, war always means failure" -- Jacques Chirac, President of France

"As far as France is concerned, you're right." -- Rush Limbaugh,

"The only time France wants us to go to war is when the German Army is sitting in Paris sipping coffee." -- Regis Philbin

"You know, the French remind me a little bit of an aging actress of the 1940s who was still trying to dine out on her looks but doesn't have the face for it." -- John McCain, U.S. Senator from Arizona

"You know why the French don't want to bomb Saddam Hussein? Because he hates America, he loves mistresses and wears a beret. He is French, people!" -- Conan O'Brien

"I don't know why people are surprised that France won't help us get Saddam out of Iraq. After all, France wouldn't help us get the Germans out of France!" -- Jay Leno

"The last time the French asked for 'more proof' it came marching into Paris under a German flag." -- David Letterman

"If it ain't true, it ought to be"

**John Gorman**

## GRODT'S NOTES

Ah, summer is almost here; time for fun in the sun. We will be electing officers for the new Council year. Nominations from the floor will be open before the vote at our June business meeting. I mailed out late notices to 40+ members who still have not paid their dues. Let's avoid suspension in our Council by paying your dues in a timely manner. I also received notice from the 4th Degree that they have suspended almost 20 of our members for not paying their dues. You should mail a check quickly to be re-instated in the 4th Degree (Bob Tognetti, ph 523-9403, Fr. Giles Assembly-58, 2012 Canyon lake Dr., Modesto, CA 95355).

**Mike Grodt F/S**

529-3105



## ADVOCATE'S ADVICE

In my last article I recommended that everyone should read the Diary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, *Divine Mercy in my Soul*, and to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. EWTN prays the Chaplet at 12:00 noon every day, since they are on Eastern Standard Time, noon for us is 3:00 PM for them. I also discovered that we can pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet every Friday at 3:00 PM at St. Joseph's (our parish bell ring out at 3 PM to announce it). The significance of 3:00 PM is due to the revelation to St. Faustina (Diary 1572) that 3:00 PM is "The Hour of Mercy." Jesus said to her, "As often as you hear the clock strike the 3<sup>rd</sup> hour, immerse yourself in My Mercy." That is the hour that Christ died on the cross for our salvation. (That is why our parish bells sounds at 3 PM). The Diary is a record of St. Faustina's personal relationship with Jesus Christ and has many revelations from Jesus and Mary. The following excerpt is from section 96. It has great significance to me and since it was near the beginning of the book, it managed to keep me reading the book until I was done. I hope that it will be significant for you too. St. Faustina is talking about the trials of the soul and temptation of Satan. "The soul's love for God is still not such as God would have it. The soul suddenly loses the tangible perception of God's presence. Various defects and imperfections rise up within it and must fight them furiously. All her faults lift up their heads, and the soul's vigilance is great. The former awareness of the presence of God gives place to coldness and spiritual dryness; the soul has no taste for spiritual exercises; it cannot pray, either in the old way, or in the manner in which it had begun to pray. It struggles this way and that but can find no satisfaction. God has hidden himself from it; and it can find no consolation in creatures, nor can any of these creatures find a way of consoling it. The soul craves passionately for God, but sees it's own misery; it begins to sense God's justice; it seems to it that it has lost all the gifts God has given it; it's mind is dimmed, and darkness fills it; unspeakable torment begins. The soul tries to explain its fate to the confessor, but it is not understood and is assailed by even greater unrest. Satan begins his work."

May the peace of Christ be with you and yours always!

**Robert Hemsley,  
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## 2011-12 NOMINATIONS

The slate of nominated Officers as selected by the Nominating Committee for the 2011-12 Columbian Year is as follows:

- Grand Knight – Mel Mattos
- Deputy Grand Knight – Mike Miranda
- Chancellor – Open
- Warden – Pete Sedillo
- Treasurer – Steve Laura
- Recorder – Richard Braun
- Advocate – Robert Hemsley
- Inside Guard – Tim Benavidez
- Outside Guard – Pino Truncali
- Trustee 3 Years – John McCave
- Trustees 1 and 2 year are normally in an automatic progression and not nominated or voted on unless one needs to be replaced. They are:
- Trustee 1 year – Dave Scott
- Trustee 2 years – Matt Iorns
- The Lecturer and Chaplain are appointed by the Grand Knight. The Financial Secretary is appointed by the Supreme Knight.
- These nominations were officially read and declared open at the May 5th Business meeting and will be read again at the June 2nd Business Meeting. An opportunity for further nominations from the floor will be offered followed by a vote. Only attending members will be allowed to make nominations from the floor and/or to vote. The new Officers will be called to their positions beginning July 1, 2011 and ending on June 30, 2012.

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## RECORDER'S RAMBLINGS

Brother Knights, I want to share this month some thoughts from Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, who is a renown deacon from Portland. If you have never heard him speak either on EWTN or on Catholic Answers, you have missed out. Recently, he posted in a blog some ideas about our society's view of "freedom."

Deacon Harold was reflecting on why he had not allowed his 13-year-old daughter the "freedom" to view *Glee* on television. I cut and pasted part of his reasoning below:

"What, then, does it mean to be *truly, authentically* free? If you think about it, there are only two answers: personal freedom, i.e., the freedom to do what I want, or God's freedom, i.e., living, acting, and 'being' in a way commensurate with His truth. Moral Relativism (aka: Secular Orthodoxy)—the magisterium of modern society—posits a 'freedom' from objective truth, and professes political correctness and values-neutral education as foundational principles that promote the very ideas which, left unchallenged, will ultimately erode the spiritual foundation upon which our faith is built all in the name of 'tolerance' and 'diversity,' and at the expense of authentic truth and freedom. Our culture, through shows like *Glee*, tells us that freedom means 'independence'; that I don't need to subject myself to principles that are true in themselves but that truth can be changed depending upon current trends or my particular situation. The truth of God's ever abundant and merciful love is rooted in freedom—a freedom *from* and a freedom *for*: the freedom from sin so that we can be free for God.

"At first glance, living according to God's truth seems burdensome—following commandments and living according to a moral code goes against society's view and understanding of freedom.

"Let me illustrate the two types of freedom. Imagine a violin, representing the Body of Christ, that has four strings, each representing a member of the Body. Now picture one of the strings removed from the violin and laying on a table. Our culture would tell us that the string on the table is free: it is no longer subject to the violin and can now do whatever it wants. It is no longer bound by the restraints (i.e., the moral codes and commandments) of the violin and can now 'be itself.'

"From the Church's perspective, the violin string is not truly free because its full potential is not being actualized; by not freely choosing to be part of the whole, by allowing itself to be freed from that which makes it truly unique—from that which is true, good, and beautiful—the string can never fully be what it was created to be. The Church teaches that by freely submitting ourselves to God's law—to God's loving care, protection, and divine providence—by making a complete gift of ourselves to the Giver of all gifts, then can we truly and fully be the person who God created us to be. It is only when the string is tethered to the body of the violin, when it is tuned to the unique and proper pitch that it was designed for, when it is played in harmony with the other strings, that the full potential of not only the string but the entire instrument is truly realized and fully appreciated."

**Richard Braun,  
Recorder/Editor**




## KNIGHT HAPPENINGS

Since this is my last article as Deputy Grand Knight and will be out of state and unable to attend the June meeting, I would like to thank all the Brother Knights who volunteered their time and work in order to carry out all the events and dinners of this past year. We had many brothers who chaired events and many more who were at each function helping out. Thank you for your help, your support, and your advice and your guidance. Each event is a learning experience. I'm very grateful that we have many veteran Knights who can provide answers and direction in unfamiliar waters. It is sad, however, that with approximately 300 members in our Council, it is typically the same Brothers who end up doing the work. I urge those of you who are inactive to become involved. You don't know what you're missing. I have made friends with great guys that I never would have met had I not joined the Knights and become involved. Talking, laughing, and kidding around almost turns the work into play. It's a win-win situation. You benefit, and those in need benefit. What is nobler than helping those in need? Can you imagine how many people we could help if all 300 members donated just a little of their time? Please, Brothers, become active. Try it. You'll like it. And again, for those of you who are active, thank you so much.

**Mel Mattos, DGK**



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## LECTURER'S NOTES

### GOD, YOU ARE REALLY OUT THERE!

***Amen, amen, I say to you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came [before me] are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. A thief comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy; I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly.—John 10:1-10***

In this passage Jesus says that He is the gate, twice. More on the gate below. Last month I wrote about the God the Father and touched on some of His attributes, but there are other things about God that I didn't address. First among them are His infinite dignity and our relationship to that dignity. For our part, that relationship is expressed in our form of worship. We the created turn toward the creator and acknowledge that we belong to Him. He created us in His image and likeness so our fulfillment is with Him; apart from Him we are incomplete. The world is full of incomplete people, we see them everywhere go and they fill the news. They are liars, gossips, greedy, thieves and prideful people who don't live up to their God given dignity. Our Christian call is to find our fulfillment in God and take that fulfillment out to those who are incomplete. Can you imagine how much crime and confusion in the world would disappear if people would return to God in obedience. Obedience is usually the hang-up and our culture teaches us to submit to no man not even God himself; most people are obedient to the culture.

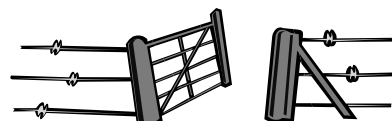
In heaven, in the presence of God sin cannot exist. Sin is anything that separates us or brings division into our relationship with God. So to be worthy to enter into God's presence we must be separated from sin and those desires to sin. Another way to state that is that we must be united to God's holy will and at his service. Sure, that sounds easy but in truth it's not for most of the world. In the next passage Jesus again uses the analogy of the gate to illustrate the difficulty and necessity of searching out God's perfect will. The surprise isn't that there are false gates but that we actually have to discern the correct gate. We have a stake in the outcome.

***Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the road broad***

***that leads to destruction and those who enter through it are many. How narrow the gate and constricted the road that leads to life. And those who find it are few. "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but underneath are ravenous wolves. By their fruits you will know them. Do people pick grapes from thorn bushes, or figs from thistles? Just so, every good tree bears good fruit, and a rotten tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a rotten tree bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. So by their fruits you will know them. —Matt 7:13-20***

As Catholics we have an edge in that department. It takes self discipline, the type we build up through fasting at Lent. It also takes obedience and humility which we should work at during lent as well as year around. It takes the sacraments, get to confession. It takes prayer and worship and it isn't ever easy but it is possible. Jesus tells us so.

**Ed Ibarra  
Lecturer**



June business meeting is on Thursday June 9th at 7:00pm. Mass for the deceased Knights of this council is on Friday, June 10th at 5:45pm followed by adoration and confession. Let's all make a good confession this month and pray that God give us the grace to seek Him in the silence and to do His will in June and throughout the year. Pray for the intentions of the Pope. Pray that Catholics be drawn to the Cross and conversion of heart. Pray that God's will be done in the hearts of the sick and dying.

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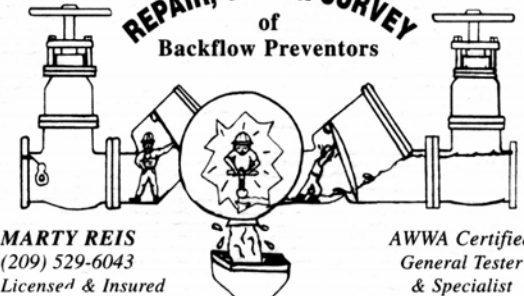
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