

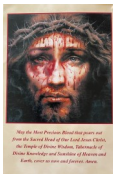


Knight Light Newsletter

**HAPPY LENT ALL
WORTHY BROTHER
KNIGHTS;**

**I WOULD LIKE TO
THANK ALL YOU
FELLOW BROTHER
KNIGHTS AND
YOUR FAMILIES
FOR THEIR HELP
WITH THE FIRST
TWO FISH FRY'S.
PLEASE REMEM-
BER WE HAVE
THREE FISH FRY'S
LEFT AND WE
WILL NEED ALL
THE HELP WE CAN
GET!!**

**I'M ALSO SENDING
YOU THIS IMAGE
OF OUR LORD OF
THE MOST PRE-
CIOUS BLOOD
CHAPLET. I FIG-
URE IT WAS FIT-
TING DURING THIS
LENT SEASON TO
HELP US ALL PRE-
PARE FOR THE
COMING OF OUR
LORD JESUS
CHRIST.**



On another note, remember we have elections coming up March 5, 2024. I encourage everybody to vote the 10 Commandments and for good Christian Catholic politicians as best we can. As I like to say "Vote the lesser of the two evils" this is what we have come down to.

Our next council meeting is also on voting day on March 5, 2024 in Father O'Hare Hall promptly at 7:00pm. Our PGK Taide Zamora will be bringing Tri-Tip with all the fixings.

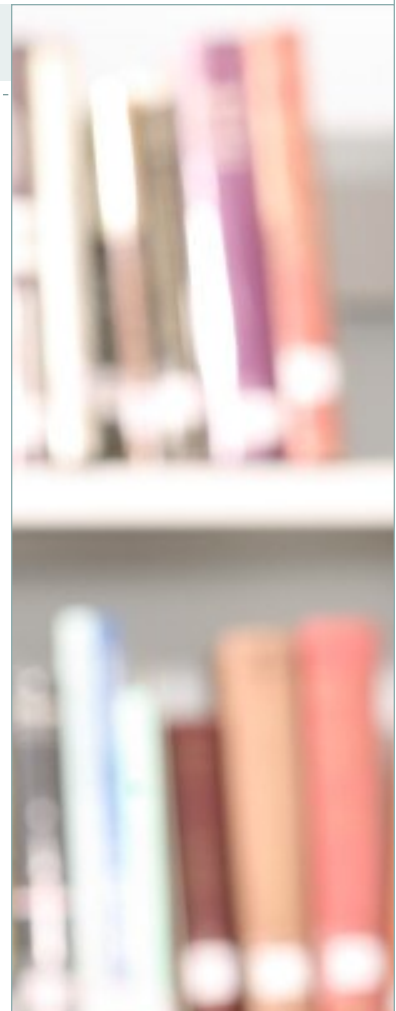
God bless one and all of you with your families as we remember our faithful departed brothers and sisters during this Lent.

Thank you for all your help brother, and God willing we will see you at our Fish Fry Tickets Sales at the Plaza and especially on Thursdays for set up, Fridays for cooking and serving and Saturday Mornings for clean up until Saturday, March 16, 2024.

Yours in Christ

Richard Goeken

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
25	26	27	28	29	1 	2 Fish Fry Clean up
3 3rd Sunday of Lent	4 Officers Meeting 6:00pm	5 Council Meeting 7:00pm	6	7 Fish Fry Set up	8 	9 Fish Fry Clean up
10 4th Sunday of Lent	11	12	13	14 Fish Fry Set Up	15 	16 Fish Fry Clean up
17 5th Sunday of Lent	18	19 St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary	20	21	22	23
24 Palm Sunday	25	26	27	28 Chrism Mass	29 Good Friday	30
31 Easter Sunday						

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Members' Birthdays

Benjamin
Laura 3/2
Alonzo Castillo 3/4
Michael Callahan 3/7
Bryan Healey 3/9
William Willette 3/10
Ron Martorana 3/12
Leonardo Del Carmen 3/16
Kent Harker 3/16

Benito Ramirez 3/21
Larry Kjellberg 3/24
Chris Powers 3/25
Roger Farias 3/28
John Mullins 3/28
Everett Hough 3/30
Richard Ward 3/31

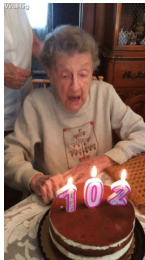


Wives' Birthdays

Camile Iorns 3/4
Annette Dedini 3/6

Maria Dequeiroz 3/8
Mara Mullins 3/10

Edith Awuah 3/13
Yesenia (Sherry) Svendsen 3/13
Susie Dickert 3/18
Mona Wildt 3/18



Anniversaries

Patrick & Linda Laubacher 3/6

Rick & Grace Guajardo 3/7

Daniel & Suny Di Rienzo 3/10

William & Michelle Frey 3/11

Victor & Margaret Mayoral 3/21

Owen & Marietta Kummerle 3/25

Jose & Sara Barajas 3/26

Daniel & Rosario Hernandez 3/31



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BOB'S JOKES



1. In a Non-Smoking Area:

"If we see smoke, we will assume you are on fire and will take appropriate action."

2. On a Maternity Room door:

"Push, Push, Push"

3. At a Car Dealership:

"The best way to get back on your feet-miss a car payment."

4. Outside a Muffler Shop:

"No appointment necessary. We hear you coming."

5. In a Veterinarians waiting room:

"Be back in 5 minutes. Sit! Stay!"

6. At the Electric Company:

"We would be delighted if you send in your payment on time. However, If you don't, YOU will be de-lighted."

7. In a Restaurant Window:

"Don't stand there and be hungry; come on in and get fed up."

8. In the front yard of a Funeral Home:

"Drive carefully. We'll wait."

9. At a Propane Filling Station:

"Thank Heaven for little grills."

10. In a Chicago Radiator Shop:

"Best place in town to take a leak."

11. And the best for last:

Sign on the back of another Septic Tank Trunk: Caution- This truck is filled of political promises.



MARCH'S PRAYER MESSAGE



Pope Francis Prayer Request

For March 2024

-For the new martyrs-

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

Dear Lord;

May I stand in solidarity today with all my brothers and sisters around the world who are suffering.

May we be united in your love, and may I work to build your kingdom here on earth.
Amen

God willing you are having a blessed Lent and are taking advantage of the Lenten missions so that we may get closer to God day by day. Thanks to our Parish that has these great events for us. We can never get to know everything and its amazing every time we learn something new of our Lord and have that personal encounter with him. I am truly thankful for all your prayers on the prayer requests we send out for our fellow Brother Knights and their families. Many of our requests are granted by our Lord through this channel and that is thanks to Him and all of you. Keep up the good work and continue praying for each other as we pray for you as well.

Thanks be to God for everyone in our Council and our Past Brothers. Remember for all wives, if your husband is no longer with us, you are still part of our council and let us know if you need anything. We will do our best to give you a hand, you are not alone and we are still your family.
Vivat Jesus!

If you need a prayer, or an email sent out for more to join in and pray with you.

Please do not hesitate to contact us

at prayers@kofc10644.com with your name and your prayer request. Or you may

call or text directly to Brother Everardo's cell phone @ **(209)303-3380**.

If you call please leave a message and I will call back asap

24/7 365 Days a Year!

We are here for you!

Remember Don't hesitate to send me an email if you have an

Emergency Prayer request.

Prayer Requests:

Brother Everardo Ramirez's wife Lolita, DD Josey Samson, Brother Jon White, Brother John Karaz turned 100 Years Old.

Thank you for your prayers, Brothers. May you and your family continue to stay safe and healthy.

Prayer is Powerful!

Vivat Jesus!

Yours in Christ;

Everardo Ramirez

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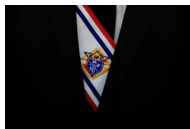
DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT MARCH'S MESSAGE



Gentleman;

February was a very busy month for the Knights and March will be no different. Right now, we are a couple of weeks into the season of Lent. Whether you are one of those people that stops doing something, or someone who adds something to your routine, I hope your Lenten season is going well and bearing fruit for you personally.

Last month we knocked out two fish fry's and have three more to go. Though there is still a lot of work ahead of us, I want to thank all of you who already helped out to make those two events a success. As you can see by the number of people that attend these fish fry's, they are not only a fan favorite among our parishioners, but they are loved by many of our neighbors outside the catholic church.



We have another event scheduled for later this month that I want to mention and encourage you gentlemen to attend. On March 23, 2024 there will be a Fourth Degree Exemplification held at Sacred Heart Parish, in Patterson, California. Any 3rd Degree Knight that is not a Fourth Degree Knight is eligible to join and become a "Sir Knight." The primary purpose of the Fourth Degree is to foster the spirit of patriotism by promoting responsible citizenship, love, and loyalty for our country. There are other benefits being a Fourth Degree Knight, some of which include the option to join the Knights of Columbus Color Corps, having a Color Corps service at your funeral, and upon your earthly passing, your family members will receive a beautiful chalice commemorating your service to the Knights of Columbus. Your chalice is prior engraved with your name, then your family upon receiving it finds a newly ordained Priest without his chalice and passes your chalice to him. It can be given personally or sent to the Priest anywhere in the World where your family decides. Every time that Priest consecrates the Holy Eucharist, he will be using your chalice with your name engraved. And this way you will be remembered in every mass.



Fourth Degree exemplifications are pretty rare and only once or twice a year and sometimes a lot farther. So, if this is something you have been considering, don't put it off any longer. Please join me and some of your brother Knights, as we continue our journey into Knighthood. If you are interested in joining the Fourth Degree, or have questions about it, or the exemplification process, please get a hold of me as soon as possible, because there is a March 11th deadline for registering for the exemplification.

In closing, I wish you a Happy St. Patrick's Day and may our powerful and merciful God bless you and your family this month.

**Yours in Christ;
Dodge Hende
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MARCH'S FINANCIAL SECRETARY REPORT



Hello Brother Knights,

I don't have much to say this month but I hope I see you all at our next council meeting on March 5, 2024. This Month our PGK Taide chose the meal to serve after the meeting and he chose Tri-Tip with all the fixings. Don't be late, we promptly begin at 7:00pm. Don't forget to invite a fellow Brother Knight.

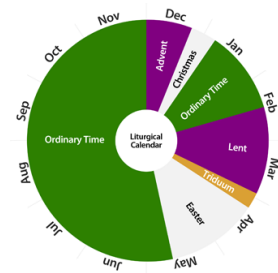
God bless and I hope you with your family are having a blessed Lent 2024.

Happy St. Patrick's Day

Yours in Christ;
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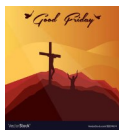
MARCH LECTURER'S REPORT



Greetings brothers,
March is here and March this year especially is very important for our church, universal, and our parish specifically. For the Universal Church the greatest day of our Liturgical Calendar falls this year on March 31. Of course, that is Easter Sunday the Resurrection of the Lord. This makes that last whole week of March very special as well, and there will be plenty of great opportunities to draw ourselves closer to our Lord and each other during this time.

Keep an eye on the Church bulletin for all the details, but here are some of my favorite highlights of Holy Week:

March 28, Holy Thursday at 6:00pm in the Church is the Sacred Music Concert. Svetlana and the choir are working hard all month long to bring us all this beautiful music, come see and hear. After the concert at 7:00pm is the bilingual Mass of the Lords Supper.



On Holy Friday morning will be the Walk for Life beginning from Orangeburg/Oakdale and finishing at St. Joseph's Parish with a prayer service at 10:30am.



Another one of my favorite events that our Parish does is the Live Stations of the Cross beginning at Noon on Holy Friday. The youth group puts their all into this presentation, and this is another great opportunity to bring us all together.

And on that same Friday evening at 7:30pm we get together in the Church for the bilingual Stations of the Cross.

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MARCH LECTURER'S REPORT CONTINUED

And on Saturday night at 8:15pm is the Easter Vigil, this bilingual celebration us the "BIG ONE", the greatest Mass of the year. This mass is very special with the bonfire, the candles, the beautiful liturgy, the music, and most especially the sacraments. My wife Sherry and my sons, Raymond and Stefan were welcomed into the family at the Vigil Mass of 2019, one of the greatest moments of my life! If you can attend this solemn celebration, please do so!



Seeing the sacraments of initiation conferred onto our brothers and sisters will renew and enliven the faith if all who witness. Finally another one of my favorites is the Sunrise Mass at 6:00am Easter Morning. The dew is on the grass, birds are singing, spirit



Before Holy Week, at the end of March, our parish and our council have what I have often touted as the greatest opportunity for us to join together. All of our families coming together on Friday nights to share a meal and fellowship. The final two Lenten Fish Dinners March 8th and the 15th. The food is great and the fellowship is even greater. Come help, come eat and come be part of our wonderful family.

Prayer to St. Joseph

**Guardian of virgins and holy Father Joseph
to whose faithful custody Christ Jesus,
Innocence itself, and Mary, Virgin of virgins, were committed,
I pray insistently and beseech you by these dear pledges, Jesus
and Mary that being preserved from all uncleanness, I may with
a spotless mind, pure heart and chaste body ever most chastely
serve Jesus and Mary all the days of my life.
Amen.**



**Yours in Christ
Ray Tunkel
Lecturer**



FOR ALL RECENT MEMBERS

Are you a recent member of the Knights? Did you know that this time of the year is when your brothers gather to put on various events that are part of our fund raising efforts? Did you know these are more fun than the monthly meetings? Have you made it a point to help out at one of the events?



I ask these questions because they were answered when I joined the Knights over a decade ago. My wife told me, "You're one of them." And so it came to be. But before her, I had a chance encounter with the father of one of our knights, Wayne Michael at a Fish Fry. I was sitting by myself and he sat down and we struck up a conversation. One thing led to another, I began helping a Knight put on the golf tournament, then gradually became immersed in other activities. I got to know quite a few people and made some friends along the way.

There is no better way to get to know your brothers on the council than contributing your talents to these events. There are many ways to contribute- and you would be welcomed with open arms. Suddenly you'll feel at home and start to strike up your own conversations.



The Fish Fry dinners-there are five of them each Friday night during Lent. You don't need to be a rocket scientist to help out (but if you are, you can help out just the same). How about preparing condiments the night before? Help put the tartar sauce or sour cream in those individual containers. Wrapping the potatoes in foil for baking the following afternoon. What might take a few hours, suddenly takes an hour with the many hands joining in along with the friendly banter.



How about the day of the dinners? Many ways again to help. You can help prepare the coleslaw we serve. Simply emptying the bags and mixing it with the coleslaw dressing. Join the fry crew that hangs out in the back- they do the battering of the fish, frying the fish and delivering it to the To Go line or the front line to be served to our customers. We aim to serve the fish as freshly cooked as possible. Or you can be part of the 'servers', kind of like a cafeteria line. We pass the plates from one to another adding the roll, coleslaw, potato and the fish in an assembly like fashion. Or join the gang at the "To Go" side where the routine

is similar but filling up the containers to put into bags for folks that want to take it home. We serve over 200 To-Go dinners each week.



Like getting up early on a Saturday morning? The crew cleans up the tanks we use to fry the fish. They empty the oil so it can be re-used the next week. Clean up the patio area to it's usual pristine condition. That usually starts around 7:00am on Saturday mornings and depending on how many show up, is done in a couple of hours.

All the while, you are getting to know your brothers, getting to feel comfortable hanging around with your new extended family, making friends as well.

Trust me- it's an enjoyable experience. Even if you're a bit of an introvert like I was many years ago, you'll find yourself getting comfortable being a part of a great group that puts on these great events that are fund raisers for the Knights. Did you know we are contributing an 3D Ultrasound this year to the Modesto Pregnancy Center? Do you know we contributed funds to get the electronic sign in front of the church? Or funds to expand and modernize the restroom area of the church? Not to mention a myriad of other efforts.

Join us and become part of our worthy efforts. You will be glad you did.

Who am I? Well, i started wearing silly hats on the plaza and at the events that kind of promoted our events. A fish hat. A crab hat. Even a taco hat. You can easily spot me at the events or on the plaza selling tickets. It gets a lot of smiles and a lot of comments, "like your hat" and the kids become at ease.

Cheers,
Dave Sichak



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