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Knight Light Newsletter

GRAND KNIGHT'S **MESSAGE**

Worthy Brother Knights;

This is your Grand Knight's message for the month. On October 19,2023 we had the Bishop Seminarian Dinner and on behalf of our council we gave him a check for \$2,500 that we had budgeted. The Seminarian Raffle brought in about \$11,500 from the tickets sold. Our council sold 1,025 tickets thanks to you and our parishioners. The #2 parish with most sales was Sacred **Heart in Turlock** and I believe the #3 most sold tickets was by Monsignor Kennedy.

Our Parish Winner was C. Baxter that won \$1,025.00. In addition the Diocese donated back to our Parish \$2,050.00. So our council total we raised was 10,250.00 along with the cash that was donated in lieu of buying tickets.

I am humbled and want to low Brother Knights and our thank you, Parishioners for their support to the Bishops Seminarian Fund. Unfortunately we had many councils and especially

in the Stockton area that did not participate and did not pull their weight along with a few other councils as well. But I a not bragging, I iust want to make sure and let you know that you guys should be very proud of yourselves for all the hard work that thank all my fel- all of you put in. Thank you, thank you.

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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | | | |
| 29 30th Sun- day | 30 | 31 Last Day to register for Apprecia- | 1 All Saints Day | 2 Officers | 3 | 4 St. Charles | | | |
| | | tion Dinner Hallows Eve | Holy Day of Obliga- tion | Meeting 6:30pm | | | | | |
| 5 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time | 6 | 7 Council meeting & 1,2 and 3rd Degree Exemplification. @7:00pm | 8 | 9 Dedication of the Lan- tern Basilica | 10 St. Leo The Great | 11 Veterans Day 2nd Annual Appreciation Dinner 6:00pm | | | |
| 12 32nd Sunday | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 St. Elizabeth of Hungary | 18 Dedication of Basilica Sts Peter & Paul Apostles | | | |
| 19 33rd Sunday | 20 | The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | | | |
| 26 Our Lord Jesus Christ King of The Uni- verse | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 1 | 2 | | | |
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BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

| Members' Birthdays | Gary Moya | Wives' Birth- days | | <u>Anniversaries</u> | |
|--|---|--|--|---|---|
| Everardo Ramirez 11/4 John Rodriguez 11/4 Josey Samson 11/4 Alfred Sierras 11/5 Vincent Benzes 11/6 Ronald Uyeshiro 11/6 Roger Duke 11/9 Robert Selover 11/9 Michael Lamanet 11/14 | 11/17 Jose Rodriguez 11/18 Chris Cochran 11/19 Eugene Thiel 11/21 Leonard Churilla 11/25 Silviano Curiel 11/25 Adam Harker 11/25 Jose Barajas 11/27 Geraldo Dequeiroz 11/27 Daniel Her- | Linda Black 11/7 Lorna Sichak 11/10 Patricia Chavarria 11/11 Lisa Ringer 11/16 Elaine Beaumont 11/17 Kim McCarthy 11/17 Amanda Towne 11/17 Alejandra Fausto 11/18 | Maria Dolores Ramirez 11/20 Jacqueline Nunez 11/21 Kathleen Harker 11/26 Wendy Morton 11/27 Michele Nielsen 11/27 Maricela Sanchez 11/28 | William & Linda Black 11/1 Steven & Beka Wunschel 11/4 James & Barbara Brady 11/8 David & Trina Malsom 11/9 David & Maria Evans 11/10 Sean & Mara Mullins 11/11 | Pat & Lela See- feldt 11/11 Geraldo & Maria Dequeiroz 11/24 John & Maricar 11/28 |
| Daniel Speng- ler 11/14 Gary Nelson 11/15 | nandez 11/27 Hector Mo- rales 11/27 John Wee | ** | ₩ ₩ | | |

Rick Guajardo

11/16

11/27

Virgilio Freso 11/28

BOB'S JOKES







YOU'RE A REDNECK WHEN...

- 1. You let your 14 year old daughter smoke at the diner table in front of her kids.
- 2. The Blue Book value of your truck goes up and down depending on how much gas is in it.
- 3. You've been married three times and still have the same in laws.
- 4. You think a woman who is out of your league is one who bowls on a different night.
- 5. You wonder how service stations keep their rest-rooms so clean.
- 6. Someone in your family died right after saying, "Hey, Guys, watch this."
- 7. You think Dom Perignon is a Mafia leader.
- 8. Your wife's hairdo was once ruined by a ceiling fan.
- 9. Your junior prom offered day care.
- 10. You think the last words of the Star Spangled Banner are "Gentlemen, start your engines."
- 11. You lit a match in the bathroom and your house exploded right off its wheels.
- 12. The Halloween pumpkin on your porch has more teeth than your spouse.
- 13. You have to go outside to get something from the fridge.
- 14. One of your kids was born on a pool table.
- 15. You need one more hole punched in your card to get a freebie at the House of Tattoos.
- 16. You can't get married to your sweetheart because there's a law against it.
- 17. You think loading the dishwasher means getting your wife drunk.



NOVEMBER PRAYER MESSAGE



Pope Francis Prayer Request for November 2023

-For our Pope-

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

Brothers:

With war, bad economy, unsafe border, innocents getting slaughtered, abortion, bad teaching at schools, divorce, dad out of the picture, unemployment, same sex marriage, same sex fostering or adoption, sex trafficking......



How can we deal with all this chaos in planet earth? Answer:
We can't!

The solution however is our Lord Jesus Christ. He can return and the Devil is winning, even in our own families. But our Lord will have the last word. The Alpha and Omega and we can count on our Lords return and chaining of the Devil back in Hell were he belongs. It's not easy not to worry about this world because it is happening in our own backyard and just getting worse and worse.



We need to pray more than ever and ask our Lord to come and put order in this once wonderful world. We need to follow our Saints and work

hard in being just like them. Everyone should have 1,2,3 or more Patron Saints. For all MEN I suggest St. Joseph and just like him, we need to protect our own Holy Family and listen to God's message just as he did when he had to leave everything behind and take his family to safety. We as men have the responsibility to protect, pray, nourish and take care of our spouse and children. And being a Knight is a good way to teach our children the beauty of being a server of our Lord. So thank you to all of you for your support to our council, parish and community.



We hope to see you at the Appreciation Dinner on November 11,2023. It is a good chance to take a well deserved rest and enjoy ourselves with our loved one before getting back to work with the Adopt a Family, Blue Mass, Crab Feed, and Fish

Fry's coming up.



Don't forget, brothers, if you or a family member have fallen ill in the hospital, a care home, or your own home, we encourage you to contact our Knights' Prayer Group and

we will gladly visit you to bring comfort, support and prayer. Or if you just need a prayer, or an email "blast". Please, do not hesitate to contact us at prayers@kofc10644.com with your name, phone number and your prayer request. Or you may call Brother Everardo @ (209) 303-3380.

If you need any assistance or know of an elderly person needing assistance don't hesitate to let your Officers know by replying to this newsletter or at prayers@kofc10644.com.

Prayer Requests:

Brother Knights Widows, Steven Tubbs, DD Josey Samson, PGK Taide Zamora, Field Agent Steve Hudec's sister Teresa, Brother Mel's Brother Guillermo (RIP), World Peace, Human Trafficking, Abortion, Injustice.

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

Praying for you

Everardo Ramirez, Editor If you have any prayer requests, please let me know at <u>pray-</u> <u>ers@kofc10644.com</u>

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NOVEMBER LECTURER REPORT

Greetings Brothers;

November is a somber month. Throughout the month of November, we pray for the departed, our loved ones, our friends, and we pray for those who have no one to pray for them. We start out joyfully on November 1 with All Saints Day. This is one of my favorite holy days of obligation. Epic readings from revelations and the beatitudes. The church sets this up perfectly we start off the month in which we pray for the dead celebrating those who we know are sanctified. The very next day, we have All Souls Day and is known as the commemoration of all faithful departed. We pray, for everyone who has died and are awaiting full sanctification.







While the entire month is dedicated to praying for the departed in a special way, there are also many special days throughout the month. For instance the dedication of St. John Lantern on November 16th is a special day for the dedication of a special church this is actually thee Popes Parish Church, it reminds us that our Church is special (as if we needed reminding) and all Parish Churches are special. Two days later on November 18th we have the dedication to Saint Peter and Saint Paul. This is actually a feast day, celebrating two more churches, the Basilica in Vatican, city of Saint's Peters, and the Basilica of Saint Paul, outside the walls in Rome. Constantine built both of these churches.

Finally on November 30th we celebrate the feast of St. Andrew. The first apostle is a great example to us all, St. Andrew introduced his brother to Jesus and his brother became the Pope. FYI I myself introduced my brother to Jesus and I'm sorry to say he ended up becoming a Pentecostal.

On October Pope Francis asked us to pray for peace in the Middle East. We should all do that and we should especially pray for those who have died in the Middles East as it is November, the month to pray for the dead.

Peace and blessings to you all and to all your families and all your beloved departed.

May you also have a blessed Thanksgiving with all your family and friends.

Yours in Christ Lecturer Ray Tunkel



DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT'S NOVEMBER MESSAGE

Gentleman;

WOW! What a summer it's been for our council. The Fireworks Booth, our Church Festival, The Bishop's Seminarian Fundraiser, The EME Experience, the procurement of a state-of-the-art sonogram machine for the Modesto Pregnancy Center, feeding breakfast to hundreds of cancer survivors and supporters at the Modesto Relay for Life, and not to mention, the hundreds and hundreds of hours you men have donated to your various church ministries or other civic organizations.

We've worked hard all summer long and now it's time for a bit of a break, at least for one night! Our Council Appreciation Dinner is coming up this November 11th. Of course, the appreciation dinner is free and the theme for the night will be a "Casino Night". We will be treated to some fabulous food, beer, wine and if you play your cards and chips right, you might even win some great prices too! But the fun is limited to the first 75 members and their dates. So, if you haven't already RSVP'd, contact our Financial Secretary Tim Matalone and reserve your spot.

Summer has left us, and fall has arrived. Before you know it, we will be deep into winter. For us Knights, every season brings new opportunities to serve your council, your church, and your community. Our next big charitable event will be our "Adopt a Family Christmas Dinner". I know this is a time-consuming and manpower intensive event, so men please reach out to our PGK Ruben Sanchez and see what you can do to help serve our underprivileged children and families, so that they too can have a wonderful and joyful holiday season.

Men, every time you put on you Knights of Columbus coat, shirt, hat, or name tag and work or attend one of these events, you not only proudly represent all your council brothers, but you also represent a worldwide organization with over two million members! I know it's not easy brothers, there are many distractions and competing interests out there for men these days, but, what if every member recruited just one Knight. Think of the impact that would have on our council and the message that would send to our parish community! There are many men in our parish community at the same time. Let's reach out to these men and share with them who the Knights of Columbus are and what we do. I am reminded of the words of Jesus in the book of Matthew, "the labors are few, but the harvest is abundant". Let's harvest some of these men for Jesus Christ and for our council.



This Thanksgiving, please take a moment to reflect on all your personal and family blessings. Take time to thank your loved ones, family, friends, and coworkers for what they have meant to you. I know this country of ours is going through some really tough times, stay faithful to the Red, White and Blue, and remain grateful to all the Veterans who sacrificed their lives for our security and freedom. And finally, and

most importantly, thank Jesus Christ for his many blessings for you and our country and for his eternal sacrifice for all of us. We are all Knights, but we belong to God.

Yours in Christ; DGK Dodge Hendee dgk@kofc10644.com



GRAND KNIGHT'S NOVEMBER MESSAGE CONT.







On another note, I am seeing the list for the Appreciation Dinner and those who have already signed up for the dinner and we have many open spots available. I don't understand why my fellow Brother Knights don't want to come and have fellowship with your Brothers while having fun, enjoy a great meal and join in the Casino Night. We are trying to encourage more participation but it's like pulling teeth to get some of you to come and get to know your fellow brothers along with their wives or the plus one of your choosing. Our Priest will be at the dinner as well.

Your Officers and I have put in a lot of work into this event for you and your wife. And we want it to be a success!! But that is not possible without your help. The caterer we got for you is excellent and the gifts and drawings have some great prizes. As I mentioned before, I have a once in a lifetime prize for you that I brought back from Rome.

As long as you are a council member in good standing, you are invited to the Appreciation Dinner on November 11,2023. Last day to sign up is October 31,2023. Good standing means payed up with your dues. I understand many of you can't make the meetings every month, but you are still a member of our council. And I see many of you helping out there at different events and our parish.

Thank You Brothers for all your help and I look forward to seeing you at the next Council Meeting on Tuesday, November 7,2023 @ 7:00pm at Father O'Hare Hall.

May you and your family have a blessed Thanksgiving and may God be with you.

Yours in Christ; GK Richard Goeken gk@kofc10644.com



ADVOCATE'S BLAST FROM THE PAST

Greetings, brother!



We want to share this great article of the beautiful garden located next to the Parish Office. Did you know our Council payed for the garden to be built? That's right! On the year 2000 the new garden known as the virtual Eden is a great place to reflect, read a book, sit and just be calm while listening to the running water.

Our Advocate Rick Dinubilo had a dream of creating a quiet, beautiful place for prayer and reflection, according to the Modesto Bee. After the Modesto general contractor presented the idea to our council and agreed to raise the money for this wonderful idea. 8 months later the garden was finished.



After our Advocates dream had come true there was a special ceremony performed by Bishop Blaire (RIP), around 200 parishioners and the Knights Color Guards to inaugurate the garden. Our Advocate was quoted "It will be something for people to enjoy for years to come."

If you notice the 2 foot square white granite monument to human life. The inscription reads in part: "We beg God's mercy for those human lives that are destroyed by our selfishness. We ask God's grace to protect and cherish every human life."

During a mass before the garden dedication, Rev. Joseph Illo said "the monument is intended to remind people that there are many assaults on life, including the death penalty, poverty and abuse of the handicapped. The garden is a place where people can gather to rededicate themselves to Christian ideals."



Next time when you get a chance, stop by and relax at the garden and remember on everything your council has done since day one of being a chapter. These wonderful memories reminds us of why we work hard and how wonderful it is to support our parish and community. Not to give us glory, but just to know that all our work is for a good reason and God is happy with us. We are one of the most active and stronger councils in our area, and that is because of all of you that heard Gods calling (and your wife's also in some cases) to become a Knight of Columbus. Whatever the rea-

son that got you in, we want to say thank you!



I hope you enjoyed this wonderful reminder of our council on the year 2000. This story was inspired by our Advocate Rick Dinubilo and parts taken from the Modesto Bee.

If you enjoyed this story and would like more like this one, let our Advocate Rick Dinubilo know and see if we can get him to write an article every month. I'm sure he has much more to share with us.



Inspired by Advocate Rick Dinubilo

Yours In Christ; Everardo Ramirez Editor



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