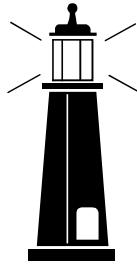


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Business Meeting Thursday September 2 , 7:00 PM Father O'Hare Hall Don't Come Alone— Bring A Fellow Knight

Let us meet in the Church on every Second Friday of the month for the 5:45 P.M. Knights Memorial Mass and a Rosary afterward in memory of the unborn.

Grand Knight's Message

As I reflect on what being a man and Knight is during these times in the world, I easily slip into a dark mood. I worry about what am I suppose to do and react to all things that are “going wrong” or, in other words, not the way I want them to be. No one could understand or know all I have to deal with and all the outside forces against me these days.

Yet my heart always remembers a man who I have heard about but never have heard from. It is a man who endured the hardships that others put on him, without considering his wants, his needs. A man who had great plans for himself, but had to change them over and over again because he had to do what was best for his family, not what was best for himself.

I truly believe in making those difficult decisions, he was also thinking of all those around him and all those it would effect if he did not do what was needed no matter what the cost. I never will get the chance to listen to this wise and faithful man, husband and father. I will never be able to read in his own words, the way he made the choices he did. Yet I love him for all that he has taught me on what it means to be a man.

This man is St Joseph, Guardian of the Holy Family. We do not know a single word that he spoke, and yet he has “spoken” through the millenniums to all of us. He is the perfect example of taking what God has for us in life and using it for the good of all.

We all have “gifts from God” that He expects us to use and use wisely. Be it skills, moneys and even hard times. All are from God and we are expected to do what is right with them. Scripture tells us, “As each has received a gift, employ it for one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace.” 1 Peter 4:10. We all do not have the same opportunities or skills, but we all have the command to use what is given us.

Let us not forget this and pray often for the intercession of St. Joseph in our lives and his help with all the decisions we have to make in these troubled times.

John McCave

Chaplain's Corner



I daresay most of us, hopefully all of us, know that a man sleeping with a man like a woman is unnatural and wrong. But can you argue convincingly against the legalizing “gay marriage?” We Catholics have grown lazy in our faith and have accepted many perverted practices of our time. We have grown so used to a one of them that it no longer bothers our consciences. This perversion, which has led us to the point of homosexual “marriage,” is the use of artificial contraception.

Few Catholics can tell me what is so bad about homosexual “marriage” because they can’t tell me what’s wrong about contraception. For those who understand what birth control really is, the reasons could not be clearer. As long as we keep contracepting, we will never be able to distinguish true marriage from false marriage. We will never be able to articulate, even to ourselves, what distinguishes good sex from bad sex if we continue to separate sex from babies. It will not do to pour money into another Prop 8 campaign. We have to fix the root problem: contraception. Priests and bishops and parents will have to begin believing in Pope Paul’s clear teaching of 1968. We will have to begin teaching it as clearly, or homosexual marriage and much worse, will inevitably become as fully accepted as contraception itself.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Joseph Illo



We will be discussing the budget for this year. If you have concerns or want to add items please attend the meeting. There are many members who have not paid their dues for the year. Please call me if you are experiencing a hardship and we can work it out. Thanks

Mike Grodt F/S
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CELEBRATE!

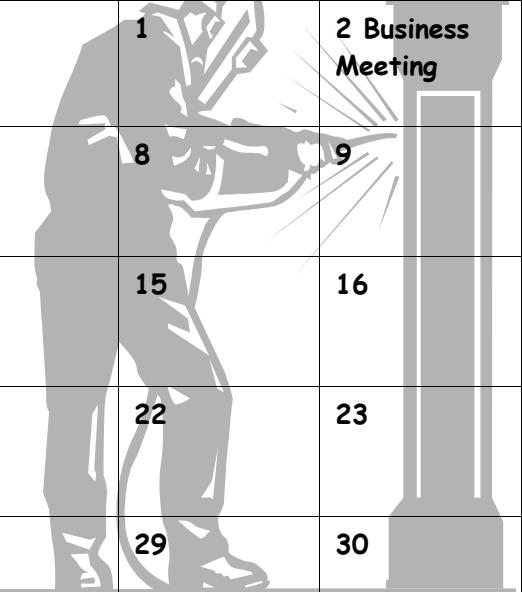
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September 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 	2 Business Meeting	3	4
5 6 Labor Day	7	8	9	10 Parish Festival *	11 Parish Festival	
12 Parish Festival	13	14	15	16	17	18
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26 27 Grab & Go Dinner	28	29	30			

* Knights Memorial Mass and Rosary

Membership Memo

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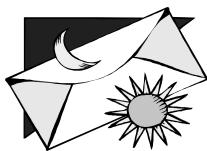
October 2, Officers Meeting
 October 7, Business Meeting
 October 9, Octoberfest Dinner
 October 15-17, Tootsie Roll Dinner



A little change in the membership column this month. Instead of boring you with membership numbers, and encouraging you to recruit new members (which you should be doing anyway), I would like to highlight what our members are doing for our church and community. A lot of people don't know about. The St. Joseph KOC and family members make up the core team of Saint Joesph Daily Bread ministry that last year prepared and served 3000 meals to the homeless at the Salvation Army's winter shelter. For the last 5 years the KOC has bought and prepared Christmas dinner for 350 foster kids each year through the Stanislaus County Foster Children Association. One of our Knights organized a coats for kids drive this year (blue barrels with KOC logo in the vestibule of the church). These have been collected and cleaned close to 100 coats for the Salvation Army. These are just a few of the events that our Council is involved in, and I think that is what our founder **Father Michael McGivney** envisioned the KOC to be, supporting our priests and helping others.

Rick Dinubilo PGK, PFN

Sunshine Chairman



We need to pray for the following Brothers: **Herb Saska, Tony Lee, John Higby, Roy Gordon, Don Cleary, Frank Lowry, Robert Hibl, Bob Selover, Joe Smoley, and Steve Loschke**

Continue to pray for **Bishop Stephen E. Blaire, Father Illo's mother, Janice, Lisa Scott, Joan Castagna, Jennifer Avila, Sheryl Wharton, Linda Howard, Matt Iorn's mother Sharon, Camille Iorns, Marie Lewis and Wilma Lee.**

Pray for our Pope and our troops wherever they are stationed.

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

John Karaz

Dave's Discussion

Summer is nearly over, some schools are in session, football is in the air and Knights of Columbus are active and involved. One of the ways we stay involved is by supporting charities like our St. Joseph's St. Vincent de Paul Society. Thank you for your donations that you bring to our monthly meetings!

I have been contacted to pass along some special needs as St. Vincent de Paul prepares for the holiday seasons coming up in just a few months. Besides the usual non-perishable food items and paper bags, the following items are very helpful to families in need: Toilet Tissue, Shampoo, Toothpaste, Hand and Body Lotion (small and large), Travel Toothpaste and Toothbrushes. If you have done any traveling, you may have some extra hotel size shampoo, lotion etc. that would be perfect for someone in need. Galatians 2:19-20

I have been crucified with Christ, and I live now not with my own life but with the life of Christ who lives in me. The life I now live in this body I live in faith: faith in the Son of God who loved me and who sacrificed himself for my sake.

In Christ Jesus through Mary Queen of all Saints,

Dave Scott, PGK

John's Jokes



This is a quiz for people who know everything!

I found out in a hurry that I didn't (darn!). These are not trick questions. They are straight questions with straight answers.

1. Name the one sport in which neither the spectators nor the participants know the score or the leader until the contest ends.
2. What famous North American landmark is constantly moving backward?
3. Name the only two vegetables that can live to produce on their own for several growing seasons.
4. What fruit has its seeds on the outside?
5. In many liquor stores, you can buy pear brandy, with a real pear inside the bottle. How did the pear get inside the bottle?
6. Name the three words in standard English begin with the letters 'dw'.
7. There are 14 punctuation marks in English grammar. Can you name at least half of them?
8. Name the vegetable or fruit that is never sold frozen, canned, processed, cooked, or in any other form except fresh.
9. Name 6 or more things that you can wear on your feet beginning with the letter 'S.'

Answers To Quiz: NO PEEKING!

1. Boxing.
2. Niagara Falls.
3. Asparagus and rhubarb.
4. Strawberry.
5. It grew inside the bottle. The bottles are placed over pear buds when they are small.
6. Dwarf, dwell and dwindle.
7. Period, comma, colon, semicolon, dash, hyphen, apostrophe, question mark, exclamation point, quotation mark, brackets, parenthesis, braces, and ellipses.
8. Lettuce.
9. Shoes, socks, sandals, sneakers, slippers, skis, skates, snowshoes, stockings, stilts.

John Gorman, PGK

KNIGHT HAPPENINGS

We have just begun the new Columbian year, and already we have two events coming up in September and two coming up in October. The first event in September is the Parish Festival which will be September 10th, 11th, and 12th. We will have our sausage booth on Friday, the 10th, and Saturday, the 11th. Please contact **Marty Reis** at 529-6043 to volunteer to help. Saturday night, the 11th, will be the Parish Festival dinner, which the Knights will be preparing. We will need help with that, as well as clean up in the kitchen afterwards. The second event in September is the Grab & Go Dinner on September 27th to raise money for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Please contact **Mal Mattos** at 524-7571 or 604-6286 to volunteer to help. In October, we have the Oktoberfest dinner on Saturday, the 9th. Again, contact **Mal Mattos** with any questions and to volunteer. The second event in October is the Tootsie Roll Drive which will be the 15th, 16th, and 17th. **Bill McClure** will be chairing that event. Please contact him at 204-0048 to offer your help. As you know, the money we raise from these events goes to people in need, and there is nothing more gratifying than doing something to help someone. Thank you brother knights for all that you do.

Mal Mattos, DGK

KNIGHTS KNOWLEDGE

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE "YOUR SHIELD FOR LIFE"

September is Life Insurance Awareness Month.

To help educate consumers about the need for and value of adequate life insurance protection, the Life Insurance Market Research Association (LIMRA) has published the following five facts. These statistics are certainly worth considering.

Fact 1: Nearly three-fourths of North Americans agree that life insurance is the best way to protect against premature death of the primary wage earner.

Fact 2: Twenty-four million households have no life insurance protection at all. Almost one third of adults have no life insurance protection.

Fact 3: Forty-four percent of all households either don't own life insurance and believe they should, or own life insurance and believe they need more. Among those that already own some life insurance, 40 percent believe they don't have enough.

Fact 4: One-fourth of primary wage earners feel they do not have a plan in place to provide a decent standard of living for their family if they died tomorrow. Twelve percent of families would immediately have trouble meeting everyday living expenses and another 15 percent would have difficulty keeping up after several months.

Fact 5: People would like to discuss life insurance with a qualified professional agent. They believe that buying life insurance is an important and complex financial decision. Half find it difficult to decide how much to buy, and 43 percent worry about making the wrong decision.

I'd like to meet with you in your home, at your convenience. I'll work with you to make sure your family is protected. As a brother Knight you can trust, I'll take the stress and worry out of the buying decision.

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here is an appointed time for everything, and a time for every affair under the heavens. A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to uproot the plant. A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to tear down, and a time to build.

Ecclesiastes 3: 1-3

The dog days of summer wind down, darkness comes earlier, there is a cool crispness in the morning air and the children have gone back to school. September is here. This year's garden gave me some tomatoes, blueberries and zucchini. The corn I planted didn't perform, my fruit trees aren't producing yet and I've killed 3 gophers since this time last year. All in all it was a good year, not because my garden yielded abundantly, it didn't. In fact, it yielded poorly, yet, I put in the same amount of work. I planted a watermelon and I got one watermelon. I planted a pumpkin and I got one pumpkin. My strawberries were tasty but the birds an I competed for them. The corn and cucumbers won't be back next year at all. I think it's the soil; it's kind of sandy and needs attention. Last year I started a compost pile and it's really starting to take off. This is my soil enrichment program for future gardening success. The compost pile takes plant material and converts it, through the action of bacteria, worms and insects into nutrient rich soil. A handful of it smells really fresh. I provide the water and try to turn it regularly. My grandsons (ages 4 & 6) and I were playing in the pile one evening, catching pincher bugs and earthworms. Those two he-men didn't fear any insect and they got real dirty before they went home. Grandsons provide lots of reasons to have fun. My real surprise this year was the plants that I didn't plant; the acorn squash, the watermelon and the cantaloupes. I also have a big bushy tomato and four nice cantaloupes that should be ripe in about two weeks. God also gave me a compost watermelon to match the watermelon I planted. These were unplanned seed remnants that survived a year in the compost pile, then sprouted and bore fruit. I didn't expect them yet there they were and the acorn squash was delicious. I think God is reminding me that no matter what I intend to see happen, I can't be crestfallen if it doesn't go according to plan. I didn't get what I planted but God didn't leave me empty handed; in fact, He was quite generous! Maybe this all sounds like so much drivel, but I was recently informed that I will be laid off on September 11th. There are very few jobs available and competition for them is stiff, rejection is the only constant and submission is not an option. I struggle, like so many people with disappointment, as I face the unknown, but I know this is only a test of faith and it, too, can be navigated.

In one sense this garden has been a metaphor for some of the events of my life, and in another sense how I approach prayer. The struggle is to remember these lessons in the busy, hectic trials of the day. I struggle with keeping a positive attitude and I struggle with prayer. Yet, I believe God is speaking to me through my garden. I truly believe God speaks to all of us through our work and play, through our friends and relationships, and in our hobbies, habits and hardships. If we would only slow our lives down and look for the handiwork of our loving and provident Father. We know that even our trials and crosses are given with love and should be received the same way. So how will I respond? I will take a lesson from the compost pile and remember that with proper attention even things that seem useless can be made useful and productive again. Like the acorn squash that I didn't plant yet was so delicious, I need to be watchful for things that I don't recognize as my own handiwork, they are certain to be there. Do I recognize God's input? In fact, I've saved a handful of God's acorn squash seeds; these will become the backbone of my garden next year. My garden is very small so every weed steals nutrients that could be used somewhere else. Do I have bad habits that interfere with productivity and prayer? Yes. Can I identify them? Yes. Can I change them? Yes. Maybe, like this year's garden, this is another opportunity to slow down and look for handiwork in my life that isn't my own. Maybe I'm already holding the seeds for the next cycle.

Mass for the deceased Knights of this council is on September 10th at 5:45pm followed by adoration and confession. Pray that God send more workers to the harvest. Pray for the men and women who serve in the military. Pray that politicians have conversion of heart.

Ed Ibarra

Chancellor Connection

New Knights

Today I spoke with **Edwin Lago**. We've never met before, but by the ease in his voice I could sense a calmness about him. He was born in Oakdale in 1963 then moved to Modesto shortly after. As we shared each other's lives, he told me he wasn't married but had a 28 year old son. **Edwin** has been a Catholic all his life, loves his faith and bringing others to our Lord. About a year ago he came to one of our Fish Fry's and there was asked to join the Knights. He turned in his application and was going to go through the 1st degree in August of 09. To my sadness and horror, **Edwin** never got the call and has been waiting for someone to call him. As I apologized repeatedly, he still had a joy in his voice. It was at this point I realized the peacefulness I felt at the start of our conversation was really my awareness of the great gifts God had given to him: the virtue of patience and understanding. Yes it's true; he is not a new Knight yet, but he still wishes to join with us in the many good works we do. **Edwin** is the kind of member needed for our Council, willing to wait a year to become a Knight just like in the beginnings of the K of C. When I told him he could have, and should have been a Knight last year, he said, "Well by now I'd be a 5th Degree Knight". That's the spirit!

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Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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I'm The Guy

I'm the guy who was asked to join your organization.

I'm the guy who paid his dues to join.

I'm the guy who stood in front of you and promised to be faithful and loyal.

I'm the guy who came to meetings and nobody paid any attention to.

I tried several times to be friends, but all had their own buddies to talk to and sit next to.

I sat down several times, but no one paid me any attention.

I hoped very much someone would have asked me to take part in a fundraising project or something but no one saw my efforts when I volunteered.

I missed a few meetings after joining because I was sick and couldn't be there.

No one asked me at the next meeting where I was.

I guess it didn't matter to others whether I was there or not.

The next meeting I decided to stay home and watch TV.

The following meeting I attended, but no one asked me where I was for the last meeting.

You might say I am a good guy, a good family man, who holds a responsible job, loves his church, his community and his country.

You know who else I am? THE GUY WHO NEVER CAME BACK.

It amuses me to think they spend so much time looking for NEW members when I was there all the time.

All they needed was make me needed, wanted, welcome.

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John Gorman, PGK

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7. We provide money and aid in the campaign against abortion.
8. We provide insurance at standard rates for member's children who are mentally challenged.
9. We annually provide money for aid to the mentally challenged.
10. We provide information to people about the Catholic Faith. (Catholic Information Service)
11. We promote programs in justice, ecumenism and inter-religious cooperation. (John LaFarge Institute)
12. We promote youth activity organizations which are intended to make youth morally and religiously responsible. (Columbian Squires)
13. We provide money for religious programs for university students.
14. We give money to make available teaching and historical materials for the study of the Catholic Church. (Vatican Library Foundation)
15. We give money annually to the Special Olympics.

Commercial companies do not do these and many other similar programs because their primary purpose is to make money. The Knights of Columbus primary purpose is to aid our fellow men, and especially those of our faith and our brotherhood!

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