



## Knight Light Newsletter

### GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE:



BROTHER KNIGHTS:  
THANK YOU TO ALL BROTHER KNIGHTS WHO ARE SERVING AND MAKING OUTDOOR MASS CELEBRATION POSSIBLE. WE ARE SEEING RESULTS FOR OUR PRAYERS IN OUR COUNTRY AND OUR COMMUNITY. THE COVID-19 IS LOSING ITS TEETH, IMPROVEMENTS IN THE DATA ARE SHOWING. A FEW OF OUR BROTHER KNIGHTS WERE CALLED BACK HOME DURING THIS PANDEMIC BY OUR LORD. IN-

CLUDING OUR DISTRICT DEPUTY CHARLESTON LEEK JR. BROTHER CHARLESTON WAS A GREAT SIR KNIGHT AND HIGHLY ACTIVE AS D.D. HE WAS KIND, FUNNY AND QUITE EASY TO TALK TO. HE WOULD TALK TO US AS HE HAS KNOWN US FOR YEARS AND HE WOULD REMIND US WHEN OUR COUNCIL WAS NOT FOLLOWING PROCEDURE. MAY GOD HAVE MERCY ON HIS SOUL, AND HE BE WITH GOD IN THE PROMISED LAND. HE WILL BE MISSED.

JUST WHEN IT SEEMED WE WERE NOT GOING TO HAVE ANY EVENTS THIS YEAR, WE WERE ABLE TO GET OUR PARISH TO AGREE FOR THE DRIVE-THRU BBQ ON SEPTEMBER 12,2020. WE HOPE

TO SEE YOU AT THIS EVENT SUPPORTING BY SPREADING THE WORD, DISTRIBUTING MEALS AND PURCHASING A MEAL. AND WITH YOUR HELP, 100% OF THE PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THE PARISH. GOD WILLING ALL GOES WELL AND WE HAVE A SUCCESSFUL EVENT.

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**Yours in Christ**  
**GK Josey Samson**  
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## September 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
6 <b>BBQ Ticket Sales Deadline</b>	7 <b>Labor Day</b>	8 Virtual Meeting 7pm.  Nativity of The Virgin Mary	9	10	11	12 <b>BBQ Drive-Thru 4-6pm</b>
13 <b>Grandparents Day</b>	14 <b>The Exaltation of the Cross</b>	15	16	17 <b>Retirement Insurance Webinar 7pm</b>	18	19
20	21	22 <b>First Day of Autumn</b>	23	24	25	26
27	28	29 <b>The Holy Archangels</b>  Michael, Gabriel and Raphael	30			

## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

### Members' Birthdays

Stephen Guzman 9/1  
Stefan Tunkel 9/2  
Victor Mayoral 9/4  
John Perrone 9/5  
John Villarreal 9/7  
Gary Koblentz 9/8  
Daniel Hamilton 9/11  
Roque Maravilla 9/14  
Daniel Fitzgerald 9/14  
Matthew Lorns 9/16  
Reuben Peterson 9/20  
Adrian Pino 9/20  
Jason Jackson 9/23  
Tomas Mesta 9/23

**Joseph Gardella**  
9/26  
Charles Cunningham 9/27  
Donald Hancock 9/27  
Jeremy Hemsley 9/27  
Victor Lopez 9/27  
Pat Seefeldt 9/27  
Ramon Aguilar 9/28  
Michael Miranda 9/28  
William Smith 9/28



### Wives' Birthdays

Giovanna Truncali 9/4  
Monica Cochran 9/10  
Rosario Hernandez 9/12  
Maryann Koblentz 9/13  
Lynn Thiel 9/13  
Susey Netniss 9/14  
Denise Curtis 9/20  
Barbara Guzman 9/20  
Cindy Baccelleri 9/21  
Sarah



**Bacay 9/22**  
**Regina Golling 9/22**  
Darla Sieraras 9/24  
Sara Barajas 9/27  
Gloria Benavidez 9/27  
Rosalinda Farias 9/27  
Janet Cabrera 9/28

### Anniversaries

Donald & Alvera Baumgratz 9/1  
Donald & Annetee Dedini 9/2  
John & Ileana Walsh 9/3  
Robert & Judy Shannon 9/4  
George & Rosemary Law 9/12  
Taide & Phaedra Zamora 9/13  
John & Joan Perrone 9/14  
Vito & Cindy Baccelleri 9/16  
Clifford & Mary Judd 9/16  
Gary & Shari-lynn Nelson 9/18



John & Kristi Marsella 9/19  
Ralph & Denise Curtis 9/20  
Rene & Michelle Prado 9/21  
Carlos & Rosemary Torres 9/22  
Dennis & Judy Murphy 9/24  
Jimi & Susey Netniss 9/25

# JOHN'S JOKES

## Have You Ever Wondered?

1. Can you cry under water?
2. Why does a round pizza come in a square box?
3. What disease did cured ham actually have?
4. How is it that we put a man on the moon before we figured out it would be a good idea to put wheels on luggage?
5. Why is it that people say they 'slept like a baby' when babies wake up every two hours?
6. Why are you IN a movie, but you're ON TV?
7. Why do people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money in binoculars to look at things on the ground?
8. If Jimmy cracks corn and no one cares, why is there a stupid song of him?
9. Why does Goofy stand erect while Pluto remains on all fours? They're both dogs!
10. Do the Alphabet song and Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star has the same tune?
11. Why did you just try singing the two songs above?
12. Did you ever notice that when you blow in a dog's face, he gets mad at you, but when you take him for a car ride, he sticks his head out of the window?
13. Why do we press harder on a remote control when we know the batteries are getting dead?
14. Why do banks charge a fee on "insufficient funds" when they know there is not enough money?
15. Why does someone believe you when you say there are four billion stars, but check when you say the paint is wet?
16. Why doesn't Tarzan have a beard?
17. Why does Superman stop bullets with his chest, but ducks when you throw a revolver at him?
18. If people evolved from apes, why are there still apes?
19. Why is it that no matter what color bubble bath you use the bubbles are always white?
20. Is there ever a day that mattresses are not on sale?
21. Why do they put expiration date on sour cream?
22. Why do people keep running over a thread a dozen times with their vacuum cleaner, then reach down, pick it up, examine it, then put it down to give the vacuum one more chance?
23. Why is it that no plastic bag will open from the end you first try?
24. How do those dead bugs get into those enclosed light fixtures?
25. How come you never hear father-in-law jokes?
26. Why do we drive on a parkway and park on a driveway?
27. And my FAVORITE...  
The statistics on sanity is that one out every four persons is suffering from some sort of mental illness. Think of your three best friends--if they're okay. Guess what sunshine?



# SEPTEMBER PRAYER MESSAGE

Pope Francis Prayer Request For September 2020:

*Respect for the Planet's Resources:*

*"We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner".*

Happy September 2020 Brothers and Family God willing you are staying safe and healthy. We pray that we may reopen the Church and be able to receive the Body and Blood of Christ, His Reconciliation and God's Word that we so desperately need. Some agree and some do not on the restrictions that have been put on our Church. But what we all can agree on. Is that we need to return and receive the Holy Sacraments while we praise our Lord.

Our Faith is being tested, I wonder what grade our Lord is giving us on our Faith? In the mean time we do what we can and ask for a Stronger Faith.

(Adoration Chapel)

As many of us know we are limited to the Adoration Chapel at this time and only parishioners that have access are allowed to enter. But God willing we will soon return to better than normal and be able to have our Lord Present in the Adoration Chapel 24/7. We are asking all our Brother Knights to continue praying for our Church, Families and our Council.

Have you been to the Adoration Chapel lately? Remember you can join us on Monday mornings from 11-12 PM or Thursdays from 8-9 PM. All are welcomed to join us at either or both these times. Please, wear your Knight Gear so we can let parishioners know that we are also about praying and not just charity.

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](mailto:prayers@kofc10644.com) with your name, phone number and your prayer request. Or you may call Brother Everardo cell phone at (661) 421-6712.

(If you need any assistance or know of an elder-

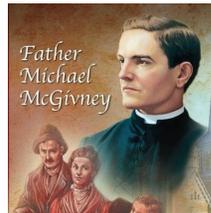
ly person needing assistance don't hesitate to let your Officers know by replying to this email or at [prayers@kofc10644.com](mailto:prayers@kofc10644.com)

God willing you will not need our services soon, but when the time does come, do not hesitate to contact your Knights Prayer Group. If you hear God's calling and would like to join our Prayer Group, you are welcomed and encouraged to do so. We are open to all our Brother Knights from Council #10644. Please spread the word to our fellow Brothers and family members. Don't forget to pick up a business card with our information to keep in your wallet. The cards are located in the cash box with Brother Cliff or Brother Everardo has them on hand.

**September Prayer Requests:**

**Brother Jim Galuppi, Brother Ed Ibarra's Sister In Law (RIP),**

**Marty Reis's Mother Else (RIP), Brother Ralph Hidalgo's Wife Cathy, Brother Everardo and Lolita (soon to be married), and all our older Brothers and Family living and deceased.**



Thank You Brothers, may you and your family continue to stay safe and healthy.

God Bless YOU Always.

Vivat Jesus!

Praying for you;

Everardo Ramirez, Editor

If you have or know of any updates or other prayer requests, please let me know at [prayers@kofc10644.com](mailto:prayers@kofc10644.com)



# CHAPLAIN'S SEPTEMBER MESSAGE

Brothers,

I have gotten into the habit of sitting in backyard early in the morning doing my morning prayers and late at night to detox from work. I can definitely attest that one of the old song that Frank Sinatra would sing was correct, September is when "the days grow short." The beginning of September also means that my time as laity is also growing shorter. It is almost time for me to be ordained as a permanent deacon.



The photo above is from the day that I was installed as an Acolyte. Acolyte is one of the minor orders on the path to ordination. Really, it just means that I was a glorified altar server. There is no ordaining, just the white albs and the task to serve at mass as often as possible. That is why you might have seen me serving at masses pre-COVID or now at some of the outdoor masses. All of my years of formation (many more than what you would think) and the minor orders are now coming to end. I used to tell people, "I'm not 'studying for the diaconate,' I am discerning the diaconate." As I wrote at one point in this newsletter, that means I was trying to figure out if God was calling me to be a permanent deacon. I am so close now that I don't say that anymore. Now I say, "I WILL be ordained a deacon on September 19th, if it is the Lord's will."



I finally have that official date, but only recently have details about what it will look like. Just like so

many other things that are very different from how they were planned this year, things have been and will be not as they have ever been in the past. Every ordination before this year was held at the cathedral. My fellow candidates and I will be ordained at St. Stanislaus. (That was always the plan, even pre-COVID.) We were the first ones to have classes cancelled, because we couldn't meet due to social distancing. We were the first ones to have a class via Zoom for the same reason. We are the first ones that will have a limit to the number of people we can invite. We will be the first ones to be ordained outside, on the plaza at St. Stanislaus. Lots of things different from how ordination have ever taken place before.



For some people, all of those changes, all of the differences, would cause anxiety or stress. I prefer

to see it as opportunities. The Lord has allowed us to learn a lot of things this year. We were able to learn how to live-stream masses. We were able to learn how to use Zoom, Google Meets, WebEx, or FaceTime to connect with friends, to "do" school, and to "do" ministry. Has it made it difficult while we struggle with our connections, with knowing if

we can be heard, or just because it is something new? Yes. But imagine 100 years ago during the last major pandemic. We can at least connect; there was no way of connecting at the beginning of the 20th century.

How are we going to react then, brothers? Are we going to get stressed because things have changed? Maybe. Will we let it bother us enough to where it affects how we interact with others? I pray that we don't. There is nothing wrong with feeling stressed or anxiety. There might be something wrong if we let it get to us. We Knights, need to continue to be strong, to find ways to help the Church, our parish, and the larger community. We might have to be more flexible in how we go out it, but we do need to continue. How might you help out?

Please, pray for me as September 19th gets closer. Know that I continue to pray for you and for your families each and every day.



God bless!  
**Richard Braun**  
 Installed Acolyte,  
 Candidate for the Diaconate, and  
 Composer of Chaplain's Message



## FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S SEPTEMBER MESSAGE

Greetings Brothers,

If you have not heard, I have been approved as your new Financial Secretary as of August 20, 2020. I am honored to represent our council as your new Financial Secretary and pledge to get up to speed with the duties of my new position. I make a commitment to you my Brother Knights to communicate, be organized and support our Officers as they work through the Colombian Year 2020/2021. May thanks to our Treasurer Cliff Judd and his leadership for keeping great financial records. Because of our Brother Cliff our nonprofit with the IRS went a lot smoother and has been reinstated. We are once again exempt and in good standing! Thank You Brother Cliff and all our Officers for your help.



On another note, we have a handful of new members that are still waiting for their badges and members cards. I am aware who you are and I am working in moving your Form 100 forward.

I do need to ask- if you have not paid your member dues for this year, can you plan to get this done A.S.A.P.? I will be reviewing who has yet to pay and I will reach out to you and encourage your support for our council #10644. The dues are a source of funds important to our council and the Supreme. We strive on our membership and it is more important now than ever because of this Pandemic World we live in. As you know we are limited to reaching out to new members at this time. We Need You, we need your support and participation as of NOW.

Don't forget, God willing we are having our Zoom Video Meeting on September 8, 2020 beginning at 7:00 pm. Instead of our regular Council Meeting at Father O'Hare Hall. We ask of you to please connect and participate in our meeting. This way you can keep up to date with our council. Information on how to connect will be sent out very soon.

If you have not heard, we are hosting a BBQ Tri-Tip Fundraiser (drive up and get your meal). See our website and Facebook page for more information. This event will be on September 12, 2020 from 4-6 pm. We can only order through PayPal using either our PayPal account or Credit/Debit Card. The deadline to order is September 6, 2020. We are donating all the profits of this fundraiser to our Parish and help through these unusual times.

Thank You Brothers and Family. If you have any questions or concerns you can always contact me at [\(209\)484-5509](tel:2094845509) or through email on the bottom page. God Bless You and Hope To See You Soon.

Yours in Christ;  
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## DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT'S SEPTEMBER MESSAGE

### Brother Knights:

I hope we are all staying safe and healthy. During this time of not being able to carry on with our normal life, we need to try and stay healthy. And for that we need to feed our soul. A positive well nutrition soul is one that can survive any type of trauma ergo this Pandemic. This is the time that we as Catholics need to help each other more than ever. We need to reach out to one another and offer a helping hand. I encourage you to reach out to as many of our Brother Knights either text, email or by phone or any other way you can think of, if we communicate with each other. Pray for one another and pray with family and friends.



We need to get rid of the bad and get healthy. A healthy body and soul are a body and soul of God.

Speaking of a healthy body have you heard we have a healthy BBQ coming up? This a great opportunity to feed our bellies and our souls. We need your help to make our BBQ Drive-Thru successful. And by donating our time we can feed our souls. And after we can also feed our body by purchasing the tickets for the Tri-Tip, Chile con Carne, Macaroni and Rolls. And at the same time, we are supporting our Parish. 100% of the earnings goes to our Parish. So, come and support your Brother Knights while you feed your body and soul. If you have not received the information of this event you can go to our website at [www.kofc10644.com](http://www.kofc10644.com) or our Facebook Page (St. Joseph's Knights of Columbus #10644) and you will find the information there. Please share the event so we may have a great turn out.

God Bless You Brothers and Family.  
God willing, we will see you soon and I pray  
you stay healthy.

*Yours in Christ,*  
**Ruben Sanchez**  
Deputy Grand Knight  
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# GRAND KNIGHT MESSAGE (CONT)



We are also planning a second Drive-Thru Dinner sometime in October 2020. As soon as we have the plans in place, we will send you another Constant Contact. Please help and support both these events. And this way we can help and support our Parish during these difficult times. As you know we have not had any money come in other than our Fireworks Booth this year. And have not been able to support our Parish and Community as previous years. And we cannot support them without your help. So, if you can volunteer, please contact myself or our new Financial Secretary Tim Matalone to add your name to the volunteer list. Thank You in advance.

## Exemplifications Coming Up:

1. There will be a Statewide Unified Degree on September 26, 2020 at 10:00 am.
2. And a 4th Degree Exemplification on September 26, 2020 at 1:00 pm.

Worthy Brothers please help us recruit for these two Exemplifications. Please contact me for further information. (email at bottom).

## New Officer Positions:

If you have not heard by now. Our Financial Secretary Doug Johnson has resigned as of August 5, 2020. Due to family and other personal reasons he will be leaving California. We thank him for his service and wish him well in his journey.

And we thank our PGK Tim Matalone for stepping up and cover the position as soon as it became known of Brother Doug's resignation.

Concurring with the Board of Trustees I have nominated our PGK Tim Matalone to the National Supreme to be appointed as our new Financial Secretary. He is currently still in transition but is acting as our Financial Secretary for our Council.

And thank you to Brother Steve Laura for covering the 3 Year Trustee position so Brother Tim could become our Financial Secretary.

Please welcome and congratulate both our Brothers for stepping up for our council.

Thank You Brothers and Family for all your help and patience with our Council during these difficult times. I pray all of you are safe and healthy. And I hope to see everyone soon serving not only our council and parish but serving our Lord and his followers.

God Bless You!



Yours in Christ;  
GK Josey Samson  
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## FIELD AGENT SEPTEMBER MESSAGE

**Brothers and Family;  
I pray to God you are safe and healthy;**

**Are you ready for Retirement or need a better plan?**

**We have a Virtual Meeting coming up on September 17, 2020 at 7 pm. But there is a limit of attendees and need to R.S.V.P. online. You can see a 30 second video on YouTube for more information on this link:**

**<https://youtu.be/1sujutTLSts>**

**Thank You Brothers and Family, as always if you have any questions or concerns about your Insurance needs you can always contact me by phone or email at any time. If you would like to R.S.V.P. please send me an email and I will gladly send you the link.**

**God Bless You and hope to see you soon.**

*Yours in Christ;*

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