



GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

When I attended the goodbye party for our past DRE, Director of Religious Education, Dino Durando, Fr. Joseph said that the two of them set into motion a pact called the PYH. No, he gave no indication of its pronunciation; you're on your own. :-) The initials stand for the following:

PRAY,

say **YES** and live in **HOPE**.

"A maxim that is thoroughly a statement of truth, if not for the Knights, for my life indeed!"

Though in truth, it often falls to the wayside in my

human weakness, when I do turn to its guidance, I find God's Divine Providence becomes more obvious to me, and my will falls in line with His Will.

In the past months, as I struggled with the idea that June was riding as a bullet train toward me, and I had 6 positions of the Board unfulfilled, this became very evident. As I **prayed in hope** for Brother Knights to turn toward God and say, "**YES!**", Dave Sichak was the first answer as he rallied to quite literally save our Council by accepting the nomination to be Financial Secretary.

He was subsequently appointed by the State Board!

Praise be to God!!

PRAY,

say **YES** and live in **HOPE**.

With Dave faithful to the cause and united in prayer, we gathered at the May Board meeting for nominations for the upcoming Columbian year. Ordinarily, the Grand Knight would offer a member for the Recorder position only as all other positions are filled through the advancement of chairs. In this case, we are in a unique position. Some may refer to it as a problem, but let's turn it around as an opportunity to be more in tune to God's Will. With 5

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Next Business Meeting

TUESDAY, June 3rd, 7:00 PM

Father O'Hare Hall

**Don't Come Alone Bring A Fellow Knight!
There will be a 1st Degree Exemplification**

Daily mass is a great way to show how you "support the faith." Masses are at 8 AM or 5:45 PM during the week and 8 AM on Saturdays. When was the last time that you made the effort to give thanks to God for all that He does for you by going to a daily mass?

Knight Light
Editor

Richard Braun

DEADLINE

Send your letters, stories, ideas, typed with your name and phone # no later than the 15th of each month. Please, note, all submissions are subject to editing and space available.

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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Dear defenders of life and of the church,
As I write this message, it is the feast day of St. Christopher Magallanes and his companions, who were martyrs killed by the Catholic government of Mexico which was killing priests and nuns during the 1920's. Six of these saints were members of the Knights of Columbus. We pray to have the courage to stand firm and resist government leaders who do not respect the rights of the church (including some in our own government).
As I write I am also on retreat with all of the priests of the Diocese of Stockton. Since I am taking time out of my retreat to write this message, I suppose I should at least write about the retreat talks as a way of remaining in the spirit of this retreat.

The first talk given was about being honest and authentic before God in prayer. When we come before God in prayer, we have to just "be ourselves." We cannot fool God. God will not come close to us if we do not bring our true self before him. We have to learn to laugh at ourselves and stand naked before God with all our faults. We cannot pretend we are someone else. "God cannot save the imaginary person that we try to present to him, or to others, or to ourselves." Bishop Anthony Bloom said, "Prayer is the only human action or state where cheating is not possible. As soon as pretense sets in, prayer stops." These ideas helped me in my prayer to just relax and talk to God like a friend who knows me.
The second talk was about not worrying about what other people think of us. It

is good to be a good example to others, but this should not be our primary concern. We priests are always in the business of being good examples to others. But what is important is what we really are on the inside rather than what we appear to be on the outside. "We are heralds of the Gospel who are experts in humanity, who have shared to the full the joys and sorrows of our day, but who, at the same time, are contemplatives in love with God," Saint John Paul II. Please, pray for priests so that our first concern is always how God sees us, rather than how we are seen by others!
Sincerely,

**Father Mark
Wagner
Chaplain and
Pastor,
St. Joseph's
Parish**



SUNSHINE CHAIRMAN

Prayers are requested for our Brothers: Matt Bettencourt and his wife, Wendy; Dan Dwyer; Mike Glendon; Tony Lee; David Malsom; Mike Miranda & his wife, Nicky; Jerry Oftring & his wife, Ruth; Dave Tacchinni.
Prayers are requested also for: Stephen, son of Kent and brother of Adam Harker; Patricia Dinubilo, mother of Rick Dinubilo; Phyllis

Edwards, niece of Frank Holmes; the family of John Gorman; Kent Harker; Jeremy, son of Robert Hemsley; Mary, mother of Ed Hough; Sharon Iorns mother of Matt Iorns; Helen Moya, wife of Gary Moya; Dawn Powers, wife of Chris Powers; Maryann Powers, mother of Chris Powers; and Darlene Nielsen. Remember Pray also for Pope Francis as he shepherds our

Church. And keep our Council in your prayers as we enter a new Columbian year that the Holy Spirit leads all members in the holy work of the Church.

If you know of any updates or other prayer requests, please let me know. Contact information is 209-551-9534 or mccave@yahoo.com

**John McCave
Past Grand Knight**



JUNE 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Officers' Meeting Vatican Council 6:30 PM	3 Business Meeting O'Hare Hall 7 PM	4	5	6	7
 Pentecost	9	10	11	12	13	14 Kick-out Dinner O'Hare Hall 6 PM
15 Holy Trinity Fathers' Day	16	17	18	19	20	21 Men's Retreat O'Hare Hall 8:30 AM
22 Corpus Christi	23	24	25	26	27 Sacred Heart of Jesus	28
29 Sts. Peter and Paul	30 Officers' Meeting Vatican Council 6:30 PM					

You can find the events for other months on the Council's website, kofc10644.com.

Members' Birthdays

Anthony S Lee	6/1
Robert E. Wildt	6/1
Dennis C Murphy	6/3
Jonathan T. White	6/5
Daniel Dwyer	6/7
Daniel Mejia	6/7
Salvador Becerra	6/9
Lovinio S. Casiano	6/11
William E. Black	6/12
Vince N. Galas	6/13
John E. McCave PGK	6/15
Amado H. Valencia Jr	6/17
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David L. Piper	6/24
José C. Núñez	6/26
Michael A Perine	6/29
Rev John Peter Soosal	6/29
Richard P. Dwyer	6/30

CELEBRATE!

Ladies' Birthdays

Judy Tuss	6/1
Gigi Pongase	6/1
Carol-Lynn Moraca	6/1
Rita Grodt	6/4
Joan Tacchini	6/5
Margaret Mayoral	6/6
Judy Murphy	6/9
Janet Baker	6/16
Trina Malsom	6/17
Rita Humphreys	6/17
Rosemary Torres	6/19
Lisa Gonzales	6/20
Karen Henriquez	6/22
Sherri McGue	6/24
Aninya Lamanet	6/24
Rosie Rios	6/25
Michelle Frey	6/27
Priscilla Pino	6/30
Maria Evena Cristerna	6/30
Nicole Miranda	6/30

Note: If birthdays or anniversaries are incorrect or missing you need to contact the Financial Secretary to correct the error at finsec@kofc10644.com.

Anniversaries

Anthony & Tamara Butera	6/1
Edward & Bev Fernandes	6/2
Anthony & Wilma Lee	6/2
Brandon & Kathleen Harker	6/4
Mel & Lucy Mattos PGK	6/5
Pat & Kim Ringer	6/9
Donald & Marilyn Hancock	6/11
Dave & Christi Wharton	6/12
Samuel & Carol Lynn Moraca	6/12
Kent & Mary Marlett	6/13
Reuben & Teresa Peterson	6/14
Jerome & Kristin Thiele	6/14
Robert & Lita Selover	6/15
Robert & Mona Wildt	6/15
Michael & Nicole Miranda	6/15
Dominick & Gwendolyn Cupini	6/16
Robert & Andrea Hemsley FDD	6/18
David & Anita Racher	6/19
Ralph & Cheryl Driggs	6/20
Ronald & Rose Lamont	6/20
Don & Marti Reed	6/21
Michael & Kathleen Glendon	6/22
Ruben & Maricela Sanchez	6/22
Roy & Melinda Gordon	6/23
Roger & Rosalinda Farias Sr	6/24
Raul & Soledad Raya	6/26
Derrick & Joanne Serpa	6/27
Michael & Piedy. Callahan	6/27
Jason & Brownwyn Jackson	6/27
Raphell & Susan Taylor	6/28
Richard & Pam Dinubilo	6/30

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brother Knights,
It is that time of year which is full of change and new adventures in life. This includes graduations (at whatever level), changes in leadership (as within our Council with the end of Columbian year and the term of our Worthy Grand Knight), or, for those of us who work in public service realms, the end of another fiscal year (most public service works on a July through June fiscal year). These changes can be seen as good or bad (children who graduate and now have to find their own way in life while still maintaining the relationship with the parents). Really, the changes aren't good or bad in themselves: it depends on our reaction to the changes which determines whether they are bad or good.

First of all, our Worthy Grand Knight, Michael Miranda, ends his term leading our Council. Mike is a leader by example, working always quietly behind the scenes to make sure that everything is done. The only time that he is visible is at the Business Meetings when he has to stand in front of us all and guide us through the necessary actions of the meeting, something that does not come easy to him. How many of you feel comfortable speaking

in front of a room of people, particularly when many of us are tired, grumpy, and only wanting to hear how we need to pat ourselves on the back (even when there is nothing for which to pat ourselves). Mike has multiple stresses in his life, but yet at every meeting, his smiling face is in front of us all. Mike could easily have given up, especially with the multiple challenges that he has faced in finding replacements for Officers who have had to resign for personal reasons, but no. There he has continued to be month after month. Regardless of who the choice for next year's Grand Knight ends up being, I doubt that he will have to face any of the problems that Mike has faced. Plus, he will have the support of Mike right at his side in Mike's new role as a Trustee.

There are also other changes that will be happening this June. As your Deputy Grand Knight, I have worked to ensure that we have at least two Chairs for each of our events, so that at the Business Meetings and in this newsletter, you don't have to listen to repeated requests, as in some past years, for someone to step up and help make the upcoming events successful. I am in the process right now of looking for you to help with at least one of the events as a Co-Chair. None of our events are difficult to Chair, as most of them "run themselves" as we have had them for years. Each does require a pair of Brother Knights to make sure that all

of the t's are crossed and i's dotted, so that nothing is forgotten about. I have asked all of the Chairs from this current year to put together a binder that contains needed steps and information that they used to make their events successful. All of that will make your task as a Chair much easier. Please, consider which event that you would like to Co-Chair and let me know either at the upcoming Business Meeting or by sending me an email at degrandknight@kofc10644.com. We will be also be part of something new, an upcoming men's conference that the parish is planning for June 21st. This would be a great opportunity to the re-charge ourselves and other men from the area. It will be for men only, with no women there to influence what we are talking about. Our fabulous kitchen crew will be preparing the meals. Father Wade Menezes will be guiding us through the day. And the best part? The name of the conference is inspiring: St. Joseph, Terror of Demons, Men's Conference. I expect to see you all there!

God bless,

**Richard Braun,
Deputy
Grand Knight**



Don't forget to keep track of your volunteer hours either at Knight events (did you put in your 5 hours?) or in other community events and submit either on the website or at the Business Meetings.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

The June meeting date happens to be the same day as California's Primary Election. It's also when we traditionally vote on officers for the coming Columbian year.

When I came of age to vote, I made a point to do so in every election, whether local or national. I felt it was my duty as a citizen of this great country. Otherwise, how could I opine about the result of the elections and how those elected were representing us. Often at the local precinct where I vote I am the first in line and get to inspect and verify that the ballot box is empty and that the vote counter is set to zero. Appropriate for an auditor, don't you think? And I decorate my monitor at work with those 'I voted' stickers each election.

It's June; time for our own council's elections. Another opportunity to make my/our voice heard. Do not ever think a single vote does not make a difference. I recall a news story from a few years back where in

some local election, a guy lost by one vote because his wife had overslept and forgot to vote. And yes, it did cause some ill feelings at home from what I remember of the story.

Voting is a way of participating. It can be seen as supporting the leaders in office. Or it can be showing your displeasure at the leadership. But your voice won't be heard unless you make the effort to be at the meeting and participate in the nominating or voting process.

At our monthly meetings, we often grumble that there seems to be this same core group that shows up. We often wonder what we can do to increase the turnout. You joined the Knights partly because you wanted to be a part of the service we provide to our parish and community. It is at these meetings where we make those choices. Perhaps you have a different idea of how we can serve. Your voice needs to be heard. I would especially encourage our newer and younger members to make the effort to be there in June. Bring those ideas

and express them to the membership. It is how we will grow, thrive, expand, and serve. You've paid your dues, then I exhort you to show up and participate.

But if there's a reason why you choose not to participate - let us, the officers know. Send a note to our PO Box anonymously if you choose. Send us an email. Maybe we have overlooked something. The more voices we have at those meetings, the stronger we are and the better we can serve.

Dues payments continue to trickle in. As one member put it when he called me, "better late than never" and I say Amen! If times are difficult for you, let me know - as some already have - arrangements can be made. You joined the Knights and we want to keep you in our fraternity.

Financial Secretary, Dave Sichak



JOHN'S JOKES

A mother took her little boy to church. While in church the little boy said, "Mommy, I have to pee."

The mother said to the little boy, "It's not appropriate to say the word 'pee' in church. So, from now on whenever you have to 'pee' just tell me that you have to 'whisper'."

The following Sunday, the little boy went to church with his father and during the service said to his father, "Daddy, I have to whisper."

The father looked at him and said, "Okay, just whisper in my ear."

And, just for more fun!

Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson were going camping. They pitched their tent under the stars and went to sleep.

Sometime in the middle of the night Holmes woke Watson up and said: "Watson, look up at the stars, and tell me what you see."



Watson replied: "I see millions and millions of stars."

Holmes said: "and what do you deduce from that?"

Watson replied: "Well, if there are millions of stars, and if even a few of those have planets, it's quite likely there are some planets like earth out there. And if there are a few planets like earth out there, there might also be life."

And Holmes said: "Watson, you idiot, it means that somebody stole our tent."



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Lecturer's Notes: June: The Holiday Blur

June begins with the Seventh and final Sunday of Easter, followed by Pentecost on the second Sunday. The third Sunday is Trinity Sunday, followed by Corpus Christi on the fourth Sunday. The last Sunday of June celebrates Saints Peter and Paul. It's like an explosion of graces, a crescendo of faith. This brings to an end the period that began in October/November with All Souls/All Saints, then Advent & Christmas, Lent/Easter, and a couple of parish missions. We've had some great opportunities for spiritual growth and a few trips to the confessional in the last eight months. Oh yeah, some fun fish fry dinners. After all that, settling back in to the rhythm of Ordinary Time can seem pretty quiet and, well, ordinary. But Ordinary Time should be anything but ordinary. As we shall soon see, the liturgical color will shortly return to green and like springtime in nature this is the time of real

growth, pruning, and transformation.

To try to put the last eight months into perspective:

1. During Lent, we awaited the coming of the Savior of the world, who appeared in our midst as a child at Christmas.
2. Jesus spent 33 years on earth and changed human history; we mark the passage of time by his incarnation.
3. God in the flesh was put to trial, tortured, and killed for our sins – yours and mine.
4. Jesus put death to death when he was resurrected, and he taught us that we need not have fear if we do what is right.
5. Since the first Pentecost 2000 years ago, the Holy Spirit has dwelt among us. He is here with us today; He is present at every mass. He is with us at all times in all situations at all places.
6. This is our faith. Again we are reminded that God has revealed some of the majesty of His presence, and it's quite overwhelming. The invitation to heaven is there for all. Let us all marvel and be uplifted by

the depth and beauty of God that He has revealed to us. Peace be with you all, enjoy summer and start looking forward to fall and All Souls/All Saints when we can do this all again.

Ed Ibarra



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June business meeting is on June 3rd at 7:00 PM, memorial mass is at 5:45 on June 13th. Run to confession for a good spiritual pruning and cleaning, God is way too powerful to argue with. Seek God's will through silent prayer. Pray for the men and women who serve in Law Enforcement and the Military. Pray that politicians have conversion of heart. Pray for strong families. Above all; pray that Holy Mother Church around the world can withstand the buffets of her enemies internal and external. Pray for our priests and the intentions of the Holy Father. Pray for each other.

GRAND KNIGHT (CONTINUED)

additional positions, the Board presented the following names as nominations for the following positions:

RECORDER

Eddie Torres

WARDEN

Angel Martinez

CHANCELLOR

Ed Gamboa

DEPUTY GRAND

KNIGHT

Richard Braun

GRAND KNIGHT

None

ADVOCATE

Rick Dinublio

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TRUSTEE 3 YEARS

Michael Miranda

Though, as of the time to submit this article for publishing, a Brother has not come to the light for the position of Grand Knight, I am faithful that God will bring one of you forward. I am truly grateful to those who in PRAYER have said, **“YES”** to their nominations and remain **HOPEFUL** that they will be voted in to

start the year anew in His Light and Grace.

You likely took notice that in the position of TREASURER, a name other than Steve Laura was in its place—or perhaps you did not, as your mind may have glanced past that position since you are so accustomed to his name there! Steve has been our Council’s Treasurer since the beginning of time. When I came into our Council, his face was one of the first I encountered. I was drawn in by his welcoming smile that put me instantly at ease within this new apostolate in which I suddenly found myself. It was of no surprise that this face was attached to one deeply involved in the Council. Over time, I came to know him as a thoroughly loyal Brother Knight who stood true to the Council’s principles and was very dedicated to its needs while both the Treasurer and one of our ever present cooks at nearly all our events. In great part, it is in thanks to Steve that our Council is so financially sound and has been able to give so charitably to the needs of others both within our

parish and our community. I, for one, am very grateful for his service! If you see him at the upcoming meetings or events, please offer your gratitude.

I hope to see you all at our annual Kick-Out Dinner! If you have not been to one in the past, please come and see yet another Knight tradition. It is a Knights and family event that will be catered, so that all can participate and is sure to be fun and informative...it’s a KICK! See you JUNE 14th, 2014 in Fr. O’Hare Hall!

Humbly yours in Christ,

**Michael Miranda
Grand Knight**



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