

St. Joseph Council #10644, Division 5

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# Grand Knight's Message

I want to send a big thank you to all the Knights who volunteered in the sausage booth and at the pasta dinner during some of the days of the Parish Festival. Thank you Marty Reis for chairing the sausage booth and Rick Dinubilo for coordinating the cooking for the dinner.

Coming up in October, we have three more activities to look forward to. October 7<sup>th</sup> is our annual Oktoberfest Dinner. Contact Gary Reggiani at 522-2844 to offer your help, and he will direct you or advise you on what you can do. Also, October 21st, 22nd, and 23rd our Tootsie Roll Drive will be run. Adrian Pino is the site captain at the Raley's on Orangeburg and Oakdale

Rd. Contact him at 523-1908 to offer your time. Bob Shannon is site captain at the new Raley's on Floyd and Roselle, and Bill Vermillion is site captain at the Savemart in the Lakes Shopping Center. Contact Bob at 572-2428 and Bill at 869-2655. A mere two hours of your time at one of these sites is all you need to donate. You'll be helping the intellectually challenged, and you'll be having a good time doing it. Any time you are helping others, you are doing God's work. What's better than that? On October 29th we are having our Grab & Go Dinner. John McCave is chairing that event, so please contact him at 551-9534 to offer your assistance. Another bit of good news is that Dave Sichak along with Alfonso Chavez have agreed to chair the golf tournament this year under the guidance and tutelage of Jim Galuppi. Those who have been involved in past tournaments, please offer your experience and help to these gentlemen. Granted, the tournament is still several months away, but this particular event does take a lot of planning. Finally, Dick Elson will again be chairing the Blue Mass. Dick is a master of this event, and we are lucky to have him. Thanks to all these fantastic men, we put ourselves in a position to help many people. Thank you, Brothers, for all that you do.

> Mel Mattos, Grand Knight



Business Meeting TUESDAY, October 4th, 7:00 PM Father O'Hare Hall Don't Come Alone Bring A Fellow Knight! Don't forget to meet in the Church on every second Friday of the month for the 5:45 PM for the Knights' Memorial Mass and a Rosary afterward in memory of the unborn. We should also attend mass before each of our monthly meetings. It ends with just enough time to walk across the parking lot to the Hall before the business meeting. Will I see you there?

### **Knight Light**

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# **CHAPLAIN'S CORNER**

October is the month of the Guardian Angels. We celebrate their feast on October 2. We don't often think about our own guardian angel, but we should. God sent him to us, assigned him to us, from the moment of our conception, and he has been with us ever since. In this month especially, let us pray daily to our dearest friend and protector, our own Guardian Angel.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Joseph Illo Pastor St. Joseph's Catholic Church



### <u>Members Birthdays</u>

Members Birthdays				
Tom Trombetta	10-2			
Ron de Groot	10-3			
Darryl Morais	10-5			
Edward Dansby	10-6			
Don Reed	10-8			
Dave Tacchini	10-9			
Brian Weber	10-9			
Tom Lonowski	10-10			
Keith Nunes	10-10			
Bob Shannon	10-10			
Steve Laura	10-18			
David Sichak	10-18			
Ernie Ramirez	10-22			
Manuel Baioa	10-23			
Joe Miceli	10-24			
Andrew Lee	10-25			
Herb Saska	10-26			
Alfonzo Chavez	10-30			
Ed Fernandes	10-30			
Steve Loschke	10-30			
<b>Richard Braun</b>	10-31			
Emil Carney	10-31			



# **CELEBRATE!**

#### <u>Anniversaries</u>

Debbie & Pat Ryan 10-3-80 Joanna & Ed Ibarra 10-5-2002 Cindy & Mike Bartikoski 10-8-88 Lisa & Andy Gonzales 10-8-88 Angelina & Benito Ramirez10-8-88 Colette & Mike Perine 10-10-87 Linda & Jim Standart 10-11-69 Kay & Dick Elson 10-14-56 Karen & Nelson Henriquez 10-14-95 Rosey & Al Toschi 10-17-76 Jennifer & Marlin Avila10-18-86 Peggy & Dan Dwyer 10-18-52 Edith & Eugene Awuah10-20-01 Rita & Gary Humphreys10-20-56 Julie & Keith Nunes 10-21-95 Cathy & Deacon Ken Ochinero10-22-56 Hilda & Manuel Sylvia 10-23-41 Janet & Tom Cabrera 10-24-87 Brenda & David Gillum10-26-96 Betty & Bob Nunes 10-28-56 Esther & Pete Sedillo 10-28-80



#### Ladies Birthdays

Margaret Offermann 10 - 1Linda Laubacher 10-2 Rosev Toschi 10-2 Eleanor Karaz 10-3 Carlene Pardina 10-3 Lisa Porta 10-4 Colette Perine 10-5Joanne Serpa 10-5Peggy Dwyer 10-7Patricia Moon 10 - 8Dorothy Saska 10-8 Rose Lamont 10-9 Peggy Chirco 10-10 Karen Wright 10 - 11Darlene Bradshaw 10-13 Maria Lopez 10-13 Jeannie Castillo 10-14 Angie Castro 10-15 Erin Webster 10-16 Bronwyn Jackson 10-17 Elvira Alvarez 10-20 Eva Furtado 10 - 25Elissa Gonzales 10 - 30Elaine Varnell 10-30



### **OCTOBER 2011**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
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	2 Officer Meeting JP II Room 4, Vatican	4 Council Meeting 1 <sup>st</sup> Degree	5	6	7 Oktoberfest Dinner	8	
	9 10		12	13	Memorial Mass 5:45 pm		
10	5 17	18	19		Tootsie Roll	22 Tootsie Roll Drive	
23 Tootsie Roll Drive	3 24	25	26	27		29 Grab-N-Go Dinner	
30	) 31 Halloween Officer Meeting JP II Room 4, Vatican						

### Sunshine Chairman

We need to pray for the following Brothers: Tony Lee, Ray Jones, Scott Fernandes, Mike Miranda, Jerry Oftring, Dave Scott, Dan Dwyer, Robert Hemsley, Wayne Michael, Jarod Wilson and Monsignor Conrad Gruber. Continue to pray for Bishop Stephen E. Blaire;

There will be a 2nd and 3rd Degree in Manteca scheduled for Sat Oct 22nd. Candidates need to be registered by Oct 17th. Please call )leave message) or email me if you plan to attend. The Father Illo's mother, Janice: Matt Iorns' mother, Sharon; Darlene Nielsen: Nicole Miranda; Patricia Moon; Priscilla Pino; Ruth Oftring; Frances Carney; Joan Castagna; Patricia Dinubilo; Toni Anderson; Angel Martinez, Jr.; Valery Nolan; Jayne Cunningham; and Wilma Lee. Pray, as always, for our

Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, our parish priests, and our troops wherever they are stationed.

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

John Karaz

# **Grodt's Notes**

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I have only heard from a few members regarding statements mailed out last month. Please, let me know if you need assistance in paying your dues. Mike Grodt F/S

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### **Membership Memo**

My Brother Knights, I was a little disappointed to only get 1 membership application from the Festival. We need to let the families of our parish know the benefits of being a Knight. Being a Knight is a great way to be a steward in our parish. Knights share their treasure, time and talent. Ask

the man sitting the pew next to you to join us.



Knights of Columbus California State Council Second and Third Degree Exemplification District 43, District Deputy, Vern Mendes Saturday, October 22nd, 2011 8:30 AM – 3:00 PM A Second and Third Degree will be held at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, 323 North Fremont Street, Manteca.

#### **ATTIRE:**

Dress shirt and slacks, no jeans, tank tops, sandals or shorts. Tie optional. Everyone needs his current traveling card. Please, we need Third Degree members for the sideline. No one will be admitted to the Degree Chamber once the doors are closed. Those who have attended the new version of the 3rd Degree are encouraging all to see the changes.

# **CHANCELLOR'S CONNECTION**

Brotherhood In this issue, I would like to share some stories of Brother Knights coming to the aid of another: me. A few years ago, I had an electrical problem at my house where many lights were without power. I called **Rick Dinubilo** and even though he was working at a job site he came right over. After narrowing it down to one electrical box up in the attic, he went to work. Things were going well, and then we got a spark and then more spark. Rick was ready to jump down through my ceiling if I couldn't climb down and turn the power off before we had a major attic fire. He kept his cool and once the power was off, was able to fix the problem. There has been light ever since. Then, at the beginning of this year, my wife was in a car accident. The accident was in my car (not her fault and no one hurt), but since we were down to one car, I was in need of one to get to work that night. So, for the next 4 days, John Souza let me use his Explorer until I could work something out with the insurance. The insurance let me down, but the word went out that I was in need. The next to step up was Kent Harker. He had a third vehicle, just for this kind of thing and, without a second thought, Kent and his wife Laura offered it to us. My car had some damage to the front side. The other car had hit right on the

wheel and fender. This caused a lot of suspension damage and surely some hidden damage. My car went straight to the body shop. It's **Pete Sedillo's** shop and he begins to work on it. Like I said, there was hidden damage and the price kept going up. Pete called all over to keep the price down so my insurance wouldn't total it. As weeks went by, Pete was able to get it under the price and did a beautiful job. From start to finish nearly a month went by and all the while I'm still driving Kent's truck. They never called us for it; they were so generous and compassionate when I would tell them how things were going. Then May 3rd came, and I knew I was going in for major surgery. Not knowing what shape I'd be in, I had to make the hard decision to move up the chairs in our Council or get out. Mike Vigil made the problem go away. He saw what was needed and stepped in for me. I stayed back as Chancellor as the other Council members all agreed. There was even a time when I was having a tough go of it, and Richard Braun wrote my article. This last Labor Day weekend, my wife and I were invited to John and Malissa Souza's cabin and had a most needed wonderful time. We had come home Sunday night only to wake up Monday morning to a huge plumbing clog. No use of toilets, sinks, tubs or shower. I worked on it all day from everywhere I could get my 25ft snake, but this was a tough one. So I called Chris

# **ADVOCATE'S ADVICE**

In The diary of St. Faustina, there are several passages that are conversations with Jesus. These passages show the words of Jesus in bold type. Can you just imagine having a conversation with Jesus with the beatific vision before your waking eyes? This is what a humble nun from Poland experienced in the 1930's. It is said that St. Faustina was never satisfied with the artist's rendition of the Divine Mercy image. She said it did not convey the true beauty of the image she saw. I have typed one of these passages below from paragraph 742. In this paragraph Jesus calls for the Feast of Mercy that was instituted by Blessed Pope John Paul II and the importance of performing works of mercy. Some of this reminded me of the words in the 1<sup>st</sup> degree ceremony. If you have not done so already,

There will be a 2nd and 3rd Degree in Manteca scheduled for Sat Oct 22nd. Candidates need to be registered by Oct 17th. Please call )leave message) or email me if you plan to attend. The please go buy this book and read it. It adds so much to my life and I'm sure it will do the same for you.

"My daughter, if I demand through you that people revere My mercy, you should be the first to distinguish yourself by this confidence in My mercy. I demand from you deeds of mercy, which are to arise out of love for Me. You are to show mercy to your neighbors always and everywhere. You must not shrink from this or try to excuse or absolve yourself from it.

"I am giving you three ways of exercising mercy toward your neighbor: the first by deed, the second by word, the third by prayer. In these three degrees is contained the fullness of mercy, and it is an unquestionable proof of love for Me. By this means a soul glorifies and pays reverence to My mercy. Yes, the first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Mercy, there must also be acts of mercy, and I demand the worship of My mercy through the solemn celebration of the Feast and though the veneration of the image which is painted. By the means of this image I shall grant many graces to the souls. It is to be a reminder of the demands of My mercy, because even the strongest faith is of no avail without works.

She prays afterward, "O my Jesus, you yourself must help me in everything, because You see how very little I am, and so I depend solely on your goodness, O God." May the peace of Christ be

with you and yours always!

Robert Hemsley Advocate, PGK



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Do not walk behind me, for I may not lead. Do not walk ahead of me, for I may not follow. Do not walk beside me either.

Just pretty much leave me alone.

# John's Jokes

Anytime you see a young man open a car door for his girlfriend, either the car is new or the girlfriend is.

A day without sunshine is like.....night. On the other hand, you have different fingers.

Inside every older person is a younger person wondering, "What in the world happened?" "Opportunity is missed by most people because it's dressed in overalls and looks like work." – Thomas Alva Edison

John Gorman



## **CHANCELLOR'S CONNECTION** CONTINUED

**Powers** for advice. He told me to pull one of the toilets and try from there, and if I couldn't fix it to call him, and he would come over with his 50ft snake. So I prayed hard that it would work, because I didn't want to call him back. You see it's Labor Day and Chris is playing with all his children in the pool! My prayers go unanswered and it's going to get dark soon. I called Chris back, and he said, "Give me 20 minutes, I'll be right there". After some hard work, Chris clears

the line, and the next day I learn how to reinstall a toilet. Last story, just last night, Sept. 13<sup>th,</sup> I went to visit my wife, Nickie, in the hospital and in the lobby I ran into Loy Sagrado and his friend Michael. I told them she was there and they said, "We will pray for her." They were on their way out after visiting with another friend. I was ready to thank them for their prayers and say good night, when they both asked, "Where is her room?" Together we went to

her room and once there, we prayed continually over Nickieclose to 45 minutes. It was beautiful; the peace that filled the room was unmistakable. She came home the next morning. I thank Rick, John, Kent, Pete, Mike, Richard, Chris, Loy and all of you who pray for my family and me. I write this not just to express my gratitude, but to share a few real stories of how every Knight should

strive to be.

### Your Chancellor, Mike Miranda



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# Lecturer's Notes: Why we bow!

Last night I had a discussion with a young non-Catholic Christian man who had a problem with Catholicism and the way that Catholics "praise" and "worship" Mary. His opinion was that our faith is unbiblical and man made. I left the discussion a little unsettled for a number of reasons but mostly because the Catholics in his life weren't able to clear up his misunderstandings about truths that are central to our faith. our human existence and God's revelation of Himself to His people. One thing that casual readers don't understand is that the Bible wasn't written in the style of the textbooks of today, yet that is the standard that people often expect. In place of a textbook bible, God gave us a Church that speaks with **His** own authority. So, we need to be aware that casual readers may be holding God to a standard of their own construct. God doesn't reveal himself that way. That whole encounter made me think about this passage from the Creed that we recite every time we go to Mass; "...by the power of the Holy Spirit He was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man." Let's take it apart and look at

take it apart and look at this passage in smaller pieces.

The Nicene Creed reminds us that the relationship of our Catholic faith, the Mass and the Bible is so close that you can't separate them. Consider the following passages from the gospel of St Luke;

### 1:26 "In the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth."

Luke, the gospel writer, was pretty generous with some important details here. He tells us who, what, where, when and why in this sentence to set up the events that are about to transpire. Follow along: the **when** is in the sixth month of the pregnancy of Mary's cousin, Elizabeth. Elizabeth was quite old and thought to be barren, so the miracle of the virgin pregnancy of Mary was preceded by the miracle of Elizabeth's pregnancy. The **who** is an angel, but not just any angel. He has a name – Gabriel. The gospel writer felt that the story would be incomplete without that detail. And it would be. You have a name, I have a name and if you need to talk to someone you call them by their name and they answer when they hear their name called. The angel who visited Marv had a name because he is a real person. The writer also tells us that Gabriel was on a mission, the why, he was "sent from God". The where is a "town of Galilee called Nazareth" for a rendezvous with the Queen of Heaven,

the Mother of God. Those are extremely significant details. 1:35 "And the angel said to her in reply, The holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God." – Luke 1:26 & 35 In verse 35 the angel calls the Holy Spirit by name and tells Mary that he will "come upon you and the power of the Most High will overshadow **you.**" Here the angel is using the language of the creation account of Genesis 1:2 where a "mighty wind swept over the waters", or the recreation account where Noah released a dove who "flew over the waters", or the baptism story where Jesus stepped out from the river and the Spirit of God hovered "over" him. When the Holy Spirit "came upon" her and the "power of the Most High overshadowed" her, Mary conceived a child in her womb by the Holy Spirit.

> Ed Ibarra, Lecturer



The October business

meeting is on Tuesday October 4th at 7:00pm. Mass for the deceased Knights of this Council is on Friday, October 14th at 5:45pm followed by adoration and confession. Let's all make a good confession this month and pray that God give politicians the grace to seek Him and do His will throughout the year. Pray for the intentions of the Pope. Pray that Catholics be drawn to the Cross and conversion of heart. Pray that Brother Knights seek God's peace.

The complete version of this article is posted at: <u>www.kofc10644.org</u>.

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