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Knight Light Newsletter

I was so busy with preparations for the Blue Mass and the Crab Feed that I did not have time to compose a complete article this month. Please, help out in any way you can with the Lenten Fish Dinners beginning soon with Ash Wednesday just a few weeks away. And don't forget the 2nd/3rd Degree Exemplifications on the 17th of this month!

Grand Knight
Al Toschi

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- The Business meeting will be on Tuesday, February 6th at 7 PM in the parish hall. Don't miss it and bring a brother Knight.



February 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5 Officers' Meeting Vatican Council Room, St. JP2 Center	6 Business Meeting 7 PM Father O'Hare Hall	7	8	9 Memorial Mass for Deceased Members of this Council	10
11	12	13	14 Ash Wednesday	15	16 First Fish Fry	17 2nd/3rd Degree
18	19	20	21	22	23 Second Fish Fry	24
25	26	27	28	Please, note, we have the Lenten Dinners every Friday in Lent. They require a lot of man power. Volunteer to help,		

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Members' Birthdays

Marc Abenoja 2/1
 Richard Dinubilo 2/1
 Kwei-Cee Chu 2/2
 George Sanchez 2/3
 Dr. Steven Wunschel 2/3
 Christopher Bengochea 2/5
 Henry Mendoza 2/5
 Patrick Ringer 2/5
 Tony De Caro 2/7
 Alan Saca 2/7
 Dave Wharton 2/8
 Nathan Steingrebe 2/10
 Andrew Gonzales 2/11
 Carroll Lammey 2/11
 Dr. Efram Florendo 2/12
 Albert Gonzales 2/14
 Robert Hemsley 2/14
 Norbert Mendonca 2/14
 Michael Grodt 2/15
 Tyson Murphy 2/17
 Brandon Harker 2/18
 Timothy Dickert 2/20
 Richard Elson 2/20
 Ed Ibarra 2/21
 David Perez 2/21

Vito Paxia 2/22
 John Karaz 2/23
 Jeff McCarthy 2/24
 Sean Garcia 2/25
 Jesse Cristerna 2/26
 Dr Douglas Beaumont 2/28
 Isidro Tadena Jr. 2/28

Ladies' Birthdays

Grace Guajardo 2/2
 Rebecca Giardina 2/4
 Jennifer Richmond 2/4
 Sandra Uyeshiro 2/12
 Monica Gonzales 2/13
 Deanna Kitcher 2/16
 Aylene Wee 2/16
 Julita Casiano 2/17
 Debbie Goulart 2/17
 Kristi Marsella 2/17
 Andrea Hemsley 2/18
 Cheryl Schultz 2/20
 Rose Mary Law 2/23
 Cheryl Driggs 2/24
 Ileana Walsh 2/25

Anniversaries

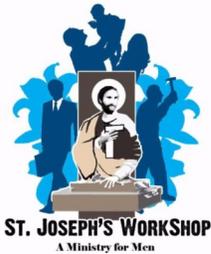
James & Amanda Towne 2/2
 Jim & Kim McDoal 2/5
 Donald & Debbi Cavagnaro 2/8
 Robert & Margaret Offermann 2/11
 Hugo & Alejandra Fausto 2/12
 Raymond & Patricia Chavarria 2/14
 Robert & Colleen Hazy 2/24
 Efrain & Gloria Ortega 2/24
 Ed & Sue Gamboa 2/25
 Victor & Maria Lopez 2/27
 Amado & Kelly Valencia 2/27
 John & Mary Mullins 2/28



LECTURER'S MESSAGE

Let's talk about "That Man Is You!" It is a program used by our men's ministry St. Joseph's Workshop (both the morning and the evening versions), which strengthens our spiritual journey through fellowship and knowledge of our faith. Yes, we do pray in the Knights and attend mass with our loved ones, but "TMIY!" gives us more. It is for men of all ages and lifestyles. If you are not attending, why not? As Knights of Columbus, we should be strong supporters of this parish function as it fits right in with Father McGivney original purpose of making men that are more faithful, better husbands, and better fathers.

If your bed is too cozy and warm at 6 AM when the morning sessions begin, there is an evening session, which begins at 7 PM.



Both are every Wednesday. Attend, attend, and attend! Bring your sons, brothers, fathers and other male friends. It is not just for men with young families or teenagers. It is not just for men who are retired or preparing for heaven. It is not just for those bored or curious about their faith. It is not just for history channel buffs, who are confused about ancient aliens and the true meaning of the Bible. It is not just for Discovery Channel historians, who recently found Jesus' bones in their television in their living room. It is not just for atheists, Buddhists, nudists or Protestants. It is for all of the above and for you!

I have met some very interesting people from inside and outside our parish that are attending, some cradle Catholics, some converts, and even some non-Catholics. I am blessed for knowing them through their similar and different perspectives. I have had many "ah-ha" moments and have learned to hone my virtues by curbing my tongue and tuning my ears to what the others are sharing. That is not always easy for

me.

Father Mark has been there religiously (get it) offering the sacrament of confession every Wednesday to us, praying over us, and printing articles about the saint of the day. I like to take these articles to work and read them at lunch and then leave them in the lunchroom. This sometimes opens up conversations and questions about our faith. "That Man Is You!" has just started up with a new semester for the New Year. I will be there 6 AM every Wednesday morning that God allows me in Father O'Hare hall. I hope to see you some of you there. Do not worry if you have not attended before. You will be fine. The evening session start at 7 PM in room 11 of the St. JP2 Center.

It was very nice seeing another great turn out at the Blue Mass this past month.

There were plenty of ushers, kitchen help, clean up, set up, and our wonderful color guard. Thank you, past Grand Knight Jim Ortman, current Grand Knight Al Toschi, and all the members and family that helped and attended. The reception was just as successful with good food fellowship and a wonderful video presentation.

Until next month: pick a holy hour at the Blessed Sacrament chapel or step in for 15 minutes say hello to your Creator. Let him know you care. Have an evening date with your wife at daily mass and then dinner afterward. I dare you! Do not forget to encourage everyone and to say, "I love you!" a lot and mean it!

I love and appreciate you all very much continue in your greatness and love for the Lord Jesus Christ now and always.

Stephen Michael
Lector



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."

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

One Night, One Event or One Knight, One Event. That is the question.

Some of you have asked why a separate card was included with your membership card. That was simply an idea we had last year to remind Knights that we are not just about monthly meetings. We hold events to raise funds to help our parish and community. It is at those events that we come together as Brothers, work together, but more importantly, we get to know each other in a relaxed setting. It is how I got to know the Knights, showing up at Fish Fry events and pitching in. This year I decided to print a similar card and mail it back to Knights as they paid their dues. February is traditionally spring training for baseball. Consider this your call to "pitch in" however you can. It is a crazy time of year for Financial Secretaries. We go through a monthly drill of mailing out dues notices in December. Then, repeat the drill in January, and again in February on top of staying on top of our weekly Lenten events.

Knights, if you are **disabled**, you can apply for a disability waiver and be exempt from paying dues. If this describes you, contact me and we will work things out so you can remain a Knight without the burden of dues.

By the time you read this, the **Blue Mass** will have been held. The annual **Crab Feed** fundraiser will past as well. The Lent season begins on Ash Wednesday/Valentine's Day this year.

The weekend of February 16 and 17 will be challenging for us. The 16th is our first **Fish Fry**. The 17th our council is hosting a **second and third degree ceremony**.

If you are still a first degree Knight, you will receive a letter from me inviting you to take the next steps in your journey as a Knight. You have nothing to be nervous about. You will be among your Brothers. A free lunch will be served. It costs you nothing but a few hours, and you will learn more about what the Knights are all about.

I have to tip my lobster/crab hat to Fr. Mark. I had the silly notion of finding some kind of crab hat to wear on the plaza to sell crab feed hats. I did find one, kind of a nice

quality but alas, I could not disguise the truth that it was probably a more a lobster hat than crab hat. Father rolled with it. He passed me in the parking lot one Sunday morning and asked me, "Where is your hat?" I told him I would wear it after mass. But I began to hear from our parishioners after mass and even Fr. Sekar that Fr. Mark commented in the after mass announcements to ask me why I was wearing a lobster hat to sell crab feed tickets. And he did it throughout the day. It was a fun experience as so many approached me, commented on the hat, smiled, and yes, we sold a few more crab feed tickets. It was all in good fun and, marketing is marketing even if sometimes flawed. At the Blue Mass luncheon, a child asked if he could try it on, and he happily posed for a picture for his parents. Best \$3 I spent just based on the smiles and good will that came out of it. I took a video of the entrance hymn at the Blue Mass, the patriotic song, *Battle Hymn of the Republic*. It is still ringing in my ears. Then after the last Sunday mass, I took another video. We were selling tickets for the crab feed in the dark of night, kind of chilly. Suddenly, there was a youngster, dressed in a black suit who began singing the Christmas tune, *Little Drummer Boy*. There was just a handful of us on the plaza. It was a special, unexpected moment. Knights – these are the things that you will experience when you lend a hand. One Knight. One Event.

Dave Sichak
Financial Secretary, minus
the crab hat



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