



The Navigator

Knights of Columbus - Fourth Degree

Junipero Serra Assembly 0044

December 2014

Siempre Adelanto (Always Forward) Fr Serra's Motto

CALENDAR

Clergy Appreciation Dinner	21 Jan
February Officer's Meeting	02 Feb
Ladies' Night out	16 Feb
March Officer's Meeting	02 Mar

NO DINNER MEETINGS IN JANUARY

CLERGY APPRECIATION DINNER

Clergy Appreciation Dinner will be on **WEDNESDAY JANUARY 21ST** at **BISHOP DIEGO HIGH SCHOOL** with a "SOCIAL HOUR" beginning at **7:00 PM** and **DINNER** will be served **7:30 PM**.

LADIES' NIGHT OUT

Our **16 FEBRUARY** Dinner Meeting will be a Ladies' Night out at the Nugget 5687 Calle Real Goleta with a "SOCIAL HOUR" beginning at **6:30 PM** and ordering for **DINNER** soon after. If your wife and/or you plan to come, make a reservation with **FN RICHARD SCHOLL** at **964-6384**.

BIRTHDAYS FOR JANUARY

The following Sir Knights will celebrate a birthday during the month of January.

Dr. Anthony N. Mendesh	2 Jan
José J Meza	2 Jan
Raymond D Charpentier	3 Jan
Jerry J Nespor	6 Jan
Raymond D. Jarrard	11 Jan
Robert J. Gauthier	12 Jan
Solomon G Sanchez	13 Jan
Donald Aubrey	14 Jan
Richard A Rink	14 Jan
Most Rev Thomas J. Curry	17 Jan
James T. Garland	18 Jan
Richard Martinez	19 Jan
Rev Edward C Nowak	19 Jan
Mark Wietstock	19 Jan
Rev John F Provenza	20 Jan



OneLife LA invites all people on **SATURDAY 17 JANUARY** to join us in declaring a commitment to valuing and protecting all human life, particularly the most vulnerable in our community to which every Catholic and Knight needs to uphold and does whatever one can to protect the sacredness of life. With the Knights as one of the sponsors, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson will be speaking after the march in Grand Park. **FN RICHARD SCHOLL** is coordinating carpooling down to the march and family picnic afterwards. Call him at **964-6384** if you are planning on going. The event will begin at 10 A with a walk up from La Placita Olvera to Grand Park with a family-friendly picnic with music, entertainment, food trucks, and exhibits from community organizations.



KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Lee Alfano widow of SK Sam Alfano, SK Brian Klinge, Terry Pugh, wife of SK Earl Pugh; SK Larry Torres, SK Bill McNamara, SK Felix Sanchez, Bro. Fritz Cahill and his son Tom Cahill, SK Joseph Connolly (Council 1684 & Color Guard), SK Al Meckelborg, Bro. Roy Fong who has Parkinson's Disease, Camille Moynihan, widow of SK John Moynihan, Carol McLafferty, widow of SK Bill McLafferty, Denise Swiacki wife of SK Walter Swiacki, Donna Abels wife of SK Jim Abels, Cindy Peyton's son who has been deployed for a 3rd tour to Afghanistan, Anita Pullens sisters-in-law to SK Felix Sanchez, Sr. Teresa Meza, Sister of SK José Meza, Joe Vampola, brother of SK Mark Vampola, Nancy Herrera, widow of SK Pablo Herrera, SK Roy Schrader, Patricia Schrader, wife of and David, son of SK Roy Schrader, SK Joe & Ruth Duwel, Daughter of PFN Jim Garland, Christian Franzen, nephew of SK Dn Wayne, Bro Dan Engler (Council 1684), Eileen Pando, widow of SK Joe Pando, Frances Diani, wife of Bro. Frank Diani Fr. Dennis, Collins, Fr. Bruce, who is having some medical issues, Fr. James, who is having some medical issues, Fr. David Velasquez of St Joseph who is dealing with many medical issues, Fr. Frank Colburn, and Fr. Tom Ellis, SK Dn Mike Betliskey.

Pray for Pope Francis, our bishops, priests and deacons who are our spiritual leaders in our spiritual community.

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RESPECT LIFE PRAYER

O Blessed Mother, Pray for us your children that we may be strong against the forces of death. Look down upon the babies not allowed to be born, on the poor, on the victims of social injustice, on the elderly and sick killed by the indifference or misguided mercy. Help us appreciate the miracle of life as a gift from God, and may we become a People of Life! Amen

DUES REMINDER

For those of you who did not have E-mail and as a reminder for those who have E-Mail, Paul Coyne reminds us that dues to the 4th Degree Assembly are due in January each year. Dues are \$30 per year the same as it was in 1996.

Please send your check payable only this way **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS JUNIPERO SERRA ASSEMBLY** to Paul Coyne, 5451 Toltec Dr, SB 93111-1609



REST IN PEACE STEVE

Steve Schlesselmann passed away peacefully on December 19, 2014 at the age of 59 years old and went to his reward. He is survived by his mother Anne Marie, brother and sister-in-law John and Lisa, brother Msgr. Gregory, sister and brother-in-law Carolyn and James Todd and his sister Barbara Purcell. Keep his family in your prayers during this time of loss. Steve was born in San Francisco. Few years after he graduated from Berkley with a BA in Accounting, he moved to Santa Barbara due to his love for the outdoors and the coast and mild weather. He spent the last 15 years here where he served in multiple positions including Grand Knight and District Deputy with the Knights of Columbus Council 5300. Steve also volunteered for St. Vincent De Paul Society and the Adult Literacy Program. He enjoyed geology, hiking and sightseeing around the state. He was an avid Sports fan, favoring the 49ers' and the Giants.

CHAPTER FOUR GOD PREPARES A CITY FOR THEM (CF. HEB 11:16) FROM POPE FRANCIS' ENCYCLICAL *LIGHT OF FAITH*

Consolation and strength amid suffering

Writing to the Christians of Corinth about his sufferings and tribulations, Saint Paul links his faith to his preaching of the Gospel. In himself, he sees fulfilled the passage of Scripture, which reads: "I believed, and so I spoke" (2Cor 4:13). The reference is to a verse of Psalm 116, in which the psalmist exclaims: "I kept my faith, even when I said, 'I am greatly afflicted'" (v. 10). To speak of faith often involves speaking of painful testing, yet it is precisely in such testing that Paul sees the most convincing proclamation of the Gospel, for it is in weakness and suffering that we discover God's power, which triumphs over our weakness and suffering. The apostle himself experienced a dying, which would become life for Christians (cf. 2Cor 4:7-12). In the hour of trial faith brings light, while suffering and weakness make it evident that "we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord" (2Cor 4:5). The eleventh chapter of the Letter to the Hebrews concludes with a reference to those who suffered for their faith (cf. Heb 11:35-38); outstanding among these was Moses, who suffered abuse for the Christ (cf. v. 26). Christians know that suffering cannot be eliminated, yet it can have meaning and become an act of love and entrustment into the hands of God who does not abandon us; in this way, it can serve as a moment of growth in faith and love. By contemplating Christ's union with the Father even at the height of his sufferings on the cross (cf. Mk 15:34), Christians learn to share in the same gaze of Jesus. Even death is illumined and can be experienced as the ultimate call to faith, the ultimate "Go forth from your land" (Gen 12:1), the ultimate "Come!" spoken by the Father, to whom we abandon ourselves in the confidence that he will keep us steadfast even in our final passage. Nor does the light of faith make us forget the sufferings of this world. How many men and women of faith have found mediators of light in those who suffer! So it was with Saint Francis of Assisi and the leper, or with Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta and her poor. They understood the mystery at work in them. In drawing near to the suffering, they were certainly not able to eliminate all their pain or to explain every evil. Faith is not a light, which scatters all our darkness, but a lamp, which guides our steps in the night and suffices for the journey. To those who suffer, God does not provide arguments, which explain everything; rather, his response is that of an accompanying presence, a history of goodness, which touches every story of suffering and opens up a ray of light. In Christ, God himself wishes to share this path with us and to offer us his gaze so that we might see the light within it. Christ is the one who, having endured suffering, is "the pioneer and Perfector of our faith" (Heb 12:2). Suffering reminds us that faith's service to the common good is always one of hope — a hope which looks ever ahead in the knowledge that only from God, from the future which comes from the risen Jesus, can our society find solid and lasting foundations. In this sense faith is linked to hope, for even if our dwelling place here below is wasting away, we have an eternal dwelling place which God has already prepared in Christ, in his body (cf. 2Cor 4:16-5:5). The dynamic of faith, hope and charity (cf. 1Th 1:3; 1Cor 13:13) thus leads us to embrace the concerns of all men and women on our journey towards that city "whose architect and builder is God" (Heb 11:10), for "hope does not disappoint" (Rom 5:5). In union with faith and charity, hope propels us towards a sure future, set against a different horizon with regard to the illusory enticements of the idols of this world yet granting new momentum and strength to our daily lives. Let us refuse to be robbed of hope, or to allow our hope to be dimmed by facile answers and solutions, which block our progress.

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***INTERCESSION TO APOSTLE OF CALIFORNIA
PADRE JUNIPERO SERRA***

O Lord Jesus Christ, reward the apostolic zeal of Your servant, Padre Junipero Serra, who departing his native Spain, labored for the salvation of souls in Mexico and California. Graciously deign by evident signs and prodigies to glorify him, so that for the exaltation of Your Most Holy Name, he may be elevated to the honors of the altar. Through Padre's intercession kindly grant the special favor, I request.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be to the Father

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