

Knights of Columbus

Goleta Valley Council 5300
 St. Raphael's Church, Goleta, California
 Newsletter
 June 2022– July 2022

June 6, 2022	4th Degree Officer's Meeting	Conference Room-7:00 pm
June 6, 2022	3rd Degree Officer's Meeting	Conference Room-7:30 pm
June 12, 2022	Pancake Breakfast	Parish Hall-8:00-11:00 am
June 13, 2022	3rd Degree Business Meeting	Parish Hall - 7:00 pm
June 20, 2022	4th Degree Dinner Meeting	Parish Hall - 7:00 pm
July 4, 2022	Independence Day	
July 5, 2022	4th Degree Officer's Meeting	Conference Room-7:00 pm
July 5, 2022	3rd Degree Officer's Meeting	Conference room -7:30 pm
July 10, 2022	Pancake Breakfast	Parish Hall-8:00-11:00 am
July 11, 2022	3rd Degree Business Meeting	Parish Hall - 7:00 pm
July 18, 2022	4th Degree Dinner Meeting	Parish Hall - 7:00 pm

End of The Columbian Year - The end of the Columbian Year is fast approaching and it is the time to select new officers for the new year. Below is a slate of officers that was presented at the Council 5300 business meeting for consideration and voting to be held at the June business meeting:

Grand Knight	Mark Vampola PGK
Deputy Grand Knight	Rich Scholl PGK
Chancellor	John Bravo PGK
Recorder	Frank Donohoe PGK
Treasurer	Jim Bonsell
Advocate	Patrick Donohoe
Lecturer	Jack Turney PGK
Warden	Mike Macdonald
Inside Guard	Jim Bradbury PGK
Outside Guard	OPEN
Trustee - 1 Year	OPEN
Trustee - 2 Year	Charles DeMauro PGK
Trustee - 3 Year	Bill Fuhrer PGK

Pre Fiesta Dinner - Mark your calendar. The 4th Degree Assembly 044 in conjunction with Council 5300 and Council 1684 will be hosting a Pre-Fiesta dinner on Monday, July 18th, our regular meeting night. This will be open to wives and guests. The menu will be barbequed chicken, beans and salad. Other dishes (sides, salads and desserts) will be potluck, supplied by those attending. Entertainment will be dances by the Jr. and Sr. Spirit of Fiesta. It should be a fun Monday night. Cost and other details are forthcoming.

Membership - Recently it was brought to my attention by a longtime member that he was not aware that he could advance to the higher degrees in the Order by merely completing the online Exemplification that takes in all three degrees, therefore completing membership in the Council. The whole process takes about 1 hour of time. If you are not yet a 3rd Degree member of the Council, let me (Jack Turney) know and I can send you the instructions on how to complete the process. Don't worry, this will not automatically make you the Grand Knight!!

Talking about membership, we need new members for the Council that will continue on with the work we have built up over the past years. Joining the Knights is now very easy with the use of a smartphone. Using a smartphone all you have to do is scan a QR code that will take you directly to the Knights of Columbus website, answer a few questions and you are a member. At the moment, the first year of online membership is FREE. Contact Jack Turney if you have somebody interested in joining.

Planned Parent Prayer Vigils - Prayer vigils are still being held most weekday mornings across the street from Planned Parenthood, 518 Garden Street, Santa Barbara. For more information please call Gisela Cooper at 805 886 3732.

Insurance Agent - Please note that we now have a new insurance agent. His contact information is: Anthony G. Rodriguez, 805 328-9788.

Up Coming Birthdays:

June		July	
Ed Leicht	1	David Fedorko	5
Fredrick Lopez	5	Joe Kovach	8
Terrence Bonham	8	Chris Arnoult	10
Al Meckelborg	8	Robert Marks	15
Wilbur Barry	10	Mauricio Cuevas	18
Mark McClintok	10	Juan Morales	19
Mark Vampola	10	James Bonsell	20
John Vasellina	15	Rev. Tomas Elis	22
Michael Symnaski	15	Patrick Donohoe	24
Rev. John Stoeger	19	Dal Die Bold	25
William Thorpe	20	James Abels	30

Saint for June, *Justin, Martyr (d. 165)*

Justin never ended his quest for religious truth even when he converted to Christianity after years of studying various pagan philosophies.

As a young man, he was principally attracted to the school of Plato. However, he found that the Christian religion answered the great questions about life and existence better than the philosophers.

Upon his conversion he continued to wear the philosopher's mantle, and became the first Christian philosopher. He combined the Christian religion with the best elements in Greek philosophy. In his view, philosophy was a pedagogue of Christ, an educator leading others to Christ.

Justin is known as an apologist, one who defends in writing the Christian religion against the attacks and misunderstandings of the pagans. Two of his apologies have come down to us; they are addressed to the Roman emperor and to the senate.

For his staunch adherence to the Christian religion, Justin was beheaded in Rome in 165.

Saint for July: *Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr (1890-1902)*

One of the largest crowds ever assembled for a canonization-250,000-symbolized the reaction of millions touched by the simple story of Maria Goretti.

She was the daughter of a poor Italian tenant farmer, had no chance to go to school, and never learned to read or write. When she made her first Communion not long before her death, she was one of the larger and somewhat backward members of the class.

On a hot afternoon in July, Maria was sitting at the top of the stairs of her house, mending a shirt. She was not quite twelve years old, but physically mature. A cart stopped outside, and a neighbor, Alessandro Serenelli, eighteen years old, ran up the stairs. He seized her and pulled her into a bedroom. She struggled and tried to call for help, gasping that she would be killed rather than submit. "No God does not wish it. It is a sin. You would go to hell for it."

Alessandro began striking her with a long dagger.

She was taken to a hospital. Her last hours were marked by the usual simple compassion of the good - concern about where her mother would sleep, forgiveness of her murderer (she had been in fear of him, but did not say anything lest she cause trouble to his family), and her devout welcoming of Viaticum, her last Holy Communion. She died about twenty-four hours after the attack.

Her murderer was sentenced to thirty years in prison. For a long time he was unrepentant and surly. One night he had a dream, or vision of Maria gathering flowers and offering them to him. His life changed. When he was released after twenty-seven years, his first act was to go to beg the forgiveness of Maria's mother.

Devotion to the young martyr grew, miracles were worked, and in less than half a century she was canonized. At her beatification in 1947, her mother (then eighty-two), two sisters and a brother appeared with Pope Pius XII on the balcony of St. Peter's. Three years later, at her canonization, a sixty-six-year-old Alessandro Serenelli knelt among the quarter-million and cried for joy.

The above are excerpts taken from *Saint of the Day: the Definitive Guide to the Saints*, by Leonard Foley

Please keep in your prayers the following:

Jose Meza
Felix Sanchez
John Kestel
Katherine DiMauro, sister of Charlie DiMauro
Earl Pugh
Carol McLafferty (widow of PGK Bill McLafferty)
Teresa Barrier, wife of SK Ed Barrier
Lee Alfano (widow of Sam Alfano)
SK Al Meckelborg
Sr. Teresa Meza, sister of SK Jose Meza
SK Jose Meza’s wife, Maria
Anita Pullens, sister-in-law of SK Felix Sanchez
Manual Cabrera and his spouse, brother and sister-in-law of Francisco Cabrera

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Editor’s Note:

This Newsletter is a work in progress and will be limited to text (black and white) only to keep the cost down. Pictures of events can be found on the K of C website, www.kc5300.org .

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