Knights of Columbus

Goleta Valley Council 5300 St. Raphael's Church, Goleta, California Newsletter June/July 2024

June 3, 2024	4th Degree Officer's Meeting	Conference Rm 7:00 pm
June 3, 2024	3rd Degree Officer's Meeting	Conference Rm 7:30 pm
June 9, 2024	Pancake Breakfast/Blood Drive	Parish Hall-8:00-11:00 am
June 10, 2024	3rd Degree Business Meeting	Parish Hall - 7:00 pm
June 17, 2024	4 th Degree Business/Dinner Mtg.	Parish Hall - 7:00 pm
July 1, 2024	4th Degree Officer's Meeting	Conference Rm 7:00 pm
July 1, 2024	3rd Degree Officer's Meeting	Conference Rm 7:30 pm
July 14, 2024	Pancake Breakfast	Parish Hall-8:00-11:00 am
July 15, 2024	3rd Degree Business Meeting	Parish Hall - 7:00 pm
July 20, 2024	Pre-Fiesta Dinner	Parish Hall – 6:00-9:00 pm
July 22, 2024	4th Degree Business Meeting	Parish Hall - 7:00 pm

From Mother Teresa's book Do Something Beautiful for God, June 17

Holiness is not something extraordinary, not something for only a few. Holiness is for every one of us. It is simple duty: the acceptance of God with a smile, at all times, anywhere and everywhere.

Pancake Breakfast - The Council 5300 pancake breakfasts are typically held on the 2nd Sunday of each month and the next one is on June 9th. These are one of our major fund raisers, helping to support our philanthropic efforts to the ministries of the Parish.

The June 9th pancake breakfast will include a Blood Drive. Blood Drive donors will receive a free breakfast, courtesy of the Knights. Blood Drive Coordinator, Bill Finck (805 967 6286), will need some help signing up potential donors after all Masses on June 2nd. If you can spare a moment after the Mass that you attend to lend a hand, stop by table in front of the church.

July's pancake breakfast will be on July 14th.

Pre-Fiesta Dinner – Council 5300 will host the annual Pre-Fiesta Dinner on July 20th, open to the Parish, starting at 6:00 pm. The entertainment for the evening will be the Junior and Senior Fiesta Spirits, two different dance groups and some other entertainers to round out the evening. The cost for the dinner and entertainment will be \$20 per person. Mark your calendar for this most popular event.

Planned Parent Prayer Vigils - Prayer vigils are still being held most weekday mornings across the street from Planned Parenthood, 518 Garden Street, Santa Barbara. If you can spend an hour on one of those days, plan to spend it in peaceful prayer in front of Planned Parenthood. For more information please call Gisela Cooper at 805 886 3732.

Insurance Agent – The Ron Sandoval Insurance Agency is currently the agency covering the Santa Barbara/Goleta area. We now have a field agent servicing this area. His name is Jesse Martinez, telephone number 661-341-1390. His email address is jesse.martinez@kofc.org.

Up Coming Birthdays:

June		July		
Ronald Guilliams	3	David Fedorko	5	
Fredrick Lopez	5	Joe Kovach	8	
Terrence Bonham	8	Chris Arnoult	10	
William Barry	10	Robert Marks	15	
Mark Vampola	10	Mauricio Cuevas	18	
Michael Symanski	15	Juan Morales	19	
Rev. John Stoeger	19	James Bonsell	20	
William Thorpe	20	Rev. Tomas Elis	22	
		Patrick Donohoe	24	

Saint for June, Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor (306?-373), June 9

Poet, teacher, orator and defender of the faith, Ephrem is the Syrian recognized as a Doctor of the Church. He took upon himself the special task of opposing the many false doctrines rampant at his time, always remaining a true and forceful defender of the Catholic Church.

Born in Nisibis, Mesopotamia, he was baptized as a young man and became a famous teacher in his native city. When the Christian emperor had to cede Nisibis to the Persians, Ephrem, along with many Christians, fled as a refugee to Edessa. He is credited with attracting great glory to the biblical school there. He was ordained a deacon but declined becoming a priest (and was said to have avoided episcopal consecration by feigning madness!).

He had a prolific pen and his writings best illumine his holiness. Althought he was not a man of great scholarship, his works reflect deep insight and knowledge of the Scriptures. In writing about the mysteries of humanity's redemption, Ephrem reveals a realistic and humanly sympathetic spirit and a great devotion to the humanity of Jesus. It is said that his poetic account of the last judgement inspired Dante.

It is surprising to read that he wrote hymns against the heretics of his day. He would take popular songs of the heretical groups and, using their melodies, compose beautiful hymns embodying orthodox doctrine. Ephrem became one of the first to introduce song into the Church's public worship as a means of instruction for the faithful. His many hymns have earned him the title of "Harp of the Holy Spirit".

He preferred a simple, austere life, living in a small cave overlooking the city of Edessa. It was here that he died around 373.

Saint for July: Anthony Zaccaria, Priest (1502-1539), July 5

At the same time that Martin Luther was attacking the abuses in the Church, a reformation within the Church was already being attempted. Among the early movers of the Counter-Reformation was Anthony Zaccaria. His mother became a widow at eighteen and devoted herself to the spiritual education of her son. He received a medical doctorate at twenty-two and, while working among the poor of his native Cremona in Italy, was attracted to the religious apostolate. He renounced his rights to any future inheritance, worked as a catechist, and was ordained a priest at the age of twenty-six. Called to Milan in a few years, he laid the foundations of two religious congregations, one for men and one for women, plus an association of married couples. Their aim was to reform the decadent society of their day, beginning with the clergy, religious, and lay people.

Greatly inspired by St. Paul (his congregation was named the Barnabites, after the companion of that saint), Anthony preached with great vigor in the church and street, conducted popular missions, and was not ashamed of doing public penance.

He encouraged such innovations as the collaboration of the laity in the apostolate, frequent Communion, the Forty Hours devotion, and the ringing of church bells at 3:00 pm on Fridays. His holiness moved many to reform their lives but, as with all the saints, it also moved many to oppose him. Twice his community had to undergo official religious investigation, and twice it was exonerated.

While on a mission of peace, he became seriously ill and was brought home for a visit with his mother. He died at Cremona at the age of thirty-six.

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:

Felix Sanchez, who is undergoing treatment for the return of cancer.

Patricia Puerling, wife of Tom Puerling

John Bravo

Paul (Friend of Rich Scholl)
Jack Chard (friend of Nick Mina)
Dan Feeney with a serious medical condition
Richard David Cabrera, nephew of Francisco Cabrera
Frank and Fran Diani
Jose Meza and wife Maria
Bob Marks
Ginny Scholl, spouse of Rich Scholl
Catherine DiMauro, sister of Charlie DiMauro
Norma DiMauro, grandmother of Charlie DiMauro
Helen Mudugno (wife of Ralph Mudugno)
Earl Pugh
Carol McLafferty (widow of PGK Bill McLafferty)
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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