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Membership Drive – March 4, 2007



On Sunday, March 4th, Council 5300 hosted their annual Spring membership drive. Pictured above, Brother Sam Alfano (our Membership Director) and our District Deputy, Cherif Khoury wait to talk to potential candidates as they exit Mass. As stated in the Grand Knight’s report, several candidates signed up and/or expressed interest in joining our Order.

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GRAND KNIGHT’S REPORT

By Stephen Schlesselmann, Grand Knight



A Spiritual Thought

On Sunday, April 15th, we will be celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday. As **St. Josemaria de Balaguer** states: “Seek union with God and buoy yourself up with hope-that *sure* virtue-because Jesus will illumine the way for you with the gentle light of his mercy, even in the darkest night” (**Page 641 of the Way/Furrow/the Forge by St. Josemaria de Balaguer**).

HAPPY EASTER! I hope all of you have a very restful prayer-filled day and enjoyable one with your families.

The month of March has been another busy month for the Council. The month started out with a bang on March 4th with a membership blitz drive at St. Raphael’s in the morning and a 3rd degree in Simi Valley in the afternoon. Brothers Tim Hogan and Mark Vampola who took their 1st Degree in January and their 2nd in February attended the 3rd Degree.

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Program Director's Report

By Francisco Cabrera, Deputy Grand Knight

Lent Season Meditations continued



30 - No matter how young or old we are, God loves us. He is constantly watching out for us and is on our side. Feel free to lean on Jesus when you need to talk to Him. He is with us always.

31 - Holy water is good to use. It remits venial sin. Satan hates Holy water because it is good. Whenever danger is near; use Holy water and rejoice.

32 - Instead of buying something you like, give the money to the poor. Jesus always supported charitable acts. Join Him in giving to charity and helping others.

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April, 2007

- 04/02/07 Monday K of C Officers' Meeting, 8:00 PM
- 04/08/07 Sunday Easter Sunday (No Pancake Breakfast)
- 04/09/07 Monday K of C 5300 Business Meeting/First Degree, 7:30 PM
- 04/16/07 Monday Ladies Night Out-4th Degree-St. Raphael's Hall, 6:00 PM
- 04/29/07 Sunday Corporate Communion

May, 2007

- 05/04/07 Friday 24-Hour Adoration
- 05/07/07 Monday K of C Officers' Meeting, 8:00 PM
- 05/13/07 Sunday Pancake Breakfast after 7:30 and 9:30 AM Masses
- 05/13/07 Sunday Mother's Day Orchids
- 05/14/07 Monday K of C 5300 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
- 05/17/07 Thursday Feast of the Ascension
- 05/17/07 Thursday State Convention in Ontario (until 05/20/07)
- 05/19/07 Saturday Rosary Bowl, 6 PM (at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena)
- 05/28/07 Monday Memorial Day Picnic

June, 2007

- 06/01/07 Friday 24-Hour Adoration
- 06/04/07 Monday K of C Officers' Meeting, 8:00 PM
- 06/10/07 Sunday Pancake Breakfast after 7:30 and 9:30 AM Masses
- 06/11/07 Monday K of C 5300 Business Meeting, 7:30 PM
- 06/17/07 Sunday Father's Day Cards
- 06/27/07 Wednesday Officer's Installation & Grand Knight's Party



Chancellor's Report
Dan Knauss, Chancellor

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:
Brother Len Mooy; Deacon Fred Pelletier, Former Deputy Supreme Knight and Past State Deputy; Brother Ignacio Ramirez; Past Church Music Director Don Fitch; Walter Swiacki Jr, Son of PGK Walter Swiacki Sr.; Brother Mark Christman; Donna Riley, wife of Ken Riley; Ann Marie McBeth, daughter of PGK Max Keller; Shirley Giordano, wife of Jack Giordano; PGK Dick Hopper: May God grant them peace and comfort.

Please pray for Brother Knights who are ill or recovering from illness:
Flemming Andersson; Jesse Garcia; Fred Cota; George Romich; Don Benn; Daniel Bunke who is doing well and thanks the Knights for all their prayers; Fritz Cahill.

Other persons for whom prayers are requested:
Eleanor Cahill, wife of Fritz Cahill; Nancy Herrera; Patrick Donohoe, son of PGK Frank Donohoe; Ellen Velasco, granddaughter of Bruce Velasco; Theresa Meza, sister of Jose Meza; Michael T. McGrew, grandson of Tom Cordeiro; Barbara Vogel, mother of PGK John Vogel; Barbara Friedrich; the niece of PGK John Vogel; Bill Kestel, brother of John Kestel; Steve Schlesselmann's sister's family; Donna Abels, wife of Jim Abels; Larry Torres, Jr.(at home waiting for liver transplant), son of Larry Torres; Steve Schlesselmann's father; Cay Donohoe (heart surgery), wife of PGK Frank Donohoe; Coco Corcoran, wife of John Corcoran; Jim Bradbury's granddaughter.

If you know of any corrections or changes to this report, please contact Dan Knauss by phone at (805) 964-2442 or at Daniel@gvoptical.com.



Report of the 4th Degree
Bill McLafferty, Faithful Navigator

The Color Corps turned out for the William Hopper funeral in great number. Paul Coyne says that 20 were present at the church. A past Worthy Grand Knight and a member of many years, William Hopper was honored by the attendance at his funeral Mass. The family requested a chalice which was presented at the service.

Our next Ladies' Night Out will be in the Parish Hall on April 16, 2007 at 6:00 PM for cocktails and socializing (no-host bar), with dinner at 7:00 PM, prepared by Chef James Bradbury. We are holding the last Ladies' Night Out dinner of this Columbian year at the hall so that everyone can attend with their lovely ladies. The price will be only \$20.00 per person. Menu choices will be rib-eye steak or teriyaki chicken. The low price includes the entrée, salad, roll, butter and a very special dessert. The dinner will be served on the linen-covered tables by the best servers we could find. The entertainment is still to be decided, if we have any at all. Let's all attend and show our Ladies a great time.

We want to encourage other Knights to join the Fourth Degree at the time of the Exemplification in Visalia on November 3, 2007. If you have any questions about how to do this, check with any Fourth Degree member. There will be more information coming on this exemplification in the future.

Our dinner meeting in March celebrated St. Patrick's Day with corn-beef and cabbage and lots of good Irish humor. We also recognized the Sir Knights who have a birthday in the month of March.





Insurance Agent's Report
David Farebrother, Field Agent

www.KofC.org

If you haven't visited the Knights of Columbus Web site in a while, I encourage you to do so the next time you're online. There are many exciting features on www.kofc.org, but there are two that I wish to make you especially aware of.

The first is our member testimonial area, titled "Stages of Life." In this multi-media area, six "real-life" stories are told – stories of people at different stages of their lives. Chances are one of them will sound a lot like you. These people talk about how their Knights of Columbus agent took the time to demonstrate for them the need for life insurance in their lives. I'll be happy to do that for you and your family as well.

The second is our Life Insurance Calculator. This handy, easy-to-use online tool was developed to allow you, in about 15-20 minutes, to **estimate** the amount of life insurance coverage you need. The information you'll be asked to provide will be basic (the type most folks would tend to have at their fingertips), and secure (it's intended to be used solely for the purposes of the online calculator – the Order won't capture it or share it with anyone, including me!). I stress that the number you'll receive is an estimate, based on the basic information you provide. It's not intended to take the place of the free, professional needs analysis that I'll be happy to provide for you and your family.

To contact me with regards to this or any of your KofC insurance needs, please email me at dlfarebrother@aol.com or call me at either of the numbers listed below. I look forward to hearing from you.

Fraternally,

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Community Director's Report
Rich Scholl, PGK
Community Director

LENTEN FISH FRYS

The six Fish Fries are in the books as a success. Diners have praised the succulent filet of sole. As Past Grand Knight, Chris Arnoult said: "Abstinence was never this good!" The Council netted \$4,564 on a gross of \$8,364 for 1,116 dinners served (including help). Council member attendance fell off the last three weeks so that it could have been an even bigger financial success.

The crew really did a great job and it was a joy to be a part of the effort. Many Knights and their Ladies contributed their time to make the Fish Fry a big success. Last week, the able kitchen crew of Mark Vampola, Tim Hogan and John Luzader had the place spic and span by 8:00 P.M. In helping out at this event, these Knights are realizing the goals of fraternity and unity besides making money for charitable causes. I want to remind everyone that we are looking for a new chairman since I will not be here for most of the Fish Fries next year. The documented system we now have makes it much easier to manage.

There has been some discussion about how our unbudgeted income should be spent. The Fish Fries have become one of the biggest contributors to our income. In the next Knightline, I will give the results of a survey from the Fish Fry volunteers about where they think that the money should be spent plus a fuller recognition of all the loyal Knights involved in making this event such a success.

Rich Scholl, Chairman

Religious of the Month
Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity

by Rich Scholl

This article is the sixteenth in a series on religious orders that have served Santa Barbara. It is a labor of affection for me as I have been associated in ministry or have been a beneficiary of the ministry of

most of these orders at some point in my life. They are a part of our lives that we Catholics often take for granted. The religious orders are truly a leaven in the great loaf of the church and in the greater secular society around us. For a small number, and currently shrinking, they have a major effect, so that one wonders how different Santa Barbara would be without their long history of service.

In 1869, five young women, deeply in love with God, desired to share their daily lives together in Manitowoc, Wisconsin. St. Francis of Assisi's simple Gospel way of life inspired them. Today, the Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity live wholeheartedly the loving spirit of their foundresses. They strive to live the Gospel in simplicity, built on faith in a loving God; joyful acceptance of poverty; love for the Church and selfless dedication to the service of others. Their common life is centered in the Eucharist and rooted in prayer.



School



Mother House

The order's first apostolate was in education and they grew to 100 sisters and 35 postulants within 16 years. In 1885, they established a school at the motherhouse to prepare their members as teachers. This school has developed into Silver Lake College, a four year liberal arts college with an enrollment of 900 undergraduates, and Holy Family Conservatory of Music. This was the first college in the United States to teach the Kodaly concept of music education. In the 1930's, the order extended its education to Indian reservations in Arizona, where they continue today, and to the Archdiocese of Los Angeles at 4 schools. One of these was San Roque Elementary School, where they served from 1936 to 1984. (I was a student for eight years during that time and received a great education.) Other notable places where they have served in schools are Hawaii and Lima, Peru. Today the Sisters serve at 13 elemen-

tary schools, 4 high schools, 3 religious education centers and 9 other places of parish ministry in 3 archdioceses and 7 dioceses in the United States.

The order's health apostolate began in 1881. Their legacy today is 3 hospitals and 2 elderly care facilities in the Midwest. They also established nursing schools in 1905 and 1920 to train nurses for their health ministry. These were closed in the 1970's.

The Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity reached a membership of over 1,000 in the 1950's and have served in 15 states, the District of Columbia and Peru. Today the congregation numbers 371 members and serves in 8 states. Some of the members live in retirement at the motherhouse in Manitowoc, where they serve actively in their apostolate of prayer.

The Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity welcome young women, high school graduates to age 35, caught by the spirit of St. Francis and fired with a burning love for Jesus, to join them.

Fr. Michael McGivney

(Continued from last month)

Founder

People who knew Father McGivney in this period were impressed by his energy and intensity. Father Gordian Daley later recalled, "I saw him but once, and yet I remember this pale, beautiful face as if I saw it only yesterday. It was a 'priest's face' and that explains everything. It was a face of wonderful repose. There was nothing harsh in that countenance although there was everything that was strong."

William Geary, one of the Order's charter members, said that at the first council meeting in 1882, he was "acclaimed as founder by 24 men with hearts full of joy and thanksgiving, recognizing that without his optimism, his will to succeed, his counsel and advice they would have failed."

Father McGivney had suggested Sons of Columbus as a name for the Order. This would bind Catholicism and Americanism together through the faith and bold vision of the New World's discoverer.

The word "knights" replaced "sons" because key members of the organizing group who were Irish-born Civil War veterans felt it would help to apply a noble ritual in support of the emerging cause of Catholic civil liberty.

In the first public reference to the Order on February 8, 1882, the New Haven Morning Journal and Courier said the Knights of Columbus' initial meeting had been held the night before.

On March 29, the Connecticut legislature granted a charter to the Knights of Columbus, formally establishing it as a legal corporation. The Order's principles in 1882 were "Unity" and "Charity." The concepts of "Fraternity" and "Patriotism" were added later. Each of these ideals played a major role in ceremonials from the beginning. The Columbus-linked themes, says historian Christopher J. Kauffman, "reverberated with pride in the American promise of liberty, equality and opportunity."

Devotion

In April 1882, Father McGivney, with the permission of Bishop McMahan, wrote to all the pastors of the Diocese of Hartford. The Order's primary objective, he wrote, was to dissuade Catholics from joining secret societies by providing them better advantages at times of death or sickness. He urged each pastor to exert influence "in the formation of a Council in your parish." Father McGivney personally installed the first officers of San Salvador Council 1 in New Haven, in May, 1882.

By May 1883, Council 2 had been instituted in Meriden, Connecticut and Bishop McMahan, so impressed with the organization, became a member of Council 11 in 1884, and served it as council chaplain. By the end of 1885, there were 31 councils in Connecticut.

Father McGivney's dedication to the Order was evidenced in trips he made to all parts of Connecticut and in handwritten correspondence—little of which survives—about K of C business. At St. Mary's, despite all this, he remained the energetic curate with constant concern for every parishioner's problems.

Then in November 1884, he was named pastor of St. Thomas Church in Thomaston, Connecticut, a

factory town 10 miles from his hometown. It was a factory parish, heavily in debt, serving working-class parishioners with few resources beyond their faith. With prayerful acceptance, Father McGivney put his seven years at St. Mary's behind him.

His New Haven parishioners, in a testimonial resolution elaborately superimposed on the drawing of a chalice and host, declared that despite burdens and afflictions, his courtesy, his kindness and the purity of his life had "secured the love and confidence of the people of St. Mary's, which will follow him in every future field.

Death

Never robust in health, Father McGivney was suddenly stricken with a serious case of pneumonia in January 1890. It hung on. Various treatments for consumptive illness were tried, but his decline persisted. The young priest lost physical strength just as the Order he founded was moving toward new vitality.

On August 14, 1890, Father Michael J. McGivney died at the age of 38. In his 13 brief, busy years as a priest, Father McGivney's piety and compassion had won the love of those he served as curate and pastor. His Christian inspiration, leadership and administrative drive had brought him the loyalty and affection of thousands who knew him as the founder of the Knights of Columbus.

From the moment he launched it, the organization fortified Catholics in their faith, offered them ways to greater financial security in a sometimes hostile world, and strengthened them in self-esteem.

Remarkably developed from its simple beginnings in a church basement, the Knights of Columbus today combines Catholic fraternalism and one of the most successful American insurance enterprises. The four towers of the international headquarters symbolize the Order's worldwide commitment to charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. More than 12,000 fraternal councils are active in 13 countries.

Nearly 1.7 million Knights contribute about \$130 million and 61 million hours of volunteer service to charitable causes each year. And—as a particular result of the Order's multi-faceted services to the Church—the board of directors in 1988 conducted

formal business of the Order for the first time in a room named for the Knights of Columbus within the ancient St. Peter's Basilica in Rome.

At St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Father McGivney's polished granite sarcophagus, sheltered inside a totally restored church, now has become a shrine for pilgrim Knights where the Order began.

(editor's note: The above article was included by our current substitute editor, PGK Michael Donovan from www.kofc.org).

Member of Council 5300 since 1976
John and Mildred Sternot
Married Happily for 70+ Years

By Joe T. Kovach, 3rd Degree Knight



Mr. and Mrs. John James Sternot have been blessed to have been happily married for 70+ years. Members of St. Raphael's Parish since 1972, John and Mildred attribute their long fruitful life to "working together, taking part in activities like walking and dancing and eating healthy."

John joined the Knights of Columbus Council 5300 in December 1976 and soon afterwards became a 2nd and 3rd Degree (April 17, 1977). His favorite KC social activities include the annual Oktoberfest Dinner-Dance and the Labor Day Picnics.

A native of Vesper, Wisconsin, John was married to Mildred at Saints Peter and Paul Church in Wisconsin Rapids, WI. by Rev. Stephen Anderl on August 25, 1936. Mildred Swarick was 18 at the time (born July 29th) and a large wedding celebration took place. There were five sisters and brothers (Arthur, Grace, Alvina, Beulah and Elaine) in her family and John's family also included five brothers and sisters (Mary, Anna, Joseph, Anton and Francis). All are

deceased except Elaine.

Before John & Mildred were married, they were neighbors since Mildred's family (Henry and Emma Benish Swarick) owned a 200-acre farm that bordered a farm owned by John's parents (Jacob and Josephine Shymanski Sternot). John's father was born in Czechoslovakia and his mother's birthplace was Chicago. Mildred's father was born in Milwaukee and her mother in Vesper.

John and Mildred graduated from Spring Lake Grade School. He graduated from Lincoln High School.

For 14 years, John drove a milk truck collecting milk from 63 area farmers where he delivered the milk to a large milk plant. He later worked for a paper mill company and also drove trucks for transportation firms. He was a licensed cheese maker and enjoyed deer hunting and fishing. He retired in 1973 from the Teamsters.

The Sternots currently are proud parents of daughter Delores, born May 29, 1939. "We enjoy her being around. She schedules doctor appointments and gets us to them, and she reads and answers all our mail that we don't understand," boasted John who was born Oct. 2, 1912.

Delores exclaimed, "My parents always have encouraged me to do things in life that I wanted to do. They have been there for me whenever I needed them." She added, "It's so neat and interesting to listen to them reminiscing about their early years on the farmlands in Wisconsin."

In 1972, John, Mildred and Delores decided to make a big move from Cudahy, WI to Goleta after living in Wisconsin for 60, 54 and 33 years respectively. At St. Raphael's, John served faithfully as an Usher at the 9:30 Sunday Mass for 28-years, retiring in 2005. Mildred has been active with the Parish Women's Auxiliary since 1972. The Sternots emphasized, "Father Stephen Noel Downes stands out for being special to us." John added, "After my heart surgery, Msgr. Steve brought me Holy Communion every Sunday promptly between 2:30 and 3 P.M."

"The best thing about being St. Raphael's parishioners is seeing so many friendly people," ex-

claimed the Sternots. In their 35-years as members of the parish, the most memorable events were the Centennial Celebrations held in 1996 and being a part of the 324-page Centennial Yearbook.

The keys to their successful 70+ years of marriage include 'togetherness,' -- "where one went so did the other and we still do," remarked John. They added, "Keep active and continue talking with one another from present things to things and people of long ago."

Travels have taken them to 49 states except Alaska, to Canada several times, and into Mexico from Arizona, California and Texas and back to Wisconsin many times.

John's hobbies include walking, reading, gardening, fill-in puzzle books and checking out National Geographic, Geographic Traveler, Country, and Birds and Blooms magazines. Mildred's hobbies are making jams and jellies, embroidering and gardening. They recall two big events that involved the whole community. One was the campaign to get Long's Drug Store into town and the other was the successful drive to pass Proposition 13.

Some other interesting personal items:

- Favorite book: Biography of Lawrence Welk;
- Favorite food: Sauerkraut and dumplings;
- Favorite TV program: Reruns of Lawrence Welk and Huell Howser;
- Favorite movie of all time: Sound of Music;
- Favorite sport to watch on TV or live: baseball and boxing;
- Favorite sport as a participant when younger: basketball;
- Growing up, I always thought I'd be: in the Navy;
- In a big dance contest in Wis.: took second place;
- Favorite meal Mildred prepares: home made noodles in chicken soup and pork, dumplings and sauerkraut;
- Favorite travel destination: Canada;
- Favorite restaurant in the area: Sizzler's;
- Favorite places/spot at St. Raphael's: Attending Mass in 3rd pew from the middle;
- One word to describe us at Church: friendly;

- One word to describe St. Raphael's: friendly;
- One word to describe the Knights of Columbus: Excellent;
- My parents were right when they told me: Work hard and be good to the elderly;
- Greatest personal moment as a husband: when our daughter was born;
- Advice to youngsters: be loyal to parents and your church;
- If I had more wishes they would be: good health and European travel.

(Grand Knight's Rpt-Continued from page 1)

Three degrees in three months! In addition to taking their degrees, Tim & Mark have been faithfully helping out along with many other Knights at the various events that occurred during the month.

March continued with our weekly Fish Fries (see PGK Rich Scholl's article elsewhere in this bulletin). **Thank you** to all who gave of their time to help and/or support the event by being there. The food was delicious and the camaraderie was excellent! The funds raised will be used for very worthy charities. Brother Rich, you deserve another round of applause.

Thanks are also in order for Brother Jim Bradbury and his hard working crew at the pancake breakfast and PGK Chris Arnoult and his helpers at the Blood Drive.

We have a number of events coming up over the next month (Please see Brother Francisco's report). On Monday, April 9th, there will be a 1st degree during the business meeting. Thanks to Brothers Sam Alfano, Cherif Khoury and Carlos Valenzuela, we expect to have at least 6 new men join our Council. We will be joined by several candidates from Council 1684. Also, just before the degree, Brother Joe Bauer will be making the annual presentation of the Charter for Troop 105 to the Council. Make your plans now to attend the meeting.

There are a number of other events that are coming up as well outside the council that are worth noting. See the announcements section for more information on the Rosary Bowl, upcoming Degrees and a few other items.

In addition to all the events happening, we currently have a larger than normal balance in our checkbook thanks in part to the successful fish fries. We are currently soliciting ideas for what to do with the funds (I have already received numerous ideas). I'll be scheduling a committee meeting sometime in the latter part of April to discuss these ideas in more detail. Stay tuned.

Finally, remember, keep recruiting at every opportunity. There are many men in the parish who still have not joined the Knights and who are just waiting for one of us to ask the question: "Has anyone ever asked you to be a Knight?"

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Rich Scholl

By Stephen Schlesselmann, Grand Knight



This month, I would like to name PGK Rich Scholl as Knight of the Month. Brother Rich is pictured above with his friend, Ginny at last summer's Coke Booth. Rich was named Knight of the Month last April by PGK Chris Arnoult and now that I've worked with Rich in my capacity as Grand Knight, I can see why.

Rich first joined the council in 1986 and took his 3rd degree in 1987. Rich became a Sir Knight in 2003 in Buellton at the Central District's 4th Degree exemplification held there. Rich served as Deputy Grand Knight in the 2002 to 2003 Columbian Year and as Grand Knight from 2003 to 2004. Rich is currently serving as the Faithful Pilot in the Junipero Serra Assembly (4th Degree).

Brother Rich has been active in almost every activity of the Knights since joining. In addition to the

Fish Fries which he has most ably chaired for the last few years, Rich has also been in charge of the Oktoberfest dinners, has helped with the Blood Drives and the orchid collection for the Mother's Day orchids. Rich has written numerous articles for the Knightline about various religious orders and about Morality in Media issues. While Rich was Grand Knight, he was interviewed by KEYT TV about his views on the abortion issue on the anniversary of Roe v Wade.

Recently, Rich has volunteered to chair the committee that will be coordinating the Blue Mass which we hope to have in June. Rich has also made a list of various fundraising ideas to assist in our decision as to the disposition of the excess funds we currently have on hand.

Thank you Rich for all you do for the council. We appreciate it!

(Program Director's Report continued from page 2)

33 - Jesus loves all children. He even loves the unborn. Take time today to say a prayer for the unborn children.

34 - Each of us has a special vocation designed for us from God. St. Joseph, Jesus' foster father, had a special vocation too. Pray to him for support and guidance in your vocation.

35 - Reach out to someone you might have forgotten or haven't talked to in ages. Talk to them and let them know how important they are.

36 - Forgive others and always respect the truth. God is honest and trustworthy. He is also very forgiving.

37 - There are many things to learn about Jesus. He has an incredible loving story. Get to know Jesus by sitting with Him and listening to Him. He has so much to offer.

38 - Families are meant to be strong, loving, kind, and gentle. Practice making your family more like the Holy Family. Do you listen to each other? Is there a lot of love? Think of ways you can improve your family.

39 - With Jesus in our hearts, we can tap into all things. Ask Jesus what He wants you to do today or in a situation. Jesus is an excellent leader and will lead us in the right path.

40 - Palm Sunday - Think about how you often love Jesus and then abandon Him in your own heart. How can you always love Jesus?

Palm Sunday is the Sunday before Easter Sunday. Palm Sunday is the start of Holy Week. In the beginning of Palm Sunday Mass, we are happy about the arrival of Jesus Christ. Then we read the Passion of Jesus that resulted in His crucifixion and then resurrection on Easter.

41 - Now is the time to release any grudges you might feel. Focus on forgiveness and love like Jesus did. Look ahead to a loving future.

42 - Jesus told us to love one another. To love one another means to do more than just words, but by actions as well. Smile and help others in need. A little joy goes a very long way.

43 - Think about Judas betraying Jesus. Have you caught yourself betraying Jesus? Today ask for forgiveness for all those times you betrayed the Lord

44 - Holy Thursday - How would you feel if someone you loved and knew was innocent was carried off to prison? Jesus was innocent and was carried off. He suffered so we could be with Him forever.

Holy Thursday or "Maundy Thursday" is the most profound religious observance other than Easter in Roman Catholicism. Holy Thursday is celebrated on the Thursday before Easter and celebrates Christ in the form of the Eucharist. Holy Thursday also celebrates the institution of priesthood.

45 - Good Friday, Fast - Good Friday is the day that marks when Jesus Christ was crucified on the cross for our salvation. The whole Church mourns the death of Jesus. Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence. Catholics are also supposed to meditate and pray between the hours of noon to three o'clock in the afternoon. These are the hours Jesus hung on the cross.

Good Friday is called good because on this day Jesus was crucified for our redemption of our sins. "Holy Friday" for Latin nations, Slavs and Hungari-

ans call it "Great Friday," in Germany it is "Friday of Mourning," and in Norway, it is "Long Friday." Some view the term "Good Friday" (used in English and Dutch) as a corruption of the term "God's Friday."

Good Friday is also the only day that there isn't a full Mass.

Past Activities

- 1) **March 2, 2007** - 24 Hour Adoration took place in the church. We all have many reasons to give thanks to **God**.
- 2) **March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 2007** - Our 2nd to last Fish Fries for this Lent took place from 6 to 8 pm. Thank you Brother Richard Scholl to you and your team of assistants for taking care of this important event. I have heard good things about the delicious fish.
- 3) **March 11, 2007** - Our last Pancake Breakfast before Easter took place after the 7:30 and 9:30 AM Masses. Brothers Jim Bradbury, Jose Meza and their team of assistants did a wonderful job as usual. Many thanks to all the participants. We had a great turn out. Thank you all for participating in this great fundraiser.
- 4) **March 29, 2007** - This March 29th, the Order will begin a yearlong commemoration of the 125th anniversary of the Knights of Columbus as we celebrate the legacy of Father McGivney and the contributions of our brother Knights since 1882.

Upcoming Activities

- 1) **April 2, 2007** - K of C Officer's Meeting, 8:00 P.M. Please add all meeting notices to your work and/or home calendar. This will help remind you about the meeting.
- 2) **April 8 Easter Sunday**. - Easter is the day Christians celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Catholics consider Easter to be the most important day of the year.
- 3) **April 9 2007** - K of C 5300 Business meeting, & 1st Degree 7:30 P.M. Please make it a point to attend the business meetings, and pass the word to remind other members. We are having a low attendance and we would like to increase

the member participation. Bring a member with you that has not been active. Not only will you find out what is going on with the events and activities of the Council but it also gives you the opportunity to be an active participant. If everyone brings one member to the meeting we can double the attendance.

4) **April 29 2007** - Corporate Communion.

ANNOUNCEMENT

FOR SALE



Roll top desks, 2 each, like new condition, oak veneer over plywood (not particle board), setup for computers, asking \$250 each. The desks can be seen at Serra Hall by calling Brother Ray Charpintier at (805) 568-0123. Will deliver locally.



As mentioned in the Grand Knight's report, on Sunday, March 4th, Brothers Mark Vampola and Tim Hogan took their 3rd Degree in Simi Valley at St. Peter Claver's in Simi Valley. There were 38 can-

didates who took their degree that afternoon. Congratulations, Brothers Mark & Tim!

In addition to our First Degree on April 9th, there are several other degrees coming up in the area that are worth noting. All members who haven't yet attained the degree, please try to make either or both degrees. The time spent is well worth it.

- 1) A 2nd Degree will be held on Thursday, April 19th at Council 750 in Oxnard (6th & D St). Candidates should be there at 6:30 P.M.
- 2) A 3rd Degree will be held on Sunday, June 10th also at Council 750. Candidates should be there at 1:00 P.M.

A World at Prayer Is a World at Peace: A Rosary Celebration



THE ROSARY BOWL

Rose Bowl, Pasadena

May 19, 2007, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

The following letter was written by our State Deputy, Emilio Moure:

My brothers, The "Rosary Bowl" that will take place at the Pasadena Rose Bowl on May 19, 2007, is currently being planned by the Holy Cross Family Ministries in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Los Angeles and His Eminence, Roger Michael Cardinal Mahony, (yes the same day as our convention). A successful Eucharistic/Rosary celebration here in the media capital of the world will inspire similar celebrations in the United States and Canada. The Supreme Board of Directors voted at our last meeting a grant of \$50,000 to this effort and in addition the Supreme Council will also donate 20,000 olive wood rosaries; while the supply rosaries is not enough to provide one for each of the 65,000 participants expected at the "Rosary Bowl," it would be enough for those who may not have a

rosary of their own. The California State Council will complement the Supreme Council's contribution by providing a Fourth Degree honor guard, manpower support and possibly financial support too.

Father John Phalen, CSC and Father Wilfred Raymond, CSC of Holy Cross Family Ministries are ready for our help. The event will start at 6:00 pm on Saturday, May 19th and we need a support staff of 300 brother Knights and 100 Color Corps members. Supreme Knight Carl Anderson is trying to clear his busy schedule to be one of the many speakers at this event. We will need help from every council, district, assembly and chapter in Southern California.

This event will give the Knights of Columbus a very massive exposure and an opportunity beyond our dreams to open new doors in Faith, Charity and Growth.

I would like to extend my deepest appreciation for your support and it's now the time to push our performances to a new level, now is the hour of the Knights of Columbus.

With fraternal regards and prayerful best wishes, I remain sincerely yours in Christ,

Emilio B. Moure
Your Servant in Christ

The following letter was written by Marie Mackey on March 18th. Marie included a letter written by a Marine:

Dear Sir Knights:

On behalf of the Marine Corps League and myself, I would like to thank you for your generous monetary donation and tootsie rolls. I will be shipping the tootsie rolls next week.

My chaplain contact tells me that he now has a chapel store and he keeps it full of things that are sent. He gives to all branches of service.

The troops are so grateful for all we do and my goal is to send things as long as we are involved and our troops are over there. Enclosed is a copy of a note sent from a Marine. I thought your organization would enjoy hearing from one of our boys. This

Marine is from Carpinteria.

Thank you for caring and God Bless You.

Marie Mackey, Paymaster
Marine Corps League

Dear Marie Mackey:

Thank you for the package. I always like getting packages of snacks and socks and stuff. I go through socks like crazy out here so it's always good to get some. Well I have about a month left until I am out of here. I am sending a letter to Notre Dame School thanking them for the DVD's. If you have time, if you can stop by and give it to the 4th graders I would appreciate it. Well thank you again.

Steven

April Birthdays

Raymond V. Hussey	04/02
Francisco J. Martinez	04/03
Rev. Juan A. Ruiz	04/04
Nicholas P. Vitalari	04/04
Joseph E. Ponce	04/05
James M. Breyman	04/06
Harold O. Thompson	04/10
Rex P. Brumbach, Jr.	04/11
Frank M. Castello	04/12
Richard S. Bilski	04/19
James Bradbury	04/21
Rey D. Parreno	04/21
William P. Finck	04/22
David A. dePonce	04/28
Joseph A. Lima	04/30
Benjamin R. Beh	04/30

Article Submissions

All articles are to be submitted to the Grand Knight, Stephen Schlesselmann (805) 968-9440 (sjschlesselmann@cox.net) and Mike Donovan (805) 967-9506 (mkedonovan@aol.com). Articles need to be in by the 20th of the month. Thank you.

PHOTO GALLERY

Fish Fries, February 23 and March 2, 2007



Parishioners line up to be served.



The Leicht family picks up their dinner from Mirtha Donovan, Brother Rick Zabala and Brother Joe Bauer.



PGK John Vogel preparing the fish.



Mirtha Donovan, Cindy Bennett, and Brother Ed Barrier preparing to serve at the Fish Fry.



Father Cyril enjoying Fish Fry.



Parishioners enjoying dinner and conversation at Fish Fry.

Membership Drive, March 4, 2007

Fish Fry, March 9, 2007

Pancake Breakfast and Blood Drive, March 11, 2007



Membership Drive with GK Stephen Schlesselmann and Membership Director Sam Alfano.



Mike Donovan, PGK, going over free breakfast for blood donors with Brothers Ed Barrier and Hal Thompson.



Paul Coyne ,PGK, waiting to give blood.



Brothers Jim Bonsell and Tim Hogan cooking pancakes and eggs for pancake breakfast.



Brothers John Peyton and Jose Meza preparing eggs for breakfast.



Brother Sam Alfano chairman of St. Vincent's Italian dinner with Rich Scholl, PGK, chairman of Fish Fries.

Photos by Stephen Schlesselmann

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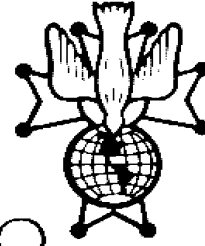
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