



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

GIROUD-HEIMANN COUNCIL

AUGUST 2020 NEWSLETTER

GRAND KNIGHT REPORT:

Worthy Brothers,

May this message find you and your families all well Spiritually,
Physically and Emotionally!

What a different time we are living in. I believe that God's plan is at work, we may not know HIS plan but in our FAITH, we must believe and trust that there is Divine work taking place.

We at Our Divine Savior, are celebrating live Holy Mass. All protocols are in place to provide a safe Mass experience. Mass is at 8am on Sunday so that both our Mass and St. Thomas Moore can have Mass complete before the heat of the day. I challenge you as MEN OF FAITH and the HOUSEHOLD LEADER of Spirituality to return to live Holy Mass. We men called Knights are called to Be Bold and what is BOLDER then leading our parish in having a robust live Holy Mass.

There is currently a great opportunity for us to grow our council- we are granting FREE membership for new members; they can join by going to www.kofc.com.

As you may know, we will be hosting a BBQ Fundraiser Sat Aug 15th and for those that are able, we need your help.

Prior to the start of our next Council Meeting, held via ZOOM every 2nd Tuesday of the month, we will pray the Rosary for all suffering from effects of the pandemic. Rosary will start at 5:35pm, I extend this invite to pray the Rosary with our Knights to your entire family.

Due to the current health environment, I would like to start Food Drives and Blood Drives within the next 30 days. There is currently a mass shortage of food and blood due to the pandemic. The first Food Drive (canned and boxed only) will be at the BBQ Fundraiser, please spread the word and help make both events a success.

Lastly, if you know of ANY Brother or parishioner that is in need of help, please let us know so that we may provide assistance. If you are able and willing to help in any capacity please let me know.

May God's hand be upon each of you Knights and your families.

Vivat Jesus

WGK Dan Rodrigues

SPIRITUAL ADVISORS CORNER:

Handing over my life to Jesus

They left everything and followed him. (Luke 5:11) Does it ever feel as if there are obstacles that make it hard for us to accept Jesus call to follow him? If so, the Lord has some words of encouragement for us right now:

Jesus: Whatever you think is holding you back from following me, whatever is oppressing or bothering you, just bring it along with you. Trust me; I can handle it. The most important thing is that you know how much I love you and how much I enjoy being with you each day. So, if you think something is holding you back, just bring it along.

Me: Really? Even my work, Lord? My job is so demanding. My hours are so long, and I come home so tired and stressed. I appreciate your invitation and I want to come, but I'm feeling too overwhelmed to consider myself a worthy disciple.

Jesus: Bring your job with you, and I will help you work it out. I love the fact that you're a hard worker and dedicated to providing for your family. You don't have to fight this battle alone. I'm here with you. Just try your best to stay close to me as you go through your workday.

Me: Lord, I have this financial burden that is weighing so heavily on me. I've gotten into debt, and I can't seem to find a way out. I'm ashamed of myself and embarrassed by my situation. I can just imagine how displeased you must be with me.

Jesus: Bring it along with you. Let me help you through this financial situation. Sure, things may be tough right now. Maybe you have made some bad choices. But I still love you, and I want to help you.

Me: Lord, I want to follow you, but I have this sin pattern that I just can't get rid of. How can I follow you with such a large millstone around my neck?

Jesus: Bring it along with you, and we will work on it together. My Holy Spirit can teach you how to get free. It may not be easy, and it may not be immediate. But I can help.

Me: Lord, I will follow you! But I have to Shelter in place and can't come to Mass to receive the Most Holy Eucharist

Jesus: Hang in there you will soon be able to come back Church with a deeper and love and desire to be closer and deeper in love with the Real Presence of the Most Holy Eucharist, My True food, My Body and Blood that provides Eternal Life. Knights of Columbus Council 7776

Spiritual Advisor Deacon James Burkett

DISTRICT DEPUTY:

My Brothers,

It is my pleasure to serve as your District Deputy this Columbian Year. I last did this job in 2000 and hope it is kind of like riding a bicycle – something that once learned is never forgotten. Regardless, I am sure we can all work together on behalf of our Church and Order.

The COVID-19 situation has impacted nearly every aspect of how we conduct our lives. The virus and its effects will be with us for some time, so it is important we adapt our methods of doing things to be safe while continuing to benefit those we serve. The “Leave No Neighbor Behind” program from Supreme offers both advice and activities for councils to focus upon while our ability to conduct many of our traditional programs

has been interrupted. If you have not already done so, download a copy



of the program booklet from:

<https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/news-room/leave-no-neighbor-behind-program.pdf>.

Of greatest importance is serving the needs of our Pastor and Church. Our Pastors are confronted with a moving target nearly every day. They must decide whether Mass will be held indoors or outdoors (if at all). They must limit attendance and record the names of those who do attend. They must suddenly become proficient with technology to livestream Masses – all while facing diminished financial resources for church staff and operation. Meanwhile weddings, funerals and baptisms have largely been put on hold and will be waiting when regular services resume. Please make every effort to assist and help whenever and however you can.

Many councils are continuing to meet “virtually” using tools like Zoom and GoToMeeting. Others have resumed meeting face-to-face while practicing masking and social distancing. Whichever works best for you – what is most important is to continue to engage as a council and plan for the year ahead. Officers need to be elected, budgets still need to be passed and fundraisers planned within the constraints placed upon us. This is not the time for a council to go dormant, but rather to think outside the box to continue meeting the needs of our parishes and communities. Recruiting is equally important as now more than ever Catholic men are needed to join us in service.

Be Bold! Be proud of who you are and what you are! We are Catholic men and Knights of Columbus!

May God bless,
Dave Abbott
District Deputy 2

LECTORS CORNER:

Brothers: Alice Camille takes us back to February 7th, 2016, in Exploring the Sunday

Readings, Vol. 26 number 5, offering her discerning meditative insights on that

Sunday's Gospel (Luke 5: 1-11) as well as both of the first readings (Isaiah 6: 1...8)

and (1 Corinthians, 15: 1-11.). Jesus was teaching the crowd from the shallows

of Lake Gennesaret in Simon's boat. The episode was Peter's call to vocation.

It just didn't seem likely. Jesus, a teacher of religion from Nazareth, was asking Simon Peter, a seasoned fisherman who'd spent a fruitless night on the lake, to go fishing again!!! Right now! Peter must have been exhausted. And deeply skeptical. If nighttime fishing yielded nothing, daytime fishing would surely be a complete waste of time.

Peter took the recommendations as a command nonetheless. He pulled up anchor from the shallow water. He also lifted the anchor lodged in his sore muscles from last night's shift, as well as the anchor sunk deep in professional know-how and simple ego. Just as Isaiah could dramatically change and become a celebrated Hebrew

prophet (First Reading) and Paul become a premiere apostle (Second Reading), so to Peter would let go of the past altogether and Jesus would become his whole future. Even if our boats are tiny, we tend to anchor them in a hundred different directions. We're moored in our upbringing, our past achievements, our unresolved wounds. We are moored in what we did well or badly, in pride and in shame. Jesus invites us to follow him into the future. But first we have to pull anchor from where we are now.

In these parching summer Covid-19 days, let us come together in prayer to support each other.

Don't forget your "Knight Prayers".

Leo Buscaglia reminds us, Knights of Columbus, "When you get to the end of your rope, tie a knot and hang on. AND SWING

EDITORS COMMENTS:

There was to be a food drive this month by the Chico Food project or commonly know as the Blue Bag drive. However, due to the COVID-19 virus, this drive has been canceled for the month of August.

Fortunately, Our Grand Knight suggested that during the upcoming Tri-tip drive thru, we find a way to conduct our own food drive. If so, I believe we should conduct this food drive to assist the Catholic Ladies and St. Vincent de Paul by providing additional food resources in order for them to complete their very important missions.

OUR BLESSED DECEASED:

Alfonso Gomez

Lorie O'Shea

Leon Riley (4th Degree)

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

THOSE SUFFERING OR ARE IN DISTRESS:

Carolyn Mormann	Mike Conquesto (Knight)
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Pablo Arregui	Joan Costa
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And don't forget a prayer of one Hail Mary each night as per the request of our beloved Pope Francis and Fr. Renier Silva.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS:

Please acknowledge the birthdays of each of our Brothers by wishing them a Happy Birthday.

Alberto B. Baysa	08-04	Robert J. Gregg	08-20
Thomas E. Mc Carthy	08-01	James F. McFadden III	08-28
David J. Mulqueeny	08-28	Patrick R. Murphy	08-16
Mike E. Pearsall	08-27		

AUGUST 2020 CALENDAR

Until further notice we can anticipate our normal meetings will occur virtually but I do not have the latest ZOOM information for this activity. I believe Dan Rodriguez, our Grand Knight, or Dave Abbott, our District Deputy will send everyone the information to attend this function before August 11th. So be prepared to sign onto this KOC meeting which should be available about 5:30 pm with a Rosary and starting at 6pm for the General meeting.

Also, tune in to the television broadcasts by ODS every Sunday on Facebook, Zoom, or U tube for the 8 am outdoor mass. Contact the ODS office at 521-6202 Tuesdays through Friday between 6am and 4pm to get a reservation. Until then we are still subject to the shelter in place directives from the Bishop of Sacramento and the Governor of California. Please stay safe!

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