



Knightly News

December 2022



Knights Of Columbus Michael J. Costello Council 6043 The Catholic Community Of Pleasanton Grand Knight's Message

Brothers,

Early December has a few events before we can take a rest and spend quality time with family. We start out with our Membership Meeting on the 1st. It is one week early because Immaculate Conception, a holy day of obligation, is on the 2nd Thursday (December 8).

Our Council's Christmas Party will be on the first Saturday of December (December 3) at PGK Mark Kotch's house. We are very lucky that Mark is willing to host the party. This will be my first traditional Christmas party with the council, so I hope you can join us.

We will be having our annual Breakfast with Santa on the second Sunday of the month (December 11). The event has been suspended the last 2 years due to the pandemic, so it will be nice to have it again this year. If my facts are correct, we first had the event in 2010. If you have time then please come and help out.

I hope that all of you have a wonderful Christmas and that you get to spend time with family. Merry Christmas!

Vivat Jesus,

Grand Knight Tim Jorgenson

Officers & Directors

Columbian Year 2022 - 2023

Grand Knight

SK Tim Jorgenson 202-1024

Chaplain

Fr. Mark Wiesner 846-4489

Deputy Grand Knight

Tony Soby 963-9721

Chancellor

SK Mario Butzner 510-604-1167

Treasurer

SK Robert Strawn 249-0600

Financial Secretary

SK PGK Joe Balestreri 399-4253

Advocate

SK PGK Brad Schieferstein 846-7181

Recorder

SK Bob Wolf 202-8451

Warden

Dave Seeger 426-0341

Inside Guard

Ryan Wibawa 415-465-4926

Outside Guard

SK George Hegarty 963-1280

Field Agent

Paul Morassutti, FIC 889-6366

Lecturer

SK PGK Dennis Maurice 963-7616

Three Year Trustee

SK PGK Michael Schibler .. 989-7890

Two Year Trustee

SK PGK Michael Martin 484-5239

One Year Trustee

SK PGK Jom Sicut 775-8900

Faith in Action—Faith Director

Tony Soby 963-9721

Faith in Action— Family Director

OPEN

Faith in Action—Community Director

OPEN

Faith in Action—Life Director

John Reimer 989-4847

Membership Director

SK Mario Butzner 510-604-1167

Newsletter Editor

Bob Dompe 583-5191

Web Master

Luis Medina 519-3098

1st Degree Team Leader

SK PGK Brad Schieferstein 846-7181

From the Council Faith Director

God is Faithful!

J.M.J.

One cannot forget the experiences of our youth during this magical time of the year. The smells of homemade baking of candy and cookies, enjoying the sights (Caroling, parties) and the sound of Christmas music. The fire in the fireplace and putting up Christmas decorations, tree and shopping for loved ones. All reflections of Christmas' past and anticipation and excitement for the future. Our Church also transforms with Advent Wreaths, Giving Trees, exciting Liturgical readings, Manger scenes and Music that stirs up memories long forgotten. Are you fully prepared for Advent? It's a time to be formed and transformed, a time to be ourselves, sometimes child-like (needy, innocent, trusting and full of unconditional love). Advent is a time for preparation focusing on the final coming of Our Lord in glory and the incarnation of Our Lord in the Birth of Jesus. It's a season of watchful waiting, being vigilant, making preparation and justice - the action of doing what's right".

"But of that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone." (Matthew 36)

Advent is also a NEW YEAR liturgically, and the Gospel of Matthew will be the primary Gospel proclaimed (Lectionary Cycle A).

I encourage preparations such as pre-reading the Matthew Gospels throughout this Advent season. The announcement of the Birth of This newborn King of the Jews not only greatly troubled King Herod but all Jerusalem (Mt 2, 1-3) yet the Gentile magi are overjoyed to find him and offer their homage and their gifts (Mt 2,10-11). Pre- reading these Gospels allows us to offer our homage and gifts. Yes, we can give Jesus the gifts of ourselves, family, friends, nation our very home.

Let's proclaim a "**Merry Christmas**" to all we come in contact with in this coming month. "Happy Holidays" is Way Too Secular. Jesus IS THE REASON FOR THE SEASON. The Jesus that we come to see every week, day, and every time that we receive Him in the Eucharist and ask for forgiveness of our sins in Reconciliation.

Respectfully, Dennis Maurice, worthy Lecturer

Coming Events

05/12/19/26 December	Coffee Fellowship, Vic's Cafe, Monday 8:00 am
05/12/19/26 December	Santa Rita Safeway Pickup, 8:30am Monday
06/13/20/27 December	Gateway Safeway Pickup, 8:30am Tuesday
07/14/21/28 December	Daily Mass hosted by the Knights of Columbus, 12:10pm Wednesday
02/09/16/23/30 December	Gateway Safeway Pickup, 8:30am Friday
03/10/17/24/31 December	Saturday St. Augustine Hall Reconciliation: Traffic Control
30 November	Council Officers Meeting, 7PM, Zoom
01 December	Business Meeting, 7:00 PM, Zoom and St. Augustine's Hall; 9th Episode of <i>INTO THE BREACH</i> prior to meeting
03 December	Council Christmas Party
11 December	Breakfast with Santa
18 December	Donut Social after Masses
02/09/16/23/30 January	Coffee Fellowship, Vic's Cafe, Monday 8:00 am
02/09/16/23/30 January	Santa Rita Safeway Pickup, 8:30am Monday
03/10/17/24/31 January	Gateway Safeway Pickup, 8:30am Tuesday
04/11/18/25 January	Daily Mass hosted by the Knights of Columbus, 12:10pm Wednesday
06/13/20/27 January	Gateway Safeway Pickup, 8:30am Friday
07/14/21/28 January	Saturday St. Augustine Hall Reconciliation: Traffic Control
05 January	Council Officers Meeting, 7PM, Zoom
12 January	Business Meeting, 7:00 PM, Zoom and St. Augustine's Hall;
15 January	Donut Social after Masses

NOTE DATE CHANGES for DECEMBER MEETINGS

Virtual Meeting Attendance Information:

Council Zoom Meetings will use the following access:

If you have installed the Zoom Application,
Start Zoom and use Meeting ID: 745 680 7847

To access the meeting using your browser:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7456807847>

To access via your telephone, dial 669 900 6833
and use Meeting ID: 745 680 7847



Daily Advent Prayer from the Jesuit School of Theology

Waiting in Joyful Hope

DAILY ADVENT PRAYER FROM THE **JESUIT SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY**

Opening Letter from the Dean

Welcome to **Waiting in Joyful Hope**! This is the Jesuit School of Theology's daily online prayer retreat for Advent.

During Advent, you will receive a daily email with the Gospel reading, and a corresponding reflection and prayer. The reflections and prayers are written by students, faculty, staff, board members, alumni of the Jesuit School of Theology, and other members of the Santa Clara University community. May these beautiful reflections deepen your experience of Advent and Christmas.

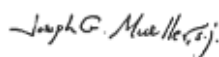
Consider these daily emails as an invitation to a retreat experience. Find some quiet in your day to contemplate the readings and the accompanying reflection. Let the reflection inspire your own praying and thinking. Ultimately, Advent is a time to grow in our knowledge of God's love for us in Christ, and notice our response to this love in our daily lives.

At JST, we pay attention to the situation of our world and our communities as we study and minister to others. If the Spirit moves you, bring the very ordinary routines of daily life into your own prayerful reflections by asking yourself, *"What is God trying to share with me at this moment?"*

We take this journey through Advent in supportive companionship. First of all, the Lord walks with each of us, relating to us uniquely and offering us divine friendship. Moreover, as we make this retreat together, thousands of people in the wider Santa Clara community unite through a common desire to grow in faith, hope, and love. You might wish to reach out to friends to share your experiences and invite them to join you on this retreat ([share this link](#)). Or, you might journal about what you are experiencing and learning.

St. Ignatius of Loyola taught that generosity is the most important spiritual disposition for our prayer life. Generosity is a largeness of heart that is open to God's creativity in our lives. Registering for this online retreat underscores the generosity of spirit and time that you now offer to God and to those on this pilgrim journey with us. God's abundant blessings for the pilgrimage ahead!

In our Lord,



Joseph G. Mueller, S.J.
Dean
Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University.

Waiting in Joyful Hope is produced by Santa Clara University's Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley, a school of theological and ministerial formation with distinguished faculty and students from around the world. JST is one of only three theology centers sponsored by the Society of Jesus (the Jesuits) in North America.

From the Deputy Grand Knight

The "Into the Breach" video series will continue at the October 1 Membership meeting with the video on "Spiritual Warfare". The membership meeting is planned to be in-person and the "Into the Breach" video will start at 6:15 PM and end by 7:00 PM. We will have time for viewing the video, prayer, and sharing our thoughts and Actions.

We hope to see many of our brothers for the "Spiritual Warfare" video. This is no joke! We are in a spiritual battle so. "Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do Not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers Over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places."

SAVE THE DATE: Our one day retreat will be held on **February 4, 2023**. It will be held at St. Elizabeth Seton Church with Fr. Mark doing the retreat for us. Please **"SAVE THE February 4, 2023 DATE"** for attending the retreat with your fellow brothers. Look for more to come.

For your information. Please sign up if this interests you. I follow the bible in a year series and find it to be very well done. I am looking forward to starting the Catechism in a year series starting soon. Ascension Press is going to start "The Catechism in a Year" series starting in January 2023. It will be led by Fr. Mike Schmitz and Jeff Cavins. This is the same format as the "Bible in a Year" series also being led by Fr. Mike Schmitz and Jeff Cavins.

FOR BIBLE IN A YEAR:

Join us anytime!

If you've struggled to read the Bible, this podcast is for you. Ascension's Bible in a Year Podcast, hosted by Fr. Mike Schmitz and featuring Jeff Cavins, guides Catholics through the Bible in 365 daily episodes starting January 1st, 2021. Each 20-25 minute episode includes:

- **Two to three scripture readings**
- **A reflection from Fr. Mike Schmitz**
- **A guided prayer to help you hear God's voice in his Word**

[The Bible in a Year: Sign Up – Ascension \(ascensionpress.com\)](https://ascensionpress.com/the-bible-in-a-year-sign-up)

FOR CATECHISM IN A YEAR:

In response to countless requests, Ascension is launching ***The Catechism in a Year (with Fr. Mike Schmitz) on January 1, 2023!*** With this podcast, Catholics will:

- **Read the entire Catechism of the Catholic Church in 365 days**
- **Understand the essentials of the Catholic Faith and why they matter**
- **See how Church teaching is rooted in Sacred Scripture**
- **Absorb over 2,000 years of Sacred Tradition**
- **Encounter God's plan of sheer goodness**
- **Transform their relationship with the Church that Christ founded.**

If you have ever wanted to **understand what it means to be Catholic** and allow those truths to shape your life—this podcast is for you! We can't wait to start this incredible journey with you! Keep up-to-date on all things *Catechism in a Year* (CIY) by joining our [Facebook group](#).

[The Catechism in a Year: Sign Up – Ascension \(ascensionpress.com\)](https://ascensionpress.com/the-catechism-in-a-year-sign-up)

Thanks, Tony



SUNDAY MASS WEBCAST

10:00 AM EVERY SUNDAY

STREAMED LIVE ON FACEBOOK

We will be webcasting Mass on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. You will be able to join us live on our Facebook

page: www.facebook.com/CatholicCommunityofPleasanton/. The video will then be stored on our YouTube page and website for later viewing. This will be our first effort at webcasting, and will be pretty rudimentary, but hope you will join us as we continue to journey through Lent.



DAILY MASS WEBCAST

12:10 PM MONDAY - FRIDAY

STREAMED LIVE ON FACEBOOK

We will be webcasting daily Mass Monday through Friday starting March 25 at 12:10 PM. You will be able to join us live on our Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/CatholicCommunityofPleasanton/. The video will then be stored on our YouTube page and website for later viewing.

Check the CCoP website and/or the CCoP Facebook page and/or the CCoP YouTube for updated information on coverage of Masses.

CCoP Podcast Notification

CATHOLICS OF PLEASANTON PODCAST IS NOW LIVE!

We have launched our own podcast called "Catholics Of Pleasanton" that will feature daily gospel readings and homilies with additional content coming soon! The podcast is a series of homilies, inspirational messages and content to nourish the faith of the community in Pleasanton and beyond.

You can find us through the Apple podcast app, the Google podcast app, Spotify or wherever you get your podcasts. Be sure to subscribe so you don't miss an episode!

Apple Podcasts

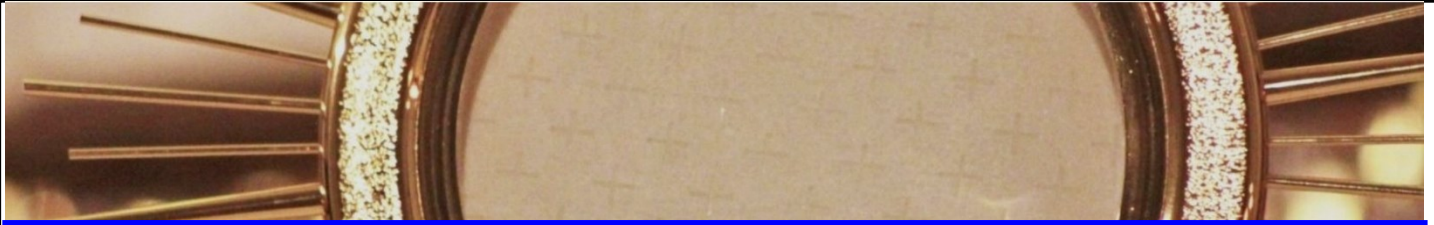
<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/catholics-of-pleasanton-podcast/id1524231765>

From Your Browser

You can also access it from your browser:

<https://directory.libsyn.com/shows/view/id/catholicsofpleasanton>

A great way to get your #10INTODAY!



WEEKLY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION!

Eucharistic Adoration participants are needed... Adoration takes place every Monday and Wednesday from 12:45 PM - 5:00 PM in the St. Elizabeth Seton Eucharistic Chapel - behind the large chapel. Typically, a participant agrees to one hour, or a half hour, every week on one of those days. This is a perfect time to offer God more than your usual "ten minutes of prayer". If you are not familiar with the practice, it is simply being quiet in the Lord's presence meditating on scripture, the rosary, a religious book or simply "being".

PLEASE ENTER THROUGH THE OUTSIDE DOORS DIRECTLY INTO THE EUCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL.

Any questions contact Sharon McKee 925/963-7745 or Linda Loftus 925/462-0974

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

We invite you to join us every First Friday for Exposition, Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. It will be in person as well as online.

In Person Eucharistic Adoration St. Augustine Church

After 8:30 AM Mass until 10:00 AM

Seating will be socially distanced and masks must be worn at all times.

In Person & Online Eucharistic Adoration St. Elizabeth Seton Chapel

After 12:10 PM Mass until 2:00 PM

Watch LIVE on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/CatholicCommunityofPleasanton/>

Watch LIVE on

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/c/TheCatholicCommunityOfPleasanton>

Message from Brother Dominick Pietro

Brothers it is very important today to stay close and in touch with our Lord. A wonderful way to do so is through Eucharistic Adoration. Many blessing and peace can be realized by spending just a half hour with him. Please take advantage of this opportunity to spend time with him.

Blessing to all.

Dom



Council Christmas Party

Theresa and PGK Mark Kotch have offered to host this year's Council Christmas Party

The party will be in their home on Saturday, December 03; starting at 7 pm.

**1646 Valley of the Moon
Livermore, CA 94550**

Invitations will be sent out on Flocknotes

This is a Pot Luck. Brothers and their wives should bring some sort of:

Appetizer, or
Main Dish, or
Dessert

Couples are free to bring a bottle of wine to share.

The Hosts will have water, beer and wine.

Council Website, Facebook and YouTube Sites



Michael J. Costello Council 6043
Proudly Serving
The Catholic Community of Pleasanton

<https://www.kofc6043.org/>



Michael Costello

Knights of Columbus Council 6043 is part of, The Catholic Community Of Pleasanton

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100014173809401>



Michael J. Costello Council 6043
5 subscribers

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOyaocF0T84q0X3rEAhq0Hg>

Council Activities in November

Activities reported by Brother Paul Caldaron:

- 1) Healing Mass sacristan duty at STA 11/5/22.
- 2) Mass of Remembrance sacristan duty at STA 11/7/22.
- 3) Rosary at St Augustine's cemetery on Veteran's Day 11/11/22.
 - Brothers & families attended below;
 - Paul & JC Calderon
 - Mr & Mrs Dennis Maurice
 - PGK Ted Dudziak
 - PGK Stephen Natalie
 - PGK Michael Schibler
 - Mr & Mrs Dom Pietro
 - PGK Jom Sicat
- 4) SES chapel recording sound system support for Fr Chris's reflection lecture per Dn. Gary's request 11/12/22.
- 5) Italian Federation sounds system support SES Chapel 11/18/22.
- 6) Arts& Environments setup 11/25/22 StA.
 - KoC Brothers
 - Tim Jorgensen, Dennis Roberts, Rolly Bantugan, Paul Calderon .

SES Arts& Environments setup 11/26/22 StA.

 - KOC Brothers:
 - Manny D'Albora, Paul Calderon .
- 7) ongoing KoC scheduled activities follows:
 - Livestream Eucharist Adoration 1st Friday on the month SES Chapel
 - SES Chapel A/V livestream daily mass Mondays/Fridays.
 - Sachristant duty KoC Wednesday SES chapel mass.
 - STA Sundays 10am Adults choir.

Preparation for Advent





Need a Real Christmas Tree?

If you are in need of a real tree, please consider checking out a retailer that has been providing us with trees for our "Breakfast with Santa" for many years. They are located in the Alameda Fair Grounds at Bernal and Valley Avenues. If you buy one, be sure and mention to one of the two owners that you appreciate their support to The Knights of Columbus.

Chancellor/Membership Report

Efforts continue as we shift from a twice a year Membership Drive to more of an on-going recruitment model.

Brothers were on hand at the last Donut Sunday staffing an information table and answering questions from interested parishioners.

The goal is to be at as many events and functions as possible engaging potential candidates.

If you know of any Catholic gentlemen who are not already members, reach out to them or pass their information on to me.

Our Jr. Knights program continues to move forward and we welcome your input. The next meeting will be on Zoom at 7pm on Tuesday December 6th.

We will have an exemplification ceremony at our January membership meeting to welcome new members to the council. It will take place on January 12th at 7pm in the St. Augustine hall. Please be sure to attend in support of our new brothers.

Thanks and have a blessed Advent season.

Brother Mario Butzner

Crab Feed Raffle

We have a critical need for brother Knights to assist in collecting Raffle & Silent Auction prizes in the Pleasanton and Livermore areas. Duties will include stopping by and/or calling businesses in Pleasanton and Livermore to request prize donations for use during the Crabfeed and other fundraising events in 2023.

Training will be provided on the messaging and best practices. A "salesman" personality and follow thru are key traits.

If interested please contact
Rob Fjerstad - rfjerstad@outlook.com

Classified— Brothers Helping Brothers



the
Patio
massimo's
R E S T A U R A N T

Open for Patio Dining
Wednesday - Saturday
4:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

www.massimos.com

(510) 792-2000

Mowry East Shopping Center
5200 Mowry Ave Ste M,
Fremont, CA 94538

We also offer curbside take-out and Door Dash
Featuring take-out dinner for 4 as low as \$50 (\$55 for Door Dash)

Check our website for more menu items



Families
Muñoz and Castro
Owners
(925) 484-0789

201 Main Street, Suite A • Pleasanton, CA 94566

Tax Preparation

Robert Strawn
(925) 249-0600

<http://www.amtstax.com>



Plumber

Tom Cortez

(925) 461-8549

Photography

Tracy Seager
(925) 264-9967

tracy_seager@hotmail.com

Classified— Brothers Helping Brothers



Vics All Star Kitchen

Presents Champagne Sunday

BRUNCH Buffet

The Most Extravagant Brunch Buffet In Town Is Back. Join Us on the 3rd SUNDAY Of Each Month For Our Classic Sunday Brunch Buffet To Include All Of Your Favorites Dishes 8:00 AM - 2:30 PM. Spend a relaxing Sunday with us and book your table! Please call 925-484-0789.

Scramble eggs plain & Chorizo - Green Chilaquiles - Chile Colorado - Chile Verde - Refried Beans - Eggs Benedict - California Benedict - French Toast - Bacon & Sausage Links - Country All Star Potatoes - Homemade Chili - Grilled Hot Links with Pepper & Onions - Ambrosia Salad - Potato Salad - Hummus - Greek Salad - Spinach Strawberry and Goat Cheese Salad - Fruit Salad - Strawberries with Homemade Whipped Cream - Prawns & Cocktail Sauce - Smoked Salmon Lox - Carved Honey Baked Ham - Roasted Herbs Tri-Tip - Chicken Lemon Caper Sauce - Garlic Batter White Rice - Chicken Tenders - Grilled Cheese - Beer Battered Fries - Spinach/Cheese Ravioli - French Pastries Desserts - Coffee - Bottomless Mimosas.

ALL YOU CAN EAT BRUNCH BUFFET

Adults \$ 48 - Seniors \$ 40 - Children 10 yrs & under \$ 29
Children 4 yrs & under FREE.

Classified— Brothers Helping Brothers

Embroidering

Jane Medeiros

darrenmedeiros@gmail.com

Language Translator

French, Dutch (Flemish), Spanish

Mark Jacops

mjsunol@comcast.net

Realtor

Mark Kotch

(925) 989-1581

Compass Realtors

Lic # 01409780

m.kotch@compass.com

<http://www.MarkKotch.com>



Realtor

Chris Duarte

(925) 699-1969

Photo Restore

Ted Dudziak

(510) 912-6370

dudziak.tj@gmail.com

If you wish to advertise in this Newsletter, Please contact the Past Grand Knight, Ted Dudziak.

510-912-6370

tedforkofc6043@gmail.com

Knight of the Month for October 2022

Brother Dave Frankenberger was awarded Knight of the Month for October 2022 for supporting Reconciliation services, the Parish Census, the Kevin Gourley Memorial Tootsie Roll Drive.

Knight's Weekly Monday Morning Coffee Gathering

When: Every Monday
Morning; 8:00
am

Where: Vic's All Star
Kitchen in
Pleasanton.
201 Main Street

Why: No Agenda—
Just Brother
Knights getting
together for
coffee & con-
versation



*Stay Connected with your
Brother Knights*

Notes from the Newsletter Editor

If you see errors in the contents of the Council Newsletter, please notify the Newsletter Editor at bob_for_kofc6043@pacbell.net or 408-234-8224.

If you are receiving a printed copy of this newsletter and can be accessed via email you are missing out! The electronic copy of the Newsletter arrives sooner, is in color and the content is not compressed to fit into the limitations of the printed page. If you want an electronic copy, send your email address to: dompe@pacbell.net. An electronic copy of the Newsletter is also available on the Council's Website: www.kofc6043.org

If you have submitted an entry to the Prayer Requests on the following page, please review the list to determine if your entry is correct and is still current. Please contact the Newsletter Editor for any corrections, deletions and additions

Our Council is located in the Oakland Chapter (oaklandkofc.org), District 47.

Prayer List

For those who are ill we pray that they will find the healing power of God:

Melanie Brent-	Spouse of PGK Jeff Brent
Terry Wilfley-	Sister of PGK Brad Schieferstein
Norm Fjerstad-	Father of Rob Fjerstad
Jessica Nett-	Granddauther of Thomas Egan
Grace Tuttle-	Daughter of PGK Tim Tuttle
Patrick Brick-	Council Brother
Bill Jorgensen-	Council Brother
Michael Butzner-	Brother of Mario Butzner
Karen Mortenson-	Wife of PGK Dennis Mortenson
Ben Wolf-	Son of Brother Bob Wolf
Jake Forrester-	Nephew of Brother Bob Wolf
Maria Butzner-	Mother of Brother Mario Butzner
Jeannie Pohorsky-	Sister of PGK Michael Schibler
Joseph Schibler-	Brother of PGK Michael Schibler
Rob Gibbs	Close Friend of PGK Paul Unpingco and Frind of the Council
MaryFrances Gargas	Wife of PGK Ernie Gargas
Michael Burns	Council Brother

For those who are deceased we pray that they will join in the love of God:

Irene McDeavitt- Wife of Brother Mike McDeavitt

For all who are serving in the military we pray:

That the love of God will be with them. Especially those in harms way.

For all who are in the Front Line in the struggle with COVID-19:

That the love of God will be with them.

For Tri-Valley Businesses under Stress from the COVID-19 Pandemic

Knights of Columbus 6043
www.kofc6043.org
P.O. Box 454, Pleasanton, CA

Past issues of this newsletter can be found in our web site, www.kofc6043.org.
Send your email address to Bob Dompe to obtain this newsletter via email.



**If you wish to have your copy
of the Newsletter discontinued,
please notify the Newsletter
Editor, Bob Dompe
bob_for_kofc6043@pacbell.net**

Knights of Columbus

Council No. 6043
P.O. BOX 454
Pleasanton, CA 94566

TO:

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

FIRST CLASS MAIL