

## **Knightly News**

August 2020



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

Dear Brothers,

My hope is that your summer has been well in spite of whatever shelter-in-place version we find ourselves in these days. It truly has been challenging times in all aspects of our lives.

It has been at least five months since we all got together as a council and I understand the strains it has placed on our fraternal organization. While Zoom meetings can be a substitute for a while, by no means are they a replacement. So in the meantime, we all have to be as creative as possible to keep council #6043 active and vibrant.

Thank you to all that filled out the recent survey where I wanted to get a guick pulse on the health our council. We had a wide variety of Knights responding and with important feedback. I will summarize the results in our membership meeting. Overall, the responses were positive, the causes and events we support are endorsed by you and some great suggestions were given on how we can elevate our council to be even better.

Lastly, my mantra for the year is to get involved. With the number of Knights we have, there is an opportunity to us to make a huge difference to our parishioners and community. There is a core set of Knights supporting or activities to date but can use more. Have an idea for our council? This is a perfect time to make that idea a reality by leading the charge. One of the new ideas is a restaurant fundraiser at Pastas. See the details below and I encourage you to participate.

Stay safe.

Vivat Jesus, GK Mike Martin

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## From the Council Faith Director

Milestones, "a stone set up besides a road to mark the distance in miles to a particular place" OR "an action or event marking a significant change or stage in development." All of us have these milestones throughout our lives, some placing us in a particular direction and others that lead us in a totally different path. THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT ALL ROADS LEADS TO OUR ETERNAL REWARD. ETERNITY WITH OR WITHOUT GOD.

I see that 2020 has lead all of us in directions that we have never imagined. I for one feel dazed and sometimes confused. The goal posts are constantly being changed or challenged. The truth is revealed to me, and I hope to you as well, that God's love for us will never change. Period!

Today's gospel is the feeding of over 5,0000 men plus women and children with only 5 loaves of bread and 2 fish. Is it a reflection of the feeding of the chosen people with manna on the way to the promised land or a reflection of the Last Supper that is re-instituted every day, for centuries, through the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist? These events are milestones for all who have witnessed these miracles. All are a witness that GOD IS IN OUR LIVES. GOD IS ALWAYS WITH US. GOD IS FAITHFUL.

I for one feel that this year God has given us a personal challenge to seek Him out. I have to let go of my ego (a person's sense of self-esteem or self-importance). Being a member of this council of the Knights of Columbus has helped me to let this grace change my marker in life. I, like you, surely have to reached out for our fellow men; to check in on their development and wellbeing during these trying times is paramount on my road to being a better Catholic. This past week I flew to my hometown of Seattle to see fellow Knights at Saint Thomas Moore Council in Edmonds, Washington for fellowship and Golf. This homecoming was refreshing but haunting as the San Francisco airport was a ghost town. Like being in the Twilight Zone. Still I was able, with mask, to share my character and personality with those "in the same boat" of protecting not only myself but those around me. This was an action that is definitely a new change in my development as I definitely have to get use to social distancing with mask in hand!

I thank God for the milestones He has put into my life......How about YOU.

Respectfully, Dennis Maurice, Worthy Lecturer



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## Coming Events

Every Sunday \*Communion Service Support - 10:45 @SES

ON HOLD Sunday Mass Support - St. Augustine ON HOLD

Every Saturday \* Drive-thru Reconciliation - St. Augustine @ 2:30

Every Tuesday Donated Food Pickup - Gateway Safeway Pickup 8:30 Council

August 6 Officers Meeting (all invited) via Zoom 7:00pm

August 13 Membership Meeting via Zoom 7:00pm

August 24 Pastas Restaurant KoC Fundraiser Event

Every Monday Coffee Fellowship Every Monday on the Council Zoom link

8:00am -- https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7456807847

FESTA DINNER OCTOBER 24th. Details Coming

\*Go to Sign-up Genius to register

## **Zoom Meeting Attendance Information**

Zoom meetings will continue until further notice. The next Officer meeting is on **August 6** and the Council Membership Meeting on **August 13**. It is important to keep connected with the council so please try to attend. If you need help connecting, please reach out. **Start time is 7:00pm.** 

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



## A Message from the Worthy Chancellor

Hi Brothers,

I hope each of you are doing well.

Thank you to those brothers who have been helping with the Drive-thru confessions and the Walk-thru communions each week. If you would like to help out with either one of these events, then please check out the Sign-up Genius email or contact me directly. I am sure that many brothers that have been helping each week would like to take a break and they would appreciate any help they can get.

We have opportunities for those brothers that are 1st or 2nd Degrees to move up to the 3rd Degree. It only takes 30 minutes. There are scheduled online exemplifications each Thursday at 4 and 7 PM Pacific Time. If those times do not work for you, then you can now participate in a On Demand exemplification which is on-line too. These on-line exemplifications only last 30 minutes and your family can now be there with you. Contact me if you have any questions or if you need help.

Please stay safe.

Chancellor Tim Jorgenson tim\_jorgenson@hotmail.com Cell: (925) 202-1024



### A Message from the Deputy Grand Knight

My dear Brothers in Christ,

We are one month into our new Columbian Year and four months into our Shelter-in-Place lifestyle during the COVID-19 pandemic.

We are still supporting the parish in the handling of logistics in the parking lots upon entering church facilities. Please volunteer to help with Drive Through Confessions on Saturday afternoons and the Reception of Holy Eucharist on Sunday mornings. Signup Genius links to these events should have arrived in your email on Thursday, 7/30. If you have not received it, call or email me to get it sent to you.

I am asking you, my brothers, for help in filling the following positions in our Council: Membership Director (works in conjunction with the Chancellor to recruit and develop our membership), and Family and Life Directors, working with the Deputy Grand Knight to run programs that apply to our Faith in Action plans. I am open to two men being co-directors if it helps in coverage or workload. We will need to think of new ways to serve the parish and community in these capacities under current social distancing guidelines.

In the meantime, stay safe, stay healthy and stay in involved with your council!

Michael Schibler, Deputy Grand Knight 925.989.7890 | mschiblerkofc6043@comcast.net



#### **FAITH IN ACTION**



### NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST, WASHINGTON D.C. SPEECH BY MOTHER THERESA 1994

Continued from July's Newsletter:

This annual event originally composed of only members of Congress seeking Fellowship is now a very important national event also involving the presence of foreign dignitaries and other notable individuals seeking networking opportunities with U.S. governmental officials. The President always attends and is a keynote speaker as well as a second unannounced guest speaker (Mother Theresa), who is not known until the day of the event. She continues her talk:

From our children's home in Calcutta, we have saved over 3,000 children from abortion. They have brought much love and joy to their adoptive parents and have grown up so full of love and joy. I know that couples have to plan their family and for that there is natural family planning. The way to plan the family is natural family planning not contraception. In destroying the power of giving life through contraception, a husband or wife is doing something to self. This turns attention to self and so it destroys the gift of love in him or her. In loving, the husband and wife must turn attention to each other as happens in natural family planning and not to self as happens in contraception. Once that living love is destroyed by contraception, abortion can follow very easily.

The poor are very great people and they can teach us so many beautiful things. One evening we went out and we picked up four people from the street including one who was in a most terrible condition. "You take care of the other three and I will take care of the one who looks the worse." So I did for her all that my love can do. I put her in bed and there was such a beautiful smile on her face. She took hold of my hand as she said one word only, "thank you"and she died. I asked "What would I say if I were in her place?" My answer was very simple. I would have said: "I am hungry, I am dying, I am cold. I am in pain" or something. But she gave me much more - she gave me her grateful love and died with a smile on her face. Then there was the man we picked up from the drain, half eaten by worms and after we brought him to the home, he only said "I have only lived like an animal in the street but I am going to die like an angel, loved and cared for. "After we removed the worms from his body, all he said with a big smile was "Sister I am going home to God" - and then he died. It was so wonderful to see the greatness of that man who could speak like that without blaming anybody, without comparing anything. Even when he was materially poor the quality of greatness showed in him. He possessed the richness of spirituality. We may be doing social work in the eyes of some people but we must be contemplatives in the hearts of the world, for we are touching the body of Christ and we are always in his presence. You too must bring that presence of God into your family, for the family that prays together, stays together. If we remember that God loves us and that we can love others as He loves us, then America can become a sign of peace for the world. From here, a sign of care for the weakest of the weak - the unborn child - must go out to the world. If you become a burning light of justice and peace in the world, then you really will be true to what the founders of this country stood

God bless you.

Submitted by Lou Santero, Director of Culture of Life



#### **Faith in Action**

#### PASTA RESTAURANT FUNDRAISER AUGUST 24

Dear KofC Brothers, Families and Friends;

Please join us in our first ever virtual, social distancing fundraiser for Knights of Columbus Charities. I wish we could all be together to enjoy not just a great meal but great company as; however, in these challenging times the safest thing for all is for us to share an experience and later we can share our stories of how we passed the time and stayed sane.

The details of the event are listed below and in the attached PDF. I hope you can participate and please pass it along to help raise money for our worthy charities as well as support a local restaurant.

God Bless and Keep You Safe









The Knights of Columbus Pleasanton in partnership with Pastas Trattoria Restaurant on Main Street is conducting a fundraiser benefiting local charities. Pastas will be generously donating to the Knights' Charities 10% of Sales and 50% of Tips from our orders on Monday, August 24, 2020

So give yourself a break from all the dinner cooking and cleaning duties and instead order take-out from Pastas Trattoria of Pleasanton. Open the attached PDF to see the list of preconfigured dinner options or select your own favorites from the full menu included. Once you've made your selection—click on ORDER NOW to email you pre-order selections.

Menu ched Email Pre-Orders to: Pastas Catering <pastascatering@gmail.com>

#### In your email include:

- · Your Name for the order pick-up
- Phone Number in case Pastas needs to contact you
- Email Address to confirm your order
- 30 Minute Pick-Up Window between 5:00pm—8:00pm
- Dinner Option(s) or menu selections

Dinner Pre-Orders must be submitted by Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Payment will be made at time of pickup.

Open to all — just mention KofC Fundraiser when ordering — tell all your Family & Friends — Pass It On!

Thanks for your Support — Have Fun, Stay Safe and Tip Generously!



## Message From Carl A. Anderson Supreme Knight

#### **Brother Knights:**

We are all aware of the troubling events that are occurring today, including attacks on statues of historical figures such as Abraham Lincoln, Frederick Douglass and our Order's namesake, Christopher Columbus. Statues of saints have also been vandalized, including those honoring St. Junípero Serra, St. Louis and even the Blessed Virgin Mary, and houses of worship and other religious symbols have been attacked. These are not merely attacks on statues and history. They are increasingly attacks on Catholics and people of faith.

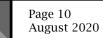
In the late 19th century, the Knights of Columbus took its name at a time of intense anti-Catholicism. Our founding members wanted to show that Catholics played an essential role in the exploration and development of America since its earliest days, and that a Catholic could be both a good citizen and a good Catholic.

However, anti-Catholicism persisted. In the 1920s, the Ku Klux Klan tried to stop Columbus Day celebrations and opposed Columbus statues simply because Columbus was a Catholic. We opposed the KKK then and have continued to stand up against bigotry directed at Catholics and others.

We stood up against the persecution of Catholics in Mexico in the 1920s, spoke out for the Jews of Germany in the 1930s and worked for religious freedom behind the Iron Curtain during the Cold War. Today, we are rebuilding Christian communities in the Middle East that were targeted for genocide. Each of us can be proud of our history of standing up for the most vulnerable among us.

While our faith calls us to be respectful of different perspectives, acts of vandalism are crimes against all who cherish democracy and mutual respect. The Knights of Columbus remains firm in its condemnation of all forms of racism and violence, including political violence. With churches, statues, and religious symbols subject to vandalism and attack, we call upon elected officials and leaders at every level to defend the religious freedom of all.

Vivat Jesus!



# July Knight of the Month Richard Parr



It is with sadness I need to announce the passing of Brother **Richard Parr**. The Knights of Columbus thanks Richard for his years of faithful service to our council and our Parish.

May God Rest His Soul

#### **COUNCIL BROTHER ANNIVERSARIES**

<u>Congratulations</u> to the following Brothers who celebrate their anniversaries in August on becoming Knights!



Savio D'Cruz (8 years)
Robert Egu (8 years)
Richard Fredette (9 years)
John Gilkison (15 years)

#### **COVID SAFTEY REMINDERS**

As a reminder to all Brothers who volunteer their time supporting Parish and KoC events...

---> Stay Home If You Are Sick---> Face Masks Required On Site



Keep yourself safe as well as our Parishioners

\*\*\*\* Want a cool looking KoC branded mask? Reach out to Tim Jorgenson - Only \$10



## Knight's Weekly Monday Morning Virtual Coffee Gathering

When: Every Monday Morning; 8:00 am

Where: Council Zoom link is -->

https://us02web.zoom.us/

j/7456807847 (copy and paste into your browser)

Stay Connected with your Brother Knights



#### Your Pictures Needed

The council would love to have a picture of all our brothers posted on our website so we can all place a face with the name. If you do not have a picture yet posted on the council website, please send a picture of yourself to **tim\_jorgenson@hotmail.com.** Editing yourself to make you appear younger, slimmer and more attractive is not allowed.

## **Notes from the Newsletter Editor**

If you see errors in the contents of the Council Newsletter, please notify mikecmartin61@gmail.com. **Hurry back Bob Dompe!!** 

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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. **Entries older than six months will occasionally be removed.** If you wish to have the prayer request retained, please contact me.

Our Council is located in the Oakland Chapter (oaklandkofc.org), District 43.



## Prayer List

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

Tom Tarvin - Friend of PGK Chuck Berardi Charlie Barclay- Friend of PGK Chuck Berardi **Sue Chritensen** – Sister of Brother Paul Martens Rene Barthel - Father-in-Law of Brother Dan Schuchardt Barbara Barthel - Mother-in-Law of Brother Dan Schuchardt Donna McKenzie- Friend of PGK Paul Unpingco **Brooke smith-** Friend of PGK Paul Unpingco Hildigard Melander - Wife of PGK Dave Melander **Frank Jacops** – Brother of Brother Mark Jacops Amana Butirr- Friend of Brother William Sroka Mary Grace Gavino - Daughter of Brother Elmer Gavino Jesus Gavino - Father of Brother Elmer Gavino Amanda Butler - Daughter-in-Law of Brother Greg Butler Jeni Bettencourt - Daughter of Brother Jim Carpenter Anne Charfort - In-Law of Brother John Baioccchi Joe Urban – Son of Brother Mike Urban Thomas Gutwald - Brother of Brother Paul Gutwald Luisa Morrisutti - Wife of Paul Morrisutti **Artero Portela-** Friend of PGK Stephen Natale Brad Schocpflin - Son of Brother Derk Burrus Mary & Nicole Burrus-Daughters of Brother Derk Burrus Jennifer Arena-Wife of Brother John Arena **Russell Hartness**- GodSon, Nephew of PGK Dennis Maurice **Nicholas Maurice**- Son of PGK Dennis Maurice Traci Moyot - Daughter of Brother Bill Jorgensen Gov Jin - Relative of Brother Michael Burns **Dewitt John** – Friend of Brother Kevin Ryan **Terrance Ryan** – Brother of Brother Kevin Ryan Larry Cobade- Friend of Brother Richard Fredette Tom Amess- Friend of Brother Richard Fredette Jen Amial- Friend of Brother Richard Fredette Gloria Fredette-Wife of Brother Richard Fredette Kim Avon - Friend of Brother Brian Langham **Sheila Pridham** – Sister of Brother Brian Langham **Donald Langham** - Father of Brother Brian Langham Stephanie, Sandra & Chudi Atuegbu – Family of Brother Andy Atuegbu Francis Alnoli – Father-in-Law of Brother Andy Atuegbu DSusan Selna - Wife of Brother Ted Selna Sue Ann Fjerstad - Mother of Brother Rob Fjerstad David Massa - Son of Brother Tony Massa Peter Nico – Son of Brother Bill Nico Frank Wolf – Uncle of Brother Bob Wolf Benjamin Wolf- Son of Brother Bob Wolf John Soby - Son of Brother Tony Soby Jeannie Pohorsky- Sister of Brother Michael Schibler Joseph Schibler - Brother of Brother Michael Schibler Bella Gavino- Daughter of Brother Tobby Gavino **George Hegarty Sr.** – Father of Brother George Hegarty Charlotte Machi- Wife of PGK Mike Machi, Sr. Jesica Nett- GrandDaughter of Brother Tom Egan Conchita Sigua - Mother of Brother Chris Sigua Herb Cervontes - Friend of Brother Chris Sigua **Bob Grubbs** – Son of Brother David Grubbs **John Deliso-** Brother-in-Law of Brother Joe Kenny Kim Kenny- Daughter of Brother Joe Kenny **Chris Kenny** – Son of Brother Joe Kenny Madison Hebron - Daughter of PGK Ron Hebron John Wellbeloved- Son of Brother David Wellbeloved Chuck Grandon - Son of Brother David Wellbeloved Jim/Helen Wellbeloved - Brother of Brother David Wellbeloved Theresa Fitzpatrick – Mother of Brother Ed Fitzpatrick Melanie Brent - Wife of PGK Jeff Brent Patricia & Tom Hanrahan - Sister and her husband of Brother Joe Gourley

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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:

Remmy Unpingco - Mother of PGK Paul Unpingco

Javier Castro - Brother of Brother Ernesto Castro

**Shirley Hintz-** Mother-in-Law of PGK Paul Unpingco

That the love of God will be with them.

join in the love of God:



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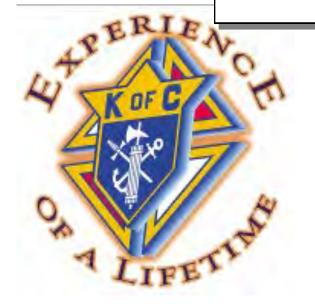
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