

Knightly News

September 2020



Knights Of Columbus Michael J. Costello Council 6043 The Catholic Community Of Pleasanton

Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brothers,

As summer is waning, I am suddenly asking myself, "What happened?" No vacations, a hot summer, and the same shelter-in -place routine has truly accelerated time for me. I continue to pray that we turn the corner on this pandemic and that we can once again meet in person as a council.

Our Brothers continue to put in the hard work to make sure our Pastor and Parish are supported with their commitment to numerous hours of parking lot patrol, by quickly responding to a fundraiser at Pastas, providing assistance at

funerals, or by simply organizing lines for social distancing. Thank you to those that supported the Knights fundraiser with Pastas. It was our first try at an event like this and through sales and donations, we raised over \$750. One of the biggest rewards for me is when we can financially support our community.

Recently, PGK Jom Sicat handed over a donation from our council to Fr. Mark for \$10,000 to support our never-ending parish financial needs. These funds do not magically appear, they come from the numerous fundraising we do all year. Thank you all again.

Speaking of events, be sure to read the details in the newsletter where our council has a couple of more important fundraising events planned. A September 21st fundraiser with SideTrack restaurant and our traditional Festa Italiana on October 24th. Please try to support if you can and as a reminder, this is open to everyone.

Stay safe. Reach out if you need any assistance.

Regards,

Michael Martin 925-699-4990

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From the Council Faith Director

God is Faithful!

2020 will go down in history as a YEAR of what the Heck!!!

Let's take a minute and look at 2020 in a different way. We see our community waving thank you (in the clouds of smoke) to our first responders especially our Fire Protectors as they go out day after day fighting our lightning strikes and forest fires. We see our Police who risk great odds doing their job in protecting our community and neighborhoods from harm. We experience our Doctors and Nurses protecting OUR LIVES. We also see business' feeding us, stocking our shelves, driving our public transit vehicles, in essence Society helping Society. We celebrate their great victories.

Our Lord Jesus promises us a great victory celebration when He returns again to put down His enemies and to establish His everlasting kingdom of PEACE, JOY and RIGHTEOUSNESS. That day when the Lord Jesus returns will be joy and peace for those who are prepared to meet Him but grief and sorrow for those who did not accept Him as Lord and Ruler of All.

Jesus' first coming was a Rescue Mission.

Please don't let Satan rob you of your Heavenly Treasure. Don't let FEAR rob you of living life as missionaries. Become Battle Ready to protect your family from The Evil that permeates todays world. YES EVIL IS SURROUNDING ALL OF US. As true Catholics we have the armor of Our Lady's Rosary. We have the armor of participating in Mass in Person and receiving God in Us through Communion. We have the Armor of forgiveness through Reconciliation. We have the armor of Eucharistic Adoration, sitting with God IN PERSON and witnessing His Rescue Mission Plan. WE have a country of FREEDOM, Universal Rights and Liberties. We have Faith, Hope and Love that is written in our hearts forever. In essence we have it all because that IS GODS PLAN.

The Lord Jesus chooses to come and dwell in our hearts through the gifts and workings of His Holy Spirit. He knocks at the door of our hearts and invites us to let Him enter (Revelations 3:21). Are you ready to meet the Lord EACH AND EVERY DAY?

Respectfully, your Faithful Lecturer, PGK Dennis Maurice

FAITH IN ACTION PLANS:

Be a part of God's Rescue Mission. Profess TRUTH, Justice and the true American way; A nation under GOD. We are a beacon of hope for the world.

Embrace GOD"s church. Attend Mass, Reconcile, Humbly place yourself in the personal Presence of God through Eucharistic Adoration. Embrace and protect ALL LIFE including the unborn, don't allow Evil to harm your fellow man/woman/child. Embrace and protect one another with the armor of TRUTH.

Pray, Vote and hold accountable those who are to protect and defend us through our Constitutional Rights.

Leave no neighbor behind. Visit them, feed them, Love them unconditionally. Protect them from ALL harm. Protect them from Evil.

Share these action plans with your wife and family.

MAKE AN EFFORT TO DO MORE FOR GOD AND COUNTRY! Your eternal life is depended upon it?



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: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7456807847</u>



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

Access via a password/passcode is not currently planned.



Kids Against Hunger.

Feeding families around the world . . . and around the corner

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HELP PROVIDE MEALS TO HUNGRY FAMILIES BY VOLUNTEERING JUST AN HOUR AND HALF OF YOUR TIME !

In light of the present situation and the need for social distancing how can we still promote LOCAL Solidarity? The Social Justice Committee invites Parishioners to reach out and spend just 1 ½ hours packing meals for hungry children in partnership with *Kids Against Hunger*.

Kids Against Hunger is a non-profit organization with a mission to provide nutritious food to impoverished children and families. They organize meal-packing events where volunteers assemble meals for hungry and starving children all over the world. Visit <u>https://kahbayarea.org/</u> for more information.

Due to the current COVID pandemic *KAH* is limiting food packaging events to no more than 20 people at any given time at their warehouse. Each person has an 8 ft table to themselves or Families can share 2 8ft tables. The cost to participate is \$20 per person, which covers the cost of the ingredients, packaging, shipping, hair nets, sanitizing, etc. and over 200 meals per person can be packed in about 90 minutes.

The packaged food may be shipped to Haiti for continued relief efforts or distributed locally including to the Cathedral of Faith in San Jose for their "Reaching Out Food Distribution". For more details go to https://cathedraloffaith.org/events/.

Parishioners are encouraged to sign up for our CCOP Packing Event (click on the link below) or join any public event at *KAH* by going to <u>KAH - join-a-packing-event</u>. Reservations are a must!



What:

Spend just 90 minures helping to pack meals for hungry children.

Why:

Jesus said "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

When & Where:

Saturday, September 26 Session 1 10:00 -11:30 am Session 2 12:30- 2:00 pm Kids Against Hunger, 1258 Quarry Lane, #H, Pleasanton. Contact KAH at 925-400-7201 or info@kahbayarea.org.

Who:

Adults and children 10 years and older.

How:

Click Here for 10:00 Session

Click Here for 12:30 Session

For more information contact Lisa Schibler at lschibler13.example.com or phone 925-989-6282

KofC Lenten Retreat

Come join us for the Men's Lenten Retreat on March 28th at St Elizabeth Seton, 8 am to 3 pm. **Suspended. Reschedule is TBD**

Theme of the Retreat is:

"How to become and be a Disciple of Christ."

Per Father Mark:

We hear people talk about becoming disciples or forming disciples all the time. Practically speaking, what does that look like? What should we be working on? How does one become a real disciple, and then how do we tend to being one?

Cost: \$21, at the Council's online store (<u>https://mkt.com/knights-of-columbus-council-6043</u>)



DAILYMASS

12:10 PM

MONDAY - FRIDAY

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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/CatholicCommunityof Pleasanton/. 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/CatholicCommunityofPleasa nton/. 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 YouTube for updated information on coverage of Masses.

A Message from the Worthy Deputy Grand Knight

My dear Brothers in Christ,

Here is an update on our Faith In Action Programs:

Faith

Please read the Lecturer's Report in this Newsletter and his ideas for applying the content of his report in real, vital ways by putting your faith into action, particularly during these trying times.

Life-

40 Days For Life is still holding vigils at the Planned Parenthood Abortion facility in Walnut Creek on Tuesdays and Fridays, 9am-2pm. They will also be holding their 40 day vigil (Mon-Sat) from Sep 21- Nov 1. Look for more on this at our September Membership Meeting.

Community-

We are still handling the logistics of the Sacraments as offered by our clergy. Drive Through Confessions on Saturday afternoons have been moved to inside St. Augustine Hall. The Reception of Holy Eucharist on Sunday mornings is still ongoing. Fr. Mark is requesting help with audio/visual and other logistical support for activities such as funerals, weddings, etc. in the grotto. No experience needed.

Finally, Kids Against Hunger is accepting reservations for limited food packing events at their warehouse in Pleasanton. Families, small groups and individuals are welcome to help. Please see the flyer elsewhere in this Newsletter.

Family

Brother Preston Bernardi is our new liaison with the Youth Ministry program and codirector of our Family Faith in Action Programs. He is putting together a program to honor our first responders. If you are interested in helping, please let me know. This will be discussed at our Officers Meeting on Thursday, September 3, 2020 at 7:00pm, via Zoom.

We still need help in filling the following positions in our Council: Membership Director and Family and Life Co-Directors, working with the Deputy Grand Knight to run programs that apply to our Faith in Action plans. We will need to think of new ways to serve the parish and community in these capacities under current social distancing guidelines.

Vivat Jesus!

Michael Schibler, Deputy Grand Knight

Message from PGK Stephen Natale

My Dear Brothers in Christ,

I'm reaching out to you with information about our upcoming **Festa Italiana Take-Out Fundraiser**. Our event and approach this year will be different from past years for obvious reasons. But our goal as with all our Knights of Columbus events will be the same as always: to raise money for charity.

This is a new approach and to be successful we will require the same commitment, dedication and effort as we've always displayed with past Festa Italiana events. And..... we need participation, that is, meal purchase. So be generous! In return, you and your families will enjoy a stupendous and delicious Italian meal for a very beautiful price! See the Festa Italiana flyer below for more details. For manpower support, a Sign-Up Genius will follow soon.

Buon Appetito!

Your Bother in Christ, Stephen Natale

A Message from the Worthy Chancellor

Hi Brothers,

We still have opportunities for advancing to the 3rd degree. You can choose one of the scheduled online exemplifications that are on Thursdays at 4:00 and 7:00 PM or you can choose to participate in a on-demand online exemplification anytime you want. These exemplifications only take 30 minutes.

We now have an opportunity for those of you that are 3rd degree to advance to the 4th degree. There will be a virtual 4th degree exemplification on Saturday, September 26 at 10:00 AM. I plan to participate myself.

Please contact me with any questions or if you would like to participate in any of the exemplifications.

Tim Jorgenson

Cell: 925-202-1024

Email: tim.jorgenson@hotmail.com

Knights of Columbus Council 6043 Charity Fundraiser

The Knights of Columbus Pleasanton held our first ever virtual dinner fundraiser on Monday, August 24th in partnership with Pasta Tattoria on Main Street.

The Take-out dinner event was a big success with **35** families participating and a few brothers making direct donations. **Pastas donated over \$600** to the Knights of Columbus Charities that will benefit needy local non-profits.

Thank You Pastas for the partnership and some great food and a special thanks to all the Knights' families and friends that participated!



Pictured is Worthy Grand Knight Mike Martin and Brother Rob Fjerstad accepting the donation check from Pastas owners Rick Ring (left) and his son Ryan (right).



Catholic Community of Pleasanton

August 29 at 10:04 PM · 🌣

The Knights of Columbus during COVID times has elected to give back to the Parish that has afforded it countless opportunities to serve. It was an honor to present to Fr Mark a \$10,000 check in support of CCOP's ministries and activities. The Council looks forward to sustaining this partnership so that Knights can continue exercising Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism in serving the community.





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.

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A Talley of August Attendance for Confession and Communion

DATE	Confession	DATE	Communion	
1-Aug	21	2-Aug	252	
8-Aug	14	9-Aug	289	
15-Aug	27	16-Aug	220	Start counting people instead of cars for Confession
22-Aug	24	23-Aug	222	
29-Aug	24	30-Aug	289	
Total	110		1272	







The Knights of Columbus CCOP Council 6043 Festa Italiana

Italian Dinner TAKE-OUT Fundraiser

Saturday, October 24, 2020 Drive Through Pickup between 5:00 – 7:00 PM at St. Augustine's Church Hall



Authentic Italian Dinner Cooked by our Own Five Star Knights of Columbus Chefs

Dinner Includes Rigatoni Pasta in Bolognese Sauce with Meatballs and Sausage, Salad, Italian Bread, Italian Dessert

All Dinner Orders must be placed via our Knights of Columbus Web Store at <u>Web Store Link</u> or the QR code to the right Dinner for 1 : \$25 Dinner for 2 : \$45 Dinner for 4 : \$80



For additional information please contact: Stephen Natale at 925-895-7661 or <u>sanatale@hotmail.com</u>

Orders taken until Monday, Oct. 19, 2020



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Knight's Weekly Monday Morning Coffee Gathering via Zoom

When: Every Monday Morning; 8:00 amWhere: Use Council's Zoom access; see information at the Coming Events page

Why: No Agenda—Just Brother Knights getting together for coffee & conversation

Stay Connected with your Brother Knights



EMPLOYMENT - CONNECTIIONS

Our focus is on where you are as an individual in your job search and address those issues where you need immediate direction.

Job Search Guidance, Resource Information, Networking, Inspiration and Support in an open and safe environment.

We welcome anyone in need of help with their job search to join us

We meet on the 1st Monday Evening each month at 7 PM - St Elizabeth Seton Church, 4001 Stoneridge Drive (Room B), Pleasanton

Please join us on Linkedin; Group - Employment Connections CCOP mikemachi5600@gmail.com 925-519-5797

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# <u>Notes from the Newsletter Editor</u>

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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.

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# Prayer List

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

Keith Bryan- Brother-in-Law of Brother Matt Bottero Jeff Henner - Friend of Brother Matt Bottero Bernard Glendon - brother of Brother Howard Meffill Donadina Domingo- Aunt of Brother Scott Doruff's wife Ken Ravizza- Cousin of GK Mike Martin Ernie Cuni- Cousin of GK Mike Martin Olivia Negrete – Wife of Brother Emet Negrete Amanda Butler-Daughter-in-Law of Brother Greg Butler and friend of Brother William Sroka Tom Tarvin – Friend of PGK Chuck Berardi Charlie Barclay- Friend of PGK Chuck Berardi Sue Chritensen – Sister of Brother Paul Martens Barbara Barthel- Mother-in-Law of Brother Dan Schuchardt Donna McKenzie - Friend of PGK Paul Unpingco Brooke mith- Friend of PGK Paul Unpingco Hildigard Melander- Wife of PGK Dave Melander Frank Jacops – Brother of Brother Mark Jacops Mary Grace Gavino - Daughter of Brother Elmer Gavino Jesus Gavino – Father of Brother Elmer Gavino 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 Goy 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 Ann Avon – Friend of Brother Brian Langham Stephanie, Sandra & Chudi Atuegbu – Family of Brother Andy Atuegbu Francis Alnoli – Father-in-Law of Brother Andy Atuegbu **Sue Ann Fjerstad** – Mother of Brother Rob Fjerstad Conchita Yumul – Friend of Brother Tony Massa 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 Shella Soby – Daughter-in-Law 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 Shauna Gourley – Daughter of Brother Joe Gourley Karen Brady- Daughter of Brother Joe Bonnevolke **Deacon Joe Sicat-** Father of Grand Knight Jom Sicat Sarah Miller- Daughter of Brother Pete Miller Paul Schmidth - Friend of Brother Dom Pietro Kelly Pietro- Daughter of Brother Dom Pietro Lyssa Pietro – Daughter of Brother Dom Pietro Ellen & George Fitzgerald – Parents of Brother Frank Fitzgerald Paul Fitzgerald – Brother of Brother Frank Fitzgerald Eddie Fitzgerald – Brother of Brother Frank Fitzgerald Sandy Warren – Wife of Brother Frank Fitzgerald Marvel Brodnick – Mother of Brother Dean Brodnick Wenkwei Liu – Father of Brother Grant Liu Ardys Henson- Mother of Brother Christian Dungo Patricia Guzman – Mother of Brother Robert Strawn Jim Barbaccia - Son of Brother Jack Barbaccia Florence Barbaccia - Wife of Brother Jack Barbaccia Mike Kotch- Son of PGK Mark Kotch Mike Santos - Son of Brother John Santos Teresa Santero – Daughter-in-Law of PGK Lou Santero Geraldine Santero- Daughter of PGK Lou Santero Ed Santero – Son of PGK Lou Santero Adrienue Wood – Daughter of Brother John Wood Jim Klement-Brother of PGK Mike Kliment Richard Hudak- Friend of PGK Mike Kliment Billie Rivera- Friend of PGK Mike Kliment Connie Fross- Friend of PGK Mike Kliment Travyn Rasiah - Son of Brother Pravin Rasiah **Benjamin Cruz** – Son of Brother Anthony Cruz Jennifer Hansen– Daughter of Brother Ron Hansen Helen Hirashiki-Wife of Brother Mark Worrell Dante Andal- Father of Brother Dennis Andal Kevin Ngwanyia - Son of Brother George Ngwanyia Christine Estrada-Wife of Brother Junior Estrada Sandy Mertesdorf – Mother of Son-in-Law of Brother Mike Studendorff Kelli Machi-Wife of PGK Mike Machi, Jr. **Brother Robert Bills Brother Frank Costa Brother Walter Desouza Brother Bob Dompe Brother Frank Fitzgerald Brother John Gorman Brother Dave Grubbs Brother Howard Merrill Brother Kevin Ryan** Brother Ted Selna Brother Jim Vigus Brother David Wellbeloved PGK Chuck Berardi PGK Joe Jones & Wife Arlena PGK Mike Machi, Sr. **PGK Dave Melander PGK John Moore** Sisters of Monastery of Blessed Sacrament Rob Gibbs- Friend of the Council Ray Fosse— A's Announcer, Friend of this Council Karen Miller- Friend of Fr. Mark Wiesner

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

Margaret Jones-Daughter of PGK Joe Jones **Brother Richard Parr** 

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.



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