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Newsletter of The Knights of Columbus ~ Council 971

May 2011

Business Meetings are normally held the second Wednesday and Socials the fourth Wednesday at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall

May Events

- 1..... Devine Mercy Sunday.
- 1..... Mass for deceased members, Holy Cross Church, 11 a.m.
- 11..... **BUSINESS MEETING**, Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 21-22. Recruitment at St. Joseph's in Capitola.
- 25..... **MONTHLY SOCIAL**
(See below and inside for details.)
- 30..... Memorial Day.

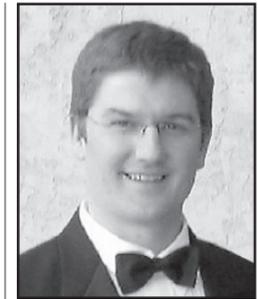


Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights and families,
The Knights of Columbus Council 971 wishes all of you a happy Easter season, filled with joy and hope for the future.

Many of you were able to attend the combined April social and 4th degree chalice presentation, highlighted by Chef Tony Lebourveau's outstanding crab cioppino and Jack Kemerling's appetizers and desserts. We are truly blessed that they can share their talents and energies with us. Please continue reading in this issue for the list of people who helped in many ways during the evening.

I have mentioned several times in the past few months that we are benefiting a lot from the energy of our new council members, and we hope to translate this into additional community programs. Please plan to attend a business meeting on the second Wednesday to



learn more. In fact, we will be nominating new officers for the next Columbian year during our May meeting.

The annual State Convention will be held

May 13-14 in San Diego, and members from our council will be in attendance. This is an inspirational meeting, with councils statewide represented. It is a chance to learn from other delegates about the strength of their councils, and I hope that we can bring back ideas for improvement during the next Columbian year.

Please continue to pray for brothers and family members who are in need.

Fraternally yours,
Jason Nielsen

Chaplain's Message

OUR LADY'S PRAYER

Again we come to the month of May, the month of Our Lady. There are many things we can say about her, but we will limit ourselves to Our Lady's prayer, the Magnificat, in the first Chapter of St. Luke's account of the Gospel, which encapsulates her mind and life, which was totally consecrated to Her Son and to God. Let us reflect on this prayer in order to understand the mind and the heart of our Mother

Mary so as to imitate this perfect disciple of Christ. My soul magnifies or reflects the greatness of the Lord because all goodness comes from God. My spirit rejoices in God my Savior. Since all comes from Him my joy comes from Him as well. He has done mighty things for me and in me. His mercy is for those who revere Him. Those who depend on their powers alone He has brought low and

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**Monthly Social
Mexican**
Wednesday, May 25
Star of the Sea Parish Hall

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Social

Our May Theme for our dinner social is "Mexican Nite". The meal will be prepared by Sylvia Pintor & Fannie Alvarez (Ramon's niece) with the following menu:

Tamales

Mexican Rice, Beans

Enchilada Roja con Pollo

Dessert: Paleta (Mexican Popsicles)

We would sincerely appreciate donation of raffle prizes.

Dinner will be held at Star of the Sea Parish Hall. Social Hour begins at 6 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7 p.m. Table service will be provided.

Invite your friends. Any profits from the dinner go to various charitable uses such as our parishes, schools and ministries.

Nominations

Nomination of Officers for 2011-12 Columbian Year. Nominating committee encourage council members to call or contact the committee if they have a candidate for office to nominate before Wednesday, May 11th council meeting. Election will take place on Wednesday, June 8th council meeting.



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...Chaplain

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those who depend on Him are raised up. The hungry He has satisfied with His love and forgiveness, but the self-satisfied will continue to go hungry still. Just as he promised Abraham and our fathers in the past He providentially sustained Israel with His mercy, as He promised Abraham and our fathers, so on forever. And, He sustains me forever...

Sometimes we find it difficult to pray and we can use formalized prayer to express our thoughts and heart. The two the Church recommends are the Our Father and the Magnificat, Mary's prayer. As the mother of Christ and our mother as well, she teaches us how to pray as our mothers have taught us. We may use the above articles of the Marian prayer frequently when we find it difficult to formulate our thoughts and desires.

Mother, especially during this beautiful month dedicated to you and all mothers teach us to pray and how to pray.

Happy Mother's Day.

Fr. James Catalano, OSJ.

Masses

The following Sunday 11:00 a.m. masses, held at the Holy Cross Church, will be offered for the deceased members of Council 971: May 1st and July 17.

Recruitment

Our council will be doing recruiting at after masses at St. Joseph's Church in Capitola on May 21 (5 p.m.) and 22 (7, 9, 11 a.m.). Please consider attending one of these masses and assisting Doug Gallagher and fellow knights.

Illness & Prayers

Let us continue with our prayers for our sick list of brother knights and families and their caregivers.

Barry Earl, Frank Giaimo, Timothy Hanifin, Roy & Maryann June, Andrew Mekis, Roy June, Gary Phariss, Robert Walter, Dr. Paul Weiss, Gerald Zieber, Arline D'Sabato, and Joan Phariss.

Your call or e-mail to the Bulletin Editor (Andrew) if you know of any changes to the above list will be appreciated.

Fatima

Santa Cruz Council 971 sponsors the annual devotion to Our Lady of Fatima. For this year, we begin the Our Lady of Fatima Pilgrimage on Thursday, May 13th, 2011 and every 13th day of each month thereafter until October 13, 2011.

Place: the Oblates of St Joseph Guardian of Our Redeemer in Santa Cruz.

Celebrated by Fr. Rafael Lavilla, Jr, OSJ. Fr. John Warburton. OSJ plans to concelebrate.

Time: 7:00 p.m. procession

7:30 p.m. Mass

Refreshments after Mass.

We encourage all brother Knights and their relatives to please come and join us.

The Knights of Columbus Color Corps from the Padre Palou 4th Degree Assembly will lead the procession.

Thank you!

Thanks to all the people who made our March social a success!

Host: Tony Lebourveau assisted by his family

Mass celebrated by Chaplain Fr. Jim Catalano

MC: Jason Nielsen and Rudy Quijance

Dessert & Hors D'oeuvres: Jack Kemerling

Kitchen helpers: Doug Gallagher, Jason Nielsen & Hugo Zazzara

Food Servers: Lebourveau family; Ken Lazier & daughter Crysta and Arnold Reyna

Door: Jason Nielsen, & Ken Lazier

BAR: Larry Rothfuss & Rudy Quijance

Raffle: Ken Lazier (with granddaughter Sasha), John Fernandes & Robert Spencer (4th Degree Member)

Center Pieces: Virginia Quijance's arrangements; flowers from Ramon & Ruperta Belleza's garden.

Event: Joint Council 971 & Padre Palou Assembly Social. Larry Young, PFN and Comptroller of the Assembly made the Chalice Presentation. At the social Larry Young announced the names of 4th degree members who earned the Honorary Life Membership to the 4th Degree, including Rudy Quijance.

There were better than 75 people in attendance. Kudos to Tony, once again!

Dues

Membership Dues for 2011. Please send in your dues to the Financial Secretary, Rudy Quijance, soon. If you have concern or question about your Knight of Columbus membership, you are encouraged to call him at 831-458-9169. There are other options open to members, than "dropping out."

Insurance

The Knights of Columbus insurance program passed a major milestone at the end of April when total insurance in force exceeded \$80 billion. The amount of life insurance in force has doubled in just over a decade, from \$40 billion in 2000.

The Knights of Columbus has more than \$17 billion in assets and ranks in the Fortune 1000 list of America's largest companies. It is one of only five insurers in North America to receive the highest possible rating for financial stability from both Standard & Poor's (AAA) and A.M. Best (A++).

The organization was established in 1882 as a fraternal benefit society, with one of its primary aims to enable members to protect their families with life insurance. Today, the K of C has more than 1.8 million members in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Central America, the Caribbean, Philippines and Poland.

Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson, who assumed the role of CEO in 2000, cites the record sales growth as resulting from the organization's philosophy of sustainable investment and ethical business practices.

"Despite the difficult economic conditions in the United States, the Knights of Columbus has maintained its strength, and has improved its standing relative to the insurance industry as a whole," Anderson said. "There is no higher rated insurer than the Knights of Columbus, and we have every confidence in our continued success because we have a fundamentally solid business model, which continues to serve us well."

One of the most active charitable groups in the United States, Knights of Columbus members last year set records despite the weak economy by providing nearly 69 million hours of charitable service and more than \$151 million in donations to charitable causes.