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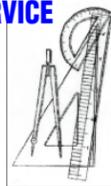
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May 2012

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

May Events

- 9.....BUSINESS MEETING,
Our Lady Star of the Sea
Parish Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- 17-20 .State Convention in Santa
Clara
- 20..... Ascension Sunday
- 23.....MONTHLY SOCIAL
(See below and inside for
details.)
- 27..... Pentecost
- 28..... Memorial Day
- 31 Visitation of the Blessed
Virgin Mary

Future Events

- Aug. 6-9.....Supreme
Convention held in
Anaheim.



Monthly Social Mexican

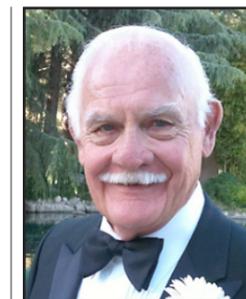
Wednesday, May 23
Star of the Sea Parish Hall

Grand Knight's Message

Brother Knights & Families,

With our Columbian Year and State Convention on the horizon we need to renew our efforts to support the Santa Cruz Council. Last month five of our Knights went on to the 4th Degree to bring more energy and support to our Council. We need more of the missing One Hundred to voice their support and show up for meetings and dinners. We thank you for your past efforts and want to keep you in our plans as we move forward.

Coming up next this month is the State Convention in Santa Clara, May 17-20. We want all of our council members to try and make it and see your Knights at Work. This year we have an important message to send to the President with regard to the lack of action on the Health Bill with regard to the "Conscience Clause". Since our Catholic colleges and universities and Hospitals and other Charities would all be asked



to support contraception, sterilization and abortion-inducing drugs, this is a direct attack on our religious freedom. The State Convention has

a very strong message and you know the Knights will be on the front line of this defense of the Catholic Church in the USA. If this message can be loud enough to wake up the White House staff then we will not have a long drug out war. A resolution approving this message will be voted on at our convention.

Please continue to pray for our Brother Knights and their Families. Remember "We are our Brother's Keeper".

Your Grand Knight at work,
Doug Gallagher

Chaplain's Message

THIRD LETTER TO MARY

I am sorry that I do not write more often. You know my heart and that you are always there as well as in my mind. I was just thinking today about my youth and the early days of my life and how you were always there leading me gently on even though I did not know it. How you inspired me to recite the rosary, your beautiful

prayer, during all those years of my early life. The visits to the Blessed Sacrament, the Stations of the Cross, the "hello" short visits to you during all those early days of my growing elementary years. You were there softly pushing me on with your maternal love and solicitude. My earthly mom introduced me to you and you

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in turn introduced me to your Son Jesus Christ. I will be eternally grateful for the gift of yourself to me and that of your Son Jesus. I have tried during these many years of religious life and priesthood to introduce you and your Son to many others. It is the only way in which I can thank you for what you have done for me. I will continue to do so until the end of my life.



Again it is the month of May, one of the most beautiful months of the year. Throughout this month in families and churches throughout the world you are

honored in the special ways: garlands, flowers, crowns and hymns are given you with love and joy. It is often also the month when the little ones receive Holy Communion for the first time. This is another example of how you lead the little ones to your Son Jesus. For those who love you, every month is the month of May. Every day is the time when we think of you and your open heart. You teach us that love has no bounds, that caring to and for all means that the more we give to others, the more we receive and the more loving we become. Mom, teach us how to love, how to give and how to care for others. Happy Mother's Day from your often wayward son. God bless.

Fr. James Catalano, OSJ,
Chaplain

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Thank you!

A big "Thank You!" goes out to those who helped make our April social a success!

Opening Prayer: Fr. Jim Catalano,
OSJ, Chaplain

Host: Larry Rothfuss

MC: Rudy A. Quijance

Caterer: Barbara & Company

Kitchen: Larry was supported/helped by Edwin Tonkin (getting to be a very valuable worker for the council)

Hall setup-cleanup: Sylvia Sanchez & family (coordinated by Ramon Belleza)

Centerpieces: Flowers from Ramon Belleza's garden and arranged by Virginia Quijance

Door: Virginia Quijance

Bar: Ken Lazier & son Ken Lazier, Jr (more valuable members of the council), Rudy Quijance and Edwin Tonkin

Raffle: Ken Lazier & Ken Lazier, Jr. & Edwin Tonkin

Hors D'oeuvres: Jack Kemerling

Raffle prizes: Most raffle prizes were donated by Jack Kemerling

Closing Prayer: Fr. Ron Green, Pastor of Star-of-the-Sea Church

Mass: Celebrated by Chaplain Fr. Jim Catalano

Chalice Presentation: Ed Bystran, PFN, FDD & PCP California State Council Program Director Designate

Larry Young, Faithful Comptroller of Padre Palou Assembly presented the 4th Degree Certificate to five of our council members (from among the 14 new 4th degree members of Padre Palou Assembly). Those honored were: Ken Lazier, Ken Lazier, Jr, Carlos de Lara, Edwin Tonkin & John Fernandes. Congratulations to our new 4th degree members!!

Thanks to those others who also donated to our raffle.

Thanks to all!

Illness & Prayers

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

Barry Earl, Doug Gallagher, Francisco Garza, Frank Gaiimo, Timothy Hanifin, Gary Phariss, Robert Walter, Gerald Zieber, Arline D'Sabato, Maryann June, 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.

Convention

Our annual State Convention is very close this year, it's a short drive over the hill to Santa Clara. Events start May 17, with the bulk of the action taking place on May 18 and 19. Activities wrap up on Sunday, May 20.

A number of us from our council will be attending and we hope that you will be joining us. Carpooling is available.

More information can be found on the state council website:
<http://www.californiaknights.org/2012-ticket-state-convention>



Your participation in our socials, aside from great food and friends, help us support charitable activities in our area. We hope to see you this month!

Insurance

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Social

We hope that you will join us for a delicious catered dinner on May 23. Our social will be hosted by Ken Lazier (Sr.) and Carlos de Lara.

The menu will include:

- Smoked Tri-Tip Tacos
- Southwestern Chicken Tacos
- Cheese Enchilada
- Rice and Refried Beans
- Ice Cream with Topping for Dessert

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. We would sincerely appreciate donation of raffle prizes. Invite your friends.

Jason Nielsen, DGK
Program Director

Membership

Dear Brothers,

We will be visiting some of the local churches in the next month to tell them about the Knights of Columbus and our local council in Santa Cruz. I will be contacting you for your participation with the churches that are near your homes. Please help us with our efforts to build the membership.

I would also like to remind you of the annual State Convention May 18-20 in Santa Clara. This is an excellent opportunity to connect with other Knights from across the state. I learned a lot about the programs of other councils at the State Convention. Please let me know if you are interested in attending and carpooling to the convention.

Fraternally yours,
Jason Nielsen

Relics

The relics of six Knights of Columbus priests, martyred during the period of anti-Catholic persecution in Mexico in the 1920s and 1930s began a pilgrimage of the United States in Houston on April 27.

Surrounded by scores of Fourth Degree honor guard, as well as bishops and priests from throughout Texas, the relics were present at the co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Houston for the opening Mass of the Knights' Texas State Convention. Bishop Kevin Farrell of Dallas served as celebrant and homilist for the Mass, and used the example of the martyrs to illustrate the importance of the need today for Knights to stand up for religious liberty today.

Thousands of the faithful turned out in 2005 for a previous pilgrimage of these relics in cities around the United States — from Dallas to Philadelphia to Los Angeles.