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# Today's Knights

*"Lady of Victory, Pray for Us."*

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July 2011

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

## July Events

- 4..... Independence Day. *Fly the flag!*
- 13..... Fatima rosary after the 11 a.m. mass at the Oblates.
- 13..... **BUSINESS MEETING**, Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall, 7:30 pm.
- 27..... **INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS and DINNER**. Starts with Mass offered by Fr. James Catalano, OSJ at 5 p.m. Immediately followed by the installation. Dinner at the Parish Hall to follow. See below and on page 3 for details and menu.

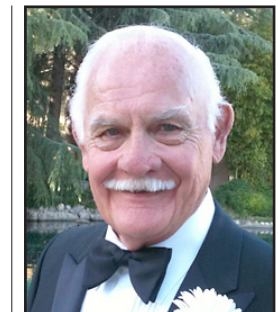


## Monthly Social Mango Chicken

Wednesday, July 27  
Star of the Sea Parish Hall

## Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights and families,  
With the beginning of the Columbian Year it looks like the Grand Knight will begin a journey that has been a long time in coming. I remember the Knights of old, circa the '50s. Frank Gallagher is my father and mentor and I remember many outings and parties. Although I have only been in the Council a few years I understand the mission and I plan to do my best to get some new energy into our activities. I have a vision that we can continue to offer the parishes in Santa Cruz area our support and prayers.



As a member of the Holy Cross 150th Anniversary Steering Committee, I will offer some support as we connect with all those old high school grads from the '40s through '60s that remember the Gallagher Family.

Fraternally yours,  
Doug Gallagher

## Chaplain's Message

### ADJUSTMENTS

One of the things we have to do in our life experiences is to make adjustments to the situations that we have to confront every day of our lives. We must adapt so as to not become inflexible; otherwise we will break. Society and culture are good examples of adapting to the environment in which we find ourselves: human weakness, ignorance, the inexperience of youth, the dusk of old age, social, economic and political realities, as well as foreign and domestic problems. Multiple are the challenges and decisions must be made daily according to the lights that we have received, and the gifts which we have or have not. Though this may be true to a point, we know and feel after reflection and prayer

that often we must go against the grain, the common wisdom of the times, the common sense of the people, to make drastic and fundamental changes which many times cause hostilities, enemies, persecutions, hatred and, often times, death itself. Faith, the saints and the martyrs are good examples of this countercultural attitude.

Jesus Christ gives us an excellent example of healthy adjustment during His life on earth. He adjusted to sin by first recognizing it, and then dying for its destruction. He urged sinners to come to Him for forgiveness and not have sin be inevitable in their lives. Christ did not accept sin,

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## Social

**INSTALLATION DINNER** - The evening will begin with Mass offered by Rev. James Catalano, OSJ at 5:00 p.m. at Our Lady Star of the Sea, immediately followed by the installation in the church. (Coat and tie is requested for all officers to be installed.) After Mass, dinner will be served in the parish hall. This will be a catered affair by Cruz-n-Gourmet and this is the planned menu:

Mango Chicken curry (not spicy but sweet), palau (flavored rice), mixed green salad and coconut cake. (We will also have some plain Roast Chicken alternate available for a few people with dietary restrictions.)

Bring your family and invite prospective members and friends. Table service will be provided.

Donations of raffle prizes and appetizers will be greatly appreciated.



## Fatima

Santa Cruz Council 971 sponsors the annual devotion to Our Lady of Fatima which runs from May to October. After the 11 a.m. mass on July 13, there will be a Fatima rosary held at the Shrine of St. Joseph (Oblates). Everyone, especially knights and family are encouraged to attend.

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## ...Chaplain

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but He accepted the sinners. He gave them a way out. He said, "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life". He gave us an alternative, not an acceptance of evil, not an "I cannot help it" attitude toward sin, deliverance; to hatred, love; to death, life; to despair, hope - and to sadness, joy. Let us use God's grace, our Faith, to make the adjustments He places in our lives and in the milieu of culture and human society.

God bless.

Fr. James Catalano, OSJ

## Insurance

For the 36th consecutive year, A.M. Best Company has given the Knights of Columbus its highest financial strength rating, A++ (Superior). A.M. Best is a worldwide rating and information agency, which conducts in-depth analyses and issues reports about the fiscal stability of insurance companies.

In its 2011 reaffirmation, A.M. Best cited the Knights of Columbus' "strong fraternal and insurance presence within the Catholic communities in the United States and Canada, its superior risk-adjusted capitalization as measured by Best's Capital Adequacy Ratio and the Order's consistently positive statutory operating results."

The report also stated that "the Order has a strong affinity with its large membership base through its charitable works and competitive portfolio of life insurance and annuity products."

Supreme Knight and C.E.O. Carl Anderson said that, "In the past 36 years, there have been five recessions. And in every single one of those years, the Order earned A.M. Best's highest rating."

## 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.

## Election

The following men have been voted by their peers as their leaders of Council 971 for the 2011-2012 Columbian year:

Grand Knight ..... Doug Gallagher  
Deputy GK ..... Jason Nielsen  
Chancellor ..... Ken Lazier  
Warden ..... Carlos de Lara  
Recorder ..... Andrew Lenz, Jr.  
Treasurer ..... Ramon Belleza  
Advocate ..... Jason Nielsen  
Inside Guard ..... Chris Bordner  
Outside Guard 1 ..... Arnold Reyna  
Outside Guard 2 ..... Edwin Tonkin  
Trustee (1 year) ..... Gary Pharris  
Trustee (2 year) ..... Larry Rothfuss  
Trustee (3 year) ..... Jason Nielsen

Congratulations to these gentlemen. Let's give all these officers our full and unwavering support.



A 4th degree Color Corps on June 26, 2011 for the Corpus Cristi Mass and Post-Mass Procession at Holy Cross Church. Left to right: Rudy Cruz, Andrew Lenz Jr. (of Council 971), Rudy Quijance (of Council 971), Rolando Chan, David Ambriz, Chuck Jones, and Ricardo Muruato.

## Thank you!

Our June 22nd social dinner was our annual "Filipino Night" to benefit seminaries in the Philippines. We'd like to thank all those who made this event a success.

Hosts: Ramon & Ruperta Belleza and Rudy & Virginia Quijance

MC: Rudy Quijance

Filipino Meal Cooking: Fannie Alvarez (Ramon's niece); except for the 'chicken adobo' by Virginia Quijance

Hors D'oeuvres: Fannie Alvarez.

Tony Levourbeau also contributed.

Kitchen helpers: Sylvia Pintor and 2 daughters; Raul Alvarez, Virginia Quijance and Edwin Tonkin

Door: Virginia Quijance

Bar: Larry Rothfuss, Edwin Tonkin & Rudy Quijance

Raffle: Ken Lazier & granddaughter

Sasha, Carlos de Lara & Doug Gallagher

Publicity: Jack Kemerling

Prizes for the raffle were all from the Philippines.

There were about 70 people in attendance. While it was enjoyable to have supporters from Holy Cross Church, the Star of the Sea Church, the St Vincent de Paul Church and from those in Watsonville to our fund raising dinner, it would have been more so, if many of our Council members start attending our social functions. We'd like to encourage all of our brother knights to attend so that our regular attendees do not outnumber those brother Knights who faithfully support our functions.

**WHEN YOU HEAR  
GOD'S VOICE TODAY,  
HARDEN NOT YOUR HEART!**

*Vocations Are Everybody's Business*