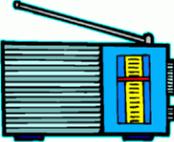




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# Today's Knights

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

Serving Star of the Sea, St. Joseph's Parish, Holy Cross, The Shrine of St. Joseph, St. Vincent de Paul.

Newsletter of The Knights of Columbus ~ Council 971

January 2017

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

## January Events

- 1..... New Years Day
- 8..... Donuts at Holy Cross
- 8..... Rosary at HC, 10am
- 11..... **BUSINESS MEETING**,  
Star of the Sea Parish  
Hall, 7:00 pm.
- 14..... Knighthood (3rd) Degree  
Exemplification, Fremont.
- 21..... Walk for Life in S.F.
- 25..... **MONTHLY SOCIAL**  
(See below and inside for  
details.)

## February Events

- 8..... Business Meeting
- 12..... Rosary/Donuts at HC
- 22..... Monthly Dinner Social

## March Events

- 8..... Business Meeting
- 11..... Casino Fundraiser Trip
- 12..... Rosary/Donuts at HC
- 22..... Monthly Dinner Social
- 26..... Pancake Breakfast, SofS

## Grand Knight's Message

Happy New Year!

And yet, we're half way through what has become a very productive Columbian year. I hope and pray that all had the opportunity to rest and recharge to prepare for the final six months of this fraternal year—I know I did! Reflecting briefly on the first part of the year, I have to say Council 971 has seen growth, action, and challenges that many of us have not seen in many years—and I'm proud of each member's efforts to promote the Order, participate in our activities, and to be available to help out whenever possible in 2017. For example, we're polling your volunteer hours from calendar year 2016 now—and we need to report them quickly, so if you've received the emails from either Rudy or Andrew, please take a few minutes to provide your hours—it is very important.

I'd like to thank Frank Benko and



his team on a successful "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster and essay contest held at Holy Cross School! The participation was excellent,

the essays were eye-opening, and the posters were filled with the spirit of the Christmas season.

I would also like to thank Rudy Quijance (Financial Secretary) for his continued guidance through the processes, along with Andrew Lenz Jr. (District Deputy), who both help keep me "in line".

I look forward to a productive, inspiring, and fruitful 2017 with you men and your families! Blessings!!

Jeff Knapp  
Grand Knight

## Chaplain's Message

Dear Brother Knights:

As we begin a new year - 2017 - we find ourselves much like the Magi that we recall each year on the Solemnity of the Epiphany. Like them, we behold the true wonder and beauty of the Christmas event: the birth of the Christ Child, the love of God with a human face. But as we take our leave of Bethlehem, the sights and sounds of Christmas begin to dim as we take down our holiday

decorations and return to our normal everyday routine of life. We return to our busy, hectic lives and all that we wished and hoped for during the holy season easily begins to fade away. This year let us resolve that the peace, the compassion and the joy that is Christ and Christmas will ring out in every season of this year 2017; that we will make the time and struggle through

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## Monthly Social Roast Beef

Wednesday, Jan. 25  
Star of the Sea Parish Hall

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whatever we have to hear the Christ, the love of God made human for us.

In the Epiphany event, God's grace is made manifest in the person of Jesus; the distance between God and humanity disappears; the remote God of the universe becomes real and approachable in the face and voice and touch of Jesus. In Christ, God is in our midst - and in Christ, we can become the presence of God for others. May all that we hold, may all that we touch, may all that we realize the true miracle of the Incarnation - that we and our world are holy and sacred in the sight of God, our Father and Creator.

As I conclude this spiritual message to you, I invite you to pray for our new president-elect Donald Trump, who will be inaugurated our 45th U.S. President on January 20, 2017. We Knights are not only committed to God and the Church, but also Country. Please pray that the Holy Spirit will guide him in the leading of our country over these next four years, that he serve all Americans, especially the poor, the weak and the vulnerable, in particular the unborn. As The saintly Mother Teresa wisely reminded America: "The greatest disease in modern western society is not tuberculosis or leprosy: it is being unwanted, unloved and uncared for." May our new president and all government officials heed these words and meet the needs of our suffering brothers and sisters within our midst. Blessings to all of you & your families in this new year!

Fr. Paul A. McDonnell, OSJ  
Chaplain



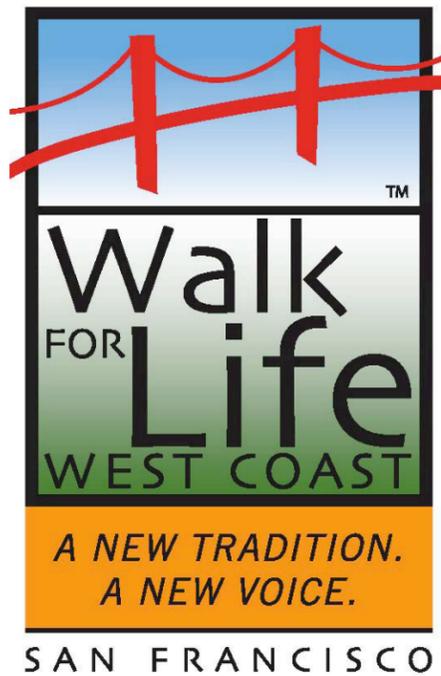
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# Walk for Life



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Our council will be participating in the West Coast Walk for Life on Saturday, January 21, 2017!

For more information, please contact Frank Benko at 428-4494.

# Thanks!

Thanks to those who made our December dinner social a great success!

MC: GK Jeff Knapp

Host/Cook: Tim Proulx

Kitchen Help: Josie Magallon, Edwin Tonkin, Hiro Tani, Ken Lazier Jr., Ken Lazier Sr.

Servers: Ken Lazier Jr., Danny Sleiber

Bar: Edwin Tonkin, Ken Lazier Jr.

Special Clock Raffle: Doug Gallagher

Raffle: Jeff Knapp, Josie Magallon

Music: Brandon Lazier

Appetizers/Dessert: Jack Kemerling

Closing Prayer: GK Jeff Knapp

Door: Jeff Knapp

Thank you to all who brought side dishes and desserts! And thanks to all those others who donated to our raffle. Thanks to anyone we forgot to mention. Thanks to all!

# Illness & Prayers

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

Ken (Sr.) & Kathy Lazier,  
Midge Ehrman, Francisco Garza,  
Gary Phariss, Robert Walter, Lynnette de Lara and Arline D'Sabato.

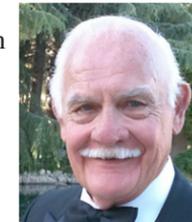
Your call or e-mail to the Bulletin Editor (Andrew) if you know of any changes to the above list will be appreciated.

Mark your calendars for the council's fundraiser to Cache Creek Casino Resort on March 11, 2017. You may reserve your seat now in a 56 passenger bus for \$35 per person and join the over two dozen who have already done so.

Details will follow, but for now contact PGK Rudy Quijance or his wife Virginia at 831-458-9169 or email: raquija@pacbell.net.

# Membership

This has been an active year for us and we expect to find ourselves at more church activities in the coming year. Our Lady Star of the Sea will be the site for a Pancake Breakfast in the schedule for 2017. We are planning on a recruiting effort and hope to bring in good men. Our coffee social at Holy Cross on a Sunday each month has been effective and we will continue as



this activity is supportive to pastor Fr. Martin. Many thanks to all the knights who made the effort to help at various activities throughout the past year. Membership will be a priority for the new year with a strong effort to boost our ranks with more helping hands.

We need to keep up the good work in recruiting and retention so our council lives up to its reputation as a leader in all of the 100-year-old councils.

Doug Gallagher  
Membership Director

# Social

Please come support our monthly social, Wednesday, January 25 at Our Lady Star of the Sea Hall at 515 Frederick Street.

Appetizers and drinks begin the evening at 6 p.m., dinner is served at 7 p.m. which will include salad, Roast Beef (au jus), potatoes, and winter vegetables, all for only \$13!

This month's beneficiary is Star of the Sea Parish, to help offset costs for installation of new carpet in the church! Raffle donations gladly and accepted and appreciated.

Please contact Jeff Knapp at 253-298-1143 (or by email at jrknapp77@yahoo.com) to RSVP by January 23.

# Insurance

Protect your family! Please give your friendly KofC agent, Jim Misa, a call for a free life insurance review. Jim can also talk to you about long term care and annuities. 831-384-8702 or james.misa@kofc.org.

We're asking each member to please fill out the survey below and get it to Rudy Quijance well before Jan. 31! Either e-mail him with your figures (raquija@pacbell.net), or mail it to 108 McMillan Court, Santa Cruz, CA 95060, or give it to him personally at one of the KofC events. Thanks!

## Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity Individual Member Worksheet

Annually, the Knights of Columbus donate more than \$135 million to charitable and benevolent causes and 60 million hours of volunteer community service to aid the less fortunate. To help prepare our council's Fraternal Survey for the Supreme Council office, please complete the information request below. This information will assistus in determining the total number of hours of community service volunteered by our Council 971 members during this past calendar year.

### 1. Number of visits you made during this past year to:

Sick—caring for the sick/nursing homes/hospitals .....  
Bereaved—visits of condolence.....

### 2. Number of time you served as a blood donor during this past year. ....

### 3. Estimated hours of community volunteer service during this past year:

Church Activities—service in all Church related activities .....  
Community Activities—service in all community related activities .....  
Youth Activities—service in all youth related activities .....  
Habitat for Humanity Activities—service in all related activities .....  
Culture of Life Activities—service in all related activities .....  
Miscellaneous Activities—service in areas not outlined above .....

### 4. Number of hours of fraternal service during this past year:

Sick/disabled members and their families—household chores, transportation, tutoring, counseling, etc. ....