



The Knights of Columbus  
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## Birthdays

Edwin Tonkin—1st  
Dominic Massetti—7th  
Jeff Knapp—7th  
Frank Benko—8th  
Louis Paolino—9th  
Rodney Atchison—14th  
James Cranston—24th  
Enrique Hernandez—24th  
Nelson Miranda—30th  
Mark Esposito—30th

Happy Birthday!



Council 971 collecting donations at Holy Cross Church for people with intellectual disabilities. Pictured left to right: PGK Doug Gallagher, Brandon Lazier (honorary), PGK Jeff Knapp, PGK Andrew Lenz Jr. DGK Tim Proulx chaired the activity.



# 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

November 2018

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

## November

1..... All Saints Day  
4..... Day Light Savings  
10/11 . Tootsie Roll Drive at Holy Cross Church  
11 ..... Coffee/Donuts at HC  
14..... **DINNER SOCIAL**, 6 pm. (See below and inside for details.)  
22..... Thanksgiving Day  
28 ..... **BUSINESS MEETING**, Star of the Sea, 7:30 pm.

## December

**No Business Meeting**  
1..... Chapter Meeting, location TBD.  
1..... Habitat for Humanity Build  
9..... Coffee/Donuts at HC  
12..... **Monthly Social**  
30..... 5th Sunday Rosary

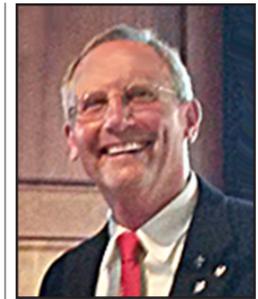
## January

9..... **Business Meeting**  
13..... Coffee/Donuts at HC  
TBD . **Monthly Social**

## Grand Knight's Message

My brother knights,

I was reminded of a very special holiday we celebrate this month, that is, Veterans Day, while reading through a Knights of Columbus Reflection Journal (Knights to Christ). It is the story of a soldier who was finally coming home after having fought in Vietnam. He called his parents. "Mom and Dad, I'm coming home, but I've a favor to ask. I have a friend I'd like to bring home with me." "Sure," they replied, "we'd love to meet him." "There's something you should know," the son continued. "he was hurt pretty badly in the fighting. He stepped on a land mine and lost an arm and a leg. He has nowhere else to go, and I want him to come live with us." "I'm sorry to hear that, son. Maybe we can help him find somewhere to live." "No, I want him to live with us." "Son," said the father, "you don't know what you're asking. He would be a terrible burden. He'll find a way to live on his own." Their son hung up the phone. They heard nothing more



from him until they received word that he had died after falling from a building – suicide. The grief-stricken parents were taken to identify the body. They

recognized him, but to their horror they also discovered something they didn't know – their son had only one arm and one leg. – Author unknown.

Let's remember all of our brave military soldiers who have sacrificed so that we may enjoy so many of the freedoms and blessings in this great country of ours. To those who served in the military, thank you for your service. And for all of us, thank you for your ongoing prayers and support.

Happy Veterans Day AND Happy Thanksgiving!

Vivat Jesus!  
Frank Benko  
Grand Knight

## Chaplain's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

In his book *"Nine Essential Things I've Learned About Life"*, Rabbi Harold Kushner recalls an incident from his undergraduate days at Columbia. He had signed up for an evening class taught by the renowned Jewish theologian Abraham Joshua

Heschel. One evening, Prof. Heschel entered the classroom at the Jewish Theological Seminary and said to the students:

*"Something miraculous just happened as I was walking up Broadway on the way to class." That got the*

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## Monthly Social Potluck

Weds., November 14  
Star of the Sea Hall

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## ...Chaplain

class' attention and they listened to hear what miraculous event might have happened. The rabbi continued: "Something miraculous happened. The sun set, and of all the people on Broadway, nobody noticed it except a handful of observant Jews who got the message that it was time for the evening prayer."

Rabbi Kushner writes: "The miracle to which Heschel was calling our attention to was not that something strikingly unusual had occurred, but precisely that something utterly ordinary had occurred. A faith system attuned to the natural world celebrates the orderliness that makes our lives livable: sunrise and sunset, the change of seasons, water boiling at a particular temperature. He was urging those of us who had come to take sunsets for granted to reclaim that sense of wonder, lest we live our lives in too narrow an emotional range . . . Religion is born in a sense of wonder." As we approach the Thanksgiving holiday and the season of Advent, may we recapture such a sense of wonder with awe and gratitude to behold the miracle of God's love in both the gifts of this good earth and in all of creation — and in one another.

Your brother in Christ,  
Fr. Paul A. McDonnell, OSJ  
Council Chaplain



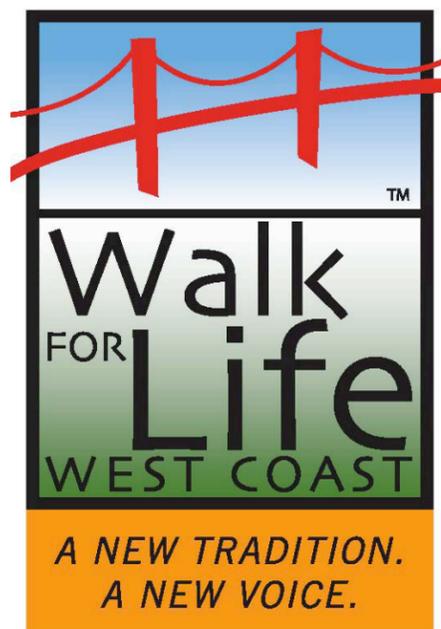
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## Walk for Life

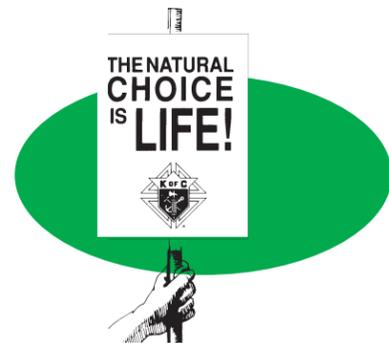


A NEW TRADITION.  
A NEW VOICE.

SAN FRANCISCO

Saturday, January 26, 2018

Mark your calendar now for this annual event promoting life! Grand Knight Frank Benko will again lead our council's effort to participate in this march in San Francisco.



## Insurance

If you are looking to protect your family should the Lord call you home unexpectedly, please give our agent, Jim Misa, a call for a free review of your existing plans or to discuss new plans. Jim can also talk to you about long term care and annuities. Jim may be reached by phone at 663-9232 or by email at james.misa@kofc.org.

## Illness & Prayers

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

Ken (Sr.) & Kathy Lazier, Dave Scargill, Francisco Garza, 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.

## Social

Please come support our monthly social, Wednesday, November 14 at Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Hall. As is our tradition in November, this will be a potluck dinner.

Social hour with no-host bar begins at 6 p.m. with dinner served at 7 p.m., which will consist of Roast Turkey, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy (provided by our council) and served with a variety of sides (provided by YOU—our attendees)—we ask you to please bring a dish based on the first letter of your last name:

**A-J = Salad**

**K-P = Vegetables**

**Q-Z = Dessert**

The usual \$13 is waived in lieu of your contribution to the potluck! Please consider donating items to the raffle, which raises funds for charitable purposes.

Please RSVP by November 13 to Jeff Knapp at (253) 298-1143 (or jrknapp77@yahoo.com) or Ken Lazier Jr. at (831) 419-3753 so we know how many turkeys to roast!

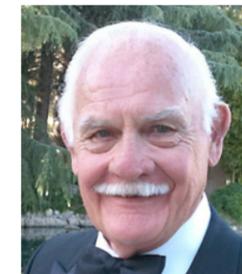
Thanks for your support throughout the year!

## Membership

Brother Knights,

Our council is looking forward to a strong finish to the calendar year. Keep in mind any prospect to bring in as new Knights to our active group. The officers are very thankful for all the support we have seen in the past few months. Please look at the schedule of monthly and weekly events in the bulletin to see how you can help us reach our community and parish churches in their effort. Thank you for your efforts this year.

Doug Gallagher  
Membership Director



## 4th Degree



Larry Gonzales leads the Cristeros de Santa Cruz 4th Degree assembly color corps—which included 971 members—at the Oblates celebrating their 25th Anniversary on November 3.

## Thanks

Our council held our October dinner social at Our Lady Star of the Sea Hall on Friday the 12th featuring an Italian menu—appropriate for a Columbus Day celebration! A big "thank you" to all those who helped make it a success!

Hosts: Doug and Rose Gallagher  
Door: Robin Lazier and Virginia Quijance

Opening Prayer: Ken Lazier Jr.  
MC: Ken Lazier Jr.

Dessert: Tim Proulx, Andrew Lenz Jr., Ken Lazier Sr., and Brandon Lazier

Bar: Edwin Tonkin, Ken Lazier Sr.  
Closing prayer: Fr. Robby

Music: Brandon Lazier  
Thanks to others who also contributed and a sincere appreciation for a job well done!



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