



The Knights of Columbus
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Over 113 Years of Local Service!

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Birthdays

Francisco Garza—2nd
David Jones—12th
Anthony Felder—17th
Joseph Tierney—19th
Steven Leuck—20th
Glen Bailey—21st
Gary Benito—25th
Doug Gallagher—27th
Ken Lazier Sr.—30th

Happy Birthday!



Edwin Tonkin manning the Knights of Columbus tent at the Star of the Sea Day on Sunday, September 30, 2018. Council 971 was an active participant in this annual parish celebration.



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

October 2018

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

October

- 10.....BUSINESS MEETING,
Star of the Sea, 7:30 pm.
- 12.....DINNER SOCIAL,
7:30 pm. (See below and
inside for details.)
- 13.....Chapter Meeting held in
Soledad.
- 14.....Coffee/Donuts at HC
- 20.....Oblates BBQ Fundraiser
Dinner
- 20/21 . Tootsie Roll Drive at Star
of the Sea Church
- 28.....All Saints Kid's Event at
St. Joseph's Capitola

November

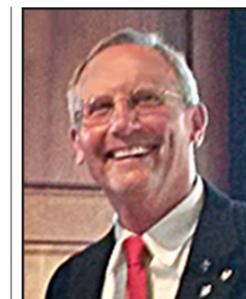
- 1..... All Saints Day
- 4..... Day Light Savings
- 10/11 . Tootsie Roll Drive at Holy
Cross Church
- 11Coffee/Donuts at HC
- 14.....Business Meeting
- 22..... Thanksgiving Day
- TBD . Monthly Social

Grand Knight's Message

My brother Knights,

Can you feel a hint of the holiday season just starting. Maybe it's just a bit early but as I look out over the next few months, we have special activities supporting many of the major holidays including support for St Joseph's All Saints Day celebration; a family potluck for our Thanksgiving dinner social; and the "Keep Christ in Christmas" contest for both Holy Cross and Good Shepherd schools. This is in addition to other activities normally occurring such as coffee socials, the Intellectual Disabilities (ID) drive and Habitat for Humanity to name a few.

It is my hope that more of our Knights will find a way to participate in one or more of these activities and at least join us for the 5th Sunday rosary.



I believe St Francis of Assisi had it right... "It is in giving that we receive."

I can't thank enough those Knights who remain active in our council and

devote so much of their limited time to helping so many worthy causes.

I hope to see a few more Knights over this upcoming holiday season. Thanks for all for all you do to support our council, our faith, family, community and pro-life...and your ongoing prayers. Pax and blessings.

Vivat Jesus!
Frank Benko
Grand Knight

Chaplain's Message

Dear Brother Knights:

Many of your children and grandchildren and great-grandchildren grew up with the stories of Winnie the Pooh and the characters of the mystical Hundred Acre Wood. In the books penned by A.A. Milne and illustrated by E.H. Shepherd, the Pooh Bear and the stuffed animals came alive in the imagination of their young friend, Christopher Robin.

The charming film Christopher Robin imagines the next chapter.

The film begins with Winnie, Tigger, Eeyore, Piglet, the bossy Rabbit, the somewhat wise Owl, and the other animals having a final tea party for ten-year-old Christopher, who is going off to boarding school. They all realize that this is the end of their adventures together; young Christopher Robin is entering the adult world, a place Winnie and company will no longer have a place.

Fast forward to adulthood. Chris-

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Monthly Social Lasagna

Friday, October 12
Star of the Sea Hall

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...Chaplain

topher Robin has served in World War II, fallen in love and married Evelyn, and become the father of Madeline. He has a high-stress job heading up the efficiency department of a high-end luggage company. The company is in financial trouble and his boss is pressuring Christopher Robin to find a solution. Desperate to save the company and the jobs of his coworkers, Christopher Robin has lost a sense of connection to his wife, to his young daughter, and to life itself. For all his worry about taking care of his family at home and his friends at work, Christopher Robin is doing a poor job at both.

In the midst of this tension, Christopher Robin meets up again with his old friends and their enchanted world. Pooh, the "bear of a very little brain but a very big heart," helps his old human friend regain his perspective. Winnie doesn't understand Christopher Robin's obsession with his leather satchel of important work papers. Winnie asks, "Is a briefcase more important than a balloon?"

Christopher Robin tries to make Pooh appreciate that adults can't spend a day doing nothing, like he could as a child. "But 'doing nothing,'" Pooh counters, "often leads to the very best kind of something."

As the story unfolds, Christopher Robin, with the help of his old friends, rediscovers the pleasure of imagination and play. The real "Heffalumps" and "Woozles" to fear, Christopher Robin learns, are selfishness, greed, ingrati-

tude, and arrogance.

No, Christopher Robin realizes, he cannot be a child again. But he - and we - can reconnect to the child that lives within every one of us and embrace again the simple values of

love, friendship, generosity and kindness that we easily lose on the road we travel as adults.

Despite the demands of adulthood, there's always time for a "smackerel of wonder," as Winnie the Poor says. Jesus makes that same point in the Gospel. "Child-like faith" is

never discouraged, never becomes cynical or jaded, never ceases to be amazed and grateful for the many ways God reveals his presence in our lives. A child's faith is anything but "childish." It is this "childlike" quality of faith Jesus asks his followers to embrace: faith that does not separate words and actions, faith that is centered in loving God and others without condition or expectation. The power of such simple "child-like" faith is its ability to overcome every rationalization, fear, complication and agenda in order to mirror the selfless generosity of Christ Jesus. Only in embracing child-like kindness, compassion and forgiveness can we attain true greatness in the kingdom of God.

With a fraternal embrace,
Fr. Paul A. McDonnell, OSJ
Chaplain



Insurance

Please give our dedicated insurance agent, Jim Misa, a call for a free review of your existing plans or chat about long term care and annuities: 663-9232, 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 support our monthly social, Friday, October 12 (Columbus Day - in honor of our Order's namesake!) at the Star of the Sea Hall, hosted by PGK Doug Gallagher and featuring a delicious Italian lasagna meal prepared by his wife, Rose Gallagher.

Social hour with no-host/Donation bar begins at 6 p.m. with dinner served at 7 p.m. The menu includes Green Salad, Lasagna, "Dutch French Bread" & Italian dessert.

The per person donation is \$15, with proceeds of the evening going to benefit a local charity. We will have our raffle held right after dinner. (Raffle donations would be greatly appreciated.) Please RSVP to Doug by calling (831) 425-0764 or email doug-laskay@comcast.net by Wednesday, October 10.

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Membership

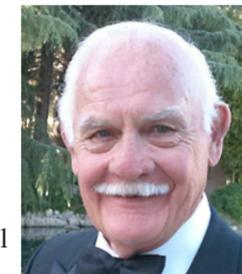
Brother Knights,

Our council will be concentrating on retention efforts of some Knights who have "dropped off the radar".

With fall activities that include the annual People with Intellectual Disabilities (ID) Drive, we will be able to visit the churches in our area and recruit new members. We can still bring up our numbers as we support the individual parish events.

The October social has changed from the traditional 4th Wednesday to a Columbus Day dinner on Friday, October 12 at Star of the Sea Hall. Please do your best to bring new men to our Council. We can make a strong finish to 2018.

Doug Gallagher
Membership Chairman



Condolences

We lost very active member, Jack Kemerling, on September 19. Jack was 93. Jack regularly provided appetizers and dessert at our monthly dinner socials. Jack was recognized as our Knight of the Year for 2016-17.

Also Past Grand Knight Karl Cofield passed away the day before on September 18 at the age of 80. Karl was responsible for getting Jack into the Knight and, in fact, was Jack's sponsor.

May both these men rest in peace. Pray for comfort for their families.



Thanks

Our council held an enormously successful fundraiser dinner at Holy Cross Hall on Friday, September 28 in partnership with the Italian Catholic Federation (ICF) Santa Cruz Branch 21 in benefit of Holy Cross School's 8th Grade class, who will be heading to Washington, D.C. in April 2019.

A major portion of the funds raised will help offset the costs of the trip. This event doesn't happen without the foresight and organization of PGK Jeff Knapp and ICF President Roseann Costabile, who both worked tirelessly to prepare and execute a grate evening of food and fun. The team that supported the event were comprised of Knights GK Frank Benko, Edwin Tonkin, Ken Lazier Sr., Andrew Lenz Jr. and Jason Nielsen helping out in various functions through the evening. The 8th grade students performed "front-of-house" duties in serving food and busing tables, along with their parents cleaning dishes in the kitchen. Roseann and Past Branch President Rosa Radicci made all the appetizers and salad, and provided the raffle items. Thanks and sincere appreciation for a job well done!

Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations to Ken Lazier Sr. and his wife Cathy who are celebrating 57 years of marriage on October 30.

There will be a special blessing at the 10:30 mass at Holy Cross on October 28 for Ken & Cathy and all married couples. All Knights are invited to attend this special recognition.

FATIMA

At noon on Saturday, October 13 please join others at the Oblates of St. Joseph for rosary honoring Our Lady of Fatima.