Msgr. Paul Degnan Council #2603



2023

Grand Knight's Report

WOW - time has flown - another vear is coming to a close - but that means a new beginning too. We had a great time last month with all the family and friends and I pray you did too. With Advent coming up and Christmas in the forefront we need to prepare our hearts for the coming of our Lord and Savior. One way to do that is in prayer and of course we have Adoration of the Eucharist - this month it's in Paradise. Dec. 2nd at 10:00am. Also we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Tue. Dec. 12th, and could use your help to prepare and clean up for this event. Hopefully you signed up to help with the bell ringing at Raley's too on Fri. Dec. 15th. Please pray for our church, Pope Francis (his birthday is this month too - Dec 17) and all the clergy.

We NEED your help with the Crab Feed again so in preparation we are having a small session to train our staff on protecting our youth - Henry and I will be in CC during the morning hours of Dec. 16th starting @ 8am (subject to change) to conduct this with you and help you if you need it.

Please come to our meetings and bring your talents to share - we can't do this without your help and God working with you. Again , thank you for all you do for your council and parish community. This month the meeting is on ST. NICHOLAS DAY (Dec. 6th) @ 7pm. Contact me @ 532 -0495 for further information.

Fraternally in Christ, Steve Hutton, GK

P.S. Heard the new furnace will be installed in the next 2 weeks with a little prayer.



NEEDED!!!!

A replacement for Br. Greg Bates as Financial Secretary. Greg and Linda are planning to move closer to family near Seattle in the coming year. Greg is more than willing to train a replacement. Contact GK Steve Hutton @ 532-0495 or Br. Greg Bates @353-9798 if able to fill this position.

MEETINGS and EVENTS

ST. NICHOLAS DAY & KC MEETING @ 7pm DEC 7th PEARL HARBOR DAY FEAST OF THE IM-MACULATE CONCEPTION DEC 12th **OUR LADY OF GUA-**DALUPE DEC 15th **BELL-RINGING** (a) RALEY'S DEC 16th SAFE HAVEN RECER-**TIFICATION 8AM** PANCAKE BREAKFAST DEC 20th **CRAB FEED/OFFICERS** MTG. 7pm DEC 24th CHRISTMAS EVE DEC 25th CHRISTMAS DAY DEC 31st **NEW YEAR's EVE**

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Our prayers for all our Brothers and their families who are sick or in distress, Josh Coffelt, Br. Sam Worsham, Dan Briggs and son Conner, Art Johnson, Jeff Tolley, Mike & Sarah Britton, Vic & Joanie Briggs, David McIntyre, Jon Peregoy, Mary Marshall, Connie Bruggeman, Ann Bible, lleen Cupido, Jim Goebl, Andy Anderson, Bill & Jeri Huey, Amber Bailey, Patty Weber-Smith, Ann Lewis (Loseke), Gene & Delores Murray, Sal Camera, Fred Dahlke, Ray & Joan Santiago, Rosanne & Dominick Chiricosta, Beth Ann Rickey, Richard Renerio, Kristine Read & Jane Frericks



December 2023 Council Meeting Message



As we approach the end of the year and our thoughts turn to the angelic declaration of "Peace on Earth" and "Goodwill to Men!" We remember Pope Francis' Prayer for Peace where he prays "Lord God of peace, hear our prayer!...Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance we may opt for dialogue and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last..." In our lives there is much going on: scurrying around buying a Christmas tree, getting it decorated; looking for that perfect gift for our spouse, our kids and maybe grandkids. There are parties and school Christmas shows. Seems like we're busier than ever. But let me ask you to slow down for just a few minutes and consider some financial issues that come up at the end of the calendar year.

- 1. Because we're so late in the year, you may have met your individual or family deductible on your health insurance plan. Financially this may be the opportune time for some minor procedure to be scheduled; or that visit to a specialist you may have put off. The same is true about dental insurance and sometimes even for vision coverage. Check with your Human Resource office or your health insurance carrier for details.
- 2. 2. When it comes to health insurance, do you have a Health Savings Account? Do you have to spend the money that's in there by year end? Some plans have a "use it or lose it" feature. Do you have to make a decision about how much to contribute next year? These are a couple of time sensitive issues. Again, make sure you check with your HR office or health insurance carrier.
- 3. 3. If you have earned income for the year, will you contribute to a traditional IRA, Roth IRA, or 401k? Are you eligible to contribute more based on the "catch up" provision? Now is the time to start making plans.
- 4. 4. Speaking of IRAs, have you received your required minimum distribution for this year? If not, the Internal Revenue Service penalty is a hefty 50% of the amount you should have received!
- 5. All of these issues come with rules and regulations, and each individual situation is different. I'd be happy to discuss them with you. As we prepare to celebrate Christmas, let us be thankful for all the graces God has showered on us, especially the gift of his Son, our Savior!

Vivat Jesus!!!

Jeffrey A. Tolley, FICF (530) 514-4395



Under the leadership of <u>Brother Jim</u> <u>Knapp</u>. SUNDAY DEC 17th will be the next breakfast of the year. The following is Crew #1.

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Sal Camera	Eggs		
Rodger Edmundson	Pancakes		
Bill Huey	Potatoes		
Jeff Bible	Kitchen Aide		
Bill Connolly	Kitchen Aide		
Greg Bates	Orders & Set-Up		
Rick McCullough	Orders & Set-Up		
Rick Beale	Cashier		
Ron Ullman	Clean-Up		
Bernard Begin	Assist Set-up		

ASSISTANT'S

ARE NEEDED!!



With the retirement from running the FIREWORKS BOOTH of Br. Jim Cupido help is needed for Br. Chris Martin who has said he will help coordinate the Firework Sales, but that he needs several other BROTHER KNIGHTS to commit to assisting him with this event. Contact GK Steve Hutton @ 532-0495, Br. Chris Martin @ 370 -6409 or DGK Henry Sanchez @ (530) 370-9003.



On Sale \$5 After MASS or contact Br. Jim Cupido @ 533-3399



DECEMBER

Antonio Cisneros & Rick McCullough 5th, Bill Huey 10th, Rick Medford 16th, Pancho Zarate 24th, Jake Coffelt 26th & Chris McCurley 31st (60)



Yes, WELCOME to a new member of our COUNCIL. Brother James McKenna who currently living in Bangor and has transferred from Council 6063 in Foxboro, Mass. Hopefully we will get to meet BR. Jim @ a Council Meeting (1st Wed. of the month, i.e. Dec. 6th, Jan. 3rd etc.) or at our next Pancake Breakfast on Dec. 17th.

CRAB FEED

Sat. JAN. 27th, 2024

Fitzgerald Hall, Doors OPEN @ 5:30pm. Dinner



(a) 6:30pm. Tickets available (a) Marcozzi's, Briggs Firestone, St. Thomas School Office and at Masses. Tickets \$75 for Crab or Steak Dinners and \$85 for Crab and Steak Dinners. Raffle and Silent Auctions. HELP still NEEDED for Set-UP on the 26th and with various jobs on the 27th. Contact DGK Henry Sanchez (a) 530-370-9003 to help with this enjoyable community event.

DECEMBER 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6 KC MTG @ 7pm	7 PEARL REARL REMEMBRANCE DAY	8 feast of the immediate December 8	9
10	11	12 OUR LADY OF GUADA- LUPE	13	14 Men's Ministry @ 5am	15 Bell Ringing	16 SAFE HAVEN RECERTIFI- CATION
17	18	19	20 CRAB FEED/ OFFICER's MTG. 7pm	21 Men's Ministry @ 5am	22	23
24/31 Happy New Gener	25	26	27	28 Men's Ministry @ 5am	29	30