

Knights of Columbus

St Joseph Marello Council 13518



November 2020 Bulletin

### Knights Step Up; Camp ReCreation & SJM Benefit

Granite Bay – The mission was accepted. Council 13518 planned, prepared, served up & delivered (via take-out) over 260 chili dinners as a fundraiser for the primary purpose of funds for persons with intellectual disabilities, with 10% to St Joseph Marello Catholic Parish. Led by past Grand Knight Tony Jelinek, the council was organized via small teams. Each team accepted & executed their mission with "chili" precision, processing sales, purchasing product, preparing the secret "Tim Anderson" award winning recipe. After a logistics maneuver to a new staging ground, the next team then executed the distribution of meals, & the clean-up of a few of the chili precision tools. The Ladies Auxiliary provide much needed corn bread support, strengthening the foundation of the chili meal, ensuring success for the mission. A maintenance issue with the disposal in the SJM kitchen caused a bit of havoc, but District Deputy Pete Lopez had the proper tool to facilitate repairs. All moved forward, completing execution day. Net outcome: ~\$1350 raised for Camp ReCreation; ~\$150 to SJM parish. (See pages 3 & 7)



What's Next?

The next council meeting! Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020

We are allowing *limited attendance* at in-person membership meetings. Brothers must register via Eventbrite.

Overflow room at St Joseph Marello & Virtual meeting ... see the links in the e-mail from the Grand Knight

Agenda: 6:45 pm: virtual officer's meeting 7:00 pm: general membership

No food or drink before our meetings!

# Our Lord in Half Dome

Granite Bay (from the desk of ½ of our council's Worthy Faith Directors, Dave Cadden) – When I wrote you last, I described how the pandemic and the fires have caused some severe restrictions in our freedom to move about in the world. Eventually these health-related restrictions will be lifted, and freedom will be restored. It's been a long hiatus not being able to enjoy once again all the beauty and spiritually uplifting places in God's creation. But during this time, I'm reminded that whether near or far God is present in all He has created. (See page 3)



# A Note from the Grand Knight

Roseville – Greetings Brothers! First, a big thank you to all who supported Tony Jelinek and John Bohnett as they led the council's drive to raise funds for persons with intellectual disabilities. All things considered, the **Annual Chili Knights** was a success! Funding for many programs and activities is very limited this year, so I am sure Camp ReCreation will appreciate the much-needed funds coming their way. And I appreciate those Brothers willing to make the time available to execute the event.

Our focus must now shift to supporting Paul Corsaro as he leads our council in the planning, preparation, and execution of our **Annual Seafood & Pasta Dinner**. Like Chili Knights, the event will not be executed as it has been in recent years. I ask every Brother to prayfully consider answering the call when asked to volunteer. The details are not yet ironed out, but the current vision is an event similar to Chili Knight, with a menu and format enabling take-out food. More to follow as we explore our options.

We are entering the holiday season with Thanksgiving this month, followed by Christmas next month. Anticipating more "lock downs", limited access to activities & travel, and increased stress with a whole lot of "at home" time, please take a moment to reach out & check on each other. We are Knights of charity ... but also unity & fraternity!

~GK Dan

See you (virtually or in -person!) on Tuesday...

#### Presented at the last meeting under New Business:

#### Brothers!

**Proposal:** At the October 13<sup>th</sup> membership meeting, under new business, a motion concerning the purchase of a new refrigerator for the kitchen adjacent to the overflow room at our St Joseph Marello Catholic Parish building was presented. The motion was previously presented to officers and approved for submission to the membership. Upon submission to the membership, the motion was seconded. Discussion ensued. We have a \$1,550 reserve set aside for future parish requests, so the most of funds requested are available. Of the \$2,000 request, only \$450 would impact our current P/L this year. A comment was made that we have Bloodsource funds, but those funds were already used for the SVDP refrigerator. We do have funds available (not budgeted) in the checking account.

**Rationale for the Need:** The current refrigerator is dead. While there has not been a recent need, some activities (notably funerals) have increased. These events often use the overflow room for a reception after the Mass or ceremony. Hence, the need is anticipated to be required around the first of the new year.

**The Motion**: The motion is for a 28 cubic foot refrigerator with the double doors on top, enabling larger trays of food to be easily placed inside the refrigerator. After extensive research, and consulting some brothers with access to other avenues, the best deal (including disposal of the old frig) is through Costco for around \$1850. The motion is for \$2000 so as to cover any incidental costs we have not considered.

### This motion will be voted upon at the November membership meeting under old business.

Please let me know if you have questions, concerns, or need more information.

Fraternally, GK Dan Nollette



Our Lord in Half Dome (frm pg 1)

In our Catholic Catechism article 32 states "Ever since the creation of the world His invisible nature namely His eternal power and deity has been clearly perceived in the things He has made". So to see the divine revelation of our God is to see Him in the essence of all that He made.

Last summer Louise and I vacationed with our oldest son's family in Yosemite. I thought if I can see God anywhere it would be here in Yosemite since this place can't help but raise a person's spiritual awareness. All around you can see the great artist's creative work. Surely, I will see our Lord here in the beauty of nature. So, in a quiet moment of prayer I sat on the banks of the Merced River and meditated on God's presence in this beautiful place. As I watched the water move swiftly over the rocks yielding its direction to even the smallest object of resistance in the river. I started to think of how our Lord yielded his life for me never offering any resistance that would interfere with my salvation. Like the constant movement of the water He never hesitated until He emptied Himself of life for my redemption. I would never have suspected His presence existing in water it's so common to our lives, but there He was and why shouldn't He be in the innermost essence of water for He is the creator of all in nature. Listen intently to the water running over the rocks and hear nature's cry "look at me I'm beautiful I'm

made to show you my creator." Then from the bank of the river I look up into the face of Half Dome and realized that water transformed to a glacier has the power to grind a granite mountain into a valley. And like the glacier that cut Half Dome our Lord's resurrection enabled a power to cut and separate me away from the consequence of sin and death. "It is by the water of Baptism into the Christ and His death and resurrection we have been redeemed.

# Knights Support Camp ReCreation

Orangevale (camprecreation.org; from their website) - "Camp ReCreation has been serving people with developmental disabilities since 1983. Each year, Camp ReCreation provides a residential summer camp program & engaging year-round activities for its participants to inspire fun, friendship, social interaction & spiritual growth – all while creating valuable respite for parents & caregivers. Camp ReCreation also strives to increase the awareness & acceptance of persons with disabilities developmental in the greater community. Camp ReCreation is under the patronage of the Diocese of Sacramento & supported by the Knights of Columbus & many other generous individuals & organizations."

Thank you, Knights & Ladies Auxiliary of Council 13518, for supporting Camp ReCreation ... doing ordinary things in an extraordinary way!





From the Chaplain's Desk: Knights of Fraternity

Loomis -- Greetings my brother Knights,

The theme for the 138th Supreme Convention held this past August was Knights of Columbus, Knights of Fraternity. This was after the previous two conventions had focused on the other two ideals of the Knights of Columbus, charity & unity. Our Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson said in his annual report "Through the spiritual genius of Father McGivney, the Knights of Columbus became a way for Catholic men to transform friends into brothers. In the two decades that I have served as supreme knight, I have come to believe that it is our fraternal strength that is the distinctive hallmark of the Knights of Columbus." A letter from the Vatican carrying greetings from Pope Francis stated, "The principle of fraternity has always inspired in the Knights that 'creativity of charity' inculcated by the Gospel ... for a more fraternal, just & equitable world in which all are recognized as neighbors & no one is left behind." May our fraternity continue to flourish in our families & in our fellowship as Knights so that this "more fraternal, just & equitable world" might become more & more a reality.

This theme of fraternity is very dear to our present Pontiff, Pope Francis. His latest encyclical "Fratelli tutti" (All Brothers) demonstrates this & calls all of us as Catholics to seek to create a more fraternal, kind world by our fraternal, kind actions. He states,

"Kindness frees us from the cruelty that at times infects human relationships, from the anxiety that prevents us from thinking of others, from the frantic flurry of activity that forgets that others also have a right to be happy. Often nowadays we find neither the time nor the energy to stop & be kind to others, to say "excuse me", "pardon me", "thank you". Yet every now & then, miraculously, a kind person appears & is willing to set everything else aside in order to show interest, to give the gift of a smile, to speak a word of encouragement, to listen amid general indifference. If we make a daily effort to do exactly this, we can create a healthy social atmosphere in which misunderstandings can be overcome and conflict forestalled. Kindness ought to be cultivated; it is no superficial bourgeois virtue. Precisely because it entails esteem & respect for others, once kindness becomes a culture within society it transforms lifestyles, relationships & the ways ideas are discussed & compared. Kindness facilitates the quest for consensus; it opens new paths where hostility & conflict would burn all bridges." (224)

This is fraternity put into action & not just left at the level of ideal & goal. It is a fraternity which includes every person that we meet & encounter without exception. "Liberty, equality and fraternity can remain lofty ideals unless they apply to everyone." (219) We need to ask ourselves if we are pursuing this type of fraternity or if we are thinking that my fraternity is limited to those who share my same ideas, faith, lifestyle, social status, etc. Pope Francis is urging us to look to what we share in common as human beings & to see our differences as treasures to be valued & appreciated, not obstacles to be overcome. We can agree to disagree & still seek the truth together. Often throughout the document the Pope reminds us that the way of dialogue & consensus is not easy & is very demanding. Yet, it is the only way to reach the truth, to reach God. We are all brothers & sisters, this we must never forget.

Fr. Brian, OSJ



#### A Word from Our Worthy Fraternal Insurance Agent Dave Moeller

Knights of Columbus Insurance

#### Brother Knights,

"We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant, Fr. Michael J. McGivney, on earth according to the design of your holy will." How many hundreds of millions of times has our loving God heard this sentence from the prayer for Fr. McGivney's canonization? No doubt, you, like I, have been saying this prayer of supplication for years. Now those prayers have been answered as our Venerable Founder becomes our Blessed Founder. The journey began December 18, 1997 when the Cause for Sainthood was opened in Hartford, Connecticut by Archbishop Daniel Cronin. Nearly five years later the official document, the Positio, outlining the case for Fr. McGivney's cause was sent to Rome. On March 15, 2008 Fr. McGivney was declared "Venerable" indicating he lived a life of heroic virtue. This year on May 27, nearly twenty-three years after his cause was opened, Pope Francis authorized a decree that a miracle attributed to Fr. McGivney's intercession has been approved.

This blessed spotlight on our founder and his reasons for founding the Order -- to strengthen men in their faith and to provide for the financial needs of families overwhelmed by illness or death of the breadwinner -- will draw more Catholic men to join with us. Our Order is an immense force for good in this world with the billions of dollars donated to worthy causes over the past decade, strengthening our fraternal bonds with acts of charity. The Knights of Columbus helps us husbands and fathers not only fortify our faith, but also provides an opportunity for us to protect our families. Is it significant that the approved miracle involved the son of one of our general agents from our insurance program?

When young Michael McGivney's father, Patrick died unexpectedly, he had to leave the seminary to help provide for his family. He and his family struggled through the loss of his father and then, as the curate at St. Mary's he saw parishioners facing similar situations. He saw a need and he took action. He organized, he inspired, and he was concerned with both the spiritual and the temporal well-being of those around him.

I am truly honored and blessed to carry on the work of our soon to be Blessed Founder. It's my great pleasure to work with many of you to help you protect your family and I look forward to continuing to serve you. Please call me if you have any questions or concerns.

God Bless! Dave Moeller Phone: (916) 801-3403 email: dave.moeller@kofc.org

Knights & Family Need Prayers

Please keep our brothers and their families in your prayers:

Bob Otway Dick Ciccarelli Vince Cordova Joe Cavanagh Steve Malberg

#### November 11th

#### Veterans Day: A Veteran's View

As I think about how my military experience has shaped my faith, the single word that keeps coming back to me is *service*.

Being one of six kids in a Catholic family, my parents always taught me to follow the example of Jesus and to be there for others. I always knew that I wanted to serve my country, although I wasn't quite sure which branch of the military to join, or what role I could play. During my time serving as a missile operations and intelligence officer in the U.S. Air Force, I kept a picture of Jesus on the mirror in my quarters. It was a source of inspiration and comfort to me, as I performed my duties during the time of the Vietnam War and Cold War uncertainty. This was especially true when I controlled materials that could have been used to launch our ICBMs in the event of a nuclear

threat. I didn't know exactly what I'd do when I returned to civilian life, but I could still feel the calling to be of service to others. As it turned out, my journey of faith led me to being ordained as a Permanent Deacon. I have been honored to serve the parishioners of St. Joseph Marello Catholic Church with my wife Jo by my side. And the picture of Jesus is still on my mirror.

Yours in Christ, Deacon Dennis Gorsuch



### Veterans Day: A Veteran's View

I'm blessed in that the memories I have of my past military service are positive and fulfilling in nature. Truth is, like many of us who served in the military, my appreciation of the experiences and lessons learned during the 7 years I served in the USAF has continued to grow. In other words, I've come to appreciate my military experience now more than ever. Through the prism of time, I see clearly that who and what I am (for better or worse) would not have been possible without the bedrock of knowledge, friendships, responsibility, & even stress that I encountered during that time.

How does this relate to my faith? Well, this also was a time when I was exposed to the concept of "serving a cause greater than your own selfinterest." This phrase has served me well and has constantly reminded me that life is "not about me." Traveling around the world as a Navigator on KC-135's, I was exposed firsthand to true evil and true good. This evil and good doesn't just exist between the borders of countries but can reside within the hearts of all of us. It's a constant daily battle, but one that can be won. In the USAF I knew I could trust my crew with my life. Today I know I can trust my family, my Guardian Angel, the Saints, our Blessed Mother, and our Lord Jesus with my soul. I am truly blessed!

Deacon Jeff McClure

VETERAN'S DAY

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

#### Thanksgiving Day: November 26th

St Joseph Marello Council 13518 – Brothers, this November 26<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday. This may be a difficult one to enjoy as many of us may be isolated. Away from our families & friends, isolating ourselves in our homes. Yes, there will be Facetime, Zoom, GoTo ... a variety of virtual venues to help keep us connected. Some may even use the

telephone! (Are those still around?) And there will be those families who are able to enjoy the holiday together. Thankful to be able to sit down and enjoy a meal in the company of their family. However you celebrate the holiday, it may be difficult to see what is to be thankful for this year. But through all the turmoil that 2020 has revealed & bestowed upon us, consider the new technologies you have learned to communicate. Consider the opportunity to continue to work from home, and the benefits with that option. Consider all the reading, Netflix, Amazon Prime Video – or however you enjoyed your favorite stories & shows – and the opportunity to catch up! It was not the year I anticipated on January 1<sup>st</sup>, but it was a year & continued to learn, experience, & grow in my faith. Thank YOU for the opportunity to be your Grand Knight during this unusual year.



# Thanksgiving Prayer

Lord, we thank you for the goodness of our people and for the spirit of justice that fills this nation. We thank you for the beauty and fullness of the land and the challenge of the cities. We thank you for our work and our rest, for one another, and for our homes. We thank you, Lord: accept our thanksgiving on this day. We pray and give thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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#### A Word From Our Worthy District Deputy Pete Lopez

Worthy Brothers-

What a great turnout at Fr. Michael McGivney Exemplification of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, on October 30th online and in person at the Cathedral in Sacramento, my son surprises me by wanting to join the knights of Columbus he was able to take part in this great Ceremony. I am so proud of him for setting a great example as a Husband and Father to his family.

Hope you and your family had a chance to see the Beatification of Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney an Apostle of Spiritual brotherhood and unity, who founded the knights of Columbus in 1882.

Worthy brothers it has been great to see your councils still moving forward with Soccer Challenge and I.D.D. Drives and other events and doing it with safely guidelines keep up the good work.

Please report church drive results. Please plan ahead for Christmas poster Contest, 9 days for life Novena.

Let's us remember and pray for the unborn men, women's who are serving to protect our freedom.

Brothers I look forward seeing either online or in person at your Councils meeting. Congratulation to our new Knights of Columbus members. :)

Thank You!

God Bless!

"BE BOLD" D.D.S.K. Pete Lopez District 5 Cell 916-380-1970



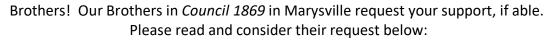
## In Memoriam

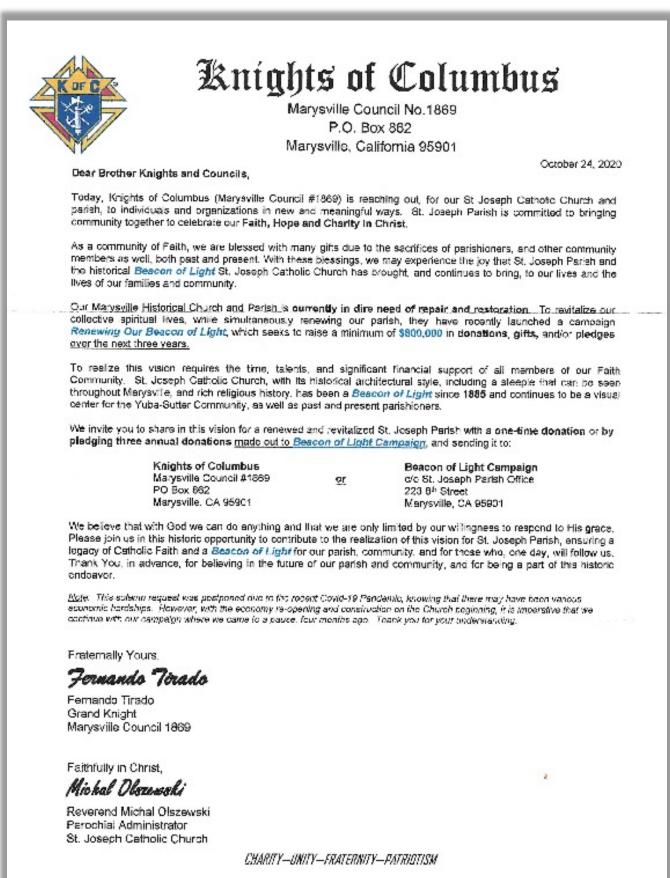
Remember our deceased brothers in your prayers:

Rick Oules Howard Stoltz Marcel Conti Robert Scott Ted Rosica John Dineen James Greenwell Elmo Novaresi Ken Broz George Deane

## **Council Masses**

- November 15 @ 5:00 pm
- December 20 @ 10:30 am
- January 3 @ 5:00 pm
- February 7 @ 8:30 am
- March 14 @ 10:30 am
- April 10 @ 5:00 pm
- May 9 @ 5:00 pm
- June 20 @ 10:30 am
- July 17 @ 5:00 pm
- August 29 @ 5:00 pm
- September 12 @ 8:30 am
- October 17 @ 10:30 am
- November 13 @ 5:00 pm
- December 19 @ 8:30 am





# Remember Your Service Hours!

Granite Bay – Our council's Recorder, Tom Kuzmich, (kuzii@reagan.com) is the point of contact for reporting volunteer hours. Use this guide for determining & quantifying your volunteer numbers & hours:

Number of visits to the sick or bereaved Number of blood donations Number of Habitat for Humanity projects Hours of service to church Hours of service to community Hours of service to youth activities Hours of service to Culture of Life Hours of service to Food for Families Hours of service to Veterans Affairs Hours of service to Intellectual Disabilities Hours of service to Special Olympics Hours of service to Brother Knights **Hours of service!** 

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# Council 13518's Leadership Team

Roseville – Openings are available for all Brothers who wish to share their talents with the council. Check out the vacancies available:

Grand Knight: Dan Nollette Deputy Grand Knight: Bruce Amundson Council Chaplain: Father Brian Crawford Financial Secretary: Jim Wendering Chancellor: Mike Ciccarelli **Recorder**: Tom Kuzmich **Treasurer**: Jeff Lorek Advocate: Tim Anderson Warden: Bob Bennyworth Inside Guard: Steve Malberg **Outside Guard**: Ryan Hickey Board of Trustees: Tony Jelinek, Allen Cummings, Dave Whitman Lector: Chuck Foerster & Dave Cadden Membership Director: Mario Reburiano Program Director: Bruce Admundson Faith Director: Dave Cadden & Mark Kasel **Community Director:** *vacant (Dan Nollette sub)* Family Director: vacant (Dan Nollette sub) Life Director: vacant Webmaster: Alex Zaldivar Bulletin Editor: *vacant* (Dan Nollette sub)

Our council's standing committee leads: Seafood Pasta Lead: Paul Corsaro Scholarship Lead: John Bohnett Scouts Lead: Jon Kantola Bloodsource Lead: Tony Jelinek Hospitality (Bar) Lead: Paul Coble Coats for Kids Lead: Jeff Lorek Keep Christ in Christmas Lead: Bart Aiuello Wheelchair Mission Lead: Jeff Lorek Widows in Need Lead: Joe Buckwalter Habitat for Humanity Lead: Alex Cummings Food for Families Lead: Jack Conti Christmas Baskets Lead: Joe Buckwalter Chili Knights Lead: Tony Jelinek & John Bohnett Mother's Day Roses Lead: Tim Anderson SVDP Support Lead: vacant