



Knights of Columbus

St Joseph Marello Council 13518



March – 2023 Bulletin

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Mark Your Calendar

March 14th
Council Members Meet
6:15pm Council dinner & social
7:30 pm Council member meeting

March 21st
4th Degree Meeting

June 17th
St Joseph Marello Parish Picnic
10-12 Noon



Fridays in Lent, 7 pm



Membership!



Brothers! In the Knight's information slots along the wall in the hallway in the church are some *Form 100s*. Have a prospective member fill out the form completely and give it to Mario Reburiano or Jim Wendering. Contact GK Bruce Amundson for more information. *Recruit a Knight!*

MARDI GRAS

2023



Mardi Gras (“Fat Tuesday”) is the day before Ash Wednesday, which marks the beginning of Lent. In times of greater Lenten austerity in Catholic countries, Mardi Gras offered an opportunity for households to consume some foods they would not enjoy until Easter. In England, the day has been celebrated with pancakes (which use eggs, milk and sugar — items our ancestors would have foregone during Lent), while in some areas of Germany the Lenten discipline applied to strong drink as well, so the day before Ash Wednesday became a time for special revelry.

Some have drawn a connection between Mardi Gras and ancient pagan festivals to welcome spring. This may certainly be true, but Catholic liturgists identify another link — namely, a time to extend celebrations of the Christmas season until the beginning of Lent. Whatever the case, certain cities around the world (Venice, Rio de Janeiro, New Orleans) have become identified with elaborate civic festivities leading up to Mardi Gras. These are usually known as “Carnival” (“Farewell to Meat”), a name that conveys the celebration’s religious, pre-Lenten character, although the events themselves (as in Venice) may commemorate military victories. In most places, however, Mardi Gras simply justifies an elaborate — often excessive — party.

Taken for “Simply Catholic”



A Note from the Grand Knight

Brothers

I hope you are finding peace in your Lenten journey. As I walk on the face of the earth I find myself thinking about people who are no longer walking with me. I am sure most are residing with the Lord; Still I continue to pray for all of them as I have been known to be wrong in the past. During mass names flood into my mind of people I have not seen in over 20 years, I wonder why are they coming into my thoughts now? I recognize my failings and ask our Lord and Savior for forgiveness and I pray for all those people whose names are now coming to mind be forgiven as well.

We have several requests for assistance from our Parish Ministries.

The first one is to supply beer (2 1/2 kegs of beer and cups) for the Feast of St. Joseph at the Mount on Sunday 3/19. Planning is underway for the Parish picnic. Knights are being asked to once again use their skills cooking hot dogs and hamburgers on June 17th.

Please step up and volunteer to one of both of these events.

We are looking for Knights to step up to become officers for the 2023 -2024 year. We have several openings that need to be filled in order to keep our council going.

Please pick up your membership cards at our March meeting.

Grand Knight

Bruce Amundson



Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary

Invite your wives to join us for dinner, fellowship, charitable project planning and prayer on the Second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM in the Ministry Center. (We meet at the same time as the Men's Knights of Columbus monthly meeting) We extend a warm welcome to anyone interested in joining this worthy organization.

Please direct questions to:

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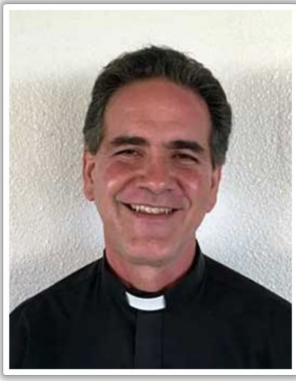
In Memoriam

Remember Our Deceased Brothers:

Rick Oules	George Deane
Dick Langowski	Scott Spell
Howard Stoltz	Glenn Allen
Marcel Conti	Tim Mabie
Robert Scott	Dick Ciccarelli
Ted Rosica	Jack Conti
John Dineen	Joe Cavanagh
James Greenwell	Rudy Leon
Elmo Novaresi	Paul Kistler
Ken Broz	Tim Darcey
Jim Cortese	

From the Chaplain's Desk

ST. JOSEPH PATRON OF THE CHURCH AND PAPAL INFALLIBILITY



Greetings my Brother Knights,

The title of this article might have caused you to think twice. What does the one have to do with the other you might ask? Well, I am glad you asked! Both the proclamation of St. Joseph as Patron and Protector of the Universal Church and the dogma of Papal infallibility took place at the First Vatican Council in 1869-1870. Both of them were given at a very particular time in the Church's history.

The Pope had already lost most of the temporal power he had held for centuries over the Papal States and would soon be made a prisoner in the Vatican when failing to concede the city of Rome to the newly formed Italian State. In fact, the First Vatican Council was not officially adjourned until right before the beginning of the Second Vatican Council in 1962 because the First Council was interrupted by the invasion of Rome by Garibaldi and his troops! No wonder the Church saw the need for protection!

The proclamation of St. Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church took place on December 8, 1870. The city of Rome had already fallen to the "Risorgimento" and the Pope, Blessed Pius IX, was no longer recognized as the temporal power. In such a situation, he felt it necessary to call upon Divine Assistance and who better to invoke than the one to whom God had entrusted his most precious treasures, St. Joseph, spouse of Mary, the Mother of God, and father to Jesus, the Son of God and Redeemer of humanity. We can also call upon St. Joseph as our protector when we feel we are being assailed by the powers of evil and by our own inclination to sin. St. Joseph will seek to watch over and guide us as he did for Jesus. We have only to trust in his protection and guidance as did Jesus and Mary.

In my article last month, we had considered the gift of authority which God had bestowed on the Church through the ministry of the apostles and their successors the bishops. Briefly, the infallible aspect of this authority was considered, citing the Catechism of the Catholic Church, #890, which states in part, "**Christ endowed the Church's shepherds with the charism of infallibility in matters of faith and morals.**" This dogma of infallibility was proclaimed, as I mentioned, during the First Vatican Council. Certainly, prior to this proclamation, the idea of infallibility in apostolic authority was held by many though not having been officially proclaimed. It was now being codified in order to assure the People of God that though the Pope had lost temporal power, he had not lost his spiritual power to lead and guide and that they could still trust in this guidance.

St. Joseph Marelli was present at the First Vatican Council as the secretary to the Bishop of Asti, Carlo Savio. After the proclamation of papal infallibility on July 17, 1870, he wrote:

*Certainly for a believer there is no greater joy that is felt than this which the Lord has sent to us – **the moment that the Supreme Pontiff was crowned with glory and the prerogative on which perhaps depend the most vital interests of the Church was assured to him.** Ah, we know by faith that all is providence here on earth – and this faith is the victory that conquers the world. **Can we doubt that it was necessary to have this supreme recognition of the infallible Magisterium of the successors of Peter in our times?***

In our times as well, the assurance that the official authority in the Church has the infallible guidance of God in matters of faith and morals is important. We must never doubt that God will guide us by their hand and under the Patronage and Protection of St. Joseph.

St Joseph, Protector of the Universal Church, pray for us.

Fr. Brian, OSJ



A Word from
**Our Worthy Fraternal
Insurance Agent**

Dave Moeller

Brother Knights,

I have had a few conversations in the past with brother Knights asking what happens with the proceeds from our Knights of Columbus insurance and financial products and wondering why other insurance companies might be insinuating our products are somehow not comparable. Those discussions made me realize that it might be worthwhile to mention why our founder, Blessed Father Michael J. McGivney, gathered those Catholic men together in the basement of St. Mary's back in 1882. Many of those men were recent immigrants working hazardous jobs and were dying young leaving their families destitute. Blessed Father McGivney even experienced this firsthand when he had to leave the seminary to go home and assist his family when his own father died. Through the grace of God and financial assistance from the bishop, he eventually went back to the seminary and the rest, as they say, is our amazing history.

One of the primary reasons Blessed Father McGivney gathered those Catholic men was to determine how best to provide financial security for them and their families. Through insurance, these new Knights and their families could have that financial protection AND the additional proceeds could be used to provide funding for

Catholic based works of charity locally and beyond. Over 140 years later, with over \$1 billion of life insurance in-force and over \$184 million going to Catholic charities and causes around the world last year alone, I would think our founder is looking down and smiling. Although some of the insurance proceeds are provided back to our insured brothers and the families in the form of dividends (although not guaranteed) each year, the Knights use the additional proceeds from your insurance coverage to support Catholic based causes true to Blessed Father McGivney's vision: supporting vocations, Catholic schools, churches and hospitals, and financial aid to victims of disasters around the world are a few of the great causes. At the California Knights Convention a few years ago, a video was shown of the wheelchairs that are provided to those who could not otherwise afford them. Seeing a poor Catholic man in a third world country who had no option but to drag himself around without legs his whole life being placed into a wheelchair for the first time and seeing the sheer joy and tears of gratitude he displayed was heartwarming beyond words. Your proceeds and investing with your faith are indeed making miracles happen. Can other financial companies you might work with say the same?

God Bless!
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The Pope's Intention for March

Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for this intention each month.



For Victims of Abuse

We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.



Little Known Facts

The biggest misconception about St. Patrick was that he was Irish. Born in England circa 385, St. Patrick didn't make his way to Ireland until Irish pirates kidnapped him at age 16. From there, he started his journey to converting the Irish to Christianity and becoming an Irish patron saint.

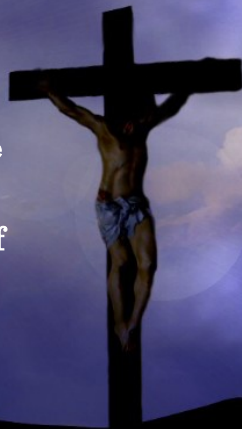
Green wasn't the original color used to represent St. Patrick — it was blue. After the Order of St. Patrick was established in 1783, the organization's color had to stand out from those that preceded it. And since dark green was already taken, the Order of St. Patrick went with blue.

St. Patrick was known through folklore for having chased away snakes in Ireland, thus protecting townspeople from the mysterious creatures and sending them to the sea. However, Ireland didn't have snakes at the time. Surrounded by icy water, Ireland was the last place that these cold-blooded reptiles would want to go. It's much more reasonable to think that the "snakes" that St. Patrick banished were representative of the Druids and Pagans in Ireland since they were considered evil.

He never officially attained sainthood. At his death, reportedly on March 17, 460, Patrick had spent decades ministering to the Celtic people. Though never formally canonized by the Catholic Church, he was recognized by local leaders as a saint for proclaiming the gospel.

Here is the amazing thing about Easter; the Resurrection Sunday for Christians is this, that Christ in the dying moments on the cross gives us the greatest illustration of forgiveness possible.

T. D. Jakes



Count Your BLESSINGS

*Count Your Blessings
Instead of your crosses,
Count your gains
Instead of your losses.
Count your joys
Instead of your woes,
Count your friends
Instead of your foes.
Count your smiles
Instead of your tears,
Count your courage
Instead of your fears.
Count your full years
Instead of your lean,
Count your kind deeds
Instead of your mean.
Count your health
Instead of your wealth,
Count on God
Instead of yourself.
~~~Unknown Author*

## HOLY WEEK 2023 CHURCH SERVICES

### ST JOSEPH MARELLO PARISH

per Father Masetti

**April 3-5** - Monday through Wednesday  
- normal daily Masses.

**April 6** - Holy Thursday - No Daily Mass. Evening Mass at 7:00PM. Need servers, ushers, but do not need EMs, as we will have 3 priests, 1 Deacon. Holy Water fount emptied prior to this Mass. Washing of the feet. Adoration after the Mass in the Ministry Center - 4-Degree Knights to serve at adoration.

**April 7** - Good Friday. No daily Mass. Noon stations of the Cross, communion, Veneration of the Cross. Need ushers.

**April 8** - No daily Mass. Easter Vigil at 8:00PM. Need servers, EMs, ushers.

**April 9** - Easter Sunday. 8:00AM, 9:45AM, 11:30AM Masses, but no evening Mass. Need Ems, Servers, Ushers, parking lot monitors (Knights).

*Save the Date!*  
The SSM Marian Guild  
Presents  
"A Breath of Springtime"  
Luncheon Fundraiser  
Thursday, April 20th  
11:30am  
All SSM parishioners and guests are welcome.  
More details to follow!

# Remember Your Service Hours!

Granite Bay – Thank you for your 2022 hours thus far! As always, Contact our council's Recorder, Allen Cummings (ajc4771@gmail.com) for reporting volunteer hours. Use this guide for determining & quantifying volunteer time:

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

## Council Admin

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[www.californiaknights.org](http://www.californiaknights.org)

### Northern California Chapter website:

[www.norcalknights.org](http://www.norcalknights.org)

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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.

**Grand Knight:** Bruce Amundson

**Deputy Grand Knight:** Michael Ciccarelli

**Council Chaplain:** Father Brian Crawford

**Financial Secretary:** Jim Wendering

**Chancellor:** Paul Coble

**Recorder:** Allen Cummings

**Treasurer:** Jeff Lorek

**Advocate:** Tim Anderson

**Warden:** Bob Bennyworth

**Inside Guard:** Steve Malberg

**Outside Guard:** Ryan Hickey

**Board of Trustees:** Paul J. Corsaro, Dan Nollette, Dave Whitman

**Lector:** Chuck Foerster & *vacant*

**Membership Director:** Mario Reburiano

**Program Director:** Michael Ciccarelli

**Faith Director:** Dave Cadden

**Community Director:** Bruce Amundson

**Family Director:** *vacant (Dan Nollette sub)*

**Life Director:** Dave Whitman

**Ladies Auxiliary Liaison:** Paul Corsaro

**Webmaster:** Alex Zaldivar

**Bulletin Editor:** *vacant*

### 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:** Bruce Amundson

**Wheelchair Mission Lead:** Jeff Lorek

**Widows in Need Lead:** Joe Buckwalter

**Habitat for Humanity Lead:** Allen Cummings

**Food for Families Lead:** *vacant*

**Christmas Baskets Lead:** Joe Buckwalter

**Chili Knights Lead:** Tony Jelinek & John Bohnett

**Mother's Day Roses Lead:** Tim Anderson

**SVDP Support Lead:** *vacant*