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Saint Mary's Bulletin

Knights of Columbus

**Saint Mary's Council
#12527 - Division 3
Gridley, California**

**We Serve The Sacred Heart Parish
The Biggs-Gridley-Live Oak Community**

**Meeting: Thursday, September 2, 2010
7:30 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall**

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A Message From Our Grand Knight

To My Fellow Brother Knights and Families:

I would like to thank the brother knights that attended the family potluck last month in Live Oak. I would like to congratulate Mario Duenas for the Family of Month of August. Please come to the next family potluck on September 16 at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall in Gridley.

I would like to thank the brother knights, the members of the Guadalupe Society of Gridley and the Parents of Sacred Heart parking cars on the parish property during the Butte County Fair, last month. Thank you Sir Knight Faithful Navigator Lucio Angel and the Fourth Degree Assembly helping out on Friday Night.

I would also like to thank brother knights Larry Earley and Joe Lamson for an excellent Friday Night Tri Tip Dinner at the fair. It was a success last year and it was again. We hope that we can do it again at the 2011 Butte County Fair.

This month hopefully, we will be starting up our Sunday Morning Breakfasts this month. We will not have a breakfast in Gridley this month, due to the Labor Day weekend. If everything is organized, we will have the Live Oak Breakfast (Third Sunday of the month) on the 19th at the Our Lady Of Guadalupe Hall will start serving at 7 a.m. This month we have the Soccer Challenge; we hope to get many young people involved in this event. I hope to see you at the September 2 meeting.

Viva Jesus!
Jose Gonzalez, Grand Knight

Un Mensaje De Nuestro Caballero Mayor

Para mis compañeros Hermanos Caballeros y Familias:

Querría doy gracias los caballeros de hermano que asistieron la familia lo que haya mes pasado en el Live Oak. Querría felicitar Mario Duenas para la Familia de Mes de agosto. Venga por favor a la próxima familia lo que haya el 16 de septiembre en el Vestíbulo Sagrado de Parroquia de Corazón en Gridley.

Querría dar gracias los caballeros de hermano, los miembros de la Sociedad de Guadalupe de Gridley y los Padres de Corazón Sagrado que estaciona coches en la propiedad de parroquia durante el Condado de Precipicio Justo, el mes pasado. Gracias Señor Fiel de Caballero Navegante Lucio Angel y la Cuarta Asamblea de Grado que ayudan el viernes por la noche.

Yo también querría dar gracias hermano caballeros Larry Earley y Joe Lamson para una excelente la noche del la Cena de Punta de viernes Tria en la feria. Tuvo un gran éxito el año pasado y estuvo otra vez. Esperamos que lo podamos hacer otra vez en el 2011 Butte County Fair.

Este mes optimistamente, nosotros empezaremos nuestro el domingo por la mañana se Desayuna este mes. Nosotros no tendremos un desayuno en Gridley este mes, debido al fin de semana de Día de Trabajo. Si todo es organizado, tendremos el Desayuno de Live Oak (Tercer el domingo del mes) en el 19 en la Nuestra Señora Del Vestíbulo de Guadalupe empezará a servir a las 7 de la mañana. Este mes que tenemos el Desafío de Futbol; esperamos conseguir muchos jóvenes implicados en este acontecimiento. Espero verle en el 2 de septiembre reunión.

Viva Jesús!
José González, Gran Caballero

The 2010-2011 Saint Mary's Council #12527

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PRAYER CENTRAL

Please remember in your prayers for the
Following Brother Knights and Families:

Margaret Rodriguez	Virginia Piorkowski
Clay Sannar†	Librada Marquez
George Friend	John Robertson
Joe Fisher	Larry Earley
Jesse Stansbury	Joe Balderama
Dr. Don & Joan Sullivan	Carmen Cardin
Pedro Sr. & Maria Mota	Eunice Stewart



September Anniversaries

Moe & Amber Santillan	1
Javier & Maria Solis	13
Daniel & Kristine Villalobos	16

September Birthdays

Keith Harshbarger	4	Fred Carlquist	7
Max Ramirez	10	Chris Bennett	16
Armando Sanchez	20	Miguel Carmona	21
Enrique Chavez	21	Terry Parades	24

Want to Grow Closer to God?

St. Francis De Sales wrote Introduction to the Devout Life in the early part of the sixteenth century. It remains today a Catholic classic. Prior to the writing of this book it was generally accepted that only Priests, Bishops, Monks, and Nuns could lead a Holy life.

St. Francis De Sales believed that it was also possible for the Laity to enter into a Holy life and this book began as instructions for Holy living written first for a noble woman he was spiritually directing. The following are twenty four steps towards living a devout life taken from the first twelve chapters of this work. Some of this is paraphrase and there are no official "24 steps" in the book. These steps are simply based on St. Francis De Sales writing.

1. The first purgation or purging must be that of sin. This is accomplished through the Sacrament of Penance (confession). Seek the best confessor that you can find.
 2. Renounce your sin with the greatest contrition and sorrow that your heart can conceive.
 3. Have in mind these four things: that by sin you have lost the Grace of God; that you have given up your place in Paradise; that you have chosen the pains of hell; and that you have renounced the eternal love of God.
 4. Since most who go to confession have a tacit determination of returning to sin stemming from an unwillingness to avoid the occasions of sin, make a concerted effort to be different. Avoid sin! In other words quit the practice of perpetually placing yourself in the situations or places that cause you to sin to begin with.
 5. Get to know yourself and express a wholesome shame for your past life.
 6. Resolve to live a Holy life.
 7. There are penitents who in effect depart from sin, but do not quit it in affection. Their heart renounces sin and shuns it, but it often looks back upon it as did Lot's wife (story of Sodom and Gomorrah). Many wish that they could sin and not be damned. We must with some degree of perseverance, hate sin.
 8. Continue to cleanse you heart of all affection for sin (to prevent relapse).
 9. God has given you an understanding to know Him, a memory to be mindful of Him, a will to Love Him, an imagination to represent His benefits to you, eyes to behold his wonderful works, a tongue to praise Him, and so forth.. Get to know God and praise Him!
 10. Endeavor to do nobler things. Meditate on that one for awhile.
- These are the first ten positive steps towards a Devout life.

A Message From Our Field Agent:
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE

“Your Shield Your Life”



My Brothers,

This past summer I was privileged to be asked up to the Immaculate Conception Apostolic School in Colfax to give a baseball clinic to the future priests studying up there. Following the days activities, a discussion with Fr. John gave me an idea.

I wanted to check with all my brother Knights and see if, per chance, anyone might have an old archery set that they have stored up in an attic or in the garage that they no longer use, and might consider donating to the school.

As a year-round boarding school, the priests and brothers are always open to healthy and productive athletic activities for the boys. I was hoping that between all the men in the various councils, we might collectively be able to gather up enough bows and arrows to allow groups of boys to practice at the same time during recreation times. Note: I'm not looking for razor-point hunting arrows, only standard target type.

First, thanks to those of you who have offered to donate your old archery bows and arrows to ICAS. The boys are going to enjoy them. We are still looking to find a few more sets. If anyone saw the original e-mail but got busy or forgot, and still have equipment you would like to donate, please let me know. Thanks!

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SUPPORTING PRO LIFE

Dear Brother Knights:

The Helpers of God's Precious Infants Sacramento Chapter sponsored a Pro-Life Mass followed by a rosary procession two weeks ago at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Sacramento.

His Excellency, Bishop Jaime Soto, the celebrant, was assisted by several priests and seminarians of the Sacramento Diocese. Also two Fourth Degree Sir Knights were in regalia from the Bishop Manogue Assembly #50 of Sacramento were there. Over 150 of the Catholic faithful were present and most of them remained after the Mass to participate in the one mile rosary procession to the abortion clinic at 54th and F Street. After arriving at the clinic all participants knelt down and prayed another decade on behalf of the innocent victims of abortion and for an end to its practice.

The rosaries continued on the one mile return to St. Mary's where the faithful attended a benediction service led by our Bishop. The overall tenor of the day was one of prayerful solemnity and an appeal to heaven for repentance of this dreadful and pernicious calamity.

Members of the Knights of Columbus from the St. Mary's Council who attended were Robert Miller, Past Grand Knight; Jerry Hill, past pro-life chairman for several years; and Mike Trainor, the current pro-life chairman. Not to forget, Jerry Hill's wife Grace was also in attendance, manifested a real trooper-like courage by carrying the Knights of Columbus Saint Mary's Council #12527 banner even though he was wheelchair bound. Afterwards, we marched back to Saint Mary's Church saying again the decades of the rosary.

Mike Trainor,
Pro-Life Chairman

Deadline For The October Bulletin

The deadline for articles for the October bulletin will be September 25. We need to get bulletin done so the brother knights can receive their bulletin before the meeting. If you have any article that needs to be in the bulletin, have it before the deadline; or wait to have it next month's bulletin.

Chaplain's Altar

Dear Brother Knights in Christ,

There is a video, which is an interview with Sister Briega McKenna, an Irish nun. During the interview she tells of an encounter, she had with a young catholic woman at an airport. The woman was six months pregnant and going to have an abortion the next morning at 9am. The woman said, "God is a God of love. He understands. We can't afford a mentally handicapped child." All her other young catholic friends were in agreement with her. Sr. Briega told her the truth, "This is a sin. Sin destroys and distorts. This is murder." The woman complained to Sr. Briega and said she was harsh. At this stage in the interview, Sr. Briega paused and reflected: people say you shouldn't make people feel sad but sometimes it takes hurt to heal. The woman had convinced herself that abortion is the only way and that only the Church talks against it. Sr. Briega said to her, "Don't say tomorrow morning when you walk into the abortion clinic that you didn't know it's murder because it's ignorance if you didn't know but you know now so you have to make a decision between evil and right." The following morning when the woman went into the clinic, she heard Sr. Briega's voice from the previous day and got afraid and walked out. Two months later, she gave birth to a perfectly healthy baby boy. The doctor shrugged his shoulders and said, "We can all make mistakes." The woman went to Sr. Briega and said she had rationalized away the terrible evil not only in abortion but also in many ways. She and her husband's eyes were opened. They had been going to Mass but until then it didn't interfere in their private lives. She thanked Sr. Briega and said, "Look at my beautiful baby. Had you not confronted me with the evil, sin and horror of abortion I would have murdered this child." The woman and her husband had been going to Mass a long time but admitted it did not interfere in their lives. The woman in this story had to be told the truth just as the followers of Jesus had to be told in last Sunday's gospel reading

When Sr. Briega told the woman abortion is a sin and is murder the woman said she was being harsh. Wasn't Jesus being harsh when told his followers in last Sunday's gospel reading, "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry his own cross and follow me cannot be my disciple."

The woman had not known the truth about the Church's teaching of sin of abortion and Sr. Briega corrected her false understanding by telling her the truth just as Jesus taught his followers the truth when he told them. . "Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple."

We have to admire the woman for being open to hearing the Holy Spirit who was speaking to her through Sr. Briega and to change her heart once the truth was pointed out to her. She had a decision to make and she acted as a follower of Jesus. We also have many decisions to make. They are not large moral dilemmas like this woman faced but nevertheless we have decisions to make, we have to choose a right way or a wrong way, the easy way or the difficult way. The easy way is often the wrong way as it was for the woman and the right way is often the difficult path to follow. Let us pray that we will always choose the right way in whatever decision we have to make. Let us pray that when necessary we will be able to renounce ourselves, take up our cross and follow Jesus. Let us never be afraid to lose our life for the sake of Jesus and the Gospel.

God Bless our Council--Deacon Doug Tokuno

Council Activities

Soccer Challenge

The Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge is a competition designed for players to demonstrate the most basic soccer skill – the penalty kick. Open to all boys and girls, ages 10-14, where each player will be allowed 15 shots at the goal from the penalty line (12 yards from the goal). Winners progress to the district, regional, state and international levels.

The recommended time frame for the Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge is: Council Championship – September; District Championship – October; Regional Championship – October/November; and State Championship – November. For more information please contact James Valenzuela at 846-0829 or Grand Knight Jose Gonzalez at 301-6910.

We Need Your Information

The e-mail list to send out the Saint Mary's Bulletin is very small. Other councils these days are sending their bulletins and newsletters only through e-mail. Many brother knights that do not have a computer and/or e-mail address are losing out. If you have an e-mail address, please send your information to the council's e-mail kc12527@digitalpath.net. And/or give it to Robert Miller, PGK at the September 2 meeting. Receiving the bulletin is free, getting by mail is 44 cents, not to forget, the postal rates are going up very soon.

We would also update our birthday and anniversary lists. Please contact Financial Secretary Larry Earley at 868-1460 or Past Grand Knight Robert Miller at 846-4514. To update our records, we do not want to miss your birthday and/or anniversary in our monthly bulletin.

Second & Third Degree Exemplification

Attention: First Degree Knights!!

There is going to be a Second and Third Degree Exemplification in on Saturday, September 11 at the Our Lady of Grace School on 1990 Linden Road in West Sacramento. We hope that from now until September we need to get our First Degree brother knights to take their Second and Third Degrees, so they will more about our great brotherhood.

9:30 am will be Registration for the Second Degree, 11 am sharp will the Second Degree Exemplification, 12 Noon will be Lunch, 1:15 pm Registration For the Third Degree, 1:30 Third Degree Exemplification, and there will be snacks and refreshments afterwards.

Taking these degrees makes you a full-fledged member in our order, and you can do more things in our council. For more information, please contact Robert Miller, PGK at 846-4514.

Town Hall Meeting With The State Deputy

Last month our some our brother knights went to the Town Hall Meeting at the Sacred Heart Catholic School in Red Bluff and met with Ivan Reek, he is State Deputy for California. This town meeting was to find out what is going on the state level and the supreme level.

Mr. Reek started the meeting with a prayer, and got down to business. The most important subject of the evening was membership. All brother knights should carry a Form 100 at Mass, or a parish activity. Keep new members active, and with our annual projects: Wheelchair, breakfast, Tootsie Roll Drive, and parish activities.

This year's theme from Supreme Council: I Am My Brother's Keeper. That theme was brought up to keep and maintain our membership, and recruit new brother knights in our councils. In California, there 591 councils, and 60 inactive councils, but four were reactivated.

Make sure that councils and assemblies have their tax-free status. Make sure to our Tax Form 501-C8. We are the subordinate of the Supreme Council and Assembly. There is going to officers training Saturday, September 18 at Saint Dominic's Parish in Orland. In addition, support California Columbian Charities.

Important Information

Membership Center

Hello, I am Robert Miller, the membership chairman for this council. I would like to thank the brother knights for being membership chairman this year.

Our parish community (Gridley-Biggs-Live Oak), we have a lot of Catholic gentlemen, and asking what is the Knights of Columbus. Remember always have a Form 100 with you, so you sign a new brother knight. If you do not have Form 100, please come to the September 3 meeting.

Let us plan to have information meeting nights in Gridley and in Live Oak. These meetings will be in English and in Spanish. This is where the Catholic gentlemen in our parish and their wives can have questions answered and their comments heard.

We going to have our Sunday Breakfasts coming up very shortly, and that is great place to sign up new brother knights. We have done so in the past. Please sign up a new brother knight today.

Take Care and God Bless,
Robert Miller, PGK, Chairman

Name Badges

Always remember when at the meetings, at Mass, at a fundraiser, or at a social function, please wear your name badge. If you do not have a name badge, please contact Financial Secretary Larry Earley at 868-1460; and one will be ordered for you for \$5.00. If you are a Fourth Degree Sir Knight, you can have your badge with the Third and Fourth Degree Emblems.

Please Send Information To Our E-Mail Address

We have a new e-mail address for our council and for the Saint Mary's Bulletin: kc12527@digitalpath.net.

If you have an e-mail address, please send to have our monthly bulletin mail to you by e-mail.



Fourth Degree

The Degree of Patriotism

The Father Joseph O'Callahan Assembly #2706 of the Fourth Degree will meet this month at Thursday, September 9 at 7:30 pm at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall on 1561 Hazel Street in Gridley. Our e-mail address is assembly2706@yahoo.com.

The pastoral installation for Father Roy Doner on last month was a success. We had a dozen Sir Knights in regalia, and other Sir Knights in tuxedo as sentinels for the Mass. Bishop Jaime Soto was there to install Father Roy Doner as Pastor for Saint Thomas the Apostle in Oroville. There was a great reception afterwards.

We helped the Gridley Council park cars last month at the Butte County Fair. We parked cars many on the Sacred Heart Parish Property on East Gridley Road. We have doing this for many years.

Next month in October, our Santa Maria boat will in the Columbus Day Parade in San Francisco. SK Jon Hoffman is handling all the arrangements to keep our boat safe and secure. If would like to know more about our Santa Maria contact Jon at 533-7069. He would like to hear from you.

If you would like to know more information about the Fourth Degree please contact Faithful Navigator Lucio Angel at 846-5309 or Faithful Comptroller SK Fidencio Ramirez at 846-5418.

Northern California Chapter Website

The chapter has a website. The link to this website is:

www.kofcncc.org

Please go the Chapter Website to get any information on which to pertain to the Northern California Chapter.

Additional Announcements

Program Circle

Please contact Grand Knight Jose Gonzalez at 301-6910 with any thoughts or input that I can pass on the Monthly Meeting. We as a council must stay active and keep our charitable tasks at hand.

Currently here is the list of projects going on:

Council	Jose Gonzalez	301-6910
Program	Sixto Mota	846-3470
Membership	Robert Miller	846-4514
St. Patrick's Day Dinner	Javier Solis	846-5835
Pro-Life	Michael Trainor	846-2535
MR Drive	Michael Trainor	846-2535
Gridley Breakfast	Pedro Mota	846-2371
Live Oak Breakfast	Robert Miller	846-4514
Church	Tim Bradford	680-8123
Family	Ignacio Curiel	846-0905
Columbian Retirement Home	John Heenan	695-3117
Youth	James Valenzuela, Jr.	846-0829



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Family of the Month Potluck

The Family of the Month Potluck will be on Thursday, September 16 at 6:30 pm at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall in Gridley. Please bring your favorite dishes for the evening.

Please bring your favorite side dish for the evening. The Family of the Month for August is Mario Duenas. He was recently the chairman for the Live Oak Breakfast. His daughter Mercedes plays softball for Live Oak High School. Their softball team was the servers for this year's Crab Feed back in January, and they did a great job; congratulations Mario.

**If you know a brother knight and/or spouse that are in sickness or distress,
Please Contact Chancellor Enrique Rayon at 315-9739.**

The Knights of Columbus are trying to get our founder Michael J. McGivney canonized for sainthood in our faith. Joining the Father Michael J. McGivney Guild is **FREE**. You can do it online; type in www.fathermcgivney.org. We would like to have our founder to be a saint. Some of our brother knights in our council are guild members already, so sign up and join today. For more information, please contact Robert Miller, PGK at 846-4514 or e-mail at kc12527@digitalpath.net. When you join, you will receive a monthly newsletter. Thank you for your cooperation!!



September 2010



Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
			1	2 Council Meeting 7:30 pm	3	4
5 23rd Sunday In Ordinary Time	6 Labor Day	7 Rosary Group 7 p.m.	8	9 Assembly Meeting 7:30 pm	10	11 Patriot Day
12 24th Sunday In Ordinary Time	13	14 Rosary Group 7 p.m.	15	16 Family Potluck In Gridley 6:30 pm	17	18
19 25th Sunday In Ordinary Time (Live Oak Breakfast)	20	21 Rosary Group 7 p.m.	22	23	24	25
26 26th Sunday In Ordinary Time	27	28 Rosary Group 7 p.m.	29	30		

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