

Knights of Columbus

All Council events cancelled until further notice

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Brother Knight's,

We've been through a lot recently, bringing out some of the worst and the best in our country. We've seen the American people come together to battle the deadly coronavirus pandemic and exercise their constitutional right to peacefully protest. We've also seen our nation torn apart by social and racial injustice and the response to it. Millions of people have lost their jobs and seen their saving depleted. And vast numbers of older people disproportionately people of color have died often in nursing homes, from the coronavirus. We are disheartened by much of what we have witnessed. Who can doubt we are a nation in need of healing, both physically and spiritually. Racism and ageism have no place in our society. During this difficult times, let us all unite to create a society that values hope over hate, faith over fear, and compassion over confrontation. Let's us dedicate ourselves to create a country where every person has the opportunity to live a life of dignity, good health, economic opportunity and purpose, regardless of race, income or age. When we do that, we will not only usher in a new beginning but we will also create an America as good as its promise. If there was ever a time for us to draw upon the lessons we've learned from these experiences and others in order to bring our society together, it is now. The pandemic has given us the time and space to think about who we are, what's important and what kind of country we want to be.

Roland Castro-GK

Trustee's Report

The Trustees have signed off on the Semiannual Council Audit Report for the fraternal year.

We are also soliciting ideas for "fund raisers" to help us meet our charitable obligations for the new fraternal year. The pandemic has cause us to veer from our normal fund raisers. We currently don't have anything planned but are considering a "drive through" chicken dinner. Of course we'll have to go through all the necessary permits, advertising, selling tickets, etc. before we can move forward. More info will be made available as we pursue this endeavor. If anyone has any ideas on "fund raising" events, please share them with the council officers so that we may evaluate them. All ideas are welcomed and we thank you for your commitment.

Vivat Jesus

Eli Farias – Hector Maydon – Roger Pritt

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Fiesta Parades Cancelled

Bro Eddie Moreno, Parade Fundraising Chair, advises that due to Corona Virus health crisis, Fiesta parades have been cancelled for November 13-14. He also advises that all who have reserved seats should contact him if they still want those seats. Eddie needs to collect monies for tickets or he will sell them to those on waiting list. Those who have already paid and collected tickets are advised that tickets will be honored at parade in April 2021. Contact text or call: Eddie Moreno, ph. 210-863-6839.

Wives Appreciation Dinner

Wives Appreciation Dinner scheduled for May 13, Wednesday, at Pompeii Italian Grill on Nacogdoches Road has been postponed indefinitely because of the health emergency precautions. Once they receive clarification about large gatherings we can reschedule. Our deposit will remain in place until a new date is selected. Thankfully no brother knights have paid any advance funds of \$31 for their reservation. Please inform our general membership of this update and we pray for everyone's wellbeing. The menu for the event will be published in upcoming newsletter(s).



Sick or in Distress

Include the following members and their families in your prayers

Bro of DGK Joe Salinas – Bro Tino Villarreal & spouse – Bro Dan Losoya & spouse – Two brothers-in-law of Bro Jesse Garcia – Daughter of Bro Jesse Garcia – Bro Jesse Garcia – Bro Caesar Bustos – Bro Elroy Luedecke – Bro Wes & Betty Athey – Janie Ramos sister of Bro Art Martinez – Bro John Cavazos – Father-in-law of Bro Greg Martin – Bro Pete Hernandez – Sister of Bro Oscar Maldonado – Bro Ernesto Vasquez & spouse – Deceased Bro Alvin Vasquez – Bro Noe Lopez – Spouse of Bro Juan Paniagua - Spouse of Bro John Ramirez – Spouse of Bro Wayne Borgmann

We list names of brothers and family members when we are aware of an illness or death. **If you or a family member has a need for prayers**, please inform the Chancellor.

Letter submitted by our past Financial Secretary

THANK YOU - THANK YOU - THANK YOU

Almost 7 years ago on August 2013, I was asked if I would consider taking on the responsibilities of Council 7965 Financial Secretary. At the time, I had too much on my plate, so I answered I would consider it. I honestly had no idea what all the FS does for a council. It has been fun, financial growth, record keeping, meeting about 90% of our membership, and so much more. During these years, I was also elected President of St Helena Guadalupanas for 2 years. And in 2014, Fr Lenin asked me if I would accept the lead of organizing a live reenactment 'Way of the Cross' on St Helena grounds.



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I did this from 2015-2019 on Good Friday. I absolutely enjoyed every minute of all this involvement, even when I crashed at night asking God for strength for the next day and laid motionless for several hours. I would like to thank Bro Wayne Borgmann who never left me with unanswered questions. After my 7 years FS experience, I really appreciate what he did for 27+ years.

My best times as FS came when I would join new members at their 1st Degree ceremonies and welcome them to the best council in San Antonio. My glorious times came when brothers trusted me with thousands of dollars to count, deposit, and use to better our council and our community. My worse times came when I had to hit delete on the name of a brother who answered the call from our Lord that it was time for him to come home.

Many years ago, I was member of a young man organization who, as Knights of Columbus, helped our community city wide. We recited our creed at the start and end of our meetings that started with "We Believe".... Our last part to our creed we always shouted...."that SERVICE to humanity, is the BEST work of life." I still believe that. I still live by it. With God's help and believing this creed is what made this last 7 years seem as if it was yesterday that I started. Thank you for allowing me to SERVE you.

--- FS - Art Martinez ---

Happy birthday wishes to

Brothers:

Samuel Avitua – 07/01
 Art P Martinez – 07/06
 Philip A Jackson – 07/10
 Roddy M Caldwell – 07/13
 John R Ward Jr. – 07/15
 Thomas E Jarzombek – 07/16
 Raul Zavala – 07/23
 Christopher K Haass – 07/29

Ernesto Guzman Jr. – 07/04
 Keith J Bax – 07/08
 Santiago Leos III – 07/10
 Joseph N Jarzombek – 07/14
 James T Stone Jr. – 07/17
 Ariek A Canonizado – 07/21
 John j Norkus – 07/24
 Staton Greg Martin – 07/29

John A Cavazos - 07/06
 Andrew R Shelnutt – 07/09
 Gerald Taliancich – 07/11
 Gerald E Brock – 07/15
 Jesse M Garcia – 07/19
 John Riojas Jr. – 07/21
 Steve L Garcia – 07/29
 Jody D Sterling – 07/29



Ladies:

Ellen Cartwright – 07/02
 Andrea Gutierrez – 07/14
 Terry Zurita – 07/27
 Diana Becerra – 07/31

Kathy Harrison – 07/05
 Renee Elizondo – 07/17
 Maria Molina – 07/29
 Tammy J Duncan – 07/31

Kimberly Martin – 07/06
 Becky Valdez – 07/21
 Margaret Casarez – 07/30

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Congratulations Years of Service

Refugio S Fernandez – 34 yrs
Raymond D Wright – 26 yrs
Barry K Scott – 12 yrs
Michael A Carillo – 1 yr

Raul P Tijerina – 30 yrs
Abdon Marmolejo – 24 yrs
Ted L Gonzales – 10yrs
Raul Zavala – 1 yr

Russell R Knouse – 29 yrs
Robert E Allen – 23 yrs
Rolando Garcia – 2 yrs

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY wishes to:

Michael & Andrea Rendon – 07/03 - 27 yrs
Dale & Sylvia Meeks – 07/07 - 47 yrs
Robert & Karen Meloni – 07/12 – 35 yrs
Philip & Faye Jackson – 07/15 - 59 yrs
Luciano & Dora Bonilla – 07/22 - 48 yrs
Frank & Margie Perales – 07/26 - 69 yrs



Gene & Margaret Vargas – 07/04 - 33 yrs
James & Mary Bailey – 07/11- 50 yrs
Michael & Lori Franckowiak – 07/15 - 42 yrs
Matthew & Jennifer Paz – 07/20 - 22 yrs
Anthony & Martha Razzino – 07/23 – 43 yrs
Manuel & Kelly Solis – 07/30 - 15 yrs

St Helena Beautification Project Pictures

Thank you!

Oscar Maldonado – Joe Salina – Cody Thorton – William Thorton (*Cody's son*)
Steve Dvorak - Eli Farias – Paul Cardenas – Ernesto Guzman – Hector Maydon



Before



After

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Before



After



Religious Education

Sacraments of the Catholic Church

Baptism

Baptism, the first and fundamental sacrament and the gate to the other sacraments, is the purifying and sanctifying sacrament of rebirth. It is the means by which its recipients are incorporated into the church in a sacramental bond of unity.

Confirmation

By a signing with the gift of the Spirit, confirmation enriches the baptized with the Holy Spirit, binding them more perfectly to the Church, and strengthening them in their witness to Christ by word and deed and in their work to bring to its fullness the Body of Christ. Confirmation is conferred through anointing with chrism and the laying on of hands.

Eucharist

The Eucharist is the most august sacrament, in which Christ himself is contained, offered and received, and by which the Church constantly lives and grows. The Eucharistic Sacrifice, the memorial of the death and resurrection of the Lord, in which the sacrifice of the cross is perpetuated over the centuries, is the summit and source of all Christian life and worship; it signifies and effects the unity of the people of God and achieves the building up of the Body of Christ. As children reach the age of reason, generally around age seven, the Church extends to them an invitation to celebrate the sacrament of Eucharist. The initiation into the Christian community that took place at baptism is further extended by inviting children to enter fully into the heart of Christian faith through participation in the Eucharist.

Penance

Through penance, the faithful receive pardon through God's mercy for the sins they have committed. At the same time, they are reconciled with the Church community. The confession, or disclosure, of sins frees us and facilitates our reconciliation with others.

Anointing of the Sick

Through the sacrament of anointing, Christ strengthens the faithful who are afflicted by illness, providing them with the strongest means of support. Jesus showed great concern for the bodily and spiritual welfare of the sick and commanded his followers to do the same. The celebration of this sacrament is an opportunity for the deepening of the faith of the community who are able to witness the faith and devotion of those being anointed.



Marriage

The Church has a rich tradition in its teaching on sacramental marriage and covenantal union. The Old Testament authors write of God making a covenant with the chosen people and promising them that they will never be forsaken. The New Testament authors write of Jesus as the new covenant and compare the relationship of Jesus with the Church to the relationship of a husband and wife. The matrimonial covenant, by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership for the whole of life, is by its nature ordered toward the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of offspring.

Holy Orders

Holy Orders is the sacrament by which bishops, priests and deacons are ordained and receive the power and grace to perform their sacred duties. The sacred rite by which orders are conferred is called ordination. The apostles were ordained by Jesus at the Last Supper so that others could share in his priesthood.

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