



# NEWSLETTER



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### DECEMBER 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 <i>Meeting Rockdale 7:00 PM. HOLY DAY</i>	9	10	11	12 <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i>	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 <i>The Nativity of The Lord.</i>	26	27
28 <i>Feast of the Holy Family</i>	29	30	31			

### NEWS

Congratulations to Francis Thomas and Cosme Rodriguez, who are the newest members of our Assembly #2587. Both became 4th Degree Knights at the Exemplification in Rockdale, on October 25, 2014.

Our next meeting is in Rockdale on December 8, starting at 7:00 PM. There will be no fallout in December.

The annual benefit dance for the Religious Retirement Fund will be held at the Frenstat Recreation Center on January 9, 2015. The kitchen opens at 6:00 PM, with hamburgers being served, and the dance will start at 7:00 PM, with music by The Red Ravens. Come help us support this worthy cause. Tickets are \$10.00 per person.

Our assembly is working with the Rockdale Council, in a fundraising effort to provide ultrasound equipment to the "Place of Hope" in Rockdale, so that mothers-to-be are able to see the child in their womb. There will be a pre-sale chicken dinner on Jan. 25, 2015, at the KC hall in Rockdale. We are asked to help with, and sell tickets to this fundraiser. More about this in our next newsletter.

### A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

At our fallout at St. Ann's Church in Somerville Sunday, Father Uche made an interesting and important point about how we as Catholics are promoting the real meaning of Christmas in the cards we send out. He said that when we send out Christmas cards, they should depict the true meaning of Christmas, such as the nativity scene, the Magi, or the Shepherd's message of Christ being born.

As you know, all of us at one time or another, get, or send out cards with a family picture on it. When we do this, we are contributing to the effort to remove Christ from Christmas, by putting ourselves in a more important position than the Christ Child. As he said, if we are going to use a picture in our Christmas greeting, put one in the card that has a traditional Christmas scene on it. Put the card in a prominent place in the house for everyone to see. Put the picture on a table or somewhere for anyone to look at, but not to be the central purpose of the Christmas greeting. By doing this, we keep things in their proper order, and will exemplify the true meaning of Christmas.

**May the Infant Jesus  
fill your hearts with the gift of Love,  
encourage you with the gift of Hope,  
and bless you with the promise of Peace.  
Wishing you a holy and happy Christmas Season!  
In the love of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.**

*Lord Jesus Christ, when,  
on a winter's night I look up through the clear air at the stars,  
I can be very close to You  
and to Your native Bethlehem.  
It was at night that You first came to this earth.  
It was under the same stars that now gleam in this night sky  
that Mary first held You in her arms.  
It was by the faint light of these stars  
still shining tonight that the shepherds found their way to the stable,  
and discovered You,  
as the angels had said they would,  
lying in a manger.  
Dear Christ,  
it is especially at Christmas time  
that I see and understand how close You are  
to those who live on the land.  
We have so many reminders of You!  
The stars and moon at night and the sun by day,  
the same stars under which You were born;  
the same moon that shone that night on Bethlehem;  
the same sun that brightened Your first days on earth.  
The stable, and the farm animals  
that shared their quarters and their warmth with You, their creator.  
The sheep and the shepherds that came to adore You,  
rough men, but good, truthful, honest, and sincere.  
O Jesus, Son of the everlasting God,  
You are so wonderfully made one of us at Christmas time!  
You are our God,  
but You are our Brother, too.  
You are our King,  
but You come as a helpless little baby,  
longing for our love.  
Help us today and always to see You  
in all those with whom we come in contact.  
Let us never forget Your own instruction,  
that whatever we do for the least of those around us,  
we do for You.  
Help us always to serve You in the generous,  
selfless spirit of this season,  
and we shall then be real Christians,  
more and more like You, other Christs.*

*Amen.*

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