



# KNIGHTLY NEWS

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**A MERRY  
CHRISTMAS  
and  
BLESSED  
NEW YEAR!**

## Grand Knight's Message

Worthy Brothers, the end of the year is approaching very fast and we are entering into a Most Holy Season. With all that is happening in our personal lives, please remember our "Keep Christ In Christmas" campaign. I hope you are able to celebrate the season with your family in the manner it was intended. We will be cooking for the People's Kitchen on December 29th in the parish hall from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. then serving the meal in Grover Beach from noon to 12:30 p.m. If you are able to help with this activity, please come.

Our Spaghetti Feed last month was very successful, due in large part to all those who helped with the setup, cooking, serving and cleanup, and all the parish community that came out to support the event. Thank each and every one of you who helped make the day a success. This month we will not be having our General Assembly meeting on the third Wednesday. We will, however, have the social as scheduled.

We are preparing for our Annual Crab Feed on March 3, 2018. Tickets will be available at this month's social. It was very well received last year and we are working hard to make sure this year will be as successful.

With us taking time off to spend with our families, please remember those less fortunate or those in need of our prayers. If you know of any brother in need, please contact me, or any of the council officers. God Bless You and Merry Christmas.

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## District Deputy Message

Brothers,

My Christmas wish is that you will join me in prayer for all who have asked for our prayers, those who need our prayers, and united in faith that our fraternity's prayers will be heard.

I hope everyone had a joyous Thanksgiving. I pray for blessings on all for the Christmas season, Merry Christmas. Please read the inspiring words of our Grand Chaplain, Archbishop Lori, on the last page and celebrate being a Knight!

May your prayers be answered,

Dan Anderson DD 61



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**THE CORPORAL  
WORKS OF  
MERCY**

- To Feed the Hungry
- To Clothe the Naked
- To Give Drink to the Thirsty
- To Shelter the Homeless
- To Visit the Imprisoned
- To Visit the Sick
- To Bury the Dead with Dignity

**THE SPIRITUAL  
WORKS OF  
MERCY**

- To instruct the ignorant
- To counsel the doubtful
- To admonish sinners
- To bear wrongs patiently
- To forgive offenses willingly
- To comfort the afflicted
- To pray for the living and the dead



**GOOD OF THE ORDER**



**A**s a Knight's first duty is to pray, let us continue to pray for peace and justice in our world and an end to the destructive hate and violence surrounding us each day. We especially remember and pray for all the Christians who are killed for their Faith.

Please pray for Frank Rocha Viz, Frank Mackie, Ed Dionne, Fr. Alphonse, Fr. Eric Swearingin, Fr. Allen, Joe Hidalgo, Gary Benvenuto, Mel Ormonde, Paul and Mona Adame, Wayne Toscas and Ann Marie Wood

Please do not forget to include in your prayers those listed in the Parish Bulletin who are ill. **Please let us know if you have any prayer requests.**

**CALENDAR DECEMBER 2017**

DECEMBER	
3-24	ADVENT
5	Pearl Harbor Day: Fly the Flag
13	<b>POTLUCK: 6:00-7:00 p.m.</b>
15	Movie Knight: 6:30 p.m.; <b>CANCELLED</b>
17	Corporate Mass (3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday): 10:30 a.m.
25	Christmas Day: Fly the Flag
<i>Please plan to attend and/or help with the various activities!</i>	

POTLUCK SCHEDULE Held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month in the Parish Hall. Dates may be changed to accommodate special events when required. Please come a little early to help set up and stay afterwards to help clean up. **Salads always appreciated.**

**If your birthday is in the month of:**

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| January  | May    | September |
| February | June   | October   |
| March    | July   | November  |
| April    | August | December  |

**Please bring an/a:**

- DESSERT
- APPETIZER
- APPETITE
- ENTRÉE

Rev. Thomas Czeck  
Steve Halweg  
Michael Luczak  
Jaime Rivera



## KNIGHTS LAST MONTH

THANK YOU to all who helped make the Spaghetti Dinner a great success. To all who helped prepare the food, set tables, cleaned up, and prayed for the event, the Knights have made a great contribution to help the needy of our community.

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**CONGRATULATIONS!** Fausto Regusci and J. Carotenuti who recently completed the Patriotic (4th Degree) ceremonial.

### KNIGHTS KNEEDED!!

Five Cities' Christian Women's food distribution center needs a few volunteers, 1 or 2 afternoons per month. Please call the rectory.

## ADVENT

From the United States Conference of Bishops...

The Advent season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and also to the anniversary of the Lord's birth on Christmas. The final days of Advent, from December 17th to December 24th, focus particularly on our preparation for the celebrations of the Nativity of our Lord (Christmas).



## COLUMBIA MAGAZINE



*From the KKK to saintliness, the current issue highlights college Knights, relief efforts at home after the devastating attacks by nature and in Iraqi where peace is hard to find.*

*A very special Knight, the recently beatified Franciscan Father Solanus Casey, is featured as an inspiration to all.*

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## PRAYER AND FRATERNITY



*Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori address to California state deputies*

Tragedies such as the recent church shooting in Texas reinforce the need to persevere in prayer, Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori of Baltimore told the assembled participants for the Midyear Meeting of State Deputies at the opening Mass on Saturday morning, November 18.

“In his wisdom, God knows when to answer our prayers according to our wishes and when to answer our prayers in ways that go beyond our ability to understand. When we are afflicted and God does not seem to answer our prayers, we do well humbly to admit that we may not know what to pray for but let us also be consoled by the thought that God never forgets us.”

He explained that when we patiently and lovingly endure evils and sufferings, we can be sure that God is preparing greater blessings than the relief we’ve asked for. In the end, His power shines forth more perfectly in our weakness.

“So, whether we are praying for holiness or wisdom or for our daily bread, or to be delivered from evils great and small, let us remember the ultimate aim of prayer: namely, that with hearts purified of all sin and evil, we might contemplate the Lord’s glory and goodness forever in heaven.”

Later, during his annual address, Archbishop Lori posed a question to the state deputies, “What does it mean to belong to our fraternal organization. “As we think about who we are as an Order and what we do, we have every reason to be proud of the Knights and every reason to go out and recruit new members.”

“In a selfish, me first world, we are an Order founded on charity. In a time of deep and bitter division, we are on Order founded on unity. In a time of fragmentation, isolation, and loneliness, we are one of the greatest fraternities in all the world. In a time when many call into question the goodness of their homeland, we are a patriotic Order that keeps our eyes fixed on our true homeland in heaven. It is a fraternity in which we truly regard ourselves as brothers in Christ and genuinely try to help each other to be both good men and good disciples of the Lord who are conscious of our solidarity with the needs of others, including those who are ‘beyond our comfort zone’ as Pope Francis often says.”

Solidarity includes those who no longer practice their faith even as the number of the religiously unaffiliated grows. That, he added, should greatly concern us because these unaffiliated people are our brothers and sisters. As an example of the reach of the Knights of Columbus, he pointed out that the Knights’ solidarity extends to the unborn threatened by abortion, families that are in crisis, inner-city kids who need a warm coat, young people competing in the Special Olympics, victims of natural and man-made disasters, and persecuted Christians in the Middle East, Africa, and Asia, many of whom live at the point of a gun or are victims of genocide.

“Jesus has vastly expanded the answer to the question, “Who is my neighbor” – and the Knights of Columbus, every day, responds magnificently to the challenge which the Lord has put before all his disciples.”

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