

The CRUSADER

The Official Newsletter of the Mission San Luis Rey Parish Knights of Columbus Council #3162

Grand Knight's Message



Brother Knights,

The Lenten season is upon us. This is the season when we sacrifice some of those things that make our life more comfortable to us and participate in the traditional Lenten practices of Almsgiving, Fasting, and Prayer. During your daily prayer, I hope you reflect on the church's communal life and to commit yourself to volunteer with a Parish ministry or a Council project. Brother Knights continue to demonstrate the 1st principle of our order, Charity, and are an integral part of the success of the MSLR Parish. Continue to give of your self and rediscover the communal aspect of the Catholic Church. Lent is generally the occasion to try something new and possibly enhance your life.

I want to thank all of the Brother Knights, Squires, and family members who helped with SHRIMPFEEST 2011. Your participation was instrumental in

putting on another successful Council event. There was good food, good fellowship, and a good time had by all. We are already thinking about next year's event. We will stand up our Shrimpfest 2012 committee and discuss plans to make it more dynamic in 2012. If you would like to be on the Shrimpfest Committee, please contact the DGK or GK and bring your ideas and recommendations. A new perspective is always welcome.

It takes many small integral parts to keep Council #3162 running like a well-oiled machine. There are many small tasks that keep our Council up to date. If you would like to help our Council Officers or Directors with a small, but essential task, please contact the DGK. See a list of the small tasks available inside the Crusader. These functions require minimal effort and would be a great benefit to keeping our council on the same sheet of music.

Our semi-annual Pro-Life "Baby Shower" is coming up on Sunday, May 1st, to support the Pregnancy Resource Center. Tell your family, friends, and neighbors about our Council Pro-Life event. We will be collecting baby items, in front of the Serra Center, which will be donated to the Pregnancy Resource Center. Our Goal is to "**Stuff the Truck!**" We want to fill several trucks full of Baby items and convoy to the Pregnancy Resource Center. Also, the Ultrasound Van will be in the parking lot for tours. You can see what some of the KofC "Culture of Life Funds" have inspired. If you have any questions, please contact our Pro-Life Chairman, David Diaz or Chuck Abood (PGK).

You continue to inspire those around you. Invite another Catholic Gentleman to join our Council. Please keep all of our Council members and their families in your prayers.

Fraternally,
Buster Beazley
Grand Knight

Wear your yellow name badge with pride to Mass and parish activities.

Remember to celebrate Mass with your Brother Knights at Corporate Communion each month at 10:00 on the Sunday following the first Wednesday of the month. (Sunday after monthly council meetings.)

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Knight of the Month

March – Peter Signori

Family of the Month

March – Chris Weber



Chaplain's Corner

Dear Brothers,

Peace and all good! As I write to you we are preparing to celebrate Laetare/ Rose Sunday—the traditional half-way point in our Lenten journey. The word “Laetare” (pronounced lay TAR eh) is from the traditional Latin Mass and means “Rejoice!” And on that day, the priest wears rose-colored vestments. It is a reminder to us that Lent is a journey, not our final destination. The celebration of Easter, the Resurrection of the Lord, is just a few weeks away.

This year's Easter celebration will be especially poignant for our parish family. We will be welcoming 64 adults and children into our Catholic community and parish at the Easter Vigil! Isn't that amazing? The Holy Spirit is certainly at work among us.

During the course of the calendar year, we will be accepting nearly 200 new members into our Church here at San Luis Rey Parish.

The Knights play an important role in this work of the Spirit. Through your prayers, your presence, and your tremendous works, you serve a crucial role in welcoming people into our parish family. My hope is that some of the men who are entering will also consider joining the Knights. Let us continue to pray for them, for the needs of our parish, and for all of our Knights (both living and deceased) and their families as we prepare ourselves to celebrate this great feast of the Risen Lord!

God bless,
Fr. Chuck

Chancellor's Corner

Prayer Requests

Please keep the following Brother Knights, family members and friends in your prayers:

For Pope Benedict XVI and the Catholic Church.

For Brother Knights: Hal Bartlett, Pierre Habis, Joseph Kerekes, Roy Timerman, Lalo Sanchez, Chad Dorry, Ramon Garcia, Frenchie LaBarge (PGK), John McMahan, Charles Waltz, Stuart Schepp, Ben and Pat Weseloh, Sam Ramirez, and Vincent and Marie Vitali.

For Family members: Lucille Varrichio (Brother Al's (PGK) wife), Thelma Poorman (wife of Brother Charles), Millie Colon (wife of Brother Hector), Ruth Donarski (sister-n-law of Brother C.J. (PGK)), Emma Thurma (Aunt of Brother Javier Marquez), Al Varrichio's (PGK) daughter Delores, Alex Reyes Family (friends of Bro Javier Marquez), Rosa Aparicio (mother of Brother Richard Aparicio, Kristen Dearborn (wife of Brother David), Russ Harvey (son of Gerry Harvey PGK), Eva Koenig (wife of Brother Walter -deceased), Baby Izaiah Wallis (Young Cousin to Brother Eugene Garcia), Catherine Bandemer (wife of Brother Otto) and Clement Sauileone (wife of Brother Esau and sister of Brother Tala Paulo). For the Mary Lou Anderson Family, on the passing of Mary Lou (wife of Brother Einer – deceased).

For all of our Deployed Brother Knights on active duty to include: Cullen McGovern and Chris Parra.

See previous recipients of Knight of the Month and Family of the Month at www.kofc3162.org

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COUNCIL ACTIVITY CALENDAR

April

1-2 Friday 7:30pm – Saturday 8:30am – “Alliance of the Two Hearts” all night Vigil at St Mary’s Star of the Sea.

6 – Wednesday. Council Meeting, 7:00 PM. K of C 3162 Hall

9 – Saturday. M.O.P – Maintain Our Parish 8-12noon. Meet at OMMS Flag Pole

10 - Sunday. Corporate Communion, 10:00 AM Mass. MSLRP Serra Center

17 – Sunday. PALM Sunday

21 – Thursday. Holy Thursday

22 – Friday. Good Friday

24- Sunday. EASTER Sunday.

27 – Wednesday. Officers Meeting, 7:00 PM. K of C 3162 Hall

May

1 -- Sunday. Baby Shower, 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Outside MSLRP Serra Center
Collecting Donations for New Born Babies

4 – Wednesday. Council Meeting, 7:00 PM. K of C 3162 Hall

8 – Sunday. Corporate Communion, 10:00 AM Mass. MSLRP Serra Center.

14 -Saturday. M.O.P – Maintain Our Parish 8- 12noon.
Meet at OMMS Flag Pole

25 – Wednesday. Officers Meeting, 7:00 PM. K of C 3162 Hall.

Widows & Orphans

Mary Lou Anderson was the widow of Brother Einer Anderson. Mary Lou passed away suddenly. Mary Lou sang in the choir and Einer was an usher for the parish for 30 - 35 or maybe even 40 years. We buried Brother Einer in '02. Keep the Anderson Family in your prayers.

Habitat-for-Council-Humanity Projects

Council #3162 is looking at small projects to improve the livelihood of Homebound Brother Knights or Parishioners on fixed income or disabled. If you would like to donate material, your time, or your skills to a Council Project that will improve the lives of homebound Council members or Parishioners, this is the project for you. Please contact the GK or our Community Director.

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KofC defends the Pledge of Allegiance

The KofC is a Patriotic organization that continues to stand up in support of our constitution. The following is a summation of a press release: "The KofC help uphold the Pledge of Allegiance Law". For the 2nd time this year, a federal appellate court has rejected a constitutional challenge to the Pledge of Allegiance after hearing arguments from attorneys for the KofC in November 2010. As in an earlier case in California, the KofC convinced the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to uphold the constitutionality of the Pledge of Allegiance in March 2010. Watch for more information to come in the Columbian Magazine. The KofC continues to support our country's heritage and values. Do your part to influence our future generation to be Patriotic citizens and convey the central beliefs that Americans have held since 1776.

California KofC State Convention

The 2011 KofC State Convention will be held in San Diego this year at Town & Country Resort 13-15 May. Since the Convention is in the local area, please make your plans to attend. This is a good time to talk to other Knights from across California or attend a workshop that could benefit Council #3162 and MSLR Parish. If you have any questions, please contact the GK or DGK.

Council Tasks available

If you would like to help the Council with any of the following duties, please notify the DGK or GK.

- Maintain Membership USPS Mailing List.
- Maintain Membership E-mail List.
- Phone Tree - call a few members.
- Visit a sick member.
- Maintain the Council PGK Board.
- Collect Door Prizes.
- Council Golf Tournament administrative support.
- Stand by a "Sport Court Bucket" and encourage parishioners.
- Help Financial Secretary locate lost Members.
- OMMS Liaison.
- Many more.....

OMMS Shirt Sale

Old Mission Montessori School is selling Polo Shirts and T-shirts with the San Damiano Cross logo on them. Order forms can be picked up in the School office.

Short Sleeve T-Shirt	\$15.00
Short Sleeve T-Shirt Plus Sizes	\$17.50
Long Sleeve T-Shirt	\$20.00
Long Sleeve T-Shirt Plus Sizes	\$22.50
Polo Shirts	\$25.00
Polo Shirt Plus Sizes	\$30.00

Walk For Life Walk-A-Thon

May 7th sponsored by The Pregnancy Resource Center at Moonlight Beach in Encinitas at 8:30am. If any brother is interested, we can form a Council 3162 team for the walk. Please contact David Diaz at (760) 814-5515 or email dragon_blue_64@yahoo.com

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Insurance Message

APRIL – PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Whole life insurance calls for premiums to be paid for your entire life, or to age 100. You may want to consider a permanent life insurance product – one with guaranteed cash values – that offers a limited period of premium payments. The Knights of Columbus offers three permanent life insurance products for which premiums do not have to be paid for all of life.

“Twenty Pay Life” is exactly as the name suggests – a permanent plan with premiums payable for only 20 years. After the premiums are paid for the 20 years, the plan is “paid up” and no more premiums are due. Unlike its term counterpart, however, the plan stays in force, the death benefit remains intact and the guaranteed cash value continues to grow.

Another such plan is our “Life Paid Up at 65.” You buy this permanent product and you only pay premiums to age 65. Then, premiums stop (just in time for retirement), but the plan remains very much in force.

Finally, the ultimate in limited pay is our Single Premium Life product. Imagine buying life insurance – permanent life insurance – and only paying one single premium? It’s possible.

I have detailed information on all of these products. At your convenience, I’ll meet with you and your spouse to perform a free, custom-tailored needs analysis, to help determine which of our many life insurance products is right for you and your family.

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Happy Birthday Brother Knight!

April Birthdays

James Ball – 1st
Ulpiano Juguilon – 3rd
Robert Litterilla – 6th
Brian Fox – 12th
William Schrader – 19th
Al Varrichio – 23rd

Richard Giroux – 1st
Joseph Leedy – 3rd
Eduardo Preciado – 9th
Patrick Buchanan – 16th
Victor Flores – 21st

Paul Cloud – 2nd
Benny Carpenter – 4th
Andres Berdeja – 11th
Eugene Garcia – 16th
Donald Mackenzie – 21st

Don Diaz – 3rd
Gary Valente – 4th
William Liggan – 11th
Ken Heath – 17th
Armando Mena – 23rd

Support the Canonization of our Founder!
Join the Father Michael J. McGivney Guild for free!

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