



The Knight Line

*St. Ignatius of Loyola Council 12853, Division #4
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Grand Knight's Corner



Brother Knights,

Worthy Brothers and others, April is here and Lent is over, Holy Week has started. It is an exciting time for the Church; the Easter Triduum is upon us and then Easter and its long season will be here!! Catholics all over the world will celebrate the Risen Christ, Jesus. Jesus rose from the dead to take away our sins and give us new life after our earthly death, eternal life in heaven.

It is a time of celebration, a time of new life and new beginnings. Not sure if you have heard, but there has been news all over the world that the number of new Catholics coming into the church this Easter is super exciting. Seemingly everywhere, dioceses are reporting a lot of baptisms coming up this Easter. At Holy Family, there are a lot of new Catholics this Easter Vigil, I have been helping with dismissal of the RCIA children and the number of children is the most since pre-Covid.

Reports from Newark, Cleveland, Seattle and Boston show almost double the numbers of new Catholics this Easter, these are places not known for modern Catholic growth - even places like Paris and England.

Let us then celebrate this Easter and go out and invite others to the Catholic faith and Holy Family. I attended the First COR gathering (COR is the Knights effort to bring Faith Sharing to Catholic men) that our Council has started and we had 12 men attend, and it was half Knights and half parishioners. It was a great start and hopefully will grow, please attend if you can and please invite other Catholic men to check it out - no commitment at first, don't have to be a Knight, no pressure to be a Knight. The Knights of Columbus have always asked its members to be leaders of the faith in their families, in their parishes and wherever they are in the world.

This Easter, let us all start a new life of expanding our relationships with Jesus and the world, sharing the love of the Risen Christ to all!! Alleluia!! He has Risen so we can all rise with him into heaven when it is our time. Vivat Jesus.

P.S. Due to Holy Week and Easter, our business meeting won't be until April 9th and the pancake breakfast will happen on April 12th. Hope to see you at both.

God bless.

**Eric Bateman, Grand Knight
St. Ignatius of Loyola Council 12853**

Chaplain's Message



**"I'LL BE BACK"
NEXT MONTH!
Shalom,
Fr. John Hoang**

KNIGHT'S ROSARY & HOLY HOUR



**Our next parish Rosary & Holy Hour
adoration date is on April 15th**

Second Collections & Post-Mass Snacks in April

Apr. 12th - Building & Grounds
Apr. 19th - Catholic Home Missions
Apr. 26th - DSJ Retired Priests

Coffee & Donuts after 8:00 & 9:30
masses on Apr. 19th,

Chicken Pho on Apr. 26th after all masses

FOR ALL MEN OF HOLY FAMILY PARISH AND SCHOOL, JOIN IN "COR" THIS MONTH



Holy Family's Knights of Columbus is offering a new Parish Men's program called Cor, Latin for 'heart' and the root of the word courage.

There are two Cor meetings scheduled this month. The first is on Saturday, April 11th at 9 a.m. in the Youth Hall and the second is on Saturday, April 25th at 9 a.m. in the Charity Room. Cor is for all men in our parish and fathers of our school's children.

The mission of Cor is help you develop a deeper prayer life, grow in your Catholic faith and develop strong Christ-centered bonds with other men. Cor reminds us that we were made for relationships with God and one another. Its aim is to help men intentionally and regularly come together to live out authentic brotherhood so that we can help each other through our struggles and celebrate together in our victories in faith.

We ask that you prayerfully consider coming to these meetings, inviting friends from other ministries you support or who join you at Sunday masses. Become a part of this exciting new opportunity in our parish

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

At our March Business meeting PGK **Toby Laufer** was recognized as February's Knight of the Month. Toby helped at the pancake breakfast, with ticket sales and cleanup, with the Food for Families drive and was a great help for our 25th Anniversary Coffee and Donuts Open House where he displayed a list of seminarians we have supported since chartering. Toby assisted at bar for Fr. Andrew's 50th birthday, Ed Cruz's funeral reception, and Life Teen Crab feed. He served as a welcome person for the Diocesan Planning committee meeting at Holy Family. But, he was also doing many Chapter Knights activities as Chapter President and District Deputy, getting their Crab feed planned and, overseeing a Council being chartered at St. Francis of Assisi Parish



Grand Knight Eric Bateman presents the Knight of the Month recognition to PGK Toby Laufer

KNIGHTS OF THE MONTH

February	Toby Laufer
January	David Gomez
December	Gil Gruber
November	Oliver Eke
October	John Lourdasamy
September	John Hesler
August	Jim Lucarotti
July	Chris Schmitz
June	Don Lucas
June	Peter Mouttapa
May	David Smearden
April	Gil Gruber
March	Jeff Stone

**Knight of the Year 2024-2025
Elias David Gomez**

April 2026

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Also at the March meeting, **Eugene & Josephine Okafor** were recognized as February's Family of the Month.

Eugene was a great help to the Council in February. He helped at the pancake breakfast with the serving of the food. He also helped out with our February Food for Families drive. Eugene also volunteered as a bartender for a few of the events that we assisted, such as Fr. Andrew's 50th birthday party and Ed Cruz's funeral reception. He helped out the parish, by reading a reflection for the Stations of the Cross, lecturing and being an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Josephine is also an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion



Grand Knight Eric Bateman presents the Family of the Month award to the Okafor family

FAMILIES OF THE MONTH

February	Ernie & Blessie La Scola
January	Michel & Tracy Rodrigues
December	Ernie & Blessie La Scola
November	Chuck & Rosella Blalock
October	John & Alvira Chargin
September	Gary & Mary Herbst
August	Scott & Diane Conry
July	Mike Yambra & Patty Trillo
June	Jim & Deb Schuetz
May	David & Michelle Troutman
April	Ernie & Blessie La Scola
March	Gary & Jeanette Miskimon

**Family of the Year 2024 - 2025
George & Delana Romero**

Recent Council Activities

PREVIOUS FAMILYS OF THE MONTH



The Michael, Tracy & Shivaun Rodriquez family receives our January Family of the Month award from GK Eric Bateman



The Ernie & Bessie La Scola family receives the San Jose Knights Chapter's December Family of the Month award

LIFE TEEN CRAB FEED



Supporting Holy Family's Life Teen are Crab Feed bartenders Toby Laufer, Bradley Vandehey, Frank Vasquez, Jeff Stone, and David Sonsini

HONORABLE LIFE MEMBERSHIPS



Honorary Life Member Gold Card is presented to Jeff Stone by Grand Knight Eric Bateman.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Sun. Apr. 12th - Pancake breakfast, 7 am to 12 pm in Community Center. **THIS IS A DATE CHANGE & MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO COVER THOSE ON SPRING/EASTER BREAKS!!**

Wed. Apr. 15th - 6:45 - 8:00 p.m. Bring your family to the monthly Rosary/Adoration. Join in **by leading one of the Decades** of the Rosary with your Brother Knights and fellow Parishioners.

Sat, Apr. 11th - Knights & parishioners should sign up and attend the **Parish men's Cor meeting at 9:00 a.m.** in the Youth Hall. Invite a friend from your ministry group or a fellow school parent. We will focus on prayer, faith and Christ-centered living.

Sat, Apr. 25th - Knights & parishioners should sign up attend the **NEXT Parish men's Cor meeting at 9:00 a.m.** in the Charity Room. Invite a friend from your ministry group or a fellow "pew mates" or from Coffee & Donuts. We will focus on prayer, faith and Christ-centered living.

**Patriotic Degree Exemplification
(formerly the Fourth Degree)**

April Birthdays



Gil Gruber	4/2
Robert Goetze	4/4
Rev. Donald Morgan	4/5
David Smearden	4/5
Robert Scheerger	4/15
Robert Fulkerson	4/16
Tom Tran	4/16
Andrew Garcia	4/22
Chuck Blalock	4/29

An Exemplification of the Patriotic Order will be on Saturday May 23, 2026 at St. Cabrini Parish in San Jose!!

All Third Degree Knights are eligible and encouraged to move up to the Patriotic Order of the Knights. Applications are due no later than 30 days before the ceremony –i.e., April 23rd. An Initiation Fee is required and dress for the Exemplification will be announced later.

Why become a Patriotic Order Knight? **First**, this is the highest degree that you can attain. **Second**, this is the Patriotic Order, which honors our citizenship as Americans and emphasizes supporting our country and those who have served it. **Third**, it is the source of the Honor Guard (FKA: the Color Corps), the most visible arm of the Knights. **Finally**, you become a member of an Assembly consisting of four neighboring Councils. expanding your association with like-minded Knights from throughout the surrounding area parishes.

Membership

If there are any changes to your address, phone number, etc., you can tell our Financial Secretary at: Theatretec@yahoo.com.

The dates for upcoming St. Ignatius of Loyola Council meetings are: April 9, May 7, and June 4

Holy Father’s Prayer Intention for April

For priests in crisis.

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer

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Year	Pump \$	Adjusted for 2023 inflation
1980	\$1.22	\$4.51
2008	\$3.25	\$5.10
2018	\$2.73	\$3.14
2022	\$4.06	\$4.19
2023	\$3.52	TBD
2024	\$3.19	TBD
2026	\$3.48	TBD

(2026 data is prewar^e)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Holy Family offers exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, noon to 3, pm Monday – Friday in the chapel. Can you spend one hour with the Lord? The Knights encourage you to practice this activity with your family. Each Knight is encouraged to sign up for one hour and families may sign up together. You can always just ‘show up’ and pray or chat with our Lord without even signing up.

Additionally, you can bring your family to the monthly Rosary/Adoration hosted by the Council on the third Wednesday evening each month from 7 to 8:00 p.m. Join in **by leading one of the Decades** of the Rosary with your brother Knights and fellow Parishioners.

SAME AS TODAY'S NEWS REPORTING??

Walter Lippmann (1889-1974) once stated..
" A free press is not a privilege but an organic necessity in a great society. ...Without criticism and reliable and intelligent reporting, the government cannot govern. For there is no adequate way in which it can keep itself informed about what the people of the country are thinking and doing and wanting."
International Press Institute Association,
London (27 May 1965)

April Notable Days and Birthdays

Apr. 2, 1513: Spanish explorer Ponce De Leon sighted Florida and claimed it for the Spanish Crown after landing at the site of present day St. Augustine, now the oldest city in the continental U.S.

April 8, 1913: 17th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified requiring direct popular election of U.S. senators instead of the original method of being chosen by state legislatures.

April 3, 1944: Supreme Court ruled that African Americans cannot be barred from voting in Texas primaries, stating discrimination against blacks violates the 15th Amendment and political parties aren't private associations

Apr. 17, 1961: U.S.-backed overthrow of Fidel Castro failed disastrously in the Bay of Pigs fiasco as about 1,400 anti-Castro exiles invaded along the Bay of Pigs but were overrun by 20,000 Cuban soldiers and jailed. Trained by the U.S., they expected support from U.S. military aircraft and help from anti-Castro insurgents on the island. Instead, they fended for themselves with no support as the US wanted “plausible deniability” to prevent Russian intervention.

April Birthdays: President Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, James Buchanan, Ulysses S. Grant. Others: Hans Christian Anderson, Dorothea Dix, Guglielmo Marconi, and Joseph Pulitzer.

Papal Birthdays: Popes Benedict XVI, Clement XII, Alexander VIII, Urban VIII

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS AND SEMINARIANS ON THESE DAYS

**Seminarians with Council financial support this year*

Apr. 1	Mr. Thien Bui 4 th year/Configuration
Apr. 2	Mr. Khoa Bui, 3 rd year/Configuration *
Apr. 3	Mr. Quizzer Besinio, 3 rd year/Configuration *
Apr. 4	Mr. Fortunatus Nnadi, Pastoral Year *
Apr. 5	Rev. Andrew V. Nguyen
Apr. 6	Mr. Michael Silva, 1 st Year/Configuration *
Apr. 7	Mr. Joseph Nguyen, 1 st year/Discipleship
Apr. 8	Mr. Lorenzo Caruso, Propaedeutic Year *
Apr. 9	Mr. Preston Venenciano, Propaedeutic Year *
Apr. 10	Mr. Thien Bui 4 th year/Configuration
Apr. 11	Mr. Khoa Bui, 3 rd year/Configuration *
Apr. 12	Rev. John Hoang
Apr. 13	Mr. Quizzer Besinio, 3 rd year/Configuration *
Apr. 14	Mr. Fortunatus Nnadi, Pastoral Year *
Apr. 15	Mr. Michael Silva, 1 st Year/Configuration *
Apr. 16	Mr. Joseph Nguyen, 1 st year/Discipleship
Apr. 17	Mr. Lorenzo Caruso Propaedeutic Year *
Apr. 18	Mr. Preston Venenciano, Propaedeutic Year *
Apr. 19	Most Rev. Oscar Cantú, S.T.D
Apr. 20	Mr. Thien Bui 4 th year/Configuration
Apr. 21	Mr. Khoa Bui, 3 rd year/Configuration *
Apr. 22	Mr. Quizzer Besinio, 3 rd year/Configuration *
Apr. 23	Mr. Khoa Bui, 3 rd year/Configuration
Apr. 24	Mr. Fortunatus Nnadi, Pastoral Year *
Apr. 25	Mr. Michael Silva, 1 st Year/Configuration *
Apr. 26	Rev. Eric Piczon, Voc. Dir.
Apr. 27	Mr. Joseph Nguyen, 1 st year/Discipleship
Apr. 28	Mr. Lorenzo Caruso, Propaedeutic Year *
Apr. 29	Mr. Preston Venenciano, Propaedeutic Year *
Apr. 30	Mr. Thien Bui 4 th year/Configuration

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Pray for all men and women who are considering their calling for vocations, and for the support of their families and friends

SEMINARY PROPAEDEUTIC YEAR

(At Mount Angel Seminary)

**Lorenzo Caruso
Preston Venenciano**

IDES OF TAXES?

“Death, taxes and childbirth! There's never any convenient time for any of them.” *Margaret Mitchell*

“I like to pay taxes. With them, I buy civilization.” *Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr.*

“As we peer into society's future, we -- you and I, and our government -- must avoid the impulse to live only for today, plundering for our own ease and convenience the precious resources of tomorrow. We cannot mortgage the material assets of our grandchildren without risking the loss also of their political and spiritual heritage. We want democracy to survive for all generations to come, not to become the insolvent phantom of tomorrow.” *Dwight D. Eisenhower*



LEARN OUR STATES' MOTTOS

Delaware: Liberty and Independence

Rhode Island: Hope

Florida: In God We Trust

South Carolina: Animus opibusque parati (Prepared in mind and resources)

Georgia: Wisdom, Justice, Moderation

South Dakota: Under God the people rule

Hawaii: Ua mau ke ea o ka 'āina i ka pono (The sovereignty of the land is perpetuated in righteousness)

Tennessee: Agriculture and Commerce

SAVE THE DATES:

EASTER
Apr. 5

COR MEETINGS
Apr. 11 & 25

Upcoming Events

Thursday, April 9

Business Meeting CHANGED
7:00 – 8:00 pm, Youth Hall

Sunday, April 12

Parish Breakfast CHANGED
After 8:00 and 9:30- Masses

Saturday, April 11

Cor Gathering for Men
8:30 am, Youth Hall

Wednesday, April 15

Rosary/Adoration
7–8:00 pm, Church

Saturday, April 25

Cor Gathering for Men
8:30 am, Charity Room

Thursday, April 30

Officer's Meeting
Charity Conference Room

Sunday, May 3

Parish Breakfast
After 8:00 and 9:30- Masses

Thursday, May 7

Business Meeting
7:00 – 8:00 pm, Youth Hall

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----- **PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED MEMBERS** -----

Al Abrahamsohn 4/16/17
 *Jose Artigas 3/7/25
 Federico Cortez 7/2/24
 ***Eladio Cruz 1/26/26**
 Howard Davis 1/11/16
 Patrick Dempsey 4/30/22
 Richard Domenici 4/21/13
 Wayne Dorn 3/7/22
 Joseph Frankina II 7/20/23
 Kenneth J. Goyeau 5/21/04
 Alex Guiang 2/7/25
 Charles Hogate 2/22/05
 Richard Infantino 9/26/07
 Thomas C. Lancaster 2/21/22



*** Deceased
 during past
 12 months**

Leroy (Bud) Larson 3/12/02
 Marv Lewis 7/3/23
 Robert W. Livingston 11/3/14
 John Marks 6/20/21
 Lyle Meacham 10/14/16
 John Melani 3/30/24
 Rev. Paul Mensah 8/2/21
 Frank O'Donnell 11/12/16
 Edward M. Olsen 8/23/15
 Rocco (Rocky) Palladino 12/25/94
 Charles Pori 9/4/15
 Nick Scianna 9/20/22
 Robert Smearden 6/3/14
 Carrol (Bill) Spencer 9/1/10
 Harry Lee Stanley 11/28/10
 Mark R. Williams 11/7/22

**St. Ignatius of Loyola Council Calendar of
 Key dates and Service Program Events**

APRIL	MAY	JUNE
TRIDUUM - Apr. 3-5 Business Meeting - 4/9 CHANGED Parish COR gathering - 4/11 Pancake Breakfast - 4/12 CHANGED Rosary - 4/15 Parish COR gathering - 4/25 Officer's Meeting - 4/30	Pancake Breakfast - 5/3 Business Meeting - 5/7 Nomination of 2026-27 Officers Parish COR gathering - 5/9 Mother's Day - 5/10 California Knights State Convention, 5/14 -5/17, Visalia Rosary - 5/20 Parish COR gathering - 5/23 Officer's Meeting - 5/28 Memorial Day - 5/25 OFFICE CLOSED	Business Meeting - 6/4 Election of 2026-27 Officers Parish COR gathering - 6/6 Pancake Breakfast - 6/7 Rosary - 6/17 Juneteenth - 6/19 Fed Holiday Office closed Parish COR gathering - 6/20 Father's Day - 6/21 Officer's Meeting - 6/25
JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
Installation of 2026-27 Officers ----- TBA Business Meeting - 7/2 Independence Day - 7/3-4 Office closed Parish COR gathering - 7/4 Pancake Breakfast - 7/5 Rosary - 7/15 Parish COR gathering - 7/18 Officer's Meeting - 7/30	Pancake Breakfast - 8/2 Business Meeting - 8/6 Rosary - 8/19 Officer's Meeting - 8/27	Business Meeting - 9/3 Pancake Breakfast - 9/6 Labor Day - 9/7 Office closed Rosary - 9/16 Officer's Meeting - 9/24