



The Knight Line

*St. Ignatius of Loyola Council 12853, Division #4
Holy Family Parish, 4848 Pearl Ave., San Jose, CA 95136*

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Grand Knight's Corner



Brother Knights,

I NEED YOUR HELP!

We have two critical council positions that are vacant and need to be filled. We simply will have difficulty running the council effectively without these positions being filled by someone. All that is needed is a positive attitude and a willingness to serve. You can learn as you go and I will be there to support you as well as your brother Knights. Please do pray on it. We'll have great fun together. If you haven't been involved with the council as much lately, now is your chance. We really need you (and miss you)!

You may have questions about just what these positions are, so I'm including the summary position descriptions straight from the council website:

Deputy Grand Knight

The Deputy Grand Knight serves as the Grand Knight's right-hand man and fills in for the Grand Knight when he is not present. Some Grand Knight Knights serve as their council's Program Director. Ultimately, he assists the Grand Knight in leading the council and reaching council objectives.

In some councils, the Deputy Grand Knight role might be used to groom a possible Grand Knight candidate for the following year. Finally, the Deputy Grand Knight may serve as a liaison between the council and other groups that share similar interest (i.e. Newman Club, pro-life club, etc.).

Chancellor

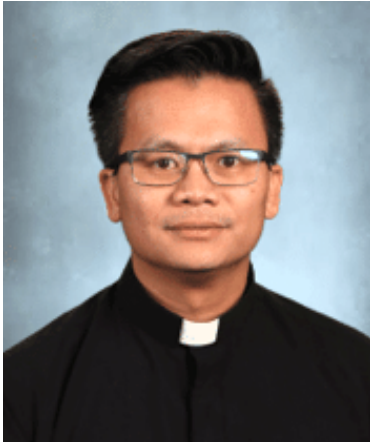
The Chancellor assists both the Grand and Deputy Grand Knights in the leading of the council by engaging and strengthening the council's membership. His primary responsibilities include recruiting and retaining members and to this end he should set up events that display the values and principles of the Knights of Columbus. The Chancellor should participate in the council's degree team and should serve on both the Admission and Retention committees.

Please give this prayerful consideration. You remain in my prayers.

Pax Christi,

**David Smearden, Grand Knight
St. Ignatius of Loyola Council 12853**

Chaplain's Message



**Dear Brother Knights
of the St. Ignatius of Loyola Council,**

I am so happy and excited to write to you as your incoming Chaplain. As I get ready to start this role at Holy Family, I feel very grateful for the chance to serve alongside such a lively and dedicated group of men.

My own journey with the Knights of Columbus has been personal and inspiring. I had the honor of becoming a 3rd Degree Knight, guided by my former Vocation Director, Fr. Mark Catalana. Through that experience, I saw clearly how much good KoC does. I saw how Knights quietly build up the local church while also answering the call of the wider Church—standing as strong support for the Holy Father, defending Catholic values, and bringing help, hope, and charity to people around the world.

Since coming to Holy Family Parish, I have seen that same spirit of faithful service here too. Watching you give so generously—whether organizing the parish picnic, cooking monthly for Sunday masses, or working behind the scenes—has touched me deeply. What stands out most isn't just the hard work, but the joy, brotherhood, and laughter that go with everything you do. You bring a special, lively spirit to Holy Family.

I look forward to joining you in your activities, sharing in the wonderful spirit you have built, and walking with you as a brother in Christ. Together, let us keep making Holy Family a place where everyone who enters finds God, true friendship, strong support, and Christian love.

May St. Joseph, St. Ignatius of Loyola, and Blessed Michael McGivney guide our council in all that we do.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

**Fr. Dat Luong
Incoming Chaplain
St. Ignatius of Loyola Council**

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



Our Aug 8th meeting will focus on Men standing up for Life. If you haven't considered attending a Cor gatherings yet, you are encouraged to do so. The parish offers two meetings monthly; Saturday, August 4th and Saturday, August 18th.

Meetings start at 9 a.m. Donuts and a Keurig coffee machine and pods are provided. These gatherings are only 1 hour long and are open for all men in the parish, so feel free to bring someone along. To stay in touch with the schedule, meeting location and topics for meetings email: Cor.HolyFamily@gmail.com. You will be added to the email distribution list

HOW ABOUT OUR MILITARY CHAPLAINS?

Please consider the needs for military chaplains who serve the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, and Coast Guard, as well as their families. Service is around the world, here in the US, aboard ships, Reserve units, and in the service academies. Actually, wherever service members fight and their families reside, our Catholic chaplains are support them.

There are approximately 190 to 265 active-duty Catholic chaplains serving across all branches of the U.S. military. Catholics make up about 25% of the military but Catholic priests are only around 8% of the total Chaplain Corps, serving about 1.8 million Catholic service and family members.

To know more, **subscribe to SALUTE** the magazine for the Archdiocese of the Military Services, USA. Simply send your title, name, address and phone number to: support@milarch.org OR, write to Advancement Office, Archdiocese for the Military, P.O. Box 4469, Washington, DC 20017-0469.



OR IS IT?

Basic Flying Rules:

**"Try to stay in the middle of the air.
Do not go near the edges of it.
The edges of the air can be recognized
by the appearance of ground, buildings,
sea, trees and interstellar space.**

It is much more difficult to fly there."

Eucharistic 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 your families may sign up together with you.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for August

For evangelization in the city

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

Membership as of 8 July 2026

Associates:	87
Insurance:	38
Inactive:	2
Exempt	1
Total:	128
Honorary:	3
Honorary Life:	28
(Clergy: They are all	14
Honorary Life members)	

COLUMBIETTES UPDATE



During our General Meeting on June 25th our Board Members for 2026-2027 were installed:

**President – Alicia Morales
Vice President – Blessie LaScola
Financial Secretary – Peggy Rodgers
Treasurer – Vera Reyes
Secretary – Irene Shoberg
Past President – Patty Trillo**



A Convention Overview report was given from our State Convention. Donna Holt attended the convention and was presented with an Honorable Mention Award, the “Reach for the Stars Achievement Award” for one of our Columbiettes.

Patty Trillo was very surprised when she was presented at our General Meeting with the California Columbiettes “Reach for the Stars Achievement Award” for 2026.



On July 25th, the Columbiettes sponsored a Goodwill Truck Donation Drive in the church parking lot. Their next General Meeting is August 27th starting at 6:00 PM in the Youth Hall. Contact Alicia Morales at Alicia_morales@comcast.net for information about the Columbiettes

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

At our July Business meeting **Jeff Stone was recognized as June's Knight of the Month.** Brother Jeff is extremely active in parish life. Jeff serves as a Lector for Sunday mass, sings in several music groups, and works with our St. Vincent de Paul Conference at Holy Family. A mainstay at our Parish Breakfast cleanup crew, helping after finishing music services at mass. He also completed the finishing work on the former Holy Family podium in the Hall after the restoration work by Mike Bousman.



Past Grand Knight Eric Bateman presents the Knight of the Month recognition to Jeff Stone

KNIGHTS OF THE MONTH

June	Jeff Stone
May	John Bosco
April	Frank Vasquez
March	Bob Oliver
February	Toby Laufer
January	David Gomez
December	Gil Gruber
November	Oliver Eke
October	John Lourdasamy
September	John Hesler
August	Jim Lucarotti
July	Chris Schmitz

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

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Also at our July Business meeting **the George & Delana Romero Family was recognized as June's Family of the Month.** Brother George's monthly work at our Parish Breakfast is beyond compare. He is the first to arrive to set up the kitchen for the meal preparation and then follows up with a great job actually cooking the breakfast. Delanna served with the Northern California Columbiettes while continuing her local efforts in our Council's Columbiettes organization.



Past Grand Knight Eric Bateman presents the Family of the Month recognition to the Romero Family

FAMILIES OF THE MONTH

June	George & Donna Romero
May	Gary & Jeanette Miskimon
April	David & Leslie Smearden
March	Robert & Jade Chubb
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

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

Recent Council Activities

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP



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Honorary Life Member Gold Card
presented by Grand Knight Eric Bateman
to Gary Miskimon.

At the Exemplification of the Patriotic Order on July 18th at St. Lucy, Past Grand Knight Eric Bateman moved up to the Patriotic Order. Eric becomes our Council's 29th member of the Fourth Degree, or as it is now known, the Patriotic Order.



Sir Knight Eric and his Lady Knight Judy.

JOIN OUR BREAKFAST KNIGHTS

Congratulations to our Parish Breakfast crew. Volunteers who agree to, literally, serve everyone in the parish every first Sunday following morning masses!!

All are welcome to join them in prep, serving, or cleanup!



(L-R) Jeff Stone, Toby Laufer, John Hesler, Eugene Okafor, David Gomez, Robert Chubb, John Lourdusamy, and David Sonsini.

BACK TO SCHOOL SCRIP?

Help Holy Family School by purchasing gift cards through their Scrip Program. Scrip helps reduce your back to school costs for high school as well as sending your college students out of town where many businesses take our scrip.

Some of the gift cards that are available include: **Target, Safeway, Lucky, Lunardi's, Arco, Shell, Chevron, Amazon, Olive Garden, Starbucks, Jamba Juice, Home Depot, and many more.**

Scrip proceeds have helped pay for many school projects such as: the roof on the gym and preschool, copy machines and the phone system. Please call or email Susan Kloczl at 408-978-1355 (susan.kloczl@hfjs.org)

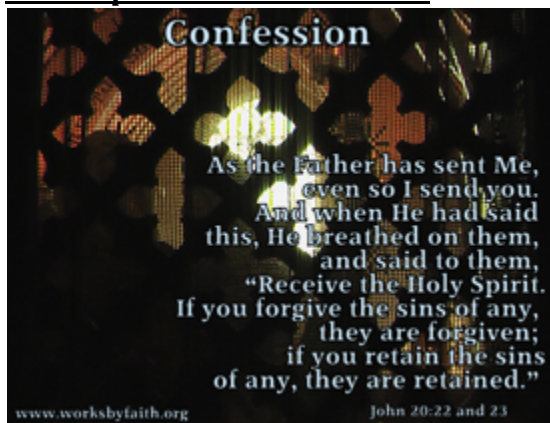
SCRIP IS ALWAYS A "WIN-WIN" FOR THE SCHOOL AND YOUR BUDGET!

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



Rev. Andrew C. Nguyen	8/5
Jose Renteria	8/6
David Verdugo	8/11
Ryan Delucchi	8/14
Frank Vasquez	8/15
Thomas Lancaster	8/15
Rev. John Hoang	8/21
Oliver Eke	8/23
Stephan Pehanich	8/26
David Gomez	8/29

For your convenience:
Reconciliation (aka "Confession")
is available EVERY Saturday
at 4:00 p.m. in our church. ↓



Second Collections & Post-Mass Snacks in August

August 2nd - Building & Grounds
 August 9th - Community Center & Youth Hall
 August 16th - Church in Africa
Coffee & Donuts after 8:00 & 9:30 masses on August 12th
 August 23rd - **Festival Kick Off Breakfast**

KNIGHT'S ROSARY & HOLY HOUR



Our next parish Rosary & Adoration date is August 19th at 7 pm in the church and is on the third Wednesday every month. Consider coming one evening each month to pray the Rosary with your family and friends. Take advantage of this evening opportunity, after work and a meal, to come to Holy Family for Adoration of the Precious Body of Christ.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Sat, August 8th & Sat Aug 22nd - **Attend the Parish men's Cor gatherings** at 9:00 – 10:00 in the Charity Room. Invite a friend from your ministry group or fellow "pew mates". We focus on prayer, faith and Christ-centered living.

Sun, August 9th - **Attend the Council's annual Installation of Officers in the church** following the 11:15 mass.

Sun, August 23rd - **Attend the Parish Festival Kick-Off Breakfast** in the Community Center and start signing up for your family's favorite Festival booth.

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS AND SEMINARIANS ON THESE DAYS

August 1	Mr. Quizzer Besinio, Bui 4 th year/Configuration
August 2	Rev. Andrew V. Nguyen
August 3	Mr. Thien Bui, 4 th year/Configuration
August 4	Mr. Fortunatus Nnadi, 3rd Year Configuration
August 5	Mr. Michael Silva, 2 nd Year/Configuration
August 6	Mr. Joseph Nguyen, 2 nd year/Discipleship
August 7	Mr. Lorenzo Caruso, 1 st year/Discipleship
August 8	Mr. Preston Venenciano, 1 st year/Discipleship
August 9	Rev. Dat Luong
August 10	Marco Heredia, Propaedeutic Year
August 11	Mr. Quizzer Besinio, Bui 4 th year/Configuration
August 12	Mr. Thien Bui, 4 th year/Configuration
August 13	Mr. Fortunatus Nnadi, 3rd Year Configuration
August 14	Mr. Michael Silva, 2 nd Year/Configuration
August 15	Mr. Joseph Nguyen, 2 nd year/Discipleship
August 16	Most Rev. Oscar Cantú, S.T.D
August 17	Mr. Lorenzo Caruso, 1 st year/Discipleship
August 18	Mr. Preston Venenciano, 1 st year/Discipleship
August 19	Marco Heredia, Propaedeutic Year
August 20	Mr. Quizzer Besinio, Bui 4 th year/Configuration
August 21	Mr. Thien Bui, 4 th year/Configuration
August 22	Mr. Fortunatus Nnadi, 3rd Year Configuration
August 23	Rev. Eric Piczon, Vocation Director
August 24	Mr. Michael Silva, 2 nd Year/Configuration
August 25	Mr. Joseph Nguyen, 2 nd year/Discipleship
August 26	Mr. Lorenzo Caruso, 1 st year/Discipleship
August 27	Mr. Preston Venenciano, 1 st year/Discipleship
August 28	Marco Heredia, Propaedeutic Year
August 29	Mr. Quizzer Besinio, Bui 4 th year/Configuration
August 30	Dcn. Ray Gans

Write to: [Name of Seminarian]

Mundelein Seminary

1000 E Maple Ave, Bldg 300P

Mundelein, IL 60060 **OR for Mount Angel:**

Write to: [Seminarian Name]

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Saint Benedict, OR 97373

SEMINARY PROPAEDEUTIC YEAR

(At Mount Angel Seminary)

Lorenzo Caruso

Preston Venenciano

Marco Heredia

Pray for all considering their calling for vocations

DISCERNING: Innocent Zirhumanana, St. Cyprian Parish

August Notable Days and Birthdays

Aug. 14, 1935. Social Security Act signed by President Roosevelt for some pension guarantees at age 65, aid to dependent children, the blind, and a system of unemployment insurance.

August 18, 1947: Line of succession if a president is incapacitated or dies is set by Pres. Truman's Executive Order: Vice President, Speaker of the House and President Pro Tempore of the Senate are next. This became the 25th Amendment.

August 6, 1965 – Voting Rights Act signed by Pres. Johnson suspending literacy, knowledge & character tests designed to prohibit African- American voters in the South from casting ballots. It also barred Poll Taxes (paying to be able to vote)

August 9, 1974: Richard Nixon resigned the presidency, facing impeachment for crimes in the Watergate Scandal; the only president to resign.

August 18–26, 2026 Concours d'Elegance with auctions, shows, and forums, happening in public parks. Laguna Seca and the finale with 200 collector cars on the 18th fairway of Pebble Beach.

August 19, 1991: Communist coup removed Gorbachev but was overthrown by Boris Yeltsin in 72 hours. By December the Soviet Union had disintegrated as a state.

August Birthdays: Presidents Lyndon Johnson, Barack Obama (*from Kansas via Honolulu*), Herbert Hoover, Bill Clinton, Benjamin Harrison. Others: Ernie Pyle, Alfred Lord Tennyson, Cecil B. DeMille, T.E. Lawrence 'of Arabia',

Papal Birthdays: Popes Clement XI, Clement X, Innocent IX, Sixtus IV,

WE WISH A HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR MILITARY SERVICES



IN AUGUST, IT IS THE US COAST GUARD'S HAPPY 236th BIRTHDAY!

The U. S. Coast Guard is simultaneously a military force and a federal law enforcement agency dedicated to maritime safety, security, and stewardship. They save lives, protect the environment, defend the homeland and enforce laws on the high seas, coastal and inland waterways.

It began on 4 August 1790 when Washington authorized ten vessels to enforce tariff and trade laws and prevent smuggling. Known in the 19th and early 20th centuries as the "revenue cutters," the "system of cutters," the "Revenue Marine" and finally the "Revenue Cutter Service", it kept expanding in size and responsibilities.

President Franklin Roosevelt ordered the transfer of the Lighthouse Service to the Coast Guard in 1939 and in 1946 Congress transferred the Commerce Department's

Bureau of Marine Inspection and Navigation to the Coast Guard, placing merchant marine licensing and merchant vessel safety under the Coast Guard.

Until Congress established the Navy, it served as the nation's only armed force afloat. In times of peace, it operates under Homeland Security while in times of war, or at the direction of the President, the Coast Guard serves under the Navy.

QUOTES ON VOTING THIS COMING NOVEMBER

"The ballot is stronger than the bullet... Open your polling places to all your people. Allow men and women to register and vote whatever the color of their skin." *President Lyndon Johnson*

"It is not the qualified voters, but the qualified voters, who choose to vote, that constitute the political power of the state." *President Abraham Lincoln*

"The right to vote is the crown jewel of American liberties, and we will not see its luster diminished." *President Ronald Reagan*

"None of us got where we are solely by pulling ourselves up by our bootstraps. We got here because somebody – a parent, a teacher, an Ivy League crony or a few nuns – bent down and helped us pick up our boots." *Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall*

"We need to participate for the common good. Sometimes we hear: a good Catholic is not interested in politics. This is not true: good Catholics immerse themselves in politics by offering the best of themselves so that the leader can govern." *Pope Francis*

SAVE THE DATES:

COR MEETINGS

August 8 & 22

Officer Installation

Sunday, August 9, 1:00 pm
Youth Hall

Thursday, Aug. 13 - Feast Day
Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney

Festival Kick-Off Breakfast
Sunday, August 23

Upcoming Events

Sunday, August 2

Parish Breakfast

After 8:00 and 9:30- Masses

Thursday, August 6

Business Meeting

7:00 – 8:00 pm, Youth Hall

Saturday, August 8

Cor Gathering for Men

9:00 am, Youth Hall & Chapel

Wednesday, August 19

Rosary/Adoration

7–8:00 pm, Church

Saturday, August 22

Cor Gathering for Men

9:00 am, Charity Conf. Room

Thursday, August 27

Officer's Meeting

Charity Conference Room

Thursday, September 3

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 Key dates and Service Program Events

AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER
Pancake Breakfast - 8/2 Business Meeting - 8/6 Parish COR gathering - 8/8 OFFICER INSTALLATION, 8/9 Feast Day, Blessed Fr. McGiveny 8/13 Rosary - 8/19 Parish COR gathering - 8/22 Officer's Meeting - 8/27	Business Meeting - 9/3 Parish COR gathering - 9/5 Pancake Breakfast - 9/6 Labor Day - 9/7 Offices closed FESTIVAL SETUP 9/12 - 8 am Rosary - 9/16 FESTIVAL - 9/18 - 9/20 Officer's Meeting - 9/24 Parish COR gathering - 9/26 **	Business Meeting - 10/1 Parish COR gathering - 10/3 Pancake Breakfast - 10/4 Columbus Day - 10/12 Offices closed Rosary - 10/21 Parish COR gathering - 10/17 Officer's Meeting - 10/29
NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY 2027
General Election/Midterms 11/3 Pancake Breakfast - 11/1 Business Meeting - 11/5 Parish COR gathering - 11/7 Veterans Day - 10/11 Offices closed Rosary - 11/18 Officer's Meeting - 11/19 CHANGED Parish COR gathering - 11/21 Thanksgiving- Offices closed 11/26 & 27	Business Meeting - 12/3 Parish COR gathering - 12/5 Pancake Breakfast - 12/6 Christmas Party - 12/12, 6 p.m. Rosary - 12/16 Parish COR gathering - 12/19 Officer's Meeting - CANCELLED Christmas/New Years - Offices closed 12/24/26 to 1/1/27	New Years-Office closed- 1/1/27 Pancake Breakfast - 1/3 Business Meeting - 1/7 Parish COR gathering - 1/9 Rosary - 1/20 Parish COR gathering - 1/23 Officer's Meeting - 1/28