



The Knight Line

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



Worthy Brothers,

It can get stressful out there. Take time for yourself. We live in stressful times and need to remember to take good care of ourselves. And to make an effort to relax.

I recently found myself in a situation where I wasn't really able to sleep very well and would spend hours pacing the floor at night to tire myself out enough to sleep. Much of the time was spent trying to figure out why I was having trouble sleeping.

It can get stressful out there. Just going to work is an experience in tactical driving. People, while in their cars, now behave towards others as they never would in person. People accelerate to cut off another person when there is plenty of room behind. People risk lives to get one more car length closer to their desired location. And it's become foolish to presume people will stop at a red light.

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Grand Knight's Corner (Cont'd)

It can get stressful out there. People and their politics. Some people believe the side they support is never wrong. At the same time, they believe the political opposition is always wrong and always lies. They are happy to support all who look and think as they do. And happy to oppose others who look or think differently.

It can get stressful out there. People and their complexities. I went to a class on diversity and found we are now thinking about how many ways we can define ourselves as different. I learned they have a term for anything you can think of. There is a term for those who identify themselves as the gender to which they were born: "cisgen". It seems it's no longer as simple as treat others as you would be treated, or to love your neighbor as Christ loves you. It seems we promote differences and confuse children.

It can get stressful out there. Things change so fast, and at work I'm now required to use a tool that people spend years to become barely competent. I will spend more time documenting my work in the tool than actually doing the work. Management refers to the tool as a time saver.

I'm not sure which of these, or others, stressed me to where I couldn't sleep. We all have different things that stress us. Remember to look out for yourself, as you will always be your best advocate. We learn not to put ourselves first, and so it can become easy to lose track of your own needs.

I began to use relaxation techniques I learned when I was trying to quit smoking. I then went back to employ the Transcendental Meditation I learned in the 70's to help with anxieties. I took some acid-reflux medication to help with acid indigestion. And all seemed to help some.

The biggest change came when I realized I wasn't bringing my water cup. And as I focused on the new tool, I had begun drinking coffee whenever I was thirsty. I'm not certain how much I was drinking, but I just began to ween myself off of coffee. And I am hoping that is going to help quite a bit.

We live in stressful times and need to remember to take care of ourselves. Make time for yourself and take the time to relax. Make it part of your health routine.

Vivat Jesus!

**Mark Williams, Grand Knight
St. Ignatius of Loyola Council #12853**

Chaplain's Message



The Unforgivable Sin

"God so loved the world that He gave His Only Begotten Son, so that anyone who believe in Him may not perish but may have life eternal." (Jn 3:16)
Through His love, God becomes so merciful to us. In our Catholic faith we believe that by the mercy of God nothing in this world can never be forgiven. Then why is blasphemy against the Holy Spirit an unforgivable sin?

Blasphemy is to say something about God that is very disrespectful. It is speaking badly about religion, or insulting god. In countries like Saudi Arabia or Pakistan it can be punishable by the death penalty and for others a fine or imprisonment.

Chaplain's Message (Cont'd)

In the Catholic perspective, blasphemy is an act of insulting or showing contempt or lack of reverence for God on His being and attributes. That is limiting God's omnipotence to our human mind, which is limited. We can never grasp the enormous capabilities of God. We must remember, it is the work of the Holy Spirit to invite a sinner back to God. Once a person commits sin, the Holy Spirit as Advocate whispers in his heart to turn back to God who loves him.

Therefore, blasphemy, rather than a concrete sin, is the unforgivable sin, an attitude towards the Lord, "saying that God cannot forgive me". This grave sin of despair that God cannot forgive us blocks the perception of the call of the Holy Spirit to turn back to God. This is indeed a deep blasphemy because it denies the very core of God's being, His love and mercy. It is the despair of God's mercy that constitutes the only unforgivable sin.

On the betrayal of Judas - What is more damaging in the eyes of God is not his act of betrayal but the perception of his mind that doubted the forgiveness of God. According to St Catherine of Siena, "the despair of Judas displeased me more and was a greater insult to my Son than His betrayal had been". "This is the sin which is never forgiven, now or ever: the refusal, the scorning of my mercy. For this offends me more than all the other sins they have committed." Through false judgment they believed that their sins are greater than God's mercy. Hence, they will be punished in eternal damnation.

It is not so much that God will punish those who won't accept His mercy but rather, God will permit them to destroy themselves if they are not willing to accept His merciful help. By the stubbornness of their heart, they can totally cut off their relationship to Him. I believe this is the worst punishment that anyone gets, to experience the total loss of God in their life, which is the primary reason of His existence and His end.

As Christians, let us accept that God is merciful. He showed His great mercy by dying on the cross to save us from sin. His mercy is without end and even greater than our sin. We too are called to be merciful as God is merciful. This is the way for us to imitate Him and be an instrument of His mercy to all we meet.

Have a wonderful day.

**Fr. Celso Singson
Chaplain**

DIACONATE ORDINATIONS

Congratulations from our Council, all Brother Knights and our Sisters in the Columbiettes to Rev. Mr. Joseph Tran and Rev. Mr. Angelbert Chickere on their ordination to the Diaconate on January 4th here at Holy Family by Bishop Oscar Cantú. Their ordination as Deacons is a significant step in their journeys to the priesthood later this year.

Next time you see either, congratulate them, but especially keep them in your prayers as they continue their path toward their priestly ordination in May.

Second Collections in February:

February 2nd – Bldgs & Grounds
February 9th – Community Center/Youth
Hall
February 16th – St. Juan Diego Society



Chancellors Corner Marv Lewis, FDD, PGK

OUR COLUMBIETTES



During their January meeting the Columbiettes hosted a new members' installation. They also agreed to lend support to the February 1st Crab Feed fundraiser for our youth programs.

On February 22nd Columbiettes will host their annual Mardi Gras Dance and Dinner from 6:30-10:30 p.m. The cost is only \$35 per person. There will be raffle prizes, door prizes and lots of good food and drinks and music provided Parishioners, friends and neighbors are all invited to join the fun.

The Columbiettes are offering their 2020 scholarship award of \$1,000 to a Holy Family Parishioner graduating from high school this Spring. Encourage any student you know to apply for this program as soon as possible.

As Joseph P. Kennedy, the father of President John F. Kennedy, once said, *"When the going gets tough, the tough get going"*. What does this phrase really mean?

"When the times get tough, the tough see opportunities." So the phrase means precisely those things—brave, bold, determined...rugged, strong, indomitable. When the situation gets critical, those who aren't weak-willed work harder and never give up. In my years in the military and law enforcement we commonly used the phrase "NEVER GIVE UP" as a matter of survival. In 1984, while attending a leadership conference, this mantra was reinforced in my life by the late Fr. Jim Mifsud, former pastor of Queen of Apostles Catholic Church. Fr. Mifsud was also the Chaplin for the Santa Clara County Juvenile Hall and used this term frequently in his talks to encourage errant youth.

In thinking about the second degree of our order I am reminded about the "strength of the chain." It is only as strong as its weakest link. Then I think of our Council and the many activities in which we are involved. During the past few months we have seen some of our brother Knights taken ill. Other brothers are simply getting a little older and are not as able to pursue the duties that they once handled easily. Invariably when this happens I see other brothers "stepping up" and filling in where needed. This is when I feel especially proud to call myself a Knight of Columbus. May we all continue to contribute and do the work of our council that needs to be done.

Marv Lewis, FDD, PGK
Chancellor

February Notable Days:

- **February 1, 2003** – Space Shuttle Columbia lost.
- **February 8, 1910** – Boy Scouts of America founded
- **February 12, 1999** – Impeachment trial of Pres. Clinton ended with Not Guilty votes in the Senate
- **February 19, 1942** – Internment of US Citizens of Japanese ancestry began
- **February 24, 1582** – Pope Gregory XIII corrected Julian calendar mistakes (dropping 10 days) & Catholic nations adopted the New Style (or Gregorian) calendar, followed later by Protestant and other countries
- **February Birthdays:** Presidents Washington, Harrison, Lincoln, and Reagan. Others? Langston Hughes, Rosa Parks, Laura Ingalls Wilder, Thomas Edison, Tom Smothers.

Birthdays in February



Douglas Allen	2/1
Federico Cortez	2/4
John Marks	2/8
Thomas Lancaster	2/10
Thomas De Hoyos	2/13
Rev. Andrew V. Nguyen	2/17
Ed Cruz	2/18
Tim Wheeler	2/26
Robert Chubb	2/28

Pope Francis' February Prayer Intention:

Listen to the Migrants' Cries

We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

Presidential Firsts for Presidents Day!

- **John Adams** – First to marry a relative (3rd cousin)
- **Martin Van Buren** – First president (1837-41) born as a US citizen
- **Zachary Taylor** – First to have no prior elected office
- **Chester A. Arthur** – First accused of being born outside the US
- **Warren Harding** – First to have women vote for him.
- **Franklin Roosevelt** – First to appear on TV
- **James Carter, Jr.** – First to be born in a hospital (1924)
- **David Atchison** - First president to serve for one day. (March 4, 1849)



Knights of Columbus
INSURANCE
YOUR SHIELD FOR LIFE

Knights of Columbus Launches Two Whole Life Insurance Products for those seeking affordable protection that builds cash value.

We have launched two more permanent life insurance products: Limited Pay Whole Life and Single Premium Whole Life. Both plans offer a guaranteed death benefit as well as cash values with the opportunity for additional growth

Limited Pay Whole Life

This option allows you flexibility to choose how many years to pay guaranteed and fixed premiums subject to a five year minimum requirement. It provides a lifetime level guaranteed death benefit with cash value that builds over time. "The beauty of Limited Pay Whole Life is the flexibility the client has at the time of sale to choose the premium payment period." As few as five years, all the way to age 100. After the payment period is complete, the policy is guaranteed to be paid-up.

Single Premium Whole Life

This policy provides insurance protection paid-up with just one premium payment. It builds cash value and provides an income tax-free death benefit guaranteed for life. It is eligible to earn dividends at the end of the first policy year. It has a unique one-payment concept allowing you to create an estate or legacy providing for survivors or charities.

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NEED 2019 TAX RETURN DEDUCTIONS?

Want to get a few extra dollars in deductions before tax filing time? There are many great charities to consider, some good charities, but also scams where very little of your money goes to the purposes stated. **Check your charity at: www2.guidestar.org OR www.charitynavigator.org.**

If you see allegations on Facebook or the Internet about who isn't spending properly or over-compensates their executives, double check them. Claims are commonly efforts to tilt donors towards so-called "patriotic" charities or away from those associated with unpopular people – but some are outright scams, regardless of their wonderful names and claims of doing good.

You can ALWAYS donate to the Knights of Columbus – Specify which program you want so it is tax-deductible for you. E.G., Veterans, Wheelchair, Seminarian Scholarships, Intellectual Disabilities. Funds such as dues aren't deductible.

Catholic Professionals meet Thurs., Feb. 13th
Mass: 7:00 a.m., Breakfast/Networking-7:30 am
Join Catholics in various professions and bring your questions for our speaker and this month's topic.

Speaker @ 7:40 a.m.: Carl Guardino,
President/CEO of Silicon Valley Leadership
Group: on "How My Faith Influenced my Accomplishments as CEO of SVLG"

Location: Three Flames Banquet Hall, 1547 Meridian Ave., San Jose (north of Hamilton Ave)
Reservations for Breakfast & Speaker: \$18 Members, \$25 Non-Members.
RSVP: sjcatholicprofessionals.com

SUPPORT HOLY FAMILY'S YOUTH PROGRAMS: EDGE AND LIFE TEEN

Save the Date:

Saturday, March 21st. Make your Lent extra special by planning on attending a Men's Day of Reflection sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. All men are welcome. Signups start in March after all Masses.

Buy tickets early for your family, tell your neighbors to meet you at Holy Family and use the Babysitting services! Seating (and tickets) are limited to only 250 guests – and it was a sell out last year!!!



March 21 - Save The Date!

Shrine of St. Joseph Guardian of the Redeemer in Santa Cruz

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus

Annual Youth Fundraiser.
Buy Tickets NOW!

SCAN ME

Space is limited to the first 250 Guests
Last year we SOLD OUT!

FEATURING:

- All you can eat pasta & crab
- Beer & Wine Bar
- Music & Dancing!
- Silent & Dessert Auctions!
- And More!

Holy Family
CRAB FEED

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2020
6:30PM

\$60 for Adults // \$35 for Kids (12 & Under)
Babysitting services also available.

BUY TICKETS ONLINE AT:
<https://holyfamilysanjose.org/crab-feed>
(Or pick up a paper form in the front office.)

Upcoming Events

Saturday, February 1

Youth Crab Feed

6:30-10:30 pm Community Center

Sunday, February 2

Pancake Breakfast

7:30-11 am Community Center

Thursday, February 6

Business Meeting

7 pm Youth Hall

Thursday, February 20

Council Social

7 pm Youth Hall

Tuesday, February 18

Columbiettes' Board Meeting

6:30 pm Hope Room

Tuesday, February 24

Portola Assembly (Patriotic Degree) Meeting

Thursday, February 27

Columbiettes' Business Meeting

6:30 pm Community Center

Thursday, February 27

Officer's Meeting

7:00 pm Hope Conference Room

Sunday, March 1

Pancake Breakfast

7:30-11 am Community Center

Thursday, March 5

Business Meeting

7 pm Youth Hall



**MAKE RESERVATIONS -
118TH CALIFORNIA STATE
CONVENTION OF THE
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS!
SACRAMENTO - MAY 14-16**

You **DON'T** have to be a "Delegate" to attend, so sign up for events, play golf, have your wife meet the ladies, dance, eat, and shop the vendors for Knights/Columbiette 'stuff' and just have fun. Only Delegates can vote but Knights can observe most activities.

The theme is "Knights of Faith—Knights of Charity—Knights of Action." Thursday's events start with the Golf Tournament, followed by "The Great Barbecue Cook Off Competition".

Participating in the opening or closing Masses will be the Most Reverend Kevin Vann, Bishop of the Diocese of Orange and the Most Reverend Jaime Soto, Bishop of the Diocese of Sacramento, and Chapter/Council Chaplains from across California.

New for 2020 is a Thursday Tour for the ladies of the Columbian (retirement) Center in Marysville and then a tour of the Abbey of Our Lady of New Clairvaux, a Trappist/Cistercian Abbey founded in 1955 in Vina. All for only \$75.00 per person. Additional Friday tours are set for Thunder Valley Casino Resort (\$25), and Sacramento sightseeing and Old Sacramento (\$45).

Friday Night Entertainment (\$25): "Elvis Is In The Building" with Lloyd Aron Douglas.
Saturday's Ladies Luncheon is "Enchantment Under The Sea" (\$40)

The State Convention Committee has four hotels to choose from, each with its own attractions and flavor. They are listed below and you can contact our Grand Knight for details to make your reservations. **DON'T delay reservations** as there will be fewer choices (or none) as hotels fill. There are complimentary shuttles to/from hotels and convention headquarters.

Double Tree Hotel by Hilton (Convention HQ)

Group Code is: KOS

Courtyard Sacramento Cal Expo

Group Code is: Knights of Columbus

Fairfield Inn Sacramento Cal Expo

Group Code is: Knights of Columbus

Hilton Sacramento Arden West

Group Code is: KNI

PRAY DAILY FOR OUR PRIESTS AND SEMINARIANS

Seminarians not in Pastoral Years are studying at Mundelein Seminary at the University of St. Mary of the Lake in Mundelein, Illinois (30 miles north of O'Hare Airport, Chicago)

**Seminarians with some financial support from our Council*

February 1	Rev.Mr. Joseph Tran, Pastoral Year
February 2	Rev. Andrew Vu Nguyen
February 3	Mr. Tony Famave, Theology 3 *
February 4	Rev. Mr. Robain Lamba, Theology 4
February 5	Rev.Mr. Angelbert Chikere, Theology 4
February 6	Mr. Manuel Barrios, Theology 2 *
February 7	Mr. Joseph Nguyen, Theology 2 *
February 8	Mr. Robert Lamorena, Pre-Theology 2 *
February 9	Rev. Celso Singson
February 10	Mr. Ryan Mau, Pre-Theology 2
February 11	Mr. Duy Nguyen, Pre-Theology 2
February 12	Mr. Thanh Ho, Pre-Theology 1 *
February 13	Rev.Mr. Joseph Tran, Pastoral Year
February 14	Mr. Tony Famave, Theology 3 *
February 15	Rev.Mr. Robain Lamba, Theology 4
February 16	Most Rev. Oscar Cantú, S.T.D

February 17	Rev.Mr. Angelbert Chikere, Theology 4
February 18	Mr. Manuel Barrios, Theology 2 *
February 19	Mr. Joseph Nguyen, Theology 2 *
February 20	Mr. Robert Lamorena, Pre-Theology 2 *
February 21	Mr. Ryan Mau, Pre-Theology 2
February 22	Mr. Duy Nguyen, Pre-Theology 2
February 23	Deacon Ray Gans
February 24	Mr. Robert Lamorena, Pre-Theology 2
February 25	Mr. Ryan Mau, Pre-Theology 2
February 26	Mr. Duy Nguyen, Pre-Theology 2
February 27	Mr. Thanh Ho, Pre-Theology 1 *
February 28	Rev.Mr. Joseph Tran, Pastoral Year
February 29	Mr. Tony Famave, Theology 3 *

Support our seminarians with notes or letters to these men preparing for ordination at Mundelein. Write to them using the following address:

**[Name of Seminarian]
Mundelein Seminary
1000 E Maple Ave, Bldg 300P
Mundelein, IL 60060**

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

Al Abrahamsohn	4/16/17
Howard Davis	1/11/16
Richard Domenici	4/21/13
Kenneth J. Goyeau	5/21/04
Charles Hogate	2/22/05
Richard Infantino	9/26/07
Leroy (Bud) Larson	3/12/02
Robert W. Livingston	11/3/14



Lyle Meacham	10/14/16
Frank O'Donnell	11/12/16
Edward M. Olsen	8/23/15
Rocco (Rocky) Palladino	12/25/94
Charles Pori	9/4/15
Robert Smearden	6/3/14
Carrol (Bill) Spencer	9/1/10
Harry Lee Stanley	11/28/10

SAVE THE DATES:

Saturday, Feb. 1st
HFC Youth CRAB FEED
Holy Family

Saturday, Feb. 22nd
Mardis Gras Dinner/Dance
Holy Family

Saturday, Mar. 21st
Men's Retreat
Santa Cruz

Saturday, Mar. 28th
San Jose Knight's CRAB FEED
Holy Family

Membership Director - James Harris:

Pick up an **Interest Card** from the vestibule's Knight's shelf, along with our latest Council newsletter and the **"What Have We Done This Year?"** fact sheet. **Then talk to your friends and any newcomers you meet at Coffee & Donuts or after any of your weekly/daily masses.** We hope to increase the opportunities for our fellow Catholic men to join us in faith and activities with the School, Parish and Community.

Program Director - DGK Eric Bateman:

Our meetings are on the 1st Thursdays, unless preempted by a major Church activity or Special Notice. Activities asking for your volunteer support include: **Volunteering in one of the areas such as helping with the Pancake Breakfast for alternating months, being a Co-Chair of our Formation Degree Team (AKA: 1st degree), serving as a Chair or Co-Chair of an event this year, serving at our St. Patrick's Day Dinner, or signing up to help at one of our membership drives at the parish in 2020.**

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

FEBRUARY 2020

Youth Crab Feed - 2/1
 Pancake Breakfast - 2/2
 Business Meeting - 2/6
4th Degree Exemplification
 2/7 - 8, Rohnert Park
President's Day-2/17
 Office & School Closed
Ash Wednesday - 2/26
 Officer's Meeting - 2/27

MARCH

Pancake Breakfast - 3/1
 Business Meeting - 3/5
St. Patrick's Day Dinner - 3/14
Knights' Retreat - 3/21
 10-4:00pm, Santa Cruz
 Officer's Meeting - 3/26
Knights' Crab Feed - 3/28
 Community Center
Cesar Chavez Day-3/31

APRIL

Business Meeting - 4/2
 Pancake Breakfast - 4/5
Good Friday-4/10
Holy Saturday-4/11
Easter-4/12
 Officer's Meeting - 4/30

New Year
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MAY

Pancake Breakfast - 5/3
 Business Meeting - 5/7
Memorial Day-5/25
 Office Closed
 Officer's Meeting - 5/28

JUNE

Business Meeting - 6/4
 Pancake Breakfast - 6/7
 Family Social - 6/18
 Officer's Meeting - 6/25

JULY

Business Meeting - 7/2
 Pancake Breakfast - 7/5
 Family Social - 7/16
 Officer's Meeting - 7/30

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**Nominations for our Knight and Family of March,
 recurring and suggested articles
 for March's Knight Line are due by February 25th**

Mardi Gras Celebration!



Raffle

Dancing

Dinner

Date: February 22, 2020

Time: 6:00 p.m - 10:30 p.m.

Holy Family Community Center

Tickets: \$35

FUN !!!

