

Council No. 8599  
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# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

DISTRICT 112 • DIVISION 5

**CYPRESS COUNCIL #8599**

Council's 33<sup>th</sup> Year  
<http://www.kofc8599.org>



*Thanksgiving*

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*\* Note\**

*These Knights are designated as Alternate Delegates, their duty is to fill in for the GK or DGK when they are unable to carry out their duties such as attending meeting.*



# Sick & Distressed



***Please Remember These Brother Knights, Their Ladies, Relatives and Friends in Your Prayers.***

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## **R. I. P.**

Tom Martinez – Leo Griego's Brother-in-Law      Gilbert Montoya  
Our Friend Mac      Alen Quinn – Frecke Family Friend  
Repose of the soul of Esperanza – Daniel Dato-on's God Mother  
Hector Chafino – Leo Fernandez' Cousin

## **Special Intentions For Brother Knights**

Al Castellano (cancer)      Lloyd Duronslet PGK (kidney dialysis three times per week)  
Jim & Betty Chavez (very ill)      Carlos Chavez PGK

## **Special Intentions For Relatives and Friends**

Sally Gamble (cancer) – Hanry Negrete's Daughter      Gilbert Negrete – Henry Negrete's Son  
Ana Maria Kulassia, Tom (stroke), Dodi Gillman, Darlene Minnie, Donna Just, Judy Velarde  
(surgery),

Keith & Linda Alber, Jim Mangrum, Mary Nelson (cancer) - John Oliver's Friend's & Family  
Oneil Duronslet, Henry Duronslet, Lumas Gougis, Myrna Legeaux,

Aurelia Hains, Shryl Pringle, Mooneen Taylor, Gary Woods, Milli & Sylven Laurant,

Vernon Woods, Byron Hithe - Lloyd Duronslet PGK's Family & Friends

Rose – Charlos Chavez PGK's Wife      Mary Sanchez – Leo Griego's Cousin

Carlos Espinoza (cancer) – Jorge Rodriguez' Friend

Jim & Mimi DeRosa's Grandson – Jim & Anita Bowler's Friends

Fran Kahl (stroke) – Fre Navarro's Sister-in-Law

My 100 year old Dad (for his physical & spiritual journey) - Emanuel Perez

Those that lost homes and others suffering from the Fires in Northern California & Orange County

## **Council Bulletin On-Line**



These monthly bulletins are also available on-line and frequently it will have pictures of our various activities included in those issues. To access go to:

- <http://www.kofc8599.org>
- Click on: Newsletter

# THE GRAND KNIGHT



Brother Knights,

To all my Brother Knights and your family, I wish you all A Very Blessed Thanksgiving.

We extend our congratulations to our newest Fourth Degree members who earns the right to be called Sir Knights. They are Sir Knight Louis Bloch, Sir Knight Don Chaves and Sir Knight Henry Negrete. Please welcome our new Brother Knight, Daniel Dato-On admitted October 10, 2017 and Captain William "Billy" Moore admitted October 16, 2017. Congratulation to Brother Dante Garcia for completing his Knighthood (Third) Degree on October 14, 2017.

Thank you to my Brother Knights who helped in our Pancake Breakfast. Our proceeds will help support the Intellectually Disable (ID). We planning more fundraising efforts for our ID drive, more detail to follow. Last month was a busy month for our Council. Our council was asked to again help in our parish celebration of Oktoberfest. This again showcases our Council as the helping hands and support to our Parish. To all that helped in our recruitment drive, thank you for all of your help. We showed a video at the church before each mass which generated interest in joining our fraternity. Please follow up to all you have talked to during the drive and continue the recruitment effort.

God Bless Us All,

*Rolly Arenz*

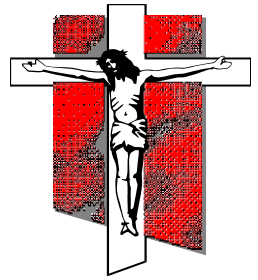
Grand Knight



## Those in **Attendance** At the **October Business Meeting**

Jorge Rodriguez	Bob Marsh	Frank Faecke	Ray Richmond	Manny Perez	Dante Garcia
David Hallum	Don Chavez	Jerome Costa	Rolly Arenz GK	John Oliver	Jim Bowler
George Del Hierro	Daniel Dato-On	Virgil Smith PGK	Dr. Quirino Diacajo	Louis Bloch	
Lloyd Ferry	Walter Munoz	Kevin Connell	Mike Mercer	Fred Navarro	Leonardo Fernandez
Bill Serb III PGK	Leo Griego	Henry Negrete	Richard Tkach	Chris Nsor	Don Gargiulo PGK
Robert McBirney					

# COUNCIL CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



## Give Thanks in all Things

We are living in some very tough times, but as Christians we have all we need to deal with whatever the world throws our way, we have Jesus and as long as we have our faith in Him no matter what the weather is like, no matter how hard the wind blows we can continue to trust that God has us in the palm of his hand, He knew us before we were even formed in our mother's womb.


*Psalms 139: 2-3 " You know my sitting down and my rising up, You understand my thoughts from afar, You comprehend my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways. "*  
*Psalms 139: 13-16 For You have formed my inward parts; You have covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well. My frame was not hidden from You, when I was made in secret, and skillfully wrought. "* God knew us long before we were ever born, and He wishes to have a relationship with us. *In Matthew 5: 14-15 He says "you are the light of the world. " And in Proverbs 5:6 "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not rely on your own might. In all you do, acknowledge Him and He will make straight your path. "*

This holiday season let's remember to Thank God for being in our life, and ask Him to open our hearts and minds and give us a clear vision of what he has written for us today.


**If we learn to give thanks in all things we can also learn to "dance in the rain."**

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**Month's Attendance  
Drawing Winner**



**October Meeting  
\$20.00  
James Chavez**

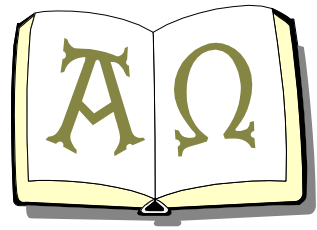


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**November Meeting = \$30.00**

**A MESSAGE FROM YOUR.....**

## **Deputy Grand Knight & program Director**



Brother Knights,

October 14th-15th was our recruitment drive! Remember recruiting new members is year round. Every Council needs new life members to grow and prosper and every parish needs an active Council. Without a constant influx of new members and leadership any group will fade out of existence. Now is the time to push for membership. Set the example, ask that man that hasn't joined yet and give him the gift of membership into the most wonderful ministry of the church the "Knights of Columbus".

The holiday season is upon us. We wish each of our Brother Knights and their families a very Happy Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is a time to be grateful and to think about all the special people who have touched our lives. Let's promise ourselves that we'll be thankful not only today but every day. Life is good with us so let us be good with life and help those that are less fortunate.

All members, their wives, girlfriends, kids, and grandchildren are welcome to our Christmas Party Saturday, December 9, at 6:00 PM in the St. Irenaeus Parish Hall. Last year's party was so much fun and this year will be the same! Once again Santa Claus will be passing out gifts to the children (please bring a wrapped gift with your child's first and last name), there will be an adult gift exchange, and Carol Marsh will lead the kids in singing Christmas carols! More information will be provided through the December bulletin and through email.

God Bless  
George Del Hierro

Deputy Grand Night

### **Degree Schedule**

First Degree	Nov. 7, 2017 (Tue) Holy Spirit Parish, Fountain Valley
	Nov. 8, 2017 (Wed) St. Columban Council Hall, Westminster
	Nov. 9, 2017 (Thu) St. Timothy Church, Laguna Niguel
	Nov. 20, 2017 (Mon) Father Kass Council Hall, Buena Park
	Dec. 18, 2017 (Mon) Father Kass Council Hall, Buena Park
Second Degree	Nov 9, 2017 (Thu) St. Mary's Church, Huntington Beach
	Nov. 26, 2017 (Sun) Father Kass Council Hall, Buena Park
	Dec. 6, 2017 (Tue) Holy Spirit Parish Hall, Fountain Valley
	Dec. 13, 2017 (Wed) St. Columban Council Hall, Westminster
	Dec. 18, 2017 (Mon) Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall, San Clemente

**FROM THE DESK OF THE .....**

## **FINANCIAL SECRETARY**



Dear Brother Knights,

I have Council badges for new members that have joined our ranks in the past several months. Please see me at the next business meeting to obtain yours. If any of you are missing Name Badges, please see me at the monthly Business Meeting as I have a couple boxes full of badges that have never been picked up.

Next month I will be sending out the membership dues letters for 2018. If you have had a change of address, please send the new information to me either by regular mail or email. My home address 5212 Myra Ave., Cypress, CA 90630. Email is [mmercer38@gmail.com](mailto:mmercer38@gmail.com)

We still have 66 members delinquent in getting their 2017 Dues paid. Second notices were mailed out in July, and Knight Alert letters are being sent out. If your dues are delinquent, please pay this month to avoid suspension. We are a fraternal organization and we think of our members as our brothers, so we want to do all possible to avoid suspension. ***If you are having financial hardships, please contact me so we can help out so you can remain a member in good standing.***

I hope to see you all at our November Meeting.

### **NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Thomas McManamon 11-3  
John Costa Jr. 11-9  
Chris Nsor 11-15  
Ignacio Sanchez 11-16  
Carl Heinz 11-19  
Virgil Smith PGK 11-23

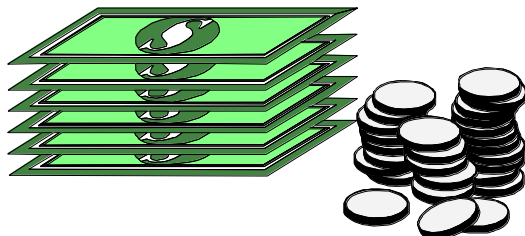
Nicholas Beadel 11-3  
Henry Negrete 11-9  
Joe Sanchez III 11-15  
Michael So 11-16  
Rich Morin 11-19  
Sam Glorioso 11-26

Eddie Bracewell 11-7  
Eric Beaver 11-10  
Paul Benson 11-16  
Carlos Chavez 11-17  
Michael Mercer 11-20  
Msr. Antonio Sudario 11-29

Vivat Jesus !

*Michael W. Mercer*

Financial Secretary  
[Mmerc38@gmail.com](mailto:Mmerc38@gmail.com)



# November 2017

## Council 8599 Activities

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### ROSARY PRAYER FOR LIFE VIGILS

Abortion Site's in Long Beach & Orange (One Hour at Site)

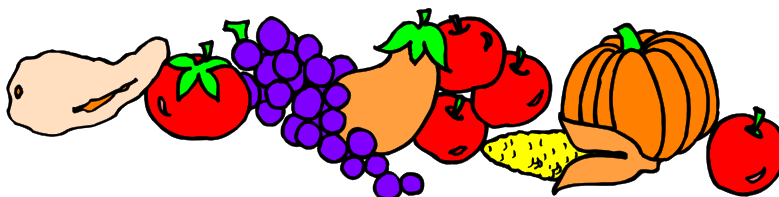
For Trips to Abortion Sites During the Week

Contact Ray Richmond 714-827-4206 or Tom Nagle PGK 714-827-2214



# MONTH'S ACTIVITIES

1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>“ALL SAINT’S DAY”</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>OFFICER MEETING in Classroom 8</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>“ALL SOULS DAY”</b>	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>MASS – (for Parishioner’s that passed during the last year)</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>
5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS</b>	
8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>BUSINESS MEETING in Ed Building – Divine Mercy 7:15pm</b>	<b>7:30pm</b>
8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> DEGREE – St. Columban Council Hall in Westminster</b>	
9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> DEGREE – St. Timothy Church in Laguna Niguel</b>	
10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>“VETERANS DAY” (observed)</b>	
10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>“VETERANS DAY”</b>	
13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>ADORATION</b>	
14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> DEGREE MEETING</b>	<b>7:30pm</b>
17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>H.O.P.E. FOOD BAGGING</b>	<b>8:30am</b>
18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>H.O.P.E. DINNER / DANCE – Knott’s Berry Farm Conv Center</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>
23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>“THANKSGIVING”</b>	
25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>H.O.P.E. FOOD BAGGING</b>	<b>8:30am</b>
26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> DEGREE – Father Kass Council Hall – Buena Park</b>	



## Coming in December

6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>OFFICER MEETING in Classroom 8</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>
7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>“PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY”</b>	
9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>CHRISTMAS PARTY – Ed Building</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>
12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> DEGREE MEETING</b>	<b>7:30pm</b>
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15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>H.O.P.E. FOOD BAGGING</b>	<b>8:30am</b>
25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>“CHRISTMAS DAY”</b>	
30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>H.O.P.E. FOOD BAGGING</b>	<b>8:30am</b>
31 <sup>st</sup>	<b>CORPORATE COMMUNION</b>	<b>8:00am</b>
31 <sup>st</sup>	<b>“NEW YEAR’S EVE”</b>	

**A Message From Your Council.....Recorder  
& Respect Life, Justice & Peace Chairman**



**REFLECTION ON THANKSGIVING**

Thanks Mr. Lincoln, one of our most beloved presidents, for giving us this day to thank our Creator. We usually begin with mass at St. Irenaeus, where we thank and praise God for our blessings. Later, at our family meal we ask everyone what they are most thankful for.

We thank God for life- each breath is a gift! We thank Him for forgiveness and mercy- His love is infinite! Each day as we dress we can thank Him for each item of clothing- all are gifts. When Jesus pours His love into us in the Eucharist and other sacraments we can thank Him for all that love to share with others, our family, our friends, the strangers we meet.

When we hear the tragic news around the world we can thank God for the opportunity to pray for these Children of God and ask God to show us how to help.

We thank God for our fellow knights around the world and their families. They do so much good from their hearts. We thank God for our Cypress Council, for our leaders, for our chaplain Father Binh, for Bill and Noemi Serb who do our newsletter, for Walt Muñoz who keeps us informed of activities. Not all councils have as much communication! Thank God we are growing yearly!

My middle decade of the daily rosary is only to thank Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, as well as Mary & Joseph and all the Saints, my guardian angel and all heavenly hosts. Before I sleep I thank God for each gift during the day. It helps me slip into deep, peaceful rest.

If we really reflect on what we are thankful for, the list is endless! The act of thanking God helps us develop a deep relationship with Him and increases our appreciation and realization of a few of the many blessings we have been given!

May we all spend this special day, and all our days in Thanks!

Love and prayers,

*Frank J. Faecke*

Frank J. Faecke, Recorder



## Ten Reasons to Oppose Assisted Suicide

The deadly and dangerous practice of assisted suicide is now legal in five states (Oregon, Washington, Vermont, California and Colorado) and the District of Columbia, our nation's capital.<sup>1</sup> With new momentum and lots of money, assisted suicide proponents are pursuing an aggressive nationwide campaign to advance their agenda through legislation, ballot measures, litigation and public advertising, targeting states they see as most susceptible to their message.

Some polls indicate that the public is receptive to the general concept of assisted suicide. But the same polls show that when the public learns about the dangers of assisted suicide, especially for those who are poor, elderly, disabled or without access to good medical care, their views shift against the practice. The following dangers are among the top reasons to oppose assisted suicide.

### A Deadly Mix with Our Profit-Driven Health Care System

- Some patients in Oregon and California have received word that their health insurance will pay for assisted suicide but will not pay for treatment that may sustain their lives.<sup>2&3</sup>

### Puts Vulnerable Persons at Risk of Abuse and Coercion

- Once lethal drugs have been prescribed, assisted suicide laws have no requirements for assessing the patient's consent, competency or voluntariness. Who would know if the drugs are freely taken since there is no supervision or tracking of the drugs once they leave the pharmacy and no witnesses are required at the time of death? Despite a reporting system designed to conceal rather than detect abuses, reports of undue influence have nonetheless surfaced in Oregon.<sup>4</sup>
- Elder abuse is considered a major health problem in the United States, with federal estimates that one in ten elder persons are abused.<sup>5</sup> Placing lethal drugs into hands of abusers generates an additional major risk to elder persons.
- Assisted suicide laws often allow one of the two witnesses to the request for lethal drugs to be an heir to the patient's estate. Therefore, an heir or friends of the heir can encourage or pressure the patient to request lethal drugs and then be a witness to the request.

### Dangerously Broad Definition of Terminal Illness

- Assisted suicide laws typically appear to limit eligibility to terminally ill patients who are expected to die within six months but don't distinguish between persons who will die within six months *with treatment* and those who will die within six months *without treatment*. This means that patients with treatable diseases (like diabetes or chronic respiratory or cardiac disease) and patients with disabilities requiring ventilator support are all eligible for lethal drugs because they would die within six months without the treatment they would normally receive.

## **Pain Not the Primary Issue**

- Untreated pain is not among the top reasons for taking lethal drugs. Per official annual state reports, in 2016, 90% of Oregon patients seeking lethal drugs said they were doing so because they were “less able to engage in activities making life enjoyable” and were “losing autonomy” and 49% cited being a “burden” on family, friends or caregivers. And in Washington, 52% cited being a “burden” as a reason, while only 35% cited a concern about pain.

## **Threatens Improvement of Palliative Care**

- There is compelling evidence that legalizing assisted suicide undermines efforts to maintain and improve good care for patients nearing the end of life, including patients who never wanted assisted suicide.

<sup>1</sup> Montana’s highest court, while not officially legalizing the practice, suggested in 2009 that it could be allowed under certain circumstances.

<sup>2</sup> Susan Harding, “Health Plan Covers Assisted Suicide But Not New Cancer Treatment, KVAL News (published July 31, 2008, updated Oct. 30, 2013) (noting that the Oregon Health Plan will pay for coverage for chemotherapy that cures cancer, but not for chemotherapy drugs that extend life); Jennifer Popik, “Terminally Ill patients Denied Treatment but Reminded They Can Choose Physician-Assisted Suicide” (July 2008), available at <http://www.nrlc.org/archive/news/2008/NRL08/Oregon.html>

<sup>3</sup> Bradford Richardson, “Assisted-Suicide Law Prompts Insurance Company to Deny Coverage to Terminally Ill California Woman,” Washington Times (Oct. 20, 2016).

<http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2016/oct/20/assisted-suicide-law-prompts-insurance-company-den>

*Continued Next Month*

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**INFORMATION ON MEMBERSHIP FROM YOUR .....**

## **Membership Director**

Greetings gentlemen,



On October 14th and 15th we held our recruitment drive at the parish. I would like to thank all of those that participated. We have a very good showing of the Knights at most of the Masses. With the exception of one Mass, the video was played at all Masses and flyers were distributed. A few members of this council, along with our insurance agent extraordinaire Dan del Villar, assisted in the recruitment effort at several Masses. Thank you.

Several people indicated an interest in our council and anticipate signing up a few. We also have Deacon Jerry Pine agreeing to transfer into our council. He is already a Knight from a different council. We anticipate reading the Form 100s at the November 8th general meeting. Tentatively, First Degree Ceremony will take place at Father Kass Hall on November 20th if available. For new members, the first meeting they would attend would be in December.

Walter Munoz  
Membership Director  
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