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Sir Knights,

Joe Martinazzi
Faithful Navigator

With the month of November Commemorating All of the Faithful Departed, the St. Jude Assembly celebrated a Memorial Mass on November 20th as a day of remembrance for the 135 Sir Knights and 48 Lady Knights of the Assembly who have passed away. Please keep these individuals in your prayers.

Sir Knights who passed in 2023

S K Michael J Dougherty (2023), S K Trinidad (Trini) G Torres (2023), S K Kantral F Williams (2023)

Sir Knights who passed in prior years

S K Anthony Amato (2010), S K Edwin Babicz (2009), S K Edward B Baczynski (2009) PFN 1994-1995, S K Nelson J Baldo (2000), S K Leo F Belanger (2018), S K Donald E Bethune (2008), S K Oscar S Bugarini (2015), S K Thomas C Callahan (2013), S K Harvey Keith Carden (2018), S K Thomas F Carey (2022)

S K Leslie A Carter (2010), S K Louis E Cartwright Sr (2010) PFN 1997-1998, S K Larry A Castillo (2020),

S K Lauro A Castro (2013), S K James D Conkle (2002), S K Boyd M Copenhaver (2002), S K Mauricio R Cordero (2012), S K Leon A Crady (2009), S K Adolph F Cruz (2010), S K Donald R Davis (2022)

S K Jimmy D Dawson (2015), S K James S Dee (2022), S K James A Dodero (2013), S K Estanislao D Domingo (2013), S K James I Doud Jr (2012), S K Michael E Driskill (2014), S K Fred O Ducoeur (2017), S K Thomas A Durkin (2015), S K Edward (Duke) W Ellington (2013) PFN 2001-2002, S K James J Enders (2022)

S K Jack J Eso (2015), Bishop Cirilo Flores, S K James F Giardino (2019) PFN 2005-2006, S K William Gonzalez Jr (2018) PGK, S K Allen C Guidry (2021), S K Howard A Hanenberg (1997), S K James G Hanson (2001), S K Robert J Hawkins (2022), S K William M Heidelberg (2017), S K Henry M Hernandez (2013)

S K Manuel A Herrera (2008), S K Gary M Hill (2017), S K Rev John T Hiltz (2008), S K Edward Horaczko Sr (2011), S K William R Jaynes (2007), S K Rev Joseph A Karp (2005), S K John G Kenny (2016), S K Anthony A Kerhin (2022), S K Philip M Kiefer (2020), S K Jason R Kirkwood (2012)



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S K Carl S Kobzi (1996), S K Seeley J Kondris (2014), S K Robert J Kowalski (2013),
S K John Koziel (2002), S K James F Kozlowski (2021), S K David E La Pane (2021),
S K Vincent J La Polla (2010), S K Roland L Laberge (2011), S K Raymond L Lamy (2021),
S K Harold W Lang (2017)

S K Francis X Leblanc (2005), S K Frank N Lento (1997), S K Nick G Liddi (2011),
S K Jesus Lopez (2014), S K David E Lutfi (2019), S K Brg Thomas J Madracki (2017) PFN 2014-2015,
S K Mario M Mandy (2022), S K William M Marsh (2013), S K Bernard A McAllister (2018),
S K Maurice McCaughin (2021)

S K Dennis M McCoy (2021), S K John McKenzie, S K Richard D Merrill Jr (2014),
S K Raymond J Metzger (2007), S K Albert U Millsbaugh (2016), S K Donald W Morand (2013),
S K Robert F Mueller Jr (2006), S K Garry J Murray (2014) PFN 2007-2008, S K Rev Wayne E Noble
(2015),
S K Ronald J Novello (2017)

S K Adam Nowak-Przygodzki (2010), S K John C O Donnell (2014), S K Henry M O'Brien (2006),
S K Charles W O'Brien (2014), S K Raymond S Ockunzzi (1998), S K Nathaniel F Omingo (2021),
S K John S Palmowski (2008), S K Luiz G Pereira (2010), S K Stanley A Perzanowski (2017),
S K Edward A Piasta (2012)



S K Frederick L Piterak (2010), S K William J Ports (2005), S K Edwin T Powell (2015),
S K Francis A Prior (2022), S K Frank L Puklavetz (1999), S K John M Rapp Jr (2013),
S K Rick G Ritter (2022), S K Edwin Dean Robertson (2008), S K Jack A Rock (2018),
S K Alexander R Romanski (2009)

S K Dan S Rubera (2013), S K Marvin M Sackett (2018), S K Joseph G Sanchez (2019),
S K John H Sandy (2005), S K Jack Santivanez (2016), S K John J Schafer (2012),
S K George A Scherotter (2022), S K Robert E Shamas (2009), S K Sigmund J Sliwoski(2008),
S K Ted Sowizral (2003)

S K Ralph Steffen (2017), S K John Susnir (2017), S K Jack A Swaving (2015),
S K Anthony Szynalski (2011), S K Donaciano C Tafolla (2003),
S K Armond V Tavianini (2020) PFN 1998-1999, S K Edward J Terhall (2007)
S K Joseph E Thompson (2020) PFN 1996-1997, S K Joseph P Tokar (2021), S K Roger J
Tomczek (2007)

S K Joseph G Tuttobene (2014), S K Emil A Vena (2015), S K Ermete A Vestri (2005),
S K Dave Vezzetti PFN 2012-2013, S K Fred W Von Zabern (1996), S K Robert S Waligore (2018),
S K William J Weiss Jr (2022), S K John M White (2004), S K George J Wirtes Jr (2017),
S K Michael P Withrow (2021), S K James F Wren (2002), S K Michael N Wyszomirski (2004)

Lady Knights who passed in 2023

Lady Josephine (Jo) Silva Baca (2023)

Lady Knights who passed in prior years

Lady Rose Baczynski, Lady Marie Baldo, Lady Cherita Baluyot, Lady Mary Ann Bush, Lady Doris Cartwright
Lady Carmen Castillo, Lady Gail Cleary, Lady Ann Copenhaver, Lady Doris Crady, Lady Mary Lou De Paola

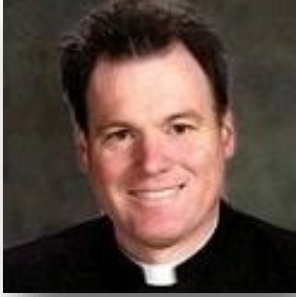
Lady Cindy Durkin, Lady Marie Giardino, Lady Mary Hanenberg, Lady Donna Johnson, Lady Peggy Jones,
Lady Jean Kaminski, Lady Frances Kaminski, Lady Regina Kobzi, Lady Kay Korez, Lady Mary La Pane

Lady Alexandria Lavertue, Lady Stella Lento, Lady Breda Martin,
Lady Maryann Martuchet, Lady Laverne McCaughin, Lady Ruth Metzger,
Lady Bobetta Moser, Lady Charlene Myers,
Lady Maria Nicassio, Lady Nowak-Przygodzki

Lady Rose Marie Palasek, Lady Betty Ann Pechis, Lady Henrietta Powell,
Lady Pauline Richard, Lady Carol Ritter, Lady Maria Romanski, Lady Antoinette Sojka,
Lady Kay Sowizral, Lady Amalia Sunio,
Lady Mim Tavianini

Lady Coleen Thompson, Lady Joan Tokar, Lady Martina Torres, Lady Mary Jo
Vena, Lady Tina Vestri,, Lady Evelyn Von Zabern, Lady Maureen Weiss.





Faithful Friar's Report

Msgr. Stephen Doktorczyk

Dear Brother Knights,

By the time this letter goes to print and is distributed, we will have celebrated Thanksgiving Day and will have our eye towards Christmas. It would be fitting, then, for us to look ahead to the upcoming season of Advent, which this year begins on Sunday, December 3 (liturgically at the anticipated Mass on Saturday, December 2).

What is the purpose of Advent? To quote the *Universal Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar* n. 39: "Advent has a two-fold character, for it is a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered, and likewise a time when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. For these two reasons, Advent is a period of devout and expectant delight." You will recall that an Advent wreath makes its way to the sanctuary of the church as well, with one candle lit per Sunday of Advent.

When I was in the seminary, my spiritual director (who happened to be Father Gabriel B. O'Donnell, O.P., then-postulator for the cause of Father Michael McGivney) encouraged me and others to make the season of advent a bit different than the rest of the year. Reminding us that Lent is a penitential time in the church, he concluded that there is no reason advent cannot be lived in a similar way. He suggested giving something up during advent, stating that we should relax any penance during solemnities and their vigils; in this case, one would be exempt from his penitential practice(s) on the four Sundays of Advent and the Saturday evenings preceding the Sundays as well as on the solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (December 8) and the evening before.

While the season of Lent provides a fair amount of support in Catholic circles for one to successfully carry out his Lenten resolutions (mainly because others are trying to be faithful not only to their own resolutions but also to Church prescribed fasting and abstinence on designated days during the period), Advent doesn't lend itself to similar spiritual help from the community. Christmas parties abound, with eggnog flowing freely and fasting not on the radar of many. But still one is invited to take to prayer how he might live Advent so as to prepare himself for the first coming of Christ as a baby in Bethlehem and also for his second coming at the end of time.

In any case, we should do our best to pray regularly during Advent and ask the Lord to help us to be as spiritually prepared as possible for the two comings of Christ. It is good spiritual discipline.

Wishing you all a blessed season of preparation for the Lord,

Monsignor Stephen Doktorczyk





Color Corps Report

C.C.C.— Curt Horner

Sir Knights,

If you are interested in joining the Color Corps please contact the Faithful Navigator and check out the link below for purchasing the uniform. Serving in the Color Corps is a great use of your time, you will be serving God's Church and the Families of Knights we have lost.

P.F.N D.D. C.C.C
CURT HORNER †



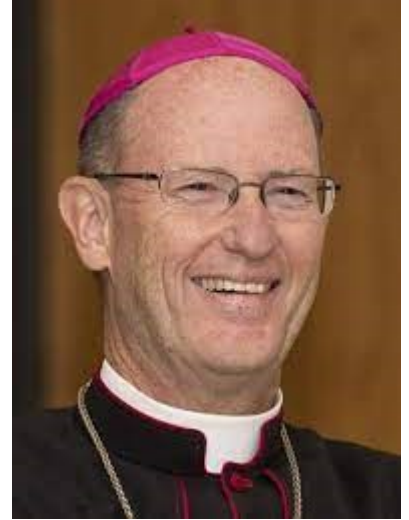
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Bishop James D Conley - For a grateful Thanksgiving



Like most of you, I'll gather around a table this Thanksgiving with family and friends. I'll have the privilege of being with my mother, my sister and her husband, and my favorite niece and nephew – I only have two! For several weeks, I've been looking forward to this chance to be with my family—to relax, and catch up, and to laugh with one another.

My family will begin our time together with the truest moment of Thanksgiving—with an expression of gratitude to Jesus Christ for the gifts that he has given us. And earlier that day, like every day, I'll celebrate the sacrament of thanksgiving—the Most Holy Eucharist.

Few people realize that the word “Eucharist” is a Greek word for “thanksgiving.” The term has been used since the first century to signify the Body and Blood of Christ because when the priest offers the sacrifice of Holy Mass, he gives thanksgiving to God—just as Jesus Christ did at the Last Supper.

Our Thanksgiving holiday is linked, by its very name, to the Eucharistic presence of Jesus Christ. And, on Thanksgiving, we should remember that everything we have is a gift from God – we should remember that our very being is a gift from God. And that the highest, most meaningful, and most everlasting gift God can give us is His Son, Jesus Christ, made present the Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist.

A few days after Thanksgiving, we'll enter into the season of Advent. And, Advent, too, is a reminder that God has given us the great gift of Jesus Christ—who became a child, in the humble circumstances of his birth, in order that all of us might know our dignity, might be redeemed and forgiven our sins, and might be transformed in holiness.

I often realize on Thanksgiving how many things I take for granted. It can be easy for us to lose sight of how much we've been given—even to lose sight of the great gift of Christ himself. But on Thanksgiving, we reflect, intentionally, on the graces of our lives. This practice is helpful at every time of the year, and every time of our lives.

Thanksgiving, and Advent, are good times to begin to pray for the grace of gratitude. And because the Eucharist is the sacrament of thanksgiving, regularly receiving the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ—and spending time in the presence of the Eucharist—will help us to acquire and cultivate grateful hearts. The more we are grateful to God, the better stewards we will become of the graces and gifts God has given us.

Around the Thanksgiving table, I'll remember the graces God has given me. I'll remember that all I have is a grace from God. I'll remember to be a good steward of what I've been given—so that others might experience God's grace, his love, and his generosity, through me. And at the altar, on Thanksgiving, and as Advent begins, I'll remember the people of the Diocese of Lincoln, and pray that each of us may be blessed with an abundance of gratitude and thanksgiving.

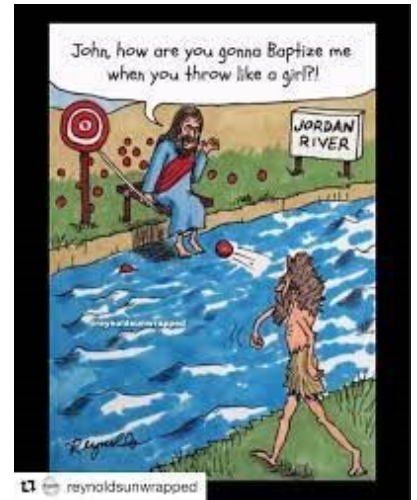
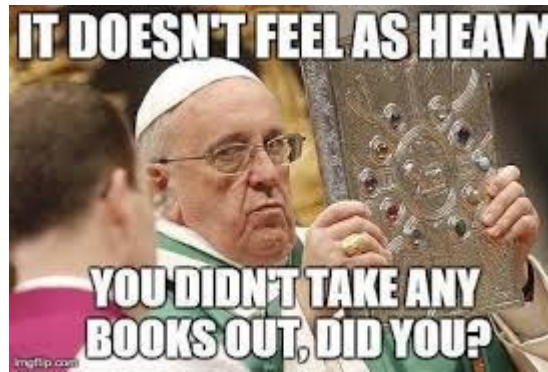
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Many thanks to the Sir Knights who helped make the 2023 Knight to Remember a success!

For over 20 years the Knights of St. Jude Assembly 2375 and its member Councils have held a costume dance for young adults of the Orange County community who deal various Intellectual Disabilities. This year the dance took place at St. Martin de Porres parish hall, hosted by the brothers of Council 8238. Halloween was this year's theme and both the guests, caregivers, and Knights joined in the costume fun. Over 200 guests and their caregivers enjoyed a dinner of pizza, hot dogs, and snacks, music and musical games by the Mystical Vibrations, and meetings of old friends getting together for a will anticipated annual event.



Catholic Humor



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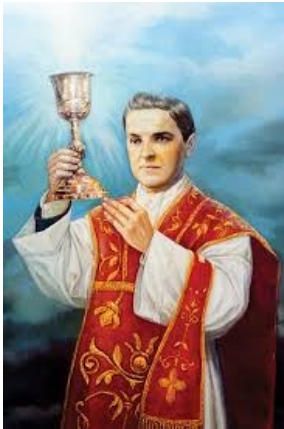
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PFN Joe Thompson †	1996 - 1997	PFN Bill Schafer	2009 - 2010
PFN Lou Cartwright †	1997 - 1998	PFN John Cleary	2010 - 2011
PFN Armond Tavianini †	1998 - 1999	PFN Ed Baluyot	2011 - 2012
PFN Jeffrey Bigonger	1999 - 2000	PFN Dave Vezzetti †	2012 - 2013
PFN Jerry Nicassio	2000 - 2001	PFN Roberto Garcia	2013 - 2014
PFN Duke Ellington †	2001 - 2002	PFN Tom Madracki †	2014 - 2015
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PFN Chuck Hosick	2003 - 2004	PFN Curt Horner	2016 - 2017
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		PFN Chris Curry	2021 - 2022
		PFN Steve Michael	2022 - 2023

† Rest in peace

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- ◆ Bishop Todd Brown
- ◆ People of Israel
- ◆ Past Faithful Comptroller SK Gary Clark
- ◆ Susan Brunasso RIP
- ◆ Laverne McCaughin RIP
- ◆ Lady Knight Jo Baca RIP
(Wife of SK Frank Baca)
- ◆ SK Raymond Lamy RIP
- ◆ SK Michael Withrow RIP
- ◆ SK Jim Kozlowski RIP
- ◆ SK Joseph Tokar RIP
- ◆ SK George Scherotter RIP
- ◆ SK Don Davis RIP
- ◆ SK William Weiss RIP
- ◆ SK Robert Hawkins RIP
- ◆ SK Thomas Carey RIP
- ◆ SK Tony Kerhin RIP
- ◆ SK Jim Enders RIP
- ◆ SK Mario Mandy RIP
- ◆ SK Rick Ritter RIP
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- ◆ SK Michael Dougherty RIP
- ◆ SK Dave Vezzetti, PFN, RIP
- ◆ SK Kantral Williams RIP
- ◆ SK PFN Trini Torres RIP
- ◆ SK Bob Jones
- ◆ SK John Fox
- ◆ SK Bruce Burton
- ◆ SK Tom Costanzo
- ◆ SK Jody Martin
- ◆ SK Brendan O'Shea
- ◆ SK Ed Bayout
- ◆ SK Greg Hastings
- ◆ SK Tony Endres
- ◆ SK Jim McKenna
- ◆ SK Joe Doud
- ◆ Lady Knight Dana Haney
- ◆ Lady Knight Kelly O'Shea
- ◆ Lady Knight Rochelle Hastings
- ◆ Lady Knight Bonneta McKenna
- ◆ Tom Dodge
- ◆ Rob Fulton
- ◆ Megan and Henry Sanchez
- ◆ Ben Kahookele
- ◆ Mary Archer-Burton
- ◆ Pauline Sanchez
- ◆ Matthew Garcia
- ◆ Kent Anderson
- ◆ Jim Crews
- ◆ Jim Paola
- ◆ Jerry Nicassio
- ◆ Ray Shoemaker
- ◆ Fred Beralda
- ◆ Mark Michael RIP
(Brother of SK Steve Michael PFN)
- ◆ Bob Richard RIP
(Son of SK Norm Richard)
- ◆ Ralph Smaldino
(Brother of SK Frank Smaldino)
- ◆ Susan Carnegie
(Mother of SK Paul Carnegie PGK)

Upcoming important dates below:

12/3– 1st Sunday in Advent

12/4– Officers Meeting– 6pm at St. John Paul II Polish Center

**12/18– General Meeting– Christmas Potluck, no official business, spouses welcome,
7pm at St. John Paul II Polish Center**

12/25— Christmas Day - the birth of Jesus Christ our Lord