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Faithful Navigator Report

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Sir Knights,

This year, there were more than 200 chaperones and special needs adults that attended the Knight 2 Remember Dinner and Dance on October 14th, at St. Martin de Porres Parish Hall, in Yorba Linda CA. That is 2.5 times the number of individuals who attended last year's event!

Our volunteers went out of their way to not just welcome guests but to carry on conversations and find out a little bit about each of them. There was plenty of food, snacks, and beverages for everyone and the young adults had a great time dancing. My favorite song was the Main Street Electrical parade, but what could you expect from someone whose family has gone to the dance as Disneyland Tourists for several years. However, the fan favorite from the young adults was **Baby Shark**, doo-doo, doo-doo, doo-doo; **Mommy Shark**, doo-doo, doo-doo, doo-doo; **Daddy Shark**, doo-doo, doo-doo, doo-doo, as Robert Morales from Mystic Vibration lead the young adults in making sharks as they danced the night away. Of course, the under the sea song with bubbles and holding the large parachute with bouncing beach balls was another crowd favorites.

The chaperones and young adults told all the volunteers that they had a wonderful time as they left the event and to make sure they were on the mailing list for next year. Seeing the joy on the faces of these special need adults and knowing you met angels here on earth left the volunteers speechless, and if you know some of us, you know that is a miracle in itself! If you have never attended this event before as a volunteer, you are missing out!

I want to give a special thanks to SK Andrew and Patti Demonte for coordinating the decorations for the event and to Patti Demonte for coordinating volunteers from St. Martin's Wings and Hospitality Committee to chaperone the event, to SK Robert Jones for coordinating the purchasing of the food for the event, to SK Bruce Burton for coordinating the kitchen crew, to Tracey Rocha, St. Martin's Office manager, for coordinating the setup of the Parish Center, to George Alfaro and family for clean-up of the Parish Hall, the SK's that cleaned up the kitchen, and to the many volunteers from St. Martin's and St. Angela Merici parishes who supported this year's event.

How does your heart swell when you reflect on God's endless love for us?

Vivat Jesus!

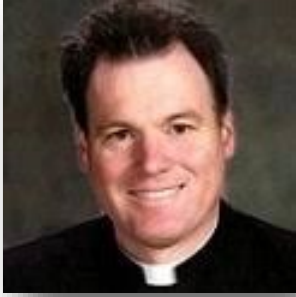


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Faithful Friar's Report



Dear Brother Knights,

We're already half way through October, one of the two months of the year devoted to our Blessed Mother. Many of you are aware that each October 7 the Church celebrates Our Lady of the Rosary, remembering her intervention in 1571 at the Battle of Lepanto, where grossly outnumbered Christian troops prevailed over the invading Turks. Our Blessed Mother is credited with assisting greatly in the victory. October 13 marks the 106th anniversary since the miracle of the sun took place in Fátima.

I can remember twenty years ago when I made my first degree at Father Kass hall in Buena Park. Those leading the evening were clear of the necessity of not only carrying on one's person but also praying it. My sponsor placed the Rosary onto my hands, which was part of the rite back in 2003. And Knights to this day get together to pray—sometimes at meetings, other times at shrines dedicated to Mary, Mother of God.

To anyone who has gotten out of the habit of praying the Rosary, may the Lord and Mary help you to rekindle that once strong and fervent relationship. May you never see it as monotonous, but rather may your experience be a dynamic one.

Please pray the Rosary often for the rest of this month, which is "Respect Life" month in the United States. It is a weapon against the Evil One, who despises Mary largely because of her humility.

Thank you for your generous service as fourth degree Knights of Columbus.

Monsignor Stephen Doktorczyk ✚

Faithful Friar





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.

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Pope Francis reflections on Christians abandoning their comforts and go toward the Marginalized.

By Elis Harris, Vatican City Oct 12, 2014



In his Sunday Angelus address, Pope Francis said that God does not discriminate about who is invited to his banquet, and called on Christians to abandon their comforts and go toward the marginalized.

"We are all called not to reduce the Kingdom of God to the confines of our 'little churches,' but to dilate the Church to the dimensions of the Kingdom of God," the pontiff said before his Oct. 12 recitation of the traditional Marian prayer. "The goodness of God has no limits and discriminates against no one. Because of this, the banquet of the Lord's gifts is universal, for everyone... Everyone is given the possibility of responding to his invitation, to his call; no one has the right to feel themselves privileged or (to have) an exclusive claim."

With this knowledge in the back of our minds, we can overcome the habit "of comfortably placing ourselves at the center, like the chief priests and the Pharisees," he explained.

Instead, we learn to place ourselves "on the peripheries, recognizing that also those on the margins are the object of God's generosity."

Pope Francis took his cue from the day's Gospel reading from Matthew Chapter 22, in which a king, when no one responds to his invitation for a wedding feast, sends his servants to the streets to invite the poor, good and bad without discrimination.

Although many have been invited to his feast, the king is surprised by the reactions of his guests, none of whom attend because they either have better things to do or display an attitude of indifference, alienation and even annoyance.

"God is good to us, he freely offers us his friendship, his joy and salvation," the Pope noted. However, oftentimes we don't accept his gifts because we place our material concerns and our own personal interests first.

Many of the king's servants were mistreated and killed by his original guests, the Bishop of Rome observed, saying that "despite the lack of adherence to (his) calls, the project of God is not interrupted."

When faced with the refusal of so many the king does not become discouraged and call off the feast, but rather, "(he) repeats the invitation, extending (it) beyond any reasonable limit, sending his servants to the streets and byways to gather all whom they can find," the pontiff continued.

Those who end up coming are "common people, poor, abandoned and disregarded, good and bad, without distinction," he said. "And the room is filled with the 'excluded!'"

Rejected by some, the Gospel "is warmly unexpected in so many other hearts," he noted. However, despite the Lord's generosity there is still one condition to be met in order to participate in the wedding feast.

Pope Francis then recalled how in the Gospel, when the king entered the hall where the feast was being held, he saw someone who was not wearing the wedding garment, and excluded them because of it.

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Despite the fact that we have already taken part in the banquet of the Lord through our faith, we cannot claim to wear the wedding garment "if we do not live the love of God and neighbor," he said.

"Faith requires the witness of charity, (which) should be manifested in concrete attitudes of solidarity and of service to our brothers, especially the most vulnerable," the Pope explained, pointing to those who are persecuted as prime examples of the weak and vulnerable.

The Roman Pontiff concluded his reflections on the Gospel by entrusting to the intercession of Mary all of "the dramas and hopes" of those persecuted because of their faith, and asking her protection over the ongoing meetings of the Synod of Bishops, set to conclude Oct. 19.

After reciting the well-known Angelus prayer, Pope Francis gave thanks to God for the beatification of Fr. Francesco Zirano of the Conventual Order of Friars Minor, a martyr, in the Italian city of Sassari that morning.

"He preferred to be killed rather than deny the faith," the pontiff observed, giving thanks for his heroic witness of the Gospel and courageous fidelity to Christ, particularly in the context of the current "ruthless" persecution of Christians around the world.

In addition, the Pope assured those suffering due to severe flooding in Genoa of his prayers and solidarity, and asked that Mary keep watch over efforts to overcome such a difficult trial.



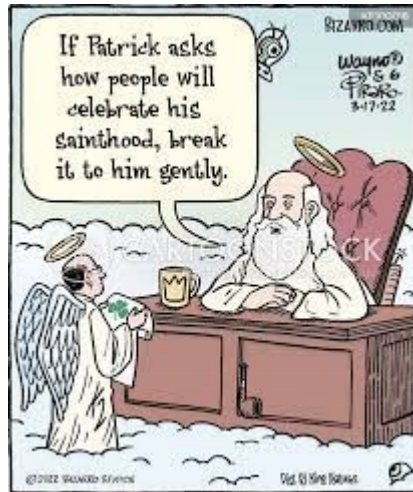
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Many thanks to the Sir Knights who helped make the 2023 Kielbasa Booth a success!



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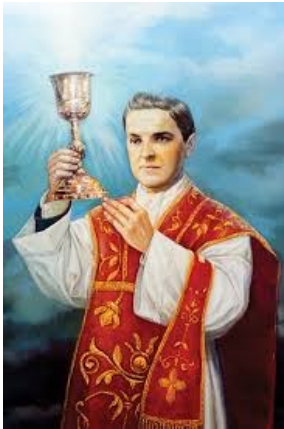
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11/6– Officers Meeting– 6pm at St. John Paul II Polish Center

11/20– General Meeting– Memorial Mass, no official business, wear a suit or uniform, spouses welcome, 7pm at St. John Paul II Polish Center

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