

Grand Knight's Report

Worthy Brothers,

I'd like to thank all the Brother Knights in our Council for all you do to support Laguna Council. It is all the Brothers and their support that enables us to be successful and do so many important things supporting our Parish, our families, our Community and our growth as Catholic Gentlemen.

In August, Laguna Council was informed we received the Star Council Award for Excellence from Su**preme**. This follows a long line of award winning years. This is a very active council and I'm proud to be part of it.



My goal this Columbian year with your support, is to provide opportunities for all our Brother Knights to become better Catholic gentlemen through "Faith in Action" and continuous Missionary Discipleship.

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Deputy Grand Knight's Report

Brother knight's - I wanted to share with you some insight I gained from my recent pilgrimage experience. I, along with about 30 of our fellow Good Shepherd and Maria Goretti parishioners and our Pastor Father Michael, recently took part in a pilgrimage to the sacred shrines and churches dedicated to the martyrs of the Christero War. For

those unfamiliar, in the late 1920s a president came to power in Mexico that had atheist leanings. As a result the Mexican government deported a large number of Catholic priests, shut down the churches and Catholic schools, outlawed the practice of the Catholic faith and the wearing of religious vestments by clergy. Worse



yet, they would persecute, arrest, hang or shoot priests or parishioners caught practicing the faith. The people of Mexico took up arms to protect their right to religious freedom. The people prevailed and today Mexico is one of the most Catholic countries. Several of the priests and faithful that were martyred for their faith, were canonized as saints by Pope John Paul II.

This pilgrimage gave us a chance to visit the churches and shrines that were erected in the places where these Saints were martyred. It was a profound experience that caused me to reflect.

These people, both the martyrs and the faithful proudly professed their faith through their actions. The Knights do that as well. Although we are not called to sacrifice our lives and livelihoods we are called to serve our communities in the name of Christ.

The time spent with the other pilgrims gave me the opportunity to connect at a personal level with fellow parishioners. The Knight's work that we as a council perform, gives each of us the chance to do the same. Finally, the spiritual and personal growth from learning about these martyrs, some as young as 15 years of age, that even in the face of persecution and adversity refused to turn from their faith, reminded me that as Knight's we are each called to be witnesses to our own faith. So, let us take up the rallying cry of the Christeros..."Viva Christo Rey!!!" (Long live Christ the King)

God Bless,



G. K.'s Report Continued

Some of the things we've done this month include:

Our Council continues to support **vocations by supporting our youth**. Last month we supported the youth retreat for girls discerning service to God. This month we supported the Diocesan youth retreat for boys discerning the Priesthood, being a Deacon and/or a deeper lay service to God. I'd like to thank Brother Charlie Olivares and SK Steve Hemenez and all the other Knights who supported this effort.

Led by our Worthy District Marshal, Richard Thompson we supported the **Sacramento**Life Center annual mini-fair and fund raiser. Brother Knights were out serving beer, sodas, water and Leatherby's ice cream. By providing financial and spiritual support to this very worthy organization we are supporting "Life" and opposing Satan and his ever present assault on Gods people.

We conducted our first of many **Charity**, **Unity and Fraternity exemplifications** and brought 3 new Brother Knights into the Council. Thanks goes out to our Worthy Exemplars and Worthy Chancellor Ed Serafica.

SK Iggy Lopez-Alverez, the silver tounged caller, MC'd the recent Good Shepherd **Bingo night.** This event was a smashing success with the Brothers backing up SK Iggy and the Knights organization providing some financial backing as well in support of our Parish.

Michael Blakey

Grand Knight

Chancellor's Report

Brother Knights,

Our Worthy Grand Knight, Mike Blakey, took the podium for the lesson of Unity. District Marshall Rich Thompson and Brother Mike Barnea also participated as exemplifiers for the lessons of Charity and Fraternity, respectively. The ceremony was given some color by the presence of Deputy District Dan Aguiar, Field Agent Steve Machado, Brock Thayer's wife and brother, Council #15589 PGK Damon Thayer.

I want to thank all our brother Knights who helped and attended the ceremony and emphasize the importance of it as our future depends upon growth, and to grow we need to recruit new brother Knights.

My fellow Knights, please welcome our three new brother Knights:

- Brock Thayer
- Robert Benton
- Russell Manapat

We also transferred another Brother Knight into Laguna Council. Chris Encinas. Please welcome these new Brothers when you see them.

Vivat Jesus,

Ed Serafica

Chancellor



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<u>Calendar</u>

SUBJECT TO CHANGE

SEPTEMBER

7	Council	Officers	Meeting
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11 Pancake Breakfast

12 Into the Breach

13 Rosary Crusade

18 KOC Corporate Mass

19 Into the Breach

21 Council General Meeting

26 Into the Breach

OCTOBER

2 Pancake Breakfast

3 Into the Breach

5 Council Officers Meeting

11 Rosary Crusade

19 Council General Meeting

EVENTS

SK Roy Tufts' Residence	7:00pm
GS, Fr. Wells Hall	8:00am
GS Youth Room	7:00pm
GS, Church Sanctuary	7:00pm
GS, Church Sanctuary	5:00pm
GS, Youth Room	7:00pm
GS, St. John Paul II Room	7:00pm
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Into the Breach

The Knights of Columbus "Into the Breach" program is picking up steam as we continue to gather each Monday evening. For the past 8 weeks we have enjoyed fellowship, refreshments, and powerful discussions on topics including Catholic masculinity, brotherhood, leadership, fatherhood, family, prayer, and suffering. But the best may still be yet to come! Two of our final four discussions will be led by our Priests. Father Michael will be leading our talk on spiritual warfare and Father Julius will be leading our talk on evangelization. Even if you have not attended the previous evenings, you won't want to miss these last few nights.

There will be no meeting on Monday September 5th as we are taking a break for Labor Day. But we will be back in full force on September 12th and will be wrapping up the series on October 3rd. Come and join your brothers on Monday evenings, 7pm at Good Shepherd in the youth room for Into the Breach!

Check out "Into the Breach"

https://www.kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html

Rosary Crusade



The Knights of Columbus Rosary Crusade chaired by SK Michael Patrick continues to bring the parishioners of Good Shepherd together in prayer. We are into our second year of consistent ongoing Rosary prayer nights, held every second Tuesday of each month at 7pm in the Church. We greatly appreciate all the Knights and parishioners who make time to come out and unite their hearts and voices together in prayer to our Blessed Mother. In these times we must hold fast to the Rosary!

"The Rosary is the most excellent form of prayer and the most efficacious means of attaining eternal life. It is the remedy for all our evils, the root of all our blessings. There is no more excellent way of praying."
Pope Leo XIII.



Good of the Order





FROM	WHO	PRAYER INTENTIONS
Mike Gutierrez	Julie Gutierrez	Ongoing Treatments
Mike Gutierrez	Gabe & Lyn Eder	Prayers & Support
Mike Gutierrez	Steve Hemenez	Health
Mike Gutierrez	Steve May	Health
Earl Gray	Parents	Health
Michael Barnea	Lady Julie (Wife)	Health
Richard Thompson	PGK Bill Boles & Lady Maryan	n Health
Iggy Lopez-Alvarez	Coleman Stephens	Improved Health
Richard Thompson	The Unborn	Roe vs. Wade Repealed
Ed Serafica	SK Rich & Joie Thompson	COVID Recovery
Carlos Ramos	Josh Tipton (RCIA Candidate)	Recovery from Stroke
Carlos Ramos	Lucy Lariosa	Health & Recovery
Roy Tufts	SK Coleman Stephens	Cancer
Roy Tufts	Caroline Day	Health
Roy Tufts	Rollie Swingle	Cancer
Larry Fernandez	Josh Fernandez	RCIA Journey
Michael Blakey	Bishop Soto	Heath of the Church
Joe Thomas	Our Priests	Health of the Church
Michael Blakey	The Pope	Health of the Church

Knight of the Month





SK Roy Tufts is being recognized for his continued support of the many Knight and Parich contributions including co-chairing the Fireworks the largest fund raiser for the Council. He hosts the Council Officers at his house every month for our Officers meetings, he is the greeter at the 9:00 am Mass and of course is the Worthy Treasurer for the Council. Thanks for all you do SK Roy Tufts!

Family of the Month

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Worthy **Deputy Grand** Knight Carlos Ramos & his wife Valarie are very active in Good Shepherd. They chair the RCIA program, they are involved in the music ministry, and the parish Council. Carlos also did a great job co-chairing the vocations dinner this year. We are very grateful to have them with us here in the Knights & at Good Shepherd.



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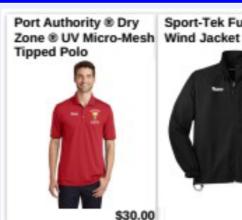
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