

### **Grand Knight's Report**

Worthy Brothers,

First, I'd like to thank all the Knights that helped out this month. That's what I love about our Council. People step up when needed. We had multiple activities happening on different fronts in November and everything came off without a hitch. Thank you all.

Our Worthy Advocate Camilo Pizarro chaired the pie sales that supports the adopt a family program. He had lots of help from his core team, Jess Velasco, Rich Thompson, Ed Serafica, PJ Marcelino and Alex Avera in addition to all the brothers who came out after masses to sell pies. Even with record inflation, we were able to keep the pies the same price as last year and as a result the pie sales went very well. The next step is to assemble an Adopt-a -Family team to put together the list of names to



be adopted and purchase, wrap and deliver those Christmas gifts.

Our Worthy Trustee, Brother Charlie Olivares chaired the Arts and Crafts fair this year and did an exemplary job. His team included Michael Barnea and myself. Proceeds from this event go toward scholarships for Catholic schools. Usually SEAS. This year the "Grove", Young adults team ran the snack bar and received the proceeds instead of EDGE due to scheduling issues with EDGE. Again, the Brother Knights stepped up and helped to make this event a success. Honorable mention goes out to Michael Patrick, Steve Stenoski, Larry Fernandez and Jeremy Harden. The next step is for this project is to assemble a scholarship committee and work with SEAS to get the essays completed, judged and awarded to the winning students.

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### G. K.'s Report .... Continued

We continue to conduct our Pancake Breakfast the first Sunday of every month...(except for December). This month the celebration of our Lady of Guadalupe will be joined with our normal pancake breakfast. Like last year it will include music, Mexican sweet breads, Chorizo and other favorites. A big thank you to our Chairman SK Hector Jorrin for coordinating this effort. This is a great way to practice our faith in action by serving others. If you missed out last month, we can use your help on December 11th.

We are looking for Brother Knights to join a team of Brothers and reach out to our elderly Brother Knights to bring them some Christmas cheer. We'd like to set up a calling tree and contact our Brothers who are shut ins or just in need of a little compassion for Christmas. If you're able to help please give me a call and we'll get you on the list.



We also celebrated our Star Council award.

God Bless the Knights,

Michael Blakey Grand Knight

## **Chancellor's Report**

Worthy Brother Knights,

Laguna Council received the STAR Council award for 2021/2022 Columbian year with 146% of membership. Let's celebrate our success.



Our goal for this year is Double Star Council. To reach this Goal we need to exemplify at least 30 new brothers. So please talk to your Catholic friends and neighbors and tell them about the Knights of Columbus. It is important that we ALL work to recruit NEW members to our Council.

Also, as we work together on Knights projects to help foster a sense of community with all Parishioners especially with children, please don't forget to complete or renew your Safe Haven training. You can complete the online Safe Haven training at the following URL: htps://sacramento. cmgconnect.org/. The training is titled "A Safe Environment Curriculum-Sacramento."

Vivat Jesus, Ed Serafica Chancellor

## **Deputy Grand Knight's Report**

Brother Knights,

Recently, I sat through a Mass and Father's homily hit me right between the eyes. He reflected on how Christmas is the season of Joy because we

celebrate the birth of our Lord. And it is. But, he reminded us that Christmas is preceded by Advent which is the season in which we prepare ourselves for his coming. This means that we must be watchful, and we need to look to where we are spiritually. Are we living out Jesus' commandment to love God and to love one another as he loves us? Are we keeping his commandments? Are we turning away from those things that keep us from God?

Father spoke of Mary as an excellent example for us to follow. But, let's be honest. Father correctly pointed out that most of us would fall far short of being able to follow her example. And he's right. However, Father spoke directly to my heart when he said, each and every one of us can follow the example of another Mary ... Mary Magdalene. She was a sinner, but once she encountered our Lord, she turned away from her sins and turned towards Jesus.

What do you say faithful Knights? Can we follow her example? Can we turn from our own shortcomings and turn towards Jesus. Can we love our brothers and sisters the way he has loved us? We have some awesome opportunities to live out Christ's commandments. We

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have the Adopt-a-Family effort coming quickly. And there will be an abundance of opportunities to encounter the Lord this Advent and Christmas (the monthly rosary crusade, helping out with Advent by Candlelight, the Fellowship breakfast, the Mass for our Lady of Guadalupe, and Simbang Gabi). He's coming, will you turn towards him and go out to meet him?

God Bless,

Carlos Ramos

Deputy Grand Knight



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### Knight of the Month

SK Camilo Pizzaro has served as the Worthy Advocate for two separate terms. He also chaired the 2022 pie sales with great success. He helps out on the exemplification team and in numerous other capacities.

Thanks for all you do SK Camilo Pizarro.



### Family of the Month

Grand Knight Mike Blakey and lady Laura help out around the church as much as they can including the Arts and Crafts fair, pancake breakfasts and Works of Mercy.

We are very grateful to have them with us here in the Knights and at Good Shepherd.





## Arts and Crafts Fair

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The Knights of Columbus 13<sup>th</sup> annual Arts and Crafts Faire was held November 19 and 20. The proceeds are still being totaled but the event appears to be another success. Several programs benefitted from the event. Proceeds from the vendors, sponsors, silent



auction, and raffle will be used for the Knights scholarship program, while sales from the concession stand will benefit the Good Shepherd youth ministry, The Grove. Throughout the event, Knights also staffed a table for pie sales that will help fund this month's Adopt-A-Family program.

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### 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.

Charlie Olivares Arts and Crafts Chairman



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FROM	WHO	PRAYER INTENTIONS
Mike Gutierrez	Julie Gutierrez	Ongoing treatments
Mike Gutierrez	Gabe & Lyn Eder	Prayer and support
Mike Gutierrez	Steve Hemenez	Improved Health
Mike Gutierrez	Steve May	Improved Health
Mike Gutierrez	Terry Defrates	Improved Health
Earl Gray	Parents	Health
Michael Barnea	Lady Julie (Wife)	Health
Michael Blakey	Ukrainian People	Safety/Repose of Souls
Jess Velasco	Brother in Law	Cancer
Tim Fukuda	8 mo. old niece deceased	Repose of Soul
Iggy Lopez Alvarez	Coleman Stephens	Improved Health
Juan Rios	Wife Alex and son Angel	Improved Health
Joel Magana	Mother and Father	Improved Health
Michael Blakey	Roy Tufts	Health
Richard Thompson	The Unborn	Repose of Souls
Richard Thompson	Son Eric	Family Issues
Michael Blakey	Bishop Soto	Heath of the Church
Joe Thompson	Our Priests	Health of the Church
Michael Blakey	The Pope	Health of the Church

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### **DEC '22**



## <u>Calendar</u>

#### SUBJECT TO CHANGE

### **December**



- 7 Council Officers Meeting
- 11 Pancake Fellowship Breakfast
- 13 Rosary Crusade
- 21 CUF Exemplification
- 21 Council General Meeting

Home of SK Roy Tufts7: 00pmFr. Philip Wells HallAfter 7:00 and 9:00 MassGS, Church Sanctuary7:00pmSt. John Paul II Room6:00pmSt. John Paul II Room7:00pm

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### <u>January</u>



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- 8 Pancake Fellowship Breakfast
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Home of SK Roy Tufts 7:00pm Fr. Philip Wells Hall After 7:00 and 9:00 Mass GS, Church Sanctuary 7:00pm St. John Paul II Room 7:00pm







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