

# The Knightly News



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## The Nativity of the Lord, Christmas December 25, 2023



Christmas is celebrated on the 25th of December and commemorates the birth of Jesus Christ. The word Christmas is derived from the Old English word "Cristes maesse" which literally translates to Christ's Mass. Although no one knows for sure the exact date of Christ's birth, the date chosen to celebrate it is related to the Roman Saturnalia festival that lasted from the 17th -21st of December. This date was chosen somewhere during the 4th century AD by the heads of the church.

According to the US Conference of Catholic Bishops, Christmas is one of the most important days of the Church year, second only to Easter itself. It is the feast of the incarnation, the feast of God becoming flesh (the Latin "in carne" means "enfleshment"). It is a uniquely Christian teaching, the Divine choosing to become one of us. Because of this belief, God is not only Transcendent, but also wholly Immanent, Emmanuel (God-with-us). While remaining Transcendent (meaning we



must rise above our present condition to reach Him), He is at the same time Immanent (meaning He is with us as we rise toward Him). Every Eucharist is like Christmas where the bread and wine are transformed into His flesh, His Body and Blood, and, in a sense, He is born anew on the altar.

## Notes From the Top:

### Grand Knights Message



Dear Brothers,

As this will be the last newsletter of 2023 and as we transition from Thanksgiving to the season of celebrating Jesus' birth, I want to take a moment to express thanks for a few of my many blessings. First, I'm thankful for my Catholic faith and the solid foundation it provides. It is hard to imagine navigating life in today's world without such a foundation and source of strength. I want to thank the Holy Spirit for leading me to something meaningful to do in early retirement – being your Grand Knight. Of course, I'm thankful for my wife who keeps me grounded and, my children and extended families. I'm thankful we live where we live. I'm also thankful for you and all that I continuously learn from each of you. I'm thankful for what we accomplish as a Council and your dedication to our parish family.

It is my hope and prayer that for all of us in the new year, the Knights of Columbus is a source of spiritual development in our service to God, our families, our parish and each other. May the peace of Christ be with you and your families this Christmas season. Merry Christmas!

Fraternally,  
Brother Jim Messmer

## Notes From the Top

### Deputy Grand Knight's Message:



Dear Brothers ,

I would like to welcome our new Third degree brothers. And congratulate our brothers that completed their 4th degree. Let's finish 2023 with pride in what we accomplished and look forward to a call to action to get involved in 2024.

Fraternally,  
Brother Mike Urratio

## Notes From the Top:

### District Deputy's Message



Dear Brothers

Wishing you all a Joyous Advent Season and a Very Merry Christmas!

Dan Hoffman  
District Deputy 133  
Vivat Jesus

## Notes From the Top:

### Chancellor's Message



Dear Brothers,

Happy New Year! This Sunday we start a new liturgical year with the First Sunday of Advent. The first Advent candle will be lit in St. Kilian's Advent wreath, the "Prophecy Candle" for hope.

During the Season of Advent, the Christian calendar anticipates the "coming of Christ" from three different perspectives:

- The physical nativity in Bethlehem
- The reception of Christ in the heart of the believer, and
- The eschatological Second Coming. Eschatological is a big word for the study of the "last things" – so there are numerous elements to what last things are involved here.

Advent season is important to Catholics in that it focuses on the coming of our Lord at Christmas and his second coming. The Catechism stresses the two-fold meaning of this coming:

- When the Church celebrates the liturgy of Advent each year, she makes present this ancient expectancy of the Messiah, for by sharing in the long preparation for the Saviors first coming, the faithful renew their ardent desire for His second coming (CCC. 524).
- Two-fold Advent: We reflect back and are encouraged to celebrate the anniversary of the Lords first coming into this world. We ponder again the great mystery of the incarnation when our Lord humbled Himself, taking on our humanity, and entered our time and space to free us from sin. On the other hand, we recall in the Creed that our Lord will come again to judge the living and the dead and that we must be ready to meet Him.

I thought of a powerful tool that helps us accomplish what we should be focusing on for the first part of Advent: Anticipation of the coming of Christ from the nativity and preparing our hearts to receive him and to reflect back on his first coming and the mystery of the incarnation. Brothers, I refer to the Joyful Mysteries of the Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary. I have included in the newsletter a guide to praying the Joyful Mysteries with scripture.

The Advent Season is also a time of preparation for our RCIA catechumens and candidates at the Rite of Acceptance at the 8:30 Mass this Sunday. The Church joyfully welcomes the catechumens into the Church. In the months to come, the catechumens will prepare for their initiation into the Christian faith by Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. The Church also welcomes the candidates who already one with us by baptism who now wish to complete their Christian initiation through Confirmation and Eucharist to be received into the full communion of the Catholic Church.

Blessings in Christ and Merry Christmas!  
Brother Tracy Higuchi

## Notes From the Top: State Deputy's Message



Worthy Brothers,

December is a wonderful time of the year. It is a time to be with our families and to prepare for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Your parish is probably going to be in full swing. There are nativity scenes going up, novenas, Simbang Gabi, Posadas, the children are getting ready for the "No Room at the Inn" plays, the choirs are practicing, there are Christmas trees, decorations and lights going up. It's very exciting and there is a lot going on. In many areas, there are the Our Lady of Guadalupe processions with thousands of people participating. We are seeing many more people going to church because it is Christmas time.

The Christmas season is also a busy time for families as they take the opportunity of this special time to be together and share the Christmas spirit. There will be the family get togethers and dinners. Many families will exchange gifts and Santa (St. Nicholas) will be visiting our children. Families will be attending Mass together throughout Advent to prepare for the celebration of baby Jesus' birth.

Many councils fall into the snare of thinking that the month of December is a time for the council to relax. With all that is going on there is much for the Knights to do. Our pastors and our parishes need our help more than ever. Let us be visible, active and serve. Show your parish how involved the Knights are, wear your council jackets, shirts and badges when you are at church doing all that we do. Whether you are serving as a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Usher, doing traffic control, hospitality ministry whatever you are doing, you are a Knight, be proud of it.

We have a lot of programs and events that need to be done. Although this time of year is wonderful, this time of year is also when our community has a greater need for charity and service. The Christmas season also inspires our communities to be more charitable and giving and we must take this opportunity for action. For example, at this time of the year, some councils are doing food drives, or serving food at shelters or soup kitchens, handing out coats, Christmas Poster Contests, Toys for Tots, the Consecration to the Holy Family, and serving in many more ways. The Knights usually lead and work all the events in the parish especially the events I mentioned earlier.

We need to plan for the January Walk for Life marches, Novenas for Life, Free Throw Competitions, etc. There are reports due like "Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity" which we all should be giving our councils information for. One report that is very important is the 10784 reports for Special Olympics Program. The more activities we report, the more funds Supreme will send us to give to our California Special

Olympics foundations. As you have read, we Knights are not taking a break, we are ramping up to do more.

We know it is better to give than receive. So, let's give a gift that always fits, never would get put in a drawer with that ugly tie they got last Christmas, that never wears out and will last a life time. It is a gift that will change the man that receives it and his family. It is a gift that can be shared. Give the Gift of Membership to every Catholic man you know and meet. Those men will be thankful to you for the rest of their days. Make someone a "Knight Before Christmas".

Vivat Jesus!  
Greg Marracq  
State Deputy 2023-2024  
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## Notes From the Top: Financial Secretary's Message



Worthy Brothers,

My message this month is about each of us being called by name by Jesus. The Gospel reading is Luke 17:7-10; Jesus said to the Apostles: "Who among you would say to your servant who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here immediately and take your place at table'? Would he not rather say to him, 'Prepare something for me to eat. Put on your apron and wait on me while I eat and drink. You may eat and drink when I am finished'? Is he grateful to that servant because he did what was commanded? So should it be with you. When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'"

As the calendar year draws to a close, we will be flooded with solicitations for donations during this season of giving. These days with just the click of a button we donate to local charities without even leaving our homes. Is this all that God asks of us? In light of this gospel reading, as God's humble servants, what if we challenge ourselves to go beyond seasonal generosity? What if we start contributing our time and services throughout the year without expecting anything in return? As we make charitable contributions during the holiday season, let us pause and ask what more we can do. Challenge yourself to extend your generosity beyond the holiday season, and remember that we are servants of God simply doing "... what we were obliged to do," called by name by Jesus himself.

Vivat Jesus!  
Brother Sean



## Recycle Drive News



Dear Brothers,

November's collection netted \$242, our second lowest month of the year. We filled just 3 bins with bottles and slightly less than 1 bin with aluminum. Year-to-Date we've collected \$4,067. Bottle and can collection from the hall is paying off, but drive up volume is significantly lower, particularly plastic water bottle volume. Knights, bring your plastic bottles and aluminum cans!

Thank you to all brothers who helped on Saturday and to those who contributed with recyclables.

The next recycle drive is December 16. The drive begins with set up at 6:45 am and concludes at Noon. Please sign up at the monthly meeting or on SignUp Genius. See you on the 16th and please wear a Knight shirt or hat and your badge. The recycle drive is a great opportunity to experience brotherhood and remind parishioners who we are!

Fraternally,  
Brother Jim Messmer

## Blood Drive Update



Dear Brothers,

Our next Knights of Columbus sponsored Blood Drive will be on January 10th, a Wednesday, in our Hughes Hall from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Best Regards, and Christ's Peace be with you,  
Brother Bob Bochniarz

## Knights on GroupMe



Worthy Brothers,

GroupMe is a social media application for mobile phones that will improve communications within our council. You will need to download the GroupMe app from the app store for iPhones or Android phones. This is a free app from Microsoft and you do not have to provide your private information to sign up.

You're invited to our new group 'Knights of Columbus St. Kilian Church' on GroupMe.

Click here on your mobile device to join: [https://groupme.com/join\\_group/88986304/WMTL4IEO](https://groupme.com/join_group/88986304/WMTL4IEO)

Please join if you have not yet done so.

Thanks,  
Brother Mario

## **Notes From the Top:**

### Field Agent's Message



Dear Brothers,

Merry Christmas! To all my brothers and their families, I extend my very best wishes for a merry and a blessed Christmas. As we are celebrating the Christmas season, we give thanks that God sent his Only Begotten Son to live among us and save us! That gift from the Father sets the stage for our giving gifts at Christmas.

As I consider Christmas I think of the gift of support and encouragement that you have given me. I appreciate the opportunity to work with you and your families this past year and I look forward to a new year and renewing connections with you. Again, a very Merry and Blessed Christmas!

Fraternally,  
Mark Yubeta  
Fraternal Insurance Agent  
949-322-7266

### Lecturer's Corner: Norm Abbod



Dear Brothers,

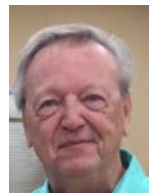
There are three sources of Catholic teaching I use every day:

Catalyst Publication by Bill Donohue every Month. Bill is on the National Board of scholars and confronts attacks on the church publicly and in court. The Catholic church is under constant attack and the Catalyst publication highlights many of them. Dr. Bill Donohue takes them all on and fights for us publicly either in the courts on television and anywhere else.

Give Us This Day I take every day to Mass in the morning. This publication gives you the entire daily Mass and a brief history of many of our martyrs and others. Daily Mass in the morning is short, to the point and gives a very brief outline of the Church's history and the martyrs who gave their lives, literally, to Christ. Faith@nd.com. A Link to Notre Dame that also defines each day and what it means to Catholics.

Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year for you and your family!  
Norm

### Council Potluck Joe Paulicivic



Dear Brothers

Due to the holiday season, the Council Potlucks will be taking a break.

Fraternally,  
Br. Joe



## Adult Faith Formation

**Raise Up Your Catholicism!  
Enter the Mystery!  
Touch the Divine!**

Dear Brothers,

St. Kilian Adult Faith Formation is alive and well, and work continues on our videos on "The Mass" and the "The Mystery of the End Times" with a new video in the works: "Looking into the Chasm".

In addition to the Mystery of Palm Sunday, there is a series of videos on the End Times with the Catholic interpretation: These videos are available for viewing so please subscribe. Just go to our Catholic Mystery web page here:  
<https://youtube.com/c/CatholicMystery>

Click on the Red Subscribe button, and when you do, you'll be the first to get notifications on our series on the Mass and other offerings.

God Bless!  
Br. Jonathan Goodwin

## **Bible Study: breaking open the Word with your brothers and sisters!**



Dear Brothers,

We are continuing our study of the Epistles from St. Paul. We are currently covering will be Galatians and next up will be Thesalonians. The Bible Study is on Tuesdays from 7:00 -8:30 pm on Zoom. If you have any questions, please contact John Rodriguez at (949)702-3047 or email me at [john.rodriguez1001@yahoo.com](mailto:john.rodriguez1001@yahoo.com)

Fraternally  
Br. John Rodriguez

## Membership News



Dear Brothers,

We are looking for a new Membership Director. If you are interested please contact the Grand Knight.

Membership - no new members and no new degrees in November

Fraternally,  
Br. Sean Gawne

## Knights on Bikes



My Brother Knights:

Looking for a few good St. Kilian Motorcycle Riders! If you own and ride motorcycles or know of any male St. Kilian parishioners that ride, please consider Knights on Bikes (KonB), a group of practical Catholic gentlemen. Knights of Columbus membership required. There are no other associated dues for KonB membership.



For more information contact Brother Mario Alegre at [marioalegre86@gmail.com](mailto:marioalegre86@gmail.com) or checkout the Knights on Bikes in California website: <https://knightsonbikescalifornia.com/>

Thanks,  
Brother Mario

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## Sickness, Distress and Gratitude Prayer List

<u>Name</u>	<u>Sponsored By</u>	<u>For</u>
Pauline Hurley	Michael Urratio	Rest of the Soul
Jack Dillon	Al Dillingham	Recovery surgery
Michelle Montez	Michael Urratio	Rest of the Soul
Bishop Tod Brown	Sean Gawne	Rest of the Soul
Amalia Orozco	Tracy Higuchi	Rest of the Soul
Tom Adkins	Dave Edenhofer	Rest of the Soul
Pam Hrad	Tracy Higuchi	Healing and full recovery
Those that have died in the Middle East	Council 6332	Rest of the Souls
End to conflict in Middle East	Council 6332	Peace and that love of neighbor will prevail
Shekoda Lowe	Bob Hrad	Surgery
James Zuley	Sean Gawne	Healing cancer, chemo
Joe Paulcivic	Officers of 6332	Hospitalization for a procedure
Rich Kreich	Danny Reed	Cancer
Vincent Escaria	Gabriel Trebels	Cancer
Dave Mendez	Arnie Herrera	Cancer
Cassian Black	Tracy Higuchi	Rest of the Soul
Thomas Black	Mike VanAuken	Born 21 weeks in NICU
Emily Black	Tracy Higuchi	Mother of Cassian and Thomas, Hospitalized
Doy Ortega	Tracy Higuchi	Rest of the Soul
Russ Finnegan	Bob Bochinairz	Healing, critically ill
Manuel Alegre	Mario Allegre	Kidney Dialysis
Angela Blair	Randy Blair	Healing autoimmune disease
Nancy Snow	Steen Sellers	Alzheimers
Bill Villanueva	Mike VanAuken	prayers
Bill Reed	Daniel Reed	Amputation
Mike Thompkin	Bill Delucca	Stroke
Ian Thompson	Bill Delucca	Alzheimers
Miriam Coury	Bill Delucca	Psych Stress
Those who have died in the Maui Fires	Council 6332	Rest of their souls
Those impacted by the Maui Fires	Council 6332	Prayers
Phillip Mc Elhinney	Al Rizzo	Healing cancer
Br. Ron Horetski	Mike McCarthy	Recovery from Surgery
Norma Reed	Danny Reed	Prayers
Antonietta (Toni) Abbod	Council 6332	Rest of the Soul
Jude DiBernardo	Anthony DiBernardo	Healing from surgery
Norm Abbod & Family	Council 6332	Sympathy and support
Norma Johnson	Joe Paulcivic	Healing for cancer
Dave Mendez	Arnie Herrera	Healing, recovering from cancer
George Dominique	Anthony DiBernardo	Rest in Peace
Bill Dapper	Norm Abbod	Healing, cancer
Patrick Mansfield	Sean Gawne	Rest of the Soul for Br. Knight
Jan Archer	Vince McLean	Healing, cancer
Normand Forgues	Rosendo Castillo	Rest of the Soul
Judy Hrad	Bob Hrad	Heart Surgery recovery
Dorothy Daly	William Daly	Healing
Leslie DePuydt	Steen Stellers	Soul of the dearly departed
Eva Marie Quintero	Ray Trebels	Rest of the Soul
Mike Jump	Arnie Herrera	Healing Cancer
Del Lori	Mike Williams	Healing, back fusion
Ed Kenna	Bob Hrad	Rest of the Soul
Hedy Francois	Ray Trebels	Rest of the Soul
Marisa Luisa Rodeiro	Ray Trebels	Cancer
Tessie Plata	Bill Delucca	Rest of the Soul
Mike Hoffman	Dan Hoffman	Surgery
Jack Hrad	Bob Hrad	Heart problems
Donna Cassidy	Daniel Reed	Rest of the Soul
Kim Moss	Steve Sherkerlian	Surgery, cancer
Tessie Playa	Bill DeLuca	Rest of the Soul
Grandma Jan	Vince McLean	prayers
John Allen	Vince McLean	prayers
Othwiler Family	Bob Hrad	Comfort for loss of 3 yr old son
Tracy Higuchi	Council 6322	Recovery full vision left eye from detached retina, torn meniscus
Bishop David O'Connell	Council 6332	Rest of the Soul
Steve Vallely	Bob Hrad	Heart Surgery, Heart Procedure recovery
People of Ukraine	Council 6332	Peace, healing, comfort, relief
Medical and Essential Workers	Council 6332	Gratitude & pray for their health/safety
Those sick with rare diseases	Council 6332	Cure/healing recovery
Our military	Council 6332	Gratitude for their service and sacrifice

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# Feast Days-December 2023

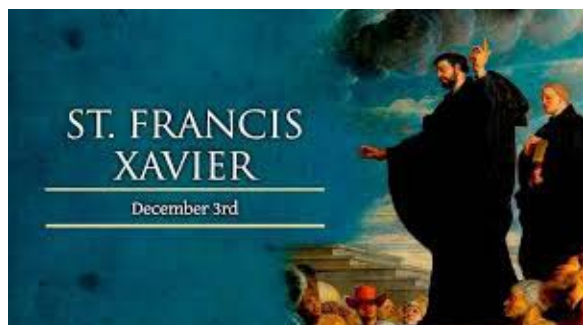
## First Sunday of Advent December 3, 2023



Beginning the Church's liturgical year, Advent (from, "ad-venire" in Latin or "to come to") is the season encompassing the four Sundays (and weekdays) leading up to the celebration of Christmas. The Advent season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and also to the anniversary of the Lord's birth on Christmas. The final days of Advent, from December 17 to December 24, focus particularly on our preparation for the celebrations of the Nativity of our Lord (Christmas). Advent devotions including the Advent wreath, remind us of the meaning of the season.

The first candle, which we will light this Sunday is purple, and it symbolizes hope. It is sometimes called the "Prophecy Candle" in remembrance of the prophets, especially Isaiah, who foretold the birth of Christ. It represents the expectation felt in anticipation of the coming Messiah.

## St. Francis Xavier, December 3, 2022



### Saint Francis Xavier's Story

Jesus asked, "What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?" (Matthew 16:26a). The words were repeated to a young teacher of philosophy who had a highly promising career in academics, with success and a life of prestige and honor before him.

Francis Xavier, 24 at the time, and living and teaching in Paris, did not heed these words at once. They came from a good friend, Ignatius of Loyola, whose tireless persuasion finally won the young man to Christ. Francis then made the spiritual exercises under the direction of Ignatius, and in 1534, joined his little community, the infant Society of Jesus. Together at Montmartre they vowed poverty, chastity, obedience, and apostolic service according to the directions of the pope.

From Venice, where he was ordained a priest in 1537, Xavier went on to Lisbon and from there sailed to the East Indies, landing at Goa, on the west coast of India. For the next 10 years he labored to bring the faith to such widely scattered peoples as the Hindus, the Malayans, and the

Japanese. He spent much of that time in India, and served as provincial of the newly established Jesuit province of India.

Wherever he went, Xavier lived with the poorest people, sharing their food and rough accommodations. He spent countless hours ministering to the sick and the poor, particularly to lepers. Very often he had no time to sleep or even to say his breviary but, as we know from his letters, he was filled always with joy.

Xavier went through the islands of Malaysia, then up to Japan. He learned enough Japanese to preach to simple folk, to instruct, and to baptize, and to establish missions for those who were to follow him. From Japan he had dreams of going to China, but this plan was never realized. Before reaching the mainland, he died. His remains are enshrined in the Church of Good Jesus in Goa. He and Saint Thérèse of Lisieux were declared co-patrons of the missions in 1925.

## The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary December 8, 2023



On December 8, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which references Mary's conception in her mother's womb without the stain of Original Sin: An essential part of God's plan for the mother of his Son was that she be conceived free from Original Sin. "Through the centuries the Church became ever more aware that Mary, "full of grace" through God, was redeemed from the moment of her conception" (CCC, no 491)

In anticipation that she was to bear the Son of God, Mary was preserved from the time of her conception from Original Sin. We call this the Immaculate Conception. No sin would touch her, so that she would be a fitting and worthy vessel of the Son of God. The Immaculate Conception does not refer to the virginal conception and birth of Christ, but rather to Mary's being conceived without inheriting Original Sin.

A feast called the Conception of Mary arose in the Eastern Church in the seventh century. It came to the West in the eighth century. In the 11th century it received its present name, the Immaculate Conception. In the 18th century it became a feast of the universal Church. It is now recognized as a solemnity.

In 1854, Pius IX solemnly proclaimed: "The most Blessed Virgin Mary, in the first instant of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege granted by almighty God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, the savior of the human race, was preserved free from all stain of original sin." Our Mother Mary is full of beauty because she is full of grace. - Pope Francis via twitter on Dec 30, 2013



# Feast Days-December 2023

## Second Sunday of Advent December 10, 2023



On the December 10th, the Second Sunday of Advent, we light another purple candle, which represents faith. It is called the "Bethlehem Candle" as a reminder of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem.

## Our Lady of Guadalupe December 12, 2023



The feast in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe goes back to the 16th century. Chronicles of that period tell us the story.

A poor Indian named Cuauhtlatohuac was baptized and given the name Juan Diego. He was a 57-year-old widower, and lived in a small village near Mexico City. On Saturday morning December 9, 1531, he was on his way to a nearby barrio to attend Mass in honor of Our Lady.

Juan was walking by a hill called Tepeyac when he heard beautiful music like the warbling of birds. A radiant cloud appeared, and within it stood an Indian maiden dressed like an Aztec princess. The lady spoke to him in his own language and sent him to the bishop of Mexico, a Franciscan named Juan de Zumarraga. The bishop was to build a chapel in the place where the lady appeared.

Eventually the bishop told Juan to have the lady give him a sign. About this same time Juan's uncle became seriously ill. This led poor Juan to try to avoid the lady. Nevertheless the lady found Juan, assured him that his uncle would recover, and provided roses for Juan to carry to the bishop in his cape or tilma.

On December 12, when Juan Diego opened his tilma in the bishop's presence, the roses fell to the ground, and the bishop sank to his knees. On the tilma where the roses had been appeared an image of Mary exactly as she had appeared at the hill of Tepeyac.

## Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr December 13, 2023



Do you remember the parable of the ten bridesmaids who waited for the bridegroom? Only five of them had brought flasks of oil to keep their oil lamps burning. These were permitted to enter the wedding banquet; the others were not. Lucy, whose name means "light" kept the light of her loyal faith burning through the experience of death. Now she is enjoying the eternal wedding banquet.

Like many of the early martyrs, little is known about Lucy. She was born in Sicily and died during the persecution of Diocletian. The fact that she is still mentioned in the first Eucharistic Prayer of the Mass shows the great respect that the Church has for her.

One story about Lucy is that she is said to have made a vow to remain unmarried. When the man to whom she was engaged found out, he turned her in as a Christian. She was tortured but remained faithful to Jesus Christ.

Lucy's feast comes during Advent, when we wait for the coming of Christ, the Light of the World. The Scandinavian countries have a special way of celebrating this feast. A young girl is dressed in a white dress and a red sash (as the symbol of martyrdom). She carries palms and wears a crown of candles on her head. In Sweden, girls dressed as Lucy carry rolls and cookies in procession as songs are sung.

A Hungarian custom is to plant wheat in a small pot on St. Lucy's feast. By Christmas green sprouts appear, signs of life coming from death. This symbolizes Lucy's new life, an eternal wedding feast, and ours. The wheat is then carried to the manger scene as the symbol of Christ in the Eucharist.

St. Lucy, pray that we may be the light of the world!

# Feast Days And Important Dates -December 2023

## St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church December 14, 2023



On December 14th we celebrate the Feast Day of Saint John of the Cross. John is a saint because his life was a heroic effort to live up to his name: “of the Cross.” The folly of the cross came to full realization in time. “Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me” (Mark 8:34b) is the story of John’s life. The Paschal Mystery—through death to life—strongly marks John as reformer, mystic-poet, and theologian-priest.

Ordained a Carmelite priest in 1567 at age 25, John met Teresa of Avila and like her, vowed himself to the primitive Rule of the Carmelites. As partner with Teresa and in his own right, John engaged in the work of reform, and came to experience the price of reform: increasing opposition, misunderstanding, persecution, imprisonment. He came to know the cross acutely—to experience the dying of Jesus—as he sat month after month in his dark, damp, narrow cell with only his God.

Yet, the paradox! In this dying of imprisonment John came to life, uttering poetry. In the darkness of the dungeon, John’s spirit came into the Light. There are many mystics, many poets; John is unique as mystic-poet, expressing in his prison-cross the ecstasy of mystical union with God in the *Spiritual Canticle*.

But as agony leads to ecstasy, so John had his Ascent to Mt. Carmel, as he named it in his prose masterpiece. As man-Christian-Carmelite, he experienced in himself this purifying ascent; as spiritual director, he sensed it in others; as psychologist-theologian, he described and analyzed it in his prose writings. His prose works are outstanding in underscoring the cost of discipleship, the path of union with God: rigorous discipline, abandonment, purification. Uniquely and strongly John underlines the gospel paradox: The cross leads to resurrection, agony to ecstasy, darkness to light, abandonment to possession, denial to self to union with God. If you want to save your life, you must lose it. John is truly “of the Cross.” He died at 49—a life short, but full.

## Third Sunday of Advent December 17, 2023



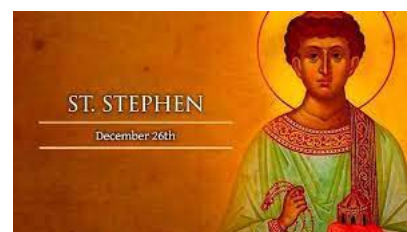
December 17th, 2023 is the third Sunday of Advent/Gaudete Sunday and we light the rose colored candle, and it’s meant to remind us of the joy that the world experienced at the birth of Jesus, as well as the joy that the faithful have reached the midpoint of Advent.

## 4th Sunday of Advent December 24, 2023



On the fourth week of Advent, we light the final purple candle to mark the final week of prayer and penance as we wait for the birth of our Savior. This final candle, the “Angel’s Candle,” symbolizes peace. It reminds us of the message of the angels: “Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men.”

## St. Stephen, The First Martyr December 26, 2023



One of the first deacons of the Church was a man named Stephen, a man filled with the Holy Spirit and with faith. Besides his job of overseeing the distribution of the poor, he also preached. A group of Jewish Hellenists strongly resented Stephen’s preaching of salvation through Jesus. The situation became so tense that they found witnesses to falsely testify that Stephen had committed blasphemy.

Stephen was arrested and brought to the court. The odds were against him and Jesus said, “When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your father speaking through you (Mathew 10:19–20). Stephen knew he would be helped by the Holy Spirit, and he wasn’t afraid.

When Stephen testified in court, he made two major points. First he believed that God could be found everywhere, not just in a single place like temple or a single person like Abraham. Second he demonstrated how from the beginning, the Israelites had consistently rejected God’s messengers, prophet’s, and chosen servants. And now they rejected and killed God’s Son who had been sent to them.

Those who had been listening to Stephen were blinded by anger so strong that they didn’t even wait for normal court proceedings. They rushed toward him, dragged him out of town, and stoned him. Stephen was the first person killed for Christ. His last words were “Lord, do not hold this sin against them” (Acts 7:60)

## Feast Days And Important Dates -December 2023

### St. John, Apostle and Evangelist December 27, 2023



St. John the Evangelist had the experience of living with Jesus—walking at his side, watching him perform miracles, listening to his teaching, and receiving signs of personal love.

Much of what we know about John's life comes through the Gospels. According to Matthew's Gospel, John was in a boat mending nets with his older brother James and his father Zebedee when Jesus called them to follow him. Their "Yes!" led to a great adventure.

John and James were called Sons of Thunder, possibly because of their fiery tempers. One example was when people in a Samaritan town would not accept Jesus. James and John wanted to call down fire to destroy the town. At another time the brothers secretly asked Jesus to have the highest place in his kingdom. Jesus explained that real greatness comes to those who serve.

John had the special privilege of being with Jesus at crucial times. With Peter and James, John was permitted to watch the miracle of Jairus's daughter coming back to life. The three witnessed the glory of Jesus' transfiguration. They were also the three invited to be with Jesus during his agony in the garden. John was also favored when he was the only apostle standing at the foot of the cross. Jesus entrusted to him his mother, Mary.

After Jesus had sent the Holy Spirit upon the apostles, John continued to respond to Jesus' call. One day he and Peter cured a lame beggar in the name of Jesus and were arrested and jailed for the night. The next day religious leaders listened to their message about Jesus' resurrection and were amazed that these fishermen could speak so convincingly.

It is said that when St. John was very old, people had to carry him to where the Christians assembled to worship. Each time he preached, he gave the same homily: "Little children, love one another." When people asked if he would talk on a different topic, he said that this is the Lord's word and if they really did this, they would do enough.

The symbol for John as a Gospel writer is the eagle. An eagle soars higher than other birds, and John's ideas reach heights that the other Gospels do not. Tradition holds that John is also the author of three letters and the Book of Revelation. He was exiled to the isle of Patmos, where he died.

St. John, pray that we may understand the mysteries of our faith more and more.

### The Holy Innocents, Martyrs December 28, 2023



The Story of the Holy Innocents: Herod "the Great," king of Judea, was unpopular with his people because of his connections with the Romans and his religious indifference. Hence he was insecure and fearful of any threat to his throne. He was a master politician and a tyrant capable of extreme brutality. He killed his wife, his brother, and his sister's two husbands, to name only a few.

Matthew 2:1-18 tells this story: Herod was "greatly troubled" when astrologers from the east came asking the whereabouts of "the newborn king of the Jews," whose star they had seen. They were told that the Jewish Scriptures named Bethlehem as the place where the Messiah would be born. Herod cunningly told them to report back to him so that he could also "do him homage." They found Jesus, offered him their gifts, and warned by an angel, avoided Herod on their way home. Jesus escaped to Egypt. Herod became furious and "ordered the massacre of all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity two years old and under." The horror of the massacre and the devastation of the mothers and fathers led Matthew to quote Jeremiah: "A voice was heard in Ramah, sobbing and loud lamentation; Rachel weeping for her children..." (Matthew 2:18). Rachel was the wife of Jacob (Israel). She is pictured as weeping at the place where the Israelites were herded together by the conquering Assyrians for their march into captivity.

### Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph December 31, 2023



On December 31st we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. The Gospel reading is from Luke 2:41-52. In his Gospel, Luke has been answering the question “Who is Jesus?” through his stories of the births of John the Baptist and Jesus. Today’s Gospel reading continues this theme. It has no parallel in the other Gospels and is the conclusion of Luke’s Infancy Narrative.

Mary, Joseph, and Jesus are presented in this Gospel as a faithful Jewish family. They are participating in the annual pilgrimage to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, an event shared each year with family and friends. When Jesus is found, Luke describes him as seated in the Temple in the midst of the Jewish teachers. Although he is young, Jesus seems not to need teaching about his Jewish tradition. In his dialogue with these learned teachers, Jesus astounds them with his insight and understanding. Jesus is a child of Israel. His Father is God.

The dialogue between Mary and Jesus contains many references to family relationships. In fact, in this Gospel reading Mary and Joseph are never identified by name. Instead they are referred to by their relationship to Jesus. Ultimately, this emphasizes Luke’s point about the identity of Jesus. When Mary and Joseph find Jesus in the Temple, they question Jesus and express their anxiety. Jesus replies in words that many have thought to be disrespectful. Jesus says that he was never lost; he was at home. Jesus is God’s Son, and he is in his Father’s house. Luke will continue to suggest that faith in Jesus establishes new family relationships as he describes Jesus’ public ministry.

The Feast of the Holy Family is a liturgical celebration in the Catholic Church in honor of Jesus, his mother, and his legal father, Saint Joseph, as a family. The primary purpose of this feast is to present the Holy Family as a model for Christian families. Veneration of the Holy Family was formally begun in the 17th century by Saint François de Laval, the first bishop of New France, who founded a Confraternity. We should remember that Jesus came to us from within a family, as the ultimate good of Mary and Joseph’s marriage. With them, He formed a union of divine and human hearts, and established an earthly trinity to help us better comprehend the mystery of the heavenly Trinity. And He gave us not just a means of contemplating the heavenly Trinity, but a living example for us all -- from the very start of His life on earth, He gave us a family in which “all men might behold a perfect model of domestic life, and of all virtue and holiness.” (Pope Leo XIII)

“God wanted to be born and to grow up in a human family. In this way he consecrated the family as the first and ordinary means of his encounter with humanity.” (Pope Benedict XVI)

# Knights, Men of Faith Praying the Rosary with Scripture

## THE FIRST JOYFUL MYSTERY: THE ANNUNCIATION



### Pray Our Father

"The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a virgin, and the virgin's name was Mary." (Luke 1: 26,27)

### Pray Hail Mary

"Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women." (Luke 1:28)

### PRAY Hail Mary

"When she heard him she was troubled at his word, and kept pondering what manner of greeting this might be." (Luke 1:29)

### Pray Hail Mary

"And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid Mary for you have found grace with God." (Luke 1:30)

### Pray Hail Mary

"Behold, you shall conceive in your womb and shall bring forth a son, and you shall call His name Jesus." (Luke 1:31)

### Pray Hail Mary

"He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Most High: and of His kingdom there shall be no end." (Luke 1:32-33)

### Pray Hail Mary

"But Mary said to the angel, "How shall this happen, since I do not know man?" (Luke 1:34)

### Pray Hail Mary

"The Holy Spirit shall come upon you and the power of the Most High shall overshadow you." (Luke 1:35)

### Pray Hail Mary

"And therefore the Holy One to be born shall be called the Son of God." (Luke 1:35)

### Pray Hail Mary

"Behold the handmaid of the Lord: be it done to me according to your word." (Luke 1:38)

### Pray Hail Mary

### Pray Glory Be

Pray "O my Jesus, forgive us our sins; save us from the fires of Hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy!"

## THE SECOND JOYFUL MYSTERY: THE VISITATION



### Pray Our Father

"Now Mary went into the hill country. And she entered the house of Zachary and saluted Elizabeth." (Luke 1:39-40)

### Pray Hail Mary

"When Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the babe in her womb leapt. And she was filled with the Holy Spirit." (Luke 1:41)

### Pray Hail Mary

"And she cried out, "Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb!" (Luke 1:42)

### Pray Hail Mary

"And blessed is she who has believed, because the things promised her by the Lord shall be accomplished." (Luke 1:45)

### Pray Hail Mary

"And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my savior; for He has regarded the low estate of His handmaid-en." (Luke 1:46-48)

### Pray Hail Mary

"For behold, henceforth all generations shall call me blessed; for He who is mighty has done great things for me." (Luke 1:48-49)

### Pray Hail Mary

"and Holy is his name. And His mercy is from generation to generation on those who fear Him." (Luke 1:49-50)

### Pray Hail Mary

"He has shown might with His arm, He has scattered the proud in the conceit of their heart." (Luke 1:51)

### Pray Hail Mary

"He has put down the mighty from their thrones, and has exalted the lowly." (Luke 1:52)

### Pray Hail Mary

"He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty." (Luke 1:53)

### Pray Hail Mary

### Pray Glory Be

Pray "O my Jesus, forgive us our sins; save us from the fires of Hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy!"

## THE THIRD JOYFUL MYSTERY: THE NATIVITY



### Pray Our Father

"It came to pass while they were in Bethlehem, that the days for her to be delivered were fulfilled." (Luke 2:6)

### Pray Hail Mary

"And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling clothes." (Luke 2:7)

### Pray Hail Mary

"And she laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn." (Luke 2:7)

### Pray Hail Mary

"And there were shepherds in the same district. And behold an angel of the Lord stood by them." (Luke 2:8-9)

### Pray Hail Mary

"Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which shall be to all the people." (Luke 2:10)

### Pray Hail Mary

"For today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you, who is Christ, the Lord." (Luke 2:11)

### Pray Hail Mary

"Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth peace to men of good will." (Luke 2:14)

### Pray Hail Mary

"And behold, Magi came from the East, and entering they found the child with Mary His mother." (Matt. 2:11)

### Pray Hail Mary

"And falling down they worshipped Him and they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." (Matt. 2:11)

### Pray Hail Mary

"And Mary kept in mind all these things, pondering them in her heart." (Luke 2:19)

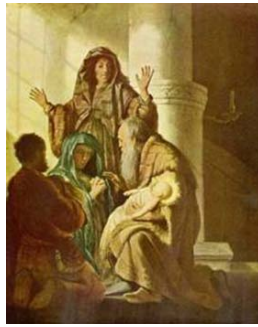
### Pray Hail Mary

### Pray Glory Be

Pray "O my Jesus, forgive us our sins; save us from the fires of Hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy!"

# Knights, Men of Faith Praying the Rosary with Scripture

## THE FOURTH JOYFUL MYSTERY: THE PRESENTATION



### Pray Our Father

*“According to the Law of Moses, they took Jesus up to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord.” (Luke 2:32)*

### Pray Hail Mary

*“Now there was in Jerusalem a man named Simeon, and this man was just and devout, looking for the consolation of Israel.” (Luke 2:25)*

### Pray Hail Mary

*“And it had been revealed to him that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord” (Luke 2:26)*

### Pray Hail Mary

*“And when they brought in the child Jesus, he received Him into his arms and blessed God.” (Luke 2:27-28)*

### Pray Hail Mary

*“Now You can dismiss Your servant, O Lord, according to Your word, in peace.” (Luke 2:29)*

### Pray Hail Mary

*“Because my eyes have seen Your salvation, which You have prepared before the face of all peoples.” (Luke 2:30-31)*

### Pray Hail Mary

*“A light of revelation to the Gentiles, and a glory for Your people, Israel.” (Luke 2:32)*

### Pray Hail Mary

*“And he said to Mary, “Behold, this child is destined for the fall and for the rise of many in Israel, and for a sign that shall be contradicted.” (Luke 2:34)*

### Pray Hail Mary

*“And your own soul a sword shall pierce, that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.” (Luke 2:35)*

### Pray Hail Mary

*“And they returned to Nazareth. And the child grew and became strong, and the grace of God was upon Him.” (Luke 2:39)*

### Pray Glory Be

**Pray** “O my Jesus, forgive us our sins; save us from the fires of Hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy!”

## THE FIFTH JOYFUL MYSTERY: THE FINDING OF JESUS



### Pray Our Father

*“When Jesus was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem according to the custom of the feast.” (Luke 2:42)*

### Pray Hail Mary

*“And when they were returning, the boy Jesus remained in Jerusalem, and His parents did not know it.” (Luke 2:43)*

### Pray Hail Mary

*“They returned to Jerusalem in search of Him. And after three days, they found Him in the temple.” (Luke 2:45-46)*

### Pray Hail Mary

*“He was sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions.” (Luke 2:46)*

### Pray Hail Mary

*“And all who were listening to Him were amazed at His understanding and His answers.” (Luke 2:47)*

### Pray Hail Mary

*“Son, why have You done this to us? Behold, in sorrow Your father and I have been seeking You.” (Luke 2:48)*

### Pray Hail Mary

*“How is it that you sought Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father’s business?” (Luke 2:49)*

### Pray Hail Mary

*“And they did not understand the word that He spoke to them.” (Luke 2:51)*

### Pray Hail Mary

*“And He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was subject to them.” (Luke 2:51)*

### Pray Hail Mary

*“And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and grace before God and man.” (Luke 2:52)*

### Pray Hail Mary

### Pray Glory Be

**Pray** “O my Jesus, forgive us our sins; save us from the fires of Hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy!”

**Pray** “HAIL HOLY QUEEN, Mother of mercy, Our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us. And after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.”

### V. Pray for us oh holy mother of God.

(This line is read by one person when the Hail Holy Queen is being recited in a group setting.)

### R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

(This line is the response given by the group.)

**“LET US PRAY:** O God, whose only begotten Son, by his life, death and resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, grant, we beseech thee, that meditating upon these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.”



**Knights of Columbus  
Cardinal McIntyre Council No. 6332  
December 2023**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					First Friday Adoration 10:00 p.m. - 6:00 a.m.	
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First Sunday of Advent St. Frances Xavier, Priest	St. John Damascene, Priest & Doctor of the Church		Saint Nicholas, Bishop	Business Meeting 7:00 p.m. St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Saint Juan Diego Cuahtlatotzin
3		5	6	7	8	9
Second Sunday of Advent Welcome & Recruitment after Masses	St. Damasus I, Pope	Our Lady of Guadalupe	Saint Lucy Virgin and Martyr	4th Degree Meeting 7:30 p.m. St. John of the Cross, Doctor of the Church		Recycling 7:00 a.m. - Noon
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Third Sunday of Advent				Saint Peter Canisius, Doctor of the Church		St John of Kanty, Priest
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Fourth Sunday of Advent	The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)	St Stephen, the First Martyr	St. John Apostle & Evangelist	The Holy Innocents, Martyrs	St. Thomas Becket Bishop & Martyr	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph						
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**Knights of Columbus  
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January, 2024**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Solemnity of Mary Holy Mother of God New Year's Day	Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Drs of the Church	The Most Holy Name of Jesus	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious Officers Mtg 6 pm Business Mtg 7 pm	St. John Neumann, Bishop First Friday Adoration 10:00 p.m. - 6:00 a.m.	St Andre Bessette
		2	3	4	5	6
Epiphany of the Lord Welcome & Recruitment after masses	Baptism of the Lord		Blood Drive 11:00-4:00 p.m	4th Degree Meeting 7:30 p.m.		St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time Donut Ministry after morning masses	Martin Luther King Day		St. Anthony, Abbott			Saint Fabian, Pope & Martyr Recycle 7am- 12 Noon
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time Pancake Breakfast	Day of prayer for the legal protection of unborn children	St. Vincent, Deacon & Martyr	St. Frances De Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle Officer Meeting 7:00 p.m.	Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops	St. Angela Merici, Virgin
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
4th Sunday of Ordinary Time Donut Ministry after morning masses			Saint John Bosco, Priest			
28	29	30	31			

## ROSE & ROSARY PROGRAM:

Our Council distributes Knights of Columbus rosaries at the baptisms held the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month at noon. A rosary is given to each family and it is a beautiful meaningful part of the ceremony. We are always interested in more Knights and their wives participating, and you can contact PGK Mike Ensley at (949) 367-1427 for further details.

## COFFEE & DONUTS PROGRAM:

The Knights coordinate and staff Sunday coffee and donuts after the 7:00, 8:30 and 10:30 am Masses. This is a wonderful chance to meet and talk with fellow parishioners. We also find that it is an effective way to recruit new Knights. We start setting up at 6:00 am; we usually finish cleanup at 12:00 pm. In between, we staff the coffee and donuts tables. If you are interested in helping, even in a limited way, we'd appreciate your help. Please contact Brother Benny Jones at benny.jones1@cox.net or Terry Koressel at terrykoressel@gmail.com for further information. **Next dates: December 3,10,17,24,31, 2023 during the morning Masses.**

## NEEDS OF THE COUNCIL:

- Membership Director: Form team to coordinate recruiting activity at Knight events, ensure processing of Form 100 membership applications and track status of candidates.
- Exemplification Team: Plan and coordinate all aspects of the event, including ceremony, advertising and hospitality.
- Council Website Coordinator: Enhance and maintain Council website.
- Parish Bulletin Ads Coordinator: With input from Officers, develop promotional ads for parish bulletin and other Knight publications. Graphic arts capability is a plus.

## PANCAKE BREAKFAST:

Pancake breakfasts are one of our biggest fund raisers for our parish. It is expected that all Knights make an effort to attend and assist with duties they sign up for. Pancake Breakfasts are on hiatus for the holiday season. **Our next breakfast is scheduled for 1/21/2024.**

## BLOOD DRIVE:

**Our next Blood Drive: 1/10/2024.** Contact Brother Bob Bochinairz at (949)215-0201 or Nik Raleigh at (949)500-6615 for more information.

## 4TH DEGREE LIAISON:

4th Degree Knights of Columbus, Santiago de Compostela Assembly #2305 meets the 2nd Thursday of the month in the Conference Center. For further details, contact PGK Joe Paulivicic Jr. (949) 699-2576. **Next meeting is December 14, 2023. January's meeting is 1/11/2024.**

## FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION:

Adoration is always the First Friday of every month, Knights of Cardinal McIntyre Council have responded to the Pastor's concern that at least one good Catholic man be in attendance during the "small hours" (10:00 PM to 6:00 AM Saturday) so that other parishioners, women and children, can feel safe and confident to visit the Church at all hours. Please notify PGK Mike Ensley at (949)-367-1427 if you can participate or sign up at our next business meeting. **Our next Eucharistic Adoration will be on December 1, 2023. January's Eucharistic Adoration will be on 1/5/2024.**

## CORPORATE COMMUNION:

Corporate Communion will be at the 8:30 a.m. mass at St. Kilian every quarter. Please wear your name badge and sit with fellow Knights in the reserved seats. **Our next Corporate Communion: will be next quarter in 2024.**

## RECYCLE DRIVE:

Monthly Recycle Drive held the 3rd Saturday of every month from 7 am until noon. We can use your help. If you are interested, please contact Jim Messmer at (949) 339-0921. **Next Drive: 12/16/2023, January's Recycle Drive is 1/20/2024.**

## KOC POTLUCK:

**The Potlucks are taking a break due to the Holiday Season, stay tuned for announcements in the newsletter as to a resumption date.** Contact Brother Joe Paulivicic at (714) 290-3489 for more information.

## NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:

**The next Council Business meeting will be on 12/7/2023 at 7:00 p.m. and the January meeting will be on 1/4/2024.**

## KNIGHTS ON BIKES:

**For more information on Knights on Bikes, please** Contact Brother Mario Alegre at marioalegre86@gmail.com or 949-636-6542 for more information.



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## **"St. Kilian Council 6332 Monthly Recognition"**

For brother knights as follows:

### **Degree Completions**

none
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### **Transfers to our Council**

None
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### **Anniversary of Knights of Columbus Service**

Father Jim Dunning	December 1	60 Years
Bob Frederisy	December 1	56 Years
John Connolly	December 1	52 Years
Richard Schwary	December 4	27 Years
Ed Nieto	December 15	13 Years
Frank Evagues	December 16	10 Years
Tony Rodeiro	December 16	10 Years
Richard Ytzen	December 16	10 Years
Ryan Peters	December 10	8 Years
Albert Ybarra	December 10	8 Years
Bill Hays	December 9	5 Years
Daniel Carmody	December 11	4 Years
Kevin Goode	December 16	4 Years
Steve Ducco	December 20	3 Years

### **Birthdays in December**

Anthony Perez	December 2
Brian Berneking	December 3
Ray Trebels	December 4
Richard Schwary	December 7
Wayne Dupre	December 8
Bob Hrad	December 15
John Rette	December 17
Thomas Real	December 18
Gary Everson	December 20
Timothy Mahar	December 23
Jim O'Keefe	December 23
Ryan Flynn	December 25
Doug Tchang	December 27
Deacon John Siberstein	December 28
Dave Edenhofer	December 31