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## **Patriot Day** September 11, 2024



PATRIOT DAY is a day the US remembers the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001. This day is commonly referred to as 9-11 (Nine-Eleven). It is believed that 2,977 people died in the attacks. President Georgé W. Bush proclaimed September 11th Patriot Day in 2002. On September 11th, US Flags should be flown at half mast- both on US soil and abroad. A moment of silence is held at 8:46 a.m. (EST) across the nation commemorating the time the first plane struck the North Tower of the World Trade Center on September 11,2001. The National September 11 Memorial and Museum takes up over half of the destroyed World Trade Center site. It contains bronze parapets inscribed with the names of those killed on September 11,2001 and those killed in the 1993 World Trade Center attack. Cleaning up Ground Zero, as the World Trade Center was renamed, took 18 months and 19 days, and was completed in May of 2002. The Twin Towers of the World Trade Center were once the tallest buildings in the world, and contained enough concrete to build a sidewalk from New York City to Washington D.C.

### **Labor Day** September 4, 2024

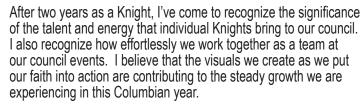


Labor Day is a federal holiday in the United States celebrated on the first Monday in September to honor and recognize the American labor movement and the works and contributions of laborers to the development and achievements of the United States. It is the Monday of the long weekend known as Labor Day Weekend. This year Labor Day is celebrated on September 2, 2024.

### **Notes From the Top:**

### **Grand Knights Message**

Dear Brothers,



We have two new members and five more in the process of becoming Knights without having had the benefit of a membership drive. I'm encouraged by the desire to contribute that some of these men have expressed or are already acting on.

The more of us that outwardly put our faith into action and live the values of charity, unity and fraternity, the more men will want to be part of what we do. Other men see us in action and, with the help of the Holy Spirit, desire to put their faith into action.

We have a big parish and community-wide opportunity with the upcoming Oktoberfest the last weekend in September and ongoing opportunities in support of Baptisms and spiritual reflection, such as the Saturday morning Men's Ministry & Formation, to name a few.

Fraternally, Brother Jim

# Notes From the Top Deputy Grand Knight's Message:

Dear Brothers,

"I can do all things through Him who strengthens me", (Philippians 4:13) This bible verse for September is perfect because it reminds us that no matter what life brings our way, we can always get through it with the help of God! He will be by your side with each step you take.

Fraternally, Brother Mike Urratio



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**District Deputy's Message** 

District Deputy Corner,



Worthy Knights. Two dates left to host a special needs parishioner on a "Fish for Life" event on two different Saturday's Sept 7th or Oct 19th . See the Flyer.

There is the Walk for Life on Oct 5th at 8:30 am at Christ Cathedral at the Our Lady of Da Vang Chapel. Parking is limited so we suggest that you carpool. See the flyer in your council newsletter

Please Discern and commit to step up and lead. There are plenty of 'director' positions that need filling, confer with your Grand Knight. Help your parish thrive! If you hang out with the parish youth, complete our KOC Safe Environment Online training. An hour or so of your time is good for 3 years. It will help your council towards a Star for three years!

Dan Hoffman District Deputy 138 Vivat Jesus.

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**Chancellor's Message:** 

Dear Brothers,

It is great seeing an increase in monthly meeting attendance, as well as more inquiries from practicing Catholic men, who are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus and our council! Thank you to all for making that extra effort to promote and represent our fraternal order, whether it is by wearing your red council name badge, council polo shirts at Mass or supporting the ministries offered at St. Kilian. Parishioners do notice...especially other men, as it is in our nature to be part of something bigger than ourselves. Thanks be to God!

For those who have not been able to attend in a while – you are always welcome to join us! We can use everyone's support as we prepare for Oktoberfest set for September 28th and 29th.

We are in the middle of St. Michael's Lent, which began on the Feast of Assumption (August 15, 2024) and ends on Michaelmas (September 29, 2024). This tradition came to us from the life of St. Francis of Assisi, who was deeply devoted to St. Michael and the angels. It has been a wonderful experience for me, as I am going through St. Michael's Lent for the first time, using the Exodus 90 app (https://exodus90.com/), as I try to become a better husband, father and brother, with a closer relationship to God, as well as understand the spiritual warfare that we all go through. If you have any questions regarding this app, feel free to contact me. Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally, Brother Mario Alegre

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### **Financial Secretary's Message**

Dear Brother Knights,



Over the last few years, I've been subscribing to Dynamic Catholic's daily inspirations. Although the inspirations cover many facets of our lives, one theme struck a chord with me and that is with God's help we can achieve things that we thought were impossible. When we are asked to volunteer or assist another, we come up with all sorts of excuses: I'm too busy, someone else will do it, or that's too difficult for me. What I have found out is that we are capable of much more than we realize. Because of these daily inspirations, I have taken on some new duties in support of our church. Some of you may not know this, but I facilitate the Bethany Ministry, which is for people who have lost a loved one and are grieving. Now would you expect me, a Structural Engineer for 46 years, taking on a job with so many touchy-feely reactions? We meet weekly and it takes up a significant portion of my time. God wants us to stretch our human capabilities to help others and be the best version of ourselves. So, I say to you Brother Knights, will you take on that extra burden to be the best version of yourself?

Fraternally, Brother Steve Shekerlian

# Blood Drive Update



Dear Brothers,

Our next drive is planned for October 9th, 2024, so please mark your calendar or stay in touch with our St. Kilian's events page on either our website or via our weekly church bulletins.

Thank you Susan and Nik and all who help make our ongoing drives a success.

His Peace be with you and yours.

Fraternally Bob Bochniarz

#### From the Editor:



Dear Brothers,

A big thank you to everyone who contributed articles for the newsletter. Without your contributions the newsletter would not be the success that it is! Please check out the photos from our BBQ in July.

Fraternally, Brother Tracy Higuchi

# **Council Potluck Joe Paulicivic**

**Dear Brothers** 



The Knights Potlucks are open to everyone, spouses, family and friends! Our next potluck will on 10/17/24 from 6:30 pm - 8 pm.. Please call me at (714) 290-3489 for more information.

Fraternally, Br. Joe

### **Trustee's Corner**

My Dear Brother Knights,

There is no Trustee's message for September, stay tuned for a message from Brother Williams in our next issue.

The Editor



### Recycle Drive News



Dear Brothers,

August was another good month for collection, netting \$422. YTD we've collected \$2,974 and are on track to, likely, exceed last year. We filled five of six bins, including more than one bin of aluminum. We still need more plastic bottles and aluminum cans from Knights! Please collect your aluminum cans and plastic bottles and bring them to the lower parking lot on recycle Saturday.

Thanks to all brothers who helped out on Saturday and to those who contributed with recyclables. The next recycle drive is September 21. The drive begins with set up at 6:45am and concludes at Noon. Please sign up at the monthly meeting or on SignUp Genius. Please wear a Knight shirt or hat and your badge.

Fraternally, Brother Jim Messmer

### **Notes From the Top:**

### Field Agent's Message

Dear Brothers,

Working with Knights like you and your families every day is a blessing. I truly enjoy my work. With that said, I appreciate a long weekend as well. I hope you were all able to enjoy Labor Day and get some well-deserved rest.

Whenever we have a long weekend, it's like a little preview of what retirement might look like. If you're like me, I hope my retirement is one that's restful where I'm also able to remain productive, be an active member of the Knights, pursue my personal hobbies, and enjoy a bit of travel here and there. And to those of you who are already retired, I commend you for all the time you dedicate to our Order.

But if you're like me and not quite there yet, I hope you will take the necessary steps to prepare yourself financially for your retirement. A good way to do that can be through an annuity. Now, what is an annuity? Simply put, it's a retirement savings product. You make contributions and, after a specified amount of time, the annuity pays you a regular income stream.

The amount of money you'll need in retirement can be difficult to calculate. But with a properly structured retirement annuity through Knights of Columbus, you can have retirement income that you cannot outlive, guaranteed. There are many different payment and plan types you can choose from. Once established, the money within the annuity continues to earn value, before eventually being disbursed according to the options you elect.

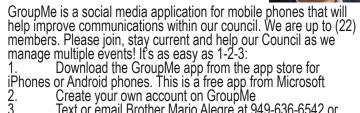
Knights of Columbus annuities come with two important guarantees. First, your principal is guaranteed. Regardless of market condition or company results, your Knights of Columbus annuity will not lose value. Second, each Knights of Columbus annuity comes with a guaranteed minimum interest rate. No matter the market fluctuations, your annuity is guaranteed to never earn less than the contractually stated amount on an annual basis.

As you can see, annuities can be a key part of your retirement strategy. If you'd like to learn more about how annuities can help you, please schedule an appointment with me and I would be happy to discuss your options

Fraternally, Mark Yubeta 949-322-7266

### **Knights on GroupMe**

Worthy Brothers,



Text or email Brother Mario Alegre at 949-636-6542 or marioalegre86@gmail.com, and the link to join will be sent to you.

Please join if you have not yet done so. Thanks, Brother Mario

### **Lecturer's Corner:** Norm Abbod

Dear Brothers.



Success and Failure... You have to ask Steve Jobs. This is an interesting video from Steve Jobs perspective but it applies at all of us in all our endeavors. Link is below.

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Fraternally, **Brother Norm** 

### **Knights in Action: BBQ Photos**

















### Sickness, Distress and Gratitude Prayer List

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Baby Ellla Bob Hrad Cancer
Bob Hrad Tracy Higuchi Healing, recovery
Hank Berry Matt Woods Cancer
Kyla Schmidt Danny Reed Paralyzed

Roopa Gopal Guttal Matt Woods Passed due to stroke, Repose of the Soul Healing for Spine Injury, Alchoholism

Mike Schnell Bob Hrad Cancer
Grace Dunn Bob Hrad Healing, heart
Mariella Stie Michael Urratio Cancer

Val DeamonteMichael UrratioRepose of the soul for her husbandPricilla AndersonNorm AbbodPassed due to cancer, Repose of the Soul

Angela Blair Randy Blair Healing, Double knee replacement, Auto immune disease, neuropathy

Fred Bertrando Dave Bertrando Healing, recovery from seizures

Rich Kreich Danny Reed Repose of the Soul, passed due to Cancer Mary O'Hearn Memory issues

Pam Hrad Bob Hrad Healing, recovery Bob Knoke Council 6332 Memory issues Carol Schuster Bill DeLuca Reposé of the Soul John Schuster Bill DeLuca Repose of the Soul Council 6332 Raymond Toal Repose of the Soul Wojciech Henry Zakrzewski Council 6332 Repose of the Soul Council 6332 Repose of the Soul Patrick Mansfield James C Russ Council 6332 Repose of the Soul Bill DeLuca Michael Scialabba Repose of the Soul

Mark Derrico Dave Bertrando Full Return of Eyesight
Mike Tamkin Bill DeLuca Stroke

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Liz Quirk Michael Urratio Breast Cancer
Manuel Reyes Alegre Council 6332 Repose of the Soul
Vince Martin Michael Urratio Repose of the Soul

Jack AndersonRon WhiteCancerRon WhiteCouncil 6332Surgery

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End to conflict in Middle East Council 6332 Peace and that love of neighbor will prevail

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James Zuley Sean Gawne Healing cancer, chemo

Vincent Escaria Gabriel Trebels Cancer
Dave Mendez Arnie Herrera Cancer

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Those impacted by the Maui Fires Council 6332 Prayers

People of Ukraine Council 6332 Peace, healing, comfort, relief
Medical and Essential Workers Council 6332 Gratitude & pray for their health/safety
Our military Council 6332 Gratitude for their service and sacrifice

### St. Gregory the Great, Sept. 3, 2024



Born of a noble family, Gregory was the prefect of Rome before he was 30. After five years in office he resigned, founded six monasteries on his Sicilian estate, and became a Benedictine monk in his own home at Rome. Ordained a priest, Gregory became one of the pope's seven deacons, and also served six years in the East as papal representative in Constantinople. He was recalled to become abbot, and at the age of 50 in 590 he was elected pope by the clergy and people of Rome. Gregory was direct and firm. He removed unworthy priests from office, forbade taking money for many services, emptied the papal treasury to ransom prisoners of the Lombards and to care for persecuted Jews and the victims of plague and famine. He was very concerned about the conversion of England, sending 40 monks from his own monastery. He is known for his reform of the liturgy, and for strengthening respect for doctrine. Whether he was largely responsible for the revision of "Gregorian" chant is disputed.

Gregory was the first pope to sign himself "the Servant of the Servants of God" "It is fitting, it is truly fitting," he wrote, "that the Lord's priest should shine brightly in his mortality and in his life, so that people entrusted to him may be able both to choose what to follow and see what to correct, as in the mirror of this life."

His book, Pastoral Care, on the duties and qualities of a bishop, was read for centuries after his death. He described bishops mainly as physicians whose main duties were preaching and the enforcement of discipline. In his own down-to-earth preaching, Gregory was skilled at applying the daily Gospel to the needs of his listeners. Called "the Great," Gregory has been given a place with Augustine, Ambrose, and Jerome, as one of the four key doctors of the Western Church.

### St. Teresa of Calcutta September 5, 2024



Born to Albanian parents in what is now Skopje, Macedonia, Gonxha (Agnes) Bojaxhiu was the youngest of the three children who survived. During her years in public school, Agnes participated in a Catholic sodality and showed a strong interest in the foreign missions. At age 18, she entered the Loreto Sisters of Dublin. In 1929 she was sent to the Loreto novitiate in Darjeeling, India. There she chose the name Teresa and prepared for a life of service. She was assigned to a high school for girls in Calcutta, where she taught history and geography to the daughters of the wealthy. But she could not escape the realities around her—the poverty, the suffering, the overwhelming numbers of destitute people.

In 1946, while riding a train to Darjeeling to make a retreat, Sister Teresa heard what she later explained as "a call within a call. The message was clear. I was to leave the convent and help the poor while living among them." She also heard a call to give up her life with the Sisters of Loreto and instead, to "follow Christ into the slums to serve him among the poorest of the poor."

After receiving permission to leave Loreto, establish a new religious community, and undertake her new work, Sister Teresa took a nursing course

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for several months. She returned to Calcutta, where she lived in the slums and opened a school for poor children. Dressed in a white sari and sandals--the ordinary dress of an Indian woman--she soon began getting to know her neighbors—especially the poor and sick—and getting to know their needs through visits.

> The work was exhausting, but she was not alone for long. Volunteers who came to join her in the work, some of them former students, became the core of the Missionaries of Charity. Others helped by donating food, clothing, supplies, and the use of buildings. In 1952, the city of Calcutta gave Mother Teresa a former hostel, which became a home for the dying and the destitute. As the order expanded, services were also offered to orphans, abandoned children, alcoholics, the aging, and street people.

> For the next four decades, Mother Teresa worked tirelessly on behalf of the poor. Her love knew no bounds. Nor did her energy, as she crisscrossed the globe pleading for support and inviting others to see the face of Jesus in the poorest of the poor. In 1979, she was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. On September 5, 1997, God called her home. Blessed Teresa was canonized by Pope Francis on September 4, 2016

### The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary September 8, 2024

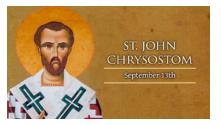


The Bible doesn't say anything about Mary's birth, but we know that she was born. Like all parents, Mary's parents—we call them Joachim and Ann—probably took one look at their newborn daughter and knew that she was special.

Joachim and Ann loved God very much, and they were filled with gratitude to God for the gift of a child. They raised Mary as a child of God, teaching her to love and serve God. When the angel Gabriel told Mary that she had been chosen to be the Mother of Jesus, she already had great faith in God. Her strong faith and trust allowed her to say yes to God's plan for her. We cannot be certain what the future holds for any newborn infant, but we do know that the life of each person has meaning and purpose. When Mary was born, the world did not know who she was. Sometimes others—and maybe even you—don't see how special you are. Maybe you forget that God is calling you, too, right now, to do what Mary did—to bring Jesus into the world.

When we celebrate his mother's birth, we honor Jesus too. Today thank God for the gift of life, and give honor to both Mary and Jesus by showing respect and concern for one another—remembering that God has created each person with love and with a call to something very special in life.

### St. John Chrysostom **September 13, 2024**



St. John, named Chrysostom (golden-mouthed) on account of his eloquence, came into the world of Christian parents, around 347 in Antioch, Syria. His father died when he was a child, so his mother guided his education. John was a gifted student. At 18, he experienced a religious conversion and began to study the Bible. Three years later, John joined a group of monks in the mountains. He left them to live as a hermit in a cave. But his health suffered, and he returned to Antioch. There others quickly noticed his gifts as a monk, a biblical scholar, and an eloquent speaker. Soon he was ordained to the deaconate and was ordained a priest at the age of 39.

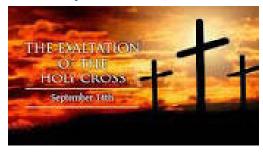
In 397, John was made the bishop-patriarch of Constantinople. He lived a simple life, giving his wealth over for the building of hospitals, and he set about reforming the clergy and the city. He deposed bishops for buying their

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way into office. John sold much of the expensive furniture in the bishop's residence and gave the money to those who were poor. He attacked wealthy people for misuse of their riches. John sought to reform the lax clergy, to straighten out the badly managed budget, and to rid the land of violence. His zeal for charity and justice angered the empress, Eudoxia, and provoked the jealousy of Theophilus, the patriarch of Alexandria. John was impeached and exiled. Even though he had the support of Pope Innocent I, John was exiled even farther away and died en route in 407.

The role of a true prophet is to comfort the disturbed and to disturb the comfortable. John Chrysostom did just that.

### The Exaltation of the Holy Cross **September 14, 2024**



Early in the fourth century, Saint Helena, mother of the Roman Emperor Constantine, went to Jerusalem in search of the holy places of Christ's life. She razed the second-century Temple of Aphrodite, which tradition held was built over the Savior's tomb, and her son built the Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher on that spot. During the excavation, workers found three crosses. Legend has it that the one on which Jesus died was identified when its touch healed a dying woman.

The cross immediately became an object of veneration. At a Good Friday celebration in Jerusalem toward the end of the fourth century, according to an eyewitness, the wood was taken out of its silver container and placed on a table together with the inscription Pilate ordered placed above Jesus' head: Then "all the people pass through one by one; all of them bow down, touching the cross and the inscription, first with their foreheads, then with their eyes; and, after kissing the cross, they move on."

To this day, the Eastern Churches, Catholic and Orthodox alike, celebrate the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on the September anniversary of the basilica's dedication. The feast entered the Western calendar in the seventh century after Emperor Heraclius recovered the cross from the Persians, who had carried it off in 614, 15 years earlier. According to the story, the emperor intended to carry the cross back into Jerusalem himself, but was unable to move forward until he took off his imperial garb and became a barefoot pilgrim.

The faithful have always looked to the cross in times of suffering. The cross does not explain pain and misery. It does not give us any easy answers. But it does help us to see our lives united with Christ's.

We often make the Sign of the Cross over ourselves. We make it before prayer to help fix our minds and hearts on God. We make it after prayer, hoping to stay close to God. In trials and temptations, the cross is a sign of strength and protection. The cross is the sign of the fullness of life that is ours. At Baptism, too, the Sign of the Cross is used; the priest, parents, and godparents make the sign on the forehead of the child. A sign made on the forehead is a sign of belonging. By the Sign of the Cross in Baptism, Jesus takes us as his own in a unique way. Today, let us look to the cross often. Let us make the Sign of the Cross and realize we bring our whole selves to God—our minds, souls, bodies, wills, thoughts, hearts—everything we are and will become.

"O cross, you are the glorious sign of our victory. Through your power may we share in the triumph of Christ Jesus. "(Prayer of Christians)

Our Lady of **Sorrows** Sept. 15, 2024



The feast of Our Lady of Sorrows commemorates the seven great sorrows which Mary lived in relation to Her Son, as they are recorded in the Gospels or through Tradition. Today we are invited to reflect on Mary's deep suffering:

1. At the prophecy of Simeon: "You yourself shall be pierced with a sword - so that the thoughts of many hearts may be laid bare." (Luke 2:35).

2. At the flight into Egypt; "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt." (Mf 2:13).

3. Having lost the Holy Child at Jerusalem; "You see that your father and I have been searching for you in sorrow." (Luke 2:48).

4. Meeting Jesus on his way to Calvary;

5. Standing at the foot of the Cross; "Near the cross of Jesus there stood His mother." (John 19:25).
6. Jesus being taken from the Cross;

7. At the burial of Christ.

Prior to the Second Vatican Council, there were two feasts devoted to the sorrows of Mary. The first feast was instituted in Cologne in 1413 as an expiation for the sins of the iconoclast Hussites. The second is attributed to the Servite order whose principal devotion are the Seven Sorrows. It was instituted in 1668, though the devotion had been in existence since 1239 - five years after the founding of the order.

Sts Andrew Kim Taegon, Paul Chong Hasang, & Companions September 20, 2024



Today we remember a whole group of courageous Korean Christians—113 martyrs canonized together in 1984. Among them were Andrew, a 21-year-old priest; Paul, a 45-year-old seminarian; Columba Kim, a 26-year-old single woman, and her sister Agnes; and Peter Ryau, a 13-year-old boy. Some 10,000 Catholics were martyred for their faith before religious freedom came to Korea in 1884. Now Korea has nearly 4 million Catholics.

The first native Korean priest, Andrew Kim Taegon was the son of Christian converts. Following his baptism at the age of 15, Andrew traveled 1,300 miles to the seminary in Macao, China. After six years, he managed to return to his country through Manchuria. That same year he crossed the Yellow Sea to Shanghai and was ordained a priest. Back home again, he was assigned to arrange for more missionaries to enter by a water route that would elude the border patrol. He was arrested, tortured, and finally beheaded at the Han River near Seoul, the capital.

Andrew's father Ignatius Kim, was martyred during the persecution of 1839, and was beatified in 1925. Paul Chong Hasang, a lay apostle and married man, also died in 1839 at age 45.

Among the other martyrs in 1839 was Columba Kim, an unmarried woman of 26. She was put in prison, pierced with hot tools and seared with burning coals. She and her sister Agnes were disrobed and kept for two days in a cell with condemned criminals, but were

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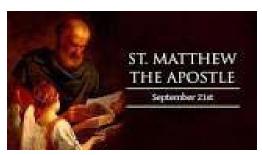
not molested. After Columba complained about the indignity, no more women were subjected to it. The two were beheaded. Peter Ryou, a boy of 13, had his flesh so badly torn that he could pull off pieces and throw them at the judges. He was killed by strangulation. Protase Chong, a 41-year-old nobleman, apostatized under torture and was freed. Later he came back, confessed his faith and was tortured to death.

Christianity came to Korea during the Japanese invasion in 1592 when some Koreans were baptized, probably by Christian Japanese soldiers. Evangelization was difficult because Korea refused all contact with the outside world except for taking taxes to Beijing annually. On one of these occasions, around 1777, Christian literature obtained from Jesuits in China led educated Korean Christians to study. A home Church began. When a Chinese priest managed to enter secretly a dozen years later, he found 4,000 Catholics, none of whom had ever seen a priest. Seven years later there were 10,000 Catholics. Religious freedom came to Korea in 1883.

Besides Andrew and Paul, Pope John Paul II canonized 98 Koreans and three French missionaries who had been martyred between 1839 and 1867, when he visited Korea in 1984. Among them were bishops and priests, but for the most part they were lay persons: 47 women and 45 men.

This feast is a counterpart to the Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus; both have the possibility of uniting people easily divided on other matters.

St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist Sept. 21, 2024



Little is known about St. Matthew, except that he was the son of Alpheus, and he was likely born in Galilee. He worked as a tax collector, which was a hated profession during the time of Christ. According to the Gospel, Matthew was working at a collection booth in Capernaum when Christ came to him and asked, "Follow me." With this simple call, Matthew became a disciple of Christ.

From Matthew we know of the many doings of Christ and the message Christ spread of salvation for all people who come to God through Him. The Gospel account of Matthew tells the same story as that found in the other three Gospels, so scholars are certain of its authenticity. His book is the first of the four Gospels in the New Testament.

Many years following the death of Christ, around 41 and 50 AD, Matthew wrote his gospel account. He wrote the book in Aramaic in the hope that his account would convince his fellow people that Jesus was the Messiah and that His kingdom had been fulfilled in a spiritual way. It was an important message at a time when almost everyone was expecting the return of a militant messiah brandishing a sword.

It is thought he departed for other lands to escape persecution sometime after 42 AD. According to various legends he fled to Parthia and Persia, or Ethiopia. Nothing is recorded of Matthew's passing. We do not know how he died, if his death was natural or if he was martyred.

Saint Matthew is often depicted with one of the four living creatures of Revelation 4:7, which reads, "The first living creature was like a lion, the second like a bull, the third living creature had a human face, and the fourth living creature was like a flying eagle." Matthew was a tax collector and is therefore the patron saint of bankers. The Church established St. Matthew's feast day as September 21.

St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina September. 23, 2024



In one of the largest such ceremonies in history, Pope John Paul II canonized Padre Pio of Pietrelcina on June 16, 2002. More than 300,000 people braved blistering heat as they filled St. Peter's Square and nearby streets. They heard the Holy Father praise the new saint for his prayer and charity. "This is the most concrete synthesis of Padre Pio's teaching," said the pope. He also stressed Padre Pio's witness to the power of suffering. If accepted with love, the Holy Father stressed, such suffering can lead to "a privileged path of sanctity."

Many people have turned to the Italian Capuchin Franciscan to intercede with God on their behalf; among them was the future Pope John Paul II. In 1962, when he was still an archbishop in Poland, he wrote to Padre Pio and asked him to pray for a Polish woman with throat cancer. Within two weeks, she had been cured of her life-threatening disease.

Born Francesco Forgione, Padre Pio grew up in a family of farmers in southern Italy. Twice his father worked in Jamaica, New York, to provide the family income. At the age of 15, Francesco joined the Capuchins and took the name of Pio. He was ordained in 1910 and was drafted during World War I. After he was discovered to have tuberculosis, he was discharged. In 1917, he was assigned to the friary in San Giovanni Rotondo, 75 miles from the city of Bari on the Adriatic.

On September 20, 1918, as he was making his thanksgiving after Mass, Padre Pio had a vision of Jesus. When the vision ended, he had the stigmata in his hands, feet, and side. Life became more complicated after that. Medical doctors, Church authorities, and curiosity seekers came to see Padre Pio. In 1924, and again in 1931, the authenticity of the stigmata was questioned; Padre Pio was not permitted to celebrate Mass publicly or to hear confessions. He did not complain of these decisions, which were soon reversed. However, he wrote no letters after 1924. His only other writing, a pamphlet on the agony of Jesus, was done before 1924.

Padre Pio rarely left the friary after he received the stigmata, but bus loads of people soon began coming to see him. Each morning after a 5 a.m. Mass in a crowded church, he heard confessions until noon. He took a mid-morning break to bless the sick and all who came to see him. Every afternoon he also heard confessions. In time his confessional ministry would take 10 hours a day; penitents had to take a number so that the situation could be handled. Many of them have said that Padre Pio knew details of their lives that they had never mentioned.

Padre Pio saw Jesus in all the sick and suffering. At his urging, a fine hospital was built on nearby Mount Gargano. The idea arose in 1940; a committee began to collect money. Ground was broken in 1946. Building the hospital was a technical wonder because of the difficulty of getting water there and of hauling up the building supplies. This "House for the Alleviation of Suffering" has 350 beds. A number of people have reported cures they believe were received through the intercession of Padre Pio. Those who assisted at his Masses came away edified; several curiosity seekers were deeply moved.

One of Padre Pio's sufferings was that unscrupulous people several times circulated prophecies that they claimed originated from him. He never made prophecies about world events and never gave an opinion on matters that he felt belonged to Church authorities to decide. He died on September 23, 1968, and was beatified in 1999.

### FEAST & IMPORTANT DAYS-SEPTEMBER 2024

Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels
September 29, 2024



The three Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael are the only angels named in Sacred Scripture and all three have important roles in the history of salvation.

Saint Michael is the "Prince of the Heavenly Host," the leader of all the angels. His name is Hebrew for "Who is like God?" and was the battle cry of the good angels against Lucifer and his followers when they rebelled against God. He is mentioned four times in the Bible, in Daniel 10 and 12, in the letter of Jude, and in Revelation.

Michael, whose forces cast down Lucifer and the evil spirits into Hell, is invoked for protection against Satan and all evil. Pope Leo XIII, in 1899, having had a prophetic vision of the evil that would be inflicted upon the Church and the world in the 20th century, instituted a prayer asking for Saint Michael's protection to be said at the end of every Mass.

Christian tradition recognizes four offices of Saint Michael: (i) to fight against Satan (ii) to rescue the souls of the faithful from the power of the enemy, especially at the hour of death. (iii) to be the champion of God's people, (iv) to call away from earth and bring men's souls to judgment.

"I am Gabriel, who stand before God." (Luke 1, 19).

Saint Gabriel, whose name means "God's strength," is mentioned four times in the Bible. Most significant are Gabriel's two mentions in the New Testament: to announce the birth of John the Baptist to his father Zacharias, and the at Annunciation of the Virgin Mary.

Christian tradition suggests that it is he who appeared to St. Joseph and to the shepherds, and also that it was he who "strengthened" Jesus during his agony in the garden of Gethsemane.

"I am the angel Raphael, one of the seven, who stand before the Lord" (Tob 12:15)

Saint Raphael, whose name means "God has healed" because of his healing of Tobias' blindness in the Book of Tobit. Tobit is the only book in which he is mentioned. His office is generally accepted by tradition to be that of healing and acts of mercy.

Raphael is also identified with the angel in John 5:1-4 who descended upon the pond and bestowed healing powers upon it so that the first to enter it after it moved would be healed of whatever infirmity he was suffering.

Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael are the Patron Saints of: Death, Germany, Grocers, Police Officers, Radiologists

Saint Gabriel is the Patron Saint of: Broadcasters

Saint Raphael is the Patron Saint of: The Blind St. Jerome, Doctor of the Church Sept. 30, 2024



Jerome was a man of extremes. His real name was Eusebius Hieronymus Sophronius. He lived to age 91 even though he undertook extreme penances. Jerome had a fierce temper but an equally intense love of Christ.

This brilliant saint was born in Eastern Europe around 345. His Christian family sent him to Rome at age 12 for a good education. He studied there until he was 20. Then he and his friends lived in a small monastery for three years, until the group dissolved. Jerome set out for Palestine, but when he reached Antioch, he fell seriously ill. He dreamt one night that he was taken before the judgment seat of God and condemned for being a heretic. This dream made a deep impression on him.

Although Jerome wished to study rather than to be a priest, he was ordained. Again he tried the life of a monk in the desert, but impure temptations plagued him. To fight them, he studied Hebrew, wrote letters counseling friends in the spiritual life, and copied books. Finally, Jerome moved to Constantinople. He studied Scripture under the Greek theologian Gregory Nazianzen. Pope Damasus summoned him to Rome and had him translate the Bible into Latin, a 30-year task. His translation, called the Vulgate, became the official text of the Catholic Church.

Jerome was strong willed. His writings, especially those opposing what he considered heresy, were sometimes explosive. His temperament helped him do difficult tasks, but it also made him enemies. Jerome was named a Doctor of the Church for the Vulgate, his commentaries on Scripture, his writings on monastic life, and his belief that during a controversy on theological opinions, the See of Rome was where the matter should be settled.

Jerome also guided a group of Christian widows who were practicing a semimonastic life. Gossip about his spending so much time with women led Jerome to move to Bethlehem. There, Jerome trained Paula and Eustochium to be Scripture scholars and to assist him.

### RCIA September 25, 2024

Brother Knights do you know someone that is interested in becoming Catholic? What a great way to evangelize by bringing someone into RCIA and into the Faith.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process through which those seeking to become Catholic are prepared to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist. The process is open to unbaptized people, baptized people of other faiths, and those baptized in the Roman Catholic Church who not received full religious formation. Formation will begin this year on September 25, 2024 with a Meet and Greet. We'll discuss the Sunday Scripture readings from Mass and learn about the beliefs of a person who is Catholic. A similar process, referred to as a "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults adapted for Children", (RCIA for Children) is available for children over 7 years of age who are unbaptized and seek to become Catholic

If you know someone that is interested, invite them to the Meet and Greet which is on 9/25/24 at 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall. For more information see the ad in our parish bulletin.



Knights of Columbus in the Diocese of Orange present:



# Orange Walk for Life 2024

Dignity of Life...

...from Conception to Natural Death

October 5, 2024, 8:30 AM

At the Our Lady of La Vang Shrine at Christ Cathedral

This event is for everyone.



- International Rosary
- Dignity of Life Message
- Mass
- Eucharistic Procession
- · Prolife Partners Reception and Lunch

Parking is limited. Carpooling is recommended. Caravan to Christ Cathedral if you can.





"Our pro-life teaching and witness strikes a responsive chord in many hearts because it is founded on the bedrock of reason and natural law...Our mission is to reach those who are searching, because, in their hearts they sense the stunningly beautiful truth about the inviolable dignity of each human being."

Archbishop William Lori, Knights of Columbus Supreme Chaplain



### Volunteer Opportunity

# The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring three Fish for Life trips this summer to take special needs children fishing!

#### Dates

Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup> Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup> Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>

Location: Dana Wharf, Dana Point

Time: 8:00am to 3:00pm

Volunteers will be "Fishing Team Leaders" and assigned a special needs child and their chaperone to help them fish and care for their needs throughout the day.

There will be 100 passengers aboard that includes 30 special needs kids, 30 chaperones and 40 volunteers.

#### <u>Agenda</u>

- 8:00am Special needs guests start checking in.
- 9:00 Opening Ceremony that includes speakers, a Pray & National Anthem
- Next, a red carpet is rolled down the gangway to individually introduce our honored guests as they board the 95ft Dana Pride.
- 10:00 Sheriff Harbor Patrol escort out to sea.
- Tackle provided / No Fishing License Required
- In addition to fishing, there is plenty of FUN entertainment!
- Awards Ceremony onboard as we head back to the dock by 3:00

#### Register online at www.fishforlife.org

Click the "Get Involved", enter your contact information and let us know you are a Knight in the message section listed at the bottom of the registration form. You will be contacted with more details!

For more information contact: Jim Holden (949)285-8819 or jim@fishforlife.org

# "Spreading the Love one boat at a Time!"



### Knights of Columbus Cardinal McIntyre Council No. 6332 September, 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time	Labor Day	St. Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church	4	St. Teresa of Calcutta, Business Meeting 7 pm	Adoration 10:00 p.m6:00 a.m.	Fish for Life 8 am-3pm Dana Wharf, Dana Point
23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time Welcome & Recruitment after morning masses	St. Peter Claver, Priest	St Leo the Great, Pope and Dr of the Church	11	The Most Holy Name of Mary 4th Degree Meeting 7:00 pm 12	St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church	Exaltation of the Holy Cross.
24th Sunday of Ordinary Time Donut Ministry after AM masses, Corporate Communion 8:30 Mass	Sts. Comelius, Pope & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs			St. Januarius, Bishop & Martyr	Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon and Paul Chong Ha-sang, & Companions	Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist, Recycle 7am- 12pm
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
25th Sunday of Ordinary Time Donut Ministry after AM masses	Saint Padre Pio of Pietrelcina p.m.			Sts. Cosmas & Damian Officers Meeting 7 pm	Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest	St. Wenceslaus, St. Lawrence Ruiz & Companions Octoberfest
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
26th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Octoberfest Donut Ministry 29	Saint Jerome, Priest and Dr. of the Church		K or C			

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### **Knights of Columbus**

### Cardinal McIntyre Council No. 6332 October, 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church	The Holy Guardian Angels	Business Meeting 7 pm	St Francis of Assisi Adoration 10:00 p.m	St. Faustina Kowalska, Virgin OC Walk for Life at Christ Cathedral 8:30 am
		1	2	3	4	5
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Our Lady of the Rosary		St. Denis, Bishop & Commpanions, Martyrs Blood Drive 10-4 pm	4th Degree Meeting 7:00 p.m.	St. John XXIII, Pope	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Welcome & Recruitment after morning masses	St. Callistus I, Pope & Martyr Columbus Day	St. Teresa of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church	St. Hedwig, Religious	St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr Potluck 6:30 p.m.	St. Luke, Evangelist	Recycle 7 - 12 Noon, Fish for Life 8 am-3pm Dana Wharf, Dana Point
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Donut Ministry after AM masses	2nd Degree Our Lady of Fatima, San Clemente 7:00 p.m.	St John Paul II, Pope	St. John of Capistrano, Priest	St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Donut Ministry after AM masses	Sts. Simon & Jude, Apostles	Officer meeting 7 p.m.		Halloween		
27	28	29	30	31		

### Knights of Columbus, Council 6332 Bulletin Board September 2024

### **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: September 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th during the morning Masses.

### **NEEDS OF THE COUNCIL:**

 Membership Director: Form a team to coordinate recruiting activity at Knight events, ensure processing of Form 100 membership applications and track status of candidates through Exemplification.

### **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. Our next breakfast is on 11/11/2024. Please sign up on line or at the Business Meeting

### **BLOOD DRIVE:**

Our next Blood Drive: October 9th, 2024. Contact Brother Bob Bochinairz at (949)215-0201 or Nik Raleigh at (949)500-6615 for more information.

### Oktoberfest:

Oktoberfest will be on 9/28 and 9/29. We will be cooking brats in our booth. Save the dates!

### **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 Paulicivic Jr. (949) 699-2576. Next meeting is September 12, 2024 at 7 pm. The October meeting is on October 10, 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 September 6, 2024. October's Eucharistic Adoration will be on October 4, 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: September 15th during the 8:30 Mass.

### **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 sign up. Next Drive: 9/212024, October's Recycle Drive is 10/19/2024.

### **KOC POTLUCK:**

The Potlucks are open to all, family and friends are welcome! Contact Brother Joe Paulicivic at (714) 290-3489 for more information. Our next Potluck is 10/17/24.

### **NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:**

The next Council Business meeting will be on 9/5/2024 at 7:00 p.m. October's meeting will be on 10/3/2024

# "Congratulations!"

# "St. Kilian Council 6332 Officers 2024-2025"

Name		Position
Jim Messmer	8	Grand Knight
Michael Urratio		Deputy Grand Knight
Fr. Brandon Lopez		Chaplain
Steven Shekerlian		Financial Secretary
Mario Alegre	<b>E</b>	Chancellor
Terrance Koressel		Recorder
William G Daly		Treasurer
David Bertrando		Advocate
Thomas Real	<b>T</b>	Warden
Norm Abbod	S.	Lecturer
George Muro		Inside Guard
Matthew Woods		Outside Guard
Anthony DiBernardo	8	One Year Trustee
Mike Williams	3	Two Year Trustee
Jim O'Hearn		Three Year Trustee
Dan Hoffman	9	District Deputy
Mark Yubeta		Insurance Agent
Ron Cichocki		Life Director
Mike Ensley		Faith Director
Anthony DiBernardo	8	Community Director
Terry Koressel	9	Family Director
Vacant		Membership Director
Jim Messmer		Recycle Director

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

For brother knights as follows:

### **Degree Completions**

None

### **Transfers to our Council**

Ronnie Dilma	
Victor Cumberland	
Nathan Bajorek	

### **Anniversary of Knights of Columbus Service**

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Paul Wickstrom	September 27	24 Years
Richard Mc Carthy, Jr.	September 20	20 Years
Bill De Luca	September 19	19 Years
Father Angelos Sebastian	September 21	17 Years
Gene Reyes	September 9	15 Years
Rennie Stark	September 9	15 Years
James Harrell	September 9	14 Years
John Ireland	September 9	14 Years
Ronnie Dimla	September 29	12 Years
Derek Earley	September 12	11 Years
Christopher Odea	September 17	11 Years
James Zuley	September 19	11 Years
David Andersen	September 10	9 Years
Edward Infante	September 26	3 Years
James Messmer	September 17	2 Years
Michael Van Auken	September 7	1 Year
George Cuzakis	September 20	1 Year

### **Birthdays in September**

Jim O'Hearn	September 1
Steven Shekerlian	September 2
Doug Vining	September 3
Ryan K Buris	September 5
Jim Messmer	September 6
Joseph "Ron" Shiroke	September 8
Bill Hays	September 9
Gregory Raths	September 12
Jeffrey Reid	September 13
Mario Alegre	September 15
Sean Gawne Sr.	September 18
Jim Lynch	September 18
Dan Reed	September 18
Rennie Stark	September 19
Phillip J. Van Doren	September 25
Raymond Toal	September 25
Vincent McLean	September 26
Jim Dorsey	September 27
Anthony Lozinski	September 27
Don Ross	September 28
Christopher O'Dea	September 30