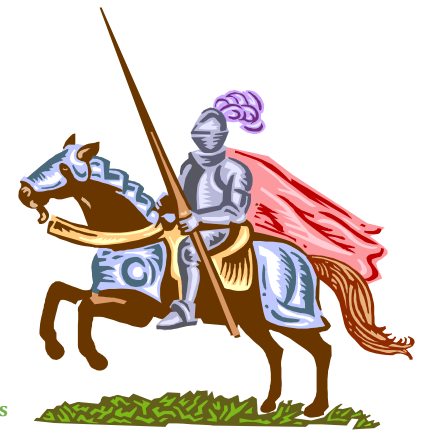


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I Pledge to Earn the Trust That You Are Giving Me.

By Will Friesen, Grand Knight

Brothers, I am humbled that you would want me to lead this great group of men. I have been writing to challenge yourselves and set goals, but this letter is for me to take a turn at setting goals for the next Columbian year.

I have had such great Grand Knights to learn from and I want to borrow a little from their examples. Some of my goals are to return to things that I liked from them.

Joe Romanazzi used to lead a decade of the rosary as his opening prayer. I would like to see a return of that, but you will not have to listen to me unless the Past Grand Knight is away. I get to be the first to call him the PKG. Tim has agreed to lead the rosary as our opening prayer.

Miguel wanted to have every leadership position filled. I know because he asked me more than once before I said yes. I pledge to model his persistence. If you say yes, the first time, you will not have to hide as often or for as long.

Michael was a stoic leader that managed to get things done without making a big deal out of any of it. I pledge to keep my emotions in check. This will be hard for me.

Josh brought a joyful spirit to the post. He greeted everyone with a smile and either a handshake or a pat on the back. I will channel his happiness and positive energy. I will hide what I lack in youth, by putting one foot in front of the other.

Tim made it his mantra to grow the Order. He spoke early and often about ways to add to our numbers. He made sure that we all reflected on how great it is to spend time with Catholic men of faith. The Knights have so much to offer, yet we often forget how great we are for each other. I pledge to continue Tim's work on growing our membership.

Aside from the PKGs that I have mentioned, so many other Knights have touched me by their example. I will call on their experience to keep me out of trouble. I will not promise to be the best Grand Knight, but I will promise to be the best one that I know how to be.

July Calendar

July 1

Firework Sales continue, All Day, Saint Ignatius Parking Lot

July 4

Happy Fourth of July

July 10

Council Mass for Brother Jose Salazar, 8 a.m., Saint Ignatius

July 11

Business Meeting and Dinner, 6 p.m., St. John's Hall, OLA

July 18

Rosary, 7 p.m., Zoom

July 20

Ladies Luncheon, 1 p.m., Mountain Mike's
Men's Bible Study, 7 p.m., Rose Room, SI

July 25

Planning Meeting, 7:30 p.m., St. John's Hall, OLA

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR OFFICERS-ELECT 2023-2024



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At the Last Business Meeting . . .



In addition to the election of our new officers, Grand Knight Tim Spinelli presented PGK Jerry Marenich with his Honorary Life Membership card. Council 4970 welcomed back Lady Knight JoAnn Mendenhall, now of Presentation Council 15693, to give a report on her recent visit to Camp ReCreation. Many thanks, JoAnn!

4970 Recognizes Altar Servers at Our Parishes



Council 4970 wishes to recognize our Altar Servers award winners at Saint Ignatius and Saint John the Evangelist

St. Ignatius:

Wesley Clark
Charles Cuttle
Kenny Gorman
Owen Hartono
Leia Kamai
George Kisling
Rachael Lee
Zada Rodriguez

St. John the Evangelist:

Ian Ives
Nick Ramos
Jadon Fuentes
Brent Field

Altar Servers at Our Lady of Assumption were honored with a pizza party

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I want to ask that you all help me keep that promise. My dad used to say that I was not always right but I was never in doubt. That was his way of reminding me that I need to listen to others even when I do not want to. I have thick skin, so never worry about hurting my feelings. If I am doing something wrong or forgetting to include someone, just tell me (if you are shy, tell my wife because I promise that she will not hold back). We can disagree and hug when it is done.

Naturally, I want to break all of the records that we set last year, but I know that life gets in the way and God will understand if things are not perfect.

God Bless you, God Bless the mission, and God Bless us all along the journey.

PRAYER LIST

Please remember these intentions in your prayers:

**All children lost to abortion
All unborn children and their mothers**

All Caregivers of the sick

Joe Kievernagel

Pope Francis

Dan Aseltine

Pope Benedict (dec)

Michael Aseltine (dec)

Christopher Scott (dec)

Jacintha Ezeudoye (dec)

John DePiazza (dec)

Robert Sholtes(dec)

Rick Di Regolo (dec)

Frank Gianattasio (dec)

Georgia Royal(dec)

Michael Profumo (dec)

Joan Cotton

Carolyn "Susie" Fonteyn (dec)

Bob Akers

Anthony Praxel (dec)

Kenneth Scribner (dec)

**To report illness or death
contact the Grand Knight**

A PRICELESS GIFT FOR FATHER'S DAY 2023

By Joe Romanazzi, Past Grand Knight

Past Grand Knight Tim Spinelli received a priceless gift on Father's Day 2023. Tim's youngest son Andy joined his older brothers, Lucas and Robbie, on the altar at St. John the Evangelist Church to serve Mass for the very first time. Proud parents Tim and Lady Knight Irene, along with Grandpa and Grandma Spinelli, took it all in from their pew. Three generations of the Spinelli Family gathered for photos after Mass at the foot of the altar to memorialize the historic occasion. The boys also had photos taken with Pastor Bernardin Mugabo.



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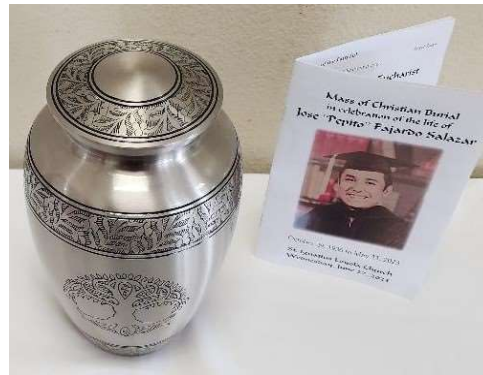
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Council 4970 Says Good-Bye to a Long-time Brother Knight

By Joe Romanazzi, PGK



Photos above: L-R, Brothers Mike Fazio, Gene Gobbo, Tom Willow and Jose Salazar at a SI Pancake Breakfast on August 19, 2018. The urn containing Brother Jose's ashes.

Long-time Council 4970 Brother and Sir Knight Jose F. Salazar, MD, passed away on May 12, 2023 at the age of 86. Brother Jose became a Knight and a member of our Council on August 1, 1981. He was a member for over 41 years at the time of his passing, nearly half of his life. He was an active participant in many activities sponsored by the Knights, including pancake breakfasts and firework booth sales.

A well-attended Mass of Christian Burial was held on June 7, 2023 at Saint Ignatius of Loyola (SI) Parish. Council members Peter Kilkenny, Joe Romanazzi, Gene Gobbo, Ken Macdonald, Bill Davis, Rick Riler and Lady Knight Jeni Riler were in attendance; along with Salazar Family members, and a large number of friends, and fellow SI parishioners. The afternoon funeral Mass was *celebrated* by Fr. Tom O'Neill, SJ.

PGK Joe Romanazzi presented Lady Knight Lorena with a Rosary blessed by our Supreme Chaplain, Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore. Brother Jose became a 4th degree Knight in Bishop Manogue Assembly 50 in Sacramento in 1983. The Fourth Degree was represented by our Council Brother/SK Michael Langer and SK Frank Donagher from Bishop Manogue Assembly 50, and District Marshall SK Rich Thompson. They provided an Honor Guard, presented a *Resolution of Condolence* and performed a Chalice Ceremony adding to the solemnity of the services.

A wonderful reception and buffet featuring a variety of tasty Filipino favorites and desserts followed immediately after the conclusion of the funeral Mass in the Parish's Garden Room.

Brother Jose's ashes were interred at St. Mary's Cemetery in Sacramento.

Good-bye for now Brother Jose until the day we all meet again in our Heavenly home. May the angels lead you to Paradise and may your soul and the souls of all of our deceased Council 4970 Brother Knights rest in eternal peace. Amen.

Special Note: A Mass requested by our Council for the repose of Brother Jose's soul will be celebrated at St. Ignatius Church in Sacramento on Monday, July 10, 2023, at 8:00 A.M.

Join us for the Rivercats Game on August 19

By Ken MacDonald

“Knights Evening” with the Rivercats!! Excellent seats in the “Senator Section” have been reserved for our Council members, their families, and our parishioners at a great price!! On Saturday evening, August 19, the Rivercats will be playing the Tacoma Rainiers. First pitch is at 7:05 p.m.. Tickets are \$30/person (discounted from \$35). You can make a reservation by contacting Ken Macdonald (916-631-0774). We would like to have all reservations made by Friday, August 11. Please be advised that all Rivercats parking, food, and gift shop entities are all credit/debit card only. No cash!



This is a wonderful opportunity to spend an evening with your Brothers, fellow parishioners, and their families, at a fun venue. There is a very colorful fireworks show taking place following the game. The Rivercats do their very best to make a night at the ballpark an event to remember!!

Deputy Grand Knight's Message

By Frank Consulo, Deputy Grand Knight

I want to take this time to thank all of you for electing me as Deputy Grand Knight / Program Director. I will do the best I can to help Grand Knight Will Friesen with his goals. I will work to recruit new Catholic men after Mass at our three churches. With more brothers, we can work towards one more event at each parish.

I would like to work on bringing back the Cioppino dinner and other fundraisers. I'd also like to work other programs like a fish fry at Saint Ignatius in March, 2024.

I'm willing to help with all our programs. To start, I'm working on the fireworks stand on building some shelves so people can't reach the merchandise, Steve Hall and Ben Dougherty helped with this project.

I will need your help. God Bless all of you.



Left
DGK Frank in
front of the
fireworks booth.

Right
Father McGivney
as created by Fr.
Tom O'Neill, SJ—
fireworks, tootsie
rolls and all!

JOE'S CAFÉ...Stop by for a tasty bit!

By Joe Romanazzi, Past Grand Knight

Sure is Hot Down Here

Chef Luigi was sitting in front of his computer when evangelical minister, James B. Henry, D.D., Pastor of the Rock of Solid Faith Church came through the back door. *Pastor Jimmy*, as he is affectionately known to his congregation and friends is part of the local interfaith community and a regular visitor to the Café. His visits are always uplifting with a little folly thrown in. With a cup of coffee in hand, he went into the office to chat with our beloved Chef. Upon entering the office, he told Chef Luigi it was his day off and he was *just bummin' around*. He asked Chef Luigi, "What's cookin'?" The Chef told him he just finished emailing the firm that prepares the Café's payroll regarding a problem one of his employees was having with his pay checks and was now reading and clearing out his computer's email file. Chef Luigi told Pastor Jimmy, "I got an email telling me that it was vegan month, I felt bad putting the message in spam." The Pastor grinned and gave out a loud chuckle.

Pastor Jimmy cautioned Chef Luigi about making sure he was using the correct email addresses when sending messages. He said he once heard about an Illinois man who left the snow-filled streets of Chicago for a vacation in Florida. His wife was on a business trip and was planning to meet him there the next day. When he reached his hotel, he decided to send his wife a quick e-mail. Unable to find the scrap of paper on which he had written her e-mail address, he did his best to type it in from memory. Unfortunately, he missed one letter and his note was directed instead to an elderly preacher's wife whose husband had passed away only the day before.

When the grieving widow checked her e-mail, she took one look at the monitor, let out a piercing scream, and fell to the floor in a dead faint. At the sound, her family rushed into the room and saw this note on the screen:

DEAREST WIFE: JUST GOT CHECKED IN. EVERYTHING PREPARED FOR YOUR ARRIVAL TOMORROW.

P.S. SURE IS HOT DOWN HERE.

Hearing this story caused Chef Luigi to roar with laughter. As Pastor Jimmy was preparing to exit the same way he came in, he noticed two young workers were intently studying their smartphone screens. Passing by them he quoted Proverbs 15:30, *A cheerful glance brings joy to the heart*. Smiling, he declared, "When you get to the Pearly Gates and are face to face with St. Peter, you definitely don't want to hear him say, "You had a pretty good life, but unfortunately you were too occupied with your electronic devices and you missed it!" They looked up briefly, then returned to their screens, only slightly amused.

My Brothers, the key to possessing a sense of humor is to be wise enough to see things in proportion. Like Chef Luigi and Pastor Jimmy, St. Philip Neri (1515-1595) had a sense of humor. He was noted for his ability to be cheerful and to laugh because of the tremendous joy he had for Christ. He said, "Cheerfulness strengthens the heart and makes us persevere in a good life; wherefore the servant of God ought always to be in good spirits." This is powerfully true and something that we as Knights and servants of God ought to always reflect upon and make a daily habit to practice.

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Ladies Luncheon

By Jean Gobbo

We end the first half of 2023 with another great turnout in June at the El Palmar Mexican Restaurant. Over 18 ladies were in attendance, including many new faces among them Lady Knights JoAnne Mendenhall, Fran Koscheski and Pam Johnson. Sure hope you will join us in July.

Our next luncheon will be on Thursday July 20th and held at Mountain Mike's Pizza Parlour, 5640 Auburn Blvd near Garfield Avenue. They offer a Buffet Lunch of salad and pizza, all you can eat, no waiting for service and long tables for our group. So, let's have another great turnout!

Any questions? Glenda Macdonald can be contacted at 916-524-8933, or myself, Jean Gobbo, at 916-261-8674. All ladies in the Council and their guests are more than welcome. The more the merrier!!! Hope to see you on the 20th.

It's Time to Eat Ice Cream on a Sunday!

By Ray and Pat Fischbach

Our annual Family Ice Cream Social is once again at Leatherby's Family Creamery at 2333 Arden Way, Sunday, August 6, starting at 2 p.m. Those monster Ice Cream Sundaes and other lunch menus are hard to top. Bring immediate and extended family members and prospects. For more information, please call Ray or Pat at (916) 485-4858. Hope to see you there!

