



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Petaluma Council 1586

St. James Church

March 2019

Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights

MARIAN ICON

I hope you all had an opportunity to view the Marian icon of Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians that was on display between Feb. 20-27. This beautiful icon, provided by KofC Supreme, is in honor of the martyrs over the centuries and calls particular attention to the suffering of today's Christians in the Middle East. As Fr. Michael announced in the weekly bulletin, since its inception in 2014 the KofC Christian Refugee Relief Fund has raised and distributed close to \$20 million to help feed and clothe needy families in the Middle East and to resettle and rebuild villages destroyed by ISIS. Pope Francis has called these efforts 'an eloquent sign of your Order's firm commitment to solidarity and communion with our fellow Christians'. There is a prayer program that accompanies the icon which hopefully next year we will be able to implement as a parish activity. I, unfortunately, did not consider the prayer program in a timely manner this year.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE – MARCH 23 and 24

Dear Brother Knights, we need your help. On Sat. March 23 and Sun. March 24 we will be holding a membership drive. We have tried different approaches in the past to inspire Catholic Gentlemen to join the Knights of Columbus at St. James. During this year's membership drive we will be setting up our KofC canopy across from the Church entrance. We will have a table with the usual informational handouts and fliers. We may even have donuts and coffee to help entice guys to come over and see what we have to offer. To make this membership drive a success we need Brother Knights around the canopy area after each mass. We need as many of you there as possible, to show that we are an organized Catholic Brotherhood. This is the perfect opportunity to tell potential member what we do as a LOCAL GROUP and what the Knights do as a worldwide organization. Please plan on hanging around the canopy area after one or more masses.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

If you haven't paid your dues, please do so promptly. If for any reason you are unable to afford paying your dues, please let your GK or FS know so that we can help. Following the guidelines of

State and Supreme, by the first week of March all members not current with their dues are considered delinquent and a process will begin to contact you regarding your dues.

INSTALLATION DINNER

I know you've seen this notice in the February newsletter, but did you mark your calendar yet? We have scheduled the 2019/2020 Council 1586 Officers' Installation Dinner for Saturday June 22, 2019. As discussed in our meetings we will, as well as all the other ceremonials of the Installation of Officers, be honoring our Brother Knights that have achieved their Honorary Life Membership status. Please mark your calendars and help support our new officers by coming to the Installation Dinner.

INSURANCE AGENT

For Brothers interested in or wanting to discuss any of the Knights of Columbus insurance products, we now have a local insurance agent to take care of your needs. Deny's contact information is:

Prudeno `Deny` Natividad
KofC Insurance Field Agent
704 Falcon Drive
Vallejo, CA 94589
prudeno.natividad@kofc.org
C: 707.334.9363

BROTHER KNIGHT'S IN NEED

I'd like us all to take a couple extra minutes to pray for our Brother Knights and their family members that are in the midst of medical issues. I know that our prayers will be a source of comfort and healing. Please keep them all in your hearts throughout this new year. If you have an opportunity to give the call or stop by and visit this to I'm believe would be appreciated.

May God Bless You and Your Family, our Council, and our St. James Community

Rich Pacini

Grand Knight

St. Patrick Day Dinner

With only one more weekend to sell tickets for St Patrick's Dinner, only 67 tickets have been purchased, In past years, we have averaged 125. The way tickets sales are going this year, it really shows the lack of participation of our Knight members to support our fund raisers. The St Patrick's Dinner usually raises an average of \$1600 for our coffers. So far we have some of our Knights buying multiple tickets for people they invited to our dinner, but only a few. With this poor showing of our members, this fund raiser just might be discontinued for the future.

Minutes from February meeting

(Not available at this time)

Officers for the Columbian Year 2018-19

Council Chaplain – Fr. Michael Culligan
Grand Knight – Richard Pacini
Financial Secretary – Paul Lauricella
Deputy Grand Knight – David Dibble
Chancellor – Jairo Leiva
Recorder – Vince Fausone
Treasurer – Rich Sievers
Advocate – Jeffrey Lucia
Warden – Robert Dibble

Inside Guard – Paul Weber
Outside Guard – Jerry Matacia

Trustees:

1st Year – Michael Mc Bride
2nd Year – Gregory Drukala
3rd Year – Steven Gies

Upcoming Events

Monthly Business	Tuesday, March 12 @ 7:30pm	Room 9
Social (K)night	Friday, March 15 @ 7:30 pm	Paul's house
Rosary	Saturdays, 4:30pm, before 5:00pm masses	Church
St. Patrick Day Dinner	Saturday, March 16 @ 6pm	Church

Message from the Newsletter Editor

All members of Council 1586 are welcome to place articles in the council newsletter. All articles must be received no later than **the last day of the month** in order to be published in the next month's newsletter. For more information or to place an article in the newsletter, contact Greg Drukala gdrukala@gmail.com or kofc1586@gmail.com