

The 4th degree exemplification is the following weekend, April 25th. This is pinnacle of Knighthood and a very inspiring ceremony. I urge every Brother of the Council to continue his journey through Knighthood to the 4th degree. This is an annual event I consider an honor and a privilege to attend. I hope to see you at these, and all of our activities.

**Your Grand Knight,
Marcus Mimnaugh,
AMDG**



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL 2009

- 3 First Fri. Mass/Adoration
- 4 Palm Sunday
- 9 Holy Thursday
- 10 Good Friday Lenten Devotion
- 12 Easter Sunday
- 16 Business Meeting Dinner
St. Mary's Room Hall 6:30
- 23 Council Planning Meeting

MAY 2009

- 1 First Friday Mass and Adoration
- 10 Mother's Day
- 14 Business Meeting Dinner
Nominations for 2009/2010 Officers
- 18 Scholarship Fund Dinner
- 21 Feast of the Ascension
- 25 Memorial Day
- 28 Council planning meeting

Appointed Positions

Acting Chaplain Carlos Vina 690-8786
 Ill and Distressed Dan Wayne 682-5059
 Monthly Adoration Sergio Bricca 685-1401
 Lecturer Jesus Castellanos 689-3545

Officers and Committeemen

Grand Knight	Mark Mimnaugh	686-4816
Deputy Gnd Knight	Jeff Ecker	682-6432
Chancellor	Beora Hart	684-0929
Warden	Roger Baht	685-2749
Financial Secretary	Bill Riddle	684-4843
Treasurer	Sigmund Csicsery	685-9491
Recorder	Marion Mitchell	429-0515
Advocate	Michael Jones	684-5803
Inside Guard	Gary Lomazzi	685-8177
Outside Guard	Rick Reynon	686-8044
Trustees:	Russ Tereau	681-0544
	Richard Schloeman	685-1950
	Ken Woodford	682-0141
District Deputy	William DuVal	682-4552

Activity Directors:

Telephone Comm	Ken Woodford	682-0141
Special Parking	Michael Jones	684-5803
Tootsie Roll Drive	Neil Evans	686-5977
Scholarship Selection	Nick Garcia	429-0515
Scholarship Inv.	Richard Schloemann	685-1950
Knightlife Editor	Vickie/Russ Tereau	681-0544
	email: mypeznme@aol.com	
Council Historian	Dave Brabender	
Bar Management	Russ /Marty	681-0544
Right-to Life	Joe Madruga	685-5679
Blood Drive	Neil Evans	686-5977
Wearing Apparel Agent	Ken Woodford	682-0141
Insurance	Hank Cornell	691-4571

CHAPLAIN'S COMMENTS

Part IV – The Way Toward Freedom



After three long months in Madrid, we were given permission (finally) to travel legally to the United States. A wealthy man from Cuba had set up an outreach office in Madrid to assist refugees who were trying to come to U.S. to start a new life. After arriving in New York, (November 1961) I was detained for five days while my wife and two small children were allowed to continue to Miami to stay with relatives. Finally, after almost one week in limbo, I was cleared to continue my journey and was reunited with my family.

On Christmas Eve I was fortunate in finding a job as a busboy at a local hotel. For two years we struggled but with the help of others and especially a Baptist organization they arranged for me to choose where to live other than staying in Miami. Immigrants were encouraged to seek other cities/states to settle in due to the overwhelming number of immigrants already there seeking assistance. Fortunately for my family my sponsor arranged for our family to move to Sacramento and found temporary quarters and paying the first two months rent. Additionally through friends and other contacts I was able to obtain a job at McClellan AFB, washing Air Force jets, and other vehicles, by the way a lot harder than washing dishes. Words cannot adequately express my wife and my own feelings of gratitude for the wonderful assistance I received from our Baptist host and friends who assisted us in settling into a new life and country. Finally, thanks to God, Our Lady,

and the many wonderful people who helped us on our journey and, if I may add, my membership and association with the Knights of Columbus I believe we have found freedom and independence to do what is best for my family I did not have in Cuba. GOD BLESS AMERICA! One final thing if I may. While we ere struggling to get established when we came to live in Sacramento, our Baptist friends faithfully took us to Sunday Mass every week, and although they sometimes suggested that we convert we firmly stated that we were very comfortable and happy being in the Catholic church.

Carlos M. Viña Acting Chaplain



Prayer for Our Military *The Rev. William J. Bleiler, state chaplain of the New Jersey VFW, wrote the following "Prayer for Our Military" for distribution to VFW members. He is pastor of St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church in Cedarville, Cumberland County.*

Almighty God, our Source of strength and courage, we ask Thee to guide the leaders of nations in the ways of peace and justice and enduring freedom for the peoples of the world.

In these times of peril and war against terrorism listen to our prayers for the men and women serving in our armed forces, our military leaders and our allies. Protect them all from harm as they go into battle on land, in the sea and in the air.

Take away whatever fear from their hearts and enable them to overcome swiftly and decisively the violence and cruelty of the enemy.

Protect them from the hatred of others and bolster their personal pride of being American as they rid our world of the works of darkness and weapons of mass destruction.

Console their loved ones and family members who remain on the home front. Gently dry the tears of those who mourn for the wounded in battle and those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice.

Oh God, bless them with Thy presence. Grant us homeland security. May Thy Peace, the fruit of justice, truth and mercy, reign in America and throughout the world. Amen.

No Time to Pray?

All You Need is One Minute

Knight's Apparel

**Our Knight's clothing agent is:
Ken Woodford**

**See him for Hats, Jackets, and
Shirts with the K of C Logo
682-0141**

FROM THE DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT

Brother Knights,



There's not much to report this month so I thought that I might touch on something of importance to us all as Knights; Solidarity With Our Priests. I'm sure that by now everyone has heard the news that Fr. Bosque, our Pastor at St. Joseph's will be leaving us sometime this summer. Yes, we will be getting a new Pastor. It is not known who that might be at this time, but

one thing we should all keep in mind as we deal with this news is that The Knights of Columbus has been and will always be an organization that supports our priests. Father Bosque has been an ardent supporter of the Knights and however you feel about it, his relationship with Council 7241 has definitely been a positive experience for us all and has enabled us to continue to do the good work that we do at St. Joseph's. We can't know what kind of relationship we will have with our new Pastor, but it is an opportunity for us to forge a positive one with him as well. After all, the Knights of Council 7241 and of times our spouses and family members are very involved in just about every facet of parish life and all of the various ministries at our church and I'm sure that fact won't be lost on our new Pastor. After all In October of 1881, it was a young priest named Father Michael J. McGivney who called together a small group of men to meet in the basement of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Connecticut. In welcoming our new Pastor, we should not forget the solidarity with our priests that is one of the foundations of The Knights of Columbus. The holy priesthood cannot fail, will not fail; as the great John Paul II said "Without the Eucharist there is no church; without priests there is no Eucharist". As Brother Knights we must be bold in defense of our faith, our Church. We too must be bold in support of our Bishops and Priests.

God Bless You,

**Jeff Ecker
Deputy Grand Knight**

ILL AND DISTRESSED

If any brother is sick at home, in the hospital, or in distress, please call:

Dan Wayne 682-5059



FROM THE CHANCELLOR

Greetings to all my Brother Knights,

April to me is a month of new beginnings, the earth continues to renew itself, we see trees continue to bloom, plants start to sprout from the soil, flowers opening their petals up to the sun, time changed to allow us more hours in the day to enjoy our families, participate in activities with our families, church and community and just to enjoy our daily lives. . We should treasure everything around us and we have so much to be thankful for.

As we continue with our Lenten season and what it represents to us, we will also celebrate Easter. To some people Easter means new clothes, a picnic in the park with family and friends, a lazy day watching TV, working around the house, gardening, and yet to some of us it means a combination of several things and most importantly it means preparation for our eternity with our Father.

Two very important activities will be taking place in April, First one is the scholarship dinner which is scheduled April 18th, these scholarships help students graduating high school continue their education.

The Knights have always been very supportive of this event. Lets us all mark this day on our calendar and come and enjoy great food and great prizes that will be raffled.

We will also be holding the Fourth Degree exemplification April 25th , all Third Degree Knights are invited to join.

As we say our daily prayers, lets continue to pray for our troops as the continue to protect us and our families. We will always wish and pray that they return to their families safe and sound

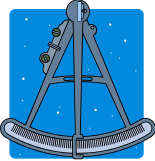
God Bless and keep you and your families safe

Beora Hart
Chancellor



If you happen to see one of your brother Knights below please wish him a Happy Birthday.

Donald Jamarck	4/01/1939
Joe Lopes	4/02/1909
Tim Cooney	4/03/1960
Ed Mifsud	4/04/1937
Stuart Robertson	4/04/1955
John Ricken	4/05/1952
Matt J. Turrentine	4/06/1976
Rev. Brian Atienza	4/07/1973
Michael Padilla	4/07/1948
Eduardo Wong	4/07/1983
John Caspar	4/07/1929
James Soares	4/13/1927
David Mello	4/14/1956
Jim Hesterwerth	4/14/1929
William DuVal Jr.	4/18/1947
Kevin Katt	4/19/1966
Anthony Duarte	4/21/1946
Nick Gevara	4/21/1954
Ed Duane	4/22/1932
Thomas Kaminsky	4/23/1933
Frank Souza	4/24/1925
Michael Silva	4/24/1961
Bryan Lane	4/25/1962
Percy White	4/26/1933
Keith Rearick	4/26/1949
Don Gut	4/27/1925
Frank Gwerder Jr.	4/28/1967
Peter Castro	4/29/1927
David Crowe	4/30/1940
William Lloyd	4/30/1946



From the Desk of the District Deputy – I was unable to submit an article for your bulletins last month as I suffered the grave calamity of a major home computer melt down. Needless to say this resulted in my inability to do my taxes, (oh well I'd only get an IOU anyway) do any financial or word processing, (wonder where that old SELECTRIC Typewriter went?) and I was extremely limited in the world of e-mail. But, here I am, back again.

February closed well with the Chapter Free Throw Competition. We had all 8 district winners participate at the Chapter level. Five of the 8 placed and we sent 2 to State to compete in Fresno. The competitors we Daija Tillman, Mathew Banicki, Matt Smrekar, Drew Gwerder and Jordan Watkins from St. Joseph, Mario Zendejas and Marisa Lopez-Alvarez from Good Shepherd and Aryana Archuleta from St. Paul. Drew Gwerder placed first in the 11 year old boy's competition and Mario Zendejas placed first for the 12 year old boys.

We also had a major exemplification of the Second and Third Degree on February 21st at St John The Evangelist. There were over 70 candidates including two Priests and a young man currently in the Discernment stag for the priesthood. Welcome to full Knighthood Brothers Ray Herrera, Arturo Rodriguez and Gustavo Azcarate of Mother Seton Council, Daniel Flores and Patrick O'Hara from the Galt Council, Louis Valmore from Laguna Council and Akinyele Aydoeji from the Green-Haven Pocket Council. Well Done, to all and please **GET INVOLVED**, your council, the order and your pastor needs you.

We will have had another Membership Blitz in March and I hope all actively participated and brought in some new members. May is the State Convention and I hope to see representatives from all the councils as well as some of the ladies. This is the time the memberships voice is heard in areas of policy that has been put before our State Council. April and May means you will be working on the formation of the slate of new officers for the coming year. Remember, elections must be held between May 15th and concluded no later than June 15th.

Please keep in mind that as we are in the Season of Lent there is a formation in its final stages happening. Our Brothers and Sisters who have been traveling along the road to become part of our Faith and Holy Church will conclude their journey at the Easter Vigil. What better way to welcome the families of those who have made this trip but to offer membership in the Greatest Catholic Family Fraternal Organization in the World to those men that have joined our family or whose spouses or child who have become Catholic.

Vivat Jesus!

Brother Bill DuVal
District Deputy, District 10

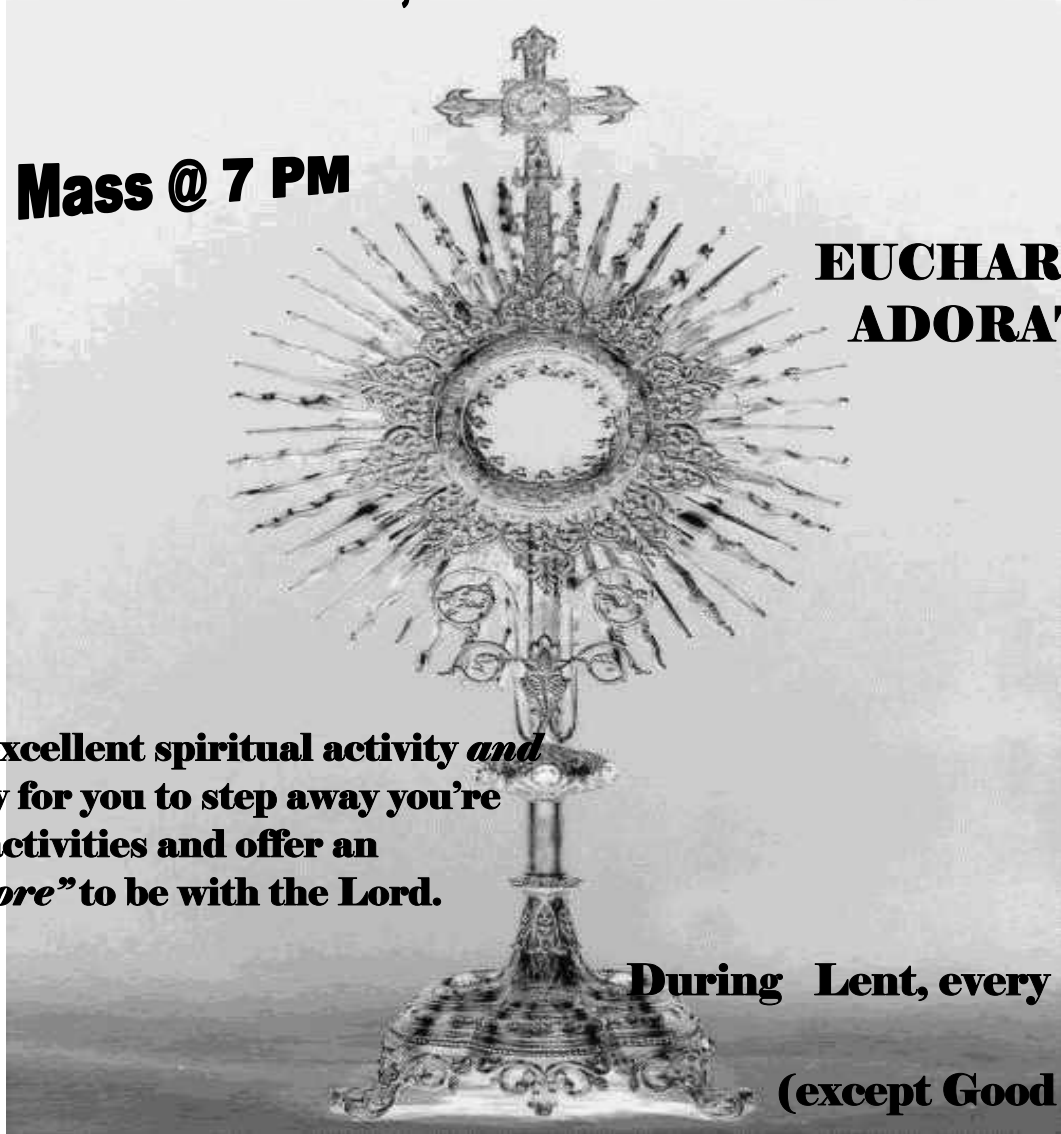
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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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ON THE 1ST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH, YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE AT

Evening Mass @ 7 PM



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

**7:30
To
11:55
P.M.**

This is an excellent spiritual activity *and* opportunity for you to step away you're your daily activities and offer an *"hour or more"* to be with the Lord.

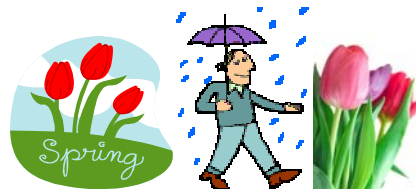
**During Lent, every Friday
(except Good Friday)**

If you can, bring a Rosary, a favorite religious book, or any approved Catholic Bible or the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

**DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY
THE LORD IS ALWAYS THERE**

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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Thomas and Dorothy Slattery	4/01/1951
Robert and Jackie Hill	4/05/1957
Michael and Katherine Felion	4/09/1968
Emmanual & Joyce Diala	4/11/1996
Jeff and Lisa Mierczynsk	4/13/1985
Frank and Arlene Costello	4/14/1979
James and Philomena Perry	4/18/1960
James and Gloria Wong	4/20/1974
Anthony and Antoinette Duarte	4/22/1972
Gilbert and Irma Aguilar	4/22/2000
John and Tracy Phillips	4/23/1993
John and Christy Procida	4/25/1992
Harry and Peggy Said	4/25/1953

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