



Knights' News

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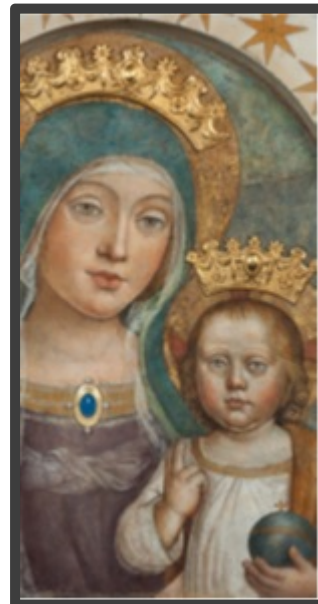
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GRAND KNIGHT'S CORNER

We have had a very productive April. I was able to bring Holy Communion once to one of our parishioners. Many thanks to those of you who helped set up and clean up after our last two Stations of the cross and soup. I was pleased to serve as Honor Guard Commander along with three SK's Honor Guard members at the confirmation of 90 candidates along with Bishop Soto at the Immaculate Conception Church in Corning.

Our Friday morning Men's Group is going strong. Deacon Tom, Deacon Ray and Deacon Mike are leading our men's group in the small hall at 7:00 am. There is room for more to join us. Thanks to all our brother knights who manned the parking lot during Gold Nugget Days. Please remember 1-2-3-3. **On May 4th (first Sunday)** the Knights have **Hospitality**. We need help setting it up at 9:00 am, serving after both Masses and cleaning up after the 12:30 pm Mass. **On Sunday May 11th**, our Knights will be presenting our **Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast**. We will need help setting up and cooking after both Masses. We will also need help after the second breakfast in cleaning up and putting chairs and tables away.

The second Wednesday of the month, **May 14th**, the Knights have an **officers meeting** at 9:30 am. On the **third Sunday** of the month, **May 18th** the Knights will lead the **Rosary** before mass at 10:00 am. It was great seeing our Brother Knights in their uniforms showing unity. On the third Wednesday, **May 21st**, we have our **Knight's Business Meeting** beginning at 6:30 pm with the Rosary. Please remember to put these dates on your calendar. Also, remember to fill out your monthly activity form. Forms are in the vestibule of the church. In our **May business meeting**, we will continue to our **50/50 drawing**. Each member will donate \$1.00. At the end of the meeting a Knight's number will be called. Our April Winner, was #18, David Young, who was absent. I will continue working with Tim Fukuda, Vice Supreme Master and Tremain Hayhoe, Chapter Pro-Life Chairman, to have the Knights statewide help contribute to the Garden of Innocence to offset the cost of cremation for abandoned babies.

Please pay your annual dues. You can do that at the business meeting. Jim has a card reader. If you are considering joining the 4th degree and the Honor Guard, please see me. All 3rd degree Knights are welcomed to join.

In His Service, Greg DeCristofaro, Grand Knight, Council #7773

DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT

May is the month of Mary – a month traditionally devoted to motherhood and especially the Holy Mother. Our Lady has manifested Herself in many ways in many cultures and is an endearing part our Catholic faith. Let us never forget the impact Our Lady, in Her many manifestations, has had on the world, particularly Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas. Equally important, remember our own mothers who have had a profound impact on our lives. Let us be ever mindful of both the maternal and the divine and give thanks for the many blessings our Mothers have bestowed upon us. Be sure and celebrate Mother's Day on Sunday, May 11.

May is also the month of the State Annual Meeting – this year May 16 through 18, 2025 at the Visalia Convention Center. If you have not done so already, be sure and elect your council delegates and get the registration form in as soon as possible. The essential business of the state council is conducted at the State Annual Meeting, including electing the new state officers, delegates to the Supreme Convention and important resolutions affecting the way we conduct our affairs. Each council is entitled to two voting delegates. The Annual Meeting is also a reminder we are part of a much larger organization spanning the nation and world. Forms for registration, delegate credentials and tickets to events can be obtained online at <https://www.californiaknights.org/sam2025>, along with the full schedule of activities.

May is also the month to ensure all the requirements for Star Council have been met. Have all the required forms and reports been sent to Supreme? Has your council met their Supreme membership goal? Have your council officers and directors completed the mandatory Safe Environment training available at kofo.org/safe? A great way to end the year would be to win the Star Council award!

Many of the councils in District 2 have yet to fully promote and participate in two Fraternal Benefit Events which is also a requirement for Star Council.

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Calendar of Events**May / June**

May	4	K of C Hospitality after both Masses
May	4	Parish Ministry Fair
May	11	Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast after both Masses
May	14	Officers Meeting, 9:30 am
May	18	K of C Rosary at 10:00 am before the 10:30 pm Mass
May	21	Business Meeting, Rosary 6:30pm, dinner 7:00pm, Business 7:30pm
May	26	Memorial Day, Flags placed out on Skyway
June	11	Officers Meeting, 9:30 am
June	18	Business Meeting, Rosary 6:30pm, dinner 7:00pm, Business 7:30pm

MAY BIRTHDAYS:Michael Gerspacher—1stRuss Neal—10thEdward Jimenez—13thMatt Gerspacher—16thAlfred Potthast—19thEzra Downer—22nd**CHANCELLOR'S REPORT**

Please continue to pray for those on our prayer list: Greg Wright, Leo Benedetti, Ron Martin, John Thomas, Jim and Lani McManus, Richard Reniero, Duncan Barnard, Israel Garcia, Barbara Brown, Jerry Foster, Jim Daley, Deacon Ray and Donna Helgeson and their daughter Kimberly and son Kenjon, Dave Porter, Dave Lemire, Carol Daffner, Liz Fierro, Gerald and Joy Regalia, Kendell Rensink, Tyler Shaver, Michael Crowder, Lou Gervais, Abel Holguin, Carolyn Boyd, Chris Rehmann, Frank Ricci, Ron Keys, Deacon Gary, Marissa Li, and Pope Francis.

Please remember those who are serving our country in the armed forces and those who fell victim to the natural disasters. Pray for all the health professionals, all our police and law enforcement officers, fire fighters, EMT's and all who are trying to keep us safe. Pray for Israel and Ukraine and all the innocent victims of war. Pray for America which stands for One Nation under God, with Liberty and Justice for ALL.

For additions, deletions, corrections, please call your Chancellor, Greg DeCristofaro at 873-4132..

KNIGHT HUMOR—THE PERKS OF BEING MATURE, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "OLD AGE."

- Kidnappers are not very interested in you.
- In a hostage situation you are likely to be released first.
- No one expects you to run--anywhere.
- People call at 9 PM and ask,"Did I wake you?"
- People no longer view you as a hypochondriac.
- There is nothing left to learn the hard way.
- Things you buy now won't wear out.

DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT (CON'T)

If your council has an Insurance Agent, I encourage you to contact him and schedule at least one Fraternal Benefit Event before the year end. Virtual presentations are also scheduled periodically by the State and Supreme Councils. Watch your email for announcements about upcoming opportunities. A minimum number of people must attend (10 for councils with 99 or fewer members and 14 for councils with 100 or more members) to receive credit for Star Council. Participation is reported online at <https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/7322809/Fraternal-Benefits-Event-Council-Report-v2>.

Thank you for your charity and service!

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GRAND KNIGHT'S CORNER (CON'T)

In His Service, Greg DeCristofaro, Grand Knight, Council #7773

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NEW: <http://kofc-ca-d2.org/council-7773>