



# Knights' News

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## GRAND KNIGHT'S CORNER

My dear Brothers Knights, please remember 1-2-3-3. The first Sunday of the month the Knights have Hospitality. The second Wednesday of the month the Knights have an officers meeting. On the third Sunday of the month the Knights lead the Rosary before mass. On the third Wednesday we have our Knight's Business Meeting.

We have changed the format of our Business Meeting. We will begin with the Rosary at 6:30 pm followed by our meal at 6:50 pm. After the meal we will begin our business meeting at 7:30 pm. Please remember to fill out your monthly activity form. Forms are in the vestibule of the church. Please put these dates down in your calendar so you won't miss a meeting.

I look forward to putting out our National Flags on Veterans' Day. We will put out the flags at 7:00 and retrieve them at 4:00 pm. In our November Business meeting, we will be starting our 50/50 drawing. Each member will donate \$1.00. At the end of the meeting a Knight's name will be called. If Knight is present, half the money goes to the brother Knight, the other half goes into the Knight's general fund. If the Knight is not present, the money rolls over to the next meeting.

Thank you for the tremendous turn out at our Hospitality Sunday. November 3<sup>rd</sup> there will be no Hospitality because of Fr. Chuck's Installation by Bishop Soto. It was nice to see more of our brothers in uniform at the presentation of the Rosary before the 10:30 Mass on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month.

I thank Brother Richard Shaver for helping me complete an inventory of our kitchen equipment. I thank my Brother Knights for supporting the Women of St. Thomas More's Chocolate Fest. I thank Greg Kidder, Leo Bourgeois, Jim Collins and Richard Shaver along with me in helping put Fr. Chuck's garage together. We had a good turnout at our first Men's Group on Friday at 6:45 am. I look forward to you helping set up and clean up after Fr. Chuck's Installation and potluck. I am pleased that more of us Knights are getting involved with our parish and community. Look forward to seeing you on Veteran's Day.

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

## DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT

The month of November is dedicated to those who have gone before us, as we start the month with the *Feast of All Souls* on Saturday, November 2. I'm certain all of us remember friends, relatives, priests, and Brother Knights who have had a significant influence on our lives. Please take a moment to remember them, thank them, say a prayer for them, and celebrate their legacy which lives on with us.

The month of November is also a month to be thankful, as we acknowledge God's blessings in our lives and that of our families. Two charities are paramount this time of year. The first is "Coats for Kids" -- a program to provide coats to children in need as temperatures drop and winter sets in. Coats are available from the Supreme Council at a reduced cost and can be ordered by clicking [here](#). For further information on the "Coats for Kids" program click [here](#). In lieu of purchasing coats and distributing them locally, donations can also be made to the Supreme Council's "Coats for Kids" program by clicking [here](#).

"Food for Families" is also a timely program as Thanksgiving nears and food lockers are challenged to keep up with demand. Hold a church or council food drive and ensure there is sufficient supply to meet the seasonal demand. Sponsor a Thanksgiving dinner for one or more families in need or serve food at a local shelter for the homeless. For every \$500 or 1,000 pounds of food donated, the Supreme Council will refund \$100 back to the council -- up to a maximum of \$500 per council per fraternal year. For further information on "Food for Families" click [here](#).

The COR (Latin for heart) religious formation program continues to mature and take shape with more and more councils adopting it each month. "Men of the Word" is a twelve-part bible study program which can be ordered in its entirety at a cost of approximately \$15.00 per person (in quantities of ten or more). It includes a full curriculum for monthly Cor meetings with lessons ranging from Creation to the Acts of the Apostles. The two councils in Chico are collaborating to hold Cor meetings on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM in Room 2 at the Our Divine Savior Church Social Hall. Meetings are open to all Catholic men and include prayer, fellowship and insightful discussion deepening our understanding and relationship with Jesus Christ.

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**Calendar of Events****November / December**

Nov. 1	All Saints Day--Mass 8:30am & Bilingual Mass 5:30 pm
Nov. 1	Men's prayer group 6:45 am
Nov. 2	All Souls Day. Mass at Paradise Cemetery at 1:00 pm
Nov. 3	Installation of Fr. Chuck Kelly by Bishop Soto (Bilingual Mass at 10:30am) and dedication of the Parish Hall. Potluck luncheon to follow. (Daylight saving time ends)
Nov. 5	Election Day. Remember to vote.
Nov. 11	Veterans Day (put out flags 7:00am, pick up flags 7:00pm)
Nov. 13	Officers Meeting, 9:30am
Nov. 17	K of C Rosary before Mass at 10:00 am
Nov. 20	Business Meeting, Rosary at 6:30 pm, dinner, 7pm, Business meeting 7:30 pm
Nov. 24	Christ the King Celebration
Nov. 28	Thanksgiving Day
Dec. 1	Hospitality after 10:30 am and 12:30 pm Masses
Dec. 7	Pearl Harbor Day
Dec. 11	Officers Meeting, 9:30am
Dec. 15	K of C Rosary before Mass at 10:00 am
Dec. 18	Business Meeting, Rosary at 6:30 pm, dinner 7pm, Business meeting 7:00 pm
Dec. 25	Christmas Day

**NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS:**Charles Knechtel—18<sup>th</sup>Leo Bourgeois—19<sup>th</sup>Mark Fowler—19<sup>th</sup>Bruce Epperson—22<sup>nd</sup>Matthew Samson—22<sup>nd</sup>John Smith Jr—27<sup>th</sup>Jim Collins—30<sup>th</sup>**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, Kathy DeCristofaro, Gina and Duncan Barnard, Israel Garcia, Barbara Brown, Jerry Foster, Barbara and Jennifer Collins, Bob Smith, Jim Daley, Deacon Ray and Donna Helgeson and their daughter, Dave Porter, Dave Lemire, Carol Daffner, Liz Fierro, Cherie Thurman, Joy Regalia, Kendell Rensink, Tyler Shaver and Pope Francis.

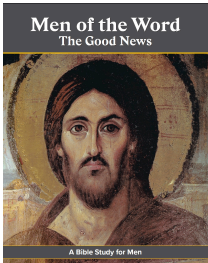
Please remember those who are serving our country in the armed forces and those who fell victim to the natural disasters. Pray for all the health professionals, all our police and law enforcement officers, firefighters, EMT's and all who are trying to keep us safe. Pray for Israel and all the innocent 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**

- When I was young we used to go 'skinny dipping.' Now I just 'chunky dunk.'
- Why is it that our children can't read a Bible in school, but they can in prison?
- Why do I have to swear on the Bible in court when the Ten Commandments cannot be displayed outside?
- Bumper sticker of the year: 'If you can read this, thank a teacher -and since it's in English, thank a soldier'

## DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT (CON'T)



Watch for announcements in your parish bulletins with reminders on meeting dates and time, or just drop by and check it out. For further information on “Men of the Word” click [here](#).

Wishing you all a happy and healthy Thanksgiving!

Thank you for your charity and service!

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## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE

November is National Long-Term Care Awareness Month, an event recognized by the US legislature as a very important way to raise awareness about elder care and planning before it's needed. To mark the occasion, here are 10 critical facts shared by the American Association for Long-Term Care Insurance:

- # 1 - Americans are living longer, in large part due to advances in medical care and public health. Life expectancy in the US for those reaching 65 was an additional 20 years on average in 2019.
- # 2 - By 2030, one in five residents in the US will be age 65 or older.
- # 3 - The number of people in need of long-term support services (LTSS) in the United States is already at 14 million and expected to grow to 27 million by 2050.
- # 4 - Average out-of-pocket costs are \$140,000 for those individuals who utilize paid long term support services (LTSS). Roughly 17 percent will spend over \$100,000 on LTSS. Almost 9 percent will spend over \$250,000 on LTSS.
- # 5 - By 2040, the total prevalence of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias in the US is expected to approximately double from 7.2 million to nearly 13 million, with 8.5 million women and 4.5 million men expected to develop dementia.
- # 6 - For those requiring high levels of LTSS, individuals and families pay 55 percent of long-term care costs out of pocket.
- # 7 - Currently, most older single-person households are female. Women comprised 74 percent of solo households age 80 and over.
- # 8 - Some 7.5 million Americans have some form of long-term care insurance. Two-thirds of all new individual long-term care insurance claims pay for care needed by women.
- # 9 - The long-term care insurance industry paid out \$11 billion in benefits to some 310,000 individuals with insurance protection in 2019. The number will increase each year as the current number of policyholders grow older and, as a result, are more likely to begin their claim.
- # 10 - 69.5 percent of new claims start after the policyholder reached age 80. If you live a long life, you are very likely going to need long term care. You'll be very glad you have a policy to pay benefits. These facts are sobering, and you can see why long-term care support is a significant retirement savings “buster”. Your Knights of Columbus benefits includes the solution to this issue in the form of Long-term Care insurance available to both you and your spouse. Please contact me for more details. God Bless!

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