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## Newsletter



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### GRAND KNIGHT'S COLUMN

By Bill Nahorn III



Hello Brothers, Family and Readers,

Story of St. Valentine:

"The story of Valentine's Day begins in the third century with an oppressive

Roman emperor and a humble Christian Martyr. The emperor was Claudius II. The Christian was Valentinus.

Claudius had ordered all Romans to worship twelve gods, and had made it a crime punishable by death to associate with Christians. But Valentinus was dedicated to the ideals of Christ; not even the threat of death could keep him from practicing his beliefs. He was arrested and imprisoned.

During the last weeks of Valentinus's life a remarkable thing happened. Seeing that he was a man of learning, the jailer asked whether his daughter, Julia, might be brought to Valentinus for lessons. She had been blind since birth. Julia was a pretty young girl with a quick mind. Valentinus read stories of Rome's history to her. He described the world of nature to her. He taught her arithmetic and told her about God. She saw the world through his eyes, trusted his wisdom, and found comfort in his quiet strength.

"Valentinus, does God really hear our prayers?", Julia asked one day.

"Yes, my child, He hears each one."

"Do you know what I pray for every morning and every night? I pray that I might see. I want so much to see everything you've told me about!"

"God does what is best for us if we will only believe in Him," Valentinus said.

"Oh, Valentinus, I do believe! I do!" She knelt and grasped his hand.

They sat quietly together, each praying. Suddenly there was a brilliant light in the prison cell. Radiant, Julia screamed, "Valentinus, I can see! I can see!"

"Praise be to God!", Valentinus exclaimed, and he knelt in prayer.

On the eve of his death Valentinus wrote a last note to Julia, urging her to stay close to God. He signed it, "From your Valentine." His sentence was carried out the next day, February 14, 270 A.D., near a gate that was later named *Porta Valentini* in his memory. He was buried at what is now the Church of Praxedes in Rome. It is said that Julia planted a pink-blossomed almond tree near his grave. Today, the almond tree remains a symbol of abiding love and friendship. On each February 14, Saint Valentine's Day, messages of affection, love, and devotion are exchanged around the world.<sup>1</sup>

And on that note, I wish all of you and your family a very Happy and Blessed Valentine's Day.

Thank You, to all that helped make our **Crab Dinner** one of the **BEST** and **most PROFITABLE** one of the Crab Dinners we have had. **Brothers Ed Hendrickson and John Tucker and their crew** did an outstanding job pulling everything together in such a short time. Thanks to **Ken Ogella** for all his work of coordinating the ticket sales. **Gail Tucker** led the **Knights'**

<sup>1</sup> [www.olrl.org/lives/](http://www.olrl.org/lives/)

**Ladies** in the table decorating. As in the past years, the **Daughters of Isabella** served our guests with smiles and efficiency. See elsewhere in this bulletin for our editor's notes and pictures. A **GREAT** job was done by all.

On the heels of our Crab Dinner is our next event in less than 6 weeks. You'll be a'wearing of the green!! Yes, Brothers our **Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner** will be **Saturday, March 17th**, in **Guadalupe Hall**. We need help on many fronts. Please step forward and be part of our next event. Many of you have had tickets mailed to you. Please sell them and mail the stubs and checks to our FS. Brothers not receiving tickets in the mail please step up and call **me** at **209-474-0200** or **Ken Ogella** at **209-477-8006**. We have several tables available. Please buy them early as last year we had to turn some supporters away.

Several of your Brothers and wives attended the **West Coast Walk for Life** this past weekend in San Francisco. We started with a **High Mass** at **St. Mary's of the Assumption Cathedral** and walked down to Civic Center Plaza. The **Walk** went from **Civic Center Plaza up Market Street to Justin Herman Plaza on the Embarcadero**. This is the 43rd Walk for Life. As the Columbia's article states the Walk started the year after the Supreme Court's Roe V Wade decision (44 years ago). The West Coast Walk for Life started with about 7,000 walkers in January of 2005. They expected around 50,000 this year. I am ashamed that our parish (as large as it is) could just muster 23 people for the bus. We **NEED** to do better next year!

#### A NEW EVENT:

The Library and Literacy Foundation's **27<sup>th</sup> Annual San Joaquin County's Annual Trivia Bee** will be held **Friday, April 27, 2018, at 5:00 PM at the Stockton Arena**. Brother **Jack Jacobs** is sponsoring our Presentation K of C Team. Plan on attending dinner and cheering our three brothers, **Bob McKay, Gil Cisneros, and Tim Yun**, to victory. Tickets are available for dinner and the Bee.

Just a short plug for our **ONE & ONLY Environment**. It's the only one we have and our offspring are depending on us to leave them a world that they are able live on. Remember to **REDUCE** what we buy, **REUSE** what we have and **RECYCLE** everything that is able to be recycled.

Fraternally and Blessings,  
Bill GK 10478

### SPIRITUAL ADVISER'S COLUMN

By Deacon Dr. Benjamin Joe,  
PharmD



Who is Father Matthew? Well, if you are a Stockton Ports fan, you may know him better as Grant Desme. Grant Desme was an

outfielder for the Stockton Ports in 2009. He was one of the top two prospects for the Oakland Athletics at that time. In January 2010, he made a phone call to the A's vice president of baseball operations, Billy Beane, to inform him that he was giving up baseball to follow the call of the priesthood. Beane, a Catholic himself, was speechless but respected his decision. Desme entered into St. Michael's Abbey of the Norbertine Fathers in Silverado, CA and is now in his seventh of a 10-year journey to the priesthood. Desme is an active Catholic and a baseball player all this life. It was when he got hurt and could not play for a year and a half that he felt a tug in his heart to consider a call to the priesthood. He decided to play one more season to discern this feeling. After that year as well as meeting a girl, these did not take away the tugging at his heart. So, he answered God's call.

Most of us probably do not have as colorful of an experience as Grant Desme, but we are all called to be something or to do something. We may not know this or choose not to want to know this, but God is not going to let us off the hook that easy. Just look at the examples in the Bible. God knows each one of us by name, and intimately, too, since He created us. So, He has plans for each one of us.

We are all called and called to a vocation. Most of us think of vocations as those to become priests or religious brothers and they certainly are, but they are not the only calls that God makes. As for me, I was called to become a deacon. This is not a calling that I would ever expect or think that I can do. I did not have the skills nor the talents to do it. But over time, I did developed these skills and talent and something inside tugged at me. Through difficult discernment and support, I answered the call. Of course, this is not my only calling or vocation. I am also a husband, a father, a brother (family-wise and fraternally), a godfather, a pharmacist, a friend, a coach and others.

So, what is your calling? We are called to know, to love, and to serve the Lord. How are we to do this? The answer is a mystery but the mystery unfolds every time you answer His call. You have all chosen to be knights or maybe we chose you, but regardless, you are called and this is your vocation to know, to love, and to serve the Lord in this organization. When the council or the assembly calls, your response should be like that of Samuel, "Speak Lord, for your servant is listening."

May God Bless You Always,  
Deacon Ben

### FIRST DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

A **First Degree Exemplification** is scheduled for **Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>**, at **8:00 AM** in the **St. Joachim Room**. We encourage as many members as can make it to attend and give a big welcome to our new members!

Exemplification Team Members, we need you there by 7:30 AM.

## 2018 ANNUAL CRAB DINNER



On a chilly evening on Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, a large crowd nearly filled the Community Center to capacity for the **2018 Annual Crab Dinner**. Despite the added costs for the Community Center, catering, and security, we did **VERY** well! Very special Thank You's go to **Ed Hendrickson** and **John Tucker** for organizing and running the show.

Assisting Brothers Ed and John were the following Brother Knights, Daughters of Isabella, and those who are not members of either ministry who helped make this Dinner the success that it was:

**Knights of Columbus:** Jim Beahm, Gil Cisneros, Mike Detoro, Paul Jacobs, David Lagesse, Jesse Martin, Bill Nahorn III, Ken Ogella, Bob Pember-ton, Emanuel Ponte, John Rayray, Steve Shelton, Ed Sullivan, Stan Trent, and Rodney Widmer.

**Daughters of Isabella:** Jennifer Anzaldo, Janet Armstrong, Joseph Armstrong (Janet's son), Terisa Catrina, Sylvia Cisneros, Norma DePauli, Katy Di-Santiago, George Garrett, Gail Gulick-Tucker, Rosie Gutterriez, Monica Gutterres, Serafina Gut-terres, Debi Hill, Donald Hill, Katy Johnson, Amina Khan, Gaylene Khan, Gwen Lagesse, Marji Nahorn, Gloria Nunez, Marilyn Platt, Rosemary Ponte, Erika Quigley, Liz Rodriguez, Marie Sneed, Mary Vascon-cellos, Becky Vergano, Sandy Wagner, and Melissa Yarrington.

Last but no least, Marti Kulich.

A big Thank You also goes out to all of the Brother Knights who assembled the 12 raffle baskets. Special thank you to **Bobby and Kathy Chinchio** for donating their timeshare at Pajaro Dunes for the Silent Auc-tion.

## JANUARY PANCAKE BREAKFAST



The first Pancake Breakfast of 2018 got off to a quiet start, with a light turnout at the 8:00 AM seating and a little larger crowd at the 9:45 AM seating.

Once again Chefs **Dennis Abeyta** and **Peter Mc-Cormick** put on another great breakfast. Assisting them were **Brothers Gil Cisneros, Tom Cisper, Matthew Hymes, Paul Jacobs, Joe Mingram, Gk Bill Nahorn III, Ken Ogella, John Rayray, Chuck Sasso, John Tucker, and Elvin Tyler.**

**Gail Gulick-Tucker** made the Raffle basket, which was **won** once again by **Louie Boccia.**

The **next Pancake Breakfast** will be on **Sunday, Feb-ruary 4<sup>th</sup>**, after the 7:00 and 8:00 Masses.

## *HAPPY BIRTHDAY!*

<b>Stanley (Stan) C Trent</b>	<b>2/1</b>
<b>Thomas D Rautert</b>	<b>2/3</b>
<b>José Refugio Reyes</b>	<b>2/4</b>
<b>Paul J Cournoyer</b>	<b>2/9</b>
<b>Robert J Mestayer</b>	<b>2/13</b>
<b>Thomas F McMillan</b>	<b>2/22</b>
<b>Paul C Shane</b>	<b>2/22</b>
<b>Anthony L Pruitt</b>	<b>2/23</b>
<b>Steven M Carpenter</b>	<b>2/24</b>
<b>Jesse Martin</b>	<b>2/24</b>
<b>Peter A McCormick</b>	<b>2/26</b>
<b>Michael A Ornelas</b>	<b>2/26</b>





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**Events for February 2018**

General Meetings			
<b>NO Meeting on Wednesday, 2/14!</b>			
Day	Date	Location	Time
Wednesday	<b>28</b>	St. Joachim	7:00 PM
Pancake Breakfast			
Sunday	<b>4</b>	Guadalupe Hall	After the 7:00 and 8:45 Masses
1 <sup>st</sup> Degree Exemplification			
Saturday	<b>10</b>	St. Joachim	8:00 AM