

# Presentation Council #10478 Newsletter



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# GRAND KNIGHT'S COLUMN

**By Bill Nahorn III** 



Dear Brothers.

Greetings and may our Lord be with each of you!

Summer is waning, the last vacations are being taken. and our Knights are planning for our last summer event.

28, 2019. It is open to Knights and families. We will start a little earlier this year so to have time to socialize and have a few refreshments. Plan to enjoy this evening with your fellow Knights. As always, we will provide the main course and drinks. Please bring the item assigned according to your last name. Please see elsewhere in the bulletin for all other needed information; about why baseball is like Catholicism: we will see you there.

Our World Famous Pancake Breakfast will take place this Sunday, August 4, 2019. We will need help setting up and the rest of the breakfast needs. Plan to join us for a GREAT breakfast and lend a needed hand.

This is the time we need to begin planning for our Spaghetti Dinner. It is just around the corner and your input and help is needed. Join us for our first meeting in August (8/14) and help us plan for the Spaghetti Dinner and **BEYOND**.

We will break from our events and enjoy Presentation's Fall Fest in September. As in the past, our Knights will prepare the Fun Run breakfast for all the runners. All are invited to join us for a stuffed Burrito breakfast. Brothers, sign up now to ensure your place to assist in this great event.

Please remember all our Knights that have experienced a difficult and trying month. Keep them and their family in your prayers.

Peace to All, Bill

### SPIRITUAL ADVISER'S COLUMN

By Deacon Dr. Benjamin Joe, PharmD



As some of you know, sports are my passion. I enjoyed watching and listening to games but, above all, I love playing the game, especially baseball, my most favorite sport. It all began as a youngster watching and lis-

Our Annual Picnic is planned for Wednesday, August tening to Giants baseball games on the television and on the radio as I hung out at the grocery store and the restaurant that my parents owned. I rarely got to play ball but studied the game enough to apply what I learned when I did play leisurely. When I saw this article, it gave me a different perspective and how it applies to our faith. So this is what John L. Allen says

- 1. Both baseball and Catholicism venerate the past. Both cherish the memories of a Communion of Saints, including popular shrines and holy cards.
- 2. Both feature obscure rules that make sense only to initiates. (Think of the infield fly rule for baseball fans and the Pauline privilege for Catholics.)
- 3. Both have a keen sense of ritual, in which pace is critically important. (As a footnote, that's why basketball is more akin to Pentecostalism, since both are breathless affairs premised largely on ecstatic experience. I'd go into why football is pagan, but that's a different conversation.)
- 4. Both baseball and Catholicism generate oceans of statistics, arcana, and lore, For entry-level examples, try: Who has the highest lifetime batting average, with a minimum of 1,000 atbats? (Ty Cobb). Which popes had the longest and the shortest reigns? (Pius IX and Urban VII).
- 5. In both baseball and Catholicism, you can dip in and out, but for serious devotees, the liturgy is a daily affair.

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He says there is one more reason why baseball is like Catholicism: both bring us right to the clutch point, and then demand a follow through:

For it is only in surrender that the clutch is resolved. Eventually, a pitcher must release the ball from his callused fingers and send it spinning into the arcane triune powers of physics, probability, and pure skill, and the batter must commit to an outcome with both swing and stride, or nothing will ever become resolved.

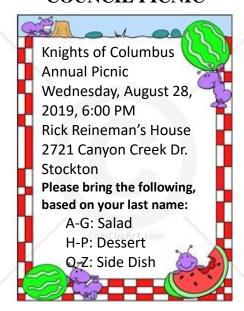
Baseball is a game of inches and hours. And in those moments between release and resolution are contained particles of infinity—the space between a prayer of supplication and the surrender of "Amen"; the whisper of intention that brings what is empty and void into fullness: The hope for redemption.

We can relate to that just as we can identify with pitcher and batter; the individual confronting a full team of resistance with the humblest of weapons—a ball, a stick—speaks to our daily grinds, the resistance, the persistence, the victory of getting through a day; of correcting a flawed stance; of breaking a bad habit before it owns you.

Daily life is like a baseball game with many infinite outcomes. We are armed with the weapons of faith, knowledge, skills, talents, and others just as like a pitcher and batter with an arm and a bat to affect outcome. The question for all of us is this: What is your game strategy and how can we affect the outcome in our and others' lives? It is not about coming out at the end as either a winner or a loser but as all winners.

May you always be blessed in all things, Deacon Ben

#### COUNCIL PICNIC



#### INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS





On Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, the officers for the 2019-2020 Columbian Year were installed. **District Deputy Bill Nahorn III** installed the officers and **John Tucker** played the role of the Chaplain. After reading the charges for each officer, the officer's wife placed the jewel of the office around the officer's neck. Afterwards, we sat down to a dinner made by **GK Bill Nahorn III**.

Unfortunately, the Installation was not well attended, with many of the officers absent.

# 2<sup>ND</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> DEGREES

Congratulations to **Jim Beahm** and **Kevin Dobson** on receiving the  $2^{nd}$  **and**  $3^{rd}$  **Degrees** on June 29 in Manteca. They are now eligible to serve as officers, members of the Exemplification teams, and the other areas that are open to  $3^{rd}$  Degree members.

#### FIRST BLOOD DRIVE

















Also on June 29<sup>th</sup>, we had our first **Blood Drive!** We had **19 potential donors**, and collected **15 units** of whole blood, which pleased Organizer Freddie Vidrio enough to put on another blood drive next year. Special thanks to the **American Red Cross staff: Kerry, Camilla, Jacqueline, Maddie, and Richard**.

### JULY PANCAKE BREAKFAST













On July 7, a hot Sunday morning greeted diners at July's "World Famous" Pancake Breakfast. Attendance was down due to the hot weather.

There were several changes made to the Breakfast. The admission table is now staffed by the women, this time Marji Nahorn and Kathy Hendrickson staffed the table. Ed Hendrickson joined Head Chef Peter McCormick as the Chef-in-Training. Thanks to our IT expert, Rick Reineman, we now accept credit and debit cards, in addition to cash, for the breakfasts.

The following Brother Knights assisted Peter and Ed in making the Breakfast another successful one: Gil Cisneros—setup and serving, David Lagesse—raffle, Joe Mingram—eggs and serving, GK Bill Nahorn III—food, setup, and cleanup, Ken Ogella—overall support, Rick Reineman—credit and debit card payments, José Tarango—setup and serving, John Tucker—serving, and Elvin Tyler—sausages and eggs.

Once again **Gail Gulick-Tucker** made the **raffle basket**, which was won by **Edward Klunk**, son of Brian and Beverly Klunk.

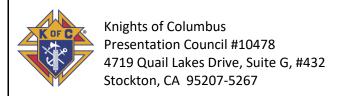
The next Pancake Breakfast is Sunday, August 4, 2019, after the 7:00 and 8:00 Masses.

#### **MEETING RAFFLE "WINNER"**

The "winner" of the raffle at the July 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting was Shawn Armstrong. As he was not present, the pot rolls over to \$65 for the August 14<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Joshua D Stoner	8/1
José L Echániz	8/2
Eugene B Even	8/3
Bill Kichline	8/3
Miguel Lara	8/4
Robert J Herrington	8/7
Josue I Parra	8/7
Richard A Reineman	8/10
Wilfred N DeCoite	8/11
Jeff P Furtado	8/11
Conrado S Mendoza	8/14
Benjamin M Morelos	8/14
Charles J Argus	8/15
Sarkis S Reshwan	8/15
Aaron Yarrington	8/19
Michael C Saccomagno	8/20
Michael L Miller	8/23
James T Beahm	8/26
Gregory A Louis	8/26
James M Keating	8/27
Matthew A Bettencourt	8/30



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## **EVENTS FOR AUGUST 2019**

General Meeting						
Wednesday	14	St. Joachim	7:00 PM			
Pancake Breakfast						
Sunday	4	Guadalupe Hall	After the 7:00 and 8:45 Masses			
Council Picnic						
Wednesday	28	Rick Reineman's House	6:00 PM			