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MERRY CHRISTMAS

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GRAND KNIGHT'S COLUMN

By Bill Nahorn III



Merry Christmas to all Brothers and Families,

May the Birth, Love, & Blessings of our Lord, Jesus Christ, be with each of you and your families.

This is a wonderful time of the year to share your blessings. This does not always have to be monetary. Give praise to someone, thank a service person, smile, and contact an old friend, child/parent with a warm kind word. This is the season to share and spread warmth to all. We are a very blessed parish and nation. Let us show our love and welcome our Christ child.

Monday, November 25, 2019, our Thanksgiving basket drive took place. I would like to thank all that participated in purchasing, packing, and delivering the baskets. Because of your kind and generous heart, 20 unsuspecting families in Stockton will have a bountiful Thanksgiving this year. Thank you, Brothers!

Brothers, our **Christmas Dinner** will take place on **Wednesday, Dec. 11th, at 6pm** in the **St. Joachim meeting room**. Please see elsewhere in this Newsletter for what dish to bring and share with others.

BROTHERS, I AM IN NEED OF BROTHERS TO STEP FORWARD AND COMMIT TO PREPAR A TURKEY FOR OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY. **PLEASE CALL ME at 209-607-1450 NO LATER THAN DEC. 2, 2019! THANK YOU!**

We will have our CRAB DINNER Tickets (January 11, 2020) available during our Pancake Breakfast on December 1st and would make a great Christmas gift. We now accept CASH, CHECKS, CREDIT CARDS or you may go ON LINE to purchase tickets.

We could use some assistance for our monthly World Famous Pancake Breakfast. All help is greatly appreciated. Stop by at 6am and help set-up or drop in later and lend a hand. As we know, 'Many hands make light work'. Stop by for your breakfast, still only \$4.00, and stay awhile and help.

In conjunction with our World Famous Pancake Breakfast, the **Daughters of Isabella will be holding their annual Christmas Boutique and Bake Sale from 7am to 2pm. Please join them for crafts and GOODIES.**

We have two busy months, December and January. Brother **Ed Hendrickson** is asking for help selling Crab Dinner tickets after mass (call to assist, **Ed at 209-649-1013** or **Bill at 209-607-1450**) and raffle tickets during our Crab Dinner. Please join us for YOUR council events.

Vivat Jesus,
Bill Nahorn III GK

SPIRITUAL ADVISER'S COLUMN

By Deacon Dr. Benjamin Joe, PharmD



The Season of Advent in the Catholic Church

Advent is a season of preparation over the 4 Sundays before Christmas. The word Advent comes from the Latin **advenio**, meaning "to come to", and refers to the coming of Christ. The coming refers to our celebration of Christ's birth at Christmas, the coming of Christ in our lives through grace and the Eucharist, and His second coming at the end of time.

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These 3 comings should be the focus in our preparation to receive Christ worthily.

Advent is very much like Lent and we might just call it a "mini Lent." Like Lent, it includes prayer, fasting, and alms giving. But, unfortunately, much of this does not happen, as Advent is supplanted these days by the Christmas shopping season. Most people also do not observe the 12 days after Christmas Day as part of the Christmas season which concludes with Epiphany.

The Church stresses the penitential and preparatory nature of Advent. As like Lent, the priests and deacons wear purple vestments. The only exception is Gaudete Sunday, the 3rd Sunday of Advent, whereby rose-colored vestments are worn. This is to encourage continued prayer and fasting and is also a way to remember that Advent is more than halfway over.

One of the well-known traditions of Advent is the Advent wreath. The wreath has 4 candles, 3 purple and 1 pink, reflective of each of the Advent Sundays. A white candle is in the center of the wreath. The purple candles also represent the penitential nature of the season and the pink represents Gaudete Sunday. The white candle represents Christmas.

Not putting up the Christmas tree and decorations before Advent is a way to remind us that the season is not here yet. Leaving the tree and decorations up until after Epiphany reminds us that the season is not over yet. This allows us to enjoy the Christmas season to the fullest.

As we approach Advent and Christmas, let us remember Jesus is the reason for the season. It is a holiday season for Jesus, a time of reflection and spirituality away from the hustle and bustle of life. It is OK to say "Merry Christmas" or my favorite, "Happy Christmas Season". After all, as Knights, we know to keep Christ in Christmas.

Happy Advent and Happy Christmas Season,
Deacon Ben



Knights of Columbus
Christmas Party
Wednesday
December 11, 2019
6:00 PM
Sts. Ann & Joachim Rm.
Please bring the following dish based on your last name:
A-G: Side Dish
H-P: Salad or Fruit
Q-Z: Dessert



Knights of Columbus Annual Crab Dinner Saturday, January 11, 2020 Presentation Community Center

Easy On-Line Purchases at PresentationKnights.org



With DJ
and
Dance
Music.



**CRAB Dinner Includes
pasta, salad, and dessert.**

Many SILENT AUCTION items as well as Raffle prizes and
CASH Raffle.

No Host Cocktails—6:00 p.m.

Dinner served—7:00 p.m.

TICKETS \$45.00 each

All seating Reserved

Call for tickets:

HOT LINE 209-933-1933

Bill Nahorn 209-474-0200

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FIRST DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

We are having a **First Degree Exemplification** on **Saturday, December 14**, at **8:00 AM** in the **St. Joachim Room**. We have a total of four candidates to bring into the Order: two from our Council and two more from St. Mary's Council.

Your Brothers on the **Exemplification Team** are: **Jim Beahm, Alex Ramirez, John Rayray, Freddie Vidrio, and lead Tim Yun**. We could always use more help. If you would like to help, please call **Tim** (me) at **408-597-7440**.

BISHOP COTTA ON CHRISTIAN PARENTING AND FAMILY LIFE

Bishop Cotta will give a talk on **Christian Parenting and Family Life in the World Today** on **Saturday, December 14, 9:00 AM–11:00 AM** in **Guadalupe Hall**. In addition to the Knights, this talk is sponsored by the Respect Life Ministry and the Daughters of Isabella. Refreshments will be served.

NOVEMBER PANCAKE BREAKFAST





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EVENTS FOR DECEMBER 2019

NO General Meetings			
Pancake Breakfast & Christmas Boutique			
Sunday	1	Guadalupe Hall	After the 7:00 and 8:45 Masses
Christmas Party			
Wednesday	11	Sts. Ann & Joachim	6:00 PM
First Degree Exemplification			
Saturday	14	St. Joachim	7:30 AM
Bishop Cotta on Christian Parenting			
Saturday	14	Guadalupe Hall	9:00 AM-11:00 AM