Knights of Columbus

Goleta Valley Council 5300

St. Raphael's Church, Goleta, California

Newsletter

August - September - 2019

Date	Event	Time/Place
August 5, 2019	4 th Officer's Meeting	7:00 pm, Admn Conf
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August 5, 2019	3 rd Officer's Meeting	8:00 pm, Admn Conf
		Rm
August 11, 2019	Pancake Breakfast/Blood Drive	8:30 am Parish Hall
August 12, 2019	Business Meeting	7:30 pm/Parish Hall
August 19, 2019	4 th Degree Business/Dinner	7:00 pm/Parish Hall
	Mtg.	
September 2, 2019	Labor Day & Labor Day Picnic	1:30 pm, Tucker's
		Grove, Area 1
September 3, 2019	4 th Officer's Meeting	7:00 pm, Admn Conf
		Rm
September 3, 2019	3 rd Officer's Meeting	8:00 pm, Admn Conf
		Rm
September 8, 2019	Pancake Breakfast	8:30 am Parish Hall
September 9, 2019	Business Meeting	7:30 pm/Parish Hall
September 16, 2019	Blue Mass and Dinner	6:00 pm/ St. Raphael's
		Church/Parish Hall
September 29, 2019	Corporate Communion Mass	9:30 am St. Raphael's
		Church

Labor Day Picnic – The Labor Day picnic will be held on September 2 at Tuckers Grove, Area 1. Social hour starts at 1:30, dinner at 4:00 pm. The fare will be hamburgers and hot dogs with all the trimmings, adult and children beverages. Cost for adults \$7.00 and children under 12, \$3.00.

Blue Mass - This year's Blue Mass will be celebrated on Monday, September 16th followed by a dinner in the Parish Hall afterwards. The Blue Mass is for all the First Responders, living and passed. Dinner will be served afterwards to all those attending. Dinner will be free to all First Responders and their wives. Cost and menu will be provided at a later date.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND THE CHURCH UNDER ATTACK

In January of this year Senator Ben Sasse (R-Neb.) introduced a resolution adopted by unanimous consent of the US Senate that "disqualifying a nominee to federal office on the basis of membership in the Knights of Columbus" violates that anti-religious test clause of the U.S. Constitution. Since the Constitution already prohibits a religious test for holding a public office, why was such a resolution necessary? There have been several incidents recently, where "progressive" congresspersons have attempted such a test on Catholic nominees for office. In early December, Sens. Kamala Harris (D-Calif.) and Mazie Hirono (D-Hawaii) submitted written questions for 43-year-old Brian Buescher, President Donald Trump's nominee to serve on the U.S. District Court of Nebraska. Hirono argued the Knights of Columbus has "taken a number of extreme positions" over the years, including opposition to same-sex marriage and the protection of unborn babies. So Hirono asked Buescher if he would abandon the Knights of Columbus "to avoid any appearance of bias." Harris criticized the faith-based charity for being an "all-male society" that has long "opposed a woman's right to choose," meaning it's pro-life. Also in 2018, Harris, questioned Peter Phipps, a district court nominee, if he had to "swear an oath" of allegiance to the Knights and if his membership required him to make decisions in keeping with the organization's view that "the right to life of every human being, from the moment of conception to natural death" must be protected. In another 2018 nomination hearing, Senators Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.) and Dick Durbin (D-III.) attacked Federal Appeals Court nominee Amy Barrett. Both raised Barrett's Catholic faith as disqualifying for judgeship on the basis of an article she had written discussing her Catholic beliefs in relation to making judicial decisions. In fact Barrett said in the article that judges who found their personal beliefs in conflict with the law

should recuse themselves from the case rather than make law based on their personal beliefs.

At this time our country seems to be regressing to a time of anti-Catholic bigotry at the cost of some of our costitutional guarantees-a time in which John Kennedy, a progressive, Catholic president, found it necessary to say "and neither do I look with favor upon those who would work to subvert Article VI of the Constitution by requiring a religious test--even by indirection--for it." Kennedy also said: "For while this year it may be a Catholic against whom the finger of suspicion is pointed, in other years it has been, and may someday be again, a Jew--or a Quaker--or a Unitarian--or a Baptist. It was Virginia's harassment of Baptist preachers, for example, that helped lead to Jefferson's statute of religious freedom. Today I may be the victim--but tomorrow it may be you--until the whole fabric of our harmonious society is ripped at a time of great national peril."

The question for Knight is What will we do about it? Will we defend religious liberty-the very purpose of our organization or do nothing? - Submitted by SK Rich Scholl, PGK, PFN

Council 5300 Corporate Communion - In times gone by, Council 5300 has participated in Corporate Communion on the 5th Sundays that fall that occur throughout the year. Our next Corporate Communion will be on Sunday, September 29th. All Knights and their families are encouraged to attend the 9:30 am Mass and, hopefully sit together, showing unity. Also, if possible, wear your red K of C polo shirt, if you have one. If you would like to have a K of C polo shirt, Jack Turney (805 967 9473) has them for \$28.

5th Sunday Months - The next 5th Sunday month for 2019 will be December 29, 2019

August		September	
Patrick Gildea	2	William Molloy	3
Constantine Garcia	7	Robert Shull	2
Robert Richards	13	Michael Gallegos	6
Douglas Reauso	18	Theodore Osborne	6
Louie Reyes	20	Glen Schiferl	10
Thomas Trautt	20	Joseph Talarico	17

Up Coming Birthdays:

Michael McClenathen	21
Christopher Terpening	25
Richard Scholl	26
Dennis Mihora	27
Ed Barrier	28
Mark McClenathen	28
Stephen Montross	29
Dr. Roberto Pacheco	31

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Prayer List:

Deacon Wayne Rascati

Gwen Hueston in her time of loss of SK Mell Hueston

Maggie Crosby, fiancé of SK Patrick Donohoe

Teresa Barrier, wife of SK Ed Barrier

Lee Alfano

SK Al Meckelborg

Christian Franzen, nephew of Deacon Wayne

Terry Pugh, wife of SK Earl Pugh

Sr. Teresa Meza, sister of SK Jose Meza

SK Jose Meza's wife, Maria

SK Larry Torres family in their time of loss

Anita Pullens, sister-in-law of SK Feliz Sanchez

Manual Cabrera and his spouse, brother and sister-in-law of Francisco Cabrera

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