# Knights of Columbus

Goleta Valley Council 5300 St. Raphael's Church, Goleta, California Newsletter August– September 2023

August 7, 2023	4th Degree Officer's Meeting	Conference Rm 7:00 pm	
August 7, 2023	3rd Degree Officer's Meeting	Conference Rm 7:30 pm	
August 13, 2034	Pancake Breakfast/Blood Drive	Parish Hall-8:00-11:00 am	
August 14, 2023	3rd Degree Business Meeting	Parish Hall - 7:00 pm	
August 21, 2023	Ladies Night In Dinner	Parish Hall - 6:00-9:00 pm	
September 4, 2023	Parish Labor Day Picnic	School Grounds 1:00-4:00	
September 5, 2023	4th Degree Officer's Meeting	Conference Rm 7:00 pm	
September 5, 2023	3rd Degree Officer's Meeting	Conference Rm 7:30 pm	
September 10, 2023	Pancake Breakfast	Parish Hall-8:00-11:00 am	
September 11, 2023	3rd Degree Business Meeting	Parish Hall - 7:00 pm	
September 18, 2023	4th Degree Dinner Meeting	Parish Hall - 7:00 pm	
September 23rd-24th	Membership Meet and Greet	All Masses - Church	

# From Mother Teresa's book Do Something Beautiful for God, May 2

When God created us, He created us out of love. There is no other explanation because God is love. And He created us to love and be loved. If we could remember that all the time, there would be no wars, no violence, no hatred in the world. So beautiful. So simple.

**August Pancake Breakfast and Blood Drive** – On August 21<sup>st</sup>, Council 5300 is having our monthly pancake breakfast for the Parish in conjunction with a Blood Drive. Come and give a pint of much needed precious blood and receive a free breakfast.

Ladies Night In – Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, the Junipero Serra Assembly of the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree is sponsoring a "Ladies Night In" dinner, inviting all Knights from Council 5300 and 1684 to come with their wives and enjoy a good meal (chef TBD) and socialize. The "program" for the evening will be the installation of new 4<sup>th</sup> Degree officers for the new Columbian year. The second part of the program will be a talk by our Insurance Agent presenting latest offerings from the Knights of Columbus Insurance Program. 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knights are encouraged to wear their tuxes, or Honor Guard uniform (if they have then). Dark suits, with tie, would also be acceptable. The social hour will begin at 6:00 pm and dinner will be available before 7:00 pm. Cost for the dinner will be a nominal \$10 per person. Mark the date on your calendar.

**Labor Day Picnic** – Council 5300 is sponsoring a Labor Day Picnic for the Parish to be held on the school grounds between 2:00 and 4:00 pm. We will be serving hamburgers and hot dogs at a nominal cost and will be asking attendees to bring side dishes, salads and desserts to share with everybody. Ron Guilliams (951 522 4999) and Ed De Caro (805 722 7605) are heading up this endeavor and will need your help with set-up, cooking, serving and clean-up. Give them a call if you can help.

**Membership Meet and Greet** – A membership meet and greet will be after all the Masses on the weekend of September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24th. A table will be set up in front of the Church and we need fellow Knights to help answer any questions and encourage non-members to join and help us continues the legacy that we have built up for the last 60 years. If you can spare a few minutes after the Mass you attend and help Mark Vampola (805-708-2631), it would be greatly appreciated.

**Planned Parent Prayer Vigils** - Prayer vigils are still being held most weekday mornings across the street from Planned Parenthood, 518 Garden Street, Santa Barbara. If you can spend an hour on one of those days, plan to spend it in peaceful prayer in front of Planned Parenthood. For more information please call Gisela Cooper at 805 886 3732.

**Insurance Agent** - Please note that our insurance agent is Anthony G. Rodriguez, 805 328 9788, AnthonyG.Rodriguez@kofc.org.

August	September		
Patrick Gildea	2	William Molloy	1
Constantine Garcia	7	Robert Shull	2
Louie Reyes	20	Ed De Caro	4
Thomas Trautt	20	Michael Gallegos	6
Christopher Terpening	25	Theodore Osborn	6
Richard Scholl	26	Glen Schiferl	10
Dennis Minora	27	Joseph Talrico	17
Ed Barrier	28	Aphiah Johnson	17
Mark Mc Clenathen	28	Carlos Venezuela	28
Stephen Montross	29	Bill Fuhrer	29
-		Jay Akely	30
		Daniel Knauss	30

# **Up Coming Birthdays:**

#### Saint for August, Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Martyr, August 9 (1891-1942)

A brilliant philosopher who stopped believing in God when she was fourteen, Edith Stein was so captivated by reading the autobiography of Teresa of Avila (October 15) that she began a spiritual journey that led to her baptism in 1922. Twelve years later she imitated Teresa by becoming a Carmelite, taking the name Teresa Benedicta of the Cross.

Born into a prominent Jewish family in Breslau, (now Wroclaw, Poland), Edith abandoned Judaism in her teens. As a student at the University of Göttingen, she became fascinated by phenomenology, an approach to philosophy. Excelling as a protégé of Edmund Husserl, one of

the leading phenomenologists, Edith earned a doctorate in philosophy in 1916. She continued as a university teacher until 1922 when she moved to a Dominican school in Speyer. Her appointment as a lecturer at the Educational Institute of Munich ended under pressure from the Nazis.

After living in the Cologne Carmel (1934-1938), she moved to the Carmelite monastery in Echt, Netherlands. The Nazis occupied that country in 1940. In retaliation for being denounced by the Dutch bishops, the Nazis arrested all Dutch Jews who had become Christians. Teresa Benedicta and her sister Rosa, also a Catholic, died in a gas chamber in Auschwitz on August 9, 1942.

Pope John Paul II beatified Teresa Benedicta in 1987 and canonized her twelve years later.

#### Saint for September: Teresa of Kolkata, Virgin, September 5 (1910-1997)

Mother Teresa of Kolkata, the tiny woman recognized throughout the world for her work among the poorest of the poor, was canonized in September 4, 2016. Among those present were hundreds of Missionaries of Charity, the order she founded in 1950 as a diocesan religious community. Today the congregation also includes contemplative sisters and brothers and a community of priests.

Born to Albanian parents in what is now Skopie, Macedonia (then part of the Ottoman Empire), Gonxha (Agnes) Bojaxhiu was the youngest of the three children that survived. For a time, the family lived comfortably, and her father's construction business thrived. But life changed overnight following his unexpected death.

During her years in public school, Agnes participated in a Catholic sodality and showed strong interest in foreign missions. At age eighteen she entered the Loreto Sisters in Dublin. It was 1928 when she said goodbye to her mother for the final time and made her way to a new land and a new life. The following year she was sent to the Loreto novitiate in Darjeeling, India. There she chose the name Teresa and prepared for a life of service. She was assigned to a high school for girls in Kolkata, where she taught history and geography to the daughters of the wealthy. But she could not escape the realities around her – the poverty, the suffering, the overwhelming numbers of destitute people.

In 1946 while riding in a train to Darjeeling to make a retreat, Sister Teresa heard what she later explained as "a call within a call. The message was clear. I was to leave the convent and help the poor while living among them." She also heard a call to give up her life with he Sisters of Loreto and, instead, to "follow Christ into the slums to serve him among the poorest of the poor".

After receiving permission to leave Loreto, establish a new religious community, and undertake her new work, she took a nursing course for several months. She returned to Kolkata, where she lived in the slums and opened a school for poor children. Dressed in a white sari and sandals (the ordinary dress for an Indian women), she soon began getting to know her neighbors – especially the poor and sick-and getting to know their needs through visits.

The work was exhausting, but she was not alone for long. Volunteers who came to join her in her work, some of them former students, became the core of the Missionaries of Charity. Others helped by donating food, clothing, supplies, the use of buildings. In 1952 the city of Kolkata gave Mother Teresa a former hostel, which became a home for the dying and destitute. As the congregation expanded, services were offered to orphans, abandoned children, those suffering from alcoholism, the aging, and street people.

For the next four decades, Mother Teresa worked tirelessly on behalf of the poor. Her love knew no bounds. Nor did her energy, as she crisscrossed the globe, pleading for support and inviting others to see the face of Jesus in the poorest of the poor. In 1979 she was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. On September 5, 1997, God called her home. The above are excerpts taken from *Saint of the Day: the Definitive Guide to the Saints,* by Leonard Foley

# Please keep in your prayers the following:

Felix Sanchez with a serious medical condition Dan Feeney with a serious medical condition Richard David Cabrera, nephew of Francisco Cabrera Frank and Fran Diani Jose Meza **Bob** Marks Paul Coyne Ginny Scholl, spouse of Rich Scholl Katherine DiMauro, sister of Charlie DiMauro Norma DiMauro, grandmother of Charlie DiMauro Helen Mudugno (wife of Ralph Mudugno) Earl Pugh Carol McLafferty (widow of PGK Bill McLafferty) SK Al Meckelborg Sr. Teresa Meza, sister of SK Jose Meza SK Jose Meza's wife, Maria Anita Pullens, sister-in-law of SK Felix Sanchez Manual Cabrera and his spouse, brother and sister-in-law of Francisco Cabrera

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