

The KNIGHT Letter



Murrieta Mission Council No. 11393, District 97
December 2006

*We Wish You and Your Family a
Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year!*

Business Meetings are on the second Wednesday
of each month at St. Martha
in Straling Hall or the old Worship Center
Dinner at 6:30 PM and Meeting Begins at 7:30 PM

Officers meet on the fourth Wednesday at 7:30PM

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Very Reverend Jack Barker, Pastor
St. Martha Mass Schedule
Monday—Saturday: 7:30 AM
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 1:00 PM (Spanish),
5:00 PM Youth Mass (Oct-May). Holy Days: 7:30 AM & 7:00 PM



Grand Knights Message – GK Steve Lindsley

My Brothers,

As we enter a new year, we likely have begun the process of putting away the Christmas decorations until next December. We have put the holiday behind us and we have begun the process of "getting back to life." Unfortunately, Secular society has shaped our celebration of the holidays more than the real meaning of Christmas and the Church's liturgical calendar. While we often think of Christmas as a single day, it is actually a season, continuing for weeks after Christmas Day.

Christmas extends four weeks before Christmas Day and for two weeks after. While "Advent" which means "coming" is a season of expectation and hope, the Christmas Season begins at sunset on Christmas Eve, and lasts through January 5, or the Twelve Days of Christmas. January 6 is the Epiphany. In fact, some Orthodox and Eastern Churches celebrate Christmas on January 6.

The exact time of the year when Jesus was born, and even in what year he was born is not historically documented. The best estimate is that Jesus was probably born in the springtime, somewhere between the years of 6 and 4 BC. The lack of a consistent system of timekeeping in the first century, mistakes in later calendars and calculations, and lack of historical details to cross reference events has led to this imprecision in fixing Jesus' birth. Therefore, the Christmas celebration is not an observance of a historical date, but a commemoration of the event in terms of worship.

Observance of Christmas on December 25 likely originated from the Roman culture that celebrated the emergence from the darkest day of year on the Winter Solstice (Winter Solstice is the point where the sun's ecliptic, or apparent path in the sky, is at its furthestmost southern point, occurring by our calendar around December 22; in the northern hemisphere). December 25 was a pagan celebration of the birth of the sun (*Natalis Solis Invicti*) as it once again began its annual journey back north from its southernmost point through the heavens. This marked the change of seasons that promised springtime and renewal of the earth. Appropriately, the early Christians found the symbolism of celebrating the emergence from dark to light eminently applicable to the birth of our Savior.



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Actually, the Feast of the Epiphany, or the day we observe the visitation of the infant Jesus by the Magi, has a far richer tradition in Christianity than Christmas Day. This day, January 6th (or in many countries it is celebrated on the Second Sunday after Christmas), commemorates the "revealing" of Jesus to the World. Many cultures celebrate the Epiphany by exchanging gifts with loved ones and friends. The Epiphany, which may be interpreted to mean "manifestation" or "discovery", is the figurative unveiling of Our Savior. The Epiphany is when Christians are called to discover Jesus. This discovery is not meant to be a transitory moment in time, but a continued venture toward understanding Christ's meaning in our lives. In terms of the liturgical year, Jesus is initially discovered on the Epiphany. We then follow Christ's journey toward his ultimate sacrifice on Good Friday. And miraculously, we are renewed to life by his Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

So My Brothers, as you put away the holiday decorations and tear down the tree, remember that Christmas and the celebration of Jesus' life does not end on December 25th. The Epiphany, or discovery of Christ, is an ongoing process throughout the year. As Knights, we are called to be examples of that manifestation of Our Lord. May God Bless each of you and guide you on your Christian Crusade to unveil Christ to the World.





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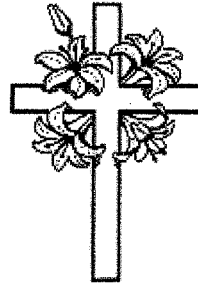
"Watch, O Lord, with those who wake, or watch, or weep tonight, and give your angels charge over those who sleep.

Tend your sick ones, O Lord Christ. Rest your weary ones.
Bless your dying ones. Soothe your suffering ones.
Pity your afflicted ones. Shield your joyous ones.
And for all your love's sake. Amen. " *Saint Augustine*



LEST WE FORGET

Bill Frohoff, 10/3/1925 – 9/2/1996
Frank Orlaski, 4/3/1932 – 7/20/1996
Robert Marsolais, 4/18/1921 – 8/6/1997
Stan Phillips, 2/13/1907 – 11/13/1997
Russ Pirrelli, 10/18/1920 – 5/26/1998
Joe Normendeau, 8/21/1929 – 4/3/1999
George Morcombe, 1/3/1931 – 5/7/1999
Charles Fisher, 8/18/1933 – 9/20/1999
Nicholas Bartolomeo, 7/19/1921 – 7/7/2000
Richard Arnold, 6/23/1932 – 5/15/2001
Albert Brady, 2/2/1935 – 7/17/2001
George Fulton, 8/18/1916 – 7/29/2001
James Cabeen, 10/12/1926 – 10/26/2001
Orville Ontkean, 4/25/1918 – 11/10/2001
Doc Wall, 6/20/1924 – 6/13/2003
Norm Elethorp, 7/26/1927 – 8/15/2003
Mike Zubia, 9/28/1931 – 9/12/2003
Lupe Santiago, 12/12/1933 – 1/25/2004
Manuel Tiu, 5/3/1948 – 4/15/2003
Jim Interrante, 4/6/1925 – 7/3/2004
Glenn M. Erickson, 1/9/1922 – 8/1/2004
Frank Silvas, 4/29/1927 – 10/15/2004
Brian J. Hale, 4/19/1938 – 10/29/2004



Abe Lozano, 9/23/1936 – 11/1/2004
Ron Eldridge, 6/11/1921 – 12/25/2004
Richard Sullivan, 2/14/1921 – 4/14/2005
Scott Hellinger, 2/4/1959 – 4/21/2005
Eugene Mordacq, 6/25/1931 – 5/28/2005
Raymond Mosher, 10/8/1920 – 6/7/2005
Kieran J. Doyle, 5/4/1960 – 9/14/2005
Donald Carlson, 12/22/1947 – 9/27/2005
Daniel Morrison, 6/4/1917 – 11/26/2005
Harris Gehl, 5/25/1920 – 3/6/2006

Stephen V. Janicek
8/21/1916 – 12/9/2006

"For none of us lives in himself, and none dies to himself; for if we live, we live to the Lord, or if we die, we die to the Lord.

Therefore, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and rose again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living."

(Romans 14: 7-9)



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2007 CALIFORNIA STATE CONVENTION

Dear Brothers in Christ,

The California Knights of Columbus 105th Annual State Convention will be held at the Doubletree Hotel in Ontario, California May 18 and 19, 2007. It will be a great convention! For starters, your souvenir package will include a colorful Limited Edition Collector's Plate depicting the images of Father Michael J. McGivney and Pope John Paul II.

For those arriving early, the annual golf tournament will be held at Indian Hills Golf Club. The shotgun start is at 8:00 AM so you will have a leisurely game followed by lunch, all for only \$90.00, and you will still make it back to the hotel in time for an Evening of Hot Havana Nights! From 7:00 PM to 11:00 PM there will be horse races, Cuban music and Cuban drinks and lots of friendly faces. This is a great way to prepare for all the work that lies ahead.

For those early arrivals that do not play golf you can be the "Guest of the State Council" and participate in an afternoon of fun at the hotel. From 12:00 PM until 5:00 PM you will have the opportunity to see cooking demos, a fashion show, listen to an author speak and sign books and visit travel and health exhibits.

Friday morning starts with the opening Mass at 8:00 AM. This is one of the most important events of the weekend and should be fully supported by all in attendance. What better way to start the work of the Order than to ask for God's guidance!

Fraternally,

*John Giltner
Convention Public Relations Chairman*



PRO-LIFE COMMITTEE – Marvin Hayes, State Chairman

Walk for Life West Coast January 20, 2007 Please Join Us!!

Mark your calendar for the 3rd annual Walk for Life West Coast. Join the State Officers, Supreme Directors, State Directors and members of the Knights of Columbus representing jurisdictions of California, Utah, Nevada, Oregon and Washington on Saturday, January 20th as we walk together with thousands along San Francisco's streets proclaiming our Advocacy to the Culture of Life.

All Night Eucharistic Adoration: Please consider making a Holy Hour in preparation for the Walk for Life on Friday, January 19th. There is much to pray for: the safety of all those participating in the Walk; for a change of heart of the protesters and all those who are pro-abortion; for those who have had abortions or are contemplating it right now; and of course, for the millions of precious babies who have been aborted since 1973. The adoration will take place at Saints Peter & Paul Church in North Beach at 666 Filbert Street near Columbus from 8:00 PM on Friday January 19th until 7:00 AM on Saturday, January 20th.

The day will begin with Holy Mass at 8:00 AM at Saint Mary's Cathedral celebrated by His Excellency George Niederauer Archbishop of San Francisco, Bishops Daniel Walsh of Santa Rosa, Bishop Allen Vigneron of Oakland and Auxiliary Bishops of San Francisco John Wester and Ignatius Wang. St. Mary's Cathedral is located at 1111 Gough St., San Francisco.

The two and one-half mile Walk will start at Justin Herman Plaza on Market Street at 11:00 AM and continues to Marina Green. Speakers will include Rev. Clenard Childress, Director of LEARN Vera Faith Lord, Talitha Phillips – Silent No More. Alfredo Abarca – San Francisco Catholic activist (Spanish/English) and Father Frank Pavone from Priests for Life will present the St. Gianna Molla Award.

Last January 2006 we had 15,000 peaceful participants and the year before there were 7,000. We are requesting for all the California members of the Knights of Columbus and their families participate in this event; let's reach over 35,000 at the January 2007 WALK. Save the Date and don't forget to bring your Rosary!

God Bless, Br. Marvin Hayes



3-MONTH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

WED. 10 TH	Council Dinner & Meeting Straling Hall	6:30 PM
SAT 20 TH	Walk for Life West Coast St. Mary's Cathedral San Francisco	8:00 AM
WED 24 TH	Officer Meeting	7:30 PM
FRI 26 TH	Clergy Night – Dinner St. Catherine Temecula	6:00 PM

FEBRUARY

FRI 9 TH & SAT 10 TH	4 th Degree Exemplification Contact SK John Treis @ (951) 551-9925	Ontario
SUN 11 TH	Nightlife Dinner	6:00 PM
WED 14 TH	Council Dinner & Meeting Straling Hall	6:30 PM
SUN 18 TH	First and Second Degree St. Mary's	1:00 PM
WED 28 TH	Officer Meeting	7:30 PM

MARCH

WED 14 TH	Council Dinner & Meeting Straling Hall	6:30 PM
WED 28 TH	Officer Meeting	7:30 PM



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When you choose to do business with the Knights of Columbus, you are selecting a company that holds itself to the highest of standards.

I wish you all a blessed Christmas and prosperous New Year!

Fraternally,

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