

Knights of Columbus

ST. ELIZABETH COUNCIL NO. 8747

Milpitas, California

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DIVISION III



JANUARY 2011

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IMPORTANT CALENDAR EVENTS
SEE THE ENCLOSED CALENDAR - POST IT AND SHARE IT!

CHAPLAIN'S COLUMN

DENY YOURSELF



A fulfilling way to begin the New Year is to deny yourself.

Unless you deny yourself, take up your cross and follow me, you cannot be my disciple.

When we were born we have two centers. Immediately, we develop a reflected false center. This center is created by people in society. It reflects what other people think and feel about us. Our mother is the first reflection; then our father and family, then teachers, friends, co-workers and others through-out our lives. This false center is an illusion. It comes from the opinions of others. It is the cause of our misery and unhappiness. We are not what others say we are. Our other center is given by existence itself. This is a true center. This is the center given to every human being by the Creator. This is our true center. A child is not aware of his true center; so he thinks the center that society gives is the true center. This misunderstanding remains for a long time; unfortunately, for many, this misunderstanding can remain a life time. It is the cause of our misery and unhappiness. Jesus calls us to lose our false center so we may discover the true center God created in our soul.

For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it. Lk 9:18

This is the center God loves with. A love we will never be able to understand. Understanding is the key to losing our false center. Once we understand that our unhappiness, stress and troubles are coming from the false ideas and illusions. Our false center begins to die on its own. It simply drops like dead leaves from a tree. As we lose our false center we discover our true center. The soul God created in us from the first moment of our existence. It is the truth of who we really are. It is the self God loves, and Jesus died to save. It is where our goodness and beauty lives. It is the center which will return to Heaven. We should not be afraid to let- go of our false center filled with illusions and lies.

“For whoever loses his life for my sake will save it.”

Jesus calls us to break out of our narrow minded false self and live by the Holy Spirit within.

Saint Therese of Lisieux teaches us how to break out of our false self. In a letter she begged her cousin. “forget about yourself.” “your scruples are just a lot of

self seeking.” “your griefs and sorrow are centered on yourself.” “forget yourself. “think of God’s love.” “put yourself in God’s hands and forget yourself”. So, we must not be afraid to let go of the false center which is nothing but lies, and unhappiness. For whoever wishes to save his false life will lose his true life. But, whoever loses his false life will save his true life.

Always remember :

“Jesus loves you with a love, the tenderness of which you will never be able to understand.”

Cardinal Merry del Val (1914)

Chaplain,

Rev. Leonard Traverso

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE



As we depart the Advent and Christmas season of 2010, I truly hope that each of our council members and their families received the many blessings from our Lord. Subsequently as we move ahead, en route for the second decade in the 21 Century, I would like to take this opportunity to wish each and every one of our Brothers and their families a Happy New Year for 2011.

This first month of the New Year finds us continuing our Pro Life mission as the anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade decision approaches. We saw a very successful 40 Days for Life campaign from Sept. 22 – Oct. 31, 2010, where it was reported in the January 2011 Columbia magazine, that “a record 238 locations in the United States, Canada, Australia, England, Northern Ireland and Denmark came together to pray for the unborn and their parents”. They also report that because of the last seven campaigns a total of ~ 3,600 babies have been spared from abortions.

During this month we continue our efforts with the Walk for Life in San Francisco on January 22 starting at 11:00 AM followed by the Youth Rally at Fort Mason at the end of the Walk around 3:00 PM. These activities are followed by the Mass of the Unborn that evening at St. Lawrence the Martyr at 7:00 PM. I implore all our Brothers to attend as many of the mentioned events that they have the time to so we can exhibit support toward our efforts to end abortion in America.

Lastly, but with as much importance as the Pro Life efforts, is our second Membership Recruitment Drive the weekend of January 15 & 16 after all masses in the front of St. Elizabeth church. Talk to your fellow neighbors and friends and sign them up for membership

in the Knights of Columbus. Then come and join your fellow Brothers after the mass you attend that weekend and talk to the rest of our men parishioners about joining our council. Brother Andy Dyson has all the forms you will need to accomplish these tasks.

Our Deputy Grand Knight / Program Director, Brother Khai Phan is still in need of two Special Programs Directors for our council. We still have an opening for a Council Director and a Youth Director. If you have some free time and would like to investigate one of these positions, please contact Brother Khai or myself. For a complete description of the duties and expectations of this opportunity you can now go to our council website at <http://www.kofc8747.org/> and click on the Surge with Service publication link.

ITEMS TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR:

1. Keep in mind that our Council Officers & Programs meetings are back on track for the first Wednesday evening of each month beginning with the January 5th meeting starting at 7:30 PM. As always you can come at 7:00 PM to socialize before the meeting or stay afterward. Whatever your time permits I would appreciate meeting with all the Officers & Program Directors at this first meeting to make a start on the planning of the projects for the remaining six months of this Columbian Year.

2. January 12 at 7:30 PM is our Council members Business meeting. Worthy Brothers please put our council Business meetings on your personal calendar and make an effort to attend this one night each month. We have several commitments for the remainder of this Columbian year and we seek your assistance in reaching our goals. I was also requested to announce that our Lecturer, Brother Joseph Schaefer, has graciously offered to provide Ham and Bean soup after the January 12 meeting, so come give us your assistance and enjoy a bowl of soup in return.

3. The weekend of January 15 & 16 is our second Membership Recruitment Drive at all masses. Please plan to spend a few minutes assisting your fellow Brothers in our recruitment efforts of all fellow parishioners after each of the masses that weekend.

4. Saturday January 22 marks the annual Walk for Life in San Francisco at 11:00 AM and then at 7:00 PM the annual Mass of Reparation (Mass of the unborn) which, due to scheduling conflicts, will be held at St. Lawrence the Martyr Church this year. This is one time to uphold your anti-abortion beliefs and join the Walk and/or be present at mass to reinforcement your support of Gods children's right to Life.

"Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love one another but to use any violence to get what they want. This is why the greatest destroyer of love and peace is abortion".

—Mother Teresa, 1994

5. Just a reminder that I am the council Point of

Contact for tickets to the "CRAB FEED DINNER" sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Councils of San Jose Chapter. This event will be held on Saturday, February 5, 2011 at Saint Lawrence the Martyr Church in Santa Clara. There will be great Dungeness crab, Silent and live auctions hosted by Guy McIntyre #62 & Eric Wright #21 of the San Francisco 49ers, with dinner & dance music provided by our own St. Elizabeth Knight Sounds led by Brother Andy Dyson. The cost for this grand occasion is \$40 per person, so see me for dinner tickets and show your support for Bishop McGrath's special CCD fund.

If you would like to share your ideas for the council or committees, have comments, suggestions, complaints or perhaps just need to talk, I can always be reached by email at cnhudson@sbcglobal.net or by phone at Home: (408) 941-0433, / Cell: (408) 881-3444.

Fraternally,
Charlie Hudson,
Grand Knight, St. Elizabeth Council #8747

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Brother Titus Cascaro
The Soul of Gemma Franzino, Brother Nick Franzino's Grandmother

Theodore H. Nguyen and Family.

Beth Crews, wife of Brother Tim Crews.

John Patrick C. Hernandez, Son of Brother Noel & Maria Hernandez.

And all those listed in the Church Prayer List.

NOTE: If you have someone you would like to be included in our prayers, call me (Andy Dyson) by the 25th of the month and I will include them in the bulletin.

**FROM THE DESK OF THE
DGK/PROGRAM DIRECTOR**

My Brother Knights,

On Dec. 6 we began the month off with a combined Assembly Officers and Members meetings followed immediately by the Council Officers and Business meetings. This experience came about due to conflicts with church scheduled reconciliation service and the feast of the Immaculate Conception falling on our regularly scheduled meeting dates.

On Dec. 13 we celebrated our Council 8747 and Assembly 2246 family Christmas Pot Luck and Recognition. The turnout was good as was the many food dishes and the solidarity of those in attendance. The certificates for Knight of the Month and Family of the month for October, November and December were presented along with acknowledgment of those Brothers celebrating birthdays during those months.

On Dec. 20, 21, 22 Brother Joe Byrne coordinate the Christmas Food sorting, bagging and distribution.

Let us continue our appreciation to six of our Broth-

ers who assist in the food pickup from Second Harvest Food Bank and deliver it to the Milpitas food pantry on Tuesdays: Brothers Andy, Tim, Ed, Julio, and Skip along with myself.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our Brother Knights for the prayers after the death of my Godson. He was only 72 years young, but he accepted his death courageously.

May the Spirit of Christ in Christmas bring joy, happiness and prosperity to all of our Brothers and their families in the year 2011.

Your Faithful DGK & Program Director,
Khai Phan

CULTURE OF LIFE REPORT

Roe vs. Wade month

Happy & Holy New Year all! And, this first month brings the counter to the Roe vs. Wade decision (Jan. 22) activities. The Pro-Life Mass and Prayer Walk in Los Altos (and Pro-Life march in Wash. DC) on Monday, Jan. 24. The Mass will be at St. Nicholas at 11:30 am (at 473 Lincoln Ave). The walk begins following the Mass at 12:30 PM -- to go 8 blocks from the church, downtown to the Los Altos City Hall. More info: Hurbert Lipinski, 650-493-3156. Let's start the year right for Culture of Life and support this serious issue -- as a voice against those promoting quick & easy abortions. Some of the latter usually attend this event as well!

Our Chapter, also, has the Mass of Reparation (Mass for the Unborn) 7:00 PM, January 22, at St. Lawrence the Martyr, 1971 St. Lawrence Dr, Santa Clara.

Respectfully,
Br. Don Jones,
Culture of Life Chairman
934-7114

MEMBERSHIP NOTES

Your help is needed for our Recruitment Drive on January 15 and 16 after all masses. Please check in with our Grand Knight before the mass you are attending for instructions.

As you know we always need new members, so each member of our council should ask your Catholic neighbor in Church or in the Parish Community if he would like to become a member of the Knights of Columbus. We do have a Recruitment Team, Admission Committee and First Degree Team in place. So, all you need to do is get the prospect's name and phone number. Then give me a call at 263-5156. We will schedule the Admissions Committee to visit with him and his family.

The Time Is Now.
Andy Dyson, Membership Director

VOCATIONS PRAYER

LORD JESUS, OPEN OUR HEARTS AND MINDS TO THE SPIRIT WE RECEIVED IN BAPTISM. HELP US UNDERSTAND WE ARE GOD'S BELOVED CHILDREN. GIVE US GENEROUS HEARTS. CALL MANY MORE TO SERVE AS PRIESTS. SISTERS, BROTHERS, DEACONS AND LAY MINISTERS. HELP US LISTEN INTENTLY AND HUMBLY DO YOUR WILL. AMEN

-Secretariat for Vocations and Priestly Formation
HAI VU,
VOCATIONS CHAIRMAN

COMMUNITY NEWS

Here it is.....

Community meetings:

City Council: First and third Tuesdays at 7:00 PM. Broadcast on Community Channel 15 and webcast on city website: <http://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov> .

Planning Commission: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 7:00 PM. Broadcast on the Community Channel 15 and webcast on city website: <http://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov> .

MUSD School Board: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 7:00 PM. Broadcast on Community Channel 15. MUSD website: <http://www.musd.org> .

Community events:

Tuesday, January 3 - Milpitas Chamber of Commerce reopens from Christmas Holidays vacation week.

Wednesday, January 12 - Business After Hours Joint Mixer at ClubSport Fremont, 46650 Landing Parkway, Fremont, CA. from 5:00 - 7:00 PM. Joint Chamber Mixer in partnership with the Fremont Chamber of Commerce. Sponsored by: ClubSport Fremont. Great Networking Opportunities! Mix and Mingle with Business Leaders. Bring your Business Cards to Promote your Business or Services. Bring your clients and co-workers. RSVP to the Chamber office at 262-2613. Note: please visit their website at www.clubsports.com or call (510) 226-8500 for directions.

Monday, January 31 - Milpitas Rotary presents the 16th Annual Gene Schwab "Service Above Self" Award Luncheon to honor exemplary Milpitas city employees at the Embassy Suites Hotel from 12:00 Noon to 1:30 PM. \$18 at the door. For RSVP and info contact Frank De Smidt at 263-3474.

Now, I know you are wondering, why in the world is the Chamber info. in the council bulletin. Well, we are a member. Now you know. (Bulletin Editor)

For more information on what's happening in Milpitas? Go to: <http://www.mercurynews.com/milpitas> and see THINGS TO DO.

There it is!
Frank De Smidt,
Community Director

FIELD AGENT'S REPORT

Stop Procrastinating - Put Your Plan into Action

As this article reaches you, 2011 has begun the Christmas season has passed. During the last month, you were likely very busy running errands, planning celebrations and preparing your family for a joyful and holy holiday. Hopefully, you didn't add the extra stress of waiting until the last minute. Holidays can be stressful if you haven't taken the proper steps to be ready. And don't ever allow yourself to forget the true meaning of Christmas.

Most of us are procrastinators. It is part of human nature to put things off, especially when a task seems difficult or makes us uncomfortable. And we always believe we have more time than we really do, and that time quickly passes. Wasn't it just yesterday that you were celebrating Easter?

Unfortunately, this compulsion to procrastinate applies to life insurance. The Life Insurance Marketing Research Association (LIMRA) reaffirmed this through a study conducted in September during Life Insurance Awareness Month. One in four households plans to buy life insurance for the bread-winner or another member of the family in the next 12 months. Of course, we know what happens to the best laid plans, and many of these families are unlikely to follow through on this goal.

During the struggling economy, families have been forced to re-evaluate their financial situation. Fiscal responsibility is at the forefront of their thoughts. They are paying off debt and saving more than in previous decades. Life insurance ranks lower and they are willing to wait. A month quickly becomes a year, yet 70 percent of those surveyed agreed that life insurance is the best way to protect against premature death of a wage-earner.

Less than half of all households in North America have individual life insurance. You probably know a friend or relative who is uninsured or underinsured. Maybe it's your family who lacks coverage. What if, when you are ready, it's already too late? May I ask: what are you waiting for?

At the start of this promising new year, follow through on the promise to keep your family financially safe and secure by meeting with me: your professional Knights of Columbus agent.

Life Insurance is appropriate for all stages in life and all budgets - from the "just getting started" to retiree's and everybody in between - let's sit down in 2011 and see how life insurance is applicable to your situation.

Sincerely,

Bro. Dion Dangzalan F.I.C.

Knights of Columbus Field Agent

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DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT

Brother Knights we have now ended the year 2010 and are starting year 2011. Let us make a New Year's resolution to attend one or two more meetings this year and that way a voting quorum would be in attendance at the meetings. Let us make a resolution to help at one or two Knights of Columbus sponsored events to help relieve the work load of the few volunteers that are doing the events. That's why we are called Brother Knights – work together to accomplish the end product. Vivat Jesus!

Tim Crews, DD-27
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ADVOCATE'S COLLECTION UPDATE

THE ADVOCATE'S COLLECTION AT
DECEMBER'S MEETING WAS \$00.00 FOR

RELAY FOR LIFE

THIS MONTH AT OUR REGULAR
MEETING WILL BE FOR
COLUMBIAN CHARITIES

10th Annual "Crab Dinner" Event To Support Bishop McGrath's Special CCD Fund Hosted by the Knights of Columbus, San Jose Chapter

Event Date: Saturday, Feb. 5, 2011 6:00 p.m. Hospitality 7:00 p.m. Dinner

Dinner: All you can Eat Dungeness Crab Includes Pasta, Salad, Garlic Bread

Entertainment: Dancing, Silent and Live Auctions, Raffle & Door Prizes

Guest Auctioneers*

Guy McIntyre (#62, Three SuperBowl Rings)
Eric Wright (#21, Four SuperBowl Rings)

Cost: \$40.00 per person

Deadline to purchase Tickets is January 16, 2011
Only 300 tickets. Checks payable to "Knights of Columbus"

For Tickets call or e-mail Charles Hudson, 408-9410433, cnudson@sbcglobal.net

Event Location: Saint Lawrence Parish, Community Center 1971 St. Lawrence Drive, Santa Clara, CA 95051

*Assuming 49rs are not playing in 2011 SuperBowl



HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR
JANUARY (date), TO:

SKIPPER YENCHIK, SR (02)

TOAN PHAM (03)

REV. DANIEL URCIA (03)

JOSEPH HERNANDEZ, SR (05)

DONALD JONES (08)

GERALD PHILIP (12)

TRI PHAN (15)

GENE BRICKEY (16)

FLORANTE ARREOLA (22)

HUNG NGUYEN (25)

ANTHONY NAPOLITAN (26)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COUNCIL 8747

2010-2011 OFFICERS

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>MEMBER</u>
Grand Knight-----	Charlie Hudson--941-0433
Chaplain-----	Rev. Leonard Traverso-392-9282
Deputy Grand Knight-----	Khai Phan-263-3077
Chancellor-----	Julio Galvan--945-0603
Lecturer-----	Joseph Schaefer-262-7834
Advocate-----	Guillermo Uribe--332-7556
Recorder-----	Dick Jones--263-6218
Financial Secretary-----	Andy Dyson--263-5156
Treasurer-----	Jim Kiehm--Cell-1-925-337-0322
Warden-----	Jose Martin Uribe--888-5284
Inside Guard-----	Harrison Tran-956-9988
Outside Guard-----	Gerry Valdezno-941-0341
1st Year Trustee-----	Greg Dessel-433-1651
2nd Year Trustee-----	Skipper Yenchik, Sr--946-5958
3rd Year Trustee-----	Joe Byrne--946-3223

SPECIAL PROGRAM'S MEMBERS

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>MEMBER</u>
Director-----	Khai Phan
Public Relations Chairman-----	Andy Dyson
Church Director-----	Gerry Valdezno-941-0341
Vocations Chairman-----	Hai Vu-719-9005
Community Director-----	Frank DeSmidt--263-3474
Culture of Life Chairman-----	Don Jones--934-7114
Health Services-----	Dennis Pachucki
Council Director-----	(OPEN)
Family Director-----	Gilles Devictor
Youth Director-----	Federico Gomez-476-8104
Membership Director-----	Andy Dyson
Recruitment Chairman-----	Charlie Hudson
Retention Chairman-----	Charlie Hudson
Insurance Promotion-----	Dion Dangzalan--323-8013
Admissions Chairman-----	Andy Dyson
Memorial Committee-----	Charlie Hudson
Council WebMaster-----	Ed Blake
Columbian Retirement Home Chairman-----	
	-----Bill Poehlman--262-6609
Bulletin Editor-----	Andy Dyson
Council Fund Raiser Chairman-----	Per Event
PWID Chairman -----	Gwan Ali-Santosa--263-4638
St. Elizabeth Knight Sounds DJ.....	Andy Dyson

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