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## Upcoming Events

All events are at the council hall, unless otherwise noted.

Council Business Mtg Election of Officers	June 6, 7:30 p.m.
Ice Cream Social	June 20, 6:00 p.m.
Admissions Degree	June 22, 7:00 p.m.
Council Officers Mtg	June 28, 7:30 p.m.
Council Business Mtg	July 11, 7:30 p.m.
Council Officers Mtg	July 26, 7:30 p.m.
Admissions Degree	July 27, 7:00 p.m.

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## Grand Knight's Message

As we approach the end of the Columbian Year, and the start of a new term, I'd like to thank each of you for the support and fraternity you've shown me these last 12 months. I'd like to especially thank a few members individually. Thank you Brother Bob Rolufs for your hard work as the Bingo chairman, charities chairman, Food-for-Families Chairman, and your willingness to serve in whatever way is needed. Thank you Brother Jim Schaaf for your contributions to the Mace, for making the council meetings informative and entertaining during the good of the order segment, and for your guidance. Thank you Brother Ted Wyess for keeping the refreshments ready after every council meeting, admissions degree exemplification, and council event, and for your positive attitude. Thank you Brother Ron Schoengold for making sure the Mace is published every month, the website is updated, and for chairing the Breakfast Supreme for Vocations. And one final thank you to Father Joe Galang for serving as our chaplain, and for celebrating Mass during the annual Installation of Officers, Memorial Mass, and Founders Day Pilgrimage.

We were honored at the recent California State Convention for having the #3 Council newsletter, the Mace. We also received a plaque for raising over \$5,000 for the People with Intellectual Disabilities Drive.

I'm also humbled that you've chosen to let me serve for another term as the Grand Knight. One theme that will continue into the next fraternal year is communication. To that end, we've created a Facebook group for our council. You can find it at [facebook.com/groups/Council4981/](https://facebook.com/groups/Council4981/) and we encourage you and your family to please sign up if you're active on Facebook. We will use the group to share photos, create event reminders, and facilitate communication between the members of our council. This will be in addition to our current ways of getting out messages, including the Mace. Again, please sign up.

Fraternally,

*John Pozniak*  
Grand Knight

## Chaplain's Message

### We Are the Light of the World



During the month of June our Holy Father Pope Francis asks that the Christian Community lift up the leaders of all nations in prayer, asking them to commit themselves to ending arms trade that victimizes innocent people. If we cannot personally meet these leaders face-to-face, we can pray for them to hear the cry of our Lord. We are

reminded that Jesus told us "You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden." (Matthew 5:14) Our prayers will not be hidden. This command from the Gospel compels us to make our feeling known to those around us to collectively take steps to stop those who want to bring destruction on civilized people around the world. As we look more and more toward Jesus, our faith grows and we become that light to others. Our goal as Knights is to reflect Jesus to those that we encounter in our daily lives. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, others will see us as leaders in a broken world, so much in need of love.

*Fr. Joe*

## New Beatitudes

By Jim Schaaf

On All Souls' Day in 2016 headlines blared, "Pope Proclaims New Beatitudes." My first reaction was, "What happened to the original ones?" While Pope St. John Paul II was very bold to add new mysteries to the venerable and ancient rosary, was Pope Francis changing or adding to the words of Jesus as proclaimed in Scripture? He can't do that can he? Did he do this? Just what did he say?

The eight beatitudes in Scripture (Matthew) are, "Blessed are: 1) the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven; 2) the meek, for they shall possess the land; 3) they that mourn, for they shall be comforted; 4) they that hunger and thirst after justice, they shall have their fill; 5) the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy; 6) the clean of heart, for they shall see God; 7) the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God; 8) they that suffer persecution for justice' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

The Pope's "new beatitudes" were part of an All Saints' Day homily and are, "Blessed are those who: A) remain faithful while enduring evils inflicted on them by others, and forgive them from their heart; B) look into the eyes of the abandoned and marginalized, and show them their closeness; C) see God in every person, and strive to make others discover him; D) protect and care for our common home; E) renounce their own comfort in order to help others; and, F) pray and work for full communion between Christians.

The Pope's actual words that led up to these "new beatitudes" were: "The Beatitudes are in

some sense the Christian's identity card. They identify us as followers of Jesus. We are called to be blessed, to be followers of Jesus. Thus we ought to be able to recognize and respond to new situations with fresh spiritual energy." Then he followed with the six "new beatitudes."

It is clear from his actual words that he is identifying ways of applying the God-given Beatitudes in today's world and world-view. A moment or two reflecting on these two lists will show that the six can indeed be considered applications of the original eight. For example it is easy to correlate the new A – remaining faithful under persecution with the original 8 – suffering persecution for justice' sake. The new B – show closeness to the abandoned and marginalized with the original 2 – the meek shall inherit the land. The new C – see God in every person with the original 6 – the clean of heart shall see God. The new D – protect and care for our common home with the original 4 – hunger and thirst for justice. The new E – renounce comfort to help others with the original 5 – the merciful shall obtain mercy. The new F – pray and work for full communion of all Christians with the original 7 – the peacemakers.

At times the Pope's words appear easily (or possibly willfully) misinterpreted. In this case, however, his words were strong and true. The Beatitudes are indeed the Christian's identity card and Christians must find ever new ways of applying them to help heal the wounds of the souls in the modern world.

## Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.  
Where there is hatred, let me sow love.  
Where there is injury, pardon.  
Where there is discord, unity.  
Where there is doubt, faith.  
Where there is error, truth.  
Where there is despair, hope.  
Where there is darkness, light.  
Where there is sadness, joy.  
Oh Divine Master,

grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled, as to console;  
to be understood, as to understand;  
to be loved, as to love.  
For it is in giving that we receive,  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
it is in dying that we are born  
to Eternal Life.

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## Lateran Council V – 1512 - 1517 A.D.

By Jim Schaaf

It had been 67 years since the Council of Basel but Pope Julius II called this Council to the Lateran. Pope Julius II presided over five sessions before his death. These first sessions rejected the Council of Pisa and its heresy. Pope Leo X presided over the final seven sessions that had three aims: forging a peace between Christian states; Church reforms; and the defense of the faith entailing rooting out heresy. Among the most interesting results of the dozen sessions are:

**Session 8 – December 1513.** [The Council and the Pope] condemn and reject all those who insist that the intellectual soul is mortal ... it is immortal ...

**Session 9 – May 1514.** [On Cardinals.] It is proper and right that cardinals be distinguished beyond all others by the purity of their life and the excellence of their virtues. On that account, we not only exhort and advise them but also decree and order that henceforth each of the cardinals following the teaching of the Apostle, so live a sober, chaste and godly life that he shines out before people as one who abstains not merely from evil but from every appearance of evil. Their house and establishment, table and furniture, should not attract blame by display or splendor or superfluous equipment or in any other way, so as to avoid any fostering of sin or excess, but, as is right, let them desire to be called mirrors of moderation and frugality.

[On Blasphemy.] Whoever curses God openly and publicly or has expressly blasphemed our lord Jesus Christ or the glorious Virgin Mary, his mother, if he has held a public office he is to lose three months' emoluments of his said office. If a plebian and caught more than twice, he is to be compelled to stand for a whole day in front of the entrance of the principal church, wearing a hood signifying his infamy; but if he has fallen several more times

he is to be condemned to permanent imprisonment or to the galleys.

**Session 10 – May 1515.** [On printing books.] The skill of bookmaking has been invented, or rather improved and perfected, with God's assistance, particularly in our time. Complaints from many quarters have reached our ears and those of the apostolic see. [Some books] contain errors opposed to the faith as well as pernicious views contrary to the Christian religion. No one may dare to print any book in Rome or in any other cities and dioceses, without the book having first been closely examined by one who has been delegated by the bishop and also by the inquisitor of heresy where said printing is to take place, and unless the books have been approved by a warrant signed in their own hand. (The imprimatur was born.)

**Session 11 – December 1516.** [On preaching.] Some preachers cause greater harm and scandal to the less educated when they preach on what should be left unspoken or when they introduce error by preaching what is false and useless. We decree and ordain that nobody may be admitted to carrying out this office unless he has first been examined with due care by his superior, and unless he (the preacher) is found to be fit and suitable for the task by his upright behavior, age, doctrine, honesty, prudence and exemplary life. We command all who undertake this task of preaching to preach and expound the gospel truth and Holy Scripture in accordance with the exposition, interpretation and commentaries that the church has long approved and has accepted without any addition contrary to its true meaning or in conflict with it.

(Just after this Council ended, Martin Luther nailed his theses to a cathedral door and fostered a revolution against the Church by a fairly large portion of Christianity.)



## Prayer Requests

The following Brother Knights, their families, and friends are remembered in the monthly Rosary which is held prior to the Council's Business Meeting. If any member wishes to submit a name or remove a name from the list,

please telephone the Fraternal Affairs Chairman, John Lehane, at 408-257-3452.

Brother Joseph Adamo  
 Brother Bill Copley's wife Carol  
 Brother Frank Simon's wife Virginia  
 Brother Art Salazar  
 Brother Ron Miller's wife Shirley  
 Brother Harry Tibbett's wife Diane  
 Brother Harry Tibbett's mother-in-law Marie Dunajski  
 Brother Paul Muller  
 Brother John Lehane  
 Brother Ted Wyess' wife Ann  
 Elaine Steffens wife of Brother John Steffens  
 Brother John Shields  
 Brother Jim Mathews  
 Shirley Ruzzo wife of Brother John Ruzzo  
 Trisha McManaman daughter of Brother John Ruzzo  
 Raymond Gallant  
 Joan Schoengold mother of Brother Ron Schoengold  
 Brother John Steffens

## Deceased

Mary Cay Sherman, wife of Brother Dick Sherman (7/2/16)  
 Brother Victor Huser (7/27/16)  
 Rose Shields, daughter of John and Marilyne Shields (11/2/16)  
 Madeline G. Neenan, wife of Brother John Neenan† (12/27/16)  
 Rose Haney, widow of Brother Paul Haney, PGK (2/17/17)  
 Olga Firpo, relative of Brother John Steffens (3/23/17)  
 Emilio Firpo father-in-law of Brother John Steffens (4/27/17)

# MONDAY NIGHT BINGO

St. Joseph of Cupertino Hall  
Cupertino, CA 95014

## BINGO HELP WANTED!

**THE MONEY WE RAISE GOES TO  
CHARITY**

**VOLUNTEER**

**Every Monday**

**Every Other Monday**

**Once a Month on Monday**

**Be On Call**

PLEASE CALL BOB ROLUFS 408-253-3213

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### Visitation and Rosary Prayer Group



Brother Knights of St. Francis of Assisi Council 4981 conduct a Rosary Prayer Service for the Catholic patients at the Cupertino Wellness Center every Wednesday at 10 a.m. These Knights are John Lehane, John Steffens, John Ruzzo and Dick Sherman.

Each Knight takes one week of the month as his commitment. If he is not available for his week, he trades his week with one of the other Knights. To date, this has proved successful. The patients meet with four different individuals of a strong Catholic faith and each individual knight only has to commit to one weekday a month.



James Hunts

Victor Gutierrez

Edward Johnson

Fr. Joe Galang

John Mc Evoy

Andrew Pizarek

May your life be long and joyfull!

### Treasurer's Report

#### Balances as of 4/30/17

Charity Checking	\$269.56
Checking	6,710.38
Council Savings	23,005.44
GE Capital Bank CD	26,358.38
	<u>\$56,343.76</u>

#### Income for April 2017

Charities	\$ 1,180.00
Interest on Savings (Capital One)	7.55
Interest on Savings CD	27.79
	<u>\$ 1,215.34</u>

#### Expenses for April 2017

Charities	\$ 1,000.00
Council Rent	1,000.00
MACE Printing	139.31
Postage	69.95
	<u>\$2,209.26</u>

### Monthly Attendance Raffle

The winner of the monthly raffle was Roy Christian who was not present. The raffle will be \$155 this month.

**Directors & Chairmen**

**Program Director**

*Al Mellin*

**Church Director**

*John Pozniak*

- Vocations** *John Steffens*
- McGivney Shrine** *Ron Schoengold*
- Bingo** *Bob Rolufs*
- Parish Round Tables**
- Queen of Apostles *Bob Rolufs*
- Sacred Heart in Saratoga *open*
- St. Joseph of Cupertino *Joe Kenney*
- Church of the Ascension *Ron Schoengold*

**Community Director**

*Joe Kenney*

- Culture of Life** *Joe Kenney*
- Charities** *Bob Rolufs*
- Divine Mercy & Rosary Visitation** *John Lehane*
- Food for Families** *Dick Sherman/ Bob Rolufs*
- People with Intellectual Disabilities** *Bob Rolufs*
- Mass of Reparation** *Dominic Guido*
- Community Projects** *Round Table Members*
- Breakfast Supreme** *Ron Schoengold*

**Council Director**

*John Lehane*

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- First Degree Team** *John Pozniak*
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- Website** *Ron Schoengold*
- Communications** *Ron Schoengold*
- Past Grand Knights Dinner** *Bob Rolufs*
- Special Appreciation Night** *Patrick Kwok*
- Building Manager** *John Lehane*
- McGivney Pilgrimage** *John Pozniak*

**Family Director**

*Bob Rolufs*

- Leisure Nights** *Bob Rolufs*
- Memorial Mass** *John Lehane*
- Ladies Night** *John Steffens*
- Ice Cream Social** *Grand Knight Elect*
- Christmas Dinner** *Ron Schoengold*
- Annual Picnic** *Bob Rolufs*

**Youth Director**

*John Lehane*

- Scholarship Program** *John Lehane*
- Altar Servers Appreciation** *John Shields*
- Free Throw Contest** *Dominic Guido*
- Essay Contest** *John Lehane*

**Membership & Retention**

*Council Officers*

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Whatever the planned use, permanent life insurance is reliable. It will be there when you won't be, regardless of when that happens.

Put simply: as long as you pay your premiums, when you die, whenever you die, your beneficiaries will receive the guaranteed death benefit (if not more) that you established for them.

There is one exception, though. Should you be fortunate enough to live to the ripe old age of 120, your Knights of Columbus permanent life insurance policy will pay you your death benefit. It wouldn't be the worst 120th birthday present you receive.

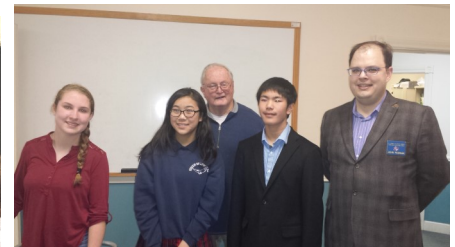
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**Scholarship Night Photos**



Scholarship Night Dinner



Grace Martin, Christa Rios, John Lehane PGK, Alexander Kwondou, John Pozniak GK.



Scholarship winners: Christanel Rios of Queen of Apostles School, Alexander Kwondou of St. Joseph of Cupertino School, and Grace Martin of Sacred Heart School.

# June 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
May 28	29	30	31	Jun 1	2	3
4	5 6:30pm BINGO (St. Joseph of Cupertino)	6 7:30pm Council Business Meeting (ELECTION OF OFFICERS 2017-2018)	7	8	9	10
11	12 6:30pm BINGO (St. Joseph of Cupertino)	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 6:30pm BINGO (St. Joseph of Cupertino)	20 6:00pm Ice Cream Social, GK (Hall)	21	22 7:00pm Admissions Degree	23	24
25	26 6:30pm BINGO (St. Joseph of Cupertino)	27	28 7:30pm Council Officers Meeting	29	30	Jul 1

# July 2017

SUNDAY		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
Jun 25		26		27		28		29		30		Jul 1	
2		3 6:30pm BINGO (St. Joseph of Cupertino)		4		5		6		7		8	
9		10 6:30pm BINGO (St. Joseph of Cupertino)		11 7:30pm Council Business Meeting		12		13		14		15	
16		17 6:30pm BINGO (St. Joseph of Cupertino)		18		19		20		21		22	
23		24 6:30pm BINGO (St. Joseph of Cupertino)		25		26 7:30pm Council Officers Meeting		27 7:00pm Admissions Degree		28		29	
30		31 6:30pm BINGO (St. Joseph of Cupertino)		Aug 1		2		3		4		5	

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