



# Knights' News

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Council # 7773 Paradise, CA

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HELPING  
PEOPLE  
WITH  
INTELLECTUAL  
DISABILITIES

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## GRAND KNIGHT'S NOTATIONS

I'm not going to list the Knight's Accomplishments for last year. We had a great year, and there were plenty of successes. Working with the local high school, putting out flags with the community and cooking once again (and making money). We need to push forward with these successes and continue on for the next year. Looking into the next cooking event and also will partner with another Community Volunteer Organization, which is something we are planning (it's in the works).

We are still looking for dependable Catholic Men for the Knights. This task does not end, and it does not include everyone. Last year we brought on four new Knights and two transfers. New members help us continue our work, and in our communities there are Catholics that need to be welcomed back into the church. Some stopped going to church after the fire and need to feel welcomed back. It's not hard to include your neighbors in our Sunday Mass. Everyone is Welcomed!

Thank you for all who prayed for my recovery and reached out to me during my shoulder/bicep injury. I am healed and back to work in our community.

Father Michael J. McGivney's birthday is on 12 August, and his Feast Day is on Sunday, 13 August.

**Note:** Made a mistake last month... The new inside guard is Greg Wright and the Outside Guard is Kevin Kriebel.

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## DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT

As we begin the month of August, I congratulate the newly installed officers (or soon to be installed officers) of the councils in District 2! To the outgoing officers, I wish to convey my thanks for outstanding leadership during a challenging year. All responded to the needs of your parish communities and accomplished many remarkable things! I look forward to working with all of you in the year ahead.

As I mentioned last month, new this year is the "Cor" program. Cor (Latin for heart) is intended to *"form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through prayer, formation, and fraternity."* I urge you to register for future information on the Cor program and view a short video by clicking [here](#). Built on the theme "Cor Ecclesiae" the program is designed for use in Catholic men's ministry, particularly in a group study. A study guide based on St. Joseph and Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter includes excerpts from *Patris Corde*, with explanations and applications, as well as discussion questions and prayers and is available by clicking [here](#).

**The Feast Day of The Blessed Michael McGivney falls on Sunday, August 13.** Not coincidentally, his feast day falls between his birthday on August 12 (1852) and the day of his death due to complications from tuberculosis on August 14 (1890). **Please plan a special event or prayer reflection to honor our Founder on his Feast Day, August 13.** If you are not already a Blessed Michael McGivney Guild member, join online for free at [www.fathermcgivney.org](http://www.fathermcgivney.org) and begin receiving a monthly newsletter with the latest news on the beatification of our Founder. A third miracle is currently being documented which may advance Blessed McGivney to sainthood. Watch for further information on this remarkable occurrence.

Another program with a long history of charitable service is **the Annual Campaign for People With Intellectual Disabilities**. Although not occurring until October, it is never too soon to start planning.

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**Calendar of Events****August / September**

Aug 5	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 10am
Aug 9	Officers meeting at 9:00am
Aug 12	Father Michael McGivney's birthday—Also, possible distribution of the crape myrtle trees & bbq. 9am - noon
Aug 16	Knight's meeting, Rosary at 6:30pm, Business at 7:00pm
Sep 13	Officers meeting at 9:00am
Sep 20	Knight's meeting, Rosary at 6:30pm, Business at 7:00pm

**AUGUST BIRTHDAYS:**

Greg Kidder—4th

Michael Weldon—9th

David Webster—21st

David Marcus—7<sup>th</sup>

Leo Benedetti—14th

Henry Martin—25<sup>th</sup>

Larry Ussery—7th

Frank Salas—16th

Matthew Poje—27<sup>th</sup>**CHANCELLOR'S REPORT**

Please continue to pray for those on our prayer list: Greg Wright, Greg Foreman, Leo & Beverly Benedetti, Ron Martin, John Thomas, Jim and Lani McManus, Leo Bourgeois, Richard Reniero, Greg & Kathy DeCristofaro (cancer), Duncan Barnard, Linda Shores, Israel Garcia, Barbara Brown, John Johnson, Karen Philips, Jerry Foster, Kim Keysling (K.O.'s daughter), Jeff Tolly, Steve Neeley, Barbara Collins and Pope Francis.

Please remember those who are serving our country in the armed forces and those who fell victim to the natural disasters and the Corona Virus. Pray for all the health professionals, all our police and law enforcement officers, firefighters, EMT's and all who are trying to keep us safe. Pray for our brothers and sisters and allies who were left behind in Afghanistan. Pray for America which stands for One Nation under God, with Liberty and Justice for ALL.

For additions, deletions, corrections, please call your Chancellor, Greg DeCristofaro at 873-4132.

**KNIGHT HUMOR—BULLETIN BLOOPERS**

- Low Self-Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 PM. Please use the back door.
- The eighth-graders will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the Church basement Friday at 7 PM. The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.
- Weight Watchers will meet at 7 PM at the First Presbyterian Church. Please use large double door at the side entrance.
- The Associate Minister unveiled the church's new campaign slogan last Sunday: "I Upped My Pledge - Up Yours."

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## DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT (CON'T)

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The official dates for the drive this year are **October 20, 21 and 22, 2023** (although councils are free to schedule and hold fundraisers benefiting people with intellectual disabilities at any time during the year). I'm certain one or more organizations in your local community serving people with intellectual disabilities would benefit from your charitable efforts, including Special Olympics and *Feed the Athletes*, the ARC (for people with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities), CampRecreation and local schools, independent living or residential care facilities. For further information and resources regarding the Annual Campaign for People With Intellectual Disabilities, click [here](#).

**Free online membership using the online application found at [www.kofc.org/join](http://www.kofc.org/join)** (or by scanning the QR Code pictured below with a smartphone) **continues to be available**. The promo code is "BlessedMcGivney" and is not case sensitive.



As always, thank you for your charity and service!

May God bless, Dave Abbott, District Deputy 2 - 530-680-0401 -- [dabbott79@gmail.com](mailto:dabbott79@gmail.com)

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## KNIGHT'S CORNER

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July was a time to celebrate our great nation and a time to welcome our newest member, Gerald Regalia. We had a very successful installation of officers in July to start off the new year. We had a better participation from the Knights in setup and takedown our flags on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July thanks to Kevin Kriebel, Dave Young, Greg and Steve D.C., Jim Collins, Mike and Laura Krzanich, Greg Kidder and Dave and Clare Lemire. Thanks to all you Knights and Lady Knights for helping out and cleaning up after mass on hospitality Sundays. Also, special thanks to Chris Rehman, Kevin Kriebel, Jim and Barbara Collins, Ron and Sue Martin, Greg DC and all the Franciscans who helped with our parish's turn with "Kids in the Park" activities on July 5<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. The kids had a really great time.

There is still a need for helpers at the Food Pantry at the First Baptist Church on Clark Rd. Come and join Greg and Kathy D.C., Ron Martin, Phil and Susan Bartec, Dee Cox, Louise Cambray and Kathy Keys and Deacon Mike. See Greg DeCristofaro for details or call him at 873-4132.

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