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Bishop William R. Johnson Council
#9487

Santiago de Compostela Catholic Church
Lake Forest CA 92630

*Our Lady
of
Sorrows*

NEWSLETTER
SEPTEMBER 2021



KofC 9487 June Council Meeting

Time: August 4, 2021 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

MEET IN PERSON or Join the **Zoom Hybrid Meeting**

General Meeting:

Stewart Imagawa is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: K of C Council 9487 General Meeting
Every month on the First Wed, 12 occurrence(s)

Join Zoom Meeting

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Officer's Meeting:

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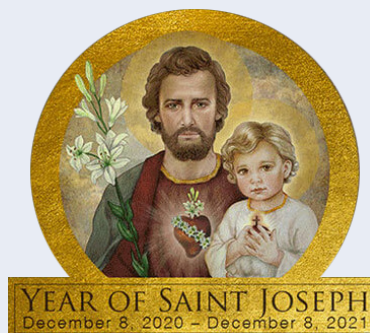
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Every month on the Third Wed, 12 occurrence(s)

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Grand Knight's Report

My Brothers,

Some of you may have attended, although virtually, the 136th Supreme Meeting August 3rd - 5th. The annual event allows the brotherhood to gather both virtually and in person to discuss all aspects of our order.

A consistent success was the monthly Food Drive. We started the food drive in November of last year. And to date, we have collected over 10 TONS of food! Yes, you read that right we have collected 20369 pounds of food. Enough food for close to 17,000 meals. Add that on top of the approximately \$7200.00 we have collected, means that we were able to help provide over 74,000 meals total!

We will once again be having our monthly drive-thru donation event September 18th.

We had another successful Blood Drive at Bishop William R Johnson. A personal first for yours truly. Both my wife Jean and my son Kevin donated blood, Kevin for the first time and my wife the first time in over 8years since recovering from Breast cancer.

In all we collected 35 units of whole blood.

Every Thursday evening this past month, A video series about the life of Jesus was offered to our parishioners. The Chosen allows us to see Jesus through the eyes of those who knew Him. No matter where you are in your journey with Jesus Christ, it spoke to you. Many brothers as well as their wives volunteered with all aspects including setup, leading discussion groups, and overall operations.

We also celebrated corporate communion last Sunday. Over 30 brothers celebrated the Holy Eucharist as a group at the 8:30AM Mass.



The previous Sunday we held our Annual Golf Tournament

I would like to thank Al Gamarra as well as all of the volunteers for the Annual Golf Tournament.

I enjoyed training golfers on the use & operation of the pneumatic ball launcher.

Our Brothers from Santiago de Compostela Will be attending Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center held in Sierra Madre. September 17-19, 2021. Hope you can join some of your brother's.

Respect Life Ministry invites you to spend one Holy hour in prayer to end abortion on Saturdays from 11AM to 12PM or 12PM to 1PM at the Corner of La Paz Road and Chrisanta Drive, near to the Planned Parenthood clinic in Mission Viejo.

Finally, I would like to congratulate Brother Tom Sixsmith. After successfully shepherding our ID/Special Needs Drive, he has accepted the Chapter level coordinator position.



District Deputy's Corner

Brothers, what do you say the Eucharist of the Mass is? I'll give you a moment to decide what your answer is...

If you are a practicing Catholic then there is only one correct answer. Turning to P 1333 of the Catechism of the Catholic Church we read,

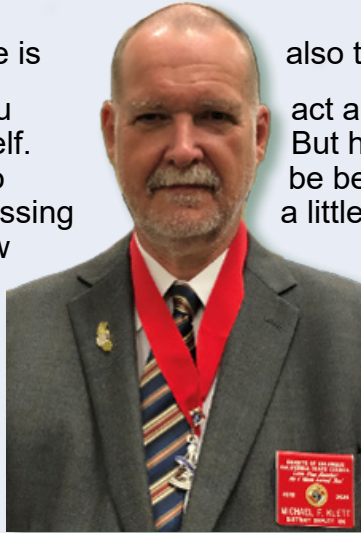
"At the heart of the Eucharistic celebration are the bread and wine that, by the words of Christ and the invocation of the Holy Spirit, become Christ's Body and Blood..."

Yes, you read that correctly. At the consecration the bread and wine that we see is transformed into the Body and Blood of Christ. Every time we go to Mass, Jesus is going to be there physically. Yes, we know that Jesus is there from Mathew 18:20:

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Yes, Jesus is there spiritually but he is

My next question for you is, "Do you I know that I struggle with this myself. readings from John 6, I am trying to Jesus were standing there. I'm dressing harder to pay attention. If you knew at the Altar at Mass what would



also there physically!

act as if Jesus will actually be at Mass?" But having just heard the "Bread of Life" be better at behaving the way I would if a little better for Mass and working a little that you would see Jesus standing you do differently?

Do it!

A couple months back I wrote the Columbiettes. They came in August. They were the color had an opportunity to interview like to listen to that interview, you blogspot.com/2021/08/coffee- consider talking about the Columbiettes with your wife and other practicing Catholic women in your parish. I'm sure that starting a Columbiettes Auxiliary in your Parish will strengthen your Knights of Columbus Council.

a District Deputy's Corner about to the Orange Chapter meeting guard and spoke to the Chapter. I them before the meeting. If you'd can hear it at <http://mikecoffee.with-mike-085.html>. Please con-

Lastly, keep up the good work that you have been doing executing your programs, in spite of Covid, and helping your Pastor get the faithful back into the pews and back into parish activities. Your Pastor needs you more now than he ever has in the past. As Knights of Columbus, let's be there for him.

God Bless and Vivat Jesus!

FAMILY OF THE MONTH - ELENA & JOHN FREEMAN

by: Ricardo Teano, Retention Committee

The Chosen Family of the Month is John and Elena Freeman. Congratulations!



John grew up in the Midwest and his dad was the founding member of the Knights of Columbus at their parish. His father became the first Grand Knight with about a dozen men joining at that time. John was not one them; he was too young. John joined the Knights of Columbus in 1996 as a member of Council #1740 at Mary, Star the Sea parish in San Pedro when they moved to California. He is currently a third-degree knight.

Both John and Elena were born and raised Catholics and attended Catholic schools (for the most part) for their education. She has a master's degree in education from USC and John has a master's degree in Communications from St Louis University. They moved from San Clemente to Foothill Ranch 6 years ago and joined Santiago at that time. They had many excellent parishes in easy driving-distance but Santiago was the Chosen one because of so many active ministries and were both very impressed with how many men were very active in the parish.

They just celebrated their 24th wedding anniversary as they met late in life. John was the new Director of Religious Education (DRE) at Mary Star of the Sea and Elena was on the Board of Religious Education. They married a year later and have two grown children who both live in the Pacific Northwest. Elena is retired from Los Angeles County public schools. She was an administrator of a teacher trainer program for LA County schools. They both have a long career of education and have been catechists for the Church for over 40 years.

For the past 20 years John has specialized in facilitating RCIA programs whereas Elena specializes in helping younger children. They are both Orange County coordinators for the Focolare Movement as well as local contacts for another lay movement in the Catholic Church: "Lay Apostles of Jesus Christ the Returning King."

You may have seen an abundant number of booklets called "Heaven Sent" in several strategic areas of Santiago. They are free of charge. These are the handiwork of John and Elena to avail and encourage people in their day-to-day life. Another huge achievement is their collaboration with Father Martin Vu on the current very successful showing, "The Chosen" TV series here at Santiago on Thursday nights. Hope you have attended.

John Commented that in the four parishes that they have been involved in since they were married, the Knights of Columbus have been key in the life of the parish on many different levels. We see them active in many of the ministries of the parish and animating much of the interaction and fellowship of parishioners. What would the church do without the KofC? Congratulation to the excellent leadership of the Chosen Family of the Month, John and Elena Freeman.

2021 -2022 PROPOSED BUDGET

By: John Blaney - Financial Secretary

I respectfully submit our our proposed budget for the 2021-2022 Columbian year. We will be voting on this budget at the September General Business Meeting. Please come and let your voice be heard and to learn about the wonderful events that we are planning. A detailed budget will be available for review at the General Meeting.

BISHOP JOHNSON #9487 PROPOSED BUDGET 2021 - 2022

June 30, 2021

*A summary of the Budget proposed for the 2021 - 2022 Columbian year for Council 9487.
Membership will vote on the Budget at the Sept. 1st General Meeting. Please plan to Attend*

FUNDS ON HAND			
CHECKING		\$19,874.69	
STRATEGIC FUND		\$69,369.78	
TOTAL FUNDS ON HAND		\$89,244.47	
INCOME			
	2019-2020 BUDGET	2019-2020 ACTUAL	2021-2022 BUDGET
TOTAL CHARITABLE	\$38,830.00	\$30,713.79	\$36,350.00
TOTAL COUNCIL	\$9,830.00	\$10,476.21	\$10,800.00
TOTAL SPECIAL EVENT	\$15,500.00	\$0.00	\$30,400.00
TOTAL SOCIAL INCOME	\$3,950.00	\$0.00	\$4,150.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$68,110.00	\$41,190.00	\$81,700.00
EXPENSES			
	2019-2020 BUDGET	2019-2020 ACTUAL	2021-2022 BUDGET
TOTAL CHARITABLE	\$39,380.00	\$40,579.59	\$54,650.00
TOTAL COUNCIL	\$3,200.00	\$1,546.12	\$5,030.00
TOTAL SPECIAL EVENT	\$16,010.00	\$302.94	\$22,210.00
TOTAL SOCIAL EXPENSES	\$2,800.00	\$359.97	\$2,500.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE	\$9,816.00	\$7,173.94	\$10,810.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$71,206.00	\$49,962.56	\$95,200.00
DELTA			-\$13,500.00

*We plan to use the Strategic Fund for the imbalance in the budget.
This includes the draw down approved in last years budget*

- John Blaney, Financial Secretary

MATER DOLOROSA RETREAT 2021

by: John Ojeda

Brothers, presently this year it is a GO for the Retreat held in Sierra Madre. The scheduled week the Men from Santiago de Compostela plan to go is September 17-19, 2021. Hope you can join us.

In past years we have been allotted a certain number of Men we could bring with us, this was about 30. This year it is on a 1st come 1st in basis. You may need to sign up early. This is to make sure you get a spot. You may sign up at materdolorosa@materdolorosa.org or call 626-355-7188. They plan to have the entire facility open but also have more outdoor Sessions. Registration begins at 3PM Friday and the Retreat concludes after Sunday 11:30 Mass.

The cost remains the same, a suggested donation of \$250.00 but you are invited to attend even if you are not able to afford it. There is also the possibility you may qualify for a Scholarship from our Council #9487 if you are interested in attending.

Please contact the Retreat Center, ray_puzio@hotmail.com, or kenallenfh@att.net.

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In my travels around the area, I often run into people who know the Knights of Columbus from our good works in the parish or community, our disaster response, support for Special Olympics and our prolife efforts. But very few of them know that we are a life insurance company...and we make no bones about that. After all Fr. McGivney saw that protecting our families was one of the two key reasons he brought those New Haven men together in the basement of St. Mary's Church in 1882.

"No doubt Father McGivney was motivated by the wish to keep young Catholics from entering the ranks of condemned secret societies and by the need to protect families during sickness and death." (*Faith and Fraternalism, The History of the Knights of Columbus 1882-1982; Christopher J. Kauffman, pg.17*)

Unite men of faith and protect our families. Our Order has been faithful to that mission for 139 years. With the beatification of Blessed Michael McGivney, I feel a renewed zeal to invite men to join the Order to reap those benefits of Unity, Charity and Fraternity. I am just as zealous to help protect Catholic families. Tempus fugit, memento mori!

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Gene Ganley Memorial Recycling Report



News Worthy Events:

July was an "Excellent" month \$1874. We again have sent in three loads of recyclables this month. Monday morning recycling is doing very well as is the drop off program.

Weekly Recycling:

A GREAT THANK YOU: We have a great group of dedicated weekly recyclers and they are doing a tremendous job of clearing out the drop off area. We can always use more help for this important program. Please contact Al if you can give us a few hours during the week. We pair you up with someone to show you the ropes. Recycling is the major and a very important program for our council to raise money and you are the key to this program. Any help you can offer is greatly appreciated. Be sure to drop off your recyclables anytime and spread the word to all that they can do the same.

Monday Morning Recyclers:

Thank all of you who dedicate your time to make this program a success. We start a 7 AM Monday mornings and finish up around 9 AM. Any time you can offer us is appreciated. We are always in need of walkers for the mobile home park at Lake Forest. Everyone has a great time and it is great comradery. Several of the group goes to Coco's for breakfast after recycling. Please contact Gerry Dubois (949)500-1064 or Hector Guzman (949)301-6686 to join the fun. You can learn a lot about recycling.

Vehicle: *We are in need of someone that can do pick-ups at the park from 7 am to 8:30 on Mondays. Please contact Hector Guzman at (949) 301-6686.*

God Bless,

George Nothhelfer

Monday Morning Crew

Roger & Mo Boivin, Jay Donahue, Gerry Dubois, Hector & Cindy Guzman, Bob Morgan, John Ojeda, Ricardo Teano, Bud Givenrod, Joe Schulte, Dr. Mike McCormack, George Nothhelfer, Janine Glenn, Bert Dubois, Tim Tunila, Domingo Roldan, Bob Birtja, Barbara Ciolek, John Ruelas, Kevin Mooney, Dave Carey-Zuniga, David Balen, Ed Enriquez, Roger & Therese Sonnenfeld, Norrie Olmo, Dennis de Rosia.



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We are putting a wall to commemorate parishioners who have served and currently serving our country.

Please send your loved ones'

Name

Branch of service *(for Veterans)*

Photo *(if on active duty)*

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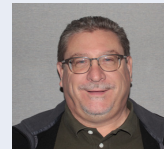
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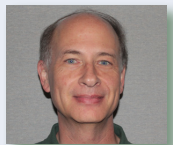
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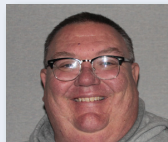
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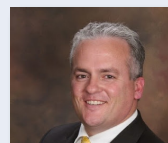
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WRITERS' CORNER

Memorial Day

By Edwin W. Smith

We live in the land of the free
Because of soldiers brave
And fly the stars and stripes
On this Memorial Day

They sacrificed their lives
So we can all live free
On that, I know we all agree
On this Memorial Day

We honor those who served
In wars, across the years
And many will be shedding tears
On this Memorial Day

In towns across the land
Flags upon the grave
Of soldiers who have been so brave
On this Memorial Day

Gather with your family,
and friends, enjoy the day
But remember you should never say
"Happy" Memorial Day

Summer's Day Haikus

By Edwin W. Smith

The day has broken
Marvel at the orange sky
From the rising sun

Since it is summer
I want to visit the beach
Where the sand is hot

The drive was easy
As always, parking was not
So what else is new?

It is time for lunch
My hunger pangs tell me so
A hot dog sounds good

Children on the shore
Surfers waiting on their boards
Dreams of summer fun

The rays of the sun
Turning bodies red and brown
Where is my sunscreen?

I shall cool myself
In the water ocean blue
Where I found relief

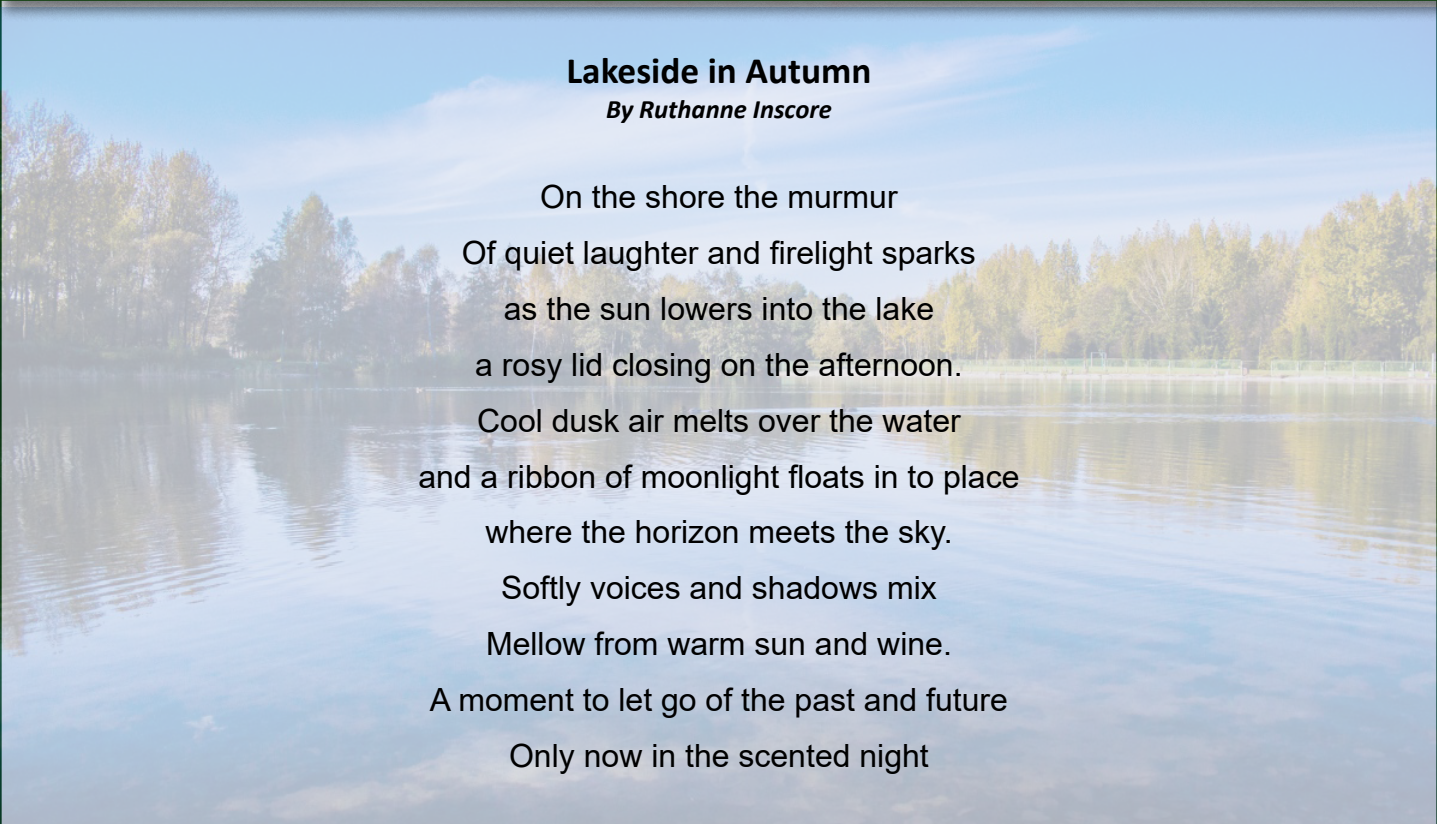
Unfortunately
It is time for me to go
Fighting traffic home

The sun is setting
Again, the sky is orange
Beautiful sunset

WRITERS' CORNER (Continued)

Lakeside in Autumn

By Ruthanne Inscore



On the shore the murmur
Of quiet laughter and firelight sparks
as the sun lowers into the lake
a rosy lid closing on the afternoon.
Cool dusk air melts over the water
and a ribbon of moonlight floats in to place
where the horizon meets the sky.
Softly voices and shadows mix
Mellow from warm sun and wine.
A moment to let go of the past and future
Only now in the scented night

I Really Don't Know How to Write

by: Eileen Smith

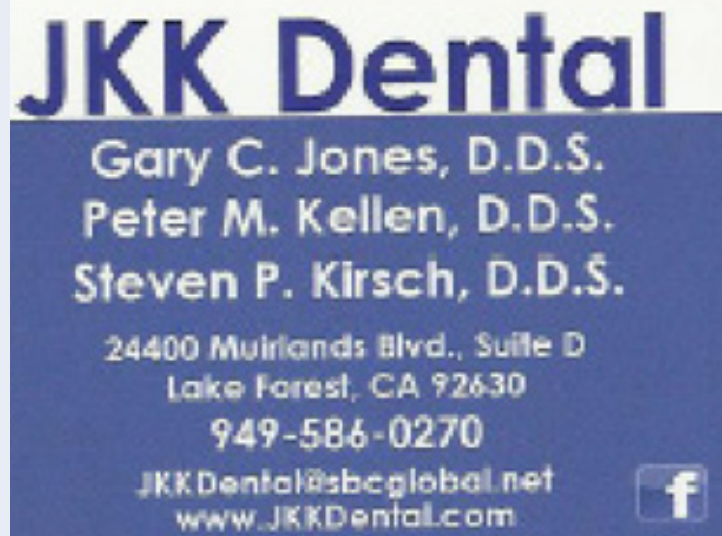
I really don't know how to write
My mind's a blank, a total fright
There are some words that come and go
No adjectives to make them glow

I ramble, amble make no sense
To figure out the perfect tense
Such ambiguity in verse
How could I make it even worse?

Then she came, my teacher friend
To even out the words I penned.
I heard her say and saw her smile
It's not so bad, now keep your style

And practice, practice every day
And you will know just what to say.

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