



Knights' News

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SPIRITUAL ADVISOR'S REPORT

**God bless the people of
Ukraine and their struggle
against Russia.**

GRAND KNIGHT'S NOTATIONS

Welcome to April 2022, Worthy Brother Knights. Welcome to Spring and the Lenten season. A season of prayer, of fasting, of reverence for Easter. What is Easter. What is it's true meaning?

For some, Easter is bereft of all but the secular meaning. For them, Easter is a time to dye eggs, hide them, and send children in search of them. It's a time to recite the myth of the Easter bunny and allude to his continuing escapades. It's a time of giving candy, taking pictures, eating Peeps, and feasting around the family table. It's a day to mark the start of spring and celebrate the rejuvenation of nature and the greening of the grass. Such observances of Easter, if they go no further than this, are a faint and feeble shadow of the real meaning of Easter; they are as empty as a plastic egg, as hollow as a chocolate Easter bunny.

Easter is a Christian holiday, and Christian celebrations focus on the true meaning of Easter: the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Two thousand years ago, a man died on a cross, was buried, and three days later rose to life again. This fact—that a dead man came to life again and lives evermore—is why we celebrate Easter. The meaning of Easter is that the Son of God paid the price for our sins and rose again to reconcile us to God.

Easter means that our greatest enemy, death, has been conquered. Easter means that our sins are forgiven, and we are made right with God. Easter means that Christ is truly the King and Victor, seated "far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked". The meaning of Easter is that Jesus is the Lord of new beginnings, new days, and new lives.

Ron Martin, Grand Knight, Council #777

DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT

Easter is perhaps the summit of the religious year as we relive Jesus' sufferings and celebrate His ultimate sacrifice and conquering of death. In Him we find more than an example, we find a way of life. Our Christen beliefs are manifested in the many acts of charity we carry out, both personally and through our Knights of Columbus councils. And, there continues to be ample opportunity for charity given the dire world situation and the war in Ukraine. Please be generous with your charitable donations – designate the proceeds from a fundraiser to the Supreme Council Ukrainian Refugee Fund and stand in solidarity with over 25 councils and 1,800 Brother Knights in Ukraine. Councils that donate at least \$1,000 to the Ukraine Solidarity Fund may claim a program credit in any program category on the Columbian Award Application (Form SP-7).

The featured program for April is the *Good Friday Family Promotion*. In an effort to increase parish attendance and involvement, councils are encouraged to conduct a promotional campaign to educate their parishes on the vital importance of Good Friday. For further information and resources on activities your council can conduct during Holy Week and the Easter season click [here](#), or contact the statewide Chairman, William J. Uberti, at 858-842-4000 or email cdrbilluscg@earthlink.net.

As we move into the final quarter of the year. I would like to renew my pledge to **buy lunch or dinner at the Sierra Nevada Tap Room for the leadership of the highest recruiting council in District 2**, including their wives, Chaplain and Field Agent. With that in mind, please plan on scheduling at least one recruiting drive and Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity before year end. I would like to see all the councils in District 2 become Star Councils.

Please continue to use the "QR" code recruiting card with its smartphone friendly app taking potential members to the online "Join Us" form on the Supreme website. Online membership continues to be free through June 30, 2022 by entering the code "McGivney2020" where prompted.

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Calendar of Events***April / May***

April 6 -- Reconciliation 5-6pm

April 10 -- Palm Sunday

April 13 -- Knights' Rosary at 6:30pm, Business meeting 7:pm

April 14 -- Holy Thursday

April 15 -- Good Friday (tax day)

April 17 -- Easter Sunday

April 24 -- Divine Mercy Sunday, Mass at noon

May 11 -- Knights' Rosary at 6:30pm, Business meeting 7:pm

APRIL BIRTHDAYS:George Gordus—9th

Anthony DePrima—10

Chris Pustejovsky—10thMike Rocklein—17thGreg Wright—19th**CHANCELLOR'S REPORT**

Please continue to pray for those on our prayer list: Greg Wright, Greg Foreman, Greg Kidder, Leo Benedetti, Ron Martin, Dave Lemire, Dan Young, John Thomas, Jim and Lani McManus, Leo Bourgeois, Richard Reniero, Beverly Hegenbart, Sandy De-Cristofaro, Duncan Barnard, Barbara Brown, Beth Porter, Lou Gervais, Jim Davis, Sci Sciana, Priumo Incerty family, Bob Goeckner Family 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 care professionals, all our police and law enforcement officers, firefighters, EMT's and all who are trying to keep us safe.

Let us also pray for the people of Ukraine and 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 De-Cristofaro at 873-4132.

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We are pleased to have **Jeffrey A. Tolley** (License # OM31427) as our Knights of Columbus Fraternal Insurance Agent. Please see his information on page 5.

He can be reached at: 530- 514-4395 or at: jeff.tolley@kofc.org

KNIGHT'S CORNER

We are looking forward to celebrating Easter with all of you starting with Holy Thursday an ending with Easter Sunday. We then have seven Sundays of Easter ending with Pentecost.

We would like to thank all of you who helped with the Order of Malta luncheon and clean up. We were led by Master Chef John Thomas with the Knight's crew of Greg Kidder, Greg D.C., Greg Wright, Grand Knight, Ron Martin and wife Sue, Jim Collins, Fred Schlupe, Chris Rehman, Kevin Kriebel, Dave Lemire with daughter Clair and son Jack, Leo Bourgeois, Dave Young and parishioner Tom Walker.

There is still a need for helpers at the First Baptist Food Bank on Clark. We need help on Thursdays from 10am till noon and on Fridays from 10am till 4pm, Lunch included. If you can help for all or part of the time please call Greg DeCristopharo at 873-4132.

Let us all pray for America, our firefighters, police officers and healthcare workers. Let us continue to help one another, our parish, our community and our country to recover from the Camp Fire, the corona virus and civil unrest.

DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT (CON'T)

And don't forget our Hispanic Brothers in Christ – recruiting materials and opportunities are equally available in both English and Spanish.

My Worthy Brothers, even in the face of adversity, we should continue to celebrate our successes, especially in this fourth and final quarter of the year. I am so proud of all you have accomplished, both in terms of council activities, charitable works, and assisting our churches to continue functioning during the current challenging times. Keep up the good work and let us finish the year strong!

Thank you for your charity and service!

May God bless, Dave Abbott, District Deputy 2 530-680-0401 -- dabbott79@gmail.com



GRAND KNIGHT'S NOTATIONS (CON'T)

Ron Martin, Grand Knight, Council #777

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