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## Grand Knight's Message

My Brother Knights and Families:

It's November, but it sure feels like Winter has come on quickly. A wet October is certainly a good omen for a large amount of much needed rain this year. It would be quite a turn of events if we could experience a year of heavy precipitation. Keep praying for rain, no matter how annoying the wet weather can be.

I was fortunate enough to attend the Memorial Mass for our brother Knights who have passed away this year, today, at St. George Parish. The ceremony was Orthodox Christian and I must admit I was completely amazed by the entire service. Father Brendan, our previous Chaplain from nearly three years ago, presided with another priest, and our current chaplain, Father Aaron, was invited to assist during the mass. I have never been shrouded in so much incense and our own past Grand Knight, Fred Struck, sang and cantered beautifully for nearly two hours. I would encourage every brother Knight to attend a mass at St. George in the next few months because it certainly opens your eyes to the rich breadth, depth, and variety that is present in our beautiful religion. I promise that you will leave the ceremony with a greater love, respect, and appreciation for your Catholic faith and the many aspects of it that are a true mystery to many of us.

November presents two big opportunities for us as Knights. The first is the Giant Shrimp Feed, coming up on Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. Unfortunately, I will be on vacation at this time, but luckily my Father In-Law just joined the Knight's last week and he is ready to take my place and invite a few friends. The Giant Shrimp Feed is the biggest fundraising event on our calendar so please support it as much as you can. Attend, volunteer, buy raffle tickets, donate a raffle prize, and tell your friends, colleagues and family how great an event this is every year. I am sincerely asking you to take a moment and find a way to support this great event. I realize that some of our members are unfortunately allergic to shrimp but don't worry, Pasta For Life, is coming soon fellas.

Our second big opportunity is, of course, Thanksgiving. I know personally that I have so much to be thankful for in my life, and nothing is more important than saying thanks to all of you for allowing me to be Grand Knight. It is very rewarding to be more involved this year and it has brought me a greater appreciation of both my faith, and the work that we do. I hope that each of you takes a moment to find something to be thankful for this year. This will make you feel better about eating Giant Shrimp on the 18th and enormous turkeys on the 24<sup>th</sup>. If you can't think of anything then just be thankful for Steve Mills and Tom Nulk. This dynamic duo put on our annual Oktoberfest, which not only raised a lot of money for the Council, but the Hall Board had a record night of Beer Sales. Happy Thanksgiving to all.

Most Sincerely,  
Bryan McKrell  
Grand Knight, Council 953

## Welcome New Brother Knights

Congratulations to Rev. Aaron Engebretson SJ, Antonio Abear, Alan Dahl, and Rev. Jossy Vattothu, who joined our council through the exemplification of the First Degree last month.

## Calendar of Events

Get updated event information 24 hours a day at <http://sacramento.kofc953.org/calendar>

<b>November</b>	1	Tuesday		All Saints Day
	3	Thursday	7:00 pm	Officers and Directors Meeting
	6	Sunday	10:30 am	Memorial Mass (St. George)
	10	Thursday	6:00 pm	Dinner (Hall Opens at 5:30)
			7:00 pm	General Business Meeting
	18	Friday	7:00 pm	Giant Shrimp Dinner (Social Hour 6:00)
	24	Thursday		Thanksgiving
	27	Sunday		First Sunday of Advent
<b>December</b>	1	Thursday	7:00 pm	Officers and Directors Meeting
	8	Thursday		Feast of the Immaculate Conception
	15	Thursday	6:30 pm	Christmas Potluck (Hall Opens 5:30)
	25	Sunday		Christmas

## Christmas Potluck Dinner

The Council's Christmas Potluck will be on Thursday, December 15. All Brother Knights and their families are invited. The hall and bar will open at 5:30pm, and dinner will be served at 6:30pm. The Council will provide both a ham and a turkey for the potluck, and we will be showing a Christmas movie, yet to be determined.

Also, we would ask that you bring an unused baby item for a donation to the Bishop Gallegos Maternity Home. Some suggestions are:

- Diapers
- Bottles & Nipples
- Receiving Blankets
- Wipes
- Baby Toys
- Baby Washcloths
- Formula
- Onesies
- Baby Soaps

Please fill out the online form at <http://sacramento.kofc953.org/event/christmas-potluck-dinner-4> to let us know how many people you have coming and what you are bringing. Or, you may leave a message at the hall, 916-736-0953. *Note: There is no regular business meeting in the month of December.*

## Catholic Information Service

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When you insure a child, you are protecting his or her future. Did you know that one out of every six adults get rated, postponed, or denied for insurance coverage? If you purchase a policy for your child from the Knights of Columbus with a guaranteed purchase option (GPO), it guarantees that more insurance can be purchased for that child at certain set dates, without proving evidence of insurability.

Unfortunately, as fathers we don't have a crystal ball, and we don't know what the future may have in store for our children's health. But did you know that right now you can purchase a child's policy, in many cases, for less than \$10 a month?

I've heard it said that people don't want to "profit" from the death of a child, so they won't purchase coverage on their children. God forbid something tragic happens.

But, with Christmas around the corner that policy can also be a wonderful gift. It can be used as investment to help fund your child's future college tuition or help with the down payment of your child's first home when they become a young adult. Those funds can also come in handy at a time when finances will be the last thing on a parent's mind. I have never heard a story about someone who regretted buying coverage on their child. Contact me today to discuss the many policy options for children and youths, including 10- and 20-Pay life insurance.



Fraternally,

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### **Change of Contact Information**

Please notify your council of any change in mailing address, telephone number or email address. Changes can be submitted by phone message at (916) 736-0953 or by email at [fs@kofc953.org](mailto:fs@kofc953.org).

## For Whom We Pray

Memorial Mass: None this month

Spiritual Bouquets: None this month

Sick: Charlie Nulk, Peggy Ingram (mother of Jack Ingram), Tony Indrieri



If someone in your family is hospitalized or sick, contact Michael Litwin at (916) 208-2426 or [pray@kofc953.org](mailto:pray@kofc953.org). A spiritual bouquet will be sent to them in our Council's name. Prayers are the best medicine for the sick. Mass cards are also sent to the families of deceased Brothers or deceased members of their immediate families. WE NEED YOUR HELP! The spiritual bouquets and Mass cards cannot be sent if we are not told of the need. So please let us know by contacting Michael at [pray@kofc953.org](mailto:pray@kofc953.org).



You may also make a prayer request by leaving a comment at the council web site under prayer requests <http://sacramento.kofc953.org/prayer>

## Business Meeting Dinners

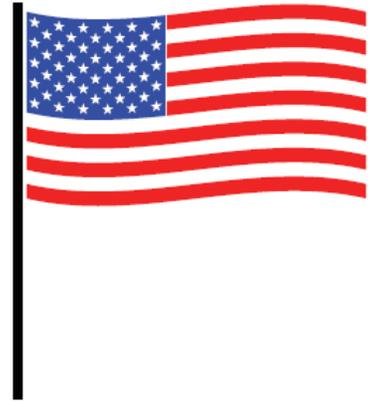
Below is the upcoming schedule with the names of the volunteer cooks and greeters:

Month	Cooks	Menu	Greeters
November	Matt Herman	Pulled pork, chicken, baked beans	TBA
December	Potluck	Potluck	TBA
January	TBA	TBA	TBA

The council is conducting a Christmas toy drive for needy children. Please bring a new, unwrapped toy to the November Business Meeting. Any member who brings a toy will receive a free dinner. Please be generous!

## Council Web Site

Please take the time to visit our Council web site at <http://www.kofc953.org>, where you can download current or past issues of the Knight Letter. In addition, there is a calendar page listing all our council events, a photo gallery page, and links to other websites of interest. Also, if you go to the Prayer Request page at <http://sacramento.kofc953.org/prayer>, you may post a prayer request by leaving a comment. All articles published by the Northern California Chapter of the Knights of Columbus are now published on our website as well. The Northern California Chapter has recently redesigned its website, the address of which is <http://www.kofcncc.org>.



# Knights of Columbus # 953

“Giant Shrimp Dinner” Friday, November 18, 2016

- Wine on tables
- Anti Pasto
- Green Salad
- French Rolls with Butter
- Italian Green Beans
- Pasta Marinera
- Giant Shrimp
- Dipping sauces will be an Aioli and a Cocktail sauce
- Spumoni and Cookie for Dessert
- You are welcome to bring your own butter and warmer

A Giant Shrimp Dinner  
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Social Hour 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.  
Dinner at 7:00 P.M.  
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