Knights' Knotes



Corpus Christi Council 10062

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There are not enough words to express my thanks and appreciation for all our Council continues to do together. Let us move forward to accomplish great things while serving God, the Church, the Parish Community and all we can who are in need. . Wishing all Brothers of Council 10062 and their families a Peaceful Advent Season, Merry Christmas

and a Happy and Holy New Year!

Vivat Jesus Bob and Evie Truxes



ADVENT

Sunday, December 1 to **Tuesday December 24**



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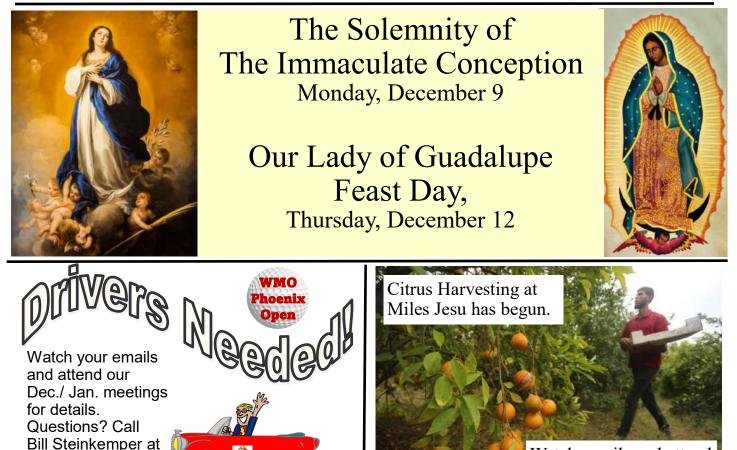
CALENDAR

Please note - some event dates and times are subject to change. Please attend Council meetings and watch for future alerts for details.

December, 2024

- Dec. 1 First Sunday of ADVENT
- Dec. 3 CUF Degree after 6 PM Mass; Reception follows in Parish Center
- Dec. 4 Keep Christ In Christmas Poster Contest deadline
- Dec. 5 Council Dinner 6 PM in Parish Center / Council Meeting 7 PM in RE rooms 5 & 6
- Dec. 7 Knights' Kids at JCPenney, Ray Road 7AM
- Dec. 7 San Xavier del Bac Assembly 14 (4th Degree) Ornament Exchange
- Dec. 8 Pancake Breakfast after morning Masses / 6:00 AM 12:30 PM Parish Center
- Dec. 9 The Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception
- Dec. 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day
- Dec. 14 Citrus Harvest at Miles Jesu (tentative)
- Dec. 15 Membership Drive
- Dec. 17 Fellowship Breakfast 8:15 AM at Biscuits Elliot Road
- Dec. 19 Council 10062 Leadership / Planning Meeting 7 PM RE rooms 5 & 6
- Dec. 21 Citrus Harvest at Miles Jesu (tentative)
- Dec. 25 Christmas Day

602-571-7640



Watch emails and attend meetings for details.

And so it shall come to pass that in like manner man's constitutions in all things shall determine how far his observance of all God's commandments shall extend. - St. Thomas More from Utopia, Book One

It Goes too Far, now there is a battle cry as successful as Custer's, "Hold your mounts steady boys, there are plenty of Indians down there for all of us". The electoral defeat was nearly as one sided; more than 2 million people, nearly 62% of the electorate voted for effectively unlimited abortion. I wish I could say I was surprised but I am not. To me it was a foregone conclusion. So how could this happen in a state where 40% of its citizens are Catholic

It Goes too Far. The slogan alone defines how it failed. It failed the moment it went from a just or unjust argument to a legal or illegal argument; from that very moment, which happened a long time ago, we were doomed. We argued, you see, not that abortion is an intrinsic evil which should never be done but rather we argued you already have 13 weeks to abort your child, why do you need any more. We were willing to accept killing the unborn, just not over too long a period of time.

For their part the proponents were able to claim it was really a case of *reproductive health care*, not getting between *a woman and her doctor* or a woman and *her* body. No one, not us, not them, was talking about killing babies. It was merely a case of legal disputation

can I or can't I not should I or shouldn't I. We fought for 50 years to overturn the constitutional blemish of Roe v Wade only to say in the year 2024 that were willing accept what Roe had prescribed in its original ruling, abortion in the first trimester. That the churches went along with this would be comic if it wasn't so tragic.

So now Prop 139 is the law, and her advocates will look upon the vote as implying virtue, and perhaps, justice. This does not bode well for the moral fabric of the state which will likely continue to degrade and corrupt. St. Thomas More warned that, "whereas by ordinance of God, no man has power to kill either himself or yet any other man, then if a law made by consent of men concerning the slaughter of men should be of such strength, force, and virtue, that they who, contrary to the commandment of God, have killed those whom the constitution of man [allows] to be killed are **clean quit** and **exempt** from the bonds and jurisdiction of God's commandment, shall it not then by this reason follow that the power of God's commandment extends no further than man's law defines and permits? There is no sin, there will be no punishment.

"Law", wrote Aristotle, "is only a convention and has no real power to make citizens good and just." To that end the appeal must be made to man's higher nature, to touch what St. Basil the Great referred to as the koine ennoia the common notions which draw all men to seek God and His will. Even pagan philosophers recognized this. "This ...", wrote Cicero, "is not a written but an innate law. We have not been taught it by the learned... we have not taken it from books; it is derived from nature and stamped in invisible characters upon our very frame ... There cannot be one law now, and another hereafter; but the same eternal immutable law...for all nations, at all times, under one common master and governor of all."

There is a scene at the end of the Christmas movie *The Bishop's Wife*, where the bishop, played by David Niven delivers a sermon about gift giving at Christmas. He reminds us that there is someone whose stocking we forget to fill, or even to hang up. "We haven't forgotten that night down the centuries. We forget no one, adult or child, all except one, a stocking for the child born in a manger. Let us ask ourselves what He would wish for most and then let each put in his share. Loving kindness, warm hearts and a stretched out hand of tolerance; all the shining gifts that make peace on earth. That might just be the best thing we can do this Christmas, to put in our share. Surely we can do that. Let's try changing hearts, this day and all days, and not merely ballots. As our Lord himself told us, love of God and of neighbor, upon this all the law and the prophets depend. We spent 50 years fighting this fight and we can fight 50 more.

Vivat Jesus

Robert N. LaCroix, PGK

Thank you to all who attended our Annual Memorial Mass on November 18. For those who were not able to attend, here is the roll call of our deceased Brother Knights of Council 10062. Please remember all in your prayers. Thank you.

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Council 10062 Presents Check to Our Local SVdP

At the November General Council meeting, Grand Knight Bob Truxes delivers an enlarged version of a \$5,000.00 check made out to the Society of St. Vincent DePaul. This amount was made possible through the proceeds of the 2024 Golf Tournament.

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Diocese Of Phoenix Safe Environment Training

The mission of Safe Environment Training is to prevent sexual, physical, or emotional abuse and/or neglect of children and young people through continued education, building awareness, and maintaining a commitment to keeping all children and young people safe. Different training sessions are designed for parents, youth, and volunteers serving in ministries.

Training is available ONLINE! Class descriptions, requirements and registration are available at

phoenix.cmgconnect.org.

The Diocese of Phoenix is committed to protecting all children and youth by offering abuse prevention educational sessions. All adult volunteers must complete the initial Safe Environment for Lay People Foundation Training. This program teaches the steps that can be taken to prevent child sexual abuse. Additional requirements include:

Complete a volunteer application Attest to the Code of Ethics Consent to a background check

The Diocesan Policy and Procedure for the Protection of Minors requires annual training for:

All Clergy

Employees

Volunteers that directly serve minors

All Minors - each year, in Children's Faith Formation classes, in grades Pre-K through high school, every student participates in a Safe Environment program during their class time.

All other parish volunteers must renew Safe Environment training every other year.

Renewal training is offered online for all subsequent years.

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COR Group Meetings

I'm reaching out to gauge interest in starting a COR group, which is a Knights of Columbus program designed to help men grow as better Catholics. These groups are meant to be small, and they can include both Knights and non-Knights, fostering deeper friendships and spiritual growth. We can even have multiple COR groups running at once.

We've previously discussed an idea like "Beads and Bourbon," and this could fit that format, or it could evolve into something like a Saturday morning gathering for coffee, donuts, prayer, and discussion. The structure is open, but successful groups often share materials in advance and prepare questions for discussion. I'd love to hear your thoughts and ideas on how you'd like this to be shaped. This is a great opportunity to strengthen our relationships as Catholic men. Let me know if you're interested or have any suggestions! Vivat Jesus!

Bob Truxes Grand Knight Knight Up!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

- 12/1 John Deg
- 12/3 Michael Sherman, Bryan Toth
- 12/4 Len Adams, James Lobue
- 12/5 Christopher Donohue, Matthew Lindsey, Joseph Pezzuto
- 12/6 Clark Noorgard 12,7 Jeff Christian
- 12/8 Ted Kennedy 12/9 Joseph Difrancesco
- 12/10 Edward Bach, Sam Chamoun
- 12/11 Greg Palmerstein
- 12/12 Mazen Katan, William Quebrado
- 12/14 Richard Doyle 12/17 Andrew Lishko
- 12/18 Hermenegildo Almaria 12/19 Dan Bordenet
- 12/20 Gianluca Fonte 12/21 Eduardo Olivera
- 12/26 Peter Troglia
- 12/28 Javier Bravo, Charles Mumman
- 12/29 James Zemaites
- 12/30 Peter Goodman, Mark Hoye
- 12/31 Vincent Salotti

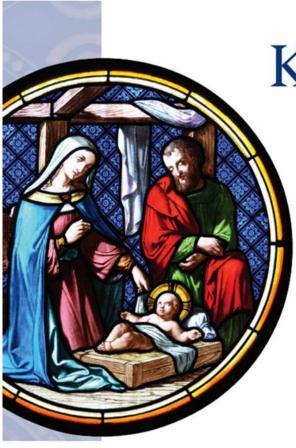
Knights of Columbus Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest

Students in Grades K-3: Design a poster depicting how you and your family "Keep Christ in Christmas"

Students in Grades 4 & 5: In addition to the poster, on the back, include a short essay of approximately 250 words about how you and your family "Keep Christ in Christmas"

Deadline: December 4th – Please return completed posters to the CFF office or to Parish Office.

If any questions, please contact Brendan O'Hare at bohare.kofc@gmail.com or Rob Curtis, Children's Faith Formation rob.curtis@corpuschristiphx.org





A Message From Your General Agent

Brothers,

As Knights, we emphasize the importance of keeping Christ in Christmas. In fact, keeping Christ at the center of everything we do is a year-round mission.

Now, I ask you – as we close out 2024 and as you spend additional time with your family, consider how any changes from the past year might affect your life insurance portfolio. Even joyous occasions like buying a new house or sending a kid to college this fall can impact your insurance needs. Are you certain your current coverage is adequate and up to date? What would your family's financial situation be this time next year if the unimaginable happened to you or your spouse?

If your answers to these questions are not certain, I encourage you to set up time to meet with me. Let's work together to create a plan that would not only help protect your family but give you the peace of mind and security you all deserve.

May you each have a holy and peaceful Christmas season with your loved ones. Let's continue to focus on Jesus through the end of this year. If there is any way I can offer help, please reach out to me. Thank you.

Merry Christmas!

Vivat Jesus!

Gary Kwapiszeski, FICF

November, 2024 Blood Drive

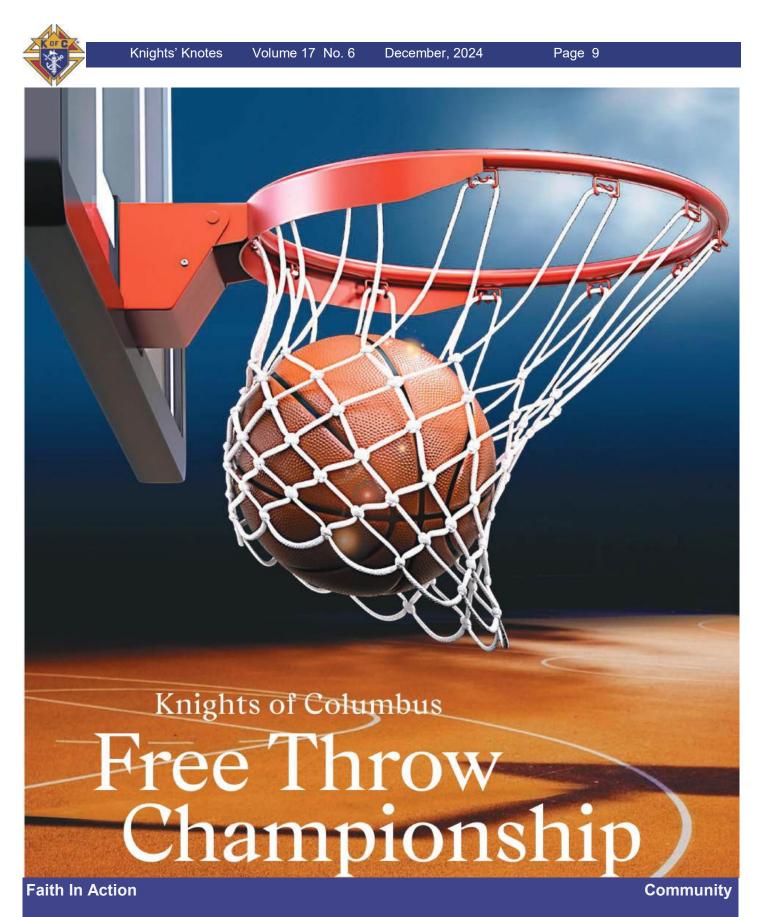


Wishing You and Your Family a very Blessed Christmas



Knights of Columbus Contact me today to learn m





January 18, 2025. Participants - boys and girls ages 9 to14. Details at the December General Council and Planning Meetings. Questions - Jul Tiritilli 480-250-2208 or Bill Steinkemper 602-571-7645

The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy

Optional Opening Prayers:

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls,

and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy,

envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us. *Repeat three times:*

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of Mercy for us, I trust in You!

Our Father

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen

Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Communal Rosary Schedule

Rosary Monday through Saturday at 7:45 AM Family Holy Rosary - Sunday at 4:30 PM Rosary for Youth - Tuesday at 5:30 PM Life Rosary - Thursday at 6:30 PM



For more information, please visit the parish web site corpuschristi.org/communal-rosary

Schedule of upcoming Novenas: Our Lady, the Immaculate Conception Novena Nov 30-Dec 9th 2024.

For each of the five decades

On each "Our Father" bead of the rosary, pray:

Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

On each of the 10 "Hail Mary" beads, pray:

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Concluding prayer (repeat three times)

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have *mercy on* us and on the whole world.

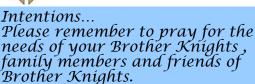
Optional Closing Prayer

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.

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All on our lists...

Please reply to Grand Knight's email should you have any changes to the list of our departed Brothers and family members and the list of those in need of prayer for improved health. The list is compiled monthly. Thank you.

(fod our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan,

You called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor.



Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church.

Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast.

We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will.

Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request).

Through Christ our Lord, Amen.



Gary Kwapiszeski, Field Agent

Call me today to review your coverage and to plan for the protection of your family...

If getting your finances in order is one of your goals, please reach out to me at **480-701-1305** or email gary.kwapiszeski@kofc.org.



Knotes Is Looking For a New Editor

It's that time. I have decided that my run as your newsletter editor needs to end. I have had the pleasure of providing this service for more than sixteen years. It's time to move on. My involvement with Knotes will cease with the December, 2024 issue.

Even with self-imposed challenges, the newsletter has been fun to develop and produce over the years. Other projects needing my attention now need to take precedent.

Our recent survey produced about what I expected in responses. I usually don't fill out a survey and I didn't expect a huge survey response. Thank you to those who did reply to the survey. Your comments are very well received.

I know that most of us who read Knotes will miss seeing it every month if it does not continue. Thank you for your words of praise and encouragement. I am sure that your new editor will provide us with an even better newsletter.

I ask any knight who is willing to produce our monthly newsletter to contact me. I would like to see our newsletter continue, but with someone other than myself putting it all together.

It has been fun. It has been a meaningful method of communication to those Brother Knights who are not able to attend meetings. It has been my signature contribution to our Council. Make it yours. Thank you.

Vivat Jesus!

Jul Tiritilli



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Feast of Corpus Christi Eucharistic Procession



























The End...

Yes, I know that's two words. Fire me! You can't, I quit!

After 16 consecutive years and almost 19 overall, I have decided that the newsletter will be in better hands with a new editor. Who is that, you might ask? Well, no one has come forward yet, but someone will eventually. All I know is that it's time for our newsletter to have a change in many areas including presentation. topics and purpose.

The "End" is also the end of the 2024 calendar year and marks the mid-year of our Council. What a year it has been! Outstanding work by all with every one of our programs making each a success in its own right. For those "new" Bother Knights who are just now finding out what Council 10062 actually does, you know there's loads of opportunities for everyone.

Back to my "End". We published a survey some months ago and I thank all who took the time to reply to the survey. The number of responses were not what I hoped for, but about what I expected. Some of our Brother Knights told me in private that they do read the newsletter and did not reply to the survey. I believe that because I too, am not a big survey taker. But, even with those verbal acclamations adding to the initial number, I could sense that the actual percentage of readers within our Council really did not warrant the continuation of Knotes in it's present format. My decision was not solely made because of the survey, but I really don't care to share other reasons. Nothing personal.

Since 2006 I have had the pleasure of providing the newsletter on behalf of our Council and some of the finest Grand Knights to ever grace our chambers...PGK Doug Vance, PGK Bill Drummey, PGK Tom Kato, PGK Dennis Sullivan, PGK Doug McCarty, PGK Dave Rak Kinonen, PGK Bob LaCroix, PGK Chris Rausch, PGK Mike Moore and current Grand Knight Bob Truxes. Thank you all for your support, encouragement and for pretty much giving me editorial license to produce Knotes. Admittedly, I am not a writer. I can edit, but writing is not a strongpoint. Over the years, Knotes has received many editorial pieces from Brother Knights who answered the call to contribute a line or two. Thank you to all Grand Knights for your reports. Special thanks to PGK Bob LaCroix whose articles are of tremendous value and help to make Knotes more complete. Brother Sam Chamoun has provided us with articles and calendars for Rosary participation. Photos have come in from quite a few. Thanks Steve Black, Dave Rak Kinonen and family members who have also helped out in the photo department. Some of our Pastors also contributed monthly, quarterly and some when needed. Fr. Hoorman had a regular spot each month. So did Fr. Chad. Thank you, both. Fr. Rey has given us some very moving articles and I wish he had written more, but appreciate what he wrote when he did write. Thank you, Fr. Rey. I cannot thank him personally and wish I had done so before his passing, but Jim McGrath is sorely missed by a lot if us, not just for his newsletter submissions. Jim was a model Knight. I could tell that Jim was having fun writing articles for Knotes. He took a lot of pride in his writing I looked forward to getting something from Jim every month. Thanks. Jim. Yes, we do miss you. Proofreading is a task and I had the pleasure of working with some of the best. Richard and Edna Armanini were our first proofreaders and I kept them pretty busy. Tom Kato was a very good proofreader and really helped me to clean up Knotes before sending it out. Mike Moore could always find an issue to be fixed somewhere. Bob Truxes has caught a few problem areas as well. Every PGK would eventually find something to edit and I thank each and every one of you for doing so.

Will I miss working on Knights' Knotes? I don't know for sure. I suppose I will find out in the future. Will you miss receiving and reading it? Without this sounding a bit egotistic, I hope so. If you do miss receiving Knotes, then I know we put out a decent product over the years even if only a marginal percentage of the total Council actually read it.

This is an appeal to every Knight out there...step up and publish our newsletter. We need a change. I am fairly sure that there are far more readers out there than any survey can hint at. We will find out for sure. To our newer Brother Knights, consider stepping up to work in any of the Council's programs. Don't feel like you are intruding or trying to take over something. New ideas and methods are welcomed provided that we attain our goals. Attend meetings! There is no better way to become aware of Council activities than attending our meetings and getting involved. I am not aware of anyone in our Council who might bite. There might be a barker or two, but no biters!

It's been fun! It's also been a bit of work. I didn't mind that and in fact, I really enjoyed seeing the final version come to life each month. To think that we took what was a four page monthly newsletter to what it is today really says something...we're busy! If I missed saying "thank you" to anyone, please forgive me. Maybe the new editor will do a better job of keeping tack of staff. Have a Peaceful Advent season, a Joyous Christmas and a Blessed New Year.

Vivat Jesus! Jul

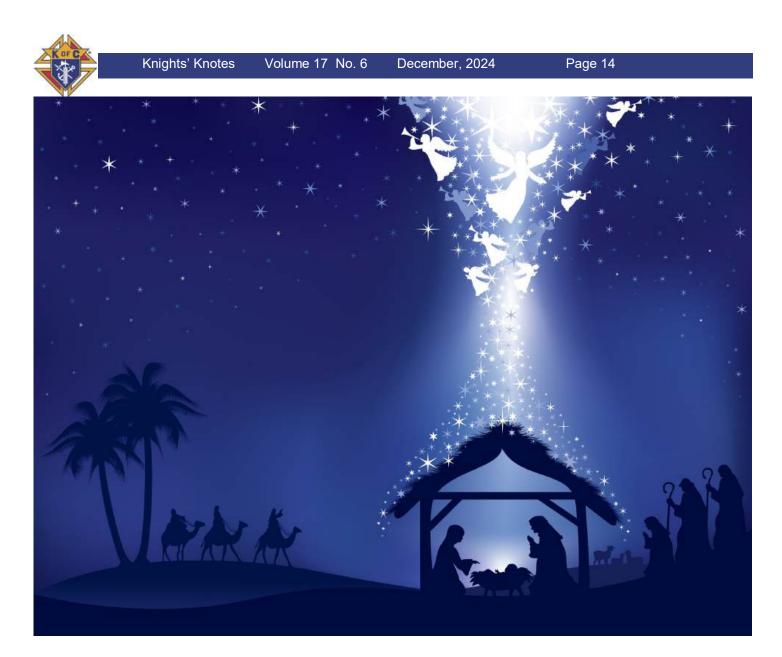
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Thank you GK Bob Truxes, Sam Chamoun, PGK Bob LaCroix, Gary Kwapiszeski. We miss you, Jim.

"In A Word" has been discontinued. However any rebuttals, comments or concerns regarding the content of this publication may be sent to JulTiritilli@gmail.com .

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May the Feace, Joy and Love found in the Gift of the Birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ be with each of you and yours this Christmas.

Merry Christmas!