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# The Flagship

Santa Maria Council, No. 1443

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Deputy Grand Knight Sal Catania 856 612-5295 Warden John Lavelle 856 858-1701

### **Grand Knight's Message**

Brother Knights,

When I think of Christmas, I think of gifts. At this point in my life, however, I do not think of what I want so much as what I need to buy for others: I need gifts for my wife, my daughters, my brothers, and others. The list seems endless, and the pressure to get "the gift," the one thing that will symbolize the holiday, becomes paramount. Sometimes it seems that the success of Christmas, and the nation's economy, depends solely on me.



But truth be told, anything I give is inferior to that first Christmas gift: our Lord. Think about what St. Paul tells us in the second chapter of Philippians: that Jesus, being equal with God, emptied himself to become a servant; and by taking human form, he elevated us, and showed us the path to salvation. As Catholics, we are reminded of this every time we join in celebrating the Mass where Jesus, yet again, takes the outward appearance of bread and wine, but He is really and fully present with us in His body, blood, soul, and divinity. God yearns to be in relationship with us, and He gives us this very personal and intimate manner to have that relationship with Him. What a blessing! My family wishes you a warm Christmas season filled with love, along with a healthy and happy New Year. I urge you to take the time to ponder the wonder of God's deep love for you. It will enrich the Christmas season, and sustain you the rest of the year. Isn't that the best gift of all? *Vivat Jesus!* 

Adam Elgart, GK



### 'Tis the season to give

Our own Santa Bob is shown making children happy in this photo from 2018. This year, Santa Maria Council #1443 is working to make Christmas happier for area children in need. We are running a toy drive through early December. Find details on how to help on page 2.

The Natural Choice is Life

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### Help our veterans!

Please donate toiletries, soap, shampoo, toothpaste and personal items for residents of the Vineland Veterans Home. Place all donations in the blue containers at the Council home. They are regularly brought to the home, and the vets appreciate your donations. Thank you.



### **Coming Events December 2019**

2	Mon.	Council Meeting	8:00 PM
5	Thurs.	Nocturnal Adoration St. Rose	7:00 PM
6	Fri.	Friday Night Social Charity Raffle 5th Drawing	7:00 PM 8:30 PM
9	Mon.	Officers Meeting	7:30 PM
11	Wed.	Chapter Christmas Party	6:30 PM
13	Fri.	Council Christmas Party	6:00 PM
14	Sat.	Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Judging Rose Sale at St. Rose	9:00 AM 5:30 PM
15	Sun.	Rose Sale at St. Rose – All Masses	See schedule
16	Mon.	Poster Contest Awards Council Meeting	7:30 PM 8:00 PM
18	Wed.	4 <sup>th</sup> Degree Christmas Party	
20	Fri.	Hunger Harvest Friday Night Social	7:00 PM
25	Wed.	Merry Christmas!	
27	Fri.	No Friday Night Social	
28	Sat.	Rose Sale at St. Joseph the Worker Parish at both churches after vigil Mass	See Mass Schedule
29	Sun.	Rose Sale after all Masses at St. Joseph the Worker Parish, both churches. Consecration to the Holy Family St. Vincent Pallotti Church	See Mass Schedule 9:00 AM

### Experience the joy of the season! Donate a toy for a needy child



Santa Maria Council is collecting toys for area children. Bring an unwrapped new toy to the Council home and place in a bin. Toys will be collected at the Friday Night Social and at the Chapter and Council Christmas parties. Deputy Grand Knight Sal Catania will be at the Council home from 9-11 AM on November 30th and December 7th to collect toys. These toys will go to area children to make their Christmas a bit brighter.

### Dues notices coming to a mailbox /inbox near you in early January 2020

Dues notices for the new year will be sent in early January 2020. Dues notices are emailed to the address we have for Council members, and sent via USPS to those who do not have an ing the emails from the Supreme email address on file. The email is

generated from the Supreme Council under the name Knights of Columbus Email and email address sent from: noreply@kofc.org Please be sure to

periodically check your email spam and other folders as your email provider may filter out the dues email and divert it from your Inbox. There is a known problem with Comcast email customers not always receiv-

Council. If you have questions regarding your dues notice, contact Mike Vavardi at: finsec1443@aol.com. Additional dues information can be viewed on our website: http://uknight.org/CouncilSite/ index.asp?CNO=1443.

Remember, your dues enable Santa Maria Council to support our church and community and do good work. Please pay your dues

promptly.

### Roses for Life

There will be two Roses for Life sales in December: 12/14-15 at St. Rose of Lima and 12/28-29 at St. Aloysius and St. Vincent Pallotti. Please plan to come out and help!

### March for Life

The annual March for Life will be Friday January 24th, 2020. The Council will again be running a bus to the March in Washington, DC. Look for details in the January Flagship.

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### **Christmas Party**

The Council Christmas Party is Friday, December 13th. Cocketain reception at 6:00 PM, dinner at 7:00. Significant others are welcome. There is no cost, but we want to know how many will attend. RSVP at (856) 981-3503. Don't forget to bring a new unwrapped toy for our drive, and/or donate to the Send a Hero Home program so that a service man or woman can get home for Christmas.

### **Holy Family Consecration**

The Consecration to the Holy Family will take place on the Feast of the Holy Family, December 29th at St. Vincent Palotti Church at 9:00 AM Mass.

### **Food For Families**

Donate canned goods or money to fill our pantry for Christmas! Contact Zachary McShane at zacharymshane94@gmail.com or 856 882-6960 or Bill Liebknecht at (856) 448-2566 or kbkn@verizon.net.

### Football party

Save the date: Our NFC/AFC football party will be held on Sunday, January 19th, 1:00 PM - ???. Cost is \$30 for food, beverages, pool and shuffleboard.

### Hoagie sales a success!

Thanks to everyone who supported this fall's successful hoagie sales. Six sell-outs maximized profits at \$8,500, a huge amount that benefits Santa Maria Club. Great job by the hoagie makers, sellers and Chairman John J. Buttil. On November 2nd, a man gave us \$100 for two hoagies and said to keep the change because of the good work we do. That was our 2nd \$100 donation that day! See you all in April!

### **TD Affinity Program**

Help Council earn money for every account held at TD Bank. Account information is kept confidential.

Any member or nonmember (individual or business) can have their TD accounts linked to us by giving the bank our code: A3860. There is no cost for this. Contact PGK John Pojawis at 856 906-7791 for details.







### Remembering our Brothers

Santa Maria Council remembered its deceased Brothers with a Memorial Mass and breakfast at the Council home on November 3rd. GK Adam Elgart presents members of the DiMedio family with a resolution, top left, and displays our memorial plaque, below. DGK Sal Catania rings a bell as the name of each Brother lost in the past year is called, top right. Members of the Albanese family, left, and PGKs Mark Kiernan, Dan Olivieri and Reggie Beckett all enjoy breakfast.





### Give thanks, plan ahead

Brothers and friends. Thanksgiving is a uniquely American expression of thankfulness to our Lord for all of the wonderful blessings that he has bestowed on this great nation. Nowhere else in the world can citizens realize the freedom we have to pursue our dreams, to rise -up from the limitations imposed by birth and make a meaningful difference in the lives and fortunes of others. Preserving and standing up for this freedom is critical and is our solemn responsibility.

In that respect, we have also no greater responsibility than to provide for our family's wellbeing. Our objective must be to develop a plan to protect the financial future of our families if we were to leave this world unexpectedly. I can help in that regard and show you the many affordable financial options available to you through the Knights of Columbus. Call me today for a no obligation review at (856) 296-4543. Happy Thanksgiving! Lou Esola

# Coin drop report The Alzheimer's drive this year netted \$2,247. Thanks to all who helped.

### **December 2019 Fraternal Report**

Ailing Brothers: Joe Tanzi, Mike Meo, Chuck Guidotti, Paul Campana, Steve Quigley, Ed Eissing, Walt Eife, Don Wilson, Charlie Cunane, Mike Kirby, Dave Grayce, John P. Welsh, Chris Gaj, Bob McCann, Michael Weiglein, Hank Keating, Bob Wilson, Daniel McShane, Father Walter Norris, Rich Lipko, Fr. Frederick Link, John Colarullo, Walt Delengowski, Michael Conway, Edward . Bowe, Anthony L. Cerone, Tom Conroy, Benjamin Meo,

Deceased Brothers: William Middleton, Lelio Ciccotelli, Mike Sharp, Joe Santarlas, Mike Grande, James Cunning, John E. Kappel, Fred Guarnieri, Frank Maimone, William Schmidt

Ailing Familiy: Amy Meo, wife of Bro. Michael; Bernadette Osman, wife of Bro. Mark; Gloria Mazziotti, wife of Bro. John; Diane Wilson, wife of Bro Don; Heidi Holcher, niece of Bro. Reggie Beckett; Joseph Kiernan, father of Bro. Mark; Paul Krowicki, father of Bro. Kevin; Lidy & Anne, sisters of the late Bro. Mike Procacci; Elaine Quinlan, sister of Bro. Dave Grayce; Sam & Theresa Luby, relatives of Bro. Mark Barrett; Luca Paul Giamporcaro, great nephew of Bro. John Buttil; Joan Castaldi, mother-in-law of Bro. Bill Lebb; Anne Wells, wife of Bro. Steve; Keira daughter of Bro. Justin Oliver; Mort Corman, father of Bro. Michael; David and Gerri Olivieri, brother and sister -in-law of Bro. Dan; nephew of Bro. Mark Kiernan; Bob Schiavo, cousin to Bro. John; Lisa and Steve Antes, niece and nephew to Bro. John Mazziotti Jr., Angie Johnson; Massimo Papale, wife and grandson of Bro. Al Johnson; Lynn Guidotti, wife of Bro. Chuck; James Conway, father to Bro. Michael Conway; and Barbara Zampito, wife of Bro. Chuck Zampito and aunt to Bro. Gene Howard; Brian Elgart and Paul Elgart, brothers of Bro. Adam Elgart; Lucie Lipko, wife of Bro. Rich, Marianne Delengowski, wife of Bro Walt. John Johnson, Deceased Family: Gregorio Serrano, father-in-law of Bro Tony Diaz; Mary A. Mulligan, mother of Bro Jim, Donna Cavalieri, cousin of Bros. Dan and Zachary McShane; Michael Kraus Jr., son of Bro Michael Kraus; Dr. Joseph A, Riggs, father of Bro Joe Jr.; Robert T. Hansen, brother-in-law of Bro Rich Abbate; Patricia Quigley Ayscue, wife of Bro Brian Asycue.

Good news: The Council is planning something special for Valentine's Day one Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. Stay tuned.



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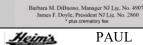
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