## November 2016

## **Brother Knights:**

I only thought October was a busy month. November is proving to be a very busy one as well for our Council. (It was a busy one for me personally also so I apologize for not having my November Council Monthly Newsletter out on time.) Our Council not only had our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament this month, we are also hosting noted national Catholic Speaker Karl Schultz to come speak to our Parish and also making plans to have a first ever, Christmas Celebration Dinner and Movie.

But before I get ahead of myself, I want to thank the many Knights that helped with our membership drive last month. As a result of this effort, and the reputation our Council for being an asset to the Parish, we are attracting new members to our Council. I appreciate any and all efforts of our existing members when helping recruit new members and I ask everyone to please make the new members feel welcome.

I also must thank the many Knights that worked to make our Golf Tournament a success. Every effort was appreciated; from those that made a day of it to those that could stop by for an hour or so. Thanks to the Golf Committee, we had a fun and successful event that even included a Shane Buechele autographed football to auction off! Every team that played had fun and hopefully we can get twice as many teams to play next year. I also want to express the Council's appreciation to all of our sponsors for helping to make our golf tournament turn a profit.

Please mark your calendars for November 18<sup>th</sup> to come hear nationally known Catholic Speaker Karl Schultz speak to our Parish at Bishop's Hall. Karl's talk, "Matthew and Luke, Evangelists of Divine Mercy; The Grace of Unlimited Forgiveness from the Heart." will be part of Saint Mary Cathedral's Fall Distinguished Speakers Series. Please make every effort to attend this event. Karl will have some of his books for sale and will autograph them for you at the event.

I also highly encourage you to plan to attend our first ever "Christmas Celebration" event on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. We are offering a Pork Loin dinner along with an inspirational Christmas theme movie entitled "The Fourth Wiseman". It stars Martin Sheen, a famous Catholic actor. Details of the event and how to purchase tickets are on our website. I hope this turns out to be a wonderful time for all and we make this an annual gift to the Parish.

I want to say congratulation to Sir Knight Louis Barron for being named Knight of the Month for October. He was instrumental with our membership drive and golf tournament along with planning for our Christmas Celebration.

I also owe a thank you to our Worthy Deputy Grand Knight, Sir Knight Alex Pong, for taking over the November Council Business Meeting. I also want to say thank you to Worthy Trustee 3 Year, Sir Knight Rudy Gonzales for covering for me at the Chapter Meeting. When everyone helps out in time of need, it is amazing what we can accomplish.

Finally, I want us all to remember the Rocha Family as we join them in honoring the departed soul of our Sir Knight Albert Rocha. He was a long time member of our Council and will be missed by many. I am proud that our Council worked with the Catholic Daughters to help provide comfort and support to the Rocha Family during this time of sorrow. Albert's widow, Rachel, was especially pleased that so many of our Sir Knights honored Albert at his Rosary with a Fall Out. She was also honored that so many of our Council members offered their services as pallbearers for Albert's funeral. Rachel has been very good to us with her time and effort and it was moving for me to see so many of us honor Albert, Rachel and her family.

Vivat Jesus,

SK David Matocha Worthy Grand Knight