



# St. Anthony's Council Newsletter

Newsletter for members of St. Anthony's Council #10693 Manteca, California

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## From the Desk of the Grand Knight Gilbert Maldonado

I would like to thank all the Brother Knights and families that attended the Past Grand Knights Dinn last month. As I mentioned last month's we have a number of events schedules from now to the end of June. These are:

1. Valentine Breakfast on Sunday, February 15th. I would like to thank Brother Randall Young for chairing the breakfast.

2. Our annual Fish Fry Dinners on February 27, March 13 and March 27. I would like to thank Brothers Jimmy Christensen and Robert Young for co-chairing these dinners. We will be in the need of volunteers for these dinners.

3. Knight's hosted Parish's Lenten Soup Dinner on March 23rd. Chari Brother Tony Ollivier

4. Our Family Director Steve Picanco is scheduling a family event the end of April. If you have any suggestions, please contact him.

5. The Annual Parish Priest Appreciation Dinner honoring the Priests of our Parish on Saturday, May 30th. The Parish is hosting this event; We will be helping.

I am currently setting up a nominating committee to select Council Officer Candidates for the next Columbian Year. If you are interested in be an Officer, please contact me.

I look forward to see you at our Past Grand Knight dinner on February 17th

Vivat Jesus!  
Gilbert Maldonado  
Grand Knight 209 740-0687

## Program Director's Column

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### Upcoming Events

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**Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Family Rosary** will be on Sunday, February 22nd at 3:00pm in the Church.

**Fish Fry Dinners** will be on Fridays, February 27th, March 13th and March 27t.

**Knight's Lenten Parish Soup Dinner** will be on Monday, March 23rd.

**Parish Priest Appreciation Dinner** will be on Saturday, May 30th,

#### Funeral Services – Altar Servers

Ongoing – Call Brother John Perez (610-9349) if you can volunteer to be an Altar Server.

### Fish Fry Dinners

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The Council's annual Fish Fry Dinners will be held on Fridays February 27, March 13 and March 27. The dinners will run from 4:30pm and 7:00pm in the school cafeteria. Help is need with preparation before and clean up after. These dinners are a major fundraiser for the Council's-Chairs for the dinners are Brothers Jimm Christensen and Robert Young. An email will be sent later on how to volunteer.

### Financial Secretary Message

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Dear Brother Knights,

I have mailed out the Assembly Dues Statements for 2026. Annual Council Dues are \$36.00 plus a voluntary assessment for the Council's Seminarian Fund. Those members that are in the arrears of their past due Council Dues the amount will be added to this statement.

Electronic payment is now available. Venmo - @Mark-Lilly-32 or Zelle â mflilly@comcast.net or 209-483-3358. Indicate Assembly Dues in remarks. Please email me if you pay electronically,

If there is a hardship in paying your dues, please contact our Grand Knight Gilbert Maldonado (209) 740-0687.

Mark Lilly, Financial Secretary  
[mflilly@comcast.net](mailto:mflilly@comcast.net)

## Valentine Breakfast

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The Council is hosting a Valentine Breakfast Sunday, February 15th. Menu is Buttermilk Biscuit, Sausage patty, Country gravy, Scrambled eggs, Hash brown, Coffee, Orange drink (Tang). Cost is Adults \$10.00, Child 6 – 12 \$5.00 and Children 5 and under free. We will be looking for Brothers to volunteer to help. We will be serving after the 7am, 8:45am and 10:45 masses. If you can volunteer for a couple of hours, it would be appreciated. Please contact Brother Randall Young. at 209 858-8129.

### Membership Director Column

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I am currently arranging with the Parish a Recruitment Drive after the weekend Masses; I have no firm date. We are planning a Charity, Unity, Fraternity (CUF) Exemplification in the near future. This will be a good time if you know of a Catholic gentleman who would make a good Knight why not ask him to join our Council. Have him complete a Form 100 and give to any Council Officer. Please contact me if you need Form 100s. Your ongoing assistance is needed to recruit new members.

Fraternally,  
Jimmy Christensen, Membership Director  
209 639-4247

### St. Vincent de Paul Volunteers

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St. Vincent de Paul is looking for volunteers as Subs for their pantry food pickup. Time frame about 2 hours from 10am to 12 noon Monday thru Sunday. For more information contact Brother Ron Kackely at 209 470-2851.

### Parish Lenten Soup Dinner

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The Council will be hosting one of the Parish's Lenten Soup Dinners in Monday, March 23rd. If you wish to participate with your favorite homemade soup recipe pleas contact Brother Tony Ollivier at 209 925-7105.

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## Next Sunday Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Family Rosary

This month's Sunday Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Family Rosary will be on February 22nd at 3:00pm in the Church.

## Council Directors

The Council is looking for Brothers that might be interested in the following Council Directors. Faith Director, Life Director, and Vocations Director. If interested contact DGK Robert Young at 209 275-9313

## Pray for the Following Brother Knights and Immediate Family Members

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Pray for the Following Brother Knights and Immediate Family Members

Francisco Carreno, Dino Cunial, Ed Damasco, Gilbert Diaz, Joe Dolan, Marion Elliott, Nat Garcia, Arturo Gallegos, John Gilmore, Joe Gomes, Don Grabowski, Matney Guillory, Gilbert Maldonado, David Marshall, Tony Ollivier, Joe Pellegrino, John Perez, Tony Reyes, Frank Risso, Michael Reilly, Robert Reinig, Sr., Warren Rogers, Bobby Ross, Renso Valdez, James Vickers, Randall Young

Sharon Cunial, Cora Doria, Jean Damasco, Carla Dickerson, Maria Jackson, Mary Ann Kackley, Monieca Medina, Paula Thomson, Mari Valdez

Special Prayer Notices:

Healing prayers for Joe Dolan, Nat Garcia, David Marshall, Robert Reinig, Sr., Bobby Ross, Francisco Carreno, John Gilmore, Gilbert Diaz, Matney Guillory, John Perez, Frank Risso, Warren Rogers, Randall Young, Carla Dickerson, Cora Doria, Monieca Medina, Paula Thomson, Mari Valdez, Terry Giomi Jr. son of Brother Terry Giomi, Stephanie Smith, daughter Brother Steve DeBrum, Tiffany Laplume, granddaughter of Brother Ron Laplume, Nickolas Solorzano, son of Brother Jose Solorzano, Erika Ramos Cousin of GK Gilbert Maldonado, Josh Valdez son of Brother Renso Valdez

Also please remember all the persons that we have been asked to pray for, especially all those that were mentioned at our last meeting and parishioners listed in our Parish Bulletin.

**Editor's Note:** If you want to add, delete or change anyone in this column, please write me a note and give it to me at our meetings or e-mail me at [mflilly@comcast.net](mailto:mflilly@comcast.net).

## Farewell to a Brother Knight

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We say farewell to Brother Knight Len Rettig. Brother Len recently transferred to Council #14247, Lockford, CA. We wish him the best of luck in his new Council.

## Would you like to receive this Newsletter Electronically

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Brothers if you are receiving a hard copy of this Newsletter and would like to receive it electronically, please email me at [mflilly@comcast.net](mailto:mflilly@comcast.net) and in the subject line put "Still wish Council Newsletter Electronically". Please list your name in the body of the email. By receiving it electronically you will save the cost of mailing it and save the Council approximately \$20.00 per year.

Mark Lilly, Editor

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

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Members Birthdays for February:

Manual Umbalin, Joe Compartore, Gregorio De Loa, Victor Kottinger, Felipe Padrigon, George Ugarte and Mario Staiano

Members Wives Birthdays for February:

Kathleen Gomes, Veronica DeBrum, Lourdes Cooper, Irma Armenderiz, Monieca Medina, Cora Doria, and Pat Segura

Members and their wives that are celebrating Wedding Anniversaries in February:

Robert and Josephine Reinig  
Celso and Cora Doria

If you have not seen your wife's birthday or your anniversary that means we do not know the dates. Please contact our Editor Mark Lilly at [mflilly@comcast.net](mailto:mflilly@comcast.net) with the dates so he can enter them in the Council database

## Council Family and Knights of the Month

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If you have a nominee for either Knight or Family of the Month please forward your nomination with a brief explanation. Note: Family of the Month does not have to be a Knight it can be a family of the parish. Send you nomination to [stevepicanco@yahoo.com](mailto:stevepicanco@yahoo.com).

Our next Family event will be the end of April 2026.

Steve Picanco  
Family Director

**Council Officers**  
**2025– 2026 Columbian Year**

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**Grand Knight**

Gilbert Maldonado 209 740-0687  
E-mail: maldonado20950@yahoo.com

**Chaplain**

Father Ramakoti Sakani 209 823-7197

**Deputy Grand Knight**

Robert Young 209 275-9313

**Financial Secretary**

Mark Lilly 209 483-3358  
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**Chancellor**

Jimmy Christensen 209 639-4247

**Recorder**

Renso Valdez 562 883-3999

**Treasurer**

Mel Picanco 209 629-8051

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Jim Baca 209 482-2154

**Warden**

Kevin Young 209 275-5172

**Inside Guard**

Chuck Nowak Jr. 209 823-7405

**Outside Guard**

Imani Mcalister 209 899-2782

**Trustees**

Vince Lopez 209 825-7595  
Tony Ollivier. 209 923-7105  
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**K of C Insurance Field Agent**

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**California State Deputy**

Ken Rose  
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**District Deputy – District 57**

Jeff Rhodes 909 841-8159

**Council Directors**  
**2025 – 2026 Columbian Year**

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**Program Director**

Robert Young 209 275-9313

**Faith Director**

Unassigned

**Community Director**

Darrel Dickerson 510 481-6896

**Family Director**

Steve Picanco 530 844-7015  
Email: stevepicanco@yahoo.com

**Life Director**

Unassigned

**Membership Director**

Jimmy Christensen 209 639-4247

**Retention Chairman**

Jimmy Christensen 209 639-4247

**Vocations Director**

Unassigned

**Attendance Raffle Results**

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Membership Raffle: Raffle is worth \$120.00 and members must be present to win.

**Request for Prayers E-Mails**

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Brothers, as you are aware the Council upon receipt prayer requests to all the Council members. To ensure that these are processed and sent out in a timely matter, please forward all requests to me at mflilly@comcast.net. Please do not use kofcmanteca@comcast.net for I do not monitor this address. Thank You. Mark Lilly, E-mail Coordinator.

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ST. ANTHONY'S COUNCIL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY 2026		MARCH 2026		APRIL 2026	
15th	Valentine Breakfast 7:00am – 12:30pm School Cafeteria	3rd	Planning Meeting 7:00pm – School Cafeteria	7th	Planning Meeting 7:00pm – School Cafeteria
17th	General Meeting 7:00pm – School Cafeteria	13th	Fish Fry Dinner 4:30pm to 7:00pm – School Cafeteria	21st	General Meeting 7:00pm – School Cafeteria
27th	Fish Fry Dinner 4:30pm to 7:00pm – School Cafeteria	17th	General Meeting 7:00pm – School Cafeteria		
		23rd	Knight's Parish Soup Dinner 5:00pm to 7:00pm – School Cafeteria		
		27th	Fish Fry Dinner 4:30pm to 7:00pm – School Cafeteria		

Brothers – Have you given any thought to start receiving this newsletter electronically via e-mail? The newsletter is sent out in pdf format that can be read by Adobe Reader program. Each member that receives an electronic version saves the Council an annual savings of \$16.00 in publishing and mailing costs. If you wish to receive this newsletter electronically sent an e-mail to [mflilly@comcast.net](mailto:mflilly@comcast.net) with “Would like the Council Newsletter” in the subject line. Please include your name in the e-mail,

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with our  
Bishops and  
Priests

**February Council General Meeting will be Tuesday, February 17 at  
7:00pm in the School Cafeteria**