



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

As we enter the final six months of this Columbian Year the Council has a number of events planned.

1. The Council's Annual Past Grand Knights Dinner on January 20th honoring immediate PGK Robert Garcia. This will be in lieu of our January 2026 General meeting. See article on Page 2for specifics.

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

3. 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.

4. The Annual Priest Appreciation Dinner honoring the Priests of our Parish. We are in need of a Brother to step up and chair is dinner. If interested please contact me.

I look forward to see you at our Past Grand Knight dinner on January 20th

Vivat Jesus!
Gilbert Maldonado
Grand Knight 209 740-0687

Program Director's Column

Upcoming Events

Past Grand Knights Dinner Breakfast will be held on Tuesday, January 20 at 6:30pm in the School Cafeteria

Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Family Rosary will be on Sunday, January 25th at 3:00pm in the Church.

Valentine Breakfast will be on Sunday, February 15th from 7:00am to 12:30pm in the School Cafeteria

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

Funeral Services – Altar Servers

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

PGK Dinner

The Council is hosting our annual PGK Dinner honoring immediate PGK Robert Garcia on Tuesday January 20th at 6:30 in the Cafeteria. The dinner is being catered by Tato's Mexican Grill & Cantina (Brother Renso Valdez). Menu is Trio Fajitas (chicken beef shrimp) rice beans tortillas and Caesar salad. Cost is Adult \$15.00, children under 7 free. Wives and family members are invited.

Financial Secretary Message

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

Valentine Breakfast

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.

Fish Fry Dinners

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. 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.

Priest Appreciation Dinner

There is a need for Chair to take charge of the Council's annual Priest Appreciation Dinner. This is the Council's major event of the year where we honor the priest of our Parish. Previous chairs have developed a competence handbook on what's to be done.

If you are interested in volunteering to chair this event, please contact GK Gilbert Maldonado at 209 740-0687 or E-mail:maldonado20950@yahoo.com.

Membership Director Column

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

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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 January 24th 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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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, 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:

Prayer for the soul of Tom Gallegos. Healing prayers for Joe Dolan, Nat Garcia, David Marshall, Robert Reinig, Sr., Bobby Ross, Francisco Carreno, John Gilmore, Gilbert Diaz, Matney Guillory, Vern Mendes, 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.

Passing of a Brother Knight

We are sad to report the passing of Brother Knight Tom Gallegos on December 15th. Brother Tom joined in April 1999. He achieved the honors of the 3rd Degree in the Order. He also achieved Honorary Life Membership in the Order

We ask for your prayers for his soul and comforting prayers of his wife Mary and the Gallegos family.

Would you like to receive this Newsletter Electronically

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 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

Members Birthdays for January:

Deacon Ha Nguyen, Ben Cantu, Ron Kackley, Re Molina, PGK Joe Gomes, Steve DeBrum, Henry Manglinony. Dennis Divina, Frank Fierro, Bert Van Ryn, and Ron Agostini

Members Wives Birthdays for January:

Annivette Rhodes, Maria Solorzano, Beleinda Garcia, Mendy Manglinong, Janet Lopez and Paula Thomson

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

Jack and Paula Thomson, Don and Debbi Grabowski, PGK Jimmy and Aggie Cristensen, Randall and Connie Young, Art and Cindy Bouthiller, Bill and Blanca Perry and PGK Dino and Sharon Cunial

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 with the dates so he can enter them in the Council database

Council Family and Knights of the Month

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.

Steve Picanco
Family Director

Council Officers 2025– 2026 Columbian Year

Grand Knight

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Council Directors 2025 – 2026 Columbian Year

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Unassigned

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Life Director

Unassigned

Membership Director

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Retention Chairman

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Vocations Director

Unassigned

Attendance Raffle Results

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

Request for Prayers E-Mails

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 – MANTECA COUNCIL #10693
CALIFORNIA STATE COUNCIL DISTRICT #57 – STATE MEMBERSHIP DIVISION 5**

ST. ANTHONY'S COUNCIL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

| JANUARY 2026 | | FEBRUARY 2026 | | MARCH 2026 | |
|---------------------|---|----------------------|--|-------------------|--|
| 20th | Annual Past Grand Knights Dinner 7:00pm – School Cafeteras | 3rd | Planning Meeting 7:00pm – School Cafeteria | 3rd | Planning Meeting 7:00pm – School Cafeteria |
| | | 15th | Valentine Breakfast 7:00am – 12:30pm School Cafeteria | 13th | Fish Fry Dinner 4:30pm to 7:00pm – School Cafeteria |
| | | 17th | General Meeting 7:00pm – School Cafeteria | 17th | General Meeting 7:00pm – School Cafeteria |
| | | 27th | Fish Fry Dinner 4:30pm 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 with “Would like the Council Newsletter” in the subject line. Please include your name in the e-mail,

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**In Solidarity
with our
Bishops and
Priests**

**Annual Past Grand Knight Dinner- Tuesday, January 20 at 6:30pm
in the School Cafeteria**