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The Pro-Life Council

Fr. Joseph Geary Council

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Grand Knight's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

Last month was full of activity: the Council hosted the *Handicapables* on August 21, Social dinner on the 28th and Coffee & Donuts after morning Masses on the 29th. We have to thank Br. Israel Gonzalez for organizing and leading the *Handicapables* event, Br. Davison Vivit (and Lady Novelle) for leading the Social, and Br. Wayne Cope for starting up the Coffee and Donuts fundraiser for community assistance. All of these accomplishments would not have been possible without the help and participation from many other Council members. I exhort all members, especially those who joined recently to attend our meetings and volunteer. By dedicating only two hours per month you can make a huge difference in the lives of our families, the Church, and the community at large.

A very special project for which I would like to see 100% participation from Council members and their families is the Annual *Tootsie Roll* Fundraising Drive that benefits local non-profit organizations that serve People with Intellectual Disabilities. This year's goal for California alone is to collect over 1.5 million dollars. All Knights across the US with the help from many other volunteers will be collecting donations at local supermarkets, malls, and churches during the weekend of October 15-17.

On that last day of the Drive, October 17, Holy Cross Brother André Bessette of Canada will be canonized by Pope Benedict XVI. By his devotion to and through the intercession of St. Joseph, Br. André brought healing upon thousands in his lifetime. Let's follow the example of this poor and humble servant of God, asking St. Joseph, role model of service, to be better husbands, better fathers, and better brothers in Christ to our neighbors. Let's join in service to those in greatest need, so that we may proclaim the *Gospel of Life* by our example as we build together a *Civilization of Love*.

St. Joseph, pray for us.

Vivat Jesus!

SK Rafael Betancourt, GK



Dates to Remember

2-Oct-10	Business Meeting
10-Oct-10	Membership Drive
15-Oct-10	Intellectual Disabilities Fundraiser
16-Oct-10	Intellectual Disabilities Fundraiser
17-Oct-10	Intellectual Disabilities Fundraiser
6-Nov-10	Business Meeting
17-Nov-10	Dine-out Social/Fundraiser
4-Dec-10	Business Meeting
4-Dec-10	St. Justin's Baazar?
11-Dec-10	Guadalupe Mass
8-Jan-11	Business Meeting
22-Jan-11	Mass of Reparation?

Council News

Loss of one of our Brothers

It is with deep sadness that I inform you of the passing of our Worthy Outside Guard, Brother Ike (Enrique) Latoza who passed away around noon last Thursday, September 16, 2010.

Viewing: Thursday, Sept. 23, 3-9 PM; Friday, Sept. 24, 3-9 PM
Chapel of Flowers, 900 South 2nd St., San Jose 95112, end_of_the_skype_highlighting(408) 294-9463 (Flowers are welcomed)

Funeral Mass: Saturday, Sept. 25, 12:00 noon.
St. Justin Church, Santa Clara 95051

Notes of condolence may be sent to Br. Ike's widow, Consuelo (Connie) Latoza at: 1424 Don Ave., Santa Clara 95050

Tootsie Roll Drive (Oct. 15-17)

Each year in October we participate in a three-day drive to raise funds for the Intellectually Disabled. We solicit funds and give away Tootsie Rolls at local supermarkets as well as St. Justin's Church. Funds raised will be donated to local organizations helping people with intellectual disabilities.

Hot Coffee and Donuts (Oct. 3)

Our Council will be serving Hot Coffee and Fresh Donuts after 7:30, 9:00, and 10:30am Masses on the first Sunday of every month. Donations will be accepted for a Pastor's Assistance Fund, whose purpose is to provide aid to Community Members affected by the economic crisis

Columbus Day Recruitment Drive (Oct. 10)

An information table will be setup outside the Church to answer questions about the Knights - who we are, what we do, who is eligible to join and how.

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