

Knights of Columbus

Bishop Arthur Tafoya Council 12020

2023 Winter

Pueblo West, CO

Lead with Faith

Serve Others

**Protect Your
Family**

**Defend Your
Values**



Jesus Is The Reason For The Season!

St. Bonaventure Report

A quick recap of the delivery of donations from St Paul the Apostle to St Bonaventure Thrift Store in Thoreau, New Mexico. The Knights of Columbus Council 12020 collected more than 2,100 pounds of clothing, food, blankets, shoes, kitchen items, toiletries, etc and delivered them on 27 November 2023. Here is a link to their website for their mission and outreach description: [St. Bonaventure Mission & School Thoreau, New Mexico \(st bonaventure mission.org\)](http://St.BonaventureMission&SchoolThoreauNewMexico(stbonaventuremission.org)) The parishioners of St Paul are very generous to this worthy cause supporting our Navajo brothers and sisters in Christ.

Brother Knight Jim Ozello started taking donations to St Bonaventure many years ago and his family still makes trips to St Bonaventure and he was assisted by Brother Knight Dennis White. This turned into an annual donation drive over the years and in November 2021 St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church donated a little over 4,000 pounds of donations, and in 2022 the estimate was around 2,000 pounds and this year it was a little over 2,100 pounds of donations.

Pictured with me are volunteers to help unload the trailer of donations at St Bonaventure are Latisha, Marvin,

Darlene (Thrift Shop Manager) and Carlos. Kurt Grogan



Clergy Appreciation Dinner

A Clergy Appreciation dinner was held at Christ The King on Nov 7th. Pictured above is Deacon Blue and Father Edmundo.

Knights Exemplification

On Sunday afternoon, November 19th, at Christ the King Catholic Church, three new Knights were inducted into the Knights of Columbus. Left to right - Robert Marrufo, Matthew Winters and Dylan Cresswell. May God Bless them in their and their families.



Ground breaking took place for the new the new monastery to house our Capuchin Poor Clare Sisters. The Knights of Columbus Council 12020 donated money to help with this endeavor.

Council Website

For up to date information on the Knights of Columbus Council 12020 activities please log on to www.kofcpw.org.



John Joseph Velasquez Jr., age 73, of Pueblo West, Colorado passed away on Thursday, November 23, 2023. He is survived by his devoted wife and beloved partner of 53 years, Laura Velasquez, who stood by his side through every joy and challenge. He reveled in family gatherings and treasured moments spent together, leaving behind a legacy of love and connection that will endure through the generations. John's passion for the outdoors was evident in his pursuits, whether he was hunting, competing in Bass Tournaments, or simply enjoying nature's beauty at the cabin. His dedication to family extended beyond bloodlines, as he embraced countless friends and additional family members as his own. His contributions to the Knights of Columbus is legendary and will sorely be missed. His funeral service was held at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church, Pueblo West on Friday, December 1st.



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Rosary and Mass was held at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, December 7, 2023 at Cathedral of the Sacred Heart for Angela V. Duran. Her husband Alfred is with the Knights of Columbus Color Guard. Angie's special interests and many years of faith-filled volunteer work included attending daily Mass, serving on multiple church committees throughout the years at Christ the King, Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, St. Mary's and The Shrine of Saint Therese. As a true advocate for Catholic education she worked hard to help start up St. Therese Catholic School. Her unwavering support of the school was deeply appreciated by all who knew her. Further commitments to her faith included Nocturnal Adoration Society, Perpetual Adoration, Sacristan/Lector/Eucharistic Minister/Photographer in multiple parishes, member of the Council of Catholic Women and many more.

Family of the Month & Year

Our council has initiated the Family of the Month and the Family of the Year program. Families will be chosen based on their involvement with their parish life.



Pictured above is Jim and Sue Kelly, recipients of the Family of the Month for September along with Father Edmundo



Pictured above is Christopher and Angela Racine, recipients of the Family of the Month for October.

Knight of the Month & Year

Our council has initiated the Knight of the Month and Knight of the Year program. Knights will be chosen based on their involvement with the Knight activities.



Pictured above is Kurt & Linda Grogan, recipients of the Knight of the Month for September along with Father Edmundo



Pictured above is Ron and Kathleen McCulloch, recipients of the Knight of the Month for October along with Father Edmundo.

COR AD COR

Exciting new programs for COR AD COR are being developed for the coming new year. Develop a deeper relationship with Our Lord and with your family.



Knights Color Guard

Our Knights of Columbus Color Guard participated in the celebration and procession Honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe at Our Lady of Mt Carmel on Sunday, December 10th.



Pictured above is Leonard & Mary Ann Miles, recipients of the Family of the Month for November along with Father Edmundo, Deacon Patrick and Bob Begel.



Pictured above is Ron and Kathleen McCulloch, recipients of the Knight of the Month for December along with Bob Begel Program Chairman for the Knights of Columbus.

Join the Knights

To join the Knights of Columbus or for more information see Bob Begel.

Pray With US!

As Catholics and as Knights, we are called to constant conversation so we can become the men, husbands, fathers and neighbors that Christ calls us to be. One way we do that is through daily prayer. This Advent, prepare for Christ's coming by growing in your role as a strong, faithful disciple through prayer.

Family of the Year

On Thursday night during the annual Knights of Columbus Christmas party, the family chosen to be the Family of the Year for 2023 was Ron and Kathleen McCulloch. Congratulations and thank you for all you do for St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church. Next year.



Knight of the Year

On Thursday night during the annual Knights of Columbus Christmas party, the person chosen to be the Knight of the Year for 2023 was Ron McCulloch. Congratulations and thank you for all you do for Bishop Tafoya Council 12020.



Feliz dia de Santa María de Guadalupe – happy feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe!

For us as Knights of Columbus this great Marian feast is especially significant. Our entire Order is dedicated to Our Lady of Guadalupe.

¡Viva Cristo Rey y Santa María de Guadalupe!

Christmas Party Women's Guild Knights of Columbus

