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2025 Dinner Dance

Saturday, September 20, 2025



Knights at the Rodeo



Lets have fun!!

St. Mary's Queen of Apostles Catholic Church

Event Schedule

5:30 PM	Door opens Social Hour/ No Host Bar
6:00 PM - 7:45 PM	Silent Auction Section 1
6:00 PM - 8:30 PM	Silent Auction Section 2
6:00 PM - 7:45 PM	Sweet Shop
6:00 PM - Sold Out	Sportsman's Warehouse Raffle
6:30 PM	Blessings of the food
	Welcome by Grand Knight
6:45 PM - 8:15PM	Serve Dinner VIP/Grandstand
6:45 PM	Race #1 - Sisters Disciples of The Devine Master
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Food General seating
	10 Cooked Lobsters - Auction
7:45 PM	Race #2 - CCD
8:00 PM - 8:30 PM	Live Auction
8:30 - 11:30 PM	Live Music by
	The Marie Wilson Band
Band Break	Special Activity



How to Join

If you are a practical Catholic man, age 18 or older, we welcome you to join the leading organization of Catholic laymen. Being a Knight is more than camaraderie; it is being involved with your community; it is supporting your parish priest and your local Catholic Church, while enhancing your family life.



Come see just what we are all about at St. Mary Queen of Apostles, Council No. 12555. If you are interested in joining or knowing more about our organization, just talk to any of our members. They will be more than happy to give you additional information or an application.

Answer the Call

Make a difference

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is free for the first year

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Activities

The activities of our group are easily recognized by the unity displayed by our members. This fraternity of brothers respects and supports all areas of the community. In St. Mary's parish where we participate and practice our life principles, the Knights contribute to the maintenance of the church, as well as repairs to the priest's residence and substantial offerings to our future worship center. Yearly support has been given to the Sister Disciples of the Divine Master, St. Mary's Youth Group, and the St. Benedict Catholic Worker. Additionally, the Knights have provided bibles and religious gifts to altar servers and contributions to the seminarians and established a scholarship program for Fresno and Madera County High School graduates.

On a patriotic note, we have donated phone cards to our soldiers overseas preserving the freedoms we enjoy. We also acknowledge and support our local veterans.

The social welfare of many concerns are evidenced by our group's annual distribution of Thanksgiving dinners, donations to, the Boy Scouts, Wheelchair Foundation, local organizations who directly support the needy in the community and local families.

Charity, the virtue which binds the unselfish efforts of our council is demonstrated not only in monetary measures, but through the generous volunteering of the time and talents with which we have been blessed.



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Message from the Grand Knight

Brother Knights, honored guests, families, and friends,

It is both an honor and a privilege to be installed as your Grand Knight for Saint Mary's Council 12555 for the new fraternal year. I am deeply humbled by the trust you have placed in me, and I pledge to uphold the principles of our order—charity, unity, and fraternity—alongside all that we hold sacred. These principles are the foundation of who we are as Knights, guiding our actions and strengthening our bond as Brothers in service.

Looking ahead, I am excited for the great events we have planned this year. I sincerely hope each of you will join us as we continue our mission of service and fellowship. Your participation and enthusiasm are what make our council strong and vibrant.

I wish to extend my heartfelt thanks to all my Brother Knights, their families, and especially to our wives, who have come together with dedication and generosity to make this dinner dance a reality. A special expression of gratitude goes to Brother Ruben Castillo for his tireless dedication, leadership, and many hours spent directing and coordinating all of us to ensure the success of this event.

May God bless you, and

may God continue to bless the Knights of Columbus.

Grand Knight
Javier Gomez





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Committee Chairs

Chair/Co Chair	Ruben Castillo & Jose Rivas
Venue	Tim Weaver and Family
Food/Server	Bryan Miller
Music/Entertainment	Javier Gomez (GN)
Decoration	Jose Rivas, Yolanda Gomez, Emelda Lopez Angelina Fragoza, Lali Witrago
Servers/Youth Group	Gloria Galvan
Auction/Prizes	Knights
Sweet Shops	Hugo & Gwend Rodriguez
Ticket Sales	Ruben Castillo —Knights
Script Sales	Andre Witrago and Nate Caballero
Greeting area	
Races	Tim Weaver
Bar (Drinks)/Security	Pedro, Pete & Ariana Martinez
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Program/Marketing	Juan Witrago & Ruben Castillo
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The history of the Order shows how the foresight of Father Michael J. McGivney, whose cause for sainthood is being investigated by the Vatican, brought about what has become the world's foremost Catholic fraternal benefit society. The Order has helped families obtain economic security and stability through its life insurance, annuity and long-term care programs, and has contributed time and energy worldwide to service in communities.

The Knights of Columbus has grown from several members in one council to more than 12,000 councils and 1.6 million members throughout the United States, Canada, the Philippines, Mexico, the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Panama, the Bahamas, the Virgin Islands, Guatemala, Guam, and Spain.



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Message from the Dinner Dance Chair

Friends of the Knights of Columbus #12555,

As your chairperson for this event I am absolutely thrilled to host you to our much-anticipated Dinner Dance event! This is a fantastic opportunity to come together, celebrate our wonderful community, and enjoy an evening filled with delicious food, lively music, and great company. Your Dinner Dance committee has spent countless hours and ideas in an effort to make this a memorable event for all of you.

This event is all about fostering connections, creating memories, and having a great time together. Whether you're an avid dancer or just looking to enjoy a fun evening out, there will be something for everyone. It's the perfect chance to unwind, meet new people, and strengthen the bonds that make our community so special.

Our Knights of Columbus council 12555 thank you for your generous support and always know that the revenue we collect goes right back to our beloved St. Mary's Parish and the community of our Parish. Let's make this Dinner Dance a night to remember!

Warm regards,

Ruben Castillo



Elevated Educational Partners (EEP)

Elevate Educational Partners (EEP) would like to extend our best wishes to the Knights of Columbus #12555 for a successful and fun-filled Dinner Dance!

Elevate Educational Partners is an organization committed to supporting students and families throughout Fresno, Madera, Kings, Tulare, and Kern Counties, we celebrate the spirit of community and service that events like this represent.

Together, we will Elevate ALL of our partners.

Good luck Knights!

Best regards
Ruben V. Castillo
CEO E.E.P. LLC



Clergy

Most Rev. Bishop Joseph P. Brennan

Rev. Timothy Cardoso

Rev. Chika Kamalu



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Divine Master

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Ensuring the next generation
of students have the
opportunity to go to college.

Have a wonderful event
and thank you

Knights of Columbus #12555
for your dedication to serve the
community.



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Charles W Gunn	2000 - 2001
Frank V. Navarro	2001 - 2002
Tony C. Villa	2002 - 2004
Robert J. Gravano	2004 - 2006
Scott T. Garcia	2006 - 2008
Timothy A. Weaver	2008 - 2010
Richard H. Elensky	2010 - 2011
Leonard G. Ramirez	2011 - 2012
Rick Newsome	2012 - 2013
Nathan A. Newsome	2013 - 2014
Rudy Chavez	2014 - 2016
Kristofer E. Diaz	2016 - 2018
Frank Galvan	2018 - 2020
Pedro F. Martinez	2020 - 2022
Ernesto Lopez	2022 - 2024
Javier Gomez	2024 - Present

Special Thanks

*To the Weaver family
Alice, Hank, Lynn, Randy
&
Tim and Anita Weaver*



With gratitude from all of us for
hosting this year's
Knights at the Rodeo Dinner Dance.
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We love you!



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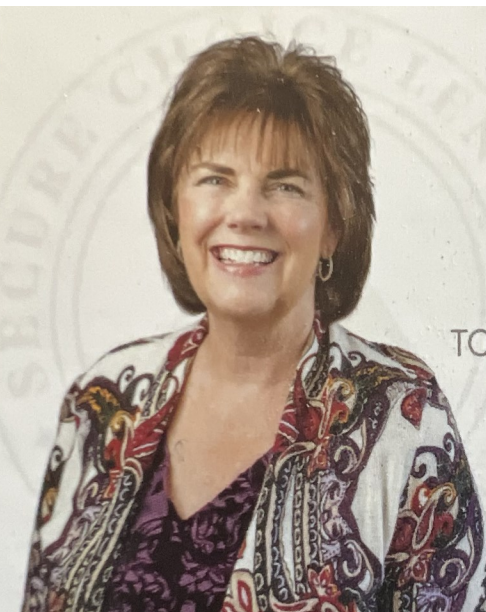
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Horse Races

*Race 1 - Sisters of Disciples of the Devine Master
Jockey*

Jockey 1
Jockey 2
Jockey 3
Jockey 4
Jockey 5

Race 2 - St. Mary's CCD Classes

Jockey 1
Jockey 2
Jockey 3
Jockey 4
Jockey 5



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*Children: Richard Solis, Lucy Espinoza, Monica Gomez
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2. Ticket sales will go into each Jockey number box (1, 2, 3, 4, or 5)
3. Winner Jockey will pull out a winner ticket from his number (1, 2, 3, 4, or 5)
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for all of your work and support. We really
appreciate you, even though we don't say it
often enough.*



Entertainment for Tonight



Special Thanks

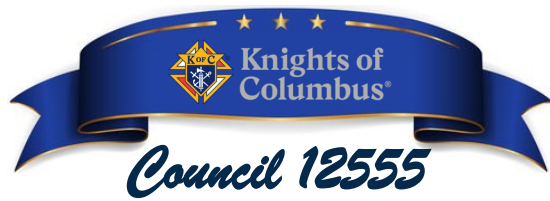
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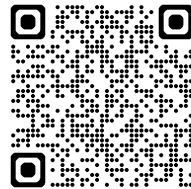
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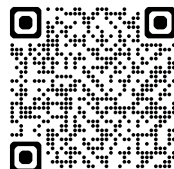
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