



## Men's Club Newsletter

November 2017 Edition

### Next Meeting

*What:* Speaker: **Deacon Dominic**  
Retired from Menlo Park Police Department  
Presently at Our Lady of the Nativity in Menlo Park

*When:* Tues, November 7, 2017

*Where:* **St. Joseph's Church Hall**

Pizza \$5, Beer \$2, Sodas and Bottled Water \$1  
Free to Prospective Members and Guests.

### President's Message

We have locked down **Friday Dec 15<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm for the Christmas Party**. It will be held again at the home of Dave & Debbie Rosetto, 1905 Goularte Place. We will be creating a sign-up list to bring Appetizers, Side-Dishes, & Deserts. The cost will be \$10/person. This is the best time to pay your next year's dues. Bring your checkbook to the meeting on Tuesday and look for our Treasurer or contact him to make other arrangements, **Axel Brisken, (510) 623-1055, [abrisken@sbcglobal.net](mailto:abrisken@sbcglobal.net)**

Time to consider if you want to **serve on the Board in 2018**. Every position is up for grabs. If you are interested in serving, contact either me or the person in the position to learn more about the duties.

This month we got three **thank you notes** for the service and fellowship we gave to the parish. The work you do make a difference in the Parish community. Please take a moment to view them.

It's not too late to **join us on the retreat**. See details below for dates and cost options.

We are still looking for more ideas of events & speakers for next year. Thank you for what you have sent so far. I will consolidate all the suggestions & create a ballot for the members to choose the ones we implement in 2018.

**Please send me any suggestions you have for next year. [sfconn@gmail.com](mailto:sfconn@gmail.com) or 510-220-7610**

### Treasurer's Report

Per recent membership approval, we paid the parish \$7500 for the repair of the sliding wall in the church. At the 10/24 Board meeting, we voted to give Stan Peters another \$500 to support his feeding of the hungry using meal certificates. Despite these outlays, our year-end financial outlook is excellent, with approximately \$6000 in our account, depending of course on spending through the end of the year. This leaves us in a good position for the first part of 2018, to continue our ministry as we started this year. **Axel Brisken, (510) 623-1055, [abrisken@sbcglobal.net](mailto:abrisken@sbcglobal.net)**

### Crèche Setup

We will be setting up the Crèche on Saturday Nov 25th starting at 8:30. It should take about an hour. If you can help, please contact **Jim Denzel, [jldenzel@gmail.com](mailto:jldenzel@gmail.com), (408) 797-5940**

### Service Project

We are doing a small service project at the Mission to install much needed sidewalk pathway lighting in the graveyard between the Parrish and the Mission Church. We will need to dig a few holes and install post in cement. If you are experienced or willing to help, let me know. I will pick a date that is convenient for those who can help. **David Dsilva, Service VP, (510) 299-7222, [Silvasmith3@yahoo.com](mailto:Silvasmith3@yahoo.com)**

### Still time to join the retreat

Our annual retreat will be the weekend before Thanksgiving, **Nov 17 to 19**, at the St Francis Retreat Center in San Juan Bautista, down past Gilroy. The retreat-master is Fr Jim Sullivan. We have an option for everyone. The full retreat begins with dinner on Friday at 6 PM (check-in starts at 3 PM) and runs through lunch at Noon on Sunday.

The costs are for the full weekend are:

- Private Room       \$310
- Shared Room       \$240

For those who cannot arrive Friday night, they can come on Saturday, sometime and spend one night

- Private Room       \$155
- Shared Room       \$120

And for those who just want to come on Saturday for a Day of Reflection the cost is:

- \$60

Contact Jim Denzel to register, [jldenzel@gmail.com](mailto:jldenzel@gmail.com) , (408) 797-5940



<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>January</u></b></p> <p><b>3rd:</b> Meeting, Campo de Bocce</p> <p><b>17th:</b> Board Meeting</p> <p><b>22th:</b> Men’s Club Mass &amp; Brunch</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>February</u></b></p> <p><b>7th:</b> Meeting, Membership Drive &amp; Speaker on <a href="http://www.focusoncampus.org">www.focusoncampus.org</a></p> <p><b>21st:</b> Board Meeting</p> <p><b>24-26th:</b> Ski Trip</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>March</u></b></p> <p><b>3rd:</b> Soup &amp; Stations</p> <p><b>7th:</b> Meeting, Speaker Moina Shaiq: <i>What does it mean to be Muslim in Fremont?</i></p> <p><b>21st:</b> Board Meeting</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>April</u></b></p> <p><b>1st:</b> Men’s Club Chuckwagon BBQ</p> <p><b>4th:</b> Meeting, Speaker: Sharene Gonzales, ACWD</p> <p><b>7th:</b> Grade 4 Mission Walk BBQ</p> <p><b>9th:</b> Palm Sunday Celebration</p> <p><b>15th:</b> Easter Vigil Reception</p> <p><b>18th:</b> Board Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>May</u></b></p> <p><b>2nd:</b> Meeting, Speaker Louis Chicoine, Exec Dir Abode Services</p> <p><b>10th &amp; 13th:</b> Faith Formation Receptions</p> <p><b>13th:</b> Our Lady of Fatima procession</p> <p><b>16th:</b> Board Meeting</p> <p><b>18th:</b> Accelerated Reader’s Lunch</p> <p><b>20th:</b> Santa Cruzan Parade</p> <p><b>21st:</b> Pancake Breakfast</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>June</u></b></p> <p><b>4th:</b> High School Joe Faria Memorial Scholarship</p> <p><b>6th:</b> Meeting, Harry’s BBQ &amp; Games</p> <p><b>14th:</b> Middle School Scholarship</p> <p><b>20th:</b> Board Meeting</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>July</u></b></p> <p><b>4th:</b> <i>No General Meeting in July</i></p> <p><b>7th &amp; 8th:</b> Joint recruiting w/ WOSJ</p> <p><b>12th:</b> BBQ for the Homeless</p> <p><b>18th:</b> Board Meeting</p> <p><b>27-30th:</b> Family Camping Trip</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>August</u></b></p> <p><b>Mon July 31st</b> (one day earl due to National Night Out on Tue 1st): Meeting, Speaker Mary Contois, Program Director from Alzheimer’s Services of the East Bay <a href="http://aseb.org/">http://aseb.org/</a></p> <p><b>15th:</b> Board Meeting</p> <p><b>16th:</b> BBQ for the Homeless</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>September</u></b></p> <p><b>5th:</b> Meeting, Spouse’s Dinner @ Dominican’s</p> <p><b>19th:</b> Board Meeting</p> <p><b>24th:</b> Annual Mass w/ WOSJ</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>October</u></b></p> <p><b>3rd:</b> Meeting, Retreat Prep</p> <p><b>17th:</b> Board Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>November</u></b></p> <p><b>4th:</b> BBQ Lunch for Olive Harvest</p> <p><b>7th:</b> Meeting, Speaker Deacon Dominic Peloso</p> <p><b>17-19th:</b> Men’s Weekend Retreat, led by Fr. Jim Sullivan</p> <p><b>21st:</b> Board Meeting</p> <p><b>25th:</b> Crèche Set-up</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>December</u></b></p> <p><b>5th:</b> Meeting, Election + Retreat Download &amp; Discussion</p> <p><b>19th:</b> Board Turnover Meeting</p> <p><b>15th:</b> Christmas Party</p> <p><b>TBD:</b> Support Christmas Set-up</p>

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Membership

The Men's Club of St. Joseph Catholic Church at Mission San Jose share common interests in three aspects of life within our parish community. These are **Fellowship, Service, and Spirituality**. Our club welcomes men of all ages, and our members range in age from the 20s to 80s. General Meetings are typically held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month starting at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. We begin with Pizza & Beverages, followed by a speaker, and finishing with a brief discussion of upcoming items.

To join the Men's club:

1. Send your contact information to our Membership VP (name, address, email, & phone)
2. Write a check for \$40 to St. Joseph's Men's Club (\$20 for dues, \$20 for shirt {specify size})
3. Confirm the date & location of the next meeting: <http://bit.ly/2iKOW9s>

Please join us at our next General Meeting. We look forward to meeting you!

St. Joseph's Men's Club Membership Application

First Name	Street Address
Last Name	City
Spouse's Name	Zip Code
Email Address	Check # or Cash
Cell Phone	Shirt Size
Home Phone	Date