



Men's Club Newsletter

March 2020 Edition

Next General Meeting

Speaker: **David O'Rourke** presents

Is an Electric Vehicle in Your Future?

When: **Tuesday, March 3, 2020 @ 7 PM**

Where: **Parish Hall**

Cost: \$5.00 for Pizza, \$2.00 for beer, \$1.00 for soda or water
Free to Prospective Members and Guests.

If you know someone you think may make a great member, please invite him.

March President's Message

Spring is in the air and we are already in the season of Lent, wow!

February went by quickly and we had some great events to highlight in the month, notably the presentation at the general meeting on **model railroads** and the wonderful combined mass and brunch with the Women of St. Joseph (check out the pictures in this newsletter). The combined mass was an excellent way for both ministries to demonstrate and model cooperation and combined service. It was also a great way to live out the phrase "we are many parts but all one body..." My thanks to Greg Stephens and Peggy Mosko for their leadership and to the men and women who stepped up as lectors, ushers and Eucharistic Ministers.

Looking forward to March we have a busy month starting with another exciting presentation at our general meeting on **March 3rd**. The topic will be Electric Vehicles (EV's) and our speaker is David O' Rourke. This is surely a not to miss presentation, as an electric car is probably in our future for many of us.

On **March 17th** we have been invited to a scrumptious dinner of **corned beef and cabbage** by the women of St. Joseph. This is free to club members and their spouses. A big thank you goes out to the women of St. Joseph for the invitation. Stay tuned for more information on this event.

March 28th we will hold our famous "**Chuck Wagon BBQ**", this is an anchor event for our club and parish. The BBQ is intended to be a spring fellowship event for our whole parish community, and it is the financial enabler for all the service and other fellowship events we execute as a club. These events include our scholarships, spouse's diner, school BBQ's, etc. The success of this event is imperative for all our activities for the year. In this newsletter you will find several articles on how you can help make the BBQ a success; please read the articles and help in any capacity you can.

Finally, on **March 27th** the club will sponsor **Soup and Stations**, my thanks to Dennis Dubro for leading this event and urge you to attend.

Ashley Weerpass
St. Joseph Men's Club President

Recent Events:

Combined WOSJ & Men's Club Mass and Breakfast: Feb. 9th at the 9:00 am mass

The Men's Club and the Women of St. Joseph participated in the Liturgy and were presented to the community. This was a wonderful event and demonstrated our cooperation with other Ministries in the parish. Many members attended and enjoyed a delicious meal at the Spin-A-Yarn Restaurant. See photos below:



General Meeting: Tuesday, February 4, 2020

Our speaker for the general meeting on Feb.4th was Jay Shellen and his topic was model railroads. The presentation was very interesting and informative, everyone learned a lot about the subject and we came away knowing much about the railroad history in Fremont and in California. There were many questions from the members and an opportunity for members to share their own experiences. It was a great time for all, thanks Jay. Fr. Mark our assistant pastor attended and shared with us that it was the railroad which brought his family to California. Check out the photos from the meeting. By Ashley Weerpass



Board Meeting (Tuesday, February 18, 2020): See meeting minutes on the St. Joseph Men's club website.

Upcoming Events:

St. Patrick's Day Dinner – Tuesday, March 17th, 6:30 pm in the church hall

All Men's Club members should have received an invite from the Women of St. Joseph with regards to this year's St. Patrick's Day Dinner. The dinner is FREE, however a few volunteers are necessary to make the evening run smoothly. Please consider helping out in any one of these simple tasks and let Greg Stephens know. Please see email from Greg for a signup list of tasks. By Greg Stephens g4stephens@comcast.net

Chuckwagon BBQ – Saturday March 28th is our annual Dinner/Dance. This is one of the premier events held at St. Joseph's. It is our opportunity to shine as a club by hosting our fellow parishioners to a fun filled evening and to raise money in order to fund all our good deeds during the year. Traditionally we fund about \$5000 for various items such as Sister John Marie's Pantry, St. Vincent de Paul, feeding the homeless in Fremont, scholarships for a SJ School & College students, Eagle Scouts Service Projects, and other service projects. In order to be successful, we need all Members to volunteer and participate in running the event. By Steve Conn

Table Sponsorships – for the past several years, we have significantly increased our fundraising by selling "Table Sponsorships" to local businesses. We each have a few services professionals or local businesses we deal with. We need to ask if they will sponsor our event. Jerome Hubacek, jhubacek63@gmail.com, is in charge of this. Jerome has a flyer that contains all the information you need to make this proposal to your Dentist, Insurance Agent, Realtor, etc.

Ticket Sales and Speaking at Mass – the 2 weekends preceding the BBQ (March 15th & 22nd) we sell tickets after Mass and on the 15th we also give an announcement from the Ambo. Dennis Dubro, dwdubro@comcast.net is in charge of this. Please let him know if you are willing to help.

Sign-up to Work the Event – We need every member to sign up to do one or more jobs to make this a success. As we have in the past few years, we have team leaders already identified. They have specified how many helpers they need on their teams. We are again using an electronic tool, Sign-Up-Genius, to solicit your help. Steve Macias, sgmacs@aol.com is in charge of this and sent out a request for help on Wednesday 2/26.

General Meeting: March 3, 2020

The St. Joseph Men's Club invites all men of the parish to our **March 3rd Meeting**. Our Speaker, David O'Rourke, is both an electric vehicle enthusiast and a sports car enthusiast. He will explain the benefits of EV technology and clarify the terminology. From this he will discuss EV batteries and maintenance, so we fully understand charging and ownership costs. Join us at **7PM in the Parish Hall** for tasty pizza and a beverage of your choice...free for prospective members. Following at **7:30** will be David's presentation on Electric Vehicles. Contact Gary Dorigi at gdorigi@comcast.net or call (510) 378-6331 for additional info.

Miscellaneous items:

Men's Club Bucks

Congratulations to Tom Leen and Steve Radigan our February Buck's winners; they each received a \$10 voucher good for any club event. By Ashley W,

New members

Our club is growing, we have welcomed four new members since the beginning of the year. In the coming months we will highlight a short introduction to each of them. We are delighted that they have decided to join us. By Ashley W.

Purchase of new speakers

At the Feb. board meeting, the board approved the purchase of a pair of replacement speakers. One of the two speakers we currently own is beyond economic repair. The estimated replacement cost is \$800 (includes tax, adapters and shipping). These new speakers will be needed for Palm Sunday, Easter Vigil mass, Chuckwagon BBQ and our spouse's dinner later in the year. By Ashley W

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<p style="text-align: center;"><u>January</u></p> <p>7th: General Meeting: Rosemary Alva (Statue at our Lady of Peace)</p> <p>18th Jan: Crèche+Tree Tear-Down @ 9am</p> <p>21st:Board Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>February</u></p> <p>4th: General Meeting: Jay Shellen (Railroad preservation and modeling)</p> <p>9th Feb: Combined WOSJ & Men's Club Mass and Breakfast</p> <p>18th: Board Meeting (at Ashley's)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>March</u></p> <p>3rd: General Meeting: <i>Elect car</i></p> <p>10th Mar: <i>Board Meeting -Ash house</i></p> <p>14th: BBQ ticket Sales</p> <p>17th: St. Patrick's day w/WOSJ</p> <p>21st: BBQ ticket Sales</p> <p>27th: Soup & Stations</p> <p>28th: Chuckwagon BBQ</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>April</u></p> <p>5th: Help w/ Palm Sunday</p> <p>7th: General Meeting (Bronco Billy's)</p> <p>11th: Help w/Easter Vigil</p> <p>11th WOSJ & Men's club host RCIA reception</p> <p>12th Easter Sunday</p> <p>21st: Board Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>May</u></p> <p>1st: Grade 4 Walk/ BBQ (mission walk)</p> <p>5th: General Meeting: <i>Speaker TBD</i></p> <p>7th: Accelerated Reader's Lunch</p> <p>16th May: Santa Cruzan</p> <p>17th: Pancake Breakfast</p> <p>19th: Board Meeting</p> <p>30th & 31st International Festival</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>June</u></p> <p>2nd: General Meeting: <i>Speaker TBD</i></p> <p>12th: 6th Grade Scholarship</p> <p>16th: Board Meeting</p> <p>TBD: 12th Grade Joe Faria Memorial Scholarship</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>July</u></p> <p>7th: General Meeting,</p> <p>21st: Board Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>August</u></p> <p>4th: General Meeting,</p> <p>18th: Board Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>September</u></p> <p>1st: Meeting, Spouse's Dinner in church hall</p> <p>15th: Board Meeting</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>October</u></p> <p>6th: General Meeting,</p> <p>20th: Board Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>November</u></p> <p>3rd: General Meeting,</p> <p>7th: BBQ Lunch for Olive Harvest</p> <p>17th: Board Meeting</p> <p>20-22nd: Men's Weekend Retreat,</p> <p>TBD: Crèche Set-up</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>December</u></p> <p>1st: Meeting, <i>Election + Feedback for 2020 + Retreat Discussion</i></p> <p>TBD: Christmas Party</p> <p>15th: Board Turnover Meeting</p> <p>TBD: Tree+Nativity Set-up</p>

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Men's Club New Members:

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. General Meetings are typically held on the 1st 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 on the Parish website: <http://bit.ly/StJosMensClub>

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