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Br. 191, St. Joseph day celebration--linguine and clams



Branch 39 cookie sale



Branch 227 Fish Dinner: Mary Harrison, Sharleen Hedgpeh, Linda Calciano, Dan Casagrande, Magdalena Martinez



Br. 390 chef Mike Bacchetti serving coach Wayne Schneider.



Br. 229 prepping for its St. Joseph's table bake sale.



Who likes carrots? These guys in Crockett #14 do a great job. Thanks guys.

Grand President's Monthly Message

Deborah Rodondi

Happy Mother's Day!

Last year I talked about all the amazing women in my life and how they influenced me in my life. I was not fortunate to have children, but as you know, I am blessed to have my nieces, nephews, and my 4-legged children—Zeus and Saffron.



Next month on June 10th, we will have our quarterly Central Council meeting in San Jose at St. Frances Cabrini Church. All are welcome to attend. We usually have lunch at noon for a cost of \$15 and the meeting begins at 1 p.m. If you wish to have lunch with us, you need to contact the ICF office and let Charlene know.

May is also the month to start making your plans to attend the ICF Convention. You should be voting on your delegate(s) and sending in your paperwork. For the past few years, since the COVID pandemic, we have not issued fines to Branches unable to attend convention.

Starting this year, we are going to be handling the Branches not able to attend, as stated in the ICF By Laws—Chapter XVI—the annual convention—Article 4. IT STATES:

"All branches are required to send at least the minimum quota of their delegates, otherwise, they are subject to an assessment of \$250.00 per day per delegate. A branch, which desires to be excused from the convention, must receive prior approval of the Central Council Executive Committee. When requesting to be excused, a letter stating the reason must be submitted to the ICF office by June 30th of that year's convention. A branch that is assessed by the Central Council Executive Committee shall pay the assessment to the ICF General Fund within 60 days of notice from the ICF office."

Attending convention is not to be taken lightly. This is an opportunity for members of your branch to interact with other branches, learn and participate in discussion.

Heritage -- Happy Mother's Day

Louise Vento

Let me tell you about a wonderful woman, Josephine, who I considered and loved like my own mother. When I first met my husband, Russell, an only child, his mother said, "Who is this girl you brought home? She is not Italian." His mother soon considered me to be the daughter she always wanted.



She was born in Louisiana and grew up on a plantation. No, she did not have fine clothes or live in a plantation home. She was the daughter of an Italian emigrant who came to America

under the indenture act. She lived in a shack on the plantation with her two brothers and two sisters. She worked at the age of eight years old, helping to cook for the family, and she worked on the plantation picking cotton and strawberries and sugar cane. She never went to school a day in her life, and she was born in America. She did not know how to read or write. In her phone book, she would put R for my husband Russell, D for my son Daniel, C for our daughter Christina, M for her good friend Mary who she called every week, and J for my father Joe, and the first initial for everyone she wanted to call on the phone.

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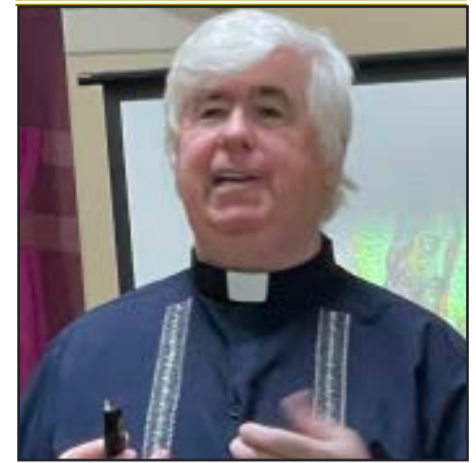
In this Easter season in the month of May, we celebrate with Mary the resurrection of the Lord. Truly, Mary's heart was filled "with joy beyond all telling" at the Resurrection of her Son. We also reflect on Mary's presence in the community of the first disciples waiting for Pentecost. As we approach the feast of Pentecost, especially in the latter part of May, we can reflect on that first community of disciples praying together in the upper room after Jesus' Ascension into heaven. Mary was with them in prayer, awaiting the descent of the Holy Spirit. Mary had already been overshadowed by the Holy Spirit at the Annunciation, when she conceived the Son of God in her womb and became the Mother of Christ. At Pentecost, she would again be overshadowed by the Holy Spirit, filled with His grace to fulfill her new role as Mother of Christ's Body, the Church.

There is a story of an old beggar who lay on his deathbed. His last words were to his young son who had been his constant companion during his begging trips. "Dear son," he said, "I have nothing to give you except a cotton bag and a dirty bronze bowl which I got in my younger days from the junk yard of a rich lady." After his father's death, the boy continued begging, using the bowl his father had given him. One day a gold merchant

dropped a coin in the boy's bowl, and he was surprised to hear a familiar ring. "Let me check your bowl," the merchant said. To his great surprise, he found that the beggar's bowl was made of pure gold. "My dear young man," he said, "why do you waste your time begging? You are a rich man. That bowl of yours is worth at least thirty thousand dollars."

How often are we like this beggar boy who failed to recognize and appreciate the value of his bowl? We fail to appreciate the infinite worth of the Holy Spirit living within each of us, sharing His gifts and fruits and charisms with us. As we prepare to celebrate this major feast day, we are invited to experience and appreciate the transforming, sanctifying, and strengthening presence of the Holy Spirit within us. This is also a day for us to renew our promises made to God during our Baptism and Confirmation, to profess our Faith, and to practice it.

The story of Pentecost is also our story. Let us take time and reflect to see the spirit working in our Branches and in all the good works of the Italian Catholic Federation. Our encounter with the Holy Spirit opens our eyes and emboldens us to face the challenges of our time, and together we can do a great job. Remember Jesus is with us every step of the way. Let us see the Spirit at work in all of our Branches.



Father Christopher Bennett
ICF Spiritual Director

Remember, Christ told us that he would never leave us alone and that he would send us the gift of the Advocate.

I pray for you sisters and brothers in Christ, for your Branches, in gratitude for your faithful, creative, and generous service to the parish communities that you serve.

May you and our faith family of the Italian Catholic Federation, be filled with the gift of the Holy Spirit. I promise to remember you in my prayers, even as I would be grateful for a place in yours. May God bless you and those that you love.



Fr. Chris

**Birthplace of Jesus ***

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(408) 269-2226 revbennett@sbcglobal.net

**Ukraine Relief
Fund Contributions**

We received an additional donation to our Ukraine Relief Fund since we published a list of additional donors in the January 2023 *Bollettino*.

We thank the following for their generous contribution:

Members of Branch 250

This brings our total donations to **\$9,750.00 as of April 4, 2023**

Thank you again to everyone for your support and generosity. A check has been forwarded to The Society for the Propagation of the Faith through the Archdiocese of Los Angeles for this additional donation. 100% of the collection will go towards those affected by this horrible situation and will be forwarded to Ukraine by the Archdiocese.

Apostolate Charity Report due July 7!

Lauren Kilcullen – Apostolate/Charity Committee

This is the time of the year that the Apostolate Charity Report is due from the branches. All reports need to be turned in by July 7, 2023.



I would like to expand a bit on this report. Many ask why we need to do this report. Why are we patting ourselves on the back for what we are supposed to be doing anyway?

Actually, the report gives us the opportunity to check what work we have done. In compiling the report, and then, in reviewing it, a branch can determine its future course as far as charitable and spiritual works are concerned. You might wish to add a charity, add donations to an existing charity, or chart a different course for your charitable and spiritual works.

As the ICF becomes more of a charitable organization, this has been found to attract new members. I realize these past years have been difficult to have events to earn money for charity. However, I am sure

that each branch has some funds to donate. Even the smallest amount can help someone.

Let's hope that in the coming year, we will continue to get back on track and resume our wonderful work, both spiritual and corporal.

We thank the branches for the wonderful work that they continue to do in these troubled times. Keep up the good work!

**Thank you,
Lauren Kilcullen
Chairperson, Apostolate-Charity
Committee**

Saints for May:

- St. Philip & St. James – May 3
- St. Vincent – May 9
- Our Lady of Fatima – May 13
- St. Matthias – May 14
- St. Boniface – May 14
- St. Brendan – May 20
- St. Philip Neri – May 26
- St. Joan of Arc – May 31

ATTENTION ALL GOLFERS!

Save Friday, July 28th for golf tournaments at the Temecula Creek Inn in beautiful Temecula or at Bennett Valley in Santa Rosa. The tournament will begin with an 8 a.m. Shotgun in Temecula and an 8:30 a.m. Shotgun in Santa Rosa. The registration includes your green fees, range balls, a shared cart, and a buffet afterwards. There will also be a Closest to the Pin and a Hole in One hole. Hole Sponsorships are needed as well as raffle baskets and prizes. This is open to anyone who golfs, so please invite your family, friends and anyone else who can golf. Please see the sign-up sheets in the **Bollettino** for more information on both tournaments. I'm looking forward to it and good luck to those who are going to golf.

Gifts of Love Program

Next Review of Applications Occurs June 2023

Teresa Helfand, Chairperson

In order to generate applications, the Gifts of Love Committee is asking each Branch President to mention the program at their next meeting and also to publish a request for applications in their respective Church and/or School Bulletins if possible. The application form is available on the ICF Web site (www.icf.org). Applications should either be mailed to



the ICF Office at 8393 Capwell Drive, Suite 110, Oakland, CA 94621 or e-mailed to the ICF Office at info@icf.org.

Applications are evaluated on a regular basis by the ICF Gifts of Love Committee which decides who receives the awards and the amounts. We have a great Committee this year and we look forward to helping those in need!

If you would like more information about the Gifts of Love program, please contact Committee Chair-woman Teresa Helfand at davia902005@live.com.

**God Bless You,
Teresa Helfand**

Membership Committee Spring Greetings

Perry Shurko

Membership Chairperson

Hello and welcome to the month of May.

This month I would like to focus on one of our branches that you might not be aware of, or you may have heard of it but aren't quite sure what it's all about. That would be Branch #67—St. Peter's Italian Catholic Church in Downtown Los Angeles. It's now known as our National Branch or Virtual Branch. What the heck is that? you might ask. Well, Branch 67 allows people to join the ICF who don't live near a parish with one of our branches. Branch 67 meets on a monthly basis, just like a regular branch does. In fact, we meet at Branch #108—Holy Family in South Pasadena because they have a great media center there. And members can either join in person or by Zoom.

We have a member, David Doyle, who lives in Akron Ohio. He found the ICF while surfing the internet and saw our website. He attended a



few meetings via Zoom and decided that he'd like to join us. He said what drew him in was the fact that the ICF is both a faith based and an Italian heritage-based organization. He could've chosen the Sons and Daughters of Italy, but they are not faith based and that's why he chose us. David is a regular attendee at our meetings and keeps us posted on what's happening at his parish back in Ohio. He has spoken to his pastor about the ICF. And who knows, maybe one day soon we might just have a branch there. David is even thinking about having a St. Joseph's Table at his parish next year, after hearing us talk about it at our meetings.

We've received some interest from other people around the country who are interested in the ICF. Peter Callahan, from Wells of Life, lives in Lafayette, California and is a Branch 67 member. He would love to see a branch started at his parish.

Going virtual gives us a lot of opportunities that we might not even be aware of. It's beginning to open doors for us and maybe we might be spreading out further. Let's hope and pray that we do. God Bless and we will talk again next month.

Scholarship Donations (Received as of April 9, 2023)

Scholarship Donations: 1st Year

Jo-Ann and John Donivan
In Honor of the 90th Birthday of Annette Maggiora
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Deborah Rodondi
In Memory of Janice Jones
The Rodondi Family
In Memory of Thomas Rowan

In Loving Memory (Report as of April 9, 2023)

Jerry F Kelzer	Branch 027	Rosena M Todahl	Branch 281
Mary Pistacchio	Branch 027	Joan A Wallace	Branch 281
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Mary Madden	Branch 052	Eugene L Gillette	Branch 358
Dolores (Dee) A Rochester	Branch 052	Barbara Ruffner	Branch 368
Adele Sasso	Branch 115	Linda S Bradshaw	Branch 395
Roberta Bonfiglio	Branch 139	Violetta R Daniels	Branch 408
Angelo De Bernardo	Branch 227	Dodie M Morin	Branch 445
Daniel Escalante	Branch 281	Sam Morocco	Branch 445
Mildred Papasergia	Branch 281	Martha H Galeazzi	Branch 446

GP Message--Continued

Deb Rodondi *continued from Page 1*

When you became a Branch in the Federation, you adopted the bylaws and all it entails. "No one wants to go" is not a good excuse—a fine will be applied. If you know your branch's reason for not attending is not a valid one, I suggest you mail the fine in with your letter that your branch will not be attending.

Other Convention items to remember to take care of before the deadlines are the **ads put into the souvenir book, the sponsor names for \$1.00 each and the memory page for \$5.00 per name.** The 'in memory' names go on a poster and during mass it is displayed as a memorial to those listed.

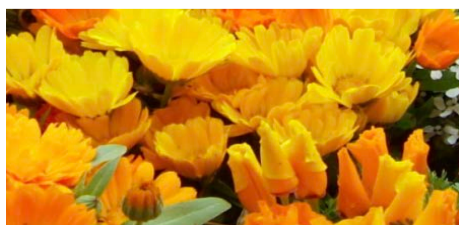
Friday, July 28 is the date for our Northern and Southern Golf Tournaments. We are very excited about having one in the Southern Region this year. Please help us in supporting the events. Even if you do not golf, there are many other ways you can support the golf tournament—attend the golf banquet, donate a raffle prize (basket or gift card), be a sponsor (see ad in the *Bollettino*)—you do not need to live close by to be a sponsor.

Once again, join me in **congratulating the ICF San Bernardino District** for being the **recipient of the annual Amar Es Entregarsa** ("love is the entire giving of oneself") award for 2023 presented by Bishop Rojas of San Bernardino Diocese. The award will be presented at a dinner on May 27, 2023 in Palm Desert, California. Accepting the award will be District President John Guerin and Spiritual Advisor Father Jerry Ochetti. Several of Central Council members will be attending the event.

As many of you may have heard Laurice Levine, the spokesperson for our National Charity—Cooley's Anemia, underwent back surgery on April 11. Keep her and her family in your prayers for a speedy and healthy recovery. Also, one of our office staff, Patty Smith underwent a second surgery on her knee April 24. We wish her the best and a full recovery.

Take the time today to remember your loved ones in need of prayers and encouragement—give them a call or send them a card. In today's world where texting is the norm (I am one of the few that doesn't text), there is nothing better and uplifting than getting a card in the mail knowing someone cared enough to send it.

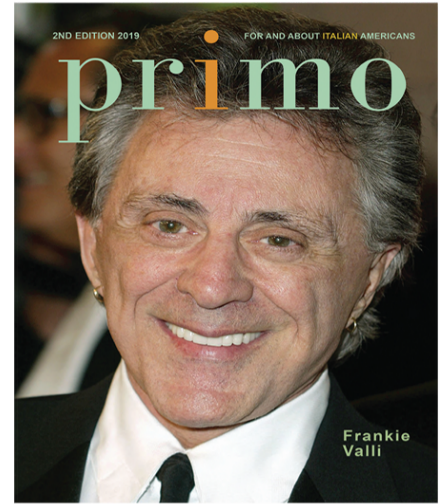
Deb Rodondi
Grand President



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Heritage -- Mother's Day-Continued

Louise Vento

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She married her first cousin Jim (Ciro) in 1930 in Louisiana and moved to Chicago. She came to California in 1942 and worked in the canneries and packing houses of San Jose. Her husband Jim died of a heart attack the day before Christmas in a car accident at the age of 57. She lived alone and retired at the age of 65. She could crochet quilts and shawls just by looking at a picture and counting the stitches. I still have some of the items she made. She knew enough about money and would walk to the grocery store or take the bus.

When I came into the family, I would help her with her bills and medical needs. She died in 1999 at the age of 94 years. She lived long enough to see her two grandchildren marry and enjoyed her four great-grandsons. I will never forget the love she gave to me. So many people complain about their mothers-in-law; I can truly say I loved her as much as my own mother.

Happy Mother's Day!



Stockton District honoring Sir Luigi in 1960s



Welcome New Members (Report as of April 9, 2023)

Branch 010	Matthew W Raimondi	
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	Jim Robson	
Branch 354	Linda Strohn	
Branch 362	Gerry Chiccarelli	Glenn M Chiccarelli
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	Connie Clancy	
Branch 374	Rev James M Bevacqua	
Branch 380	Debbie A Berry	Marsha A Blanton
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Branch 408	Stacy Leanne De Anda	
Branch 438	Gayle M De Gregori	John H De Gregori
	Florence A De Vito	
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	Peggy M Sutter	
Branch 444	Frances Noday	Grace Ohanian
	Karis E Say-Cavecche	
Branch 445	Yolanda C Garcia	Kenneth S Ledbetter
	Robin A Ledbetter	
Branch 446	George A Cerisara	Jose A Martinez
	Gregory T Ruffalo	Amy L Valdivia
	Marge Wolanik	Rev Edmund (Ned) G O'Donnell

Book Review: *Murder in Chianti (A Tuscan Mystery)*

Vince Piro, Past Grand President

Murder in Chianti (A Tuscan Mystery)

by Camilla Trinchieri

Soho Crime Publishers, 312 pages.

If you like conflicted detectives with a troubled past, and a plot that twists with intrigue along with detailed descriptions of Tuscany and Italian food, then Camilia Trinchieri's *Murder in Chianti* is for you.

As the publisher describes the novel, "Set in the heart of Tuscan wine country, Camilla Trinchieri's new mystery introduces Nico Doyle, a former NYPD homicide detective who's just looking for space to grieve when he finds himself pulled into a local murder investigation.

Mourning the loss of his wife, Rita, former NYPD homicide detective Nico Doyle moves to her hometown of Gravigna in the winesoaked region of Chianti. Half Italian and half Irish, Nico finds himself able to get by in the region with the help of Rita's relatives, but he still feels alone and out of place. He isn't sure if it's peace he's seeking, but it isn't what he finds. Early one morning, he hears a gunshot and a dog's cries near his new home and walks out to discover a dead body in the woods, flashily dressed in gold tennis shoes. When the police arrive, Nico hastily adopts the fluffy white dog as his own and wants nothing more to do with the murder.

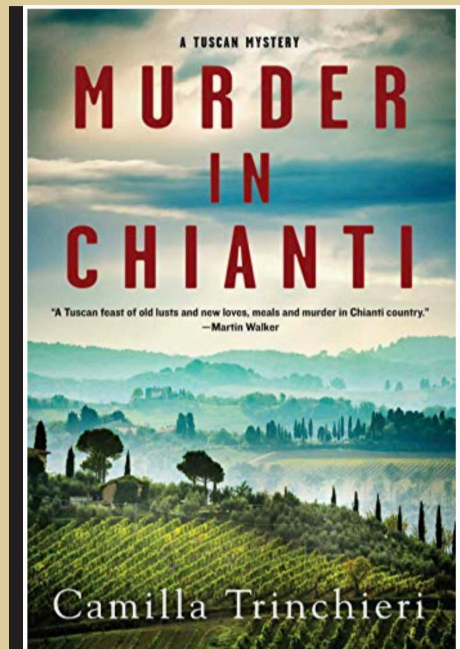
But Salvatore Perillo, the local maresciallo, discovers Nico's professional background and enlists him to help with the case. It turns out more than one person in this idyllic corner of Italy knew the victim, and with a very small pool of suspects, including his own in-laws, Nico must dig up Gravigna's every last painful secret to get to the truth."

As a reader, I found myself drawn into the lives of the characters. Nico Doyle might be a bit of a cliché as the good cop with a dark past, but Trinchieri portrays him in a way that makes him sympathetic and interesting. Salvatore Perillo, the local maresciallo, is even more interesting as the local police officer who must investigate the murder. The relationship between the two becomes a special friendship. I also found this whodunit had a complex and intricate plot that kept me turning the pages late into the night. Readers will also be drawn into this novel with the author's detailed and delightful descriptions of Italian food and the Tuscan countryside. "When the town appeared, perched on its own small hill, Nico stopped to catch his breath and take in the view of Gravigna, with its medieval castle walls, its two towers, the proud steeple of the Sant'Agnese Church. In the meager pre-dawn light Nico could, with the help of memory, make out the hundreds of neat rows of vines that covered the Conca d'Oro, the golden bowl below the town that had once only grown grain. He had marveled at the sight the first time he'd seen it with Rita on their honeymoon. "Our fairyland," Rita had said then..."

Overall, readers will enjoy this mystery for its many strengths that will capture their imagination.

Murder in Chianti is the first in the Tuscan Mystery series.

Camilla Trinchieri worked for many years dubbing films in Rome with directors including Federico Fellini, Pietro Germi, Franco Rosi, Lina Wertmüller and Luchino Visconti. She immigrated to the US in 1980 and received her MFA in Creative Writing from Columbia University. Under the pseudonym



Camilla Crespi, she has published eight mysteries. As Camilla Trinchieri, she has published *The Price of Silence*; *Seeking Alice*, a fictionalized account of her mother's life in Europe during WWII; and *The Bitter Taste of Murder*, the second Tuscan mystery.

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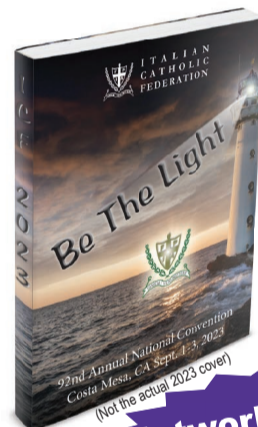
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ICF in the News--Special Report

At the 21st Annual Bishop's Dinner the *Amar Es Entregarse Award* presented to St. Josephs in Fontana, The Holy Name of Jesus in Redlands & St. Anthony in Upland

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AMAR ES ENTREGARSE HONOREES

Italian Catholic Federation provides community, charitable assistance to Diocese

This year, at the 21st Annual Bishop's Dinner, three organizations will be presented with the Amar Es Entregarse Award: the Knights of Columbus, Serra International and the Italian Catholic Federation (ICF).

The ICF, whose history goes back to the early 1900s, is a "family-oriented, non-profit fraternal organization dedicated to promoting activities that build faith and family spirit and bring men, women and children of all ages together." The ICF has branches at three parishes in our Diocese: St. Joseph in Fontana, The Holy Name of Jesus in Redlands and St. Anthony in Upland.

The ICF's charitable work includes an annual scholarship to graduating high school seniors, donations to the Children's Hospital of Los Angeles and for programs for the developmentally disabled, and to support the Diocese's seminary education.

The pandemic posed a challenge to the ICF's fundraising efforts, although things



are steadily returning to normal. Fundraising efforts can range from dinners and galas to cannoli/coffee sales and more. While the group historically began from Italian immigrants' desire to preserve their Catholic heritage, non-Italians are wel-

come to join the group as well.

John Guerin, President of The Holy Name of Jesus' ICF branch, has been involved with the ICF for around 13 years and counts many benefits to being part of the group. "I enjoy the camaraderie, the



friendships, the food and the ability to make contributions to important causes," he said.

"We thank the Bishop on being named [Amar Es Entregarse] recipients, it's a great honor," Guerin added.

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope!

Mother Cabrini Chapel & Library

by Carmelo Sabatella

On April 3, 2023, Mother Cabrini Chapel Committee member Carmelo S. received a "prayer to be passed to the Mother Cabrini Shrine." This prayer request was for her "fiance for his salvation, successful recovery after surgery done." She lives in Europe and emailed this prayer request to the Mother Cabrini Shrine in Burbank. We are keeping her, her fiancé and their families in our prayers at the Shrine for a speedy recovery. Mother Cabrini Shrine continues to support those who request prayers.

Mother Cabrini Chapel and Library Open House sched-

ule below. Additional dates will be scheduled during the year. If you or your branches would like to visit the Chapel and Library, group visits can be arranged by email: cas1810@aol.com or telephone: 626-372-7812. If you would like to make a donation to help maintain the Chapel facility and to continue with programs such as the annual Mother Cabrini Pilgrimage event in Burbank, please call 626 372-7812 or visit the Mother Cabrini Shrine at www.icf.org.

- June 11th – Open House 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. host San Gabriel Valley Region.

- Sept. 10th - Open House 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. host Santa Barbara/Ventura Region.

- Nov. 12th – Open House 9:30 to 10:30 am hosted by the San Fernando Valley Region; St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Mass, Pilgrimage and Luncheon (SFXC/ICF).

Chapel Store: DVDs on the Life of Mother Cabrini by Lucia Mauro now available. Call 626-372-7812 or email at cas1810@aol.com.



Your support is greatly appreciated.
-Carmelo Sabatella, AIA, President, ICF, LAADC
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Branch Reports

SAN FRANCISCO

San Francisco

Br. 1, Maria S.S. Immacolata

Dear Members:

A big thank you to Gino and Julie Giovannoni and their daughter, Gina, who invited Branch 1 Members to their home in March for a delicious luncheon accompanied by Gino's homemade wine. The smiles in the picture taken by Gina show it was a much-enjoyed afternoon.

Thank you, Gino, Julie and Gina, for your kindness.

Happy Mother's Day to all Branch 1 Mothers.

Cordiali Saluti
Diana Cresci

San Francisco

St. Elizabeth, Br. 258

We hope you all had a nice Easter and visit with your families.

To our members celebrating a birthday in May—many more years of Much Happiness and Good Health.

We have received our Convention Raffle Tickets from the ICF Office, and you will be receiving your tickets shortly. We would like to sell our quota of 25 books.

Please remember our ill and deceased members in your prayers.

Ciao,
Eva Perata, President

SAN MATEO District

Colma

Br. 19, San Vincenzo De Paoli

Happy Mother's Day to all!

-Unfortunately, our April meeting was cancelled, as it was the day after Easter and too many members were unable to attend.

-Our next meeting will be Monday, May 8 at 5:30 p.m. at President Deborah's home. At the May meeting we will be voting to send delegate(s) to convention.

-June meeting will be on June 12th also at 5:30 p.m. at Deborah's.

-At this time there will be no July meeting.



June 24th Holy Angels Parish will be hosting a tea, and our branch will be assisting. If you have anything that can be donated for the raffle, let Deborah know. More information to follow.

-At the March meeting we voted to give a second year ICF scholarship.

SAVE THE DATE: Deborah Rodondi's testimonial as outgoing Grand President will be Saturday, November 4 at the Basque Cultura Center in South San Francisco. Hope you can attend. Keep an eye out in the *Bollettino* for more information.

Ciao!

Burlingame

Br. 173, Our Lady of Angels

Hope all members felt some sort of renewal at the end of Lent and anxiously awaited Easter. I want to give thanks to all of our parish priests for enabling us parishioners to join one of the many Masses offered and special services during Holy Week.

Our May meeting/dinner will be held on May 11, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. and Brenda Wemiz will chair our celebration of Cinco di Mayo. Price for this dinner is \$18.00 per person.

Mark your Calendar: JUNE 25, 2023, RAVIOLI dinner—O.L.A. Gym \$35.00 per person. More details to follow next month.

Our branch was lucky to have had a renewal program led by Anthony and Donna Cervelli at their home. It was very successful and inspiring per those who attended. Thanks to the Cervelli's who offered their time and home.

Since I missed last month's article, I need to tell you we were very honored to have Laurice Levine at our March St. Joseph celebration. It was a potluck dinner and Laurice Levine gave us the most updated information on Cooley's Anemia as she is a very good speaker.

Many blessings to any sick members in our branch and those in other branches as well.

God Bless,
Roz Emery

Our May meeting and dinner will be on May 11, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. Dinner will be chaired by Brenda Wemiz in celebration of Cinco di Mayo

Millbrae

Br. 403, St. Dunstan

Happy Mother's Day! I hope you all had a Buona Pasqua!!

We had a great time at our last meeting chowing down on KFC, wine & dessert. A sincere thank you to Rose Marie Morando for donating the wine.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 2nd. Given its proximity to Cinco de Mayo, dinner will feature two chicken enchiladas, rice, beans, salad, chips & salsa, dessert & coffee, plus wine & beer. The cost is \$15 per person. The social starts at 5 p.m. and dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m., with the meeting to follow. Make your checks payable to "ICF BR 403" and mail them to Eunice Danli, 4 Spring Valley Lane, Millbrae, CA 94030. The cut-off date is Friday, April 28th.

Our June 6th meeting will be a dessert & coffee social. There is no cost but RSVP Eunice by June 2nd if you plan to attend.

Ciao!
Adonna Amoroso
Corresponding Secretary

MARIN

Novato

Br. 332, Our Lady of Loretto

Our Branch has a wonderful group of officers, supported by an enthusiastic and hard-working team of volunteers, who make our monthly dinner meetings such a success. This month we would like to highlight our bartenders, Greg, Tom and Ken, who each month come in the early afternoon to set-up the bar, serve our guests, and clean-up after the event. No matter the request, our guests are sure to get a perfectly made drink, served with a smile and some great stories. Grazie mille Greg, Tom and Ken.

The convention raffle tickets went on sale in April, and we are hoping to have a hallmark year by selling all 100 books, which is a substantial increase from previous years. We are grateful to all the members who have already purchased a book of tickets and encourage everyone to help us reach our goal.

Don't forget that our family picnic at Stafford Lake will be June 25. Make your reservations now and be part of the fun.

Happy Mother's Day to all! In honor of all moms, our Branch is making a donation to our parish's Project Dresser program, a ministry that provides expectant mothers with clothes and all the necessities a newborn needs for the first year. Our members continue to spread joy through their generous response to such programs. Thank you Branch 332.

LOS ANGELES

ARCHDIOCESE

District Council

Welcome to May!!!

In March most of us held the traditional St. Joseph's Table at our parishes, including my branch. Based on how my branch's table went, I bet yours was just as successful. It's nice to see this tradition continue on.

Now it's time to start planning the district events for the rest of the calendar year. Bingo lunches, BBQs, bus trips to the casino, etc. We have a big event coming up at the end of July, the So Cal region golf tournament on July 28th with an 8 a.m. Shotgun starting time. It will be held at the beautiful Temecula Creek Inn next door to Pechanga Casino and down the road from the wineries of Temecula. Please help support this effort by sponsoring a hole, volunteering on the course, donating a raffle basket or prize, and joining us for an Italian buffet after the tournament. Let's make this first tournament a huge success. Please see the ads and sign up sheets in the *Bollettino*.

Our annual convention is Labor Day weekend in Costa Mesa. Bishop's Banquet is on October 1st at St John Seminary in Camarillo, the Cabrini Pilgrimage and next year in June 2024, our district will host the So Cal region 100th Anniversary Gala event.

On Saturday May 6th, we as a district will gather at Holy Family in South Pasadena for our Spring district meeting, at 10 a.m. There will be plenty to talk about and plan for the upcoming events.

Congratulations to the San Bernardino district on being recognized by Bishop Rojas of the San Bernardino diocese. They along with the Knights of Columbus and the Serra Club are being honored for their outstanding work in their diocese. Central Council members will attend the black-tie event on Saturday, May 27th in Palm Desert.

Let's keep up the good work that we all do. Please turn in your Apostolic Reports, as we want 100% participation from our district.

I would like to wish all of the moms, a very Happy Mother's Day. God bless you for all that you do.

Perry Shurko, LA District President.



Ringraziamo tutte le mamme per i loro sacrifici e le auguriamo un felicissimo giorno.

Br. 67, National Branch St. Peter

On April 8, 2023, NBr 67 meeting included members Carmelo S., Theresa S., Lou M., Eugene S., Tad S., David D. from Akron, Ohio, and guest and prospective member(s) who are interested in joining NBr 67. Members also celebrated the April birthdays of Tad S.

On March 17 and 18, 2023 Branch 67 Members Carmelo S., Theresa S., and Tad S. Attended the St. Patricks Dinner and St. Joseph Table Events at Holy Family Catholic Church in South Pasadena CA. Eugene attended the St Joseph Table at St. Victors Church and other ICF Members attended St Joseph Table in various other Churches including St Peters Italian Catholic Church in Los Angeles on March 19, 2023.

St Joseph Table at Holy Family Catholic Church in South Pasadena CA

ICF National Branch 67 is a virtual branch that reaches out to members and non-members who do not have an ICF in their area and would like be a part of the ICF Family. We also would like to have your input as we continue to develop this branch online.

Visit ICF.org and select ICF National Branch 67 for more information. You are welcome to join us at ICFNationalBranch67.org and complete the application process.

Covid 19 is a challenge and opportunity to understand what is important in each of our lives. ICF may be just the place for you as we are multi culture-based focusing on Faith, Family, Fellowship and Food.

Please keep our sick members in your prayers that they may reach a speedy recovery.

And to our former Branch members who recently have gone to their eternal reward; May they rest in peace.

*Keep safe and Stay healthy,
Carmelo Sabatella, AIA, President
ICF National Branch 67 C 626 372-7812; E Cas1810@aol.org*

SAVE THE DATE: Next ICF N Branch 67 Committee Meeting on June 17, 2023, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. via zoom. Contact us at email: cas1810@aol.com if you would like to Join us at this meeting. ICF Members and Visitors welcome. Zoom link will be forwarded one week prior to meeting. Questions? Call: 626-372-7812.

Deadline for June
Bollettino is May 10th.
Send articles & photos
to
editor@icf.org

South Pasadena Br. 108, Holy Family

SAVE THE DATE: -June 17, 2023—
New date for the ICF Branch 108 Annual Wine and Beer Tasting. More information to follow.

- June 11, 2023 - Open House at the Mother Cabrini Chapel and Library in Burbank from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. host ICF San Gabriel Valley Region.

Please continue to pray for the speedy resolution of the present crisis and to keep our sick members in your prayers for a speedy recovery; and to our former members, family members and friends of ICF who recently have gone to their eternal reward.

May they rest in peace. Keep safe and stay healthy,

*Carmelo Sabatella,
AIA, Past President
ICF Branch 108, C 626 372-7812
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Montebello Br. 111, St. Benedict

Ciao a Tutti. A warm hello to everyone. Our May General Meeting will be on Thursday, May 18, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the St. Augustine House, 200 N. 12th Street, in Montebello. After the meeting, we will have cake to celebrate the birthdays of the following members who have birthdays this month: Fr. Dionisio Cachera, Carmelita Aguilera, Filomena Divincenzo, Nicolina Vieni, Mario Orofino, Leo Orofino, Vince Veneziano, Jess Noriega, Alfred Viera, Tony Wadzinski, Salvatore Sorce and Louis Grimaldi. Congratulations and Happy Birthday to everyone!! Buon Compleanno a tutti!

We would like to thank Fr. Fredric Abiera, Pastor of St. Benedict Church, for his support for our annual St. Joseph's Table, and for his wonderful Blessing of this year's St. Joseph Table, both in English & Italian, held on March 18 & 19, 2023, and all the individuals who volunteered their time and/or made donations to the Feast of St. Joseph's Table, and the various sponsors of the St. Joseph's Table, which helped to make it a successful event. Congratulations to all the raffle winners. We hope that you all enjoyed the great food, desserts, and fellowship time with everyone.

We would like welcome the following new members who recently joined our Branch: Azadouhi Cursaro, Steven Ochoa, David Medina, David & Carmel Tatanga, Louis & Christina Grimaldi, Robin Wiltz, and Gary & Loudes Cruz. Benvenuti!

Finally, please pray for our sick members and those in need; keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

*A Presto!
Frank Salomone, ICF 111 President*

San Pedro Br. 115, St. John Joseph of the Cross

Thank you to all who attended our Pala Casino Day trip and our Laughlin trip. Your support is appreciated. Thank you to Pauline Iacono for coordinating these trips.

Please join us on Saturday May 13th for the 5:15 mass in honor of the Madonna Del Arco. Please bring flowers to present to our Blessed Mother. Let's keep our benefactor Joseph Scotti in our prayers.

Our general meeting will be held on May 18 at 7:30 p.m. Topic for discussion include Mass for our adopted seminarian Cole Buzon as he becomes a deacon on June 24. Also, up for discussion will be our parish fiesta scheduled for July 21-23. We also hope to learn of the graduating seniors that will be awarded our scholarship.

San Pedro Relay for Life an American Cancer Society fundraiser will be held on May 20th at Christ Lutheran Church. Please call Anita Trujillo for additional info 310 8327186

Tentative casino day trip is scheduled for June 22nd. We hope to have the details ironed out by our May 18th meeting.

I would like to wish all our moms and mother figures a very Happy Mother's Day!

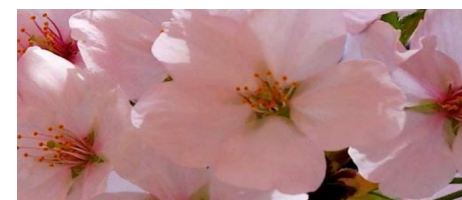
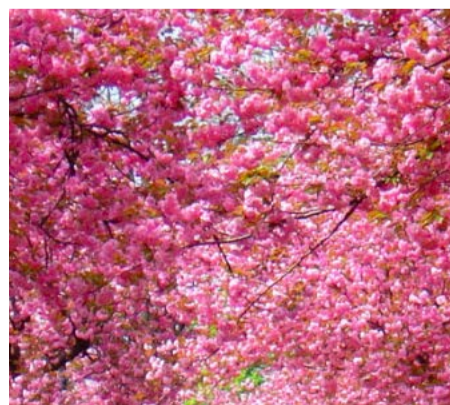
Please keep all our sick and deceased members in your prayers

Anita Trujillo Treasurer

Glendora Br. 179, St. Dorothy

On Sunday, March 19, St. Dorothy Branch 179 in Glendora hosted their 2nd Annual St. Joseph's Table. And it was another huge success! Most of our ministries and lots of our parishioners, and of course, our members, helped by baking and providing goods for sale at the Table. Our Table was dedicated to the memory of our deceased members, Lois Brancato and Jack Mateer. All proceeds went to St. Dorothy's for the formation of the Family Counseling and Bereavement Center. We received \$2,991!

*Patricia Auriemmo
Trustee*



Arcadia Br. 218, Holy Angels

At our last meeting President Jerry recapped our St. Joseph's Table which was a phenomenal success. The branch realized a net profit far exceeding any of our past events. Thank you to everyone that helped out and especially Jerry. We welcomed back Jeane Bernabei who was incapacitated for many months. Good to have her back. We also welcomed 3 new members. Everyone enjoyed the pasta dinner after the meeting, thanks to Teri Carrano for always putting this together.

Our next meeting is a week early – May 7th.

Watch for Jeane's newsletter. And, a very happy Mother's Day to all the moms.

Lolly Magnolia

Downey Br. 362, St. Raymond

It's hard to believe it, but here we are in the Merry Month of May. Spring is in full bloom. I hope you had a wonderful Easter.

Let's go back a bit, in March our St. Joseph Table brought in over \$4,700!!! Congratulations to all of our members and a big thank you to our pastor Fr. Sam and our associate pastor Fr. Justin for promoting it so well. Our table was extra blessed this year. I also want to thank our Holy Family who volunteered to be in the procession, you guys rocked it!

Last month we held another Bingo luncheon. Spring Fling was the theme and I know everyone had a blast. Congratulations to all of the winners.

At the end of this month we will be hosting our annual Awards and Recognition Night. We will be honoring those St. Raymond 8th grade scholarship winners along with our High School winner. Also included will be representatives from our Outreach Ministries and parish staff.

Attention all golfers!!! Please keep in mind that our So Cal Golf Tournament is coming up on July 28th at the Temecula Creek Inn. Please see the ad in the *Bollettino* for all of the info.

At this time, I would like to wish all of the Moms, Grandmothers, Godmothers, Mothers-in-Law, Stepmothers and all Mothers in our life here with us today and those who have left this Earthly world a very Happy and Blessed Mother's Day.

*Till next month, God Bless. Perry
Shurko, Branch President.*

La Canada Flintridge Br. 374, St. Bede the Venerable

Results are in! Our Treasurer reported that the 2023 St. Joseph's Table and Silent Auction was very fruitful. Our volunteer members came out and pitched in to make this the most successful event we have ever experienced since the branch was formed in 1984. Kudos especially to Maria DeSalguero, and her team members Gloria McGaughey, and Lila Nastro for the great coordination, and to President Phyllis Harb for her management of the auction and her overall leadership of the event.

The morning Masses were beautifully highlighted by the six flag-bearing volunteer Sea Cadets processing behind the St. Joseph statue.

Soon you will be receiving an invitation to a special Br. 374 Mass to be held on June 11, at noon, at the La Canada Flintridge Country Club. A room has been reserved for a Mass for our members and guests, presided by Fr. Jim Bevacqua. That will be followed by a lunch/brunch at a cost of \$60.00. We hope to see you at this lovely Apostolate event.

Welcome new members Marie Baker, Caroline Trunzo, and Lori Caruso! We hope you will enjoy the spirituality and camaraderie of ICF.

Dates to Remember:

General Meeting-Please note change of date: 4th Tuesday, May 23rd

Speaker: Michael Van Hecke-President of St. Monica Academy-Montrouze

Sunday, June 11th—Mass and lunch at LCCC, 12:00 noon

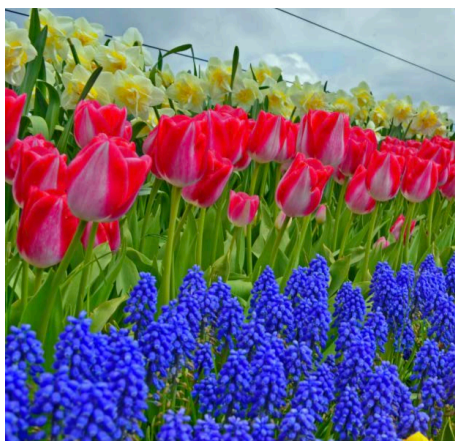
General Meeting—Tues. June 20th

Thousand Oaks Br. 380, St. Paschal Baylong

It was wonderful to celebrate our annual St. Joseph's Day Dinner again after being unable to during the Covid lockdown. The pasta and sausage dinner was delicious, our bake sale was a big success, and we raffled off many beautiful baskets of goodies. We look forward to holding it again next year.

Our May meeting will be a celebration of the Blessed Mother as well as our own mothers. Looking forward to seeing many members there!

Deadline for June
Bollettino is May 10th.
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Simi Valley Br. 443, St. Rose of Lima

Many ICF members attended St. Joseph's Day Italian Dinner sponsored by St. Paschal's Church, Branch 380. Several came home with basket prizes.

ICF members attended the Celebration of Life for Eric Tweedy, son of Barbara Tweedy, Vice President of Branch 443 and Trustee of LA District. Our sincere sympathy to Barbara, Mike and family.

The May 19 meeting will be "Honoring our Mothers." Please bring pictures, mementoes, etc.

to share when talking about your mother. Family and friends are welcome to attend.

*Peace and Blessings,
Josephine M. Perini*

Rancho Palos Verdes Br. 444, St. John Fisher

Happy Easter! May the Blessings of our Risen Lord be always you.

Our Branch was chosen to serve one of the Friday Lenten Suppers, called a "Meager Meal" after the 5:15 p.m. Mass and before the Stations of the Cross. Carol & Hany prepared the Tomato soup alla Italiano with grilled cheese sandwiches. The Supper was special this year as each ministry was able to choose the soup of their choice. We hope our Pastor, Msgr. David Sork enjoyed our Italian Version of Tomato soup. Everyone gathered to take a photo with Msgr. Sork after supper.

We continue to pray for Marianne Cannetti, still in TCU at Torrance Memorial as she recovers from a stroke.

We had 12 people join the Catholic Faith at our Saturday night Easter Vigil Service. They received Baptism, First Communion and were Confirmed. We welcome them into our St. John Fisher Catholic Community. It was wonderful to see the Cross of Jesus without the purple draping.

Covering his body this Sunday. Thanks to all our members who helped prepare & serve the Lenten Supper.

Ciao, Patty Longo Hansen

Oakland

East Bay District Council

Here's hoping that all had a Blessed and Happy Easter.

Pres. Jo-Ann asked that when sending out announcements, e-mails etc. that we make sure that we include everyone. That way all the bases are covered, and no one feels left out. Bishop's Day is on hold until after Easter, stay tuned.

The first year Scholarship was voted in, also 2nd, 3rd and 4th when their time comes up. Let's find some graduates who need our help and have them apply.

Branch #343 may be 44 years old, but Branch #10 has everyone beat, locally. They will be 97 on May 20th and celebrating with a pork dinner, cost is \$65.00. Watch for the flyer.

Carolyn reported that Italian Day at the A's will be July 21st, cost will be \$30-33.00. Watch for more information.

The District voted to contribute money toward the Meal Train for Laurice Levine following her surgery. May good health follow her after all this.

A Happy Mother's Day to all the Mothers and those mother figures we love and honor,

Pat Grasso, Dist. Sec.

Alameda

Br. 10, Nostra Signora Delle Grazie

We are finalizing plans for our 97th Anniversary Dinner scheduled for Saturday, May 20 at 6:00 p.m. in Monsignor O'Brien Hall, High Street at Van Buren Street, Alameda. The highlights of the menu will be roast pork and pasta prepared by chef Ben Ratto. Prices are \$45 for adults and \$15 for youngsters 12 and under. Payment in advance by check made payable to ICF Branch 10 and mailed to the Saint Philip Neri-Saint Albert the Great Parish Office, 3101 Van Buren Street, Alameda 94501. For reservations, please contact James McGee cybermcgee@yahoo.com or (510) 676-7337 by 9:00 p. m. on Monday, May 15.

By the time you read this, eight of our officers will be enjoying a nine-day tour of Italy organized by our chaplain and pastor, Father Joseph Pathyil, mf. We are visiting Rome, Assisi and Florence. There are more officers than non-officers (two) among the group. The two non-officers do belong to Branch 10. We are giving a different meaning to the pandemic and post-pandemic term "meeting remotely."

Our numbers increased by four in February and March. The other good

news is all of the new members are substantially under the average age of those who already belonged to Br. 10.

We concluded our Lenten Fish Fry dinners by hosting 63 guests on Friday night, March 31. We appreciate all those who helped, including especially students of Saint Philip Neri School for setting-up Monsignor O'Brien Hall for the final meal. Thanks also to members Sherry Eastwood-Falls, Bob Minot, Roberta Shomon and Father Joseph for selecting the Catholic-themed motion pictures which were presented each evening.

*John Zugnoni
Branch 10 publicity*

Castro Valley Br. 343, Our Lady of Grace

Here's hoping that each of you had a Blessed and Happy Easter and maybe some time for a restful day after a busy week of preparation for the glorious Resurrection.

We are looking forward to the celebration of our 44th Anniversary at the Terra Mia Restaurant on the 22nd of April. It should be a fun affair with good food and times to remember our past history.

Another thing we are looking forward to is a day of Bingo coupled with a special type of food. We plan to have this when school is out, so we have more time to use Stack Center. And there are always days to share with the local restaurants and split their income from meals.

Just a reminder, if you have not paid your dues, YOU ARE LATE!

Here's to a Happy Mother's Day. Happy for those we know as Mother and those we call Mother, including our Blessed Mother Mary.

*Pat Grasso,
Branch Sec.*



CONTRA COSTA District Council

Hello from the Contra Costa District Council. Hope everyone is enjoying spring!

Our District Mass and Breakfast will be coming up on May 7 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Brentwood, the home of Branch 432. We will sit together in a group for the 9 o'clock mass and then enjoy breakfast following in their parish hall. The cost for the meal is a free will offering.

We had our last meeting in April at our new location, Christ the King Church in Pleasant Hill. We need a few more branch mentors. If interested in helping with this program, contact Patty at jandp1976@aol.com.

Branches are reminded to elect their convention delegates. The convention will be held in Costa Mesa, CA over Labor Day weekend.

Please pray for past Grand President and past District President Mike Canady who is in a skilled nursing facility following a hospital stay.

We extend Happy Mothers' Day wishes! Until next time,

*Fraternally,
Patty Jarrett
Past President/District Mentor*

Martinez Br. 13, San Martino

Branch#13 had a successful fundraiser—first one in four years—with thanks to the participation of members who give of their time and roll-up their sleeves for the benefit of all, especially Anne who helped me in a number of unexpected ways. In our small branch that means a lot. Just two weeks later, our parish of St. Catherine of Siena celebrated its 150th Anniversary of ministry in Martinez. We threw a huge party that began with a procession, Mass, and complimentary luncheon for the entire city! ICF hosted a table of ten.

May is the month we honor Mary, mother of Jesus. We also honor motherhood. There is a long-standing tradition where a specific Sunday was set aside to honor mothers and motherhood which began in some European countries and was named "Mothering Sunday." These celebrations actually became part of the liturgical calendar in many Christian denominations, including our Catholic calendar which is marked as Laetare Sunday or the fourth Sunday in Lent when we honor the Virgin Mary and our Mother Church. In the United States, Mother's Day was nationally recognized as a holiday in the month of May in 1914 after a campaign in which a woman named Anna Jarvis trademarked the phrases "second Sunday in May" and "Mother's Day" and created the Mother's Day International Association.



With that bit of heritage, we wish all those who are mothers, those with mothers, and those who mother others, happy and fulfilling memories of those who bestowed the title upon us.

*Arrivederci,
Mary Cook*

Crockett Br. 14, San Carlo

Ciao Amici!

In Italy, la mamma is the cornerstone of the home and celebrated by her family all year round. Just like in America, every second Sunday of May, Italian bambini and adults alike jump to lavish their mothers with flowers and gifts for 'La Festa della Mamma.'

Mother's Day was first celebrated in Italy in May 1957, about 50 years after it was founded in the United States. A parish priest began the tradition in Assisi, and it was celebrated with great festivities. Many in the surrounding cities got word and joined the appreciation of the women whose unconditional love and hard work helped them become who they were. The day was so successful that just one year later, the holiday was adopted across Italy's 20 regions.

Our next branch meeting will be May

9th. Please join us for a delicious enchilada dinner to celebrate Cinco de Mayo and Mother's Day. Mass begins at 5:30, with dinner at 6:30 and meeting to follow. The cost is \$12 and it should be quite the fiesta!

We send well wishes from all of us to our friends Lois Ramos, Carla Contestable, Renee Ratterree, and Ron and MaryLou Costa. We hope to see you soon!

If you haven't attended a meeting for a while, we miss you, and now is a great time to come back. In the meantime, be good, and call your mother!

Blessings for a Happy Spring,

~Helen

Sick members Lois Ramos, Carla Contestable, Renee Ratterree and Ron and MaryLou Costa.

Happy Spring to everyone

Concord Br. 214, Todos Santos

Buon Giorno,

I hope you all enjoyed your Easter with your loved ones.

Our branch membership is expanding. We have 5 new members: Yiani Piñon, Marianne Lowe, Michael Rizza, and Carol and Tony Wilcockson. We welcome them to our branch.

We had a great turnout for our Pasta/Bingo event. 80 people attended. Good food, bingo, called numbers and jokes provided by Ed McGuirk, with cash prizes handed out by Allison McGuirk, great raffle prizes and a great door prize enjoyed by all. We look forward to our next Bingo event September 9th. I want to thank everyone who helped setup, serve, (by students of St Agnes), and clean up from this event. It was truly a great fundraiser for our branch.

We have a new mentor, Peggy Aiello Hagerthy who will take Patty Jarrett's place as she moved.

We celebrated St. Patrick's Day and St. Joseph's table at our March meeting. Delicious dishes were provided by our members and everyone enjoyed the meal. Jo Lee gave a wonderful presentation about St Joseph.

We had a board meeting to discuss upcoming events. We are planning to go to Reno for the Italian Festival in October. This will be a fun event. We are also planning our branch barbecue at Diane Hasty's home in August.

We pray for our sick members of our branch and wish them blessed health.

Please enjoy the rain-free weather and sunny days ahead.

*Con Affetto
Norene Deluca*

Danville Br. 352, San Isidore

April found us celebrating our annual "Festa Primavera." Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the evening! Our dinner of antipasto, salad, ravioli, chicken piccata with green beans plus the Bomba dessert, was followed by an entertaining evening of song & dance with our favorite Ken Cooper Band. A few talented members joined in on the fun & treated us to a couple of solos!

We're planning a group trip to Eataly in early May. Watch your email for additional details! Our May dinner meeting will be held on Monday, May 15th at 6 p.m. To celebrate a belated Cinco de Mayo, we'll feast on a variety of Mexican dishes, with all of the sides. Watch for that Evite – you won't want to miss it!

*Ciao,
Branch 352*

Brentwood Br. 432, Immaculate Heart of Mary

On February 27 ICF Branch 432 held the long-awaited St Joseph's Dinner. This was the first time since the pandemic we were able to have our St Joseph's, it was a big success. We all had a good time. Fr. Mark said the blessing and did the reading.

As a fundraiser this year the ICF sold See's Candy for Easter after all the Masses. Trying to sell See's candy in the rain didn't help. Pat Rebollar, who was in charge of the fundraiser, came up with other ways of selling the candy. Her idea was to sell candy at our Knight of Columbus Fish Fry for Lent, which was very successful. Pat Rebollar worked very hard at making our Candy sales a success. Thank You Pat!!!!

We are now starting to work on our Scholarship program. Normally we have about ten \$1000.00 scholarships for students going from High School to College. The ICF and the Knights of Columbus, The Filam Community, The Catholic Daughters and other ministries plus donations from our community at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church We have been supporting Scholarships for students since 2009 and this year we will have given over a \$100,000.00 in scholarship.

BLESSED SACRAMENT District

Auburn Br. 342, St. Joseph

Our Branch was able to help local children get to school on all the rainy days we experienced this winter. Here is what one of the project coordinators sent to us:

Due to the generous donations from ICF members and rallying support from others in our community ICF Branch #342 was able to raise enough money to purchase 115 umbrellas for students at Rock Creek Elementary School in Auburn, CA.

The school serves approximately 71.6% low-income children (2022 SARC report). Without these umbrellas many children were missing school on rainy days or showing up soaking wet. This contribution by our members is made even more significant as Rock Creek is slated to be closed this year and next year these same children will have to walk farther every day to get to school. Thank you ICF members for being God's sheltering wings to these little children."

*Ciao!
Pam Andersen*

CONTRA COSTA DISTRICT



Members helping out and getting the hall ready for Crockett #14 Successful Corned Beef Dinner. Super job.



Our Corned Beef servers...Great job. Service with a smile at Crockett #14



Br. 442, St. Joseph's Table at Branch 442 General Meeting on Sunday, March 19



Ice Cream anyone??? These are two of our youngest helpers having a good time at Crockett #14 Corned Beef dinner.



Great turn out at our Crockett #14 Corned Beef Dinner . Thanks for your support.



Br. 442, St. Joseph's Table at general branch meeting on Sunday, March 19



Br. 432



Br.432



Br. 214, members enjoying the event.

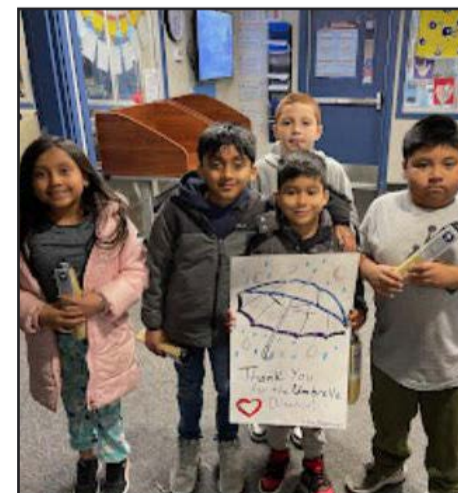


Br. 214, Ed McGuirk

BLESSED SACRAMENT DISTRICT



Br. 214, President Roberta Healy, Father Johnson, servers from St Agnes school



Br. 342, A few of the new umbrella recipients

CENTRAL COAST DISTRICT



Br. 36 Lenten Dinner



Br. 36 Lenten Dinner



Central Council Br. 36, Lenten Dinners



Dante and the Crew Branch 36



Br. 291's Lenten Fish Fry season would not be such a success without the help of our hard-working members; however, Joanna Van Blaricom and Pete Gallagher go above and beyond to make our Fish Frys run smoothly week after week. Thank you Pete and Joanna for all your dedication and hard work!

FRESNO DISTRICT



Branch 39 cookie sale



Branch 39 cookie sale

SANTA CLARA VALLEY DISTRICT



On behalf of ICF Branch 28, Christine Shackel presenting a check for \$5,000 donation to Father Michael Hendrickson of St. Mary Parish.



Marianne Peoples providing information to membership regarding the communications sent to those in need of love and support on behalf of ICF Branch 28.



Member Danny Scettrini won the membership card drawing at March meeting and held his Easter themed prize.



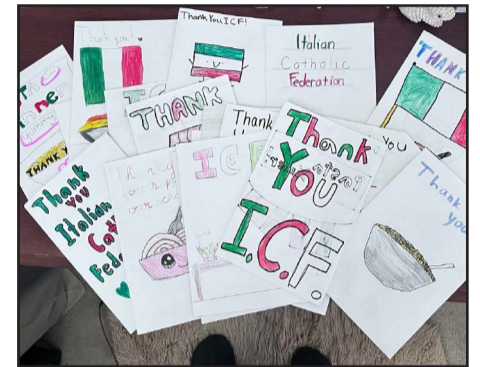
Br. 184 President Deanna Meyer, captured the little Leprechaun, Marie Antonowicz!



Br. 368, 408, 2023 Raffle prizes



Patricia Look awarding \$2000 check to 5th Grade Class after Mass from Pasta Dinner



Resurrection School Thank you Letters to Br. 408 for 2023 PASTA Dinner fundraiser



Br. 445, Cheers to 89 Years!



Br. 445 Fr. Chris' Lenten Reflection



Br. 445 Lenten Reflection Vocalists & Band



Gloria Subcoz, President, Giulia Gallego & Helga Brooks enjoying reception honoring St. Catherine Church Renovation. Branch 435.



Br. 435, Mary Ann and John Sorci enjoying reception in O'Donnell Center following St. Catherine's Service.



Br. 435, Blessing of the altar at consecration of newly remodeled St. Catherine Church



Br. 445 St. Joseph's Table



St. Mary Branch #184, Pictured from left to right, Dave Romeri, Luis Mancias, Larry Vollman, Deanna Meyer and Ed Russo. Not pictured was Donovan Erba. These gentlemen, posing with Branch President, made up the cooking committee for the Corned Beef Dinner held March 18.



Br. 368. St. Joseph's Table, ICF Volunteers' and Table

SANTA CLARA VALLEY DISTRICT (continued)



Saint Frances Cabrini Branch 191 We are ready to hunt eggs!



Branch 191 St. Frances Cabrini

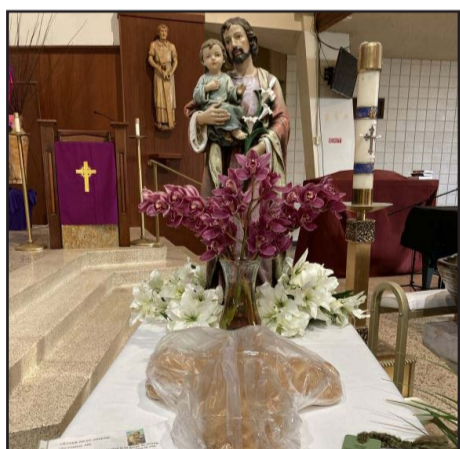


Br. 191, Kitchen crew and chiefs ready to work

SAN DIEGO DISTRICT



Br. 229 St. Joseph's Table



Br. 229 St. Joseph's Table



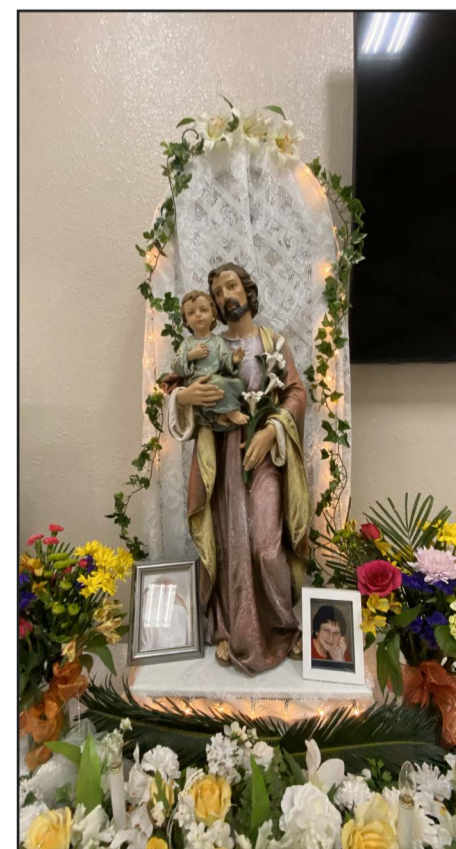
Br. 246 Kitchen Crew



Branch 246 members Bill Holman and Joe Fontana with Father John Amsberry.



Branch 246 St. Joseph Auctioneer Anthony Torregiani



Br. 246, St. Joseph's Table central

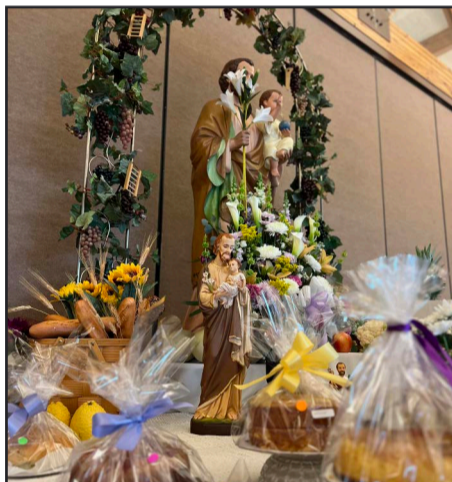
LOS ANGELES ARCHDIOCESE DISTRICT



Br. 179, Dave & Maria Teresa enjoying



Br. 179, St. Joseph's table



Br. 362



Br. 380, Blessed St. Joseph's Table



Br. 179, Monsignor Norm Blessing



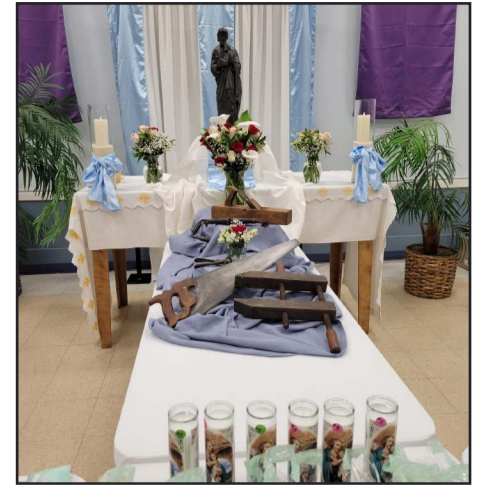
Br. 362, Pictures from our St. Joseph Table. Fr. Sam with our Holy Family. St. Raymond honored this year's Table to Steve Drobeck who passed away a few years ago.



Br. 362



Br. 444 Back Row: Robert Keefer, Karis-Say Cavecche, Grace Ohanian, Fran Noday, Cristine Baldemor, Msgr. David Sork, Tonia Amalfatano, Hany Francis, Guido Frassinelli, Patty Hansen, Bruno Vieri, Front Row: Kathleen Buchanan, Mary Alley and Gina Albi.



Br. 179, St. Joseph's table



Br. 362



Br. 443, Father Joseph Shea & Calre Delto



Br. 443, Enza Pro & Marilyn Olsen



Br. 443, Ritamarie Downey & Art Saenza

LOS ANGELES ARCHDIOCESE DISTRICT (continued)



Br. 111 March Birthdays



ICF 111- St Joseph's Table



ICF 111-St. Joseph's Table, California Senator Bob Archuleta



ICF 111-St. Joseph's Table, Members with California Senator Bob Archuleta



ICF 111- St. Joseph's Table-Membership Table



ICF Branch 108 held its April 2nd Branch General Meeting and lunch social at Holy Family Connolly Hall. Following branch business members welcomed newest members Patrick and Claudia B. And celebrated the April Birthdays of ICF members Tad S., Gina S., David T., Karla R., and Dale Ann P.



Thank you to ICF Members and Church Parishioners who staffed the March 17th, St. Patrick Dinner, March 18th and 19th St. Joseph Table at Holy Family Church Connolly Hall in South Pasadena. Thank you also to the many sponsors and donors who donated their time, product and money to continue the tradition of bringing. Everyone to the annual table to share in the fundraising efforts to help the poor and disadvantaged.

Roseville**Br. 438, St. Clare of Assisi**

We hope everyone enjoyed a blessed and happy Easter! Our April Branch meeting featured a delicious potato bar, complete with all the trimmings. We came together to enjoy each other's company and to discuss our upcoming events and fundraisers.

We're feverishly planning the last few details of our first ever "Prom Night" on April 29th. It's sure to be a fun event with a mix of nostalgia and the making of great new memories. Remember to dust off your dancing shoes and put on your dressy duds to join us for a great evening of music and dancing! Proceeds will support one of our many charities.

The Aguilar family will, once again, be hosting a Cinco de Mayo celebration at our May Branch meeting on May 19th. Always a favorite, make sure to mark your calendars, so you don't miss out on this wonderful and festive dinner.

Preparations are in the works for our Bingo fundraiser here at St. Clare on May 20th. Branch 438 will be hosting this event along with our ICF Blessed Sacrament District. Keep your eyes open for further details and ticket sales. You won't want to miss out on what is sure to be a great day of fun!

We continue to pray for our members' special needs and intentions. We also celebrate and ask the Lord to bless the wonderful Mammams in our lives.

Happy Mother's Day!
Ciao,
Anne Finn

**SANTA ROSA
District****Healdsburg****Br. 52, San Francesco Di
Sales**

Thank you to everyone who came and who helped at our Fish Fry on March 31. From the delicious dinner prepared by Will Seppi and crew to the raucous live auction, the night was a great success!

Upcoming Events:

Tuesday, May 9: Monthly Meeting.
6:00 p.m. in the Rectory

Sunday, May 21: ICF Monthly Mass,
8:00 a.m.

Tuesday, May 16: Mother's/Father's Day Dinner and Dessert Potluck. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Price: \$15.00 per person. Children under 12: \$5.00. Please call Carmen and Lauren 707-595-311 for tickets. Come and celebrate our Mothers and Fathers at dinner! Richard Passalacqua is working on the menu.

Sunday, June 4: Santa Rosa District Day of Recollection. We are the hosts for this event. 1:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. We'll have speakers, pray the rosary and have a pizza lunch. Price is \$10.00. Call Carmen and Lauren for tickets.

Friday, July 28: Calling all golfers! The ICF Central Council is having a Golf Tournament at Bennett Valley Golf Course. Price: \$180 for golfers. \$50 for dinner, only. Details can be found in the *Bollettino* or call Lauren.

We hope to see members at these events.

Happy Mother's Day!
Lauren Kilcullen

Cloverdale**Br. 75, L'Annunciata**

He is risen! Alleluia! Happy Easter Everyone!

Even the weather knows He has risen. Easter Sunday and Easter Monday have been sunny and warm, a nice break from the rain for which we are also grateful.

For several months now, our parish has been gifted with two beautiful mission sisters, Jazmine and Teresita! They return to their Mother House on Sunday, but since they've been here, along with our parish secretary, Daisy, they have done so much to stimulate our Church, particularly in their outreach to our youth. Our parish hall and kitchen have been alive with their energy; if we needed help with anything, all we had to do was ask and they were "on it." As I sing at Mass, I can look into the sweet faces of a dozen or so altar servers they have worked with and who are in training at The Altar of the Lord. Our secular culture speaks of being "woke"; all you have to do is look at the sisters and these servers to know what "being woke" truly is!!! Thank you, sisters, for all you have done for us!

Speaking of being "woke" MJ Del 'Aquila and a team of worker bees will work their magic for our 3rd wine and food pairing on May 7th. MJ turns specially selected Grocery Outlet wines and tasty hand-prepared food pairings into a classy fun-filled Sunday afternoon!

Josh Brown! You did an amazing job as sentinel at our April meeting!

Alleluia! He is risen!
Patsy Buchignani

**Deadline for June Issue
of *Bollettino*
is May 10th.
Send articles & photos:
editor@icf.org
Include your
branch number.**

Petaluma**Br. 127, St. Vincent**

Dear members,

Spring is finally here! We are ready to do our chicken cacciatore. It will be on Saturday, May 20th at St. James as usual. Cost is \$25. Seating is limited to 80 people so don't delay making reservations with Lucy (707) 769-1245. Deadline for reservations is May 13.

March was bakeless bake sale month. Margaret sends a big Thank You for all your generosity and has asked me to remind everybody that it's not too late for those who may still want to donate.

Please pray for the continued recovery of our ill members, Irene Carnazola and Dennis Urbiztondo.

Your continued support is much appreciated! Would love to see more of you at our monthly meetings. Joining together makes all of us stronger!

With love and prayers for all of us and for our families and for the continued good health of our branch.

Dennice DiGirolamo

Arcata**Br. 144, St. Mary**

St. Mary's Church in Arcata had a Lenten Retreat, March 17 to 19. We had our St. Joseph's table that weekend and it was blessed by Fr. Matthew Williams, O.C.D., the retreat leader. Over \$430 was collected in donations and given to St. Vincent de Paul. This is the most ever collected by our branch. (photos)

The following Saturday, March 26, Alfred Eanni cooked us a wonderful corned-beef and cabbage dinner. He was assisted by Pete Stagnoli, Rosemary Melendy, and Anne Carlisle Eanni. The evening was enjoyed by 19 members in attendance. (photos)

Our April meeting was moved to Friday, April 14. Already plans are starting for the September Chicken and Polenta take-out dinner along with planning a parish Advent Pancaked Breakfast.

Alfred and Anne Eanni will be heading to Italy on May 4th for a few weeks and will bring back some heritage stories of Molise/Abruzzo regions for the June meeting.

Prayers for healing are requested for member Mike Dalporto ('06).

Anne Carlisle Eanni
Secretary #144

**Eureka****Br. 145, St. Ambrose**

The Super Bowl of Peanut Butter and Jelly collection competition resulted in 1,326 pounds of PB&J collected for Betty Chinn's ministry to the homeless of Humboldt County. St. Mary's in Arcata is the champion having collected 578 lbs. St. Bernard/St. Joseph in Eureka was runner up with 275 lbs.

Thank you again to all of the parishes in the county and the students of St. Bernard High School for your support of this worthwhile endeavor.

Our St. Joseph Table on Sunday March 19th at St. Bernard's courtyard was a success. Many people were overjoyed to see our beautiful display of baked goods and religious items. (See photo.) We gave away everything and collected over \$400 in donations.

Thank you to everyone who baked and donated religious items for our table.

The next event is our annual anniversary celebration (64...) in conjunction with Arcata Branch 144. It will consist of a luncheon at noon on April 30th in the Pinochi Room at St. Bernard parish hall.

Santa Rosa**Br. 198, St. Eugene**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

After a very successful Chili and Corn Bread dinner meeting on April 3rd and our Mother's Day BBQ and meeting on May 1st, we will have our Father's Day Potluck on Monday, June 5th at 6:00 p.m. With everyone bringing their best dish, this is always a terrific dinner.

The Attendance Drawing winner at our April 3rd meeting was Tom Saska. Financial Secretary Linda Sherman presented him with his winnings!

With the annual Convention comes a time to select our delegate and see if anyone else is planning to attend. The annual ICF Convention is always fun and educational. Think about attending.

Our monthly Masses for living and deceased members of our Branch will be on May 7th at 9:00 a.m. and June 24th at 4:30 p.m. Please plan to attend if you are able.

Mark your calendar for our very special Scholarship Dinner to be held in the Brinker Room at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 15th. This will be a great dinner and we will be able to meet and hear from the scholarship recipients.

Say a prayer for our sick members and remember all our mothers with a pray to Mary, our Spiritual Mother.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY.
Gail Bongie-Azevedo

**Sebastopol
Br. 209, St. Michael**

Hello Members of Branch 209 Sebastopol!

Although we didn't get together for our monthly meeting in March, due to the extreme weather. We were busy with many commitments.

We participated in Lenten Soup, at Sebastian's church, after Stations of the Cross, on Friday March 10th. Special thanks to Roy Spadoni, David Armstrong and Tami Marian for representing the ICF and serving the soup.

On March 24th we had our annual Fish Fry fundraiser dinner. It was a HUGE success! We received many compliments on how delicious the dinner was. From the fresh fish to the homemade tartar sauce, and the homegrown lemons! An Extra Special Thank You to Roy and Leona Spadoni, for their endless hours of organizing, shopping, and rallying the workers to get the job done. Also, we wouldn't be successful without our hard workers to make it all run smoothly. Most importantly, we would like to thank the community, friends, and families that continue to support our special events. It's events like this, that help us raise money to give back to the community, and St. Sebastian's church.

For example, in May we will be having our High School scholarship awards dinner. Mia Del Prede is our scholarship committee chairperson. She has received the scholarship applications, a committee has reviewed them, and we be giving \$600.00 to four award winners. The winners will be attending the dinner, along with their families. Our winners for this year are, Alonso Vera, Gabriel DeLoss, Jack Lenschmidt and Dulce Onofre.

We will be looking forward to hearing about their future plans after high school. Thank you, Mia!

On May 21st we will be having our Bocce tournament. Debbi Wallin is our chairperson and leading the charge on that special event.

Let the good times roll!

*That's all for now!
Thank You,
Pam McAlvain
President*



**FRESNO
District**

**Merced
Br. 39, St. Cecilia**

At the end of March, our branch held a very successful biscotti cookie sale with over 400 dozen cookies sold. Thanks to all the measurers, mixers, roller, loggers, bakers, cutters, and packagers, sorters and all who helped. We have a great team and success is due to all their hard work.

We also hosted a second Stations of the Cross at St. Patrick's Parish on March 24th. Josi, Bea, Jose, Nick, and Vince led the congregation through the stations.

Our dinner meeting was held April 12th at which time we elected delegates to the convention.

**Fresno
Br. 308, St. Anthony of Padua**

Hello members.

Spring is upon us. As I write this, we are having beautiful, pleasant days, the plants are in bloom. By the time you read this it will be 108 degrees in the Valley. Lovely.

While you are taking a break from mowing the lawn, why not volunteer to a leadership position. At this time the position of Recording Secretary is available. I know many of you have been waiting patiently for years for this post to open. Well, here's your chance. The job is simple: in as few words as possible record the salient points and important decisions that occur during our meetings. Once you have that written out, take 50% of what you've written and cross it out. The meeting minutes are done. They are called minutes for a reason. It's just that simple.

During our March meeting Debbi introduced the idea of having a Saturday fundraising dinner in the Fall. Our members can that happen.

Many of our members attended the Knights of Columbus St. Patrick's Dinner on March 18th. This huge event was well attended. As a matter of fact, I think I saw more members there, than at our meetings!

It's never too early to plan and sign up for the ICF Convention. As always, it's on Labor Day weekend. In the Southern California hot spot of Costa Mesa. Imagine being around a bunch of Italians for 3 days eating, drinking, and partying. Wait, we don't need to imagine anything, we live it.

*Jay Newsome
President*

**CENTRAL COAST
District**

**Santa Cruz
Br. 21, N.S. Del Soccorso**

Buon giorno, Tutti. We hope that everyone enjoyed a wonderful Easter Celebration. This month we celebrate Mother's Day. St. Therese d' Lisieux wrote: "The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a Mother." Therese, a French Carmelite nun, was canonized by Pope Pius XI in 1927. Among the many endeavors of her remarkable young life, was the writing of her autobiography. It became a best seller in the 20th Century. Coming back to our present-day reality:

~Our next General Meeting will be on May 2nd at 4 p.m. and it will be a Taco Tuesday. If you haven't already met our Branch's new President, Monica Crowley, there's your chance.

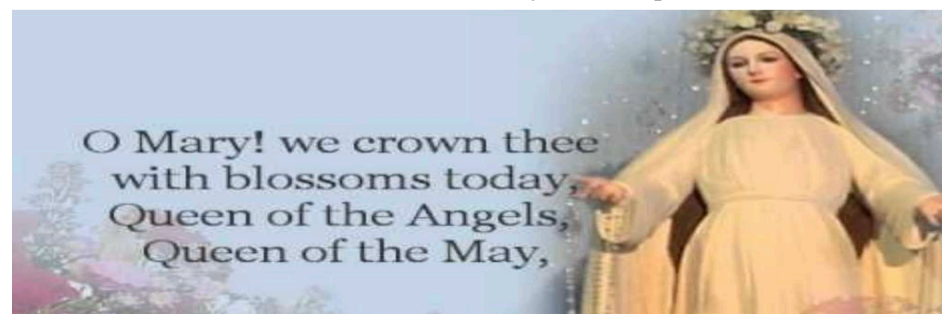
~On May 28th, at 10:30, our Seminarian Francisco Garcia will serve his first mass at Holy Cross. There will be a celebration after the mass at Holy Cross Hall. All are invited.

~Thanks to those who contributed to the No-Bake Campaign. More info about the proceeds will be shared soon.

~Convention time is approaching, and Raffle tickets are now on sale. They are \$20 per booklet and the prizes are amazing. If interested, get in touch with Bill Crowley.

In closing, perhaps you might say a prayer for those Branch members who are ill and for those who have experienced loss because of the recent storms. It has been a hard winter for some. Give thanks to God for the Sunshine...enjoy.

*Patty Morelli
Trustee- Branch 21*



**Monterey
Br. 36, Santa Rosalia**

Happy Mother's Day to all our Mothers and Grandmothers (Nonna) may you have a Blessed Day. "No one in your life will ever love you as your mother does. There is no love as pure, unconditional, and strong as a mother's love." Hope Edelman

April 20, 2023. Dinner/Meeting San Carlos Hall—Ham dinner with all the trimmings. 40 new members were initiated, and 6 high student received scholarships. Two 8th grade students from San Carlos school received achievement awards.

Next month we will announce their names—May 25, 2023. Dinner/Meeting Moose Lodge- Monterey. 92 Anniversary Br 36 Monterey Santa Rosalia celebration dinner at the Moose Lodge. The menu: salad, 8oz

New York steak, potato, mixed vegetables, dessert.

Price: \$25.00 per person. No tickets sold at the door.

Please send your reservation by May 21, 2023.-- ICF 36 - PO Box 2286 -Monterey CA. 93942

Or order on-line: MontereyICF.org. More info: contact: Elaine Valentine - 831-521-8026

Please pray for our members who are ill, hospitalized or homebound.

Happy Mother's Day

"You are a treasure and an asset to your family."

Proverbs 31:28

*Elaine Valentine
President Br 36*

**Castroville
Br. 51, Santa Caterina de Siena**

We have a lot of May birthdays to celebrate in Branch 51! Wishing a very happy birthday to Allison Barlow, Susan Carbonel, Mazie Rodriguez, Rosella Salarpi, Ashley Stefani, and Marie Tonus.

And to all of the mothers and grandmothers of Branch 51 and ICF, we hope you have a very happy Mother's Day spent surrounded by loved ones.

"The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother."

St. Therese of Lisieux

Stefani Cortopassi

Aptos Br. 227, St. Joseph

Our March 31 take-out fish dinner was a success with 102 dinners served. A huge SHOUT OUT to Sharleen Hedgpeth for her wonderful cooking and putting together the food and workers. Without her, this dinner would not have been possible. Thanks also to Dan Casagrande for preparing the rice pilaf; Linda Calciano for making some of the lemon bars and helping put together the salads; Mary Harrison for providing lunch to the workers and helping with the salads; Jane Kotila for serving as cashier; Manny and Magdalena Martinez for helping with desserts and bagging the dinners; Heidi Ambiel for bagging dinners and helping with cleanup; and Deanna Musler for breading the fish. To those who donated paper bags and lemons, we appreciate your contribution as well.

Please offer get well prayers to our members who are dealing with health issues: Marie Mungai who is at home after an extended hospital stay; Jim Smith who is recovering from surgery for a broken hip sustained in a fall at his home; Nancy Prevedelli who fell and broke her hip; and Maureen Benito who is recuperating at home.

Finally, we offer sincere condolences to Bruce and Jean Dunn on the passing of their son, Dr. Michael Dunn.

May God bless all mothers, for putting their children first instead of themselves. Wishing you a Happy Mother's Day.

Deanna Musler, Secretary

Arroyo Grande Br. 291, St. Patrick

After our very busy Lenten "Fish Fry" season, Branch 291 did not get much rest! We co-hosted a Central Coast District Meeting with the Paso Robles Branch on April 22nd, then the following day held our April General Meeting where we celebrated our St. Joseph's Table and enjoyed a "Greek-themed" delicious dinner prepared by one of our newest members, Kathleen Fisher. Maybe we can finally catch our breath in May?

In late March, Branch 291 lost a longtime, dedicated member, Sonia Wagner. Sonia was our "cake lady" for many years at our Lenten Fish Frys. She and her helpers always presented a wonderful dessert table at every fish fry, serving customers all the delicious cakes our members made with love each week. Sonia will now be joining her late husband, Jens, in heaven, where we're sure she'll be in charge of all the desserts! Please keep Sonia's family in your prayers as they mourn the loss of this wonderful lady.

Continue to keep these ICF members in your prayers who are experiencing

pain, illness or heartache at this time, including Crystina Giuffrida, Sylvia and Don Nasholm, Margo Ochoa, Pattie Rorrer, Nick Sausa and Doris Wais.

*Wishing all the moms a very happy Mother's Day!
Keely Sanchez
Recording Secretary*

CHICAGO District

Chicago

Br. 392, St. Francis Borgia

Greetings for the Windy City!

ICF of St. Francis Borgia - Branch 392 Chicago, Illinois

Branch 392 was quite busy the past few months, as a committee of hard-working individuals, led by our Maria Perna, got ready to host the 2023 St. Joseph's Day Table and Bake Sale for the St. Francis Borgia Parish. After much planning and preparations, the event took place on Saturday, March 11, 2023, after the evening Masses.

In the early evening the parish hall decorated in the traditional red and white and staffed with a happy crew of volunteers, was finally ready to welcome, guests, serve a delicious buffet of Italian specialties, and sell the delectable cookies and crispy breads.

A small altar with the St. Joseph statue surrounded by colorful flowers, baskets of fruit and a display of crusty breads and mouth-watering cookies was the focal point as parishioners, ICF members and friends entered the hall. At the opposite end a buffet was setting set-up to serve the delicious foods.

The 2023 St. Joseph's Day Table and Bake Sale, raising much needed funds for our church, was a huge success thanks to the individuals, businesses, restaurants, and bakeries for their monetary donations and contributions of food, baked goods, and paper products.

Many thanks to the Branch 392 committee and the leadership of Maria Perna for organizing such an amazing "tavolata". The evening concluded as Father Marek Smolka, Pastor at St. Francis Borgia, thanked everyone for their generosity and ongoing support.

"Mille grazie a tutti" for such a successful fundraiser. I close with best wishes for peace and health for all!

*Aurora Pensa
Secretary
ICF of St. Francis Borgia - Branch 392*

SANTA CLARA VALLEY District Council

Summer and graduations are just around the corner!

So, please save time for the annual district BBQ picnic at Vasona on Sunday, August 6th. Please note this is a new date, and the date reported in last month's *Bollettino* is incorrect.

The Santa Clara Valley District wishes all ICF members and their families a Happy Mother's Day!

Michael Rossi

Gilroy Br. 28, Santa Maria Ausiliatrice

Prior to our March 20th dinner meeting in keeping with Branch 28's mission of support of St. Mary Parish a \$5000 check was given to pastor Michael Hendrickson. Father Hendrickson graciously "thanked" Branch 28 for our support. Following the presentation members enjoyed a catered St. Patrick's Day meal of corn beef and cabbage.

The winner of the membership card drawing was Danny Scettrini who won an Easter-themed basket of treats and two large bunnies. A condition of winning is to have and show your membership card if your name is drawn. The membership pin drawing winning amount was rolled over to \$30 dollars at the next dinner meeting since the member drawn did not have their pin. Branch 28 has a planned bake sale for Sunday May 7. It will be at Cullen Hall next to the Church and will be available to all morning masses. Items included will be baked goods, jam/jellies, candy, homemade craft items and plants.

Our board members hold positions that entail certain responsibilities to allow Branch 28 to function. But there is one that transcends function and goes to emotion and love. Correspondence Secretary Marianne Peoples communications to those in need of love and support demonstrate a genuine care and concern for those in need. Thank you, Marianne.

At the March 20th dinner meeting outstanding spokesperson for and patient of Cooley's Anemia Laurice Levine informed Branch 28 that she would be unable to attend and speak at our meeting. The reason being that she was to undergo major surgery on April 11th for her Cooley's symptoms. Our love and prayers go out to Laurice and family.

*Peace and God Bless,
Kim M. Filice*

San Jose Br. 191, Saint Frances Cabrini

Spring is here! The sky is clear, winds are calm, the rains have diminished. Branch 191 is preparing spring and summertime activities for our members.

On March 25, our general membership meeting, we paid homage to St. Joseph. Our celebration included a lunchtime treat, of linguine and clams. Father Paolo blessed our lunch, along with leading a prayer to the devotion of St. Joseph. Many beautiful and appealing desserts, made by our members, completed the day. As we enjoyed each other's company, this made the celebration of St. Joseph complete.

Our Quarterly Mass/Palm Sunday Breakfast was a morning of celebration, community, and Goodwill. We as a Branch, were the host to 23 Pre-K/K children from SFC School. After attending the 8 a.m. Mass at SFC, the children arrived for arts and crafts. Breakfast was served hot off the grill of pancakes and frittatas, with donut holes for the youngsters. Rain kept the egg hunt inside the hall, but great fun was had by every child (and adults too)! Our Assyrian community also joined in as well, enjoying breakfast and coffee. No rain dampened our spirits that morning.

Summertime fun is in the planning stages, as Branch 191 will be hosting a summer BBQ in the Bocce Court. What do we have at BBQ time? Our discussion of the menu included BBQ Chicken, Chili Beans, and all the trimmings to round out the evening. (Even a game or two of Bocce) This event will take place in July with the Exact Date, to be announced. Please be sure to watch the *Bollettino* and keep in touch with our members for further details.

Summertime fun at Branch 191.

*Ciao,
Shirley Catania, sentinel*



San Jose
Br. 368, Santa Teresa de
Avila

St. Joseph's Table fundraiser was Sunday March 19th and a huge success that will be considered as an ICF annual tradition. Mary Ridi, and Kathy Schroeder deserve a big thank you for doing such a great job putting this event together. The rosary was said in different languages, Fava beans were the main course, three of John Galio's crosses were door prizes won by 2 ICF members, Patty Capps and Carol Bennett, and over 100 people attended. Everyone asks, what is St. Joseph's Table, so, please Google it. Lots of information online. This tradition comes from the Middle Ages. During a famine in Sicily, many people were starving, Italians prayed to St. Joseph to ensure successful crops. Their prayers were answered, and the famine came to an end. In gratitude, people promised to make annual offerings of their most precious possession – food – in St. Joseph's honor.

Remember that a good way to introduce people to ICF meetings is to bring them to our meeting and their dinner is free.

A brick has been ordered by John Gilio and will be placed in the patio area of Avila Hall at one of our meetings, weather permitting.

Please pray for our sick members, Kathy Myers, Paul Butler, Maureen and Mike Curulla and Kevin Eck.

If you have an item or picture you would like to see in the *Bollettino*, please let me know at email myers.tr@gmail.com or text at 408-826-1043. I would appreciate receiving items by the 5th of each month.

Thank you
Tom Myers

San Jose
Br. 391, St. Martin of Tours

President Steve Lencioni thanked Al and Diana Vallorz from Tony & Alba's for preparing a delicious Pasta dinner and all the volunteers that helped serve for our April meeting.

Marcie Rossi has created a GoFundMe page to help Laurice Levine, ICF Cooley's Anemia representative, with her back surgery. Marcie collected donations before the meeting. Contact Marcie for additional information.

Teresa Broderson presented her financial report that included \$1400 donated to first year scholarships and \$900 to Cooley's Anemia, and individual donations from branch members. Steve thanked members for their generosity.

Tina Rossi mailed convention raffle tickets out to members this month. Please return ticket stubs and checks



to Tina by August 15, 2023. Remember that this is one of our annual fundraisers whereby our Branch 391 retains \$10 for each booklet purchased.

In her monthly heritage report, Louise Vento reported on Easter celebrations in Italy. Great job, Louise!

Due to low attendance, our next quarterly communion mass will be moved to a later time to improve attendance. Please attend our next mass at 11:30 a.m. on June 11, 2023.

Our Spring Fundraiser was a success. Thank you, members, for your support and donated prizes.

Reminders:

Branch 391 Dinner Meeting—Tuesday, May 2, 2023, 5:30 p.m. social and 6:00 p.m. dinner in the Gym; ICF Pancake Breakfast has been changed to Sunday, June 11, 2023, after 8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. masses; 2023 ICF Quarterly Masses—June 11, September 10, and December 10, 2023; Italian American Heritage Festa—Saturday and Sunday, August 5-6, 2023; District BBQ picnic—August 6, 2023 at Vasona.

Happy Mother's Day to all our Moms!
Janis Patellaro

Sunnyvale
Br. 408, Resurrection

Happy Mother's Day!

Patricia Look presented a \$2000 check from Br. 408 to the Resurrection School 5th Grade Class President for their Science Camp fund which was raised at the 2023 ICF PASTA Dinner.

Br. 408 will host a Free to the Parish Ministry Service Sunday and Pancake Breakfast on 23 April—two weeks after Easter—in the Farana Center—after all the Sunday Masses.

Our next ICF Blood Drive will be held Sunday 4 June 2023 in the Farana Center.

Please Pray for our Members who need our Prayers: Laurice Levine, Al Chantelope, and Dori Blefari.

Morgan Hill
Br. 435, Santa Caterina
D'Alessandria

Our newly remodeled St Catherine Church is finished and beautiful. Bishop Oscar Cantu presided over a bilingual mass on March 18. The gifts were brought to the altar by branch members, John B and MaryAnn Sorci. A wonderful barbeque followed at O'Donnell Center. Many of our members attended this enjoyable event.

Our first Dinner/Meeting was also held in March honoring St Patrick. Tommy Palmer, Chef, presented us a delicious Corned Beef and Cabbage meal.

Our next event will be a Dinner/Meeting on April 18. Tommy Palmer's dish will be Pork Porchetta Once again a big thank you to the Knights of Columbus for sharing their reservations in O'Donnell Center with us.

We are happy to announce we have three applicants for First Year Scholarship The funds of the Scholarship award will be used at the college of the

winners choice. These three are all relatives of members of 435. Good luck!

Well, Easter is past us and we hope you have had a blessed day. Looking forward to more spring weather and cherishing God's handiwork.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sylvia Sorci

San Jose
Br. 445, Transfiguration

March was a busy month for Br 445! During our general meeting, we feasted on an Italian Sausage meal with bell peppers, onions, rolls and salad prepared by member Andy La Scola. Grazie!

Then we celebrated Emily Corral's 89th birthday with festive cupcakes for dessert!

Saint Joseph's Day began with our Quarterly Mass followed by our Saint Joseph's Table celebrations at Mt. Tabor Hall. Pastor Fr. Tito Cartagenas led ICF members and parishioners in the blessing of the altar/table. Many thanks to all who decorated the hall and prepared a variety of delicious meatless foods.

Branch 445 Chaplain Fr. Christopher Bennett's Lenten series themed "From Ashes to Glory" was inspiring. Branch 445 and other ICF members as well as parishioners from Transfiguration and St. Christopher's participated. Many thanks to Fr. Chris and all the Br. 445 members who helped to coordinate this event. Also, kudos to Br. 445's vocalists and musicians whose music was appreciated during each session!

Our second annual Mother's Day Fundraiser featuring a Baker's Dozen of Assorted Gourmet Cookies in a festive Happy Mother's Day Gift Box is in full swing. We are anticipating another successful event with proceeds going to support our sack lunch ministry and other ICF charities.

We wish everyone a Happy Mother's Day...Auguriamo a tutti una Buona Festa della Mamma!

Happy May Birthday wishes to Gretchen Pearce and Barbara Howell ... *Buon Compleanno e Tanti Auguri!*

Until next month stay safe and well!

;-) Jan Marianelli Stumhoffer

STOCKTON
District Council

Make Your Reservations Now
for the Stockton District's
2023 Bishop's Burse

Honoring Bishop Cotta and the
Stockton Diocese Seminarians

Sat., June 10th--Join the Most Reverend, Bishop Myron Cotta
for 5:30 Mass at St. Anne's Church in Lodi

followed by Dinner in St. Anne's Hall
\$40/person; \$15/children (12 and under)

For tickets, contact your Branch.

Modesto
Br. 48, St. Stanislaus

I hope everyone had a very Blessed Easter. For the first time I did not have the dinner with all my family at my home. My youngest son and his wife have taken over for our gatherings. It was a very Blessed and enjoyable day with all my children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Our next event is our Bake Sale, May 6-7 after the masses at the J Street Church. It is our biggest fundraiser. Our members go all out making plenty of baked goods to be sold. We have cakes, cookies, biscotti, pies, banana nut bread, tiramisu and many other items, Their help is very much appreciated.

Since our Maze Blvd. Church will be under repair for approximately one year all our events will take place at the J Street Church.

Happy Mother's Day to all our Mothers!!

Upcoming events.

May 6-7 Bake Sale in front of the Church

May 10 Mother's Day Potluck and meeting

June 10 Bishop's Burse - Lodi Mass 5:30 p.m.

Stockton district Picnic in August TBA
Cecelia McGhee

Lodi**Br. 82, St. Anne's**

April showers bring May flowers... and pollen! Break out those allergy remedies because the blooming is going to be zooming! Our branch is zooming right along with it!

The ICF table during Petal Ministry Weekend April 15/16 brought attention to our organization and the ability to recruit new members. YAY!

At our April meeting, we toured the regions of Italy through cheese! We delighted our palettes with Burrini from Molise, Castelmagno from Piemonte, Stracchino from Liguria, and many more.

After two months of waiting, our Blood Drive at the Eagles Hall finally came to fruition. Many donated this greatly needed precious gift of life. Thanks to all who stuffed goodie bags with items from CHLA for the donors and chatted with them about Thalassemia and ICF's support of Thalassemia research.

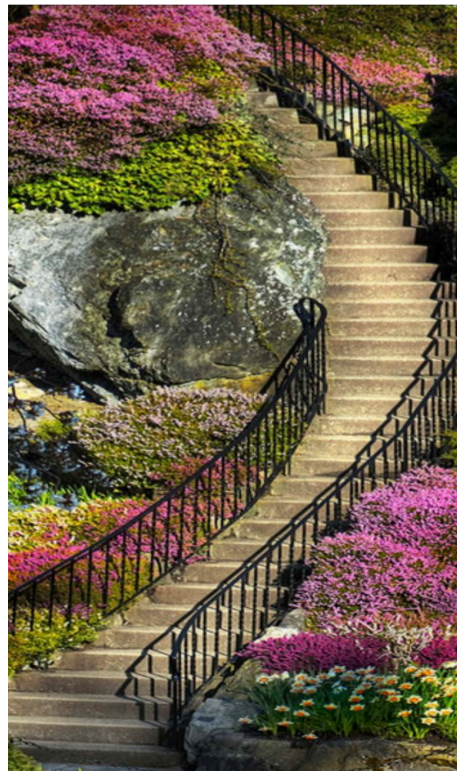
Back by popular demand, and just in time to give as a Mother's Day gift... our Brick House Dinner Fundraiser! Dine-in and feast on All-You-Can-Eat Minestrone Soup, Salad, 2 types of Pasta, and bread. Un pasto delizioso! Contact Chris or Elisa for tickets.

Want to learn or brush up on your Italian? Come to our May 22nd meeting where Kathy Manasero, our guest speaker, will share information about classes at the Stockton Italian School.

Don't forget to purchase your tickets to the District's Bishop's Burse on Sat. June 10th in St. Anne's Hall. Contact Elisa.

Dear Mothers, May Jesus be your protector and give you strength, health, and peace so that you may be a refuge for your family. Enjoy your special day!

Patty Litts, President

**Manteca****Br. 139, Nostra Signora del Buon Viaggio**

After another delicious masterpiece by Chef Tony Queirolo, our meeting was called to order by Vice president Ida Queirolo, who led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Federation Pledge. She was serving in place of the absent President Birdie Nieri.

Carly Cunial was announced as our newest member.

Planning will begin soon as our branch will be hosting the 2024 Bishop's Burse.

After much discussion, it was voted to postpone our Shrimp Dinner until next spring. A constricted lead-up time was a major factor in this decision.

Our branch decided to make a generous donation to the ICF Scholarship Fund.

Central Council member Dante Galeazzi announced the Festa Italiana will be held on June 11 at the Lodi Grape Festival Grounds.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer and the singing of the Federation Anthem.

Your "corrispondente" must mention the valued assistance of Past Branch President Anna Mello in the preparation of this report.

*Ciao,
Mariano*

Angels Camp**Br. 413, St. Patrick's**

We had a successful St. Patrick's celebration. It was so much fun that Father John Paul wants the event free for the whole parish. Let us see how we can accomplish that. The branch awarded three scholarships this year. We received anonymous donations for two of the scholarships. We are very grateful for our friends that believe that the scholarship program is a good cause and can contribute.

We have just celebrated Easter. Everyone is looking forward to the rest of spring. We will be ready for the parish needs.

Prayers for all of our ICF members and families. Thank you.

*Ciao,
Annette Pachinger
Correspondence Secretary*

**SAN DIEGO****District****Chula Vista****Br. 229, St. Rose of Lima**

Branch #229 of St. Rose of Lima Parish, in Chula Vista, California, held its annual St. Joseph's Table Celebration Bake Sale on Sunday, March 26.

Our members prepared Italian cookies, pizzelle, mini cannoli and bread rolls in anticipation of celebrating the Patron of the Universal Church.

During the morning Masses, the priests blessed the breads at our table, and we distributed them to the parishioners afterwards.

This successful fundraiser enabled us to donate our proceeds to the Sister Dolores Social Outreach Program to help the poor and needy of our community.

We truly appreciate the support of our parishioners and the hard work and dedication of our wonderful members. We worked as a team and had a lot of fun along the way!

Dio vi benedica tutti,

*Esther Pierotti
Corresponding Secretary
ICF Branch #229*

San Diego**Br. 246, St. Charles Borromeo**

It's a Wrap! We completed the Lenten Fish Fry's, which proved to be a very successful community builder. Thank you to all our members who have played a big role in helping make the smooth transition to St. Charles Borromeo. Thank you to our members for your dedication and volunteer hours ensure Branch 246 served the Best Lenten Fish Fry in San Diego. Kudos to the Phil's BBQ Family for their dedication and help!

Please join us on April 16th, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. for our General Meeting in the St. Charles Borromeo Parish hall. We invite all of our members to attend the meeting as we expect to discuss upcoming events including the Monsignor Mimmagh Scholarship.

Ciao – Joe Fontana, Branch President

SAN BERNARDINO**District****Upland****Br. 446, Saint Anthony**

Our branch has been busy! We were honored to have Fr. Isaac Katina, O.S.B. from St. Andrew's Abbey, as a guest speaker. He spoke about faith and about his life growing up in the Italian area of San Pedro. Our annual Italian cookie fundraiser to celebrate St. Joseph's Day was a very successful event. We sold cookies after all the Masses on the weekend of March 19th. The parishioners were very generous with their donations as well as with their purchases. We had another sell-out year! The main organizers of the event were Trustee Domenico Ricci and 1st VP Joyce Tesoro. We could not have done so well without the dedication and generosity of our branch members. They baked dozens and dozens and dozens of homemade treats. They even stood out in the drizzling weather dancing with signs to attract attention. We also used this event as a new member recruitment opportunity. Our branch is excited about attracting so many new members in the past 3 months. We are proud that some of our 10 new members represent many different nationalities and heritages! Our Branch was honored to once again present the Stations of the Cross during Lent. Our upcoming events include a field trip to the Italian Heritage Museum in Los Angeles to see the Pinocchio exhibit, a cannoli sale in honor of Our Lady of Fatima, heritage presentations from some of our members and our annual Ice Cream Social and Bocce in the Park event.



Deadline for June
Bollettino is
May 10th.
Send articles & photos:
editor@icf.org

SAN BERNARDINO DISTRICT



Br. 446, Parishioners at the cookie table watching the blessing of the St. Joseph statue.



Br. 446 teen member Dante Zappia dancing with sign



Br. 446, Virginia Impastato dancing with sign while Veronica Mora and Joyce Tesoro add encouragement.



Fr. Isaac Katina O.S.B. speaking at a Br. 446 meeting

Deadline for June issue of the *Bollettino* is May 10th. Send articles & photos: editor@icf.org



Br. 446, Blessing of the St. Joseph statue by Fr. Kenneth Okoroudo and Deacon Richard Simpson



Br. 446 Installation of new members



Branch 446 officers Trustee Joe DiCamillo, Secretary Betty Cavanaugh, Financial Secretary Peter Tesoro, Treasurer Danny Centurioni, 1st V-P Joyce Tesoro, President Tony Santorufo, Sentinel Anna Reyna, Trustee Dominico Ricci. Absent from photo are Orator Paula DeStefano and 2nd V-P Jim Impastato. #6 Branch 446 officers Trustee Joe DiCamillo, Secretary Betty Cavanaugh, Financial Secretary Peter Tesoro, Treasurer Danny Centurioni, 1st V-P Joyce Tesoro, President Tony Santorufo, Sentinel Anna Reyna, Trustee Dominico Ricci. Absent from photo are Orator Paula DeStefano and 2nd V-P Jim Impastato.

SAN FRANCISCO AREA



Branch 1

STOCKTON DISTRICT



Br. 82 Members Decorated Salvation Army's Hope Harbor Dining Room for Easter



Br. 82 Angelina and Emma Decorating Hope Harbor for Easter



Br. 413 Members serving Corned Beef Sandwiches and the fixings



Br. 390, Sandy Parreiras, our dedicated kitchen helper, getting ready for the dinner



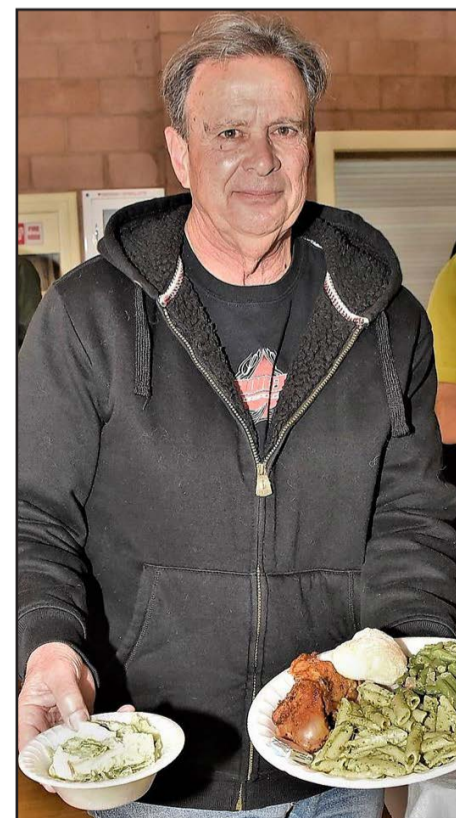
Br. 390, Maxine Millingar getting a birthday hug from Pat Reeves as Maxine turns 94 today.



Br. 413 Fr. John Paul Pasala at ICF's annual St. Patrick's Corned Beef Sandwich lunch



Br. 390, John Dias enjoying the dinner with his daughter Monica, and grandson.



Br. 390, Gary Campilongo getting ready to eat.

Italian Catholic Federation 1st Annual SoCal Charity Golf Tournament



**Location: Temecula Creek Inn
44501 Rainbow Canyon Rd,
Temecula 92592**

July 28th

Friday, 2023

**Shotgun Starts at 8 AM
Registration Fee: \$200
After Deadline: \$210**

Name of Golfer: _____
 Email: _____
 Name of Golfer: _____
 Email: _____
 Name of Golfer: _____
 Email: _____

Make checks payable to:

Italian Catholic Federation Golf Tournament
 8393 Capwell Dr. Suite 110, Oakland, CA 94621
 Make check \$200 per Golfer, write Golf in memo line

**SIGN UP DEADLINE
Friday, July 14th**

For more info, contact Perry Shurko
 Cell: 562-804-0230
 Email: p_shurko@yahoo.com

Italian Catholic Federation

21st Annual Central Council

CHARITY GOLF

TOURNAMENT

**Friday
JULY 28
2023**

Shotgun Start 8:30 AM

Bennett Valley Golf Course
 3328 Yulupa Ave
 Santa Rosa, CA 95405

REGISTRATION FEE:

\$180 includes: Green Fees, Golf Cart, Range Balls,
 Prize Fund & BBQ Buffet Banquet
 Deadline Friday, July 14, 2023
 After price per Golfer \$190
 Banquet only: \$50

**BBQ Buffet Catered by
Bennett Valley Grille
3328 Yulupa Ave - Santa Rosa**

Make check (\$180 per Golfer - Banquet only \$50 per person) payable to Italian Catholic Federation (write Golf in memo line). Send check & form to ICF - 8393 Capwell Dr., Ste. 110, Oakland, CA 94621

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For More Information: 1-888-ICF-1924 or www.ICF.org



**Not a Golfer? We have the
Perfect Opportunity for You!**

**The Italian Buffet
Great Raffle: \$50 per person**

Name: _____
 Email: _____
 Phone Number: _____

Make check \$50 per person. Write Banquet in memo line

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July 28th

Friday, 2023

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Italian Catholic Federation Bennett Valley Golf Course - 3328 Yulupa Ave - Santa Rosa, CA 95405

21th Annual Central Council

GOLF

TOURNAMENT

**Friday
JULY 28,
2023**

"The BBQ Buffet"

Not a Golfer...We have the perfect opportunity for You!
 Come and Congratulate the Winners and Commiserate with the Non-Winners!

Time: 12:30 pm

Place: Bennett Valley Grill - 3328 Yulupa Ave - Santa Rosa

Price: \$50 per person

BBQ Buffet Banquet - No-Host Bar - Great Raffle

Name: _____
 E-Mail: _____
 Phone #: _____

Please make your checks payable to:

Italian Catholic Federation Golf Tournament
 8393 Capwell Dr. Suite 110 Oakland, CA 94621

Deadline July 14th. (Write Banquet on the memo line)

For More Information: 1-888-ICF-1924 or www.icf.org

Italian Catholic Federation
 Bennett Valley Golf Course - 3328 Yulupa Ave - Santa Rosa, CA 95405
 Temecula Creek Inn - 44501 Rainbow Canyon Rd - Temecula, CA 92592

21th Annual Central Council
GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday JULY 28, 2023

Sponsorship Opportunities
 Even if you can't attend the tournament or banquet, you can show your support of the ICF with one of our sponsorship opportunities:

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Signage at each table at the banquet	
<input type="checkbox"/> Closest to the Pin Sponsor: Your name on the sign on the closest to the pin hole (4 available)	\$ 50 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Goodie Bag Sponsor: Sponsor the Golfers Goodie Bags. Your name on each bag. (10 available)	\$ 25 <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Raffle Donations: Donate a basket (minimum \$50 value) or money towards a basket (Unlimited)	

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 My Sponsorship is for Northern CA Southern CA

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Deadline July 14th, after this day, we cannot guarantee a sign will be produced, but the sponsor will be mentioned.
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Enjoy Festa Italiana!
June 11 at Lodi Grape Festival Grounds

Get into the spirit of Italy at Festa Italiana! Sunday, June 11th from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lodi Grape Festival Grounds. This grand event brings the community together with the finest food, activities and entertainment of the Italian culture.

Renowned Italian Tenor Pasquale Esposito headlines the Morada Produce Main Stage! Nino, d'Italiano, local opera singer Bianca Orsi, and the Trucco Band! The Balliamo! Italian Dancers headline in the Pavilion. Stroll and enjoy wine tasting. Local entertainment is featured on the Benevenuti Stage, including Stockton Garage Combo, Opera Singer Kerri Scott, Louis Lodi, and the Nicolini Brothers on accordions. The Bambini Zone will delight your little ones - enjoying Sparkles and Ravioli the clowns, Rhymosaurs. Also, the Bambini Dancers is offering Italian Dance lessons! The Funambululus Italian Stilt Walkers will stroll about delighting attendees of all ages!

Festa offers delicious Italian food from local Italian 'chefs', a Mercato Marketplace, cooking demonstrations, Italian art and history, bocce ball, salami toss, the automobili show, wine tasting, olive oil and local product tastings, and much more! The "Boss of the Sauce" contest is back. An Italian history display in the Pavilion honors the late Dino Cortopassi, local farmer, businessman and philanthropist.

Festa Italiana! is a family-friendly event for all ages! Tickets are \$15 at the door, or \$10 in advance online. Children 12 and under are admitted free with an adult. Please visit festa-italiana.com for further event information!

Festa Ticket Locations: Gian's Deli - 2112 Pacific Avenue, Stockton; SASS! Public Relations - 628 Lincoln Center, Stockton; Pietro's Trattoria - 317 E. Kettleman, Lodi; Lodi Grape Festival Ground - 413 E. Lockeford Street, Lodi; Rinaldi's Market - 4625 Duncan Road, Linden; the Fruit Bowl - 8767 E. Waterloo Road, Stockton.



SF Chaplains' Night 1963 (Right to Left): Rev. Bevenuto Bavero, Br. 29; Rev. Richard Long, Br. 19; Rev. Efreim Trettel, Br. 20; Rev. Victor Bazzanella, Br. 1; Rev. Michele Raimondi, Br. 59; Rev. Vittorio Alessandri; Rev. Frank Murray, Br. 50. (Left to Right CC): Joseph Spinetta, Robert Grassilli, Carolyn Cugia, Mario Cugia, Mary Carmazzi, Rinaldo Carmazzi - GP



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IRS AND STATE OF CALIFORNIA FRANCHISE TAX BOARD

As you are aware, the IRS and Franchise Tax Board for the State of California require annual tax returns to be filed by our Districts and Branches.

It is important to remember that all Districts and Branches now have two numbers a Federal Tax ID Number for any forms filed with the IRS and a State Tax ID Number for any forms filed with the State. The IRS limit for the tax year ending 2022 is the following:

Branches or Districts with Gross Receipts of more than \$50,000.00 will be required to file IRS Form 990 EZ or 990.

Branches or Districts with Gross Receipts of \$50,000.00 or less will be required to electronically file IRS Form 990-N which is an e-Postcard.

The State limit for the tax year ending 2022 is the following:

Branches or Districts in California with Gross Receipts of more than \$50,000.00 will be required to file State Form 199.

Branches or Districts in California with Gross Receipts of \$50,000.00 or less will be required to electronically file State Form 199-N which is an e-Postcard.

THIS IS IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND MUST BE STRICTLY FOLLOWED

Both Forms must be filed no later than May 15, 2023. The IRS and State strictly adhere to this date, so please take this process seriously.

Any District or Branch who does not file for 3 consecutive years will lose its tax exempt status with the IRS and the State. If you lose your tax exempt status you will have to file paperwork and pay a fine in order to regain your tax exempt status.

Included in the Financial Secretaries' packet are materials that the District and Branch Financial Secretaries will need to help them with this process. District and Branch Presidents - please work with your Financial Secretary to go over the information when it is received and see that the appropriate forms are filed by the due date.

Please make sure all District or Branch finances are in order and that Bank Statements are reconciled through December 31, 2022. Remember that the Gross Receipts are total amounts received without subtracting any costs or expenses. These amounts include, but are not limited to, Membership and Hospitalization Dues, Dinners, Fundraisers, Raffle Tickets, Income from Convention Raffle Tickets and Calendar Sales, Interest from all Bank Accounts, Monetary Donations, etc.

If you have any questions, or need help filing, please call the ICF Office at 1-888-423-1924.
 Thank You--Lisa Crudo, Grand Treasurer

APRIL CALENDAR WINNERS

DAY	NAME	BR	CITY	WINS
4/1	Maria Pena	342	Grass Valley, CA	\$30
4/2	Rob & Tina Marquez		Vacaville, CA	\$30
4/3	Karen Kocvara	379	Huntington Beach, CA	\$30
4/4	Donald Simon	19	Daly City, CA	\$30
4/5	Lori Combs	27	Madera, CA	\$30
4/6	Lorrie Brescia		Montgomery Village, MD	\$30
4/7	Gerry Buxie	91	Anamoose, ND	\$30
4/8	Angie Monson	214	Concord, CA	\$30
4/9	Jon Pedicino	144	Eureka, CA	\$100
4/10	Wade Wantoch		Brookings, SD	\$30
4/11	Elsie Collins	33	Bakersfield, CA	\$30
4/12	Dale & Terry Benson		Lakewood, CO	\$30
4/13	Bill Segale	209	Forestville, CA	\$30
4/14	Jackie Anderson	408	Sunnyvale, CA	\$30
4/15	Lorraine D'Elia	213	Daly City, CA	\$30
4/16	The Marsalli Family	5	Santa Clara, CA	\$30
4/17	Amato Ghilarducci		Bakersfield, CA	\$30
4/18	Dave & Linda DeFrank		Fresno, CA	\$30
4/19	Kathleen Bullene	25	Salinas, CA	\$30
4/20	John & Patsy Grisafe	210	Riverside, CA	\$30
4/21	Billy Joe Brown		Citrus Heights, CA	\$30
4/22	Fr. John Bruno		Sanger, CA	\$30
4/23	Pattie Simas	39	Merced, CA	\$30
4/24	John C. Hester, Jr.		Fresno, CA	\$30
4/25	Bruce Cosgrove		Meadow Vista, CA	\$30
4/26	Maddison Rayta		Maple Grove, MN	\$30
4/27	Rebecca Collins	281	Bakersfield, CA	\$30
4/28	Branch 154		Richmond, CA	\$30
4/29	Fr. Sam Ward	362	Downey, CA	\$30
4/30	Debbie Presti		Antelope, CA	\$30

SEE THESE FIRST ON OUR WEB SITE: ICF.ORG



SAVE THE DATE 12th Annual ICF Convention Blood Drive

Friday, September 1st
Time TBA

Convention Hotel - The Westin South Coast Plaza

Sponsored by:
The ICF Live to Give Committee

To Reserve a spot please Contact:

Laurice Levine

LLevine430@aol.com or 360-860-2023



Italian Catholic Federation Annual Central Council Election

The Central Council is the governing body of the organization. Members keep the Catholic spirit intact and assure the integrity and continuance of the Federation.



www.ICF.org

Expand your commitment to the ICF as a Central Council Member. Candidacy is open to Members in all Branches. The age cap has been eliminated and it is no longer required to be a Convention Delegate to run.

Campaign Process:

- Submit your candidate application, Bollettino entry and a headshot photo to the ICF office by August 1. (Firm deadline)
- Optional full page yearbook ad is due to the office by July 1. (See yearbook information).
- One poster (maximum size 24 X 36) may be displayed in the designated area.
- Each candidate will be provided with one table at "Meet the Candidates." In lieu of hospitality rooms, this is your sole campaign area at the hotel to utilize if you wish to distribute flyers and campaign favors. Food and beverage related favors (including candy) are not permitted in our hotel contract. You may decorate your table avoiding balloons or confetti. Candidates are responsible for table cleanup following the Friday night festivities.
- To maintain fairness, campaigning is not permitted during registration, sessions, activities, on the ICF Facebook page, or in the Bollettino (other than your candidate entry).
- Campaign speeches will be held during the Saturday session - two minutes per candidate.

Responsibilities of Central Council Members:

- Honor the ICF By-laws, Rituals and Central Council Statutes.
- Attend Central Council meetings and the annual convention. Travel is reimbursed.
- Serve and participate on the Central Council committees to which you are appointed by the Grand President.
- Support and promote all ICF programs.
- Inform the ICF office of any serious problem pertaining to the Branches and Districts throughout the Federation.
- Serve as a Special Representative at events at the request of the Grand President.
- Attend your Branch and District meetings, providing leadership as needed and assisting with ICF protocol.
- Keep lines of communication open between Branches, Districts and the Central Council.



CENTRAL COUNCIL CANDIDATE NOMINATION APPLICATION

I, _____ / _____
Name City/State
wish to be a Candidate for Membership to the Central Council.

I have been nominated by _____ / _____
Branch No. City

Signature of Candidate Date

Signature of Branch President Date
(or alternate) submitting the name of the above Candidate for nomination.

This nomination application is to be postmarked by August 1st of the election year. Email and fax are also acceptable submission methods.

Central Council Nominee Profile

Describe in 300 words or less your qualifications for candidacy and the goals you hope to accomplish as a member of the Central Council.

Candidate entries to be included in the Bollettino, must be emailed to both the ICF Office and the Bollettino Editor by August 1st. Email admin@icf.org and editor@icf.org. Submissions should include a clear photo.

Note:

Candidates should wear proper business attire at all convention business functions; no campaign T-shirts, pins, etc.

For additional information, or for clarification on the campaign process, please contact the ICF Convention Director.

ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION 2023 CONVENTION EVENT RESERVATIONS AND NAME BADGES

Branch #:

City:

Please use additional sheets, if needed.
Also include names of guests not buying event tickets to ensure a nametag is prepared.

District:

	Print First Name	Print Last Name	Friday Bingo \$25	Friday Dinner \$75 <small>Children \$30</small>	Saturday Dinner \$75 <small>Children \$30</small>	Sunday Lunch \$45 <small>Children \$25</small>	Total
Delegate 1				included	included	included	
Delegate 2				included	included	included	
Delegate 3				included	included	included	
Delegate 4				included	included	included	
Member/Gst							
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Children's meals are for ages 10 and younger. Make note of child's entrée above. Outside food and beverage is not permitted in the event space.

Clergy: Diocesan Chaplains' - Friday and Saturday's dinners are included as well as Sunday's Lunch. Please write included for the meals attending. Branch and District Chaplains are a Branch/District expense.

Clergy Title	Print First Name	Print Last Name	Friday Bingo \$25	Friday Dinner \$75	Saturday Dinner \$75	Sunday Lunch \$45	Total

- Submit this form by August 15 to ensure your members are seated together.
- Refunds will not be issued after headcounts are provided to the venues.

Total Check payable to ICF Central Council:	\$ <input style="width: 80%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
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ICF Convention Community Outreach

Ten years ago, the ICF honored Chef Bruno Serato with the Pope Saint John XXIII Award, recognizing his efforts to begin a program to feed pasta dinners to underprivileged children in Orange County. Named Caterina's Club (after his mother), his program is based out of Orange County and now serves over 25,000 hot, nutritious meals each week to children in 104 locations. This all started by providing one hungry child a plate of pasta. Let's help feed SoCal children by...



Donating 1,000 pounds of Spaghetti

This can be achieved if each convention attendee brings 5 pounds of dry spaghetti in their suitcase.
The donation station will be located in the delegate registration area.

Have extra room in your car or luggage? Consider asking members to bring spaghetti to a branch meeting to contribute to the convention fundraiser.



ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION 2023 Convention • Diocese of Orange

Thursday, August 31 - Sunday, September 3

Travel Highlights

Location:
Westin South Coast Plaza
686 Anton Boulevard
Costa Mesa, CA 92626
(714) 540-2500

Nightly Rate:
\$135 plus tax
The rate is available until August 7
or when we sell out.

Group Code:
ICFICFI
www.marriott.com/snawi
(800) MARRIOTT
Note: The code will not work
on the Marriott app.

Local Airports:
John Wayne Orange County 3 miles
Long Beach 20 miles

Self-Parking
\$15 plus tax (no valet discount)

For More Details:
Get updates first on the ICF Facebook
page, keyword: Italian Catholic
Federation. Also visit our website,
icf.org, and read the Bollettino.

All Are Welcome!
The ICF Convention is open to
all ICF members, clergy, family
and friends.

*Be
the
Light*

Convention Overview Thursday: Welcome Dinner Friday: Registration, Bingo, New Delegate Orientation, Open Forum, Meet the Central Council Candidates, Opening Ceremonies Dinner Saturday: Memorial Mass, Workshops, General Session, Central Council Election, Saintry Saturday Banquet Sunday - General Session, ICF Awards Luncheon, Concelebrated Mass, Installation of Officers

Convention Thursday Night Dinner/Dance

That's Amore!

Orange District invites you to
A Taste of Italy
featuring **The Sicilian Band**

Thursday, August 31, 2023
6:00 p.m. Wine & Soft Drinks
7:00 p.m. Dinner
Antipasto and Salad
Chicken Pasta Primavera
Baked Pasta
Dessert and Coffee

Three-Course Dinner
Raffle
Live Music
Dancing
\$45 per person

Saints Simon & Jude Catholic Church
20444 Magnolia St., Huntington Beach, CA 92646
(7 miles from the Convention Hotel)

...Carpools, Uber/Lyft, or Taxi...
Recommended for transportation to/from
the venue.

Let's celebrate together as one big ICF family!

RSVP and payment due by August 10, 2023

Guest Name _____ Branch # _____
Guest Name _____ Branch # _____
Guest Name _____ Branch # _____
Guest Name _____ Branch # _____

Contact Person Phone Number _____ and Email _____



Mail RSVP and payment to:
Make payment to: Italian Catholic Federation Branch 379
Mail to: Jane Wescott
16072 Jereva Circle, Huntington Beach, CA 92647
Check Memo Line: Thursday Dinner



Delegate Registration



BRANCH NO. _____ CITY: _____ DISTRICT: _____
Individual Members as of March 31st: _____ Number of Delegates Required: _____ (see below)

*The Central Council looks forward to welcoming you
to the 2023 convention in scenic Costa Mesa.*

Delegate registration deadline is July 1.

Elections for delegates are to take place at a branch meeting before the registration deadline.
Please review all convention flyers for details on hotel and event reservations.

DELEGATE NAME: (Print clearly) Use additional sheets if necessary.	Check for 1 st time delegate	Date Arriving	Email Address
1. _____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____

ALTERNATE DELEGATES:

1. _____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____

Mail this form with registration payment of \$350.00 per delegate by July 1 to: Italian Catholic Federation, 8393 Capwell Drive, #110, Oakland, CA 94621. Late registration is \$375.

Delegate registration fee includes: Friday Opening Ceremonies Banquet, Saturday Saintry Awards Banquet, Sunday ICF Awards Luncheon, copy of the yearbook, convention materials, and contribution towards convention related expenses such as microphones for sessions and masses.

Branch Check No. _____ No. of Delegates: _____ X \$350 (by 7/1) or \$375 (after 7/1) = \$ _____

Signature of one Branch Officer _____ Position _____ Date _____

FOR ICF Office Use: Delegates: _____ Guests: _____ Total Attendees: _____

Saintry Saturday Banquet

*"Consult not your fears, but your
hopes & your dreams."
-Saint Pope John XXIII*

*"Faith in action is love and
love in action is service."
-Saint Teresa of Calcutta*

The Italian Catholic Federation
invites you to the annual
convention banquet, honoring
the recipients of our
Saint Pope John XXIII and
Saint Teresa of Calcutta awards.

Banquet Menu:
Spinach and Frisee Salad
with blackberries and balsamic vinaigrette
Slow Braised Short rib
with fresh seasonal vegetables and rice pilaf
Cheesecake
with fresh berries
Coffee and Tea
(Other beverages available at the no-host bar)

September 2, 2023
6:30 PM No-host Cocktails
7:00 PM Dinner
Westin South Coast Plaza
Please use the branch headcount
form to make your reservation.

Delegates
Included in Registration
\$75 Non-Delegates
\$30 Children 10 and younger
(Menu TBA)
Suggested Attire: Semi-formal

ICF CONVENTION OPENING CEREMONIES

Friday, September 1, 2023

Westin South Coast Plaza

6:30 pm

Meet the Candidates and no-host cocktails

7:00 pm

Dinner followed by the Opening Ceremonies

Delegates included with registration

Non-delegates: \$75 adults

\$30 ages 10 and younger (Menu TBA)

Please RSVP
using the
reservation form.

Suggested attire:

Beach Chic / Dressy Casual

Please save shorts and swimsuits for the hotel pool.

Menu:

Mixed greens topped with strawberries, candied walnuts
and champagne vinaigrette

Grilled chicken with mushroom demi-glace,
seasonal vegetables, garlic mashed potatoes

Chocolate decadence cake

Coffee and Tea

(Other beverages available
at the no-host bar)




**CONVENTION
BINGO**

Westin South Coast Plaza
Friday, September 1
2pm - 4pm

Entry Fee Per Bingo Pack:
\$25 Advance Reservations
\$30 After August 15, or at the door

Each Bingo Pack includes 6 Bingo games. For each
game, participants will receive 6 Bingo cards per sheet.

Jackpots are based on the number of participants.

Please make your reservations on the branch headcount form.

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**2023
Awards
Luncheon**

Honoring the recipients of the Grand President's,
Family of the Year and Young Adult Leadership Awards

Sunday, September 3
12 noon
Westin South Coast Plaza

Delegates
included with registration
\$45 non-delegates
\$25 children 10 and younger
(menu TBA)

Menu:
Traditional Cesar Salad
Stuffed Breast of Chicken with
Feta & Sundried Tomato
Fresh Seasonal Vegetables
Pesto Risotto
Apple Tart with Caramel Sauce
Coffee and Tea
(additional beverages available
at the no-host bar)

Please RSVP by August 15 on
the branch reservation form.

Suggested Attire: Business Casual

THE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE PRESENT THE 2024 "DAILY RAFFLE THEME"



CELEBRATING THE 1920s

Featuring fun facts and tidbits from the "roaring 20's"
along with era themed recipes and cocktails

You can help make the calendar special!

List special family occasions such as
birthdays, anniversaries, graduation, any
special event! You can also include
Branch and District events

Mail information and checks payable to:

Italian Catholic Federation
8393 Capwell Dr., Suite 110
Oakland, CA 94621

Please also e-mail information to
admin@icf.org

Price Schedule

\$10 - one name/event

\$15 - 2 names/events

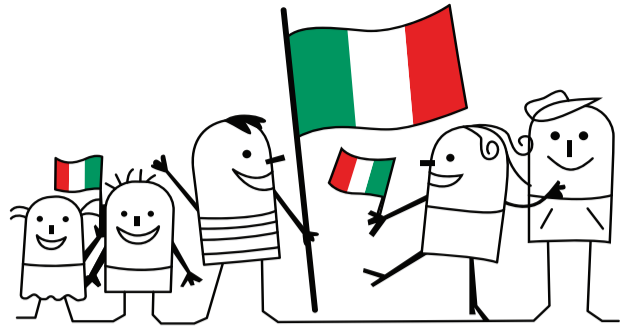
\$20 - 4 names/events

(additional numbers will be a combination
of prices listed above)

Example: \$30 - 5 names/events @ \$20 + \$10.00 or

\$40 - 8 names/events @ \$20 + \$20

Deadline for names and payment is: May 1, 2023



FESTA ITALIANA!

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CELEBRATING *all things* ITALIAN!

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SANTA ROSA DISTRICT



Fr. Matthew Williams blesses St. Joseph Table for Br. 144



Chef Alfred Eanni and friends at Br. 144



Br. 198, The Attendance Drawing winner at our April 3rd meeting was Tom Saska. Financial Secretary Linda Sherman presented him with his winnings!



Br. 75



St. Joseph's table Br. 144



Corned-Beef cabbage participants – Salute' Br. 144



Br. 145, Lora Canzoneri, Bob Renzo, and Mary Wheeler await parishioners from St. Bernard Church at the Eureka branch's St. Joseph table display.