



CATHOLIC BREAKFAST CLUB

Catholic Professional & Business Club
Diocese of Fresno

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December 12th

Our Lady of Perpetual Help School Choir

Please join us on Friday, December 12, as we celebrate the joy of the season with beautiful sacred music and community fellowship.

We are delighted to welcome back Mrs. Melita Mudri-Zubacz and the talented students of the Our Lady of Perpetual Help School Choir from Clovis. These young singers will offer an exclusive program of traditional and sacred Christmas Carols for our club.

Throughout the year, the choir leads liturgical music at school and parish Masses and continues to share their gifts across the Diocese of Fresno. This fall, they performed at the OLPH Parish Festival: A Day of Joy, Faith and Dance, and were featured at a Diocesan event before Bishop Brennan, where their reverent singing was warmly received.

By welcoming them once again, the Catholic Breakfast Club continues its commitment to supporting sacred music and encouraging young people in their faith and artistic formation.

Your presence at our December breakfast helps ring in the Christmas season and brings these students and their families closer to the life of the Church.

We look forward to celebrating with you. May God bless you and your loved ones with a joyful and peaceful Christmas!



Each year our Club's Board selects a charity for Christmas giving. This year we selected Catholic Charities of Fresno, a

community benefit organization serving families in the greatest of need with food, clothing, housing support, education and much more. We have been specifically asked for the following food pantry items: pasta, pasta sauce, canned vegetables, boxed Mac and Cheese, Peanut Butter, dried rice, dried beans, Corn masa flour, tortillas, cereal (low sugar content), canned chicken, and canned tuna. To learn more about the needs of the organization visit ccdof.org. If you prefer to make a donation text CCDOF to 50155 or visit the website for online, by mail, or by phone donations. Please bring your donations to the December 12 meeting. Checks made out to out to CP&BC cannot be accepted.

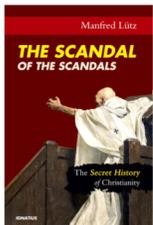
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Scandal of the Scandals, the Secret History of Christianity
By Manfred Lutz

Ignatius Press San Francisco 2020
267 pages paperbound

By **John Kasaian**

Drawing heavily on the latest research by recent scholars, Dr. Lutz gives the reader a no holds barred history of the scandals

that have long been attributed to Christianity.

What fascinates me about this book is that it doesn't whitewash the failings of noteworthy Christians through the ages, but rather challenges and corrects the errors, misunderstandings and distorted image of Christianity. All the studies are well cited and although I found the book entertaining, it's a serious piece of scholarship that deserves to be read and contemplated.

Pick up a copy at Cotters.

November Member of the Month – Randy Rigali



Randy Rigali was hired as the Executive Director of the Bulldog Foundation and the Assistant Athletic Director of Development at Fresno State in December of 2024.

Prior to joining the staff at Fresno State, Rigali was with the Long Beach State ticket office in 2023, where he managed outbound sales and group experience as part of the broader fan experience team within Long Beach State Athletics. He also oversaw strategies for external revenue generation. His ticket sales unit generated \$1.06 million in athletics ticket revenue for the 2023-24 campaign, marking the first time in school history that Long Beach State crossed \$1 million in ticket sales.

Rigali was a four-year student athlete on the Men's Soccer team at California State University Monterey Bay, where he earned a BA in Communications with a concentration in Journalism, gaining work experience at KSBW Action News and the Monterey Herald. Rigali then earned his MA in Sport Management from the University of San Francisco. Randy and his wife, Lorren, have one child named Jude, and they live in Fresno.



Diocesan Events

Sign up for the Diocese of Fresno weekly newsletter, published every Monday morning. <https://dioceseoffresno.org/newsletter>.

Wednesday, November 26, 2025, 8:00 AM

17th Annual Turkey Drive: Distribution Day

Location: Catholic Charities, Fresno

Friday, December 12, 2025 | 5:00 AM

The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe: Mañanitas & Mass

Location: St. John's Cathedral, Fresno

Monday, December 29, 2025 | 5:00 PM

Msgr. McCormick's Retirement Celebration

Location: Pardini's, Fresno

Wednesday, December 31, 2025 | 6:30 PM

Knights of Columbus New Years Eve Party

Location: Holy Spirt, Fresno | Pardini's, Fresno

If your parish or Catholic organization is hosting an event open to all the Diocese of Fresno, we ask for you to notify us no less than six weeks before the event. We will gladly post this in our newsletter mailed to all CP&BC members. Contact Tim Dodd for more information (559) 860-9198.



PRAYER NETWORK

We pray to God daily in thanksgiving. Often our prayers are one of supplication for our loved ones or for ourselves. Jesus tells us:

“For where two or three are gathered together in my NAME, there am I in the midst of them.”

Please send your prayer requests to:
Lucina Myers, lucinamyers1@gmail.com or call 559-824-9160.

Interested in sponsoring the newsletter?

Contact Karen Bosch Cobb
Karen.boschcobb@icloud.com

December Prayer

Prayer of the Immaculate Conception

O God, who by the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, didst prepare a worthy dwelling place for thy Son, we beseech thee that, as by the foreseen death of this, thy Son, thou didst preserve her from all stain, so too thou wouldst permit us, purified through her intercession, to come unto thee. Through the same Lord Jesus Christ, thy Son, who livest and reignest with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end.



Amen.

October Speaker Recap



Doug DuRivage

By Susan Birmingham

A parishioner at Saint Anthony of Padua Church in Fresno, Doug DuRivage is a Cal Poly--San Luis Obispo graduate in architecture.

He is the property construction manager for the Diocese of Fresno and was the featured speaker at the November meeting the Catholic Breakfast Club.

Doug was born in Toledo, Ohio, but moved with his very Catholic family to California in 1968. His role at the Diocese started with Bishop John Steinbock, who advised him that he would be earning penance every day he worked here and that nothing goes as fast as anyone wants.

Despite that unsettling welcome Doug took over the massive amount of property throughout the Diocese. The Fresno Diocese is the 14th largest in area in the United States, and it is the second fastest growing diocese in the country next to Dallas/Fort Worth. It owns 530 pieces of property. While some dioceses in this country are closing churches, the Fresno Diocese continues to grow and has four new churches being planned. They are located in Clovis, Madera, Exeter, and Bakersfield. Doug said that many volunteers are credited as essential supporters of his role and mission.

He calls himself a “girl dad” and with his wife they have three beautiful daughters. He credits his children with bringing him back as an active church member. He is a Knight and a member of the Catholic Breakfast Club.

He knows for certain that God had a hand in his life.

CP&BC Speaker Sponsorships

Our goal is to bring the best possible speakers to our monthly breakfast. Each year we have a mix of local, in state, and out of state speakers. Expenses include a stipend and/or travel expenses (auto, flight, and hotel.)

We have one level of Speaker Sponsorship for \$3,000. In recognition of this significant donation, we invite each sponsor to submit art work for a quarter page ad for the newsletter for a specific breakfast. At that same breakfast, the donor is invited to be our Member of the Month, and to provide table literature for the breakfast. Please note that Speaker Sponsorships are distinct from Directory Ads and Newsletter Ads

Upcoming Events

- December 12, Pardini's
- January no meeting – winter break
- February 13, Pardini's

The Pope's Monthly Intentions

December 2025 - For Christians in areas of conflict

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

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Reservations: Reservations are required for all breakfast meetings held at Pardini's and can be made by sending an email to reservations@cpbcfresno.org or by visiting the website <https://www.cpbcfresno.org/reservations>. Doors open at 7:00 a.m. for coffee and networking. The program starts at 7:15 a.m. and concludes at 8:30 a.m. The breakfast cost is \$30 for members and guests of members. We accept cash or check at the door. From our website <https://www.cpbcfresno.org/reservations> you may use a credit card. There will be a convenience fee of 3.1% added to credit card purchases. An option to attend via ZOOM is available with a requested link and password for members only. An annual discounted cost of \$240 (\$30 savings) is available to members that prepay annual breakfast. Prepaid members are also requested to make reservations.

Membership Directory: Ad space in the annual 2026 Membership Directory starts at \$75. The deadline for advertising reservations and artwork is December 31, 2025. For more directory information, email Cheryl Sarkisian at directory@cpbcfresno.org. To place an ad in the Directory <https://www.cpbcfresno.org/membership> and scroll to I would like the following AD in the Directory.

Prayer Network: CP&BC has a "prayer network" to be used for member prayer needs for themselves or loved ones. We have members already signed-up to pray for special needs submitted; however, anyone else is invited to also become part of the prayer network. Lucina Myers is the point person to whom requests can be made, and once they are received she will email or phone the network. Contact Lucina (lucinamyers1@gmail.com or 559-824-9160) to become part of the network or to submit a prayer request.

Website: Please be sure to visit <https://www.cpbcfresno.org> for all the latest information about our club. CP&BC thanks Samantha Mejia for the design and Rafael Rodarte for the maintenance of the website. CP&BC also thanks Rodarte Productions for their design and preparation of the newsletter.

Mission Statement:

As Catholic professional and business men and women, we are called to live our Christian ethics not only on Sundays, but throughout our daily lives at home and at work.

Our goal in the Catholic Professional & Business Club shall be to incorporate and uphold our beliefs in every aspect of our daily lives, and to gather to share with others who seek a more ethical business environment.

Each of us shall strive to achieve a commingling of our ethical obligations and our professional obligations in demonstration of the fact that ethics and business need not be mutually exclusive terms.

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