



YMI ST. JOHN BOSCO COUNCIL # 613
NOVEMBER 2025 NEWSLETTER

Next Meeting: November 11th @ 7:00 p.m. (St. Cecilia's Green Rm.)

Menu: Thanksgiving-style Dinner coordinated by Br. Stephen Goulding

Stop by between 6:30-7:00 p.m. for a beverage; dinner at about 7:00 p.m. The meeting concludes with our popular "Find the Joker".

YMI #613 Events & Activities:

Italian Heritage Parade – YMI #613 proudly participated again in the **Italian Heritage Parade** on **Sunday, October 12th**. Several YMI Brothers (i.e., **Fiorito, Mike Amato, Baglin, Balistreri, Dilleshaw, Weber, John & Jack Kavanaugh, Larson #32, & Grand President Bill Walls #8**) rode in 9 vintage classic cars from the 1960 era through the streets of Fisherman Wharf and North Beach. It was a very enjoyable day for many!

YMI Bocce Ball Tourney: **YMI Bocce Ball Tourney is Saturday, November 8th**. We invite ALL (including ladies and children) to join us to participate in this fun event. You don't need to be an expert to play in our bocce tourney! We plan to serve coffee & donuts in the morning and BBQ burgers & hot dogs for lunch. **See the attached flyer for event details & to make reservations.** Please contact **Br. Mike Dimech at 650-922-2667**, if there are any questions about the Bocce Ball Tourney or to offer help/support.

YMI Christmas Party: The annual **YMI #613 Christmas Party** will take place on **Sunday, December 14th**. The event will take place at **Dominic's Restaurant @ Oyster Point** beginning at 6:00 p.m., and it will include a spectacular Christmas Raffle. **See the attached flyer for event details and to make reservations.** Please contact **Br. Mike Amato at 650-296-6297**, if any questions about the Christmas Party. In addition, please contact **Br. George Totah at 415-418-0553**, if you would like to donate a prize for our amazing Christmas Raffle.

Jim Calabretta Essay Contest - Our 23rd Essay Contest is well underway. The contest features 50 cash prizes for college, high school, and middle school students totaling \$21,000! **See the attached contest flyer for topics, rules, and entry form.** Please share this contest flyer with any student in your family. You may also sponsor 2 non-family students to help build interest in the YMI. If any questions about the contest, please contact **Br. John Kavanagh at jkavesq@gmail.com**.

YMI Red & White Mass: Save the date of **March 14, 2026**. Our **Grand 2nd Vice President Mario Balistreri** will be organizing this YMI Anniversary event to be held at St. Cecilia's. The event includes Mass and dinner with YMI Brothers from many Councils in the state. More details will be provided as we get closer to the event date.

YMI #613 Council Info:

Membership Status: Our membership level remains at 113 members (i.e., 93 Benefit Members, 5 Junior Members, & 15 Honorary Members). **YMI #613 is now the 4th largest YMI Council!** Given that 3/4 of the year has passed, **dues for the remainder of 2025 have been slashed from \$85 to just \$25.** We urge you to invite a brother, cousin, friend, co-worker, or a neighbor to take advantage of this low rate for dues and become part of our YMI Order!

Canned Good Reminder: Please remember to bring canned goods or toiletries to our monthly YMI #613 meetings. All items collected are delivered monthly by **Br. Mike Dimech** to the Catholic Workers' Hospitality House in San Bruno.

Personal Info Changes: If you have recently changed any of your personal info (e.g., phone number, e-mail address, mailing address, etc.), please contact **Br. Mike Amato at 650-296-6296** to update your YMI contact information. We have noted that several of you had cancelled your landline phone, so please let us know (if you haven't already) a cell phone number in case we need to contact you.

Meal Coordinators- Line-Up: Here is the line-up of YMI #613 Brothers volunteering to serve as meal coordinators for the remainder of 2025. **Sign up's for 2026 meal coordinators happened in October, but there are 2 months still open. We hope to fill out the 2026 list at our November meeting!** The results will be posted in next month's newsletter. To be a meal coordinator, you basically just need 1) to place an order for food for about 25-30 people at a restaurant that either delivers or has a pick-up service and 2) take a lead role with the food set-up & clean-up during the meeting.

- December: Br. Bob Fiorito

Congratulations, Salutes, & Sentiments:

- **Congratulations:**
 - o We congratulate **Br. Michael Aicardi** for being named as a **2025 inductee** to the **Sacred Heart Cathedral (SHC) Hall of Fame**. Br. Aicardi graduated from SHC in 2004 and excelled at baseball while attending SHC.
 - o We congratulate **Br. Chris Amato** for recently graduating with an electrical degree from the Western Electrical Contractors Association (WECA).
 - o We congratulate **Br. Nick Bruna** on his recent wedding to his new wife Cathryn in early October. Br. Nick is a grandson of **Br. Cosmo Amato**.
- If anyone has a personal/family milestone or event to share with your YMI Brothers or are seeking prayers for a loved one from the YMI network, please send info to **Br. Mike Amato (text to 650-296-6297 or e-mail to mamato871@aol.com)**

Birthdays: Happy Birthday to the following YMI #613 Brothers who will be celebrating birthdays in November.

Br. Robert Aicardi	11/3	11
Br. Reagan Calaguas	11/3	11/3
Br. Reginald Calaguas	11/6	11/6
Br. Maurice Tokay	11/8	11/8
Br. Mario Lim	11/14	11/14
Br. Zachary White	11/16	11/16
Br. John Madrid	11/24	11/24
Br. Leandro Calingasan	11/26	11/26
Br. Dennis Aicardi	11/29	11/29