



YMI ST. JOHN BOSCO COUNCIL # 613 JUNE 2025 NEWSLETTER

Next Meeting: June 10th @ 7:00 p.m. (St. Cecilia's Green Room)

Menu: Dinner coordinated by Br. Art Jimenez (\$10).

Stop by between 6:30-7:00 p.m. for a beverage before dinner.

Council Events & Activities:

YMI Summer Picnic: Please plan to attend our annual **YMI Summer Picnic** on **August 17th** to be held at the scenic **Bay View Shelter at Junipero Serra Park** in San Bruno. Enjoy a day in the sunny outdoors with family and friends! As usual, the picnic lunch will feature a delicious BBQ steak with many tasty side dishes and desserts. **All are welcome, but reservations are required. See the attached flyer for event details.** Please contact **Br. Mike Amato at 650-296-6297** if any questions about the YMI picnic.

YMI Bocce Ball Tourney: Please plan to play in the **YMI Bocce Ball Tourney** to be held on September 27th at **Orange Park in South San Francisco**. This is a fun event, so you don't need to be an expert to play in this tourney. Ladies and children are invited to play too. Coffee/donuts are available in the morning and BBQ burger & hot dogs will be served for lunch. **See the attached flyer for event details.** Please contact **Br. Mike Dimech at 650-922-2667** if any questions about the Bocce Ball Tourney.

Italian Heritage Parade – YMI #613 has applied to participate in the Italian Heritage Parade again. This year's parade is on **Sunday, October 12th** and we expect we will be riding in vintage classic cars from the 1950-60 era. Please save the day for those that would like to be in the parade.

YMI Cosmo Amato Scholarship Award: We congratulate the following students for winning \$2000 scholarships from our YMI Council:

Name	School	High School	Graduation Date
Amaiya Guillermo	St. Thomas More School	Archbishop Riordan High School	5/30/2025
Cooper Schwind	St. Thomas More School	Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory	5/30/2025
Audrey Evans	St. Gabriel School	Saint Ignatius College Prep	5/30/2025
Nicholas Ma	St. Gabriel School	Archbishop Riordan High School	5/30/2025
Gianna Russo	St. Cecilia School	Saint Ignatius College Prep	5/29/2025
Patrick McCauley	St. Cecilia School	Saint Ignatius College Prep	5/29/2025
Anna Manfreda	Saints Peter and Paul School	Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory	5/30/2025
Amelie Wu	Saints Peter and Paul School	Mercy High School, Burlingame	5/30/2025

Bold Type: Children/Grandchildren of YMI Members

YMI Grand Council Events & Activities:

Convention News- The **YMI Grand Council Sessions** will once again be held at Bally's Hotel in beautiful **South Lake Tahoe** from **June 16th-19th**. YMI #613 will be represented by the following 8 delegates expected to attend (**Br. Mike Dimech, Br. Mike Amato, Br. Mario Balistreri, Br. John Cleary, Br. Bob Fiorito, Br. Stephen Goulding, Br. Joe Soracco & Br. Jeff Morrow**). Besides electing Grand Council Officers for 2025-26 (see below), there are several by-law proposals that will be considered for approval as well as a proposal to increase the Grand Council Insurance Assessment.

Grand Council Candidate Slate - 2025-26: As is the tradition, we will be electing candidates for Grand Council Offices. Heading the slate are **Br. Bill Walls #80 & Br. Richard Murphy #32**, who are running for Grand President and Grand 1st Vice President respectively. YMI #613 looks to be well-represented again on the YMI Grand Council next year as the following YMI #613 Brothers are candidates for the following offices:

- Grand 2nd Vice President: **Br. Mario Balistreri**
- Grand Secretary: **Br. Mike Dimech**
- Grand Inside Sentinel : **Br. Bob Fiorito**
- Grand Directors: **Br. Mike Amato & Br. John Cleary**

Minor League Baseball: The YMI will be hosting a minor league baseball game on Saturday July 19th at Excite Ball Park in San Jose. That day the San Jose Giants will be playing the Modesto Nuts. For tickets and event info, please go the following link:

https://ymiusa.org/files/events/YMI_NIGHT_AT_THE_BALLPARK_JULY_19.pdf

Ticket deadline is July 1st. If questions, please contact **Br. Steve Cresci at 415-297-5816**.

YMI #613 Info:

Membership Status: At this point, YMI #613 Membership count is at 111 (i.e., 90 Benefit Members, 5 Junior Members, and 16 Honorary Members). While the YMI #613 membership level remains strong, please consider bringing in a new member to one of next meetings. **Consider inviting a brother, cousin, friend, co-worker, or a neighbor to become part of our YMI Order!**

Canned Good Reminder: 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.

Meal Coordinators- Line-Up: Here is the line-up of YMI #613 Brothers volunteering to serve as meal coordinators for the remainder of 2025. In parenthesis, are the likely dinner entrees for certain months. It's not difficult to be a meal coordinator. Basically, you just need 1) to place an order for food for about 25-30 people at a restaurant that either delivers or has pick-up service and 2) take a lead role with the food set-up and clean-up during the meeting.

- July: Br. Mario Balistreri
- August: Br. George Totah
- September: Br. Dom Panina
- October: Br. Mike Dimech (Pizza)
- November: Br. Stephen Goulding (Turkey)
- December: Br. Bob Fiorito

Congratulations, Salutes, & Sentiments:

- **Congratulations:** We send out the following congratulation messages:
 - To the many YMI #613 Brothers with children and grandchildren graduating this year.
 - To all YMI #613 Brothers who will be celebrating Father's Day on June 15th.
 - To **Br. Nick Bruna** and his fiancé Catheryn on their upcoming nuptials in October.
 - To our new Pope Leo VIII, as he takes the reigns as the leader of the Catholic Church.
- **Greetings:** We share news that **Br. Thomas "Ted" Hayes** contacted us recently to check-in. Br. Ted has been a YMI Member for 67 years, joining us after Council #1 dissolved several years ago. He is now living in Marin County in Fairfax and is doing okay at the age of 94.
- **Get Well Prayers:** We send out get well messages to:
 - Former President Joe Biden, our 2nd Catholic President, who was recently diagnosed with prostate cancer.
- If anyone has a personal/family milestone, event, or accomplishment to share with your YMI Brothers, 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 June:

Br. John Cardinale	6/1
Br. David Tresmontan	6/1
Rev. Thien Nguyen	6/2
Br. Dick Pisciotta	6/4
Br. William Welch	6/6
Br. James Aicardi	6/15
Br. Richard Aicardi	6/15
Br. George Totah	6/18
Br. Chris Amato	6/29