

# THE NAVIGATOR'S LOG

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**Faithful Navigator's Report** 



Worthy Sir Knights,

With the start of April, we begin the last quarter of the fraternal year. People have come up to me asking, "So, you must be glad to be on the downhill run of your Navigator year." While we only have three months left in this fraternal year, I don't see it as a "downhill" or "wrapping-up" time. Rather, I see the images of spring and the renewal found in the rising of the Lord at Easter as a way to look at how we should approach these last few months. We need to take the energy found in the spirit dedicate ourselves to the Assembly's work now, just as much as we did in the beginning of the fraternal year.

In the next three months, we will have programs that will show our patriotic Catholic spirit to the community and our Church, while being able to share our fraternity with each and those Knights that will join the ranks of the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree. On April 21, we have the chance to welcome and support new Sir Knights at the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification. All Sir Knights are welcome to join us in Palmyra for this fraternal event. On April 27, we will be showing our gratitude to those who have served our country when we welcome another "Honor Flight" bus tour at the Fair Oaks Marriott. This will be a Color Corps event and open to all Sir Knights and their families. More information will be provided on these events. Also, be on the lookout for information on a flag retirement ceremony that we are planning with the scouts at St. Leo's and a Flag Day activity with Fr. Casey Assembly.

As you read this newsletter, think about ways that your involvement with the Assembly can continue to grow as we come into the "spring" of our fraternal year. With three months to go, and still a lot left to be done, this is not a time of winding down, but rather it is a time of springing up to keep the good work of the Assembly and the Knights of Columbus strong in our community and our Church.

Fraternally, SK Matthew T. West Faithful Navigator



### **Faithful Friar's Report**



My Brother Sir Knights,

Within the inner circle of seminarians and Priest, there is a cloud of mystery around why the Bishop sends some, like me and a couple of years before that Fr. Whitestone, to study in Rome, while others stay here to finish their formation "state-side." Some say Rome is really only for those who have a fluency for foreign language, or a maturity in their discernment—or perhaps it is just the Bishop dishing out favors or punishment. I was surprised to hear my mom give a rather definitive answer at a soiree of seminarians and their parents as the topic was brought up casually just after I was selected to go. She turned to a mother whose son was remaining state-side and said, "I know the criteria: the Bishop only sends the most intelligent and handsome. Sorry."

I'll just chalk that up to a mom's job trying to embarrass her children. But once the Bishop informs the seminarian that they will be going to Rome, normally they have to pick which University they will attend. For me, this was easy: the Gregorian, founded by St. Ignatius of Loyola himself in 1551. This was an obvious choice because I owe a lot of my conversion to Ignatius.

It was 20 years ago when I heard about how he was a loser for half of his life, and I became hopeful there was a chance for a loser like me to turn my life around. But if you know of anything about the legacy of St. Ignatius and the Jesuits he founded, you know many Jesuits are just as checkered as his past. They are either the best of the best or the worse of the worst. I have never been into keeping tabs of the "who's who" of the Vatican—but since I was going to one of the most preeminent Pontifical Universities, I decided to look up some of my professors. To be sure, they were some of the best of the best and the worse of the worst.

I remember discovering a quote from one of the worse professors. In an interview, someone asked him if his faith would change if the bones of Jesus were discovered. He simply replied, "No," and went on to elaborate that faith in Jesus is really just about being inspired by His example and teaching—of choosing love over hate, of choosing forgiveness over grudges, of caring for the poor, and the planet, etc.

Shaking my head, the first thing that came to my mind was the words of St. Paul: "if Christ has not been raised from the dead, your faith is in vain" (1 Co 15:17).

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ changes everything. It certainly changes the lens through which we view His beautiful and challenging teachings—they are not from some ancient Middle Eastern guru, but from God made man! If Jesus is not risen from the dead, all of His teachings and the entire Christian religion are up for grabs. Jesus is who He says He is, and this is confirmed by His Resurrection and the constant, unbroken witness of the Apostles and their successors. His teachings are no longer bound by time and cultural conditioning—but come from His immutable divine authority. His Resurrection does indeed change everything.

### AMDG, SK Rev. David A. Dufresne Faithful Friar





Worthy Sir Knights,

Our April meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 18, at our usual location, Providence Hall behind St. Leo the Great Catholic Church, and at the usual time. We will begin with the Rosary at 7:30 PM, followed by our Sir Knights' Café. April's Sir Knights' Café will be a special treat: we will have guest chefs Faithful Navigator Phil Freda and SK Greg Skorupski, both from Fr. Thomas A. Casey Assembly, #3596. Chef Freda will be preparing his famed Italian sausage, peppers, & pasta, and salad. It will be a feast that would be fit for the great Italian explorer himself, Christopher Columbus. This will be a meal not to be missed. Following the dinner, we will have our monthly meeting. I look forward to seeing you all at our April 18 meeting.

Fraternally, SK Carroll D. Glass Faithful Captain



### **Faithful Pilot's Report**



Worthy Sir Knights,

Please pray for:

- repose of the soul of SK Joseph A. Covas
- repose of the soul of Rev. Mark Pillon, former Pastor of St. Ambrose Catholic Church
- repose of the soul of SK Patrick S. Korten, Deputy Director of Communications for the Virginia State Council, and Former Senior VP & Director of Communications for Supreme Council
- repose of the soul of SK John Giandoni, son of Former Associate Marshal SK Guillermo Giadoni
- repose of the soul of SK Gregory J. Skorupski's sister
- continued healing of Faithful 3-Year Trustee SK Richard P. Owen, PFN
- healing of Faithful Purser Paul F. Cataldo
- healing of Seminarian SK Brian Vaccaro
- healing of **SK Robert P. Bubniak**
- healing of SK Joseph F. Lipari
- healing of Mr. Tom West, father of **Faithful Navigator SK Matthew T. West**
- healing of Mrs. Ethel Apostolico, wife of **SK Vincent P.** Apostolico, Sr.

From the Country to the Courtyard

"... for you are a Galilean" (Mk 17:70)

With the Passion of Holy Week and the joy of Easter just behind us, some readings are fresh in our hearts. In particular, there is the challenge to Peter in the courtyard of the High Priest. They recognized him for his upcountry accent, and thus accused him of association with Jesus. Will we be likewise accused as our brother Peter, and what will we say?



In this age of political correctness and criticism of faith, we, like Peter, may be asked if we are Christian with overtones of critique or even implied threat. Our own courtyard moments may come more often—may we find the grace and courage to bear witness to the Shepherd King who is our only hope and salvation.

"Passion of Christ, Strengthen me!"

Fraternally, SK F. "Randy" Bordelon Faithful Pilot

### **Color Corps Commander's Report**



Worthy Sir Knights,

I invite you to reflect on this little prayer:

May God give you for every storm a rainbow, For each tear a smile, For every help a blessing, For each problem a friendship to share, For each sigh a sweet song, And find an answer in each prayer.

Where we have been:

 Chrism Mass for the Diocese of Arlington: District Secretary & Marshal SK David J. Todd, Sr., PFN, and Color Corps Commander Alfonso Munevar represented Fr. Malloy as part of the Honor Guard at the annual Chrism Mass at St. Thomas More Cathedral on Holy Thursday, March 28.



Where we are going:

• "Honor Flight" Arrival: Friday, April 27, 7 PM, at the Fair Oaks Marriott, we will honor World War II & Korean War Veterans arriving by bus rom Northeast Tennessee to visit the monuments honoring their efforts in Washington, D.C. Details may be found later in this issue of the *Navigator's Log*.



Fraternally, SK Alfonso Munevar Color Corps Commander

# **Faithful Admiral's Report**

### Worthy Sir Knights,

Later this month, several members of our respective Councils will have the highest honor of our Order bestowed upon them... an honor each of us shares. As these members become Sir Knights, they will receive the fullness of Knighthood, having learned each of the lessons of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and now Patriotism. For those of us who have already taken the Fourth Degree, it is an opportunity to refresh this lesson and renew our pledge to be patriotic Catholic Americans. I encourage each of you to consider joining us for this austere event.

In the meantime, it is not too early to start recruiting for the next Exemplification. Tentatively, the Fall Exemplification is scheduled for Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>... at a location vet to be announced (we will hopefully hear on April 21st during the Luncheon that will follow the Spring Exemplification). Talk to the members of your Council who have not yet taken the Fourth Degree. Let them know what it was that encouraged you to take that final step. The only requirement is that they be a Third Degree Knight prior to the Exemplification.

Finally, please be sure to welcome our new Sir Knights to the Fourth Degree, and more specifically Fr. Malloy Assembly. I will pass along the names of our new Sir Knights as soon as possible after the Exemplification.

Fraternally, SK David J. Todd, Jr., PFN Faithful Admiral

# **Faithful Comptroller's Report**

Worthy Sir Knights,

As of April 1, 2018, Fr. Walter F. Malloy Assembly has 315 Sir Knights.

### **Assembly Dues**

Thanks to all Sir Knights who have remitted their dues payment thus far. There are still 56 Brother Sir Knights with dues outstanding. As a reminder, Assembly dues are payable based on the calendar year AND are due upon receipt of the dues notice. PLEASE remit payment as soon as possible.

Any Sir Knight having financial or other difficulties, and unable to remit payment at this time should contact me to discuss and/or make alternative payment arrangements. I am willing to work with Sir Knights but I have to hear from you in order to work with you. Please contact me at wweich@yahoo.com, or (703) 307-9163.

### **Assembly Shirts**

As discussed at the February meeting, we are continuing with the process of obtaining Assembly shirts. The shirts will be short sleeve, with a Royal Blue color, with 4th Degree logo and Assembly name/number, and pocket for Assembly name badges. We have narrowed down the shirt type/options that we need to vote on. The prices are listed below and reflect Large & X-Large. There will be an additional charge for larger sizes.

- 1. Port Authority-(Heavyweight Cotton Knit): \$23.98 + \$6 for the Logo
- 2. Sport Tek—Micro Pique: (Light in texture): \$25.98 + \$6 for the Logo
- 3. Cornerstone Industrial Pique-(Heavyweight Cotton Knit) \$21.98 + \$6 for the Logo

We are voting on the style number and will tally the votes at the next meeting. Members wishing to cast their votes should attend the next meeting (April 18) OR email your vote to me at wweich@yahoo.com prior to the meeting. Only one vote per person, please. Once we have the shirt style, I will advise on instructions for ordering shirts.

Should you have any questions at any time, please do not hesitate to contact me at wweich@yahoo.com, or at (703) 307-9163.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally, SK William W. Weich, PFN Faithful Comptroller

### **Nominating Committee**

In anticipation for the upcoming Fraternal Year, FN Matthew T. West has appointed a Nominating Committee to select and recommend a Slate of Officers to serve during the 2018-2019 Fraternal Year. The Committee is as follows:

- SK Isaias "Cy" Alba, III, FM (Chairman), Albai@cox.net
- SK Dennis M. Makurat, PFN, denmak38@yahoo.com
- SK Joel J. Levesque, mainejj@aol.com

Anyone interested in being considered for an office should contact one these members as soon as possible and make their preferences known.

### **Newsletter Editor Needed**

We are looking for someone to take over editing the Navigator's Log. The time commitment is not extensive (a few hours each month), and, provided that reports are submitted in a timely fashion, is fairly easy. While MS Publisher (or similar software) would be preferred, the newsletter can be created in MS Word and converted into a PDF file easily. Anyone interested and willing to be considered for this position should contact Faithful Admiral SK David J. Todd, Jr., PFN at ditoddjr@gmail.com, or at (703) 463-1499

# Seats Still Available on Exemplification Van

There are still a few seats available on the van travelling to the Exemplification on April 21<sup>st</sup>. The van will leave St. Leo the Great Catholic Church at 8 AM that morning, and will return after the Luncheon that follows the Exemplification. A \$10-15 donation to help defray the cost of renting the van would be appreciated from those riding. If you are interested, please contact **Faithful Admiral SK David J. Todd, Jr., PFN** at <u>djtoddjr@gmail.com</u>, or at (703) 463-1499 as soon as possible.

### **Honor Flight Arrival Mass Intentions** Please consider joining us on Friday evening, April 27<sup>th</sup>, in the On March 3, 2018, Rev. SK Andrew Amaruma, A.J., wrote Fairfax Marriott at Fair Oaks (11787 Lee Jackson Memorial Hwy, Pope John Paul II Council, #4522, for support for his Apostles of Fairfax), at 7PM as World War II and Korean War Veterans Jesus ministry in Adjumani, Uganda. traveling with the Northeast Tennessee Honor Flight arrive for Fr. Andrew is in a poor parish near the South Sudan border and their Tour of Honor in our Nation's Captial to see their respective ministers to Adjumani hospital patients, parishioners, and memorials. refugees from South Sudan. Fr. Andrew was acting Chaplain of Pope John Paul II Council, #4522, in Annandale, for several Because they travel into our area by bus, these brave men and women who served so many years ago do not get the opportunity years; he is also a member of Fr. Malloy Assembly. to experience the Hero's Welcome Reception other veteran Fr. Andrew also asked if any Brother Knights and families have groups receive when they arrive at Dulles, Reagan, and BWI Mass Intentions that he can celebrate, either with or without a airports. This is a very Family Friendly Patriotic event... you stipend. Mass Intentions may be sent by email to Fr. Andrew at could even invite your neighbors and make this a community andrewamaruma01@gmail.com, or jpiichapel.aghc@yahoo.com. event. Mass Stipends can be sent to the Apostles of Jesus Mission Office, As the late Will Rogers once said, "We can't all be Heroes. Some 829 Main St., Northampton, PA 18067-1838, Attn: Fr. Andrew, of us have to stand on the sidelines and cheer." We can never Adjumani Mission. Fr. Richard O'nyamwaro, A.J., staffs the repay these Veterans for the sacrifices they made for our country, Apostles of Jesus American Mission Office; his phone number is but we can show them our appreciation. We hope to see you and (717) 460-7473. your families on April 27th. Thank you all for your consideration supporting this wonderful event for our Senior Veterans. If you have any questions, please contact SK Vincent J. Wilson at vjwilson@avaya.com. **Advertisements Sponsors** We thank those who have sponsored our Assembly: We appreciate those who are advertising in our newsletter, and encourage our members to seek their services: **Platinum Level:** Orrest (709, 848-5455 Cel.), (545: 461-6455 (1vis et operfilie), and **Knights of Columbus FN Matthew T. West, and Family** Leonardo(Leo) Durán Currs L Schotte **SK Edward P. Cuccias** 703-622-2068 TODS BACALICK CT. BUITE HX amenvioleLO, VA 22181-9948 or links for a Alos //www.facebook.com/leoduraril Add YOUR name to this list... contact Faithful Comptroller SK Francis Bordelou Pre-Planning Advised Edward P. Cuccias William W. Weich, PFN, at wweich@vahoo.com, or Faithful **Cuccias Law Practice** Dignity Cell/Text: [703]408-0180 Admiral SK David J. Todd, Jr., PFN, at <u>djtoddjr@gmail.com</u>. National Memorial Park King David Memorial Gardens etheards) cucciaslaw.com 2182 Lie Highway Falls Church, W. 22042 705-806-4400 + Fair 203-566-9107 Coll 200-246-6399 Presch Berdelour-Highrithernetial and www.sationalib-mg.com tepresenting adults and remagers in Traffic cases & riminal cases throughout orthern Vinginia Peregrine Computer Consultants Corp.

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Our next meeting will be Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. We will begin with Rosary at 7:30 PM, followed by Sir Knights' Café (dinner). The meeting should begin between 8:20 and 8:30.