

# THE NAVIGATOR'S LOG

Fr. Walter F. Malloy Assembly, #1894 August 2016

# Faithful Navigator's Report

Worthy Sir Knights,

For the benefit of those who have not been receiving emails from the Assembly, welcome back! After a nearly 5 year absence, we have resurrected our Assembly's *Navigator's Log*. This newsletter is a great way to hear about activities in which our Assembly is participating. It is part of an overall goal to improve communication with our members, and hopefully improve our participation in various events, including meetings and Color Corps activities.

One of the other goals I have for this year is to ensure that everything we are doing is correct and "by the book". Much of that responsibility lies on my shoulders and those of my fellow officers. Something each of you can do to help is attend Color Corps Training. Our Commander has included some information regarding this in his report.

A goal each Council and Assembly has is to recruit new members. Details regarding the next Exemplification are included in this issue. We have designated our September 21 Assembly meeting as an Open Meeting. Any and all prospective Sir Knights are welcomed and encouraged to attend this meeting to see first-hand how our meetings are conducted, and to learn who we are and what we are about.

Finally, I am looking for us to all have fun this year. To this end, we are looking for new activities. Any ideas you might have are welcome.

I hope that each of you is having a wonderful summer, and I look forward to seeing you at our August 17 meeting.

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





Faithful Friar's Report

Brother Sir Knights,

You know what you get when you assume: body and soul into heaven! The middle of August celebrates a relatively new Solemnity. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary was only added to the universal calendar in 1950 by the infallible degree of Bl. Pius XII. Why did this venerable pontiff issue such a proclamation, and why is it more relevant than ever?

He gives us the reason in the second paragraph of the decree, *Munificentissimus Deus*:

Now, just like the present age, our pontificate is weighed down by ever so many cares, anxieties, and troubles, by reason of very severe calamities that have taken place and by reason of the fact that many have strayed away from the truth and virtue.

It is hard for us to imagine destruction that World War II left. Not only were entire cities left in ruin, but also the moral compass of Western Civilization. In wake of such carnage, the Holy Father wanted to lift the hearts and minds of men to gaze upon Our Mother who goes before us, body and soul. The dogma of the Assumption is a reminder that death does not have the last word—not for Jesus and not for His followers. The dogma of the Assumption is a reminder that this created world, with the human being with a body and soul, is the crown jewel. The dogma of the Assumption is a reminder that we are united with our bodies by design and what we do with our bodies matters.

The Holy Father further explains the motivation of his declaration in paragraph 42:

And so we may hope that those who meditate upon the glorious example Mary offers us may be more and more convinced of the value of a human life entirely devoted to carrying out the heavenly Father's will and to bringing good to others. Thus, while the illusory teachings of materialism and the corruption of morals that follows from these teachings threaten to extinguish the light of virtue and

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to ruin the lives of men by exciting discord among them, in this magnificent way all may see clearly to what a lofty goal our bodies and souls are destined. Finally it is our hope that belief in Mary's bodily Assumption into heaven will make our belief in our own resurrection stronger and render it more effective.

While this Obligation to attend Mass on August 15<sup>th</sup> this year is lifted because it falls on a Monday, we would do well to go to Mass. As Catholic men and as Knights, we would do well to lead the charge in spreading devotion to the Assumption as this is our destiny and our guiding light. In addition to the 6AM and 9AM Masses, St. Leo's will have a 7:30PM Mass in the school gym.

Fraternally, SK Rev. David A. Dufresne Faithful Friar



Faithful Captain's Report

Worthy Sir Knights,

MANY THANKS to all those who stepped up at the last meeting to volunteer to assist with 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Cafés throughout the year. At this time, we are only needing volunteers for December (Christmas theme... maybe roast beef!) and April (Easter theme... maybe cooked ham). Anyone interested in assisting with these months should contact me at askmekofc@yahoo.com, or at (703) 359-4652.

Fraternally, SK Matthew T. West Faithful Captain



Faithful Pilot's Report

Worthy Sir Knights,

Please commit the following requests to your daily prayers:

- Shirley Alford, mother-in-law of SK Roger Williams
- Repose of the soul of Edgar Brown, brother of PFN Dennis Brown
- Repose of the soul of the grandmother of SK Mark Burtschi's wife
- Repose of the soul of Brother Kestutis Ciziunas, father of SK's Pranas & Vincas Ciziunas

- Brother E.J. Dvorsak, recovering from surgery, and his wife Betty, suffering from dementia
- Repose of the soul of Daniel Fedison, grand-nephew of PFN Dennis Brown
- For the health of SK Eduardo Guiterrez' grandfather
- Repose of the soul of Connie Henry, wife of SK Ed Henry
- For the health of SK Kevin McGrail
- For the people of the Philippines
- SK Rev. Marcus Pollard, during his Spanish immersion training in Guatemala
- For the wife and baby of Brother Roger Solorzano, during a difficult pregnancy
- Lellie Williams, mother of SK Roger Williams, as she continues chemo therapy for lymphoma.
- For those who
- Successful Year for our new leaders, in our Councils, Assembly, and State

If you have any prayer requests, please contact me at <a href="mailto:cdglass@gmail.com">cdglass@gmail.com</a>, or at (571) 210-2302.

Fraternally, SK Carroll D. Glass Faithful Pilot



**Color Corps Commander's Report** 

Worthy Sir Knights,

August and September offer numerous opportunities for the Color Corps to proudly represent Fr. Malloy Assembly, starting with the August 14 Wreath Laying at the graves of Fr. Malloy and Fr. Nudd at Fairfax Memorial Park. This will follow a memorial Mass for Fr. Nudd at St. Timothy's Church (13807 Poplar Tree Rd, Chantilly, 20151) at 12:30 PM. Muster for the Mass is 12 Noon in full Service Regalia (with sword) in the back of the church. Muster at Fairfax Memorial is at 1:45 PM, again in full Service Regalia (with sword).

On September 6, the annual memorial Mass for Fr. Capodano (the *Grunt Padre*) will take place in the Crypt Church at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. Mass is at 6:30 PM, with muster at 5:30 PM in full Service Regalia (with **NO** swords!).

We are looking to host a memorial Mass at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church (3700 Old Lee Hwy, Fairfax, 20030) on Sunday, September 11 in honor of First Responders and Military personnel. Muster will be at 10:30 AM in the back of the church, in full Service Regalia (with sword). More details will follow later this month.

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Finally, for those looking for an excuse for a weekend getaway, there will be a Color Corps and Commander Training hosted by Fr. Bader Assembly, #2430, in Newport News on October 8 at 8:30 AM. Contact me at <a href="mailto:robertobiz@mac.com">robertobiz@mac.com</a> for details. I will be sure to pass along news of additional training sessions as they are announced.

Vivat Jesus! SK Roberto Bacalski Color Corps Commander



Faithful Admiral's Report

Worthy Sir Knights,

As many of you know, the next Fourth Degree Exemplification for the Virginia District will quickly be upon us... so now is the time to RECRUIT, RECRUIT, and RECRUIT!

The Exemplification will take place on Saturday, November 5, 2016, at the Doubletree by Hilton Richmond Midlothian (1021 Koger Center Blvd, Richmond, 23235). Candidate Fee is \$70 (\$60 for Priest), and includes the candidate's banquet ticket, Social Baldric and 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Lapel Pin, certificate, and processing fees. Additional banquet tickets may be purchased for \$65 each. There will be an entertaining Ladies Program conducted at the same time as the Exemplification; tickets for it are \$35.

For those who wish to stay at the hotel, we have a special rate of \$99 (plus tax) per room per night. Reservations can be made using the special website:

 $\frac{http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/R/}{RICKSDT-KOC-20161101/index.jhtml}$ 

You may also call 1-800-222-TREE or (804) 379-0973. You <u>MUST</u> request the "Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree" rate when making your reservations.

Fraternally, SK Dennis M. Makurat, PFN Faithful Admiral

# Faithful Comptroller's Report

Worthy Sir Knights,

As of August 1, 2016, Fr. Walter F. Malloy Assembly has 300 Sir Knights.

Also, the next Exemplification of the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree will be held on Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> in Richmond. Please continue recruiting your fellow 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Brothers to join the patriotic arm of the Order. Also, if you would like to attend the ceremony, banquet, and bring your Lady to the Ladies Program, please contact me to make arrangements.

Vivat Jesus, SK William W. "Bill" Weich, PFN Faithful Comptroller

# Martinsburg Veterans' Hospital

Members of Fr. Malloy Assembly recently travelled to the Veteran's Hospital in Martinsburg, WV, along with members of the Fairfax Elks Lodge, #2188, to run a bingo night for the veterans. They also delivered books, CD's, games, and puzzles collected by the Knights of Columbus and the Elks. Bingo prizes were canteen coupon books, which veterans can use to "purchase" personal items they may want or need. As no player leaves the game without something, each veteran was given two books at the end.

The group (which includes members of Pope John Paul II Council, #4522) travels to Martinsburg on the 5<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month (whenever a month has five Fridays). For more details, please contact **PFN Richard P. "Dick" Owen** at Owendiger@aol.com.



PFN Richard P. "Dick" Owen, SK Leo J. Weston, and Faithful Pilot SK Carroll D. Glass are pictured with some of the items collected for the veterans at the Martinsburg, WV Veterans' Hospital.

### Wreath Laying at the Grave of Fr. Malloy

As in the past, Fr. Malloy Assembly will join Fr. Nudd Council in a Wreath Laying ceremony at the gravesites of Fr. Walter F. Malloy and Fr. Robert E. Nudd. This will take place on Sunday, August 14. There will be a memorial Mass at St. Timothy's Catholic Church (13807 Poplar Tree Rd, Chantilly, 20151) beginning at 12:30 PM... please muster in the back of the church at 12 Noon. The Wreath Laying will take place at 2 PM at Fairfax Memorial Park. Muster at the cemetery by 1:45 PM. The graves are located along the hedge in front of the large crucifix near the Burke Station Rd entrance. If you plan to attend, we ask that you please contact Commander Bacalski at robertobiz@mac.com, or at (323) 841-3482.

### **August's Meeting**

Our August meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 17. We will begin with Rosary at 7:30 PM, which will be followed immediately by 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Café ("Summer-time Bar-B-Que", presented by **SK Joel J. Levesque and SK Lawrence L. Holmes**). The meeting itself will begin at 8:20 PM, and will hopefully be completed by 9PM. Please come out and join us for this fun yet informative meeting.

Under the "Good of the Order", we will have a guest speaker. **SK Duane R. "Skip" Rogers, PSD**, a member of our Assembly, will talk to us about "Able Forces", a program that he serves as Executive Director. For more information, visit www.ableforces.org.

In keeping with the spirit of the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Café (and in light of the warmer temperatures), dress for the evening will once again be business casual. Please wear a polo or golf shirt (preferably a Knights of Columbus shirt!), with khakis or similar trousers.



# **Memorial Mass for First Responders & Military**

On Sunday, September 11, Fr. Malloy Assembly will be hosting a memorial Mass for First Responders and Military personnel. The Memorial Mass will take place at the 11 AM Mass at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church (3700 Old Lee Hwy, Fairfax, 22030). An Honor Guard is requested for this Mass. Muster is at 10:30 AM in the vestibule in full Service Regalia (with swords). If you can participate, please contact **SK Vincent J. Wilson** at <a href="mailto:yiwilson@avaya.com">yiwilson@avaya.com</a>, or at (713) 828-3081.

# Wreath Laying at Tomb of the Unknowns

On Monday, October 10, we will once again lay a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery. Our wreath laying will follow the 4 PM Changing of the Guard. We would like to have a good turn-out, so please be sure to put this on your calendar.

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**Email List** 

Do you like to keep up to date with Assembly happenings? Do you appreciate prayers, and offer them for those in need? Would you like to have reminders of our Assembly meetings, and be the first to learn of upcoming Color Corps activities?

Have you been receiving emails from the Assembly?

If you answered yes to any of the first three questions, and no to the last, you're in luck! Fr. Malloy Assembly has an email system that allows us to keep in touch with members... and signing up for it couldn't be easier. Just send a message to **Faithful Navigator SK Dave Todd, Jr., PFN** (djtoddjr@gmail.com), and he will in turn add your email address to the list.

Once added, you will receive messages from our:

- Color Corps Commander regarding upcoming Color Corps events
- Faithful Pilot requesting prayers for those in need
- Faithful Admiral regarding upcoming Exemplifications and encouraging recruiting efforts
- Faithful Captain reminding us of upcoming meetings and announcing the theme of and who is providing 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Café
- Faithful Navigator regarding anything else that might come up

Additionally, if you are signed up for emails, you may opt out of receiving hard copies of the *Navigator's Log*, saving the Assembly with the cost of printing and mailing. AND, whether you opt out of the hard copy or not, you will receive it a few days before others receive the hard copy through the US Postal Service.

SO... sign up for email today!

