



THE NAVIGATOR'S LOG

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

Faithful Navigator's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

Another month is behind us, and soon we will celebrate the birth of our Lord and usher in a new calendar year. It is amazing how fast time flies when you're having fun... and keeping busy.

This past month, we celebrated Thanksgiving, and as is our custom, Fr. Malloy Assembly did so in style. Many thanks go to: Faithful Captain **SK Matt West** for all he did to plan and organize our Thanksgiving & Welcome Dinner; **SK Pat McGuire** for cooking a wonderful turkey and all the sides; Brother Gib Flodine for helping Pat in the kitchen. Brother Flodine has already submitted his Form 4, which will be read in at the December 21 meeting!

Although it is a few months away, we are well underway to recruiting for the next Exemplification. One aspect that many potential candidates might find appealing to this opportunity (aside from the close proximity) is the format: the Exemplification will be followed only by a luncheon. There will be no Mass, no Banquet Dinner... it a lot of ways, it will be very similar to the Knighthood Degree (3rd Degree) Ceremony. So please recruit new Sir Knights... and bring their filled out Form 4's to the December 21 meeting!

I wish each of you and your families a Merry and Blessed Christmas, as well as a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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



Faithful Friar's Report



My Brother Sir Knights,

December is a month of great Catholic festivities. It is fitting that the culmination of Jesus' birth is preceded by two feast days dedicated to His Mother under the titles of the Immaculate Conception and Our Lady of Guadalupe. Drawing closer to Jesus through Mary can help us become better men, better disciples, and thus better Knights. These two days are important because the Immaculate Conception is the Patroness of the United States of America, and Our Lady of Guadalupe is the Patroness of the Americas. Through different cultural expressions, we are united in one faith—under one maternal mantle. We are made into one body, through one Baptism—advancing toward our One Lord. I propose these two titles of Mary also unite us against our battle with evil. The Blessed Virgin Mary is the woman who Eve was supposed to be.

In her total trust in God's goodness and courageous yes to His will, Mary is the disciple that we should all strive to be. She, who was conceived without sin, is our greatest antidote to the temptation to sin. In a concrete way, she is the woman who, through her Divine Son, crushes the head of the ancient foe. In fact, Guadalupe is most likely what the Spanish heard the natives say as they invoked Mary as Our Lady of Coātlaxopeuh, which means "the one who crushes the serpent." It was Mary who implored the natives to stop the practice of human sacrifice. Many ancient religions recognized that they were estranged from their gods. They mistakenly thought that they could reconcile with their idols by sacrificing that which was most precious to them: their own children. It was Mary who taught them that they got it backwards—it was the One True God who took the initiative to reconcile with humanity. He is the One who sacrificed that which is most precious: His Only Begotten Son. It is through Jesus that we achieve peace with God. It is through Mary that we arrive at her Son.

May we invoke her protection against all temptation. May she help us as well as we invoke her to restore a culture of life against the modern practice of children sacrifice.

Fraternally,
SK Rev. David A. Dufresne
Faithful Friar

Faithful Captain's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

Please join us on Wednesday, December 21, for our Assembly meeting. Immediately following the Rosary at 7:30PM, we will be enjoying a Christmas Café brought to us by our very own Faithful Navigator, **SK David J. Todd, Jr., PFN**. If you have been lucky to have tasted the Faithful Navigator's cooking in the past, you know we'll be in for a real Christmas treat.



As we celebrate this Christmas season with our family and friends, let us remember those men and women in the Armed Forces who are deployed away from their families during the holidays. They are sacrificing their own time with their loved ones to protect our country and allow us to have a peaceful Christmas. Please keep them and their families in your prayers during the holidays and throughout the year.

On behalf of my wife, Ruth, and myself, I would like to wish each of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Fraternally,
SK Matthew T. West
Faithful Captain



Faithful Pilot's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

This month, we only have one prayer request:

- Virgin most prudent, pray that we receive the Gift of Fear of the Lord

If you have any prayers to be requested at the next Assembly Meeting, please contact me directly at cdglass@gmail.com.

Fraternally,
SK Carroll D. Glass
Faithful Pilot

Color Corps Commander's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

We have had a relatively quiet month in comparison to the previous month. Many thanks to those who came out to support the Confirmation Mass at St. Leo the Great, as well as those who participated in the Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass. Details on each may be found later in this edition of the *Navigator's Log*.

We have a couple of activities coming up in the next month or so. Specifically, on Tuesday, December 20, we will once again participate in the Simbang Gabi Mass at St. Leo the Great. And on Wednesday, January 18, we will provide an Honor Guard to welcome Bishop Burbidge to Deanery VI. Again, details can be found later in this newsletter.

Finally, I encourage all those who are not already part of the Color Corps to consider participating in at least one activity before the end of the Fraternal Year. Fr. Malloy Assembly has a few sets of regalia we are willing to lend out to those who do not have regalia... just be sure to let us know when RSVP'ing for an event. Participation is the best way to learn what the Color Corps is all about, and how we operate. If you have any questions, you may contact me at robertobiz@mac.com.

Vivat Jesus!
SK Roberto Bacalski
Color Corps Commander

Faithful Admiral's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

With the holidays upon us, I know we all have a lot going on in our lives. There is probably shopping and decorating to do and maybe some Christmas parties to keep us busy.

At the same time it often gives us additional opportunities to mingle with our brother 3rd Degree Knights. Let us not pass up any opportunities to tell them about how great it is to be a part of the 4th Degree.

There is a lot going on in the Assembly over the next few months, so it is important that we get the applications coming in as soon as possible. Before you know it, April 1st and the next Exemplification will be here!

As the Patriotic Degree, we should also keep our service men and women in mind. Is there something special we can do to make their holidays a little happier? Remember we can always say an extra prayer for them and their families.

My best wishes for a blessed Christmas and a prosperous New Year to you and your family.

Fraternally,
SK Dennis M. Makurat, PFN
Faithful Admiral

Faithful Comptroller's Report

Worthy Sir Knights,

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

As your Faithful Comptroller, my responsibilities include maintaining all Assembly records and financial records. Maintaining membership records includes assessing and collecting Assembly dues from members, providing membership cards, and updating membership records. Assembly dues and membership cards are based on the calendar year. Assembly dues are separate from Council dues. To be in good standing in the 4th Degree, members must also be in good standing in their Council.



That being said, you will be receiving your 2017 dues assessments within the next week or so. Please remit payment as soon as you receive your statement and I will forward your membership card upon receipt of your payment.

If you have any questions about the dues process, please contact me at wweich@yahoo.com, or at (703) 307-9163.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,
SK William W. Weich, PFN
Faithful Comptroller

Color Corps & Commander Training



On Saturday, November 12, 2016, Fr. Malloy Assembly hosted a Color Corps & Commander Training in the gym of St. Leo the Great School, in Fairfax. There were 41 Sir Knights from various Assemblies, including 12 from our own, who participated and were certified as members of the Color Corps. Additionally, 29 Sir Knights remained for the Commander Training. Many thanks go to District Marshal SK Rosario Chechile, and Associate Marshal SK Al Grimmig, for conducting this important training. Additionally, thanks to Associate Commander **SK Vince Wilson** for bringing the spare regalia to the gym, and to **SK John Morgan** for helping bring things back to the Hall. Finally, special thanks to Brother Joe Monin (Fr. Diamond Council) for coming out early to get the coffee started, and to all who helped set-up and clean-up.

Confirmation at St. Leo the Great



On Friday, November 19, 10 Sir Knights from our Assembly provided an Honor Guard for the Confirmation Mass at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church in Fairfax. Many thanks to those who participated: **SK Alfonso Munevar**, **SK Jose R. Olivero**, **SK P. Greg Hartley**, **SK S. Michael Pollak**, PFN **George H. Billy**, Color Corps Commander **SK Roberto Bacalski**, **SK John P. Morgan**, **SK Vincent J. Wilson**, **SK Patrick A. McGuire**, and **SK Carroll D. Glass** (Not pictured: **SK George S. Vogen**).

Installation of Bishop Burbidge

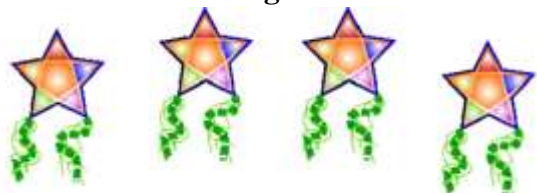
On Tuesday, December 6, the Diocese of Arlington welcomed our fourth Bishop, the Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge. Three members from our Assembly were honored to participate in the Honor Guard, which comprised of members representing each Deanery within the Diocese. **SK Francis J. Loughney, FVSM, PSD, SK Isaias "Cy" Alba, III, FM, PSD, and SK David J. Todd, Sr., District Secretary** represented Fr. Malloy Assembly with great dignity.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass



The annual Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass was celebrated at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church on Saturday, December 10. Six Sir Knights from our Assembly participated, adding dignity to the festivities. Many thanks to **SK Jose R. Olivero, SK Carroll D. Glass, SK David J. Todd, Sr., PFN, SK Vincent J. Wilson, SK S. Michael Pollak, and SK John P. Morgan** for taking time out of their Saturday to add solemnity at a Mass in honor of the Patroness of the Americas!

Simbang Gabi



On Tuesday, December 20, St. Leo the Great Church will once again host a Simbang Gabi Mass. Simbang Gabi is a Filipino celebration of Masses during the nine days preceding Christmas. For more information, including a full list of times and locations for the various Masses in our Diocese, feel free to visit the website www.simbanguabi.com.

Once again, we have been asked to provide an Honor Guard. The Mass will begin at 7PM, so we will muster at 6:30PM in the church vestibule, in full Service Regalia with Sword. A traditional Filipino dinner will follow in the school gym. Please advise Associate Commander **SK Vince Wilson** at vjwilson@avaya.com if you can participate.

Deanery Masses with Bishop Burbidge



Now that he has been installed as the Fourth Bishop of Arlington, the Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge is planning to visit each Deanery. There will be three separate Masses which affect our Assembly. The Masses will each begin at 7PM, and are as follows (these are the Masses directly impacting our Assembly):

- Deanery I (affecting St. Anthony & St. Philip, thereby Our Lady of Guadalupe Council): January 10, at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Arlington
- Deanery VI (affecting St. Leo the Great, thereby Fr. Francis J. Diamond Council; and affecting Our Lady of Good Counsel & St. Mark, thereby affecting Santa Maria Council): January 18, at Our Lady of Good Counsel in Vienna
- Deanery II (affecting Queen of Apostles, thereby John Paul II Council; affecting St. Ambrose, thereby Ambrose Council; and affecting St. Michael, thereby Msgr. Thomas P. Scannell Council): January 19, at St. Bernadette in Springfield

We have been requested to provide an Honor Guard at the January 18 Mass at Our Lady of Good Counsel. We will be mustering in the back of the church no later than 6:30PM, in full Social Regalia (there is a question at this time with regards to whether or not we will have swords... details to follow as they are received!). If you have regalia but do not plan to attend, we do ask that you find someone in your Council that does not have regalia who would like to participate and lend it to him. All those who wish to participate should contact **FN David J. Todd, Jr., PFN** directly (best by email at djtoddjr@gmail.com; may leave a message or a text at (703) 463-1499).

As this would normally be a meeting night, I will entertain a motion at the December 21 meeting to move our January meeting to January 25 (one week later).

Renewal of Obligations

We had scheduled the Renewal of Obligations for our January meeting, but due to the Mass with Bishop Burbidge at Our Lady of Good Counsel, we are postponing it until February 15. At

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that time, we will renew the pledges taken during each of the four Exemplifications, and we will be joined by members of Marian, Msgr. Bradican, and Fr. Casey Assemblies.

We will begin with Rosary at 7:00PM, with the ceremony to follow immediately (beginning about 8PM); appetizers will be served following the ceremony, allowing the Sir Knights from all four Assemblies to join in a spirit of Columbian Fraternalism. In light of the ceremony and the presence of the other three Assemblies, we will forego the regular business meeting (unless there is a pressing matter).

We encourage all Sir Knights who attend and participate to wear Social Regalia (tuxedo with social baldric) as this is considered to be a Supreme Event (similar to an Installation of Officers or an Exemplification); IF you are unable to wear Social Regalia, you may wear Coat & Tie, but with no social baldric (Faithful Officers are expected to be in Social Regalia!).

Nomination Committee

It's hard to believe, but it is already that time to start looking toward our next Fraternal Year and the leadership that we will have moving forward. I have appointed the following Sir Knights to serve on this year's Nominating Committee:

- Chairman: **SK Francis J. Loughney, FVSM, PSD**
- Member: **SK Isaias "Cy" Alba, III, FM, PSD**
- Member: **SK William W. Weich, PFN**
- Member: **SK Dennis A. Brown, PFN**

Anyone interested in serving as an officer in the upcoming 2017-2018 Fraternal Year should contact one of these members to express their interest. A Slate of Officers will be presented to the Assembly at the April meeting, and we will conduct elections at the May meeting.

Hard Copy of the Newsletter



After some careful consideration, we are looking to change our policy regarding mailing out the hard copy of the "*Navigator's Log*" beginning in January. Many of our Sir Knights are receiving it both my mail and by email. Unfortunately, with approximately 250 Sir Knights still receiving the hard copy, we are spending too much each month. Several Sir Knights have "opted-out" of the hard copy, but it's not been enough.

SO, beginning in January, only those who are not on our email list will receive a hard copy. If you are not receiving emails, please let the Faithful Navigator or the Faithful Comptroller know so they can add you to the email list. Anyone who is receiving emails but would still like to receive the hard copy should contact the Faithful Navigator directly (we will not prevent you from getting it... consider it as "opting-IN").

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