

THE NAVIGATOR'S LOG

Fr. Walter F. Malloy Assembly, #1894 September 2017

Faithful Navigator's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

As Sir Knights, we believe that the virtues of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity are principles that define who we are as Knights of Columbus. In order to fully express what true knighthood means, we must also embrace the virtue of Patriotism. By combining the virtues of all Knights of Columbus, we truly bear witness to what it means to be a Knight. And, it is our duty as true Sir Knights not only to demonstrate these virtues, but to encourage other brother Knights who have not yet joined the 4th Degree to join us in the proud patriotic demonstration of our Catholicity as a Sir Knight. In the next couple of months, we have the opportunity to both demonstrate our virtues and to help other brother Knights join our ranks in the 4th Degree.

Our September Assembly Meeting is going to be an open meeting, for all Knights of Columbus to attend, regardless of their level. This meeting will give them an opportunity to see and hear more about what the 4th Degree does and particularly the good works we are doing at Fr. Malloy Assembly to promote patriotism. We need you to help bring in Knights to this meeting! With the Exemplification coming up on November, now is the time to recruit.

On Columbus Day (Monday, October 9), Fr. Malloy Assembly will be presenting a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery. We need as many Sir Knights in full Service Regalia to be there to show our pride in our Order and in our country. Details on time and transportation to the Cemetery will be forthcoming. If you have ever thought about standing at the steps of one of our country's most revered memorials, wearing your regalia cape and chapeau, and in the name of our patron, Christopher Columbus, honoring those who have fallen in service of this country, this is the year to join us!

Thank you all for your efforts to grow the 4th Degree and to demonstrate to all the true patriotic nature of the Knights of Columbus and Fr. Malloy Assembly.

VIVAT JESUS!!!

Fraternally, SK Matthew T. West Faithful Navigator

Faithful Friar's Report



My Brother Sir Knights,

The Church proposes devotion to the Seven Sorrows of the Virgin Mary during the month of September. September 15 is the feast day that commemorate the sufferings of Mary. It is no accident that this is the day after the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Christians have long since contemplated the interior Passion of Mary that is linked to the Passion of her Son. With Mary and through Mary, we participate and share in the sufferings of Jesus and "offer it up" to the Father for the redemption of the world. Obviously, Christ alone is the savior of the world. Yet it should not be lost on us the dignity and responsibility of being called Christian—little Christ's—is we can make Jesus present by allowing Him to live in us.

One of the most compelling ways to make Jesus present is through suffering with Him, through Him, and in Him. Mary did this in a uniquely sublime way. Devotion to her sufferings has taken different shapes through the centuries. This feast day was promoted by a group of friends who devoted themselves to the Sorrowful Virgin in the 1300's. They really popularized this devotion by special rosaries, scapulars, litanies, and novenas. These friends came to be known as the Order of Servites.

They promoted seven specific moments in the life of Mary to contemplate. They are: the prophecy of Simeon; the flight into Egypt; the loss of the Holy Child at Jerusalem for three days; meeting Jesus on His way to Calvary; standing at the foot of the Cross; Jesus being taken from the Cross; and the burial of Christ. When we think of the Immaculate Virgin Mary and suffering, we realize that suffering is not a direct punishment for personal sin. May her example help us to realize that whatever pain, sorrow and struggle comes our way it is an opportunity to imitate Jesus, to unite ourselves more closely to Him, and to make the grace of His redemption present in our world.

Fraternally, SK Rev. David A. Dufresne Faithful Friar

Faithful Captain's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

Our September meeting will take place on September 20, at our usual location, Providence Hall at St. Leo the Great, and at its

usual start time, 7:30 PM. We will begin with praying the Rosary and will then have our Sir Knights' Café. This month's theme will be Oktoberfest, hosted by **SK Dennis A. Brown, FDD, PGK, PFN**, and the Knights of Council 4522.



The Oktoberfest menu: Spätzle pasta, cooked Zeiges white and red sausage, Weisswurst, sliced Butterkase and Swiss cheese, German rye and white rolls, German Bier, Bernkasteler white wine, and 3 loaves baked apple streudel.



Following the dinner, we will be having our special "Open" Assembly monthly business meeting. This will be conducted as an Open Meeting. All current 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Degree Knights are

cordially invited to attend. Please invite all of your home Council members to attend, without obligation to take their 4th Degree Exemplification. However, they will get to partake in an actual Patriotic Degree Meeting.

If you have not been able to make a meeting regularly, I hope that you will find a way to join us at the September Assembly meeting and share prayer and fellowship with your brother Sir Knights.

Please contact me and let me know which Sir Knights' Café that you would like to host. I would really appreciate it! I look forward to seeing you all at our meeting on September 20.

Fraternally, SK Carroll D. Glass Faithful Captain



Faithful Pilot's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

Please pray for the following:

- Repose of the soul of His Excellency, the Most Reverend Francis X. DiLorenzo, Bishop of Richmond
- Repose of the soul of SK Anthony J. diGregorio
- Repose of the soul of District Deputy, James Glover
- Repose of the soul of Mrs. Lillian Vallone, mother of SK Eric S. Vallone, M.D.
- Healing of **SK Richard P. Owen, PFN**, who is still battling cancer
- Healing of SK Carl R. Castle, Jr.
- Recovery or Inga Grieb, sister-in-law of SK F. "Randy" Bordelon, from hip surgery
- Healing of Louis Kheriati from illness

If you have any prayer requests, please contact me directly at <u>fbordelon@verizon.net</u>.

Fraternally, SK F. "Randy" Bordelon Faithful Pilot

Color Corps Commander's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

Where we have been:

- Mass honoring Fr. Nudd and Wreath Laying at graves of Frs. Malloy & Nudd, on August 13 at St. Timothy's Catholic Church and Fairfax Memorial Park. Faithful Navigator SK Matthew T. West, Faithful Admrial SK David J. Todd, Jr., PFN, and Faithful Pilot SK F. "Randy" Bordelon represented Fr. Malloy Assembly.
- Fr. Capodanno Mass was hosted by the Archdiocese of the Military Services on Tuesday, September 5. Many thanks to SK David J. Todd, Sr., PFN, SK F. "Randy" Bordelon, and SK George S. Vogen.
- Mass honoring Military & First Responders, September 10, at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church. Details and pictures can be found elsewhere in this issue. (Continued on page 3)

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Where we are going:

- Columbus Day Celebration at Union Station in Washington, D.C., on October 9, 2017, at 9AM. Sir Knights are invited to participate in Full Service Regalia with Sword. Please advise Faithful Admiral, SK David J. Todd, Jr., PFN, at <u>ditoddjr@gmail.com</u>, and/or Color Corps Commander, SK Alfonso Munevar, at amunevar1@gmail.com.
- Wreath Laying Ceremony at the Arlington National Cemetery, on October 9, 2017, at 4:15PM. Sir Knights are invited to participate in Full Service Regalia with Sword. Please advise Faithful Admiral, SK David J. Todd, Jr., PFN, at <u>djtoddjr@gmail.com</u>, and/or Color Corps Commander, SK Alfonso Munevar, at amunevar1@gmail.com.
- **Exemplification** at the Renaissance Hotel in Portsmouth, on November 11, 2017. Sir Knights are invited to recruit new Sir Knights, and to attend and support our new members.

Fraternally, SK Alfonso Munevar Color Corps Commander

Faithful Admiral's Report

Worthy Sir Knights,

As has been announced, the next Exemplification for the Virginia District will be conducted on Saturday, November 11, at the Renaissance Hotel in Portsmouth. To date, we only have a couple of Candidates for this Exemplification.

To aid in recruiting, our meeting this month will be opened to all members of the Order... regardless of Degree. Please invite your Brother Knights from your Council to join us for this meeting. They are welcome to join us for Rosary & Sir Knights' Café (normal donation of \$5 each who partakes), as well as sit in during the meeting. We will not discuss any of the particulars pertaining to the Exemplification Ceremony, but will, under the Good of the Order, have a presentation of what the 4th Degree is, what we do, and how to become a Sir Knight. We will have plenty of Form 4's on hand so that any who are interested may submit theirs. And please see the Comptroller's Report and the article on the Next Exemplification for details about attending.

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

Faithful Comptroller's Report

Worthy Sir Knights,

Per Supreme Records, as of September 1, 2017, Fr. Walter F. Malloy Assembly membership decreased from 319 to 318 with the passing of SK Anthony J. diGregorio.

We should always be recruiting new members throughout the year. But with the upcoming Exemplification in Portsmouth on November 11, now is the time to reach out to our fellow Council members to encourage them to proceed through the Degrees and join the 4th Degree, the patriotic arm of the Order. The cost per candidate is \$70, and is set by Supreme. Applications for joining the 4th Degree must be submitted, with the \$70 fee, no later than Wednesday, October 18 (our monthly Assembly meeting). All Forms must be reviewed and signed by the candidate's Council Financial Secretary prior to submission to the Assembly.

In addition, Assembly members are encouraged to attend the Exemplification to support our new Sir Knights. Escorts for the Candidates are always needed. We should also show our support by having Sir Knights sitting behind the Candidates in the audience. There will be a Ladies Program for the wives to partake in. As is tradition, there will also be a Mass, Banquet dinner, and Hospitality Suites. The cost for the Ladies Program/Lunch is \$35; the cost for the banquet dinner is \$65 for current Sir Knights, Ladies, and additional guests. ALL costs for Candidates, Banquet tickets, and Ladies Program tickets need to be paid directly to our Assembly. Those wishing to purchase banquet tickets need to contact me at your earliest convenience. The deadline for receiving money for these costs is also Wednesday, October 18.

If you have any questions about the Exemplification, membership, or dues, please contact me at <u>wweich@yahoo.com</u>, or at (703) 307-9163.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally, SK William W. Weich, PFN Faithful Comptroller

Wreath Laying at Grave of Fr. Malloy

For many years, the members of Fr. Walter F. Malloy Assembly, #1894, have joined the members of Fr. Robert E. Nudd Council, #7369, to remember our namesakes. This year, we gathered on Sunday, August 13 for a Mass in memory of Fr. Nudd at St. Timothy's Catholic Church. Afterward s, all gathered at Fairfax Memorial Park to lay wreaths at the graves of Fr. Malloy and Fr. Nudd. Many thanks to FN Matthew T. West, SK David J. Todd, Jr., PFN,



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and **SK F. "Randy" Bordelon** for representing Fr. Malloy Assembly. (Looking ahead, we plan to join with them again next August... be on the lookout for details in the summer!).

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Mass Honoring Military and First Responders



On Sunday, September 10, Fr. Malloy Assembly hosted our 2nd annual Mass honoring Military and 1st Responders at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church. 19 Sir Knights provided an Honor Guard for a Mass attended by three members of our military in uniform (including **SK Stuart I. McMillan, MAJ USA**; and **SK Keith C. Palm, LTC USA**), and ten firefighters (including Mr. Bryan Sullivan, President of the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department). Following the Mass, all were welcomed back to Providence Hall for a reception.

Many thanks to all who participated: SK Alvin E. Grimmig, Associate Marshal; SK Matthew T. West, FN; SK Kelly J. Niernberger, FN; SK George H. Billy, PFN; Dennis M. Makurat, PFN; SK David J. Todd, Jr., PFN; SK William W. Weich, PFN; SK David V. Bacungan; SK Douglas A. Bricker; SK Carroll D. Glass; SK James T. Hogan; SK John H. Knox, III; SK Karl R. Lesher; SK James D. Milosavich; SK Jose R. Olivero; SK Daniel J. O'Malley; SK S. Michael Pollak; SK

William J. Schouviller; SK George S. Vogen. Additional gratitude to those who brought appetizers and desserts to be shared by those who



attended the reception, as well as those who assisted in the Hall, especially **SK Joseph M. Gesker**; and Ruth, Ben, and Katie West. Apologies to **SK Timothy T. Tilson**, who agreed to participate and showed up, but was turned away due to not enough spare regalia (Faithful Admiral takes full responsibility for this!).

We also pass along a special word of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Tim (Dorothea) Ku-Dipietro for the kind gift of gift cards and VIP cards for service at their Valvoline stores. These gift cards were distributed at the reception to those Military and 1st Responders who attended, as well as to the Sir Knights who participated in the Honor Guard.

We are already working on next year's Mass... stay tuned for details!

Wreath Laying at the Tomb of the Unknowns

We will once again participate in a Wreath Laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery on



Columbus Day, Monday, October 9, after the 4PM Changing of the Guard. As this will be our last opportunity to perform this ceremony in the Cape and chapeau, we are hoping for a large turnout. Any Sir

Knight interested in participating should be in Service Regalia with Sword (the four entering the plaza will be without sword). All active duty military are invited to join us in their dress uniforms, and all family members are also welcome to attend.

As we did last year, we are looking into the possibility of renting a 15-person van (possibly two) to assist in transporting Sir Knights to the Cemetery. Anyone interested in riding in the van should contact the Faithful Admiral, **SK David J. Todd, Jr., PFN** (djtoddjr@gmail.com) to secure a seat on the van. An optional donation of \$15 will help curb the expense renting and operating the van(s). Seats will be on a first come-first serve basis, and a waiting list will be created once all seats are reserved.

Next Exemplification

The next 4th Degree Exemplification for the Virginia District will be conducted on Saturday, November 11 (Veterans Day!), at the Renaissance Hotel in Portsmouth. <u>NOW</u> is the time to recruit for this Exemplification.

Please talk to the members of your Council and encourage those who are not 4th Degree to consider this opportunity. Cost is \$70 per Candidate. There is an additional cost (\$35) for tickets to the Ladies Program, as well as for extra Banquet tickets (\$65 each, as needed). Attire requirements have changed for the Exemplification... please see details on the next page.

I would encourage Candidates to consider spending the weekend in Portsmouth at the hotel. There will be several Hospitality Rooms available, in which they can meet brother Knights and their families from all over Virginia. Additionally, the annual Memorial Mass and the Banquet help cap off a busy day. We would like our Assembly to have a good showing at the Banquet... especially since the State Deputy is a member of our Assembly! There will be a special room rate for those participating in the Exemplification.

Additionally, we are looking for current 4th Degree members to participate in the Exemplification as Escorts or Observers, as well as some to assist in the Hospitality Room. Please consider attending the Exemplification and Banquet to show support for our Assembly's Candidates and the State Deputy!

New Dress Requirements for Exemplification

The following information regarding the Exemplification has been sent by District Master SK Thomas A. Trudeau to the Faithful Navigators of the Virginia District:

Effective September 1, dress requirements for the Exemplification will change. Black tuxedoes and social regalia will no longer be required for candidates and observers.

Candidates for the 4th Degree should wear a dark black, grey, or blue suit with a plain white shirt and basic/conservative style tie. Both jacket and pants must be dark in color. Brown, green, or other color suits are not authorized.

<u>Active duty</u> Military may wear their formal dress dining uniform. Policemen and Firemen may wear their dress uniform.

4th Degree Sir Knights attending the Exemplification as observers should also wear dark black, grey, or blue suit with a plain shirt and basic/conservative style tie. Both jacket and pants must be dark in color. Brown, green, or other color suits are not authorized. Observers may also wear the New Uniform.

Escorts, Door Guards, or other Honor Guard participants should wear the new Uniform, if available, or wear the current Service Regalia.



New Uniform Available for Purchase & Credit for Regalia Recently Purchased

Sir Knights who wish to purchase the New Uniform may do so through Knights Gear (<u>www.knightsgear.com/regalia</u>). Cost for the uniform is \$510... however, there is a 25% discount for those who purchase the new uniform by September 30, 2017, making the cost \$382.50 (plus shipping). This cost covers the beret, tie, blazer, and trousers (which come unfinished... they will need to be hemmed once received... these are to be hemmed without cuff). Currently, Knights Gear is the ONLY provider authorized to sell the New Uniform

Anyone who purchased the Regalia (cape & chapeau) since May 1, 2017, can submit their receipt along with their member number to regaliacredit@kofc.org. Information will then be sent to that member on how to receive a \$200 credit toward the new uniform.

Faithful Navigator **SK Matthew T. West** has requested that Sir Knights of Fr. Malloy Assembly will continue to use the Service Regalia for our various activities for the remainder of this Fraternal Year.

As of July 1, the only approved attire for Color Corps activities will be the New Uniform. This means if we march in the City of Fairfax Independence Day Parade, anyone participating must wear the New Uniform. The New Uniform is ONLY required to be worn by Color Corps members. It replaces the Service Regalia. The New Uniform is NOT required to participate in meetings, Exemplifications, Installation of Officers, or Renewal of Obligations ceremonies. Assembly Officers are NOT required to purchase the New Uniform to perform their duties.

As additional details are made available, we will pass them along to the membership.

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