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NAVIGATOR'S LETTER

Worthy Sir Knights and Ladies,

We would like to thank Dan M. Kennedy Council #706 for hosting our January Assembly meeting. If you were not in attendance, you missed out on excellent dinner prepared by Steve Tehjema.

On Sunday January 29th we provided 30 rosary cases and eight rosaries for Catholic Veterans at the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans. Reverend Dr. Bruce Kalish, Chaplain at the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans, was very pleased with the quality of the rosary cases. He distributed these to Catholic Veterans both at the GR Veterans Home and those residing in their own homes. We advised Reverend Kalish that we have more cases and rosaries if needed.

MI District 4 will hold an Exemplification to the Fourth Degree on Saturday April 29th at St. Stanislaus Kostka Parish Center in Bay City, MI. Registration at 9:00am, Exemplification begins at 10:00am. Please contact either me or Faithful Comptroller Robert Wassick if you have any candidates or are interested in attending as 4th Degree members.

Jesus said "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me." Lent, a 40-day period of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, begins on Ash Wednesday February 22nd. Sir Knights we encourage you to attend your parish's Stations of the Cross on Friday nights. Sadly, at many parishes attendance at Stations of the Cross has declined through the years. Consider taking an active role by leading the Stations. This is a great way to represent the Knights of Columbus in your parish. Myself I will be conducting Stations of the Cross as St. Francis de Sales Parish on March 3rd.

Our Faithful Comptroller Robert Wassick is collecting 2023 Dues. Second Notices have been mailed out. We ask that you please remit your dues as soon as possible.

Our next Assembly Meeting will be held on Tuesday February 28th at George J. McCarthy Hall on Washington Ave. in Grand Haven. Council #2975 George J. McCarthy to host. Meal at 6:15pm. Meeting at 7:00pm. Please join us.

Vivat Jesus! SK Roger Routt Faithful Navigator



Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them O Lord

Fr. James O'Leary – former Chaplain Fr. Korst Council #2900 in Coldwater

All Deceased Sir Knights

And let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.



2023 Dues Notices

Faithful Comptroller Sir Knight Robert Wassick is collecting dues for the 2023 calendar year. Dues can be sent to:

SK Robert Wassick, Faithful Comptroller 8482 Bleeker St. West Olive, MI 49460-9128

Mandatory: \$20 dues + \$2 Master's Fund

Optional: \$5 Chalice Fund

\$3 Archdiocese for Military Services Chaplain's Fund.

Upcoming Events

- February 28th Assembly Meeting to be held at George J. McCarthy Hall on Washington Ave. in Grand Haven. Council #2975 George J. McCarthy to host. Meal at 6:15pm. Meeting at 7:00pm.
- March 28th *Assembly Meeting* to be held at St. James in Montague. Council #12985 Our Lady of White Lake to host. Meal at 6:15pm. Meeting at 7:00pm.
- April 25th *Assembly Meeting* to be held at St. Thomas on Apple Ave. in Muskegon. Council #13035 Fathers Rudy and Clem to host. Meal at 6:15pm. Meeting at 7:00pm.
- May 23rd *Assembly Meeting* to be held at Sacred Heart on Hoyt St. in Muskegon. Council #13579 Holy Rosary to host. Meal at 6:15pm. Meeting at 7:00pm.
- June 27th *Assembly Meeting* to be held at Prince of Peace on Dykstra Rd. in North Muskegon. Council #15337 Prince of Peace to host. Meal at 6:15pm. Meeting at 7:00pm.
- July 25th *Assembly Meeting* to be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 2915 Fairfield in Muskegon. Council #706 Dan M. Kennedy to host. Meal at 6:15pm. Meeting at 7:00pm.
- August 22nd *Assembly Picnic* to be held at St. Thomas Parish picnic area. Time and host council to be announced.

Honor Guard Schedule

Nothing scheduled.

Evangelization Clip...

In the Gospel, Jesus gives us the Beatitudes. Jesus tells us, "Be humble". Jesus wants us to count on His Spirit's grace and wisdom.

Family and friends suffer and die. Jesus is with us. We sense God's presence. Jesus wants us to "Be comforted" by His love and mercy. Jesus asks us to "endure life's struggles with patience and without resentment". We, then, can enjoy a peace that Jesus alone can give to us.

In spite of immorality and sinfulness existing in our community and world, Jesus calls us to "act in accord with divine and moral law". Jesus calls us to "be merciful as God is merciful to us." Jesus calls us to "be holy, which comes from God creating a clean heart in us." Jesus calls us to "be peacemakers."

Imagine Jesus looking directly into your eyes and speaking these words to you personally. To live the Beatitudes is holiness.

By SK Deacon Jim Schiltz St. Mary's Parish – Muskegon





Prayer Requests

Pope Francis SK H. Gregg Anderson **SK David Bukala** SK Jim & Lady Barb Burke SK Mike Cook **SK Fred Drzewicki** SK Gary & Lady Rosemary Greiner SK Tom & Lady Patricia Helfrich **SK Thomas Ketchum** SK Mike & Lady Kathy Lewis SK Randy & Lady Linda Portoluri SK Raymond & Lady Rosemary Reinhold Wavne Sampson (Council 13579) – brother-in- law of SK Steve Muir SK Chris & Lady Amanda Stanfield Vernon & Shirley Stanfield parents of SK Chris Stanfield SK John & Lady Shirley Stoner **Citizens of Ukraine Prayers for Vocations**



February Wedding Anniversaries

SK Steven & Lady Renee Erickson SK Tony & Lady Kathy Schaub



* February Birthdays*

Lady Patricia Bernesser
Lady Sharon Cole
Lady Patricia Dolack
Lady Renee Erickson
Lady Kathleen Lewis
Lady Svitlana O'Lonergan
Lady Barb Perri
Lady Donna Spoelhof
Lady Patricia Vanderworp

SK William Berns
SK John Duff
SK David Johnston
SK Tom Ketchum
SK Michael LeRoy Lewis
SK Michael Schulist
SK Daniel Wagenmaker
SK James Walkenhorst



February Ordination Anniversaries

None this month.

How to Order the New Fourth Degree Honor Guard Uniform

Knights of Columbus Uniforms is the new Honor Guard Uniform supplier. Cost is \$449. To order a new uniform, go to their website: <u>kofcuniform.com</u>

Knights of Columbus Unforms is open Monday – Friday 8am to 5pm Central Time. 833-562-4327 (office), 800-521-5027 (fax), or sales@kocuniform.com.

There are 4 sections at the top of the web page: Uniform Packages, Uniform Accessories, Uniform Replacements, and Customer Service. The Uniform Packages section includes sizing instructions and a sizing instruction video. One can also get measured by a local tailor. The uniform package includes the blazer, trousers, necktie, beret.

Black dress shoes are not included in the uniform package, these are available for an additional cost from Knights of Columbus Uniforms.

White dress shirts are not included in the uniform package. These can be ordered from the English Company as discussed below.

Swords, sword cases, service baldric, and gloves are not included in the unform package. Before ordering check with the Honor Guard Commander first, we have some or all of these items donated by members no longer in the Honor Guard.

For those only needing the service baldric and/or white gloves, these can be either be ordered from Knights of Columbus Uniforms or from the English Company. The English Company's website is: kofcsupplies.com/Category/4thdegreecolorcorps.

Swords are not available from Knights of Columbus Uniforms.

The English Company has sword packages that include the sword, sword case, service baldric, and white gloves. The English Company also sells these items separately.



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