

# THE NAVIGATOR'S LOG

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

## Faithful Navigator's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

I welcome you to the 2017-2018 fraternal year! We are less than two weeks into the fraternal year and already the Assembly has been off to a busy start. We began this new year with a joining Installation of Officers Ceremony on July 2, hosted by Fr. Casey Assembly at St. Mary of Sorrows Church. We were joined by fellow Sir Knights from Marian Assembly, Msgr. Bradican Assembly, and Fr. Casey Assembly. Thank you to all of the officers and other Sir Knights who came out to support this event.

Two days later on July 4, the Assembly marched in the Fairfax City Independence Day Parade. Eleven of our members joined 19 Sir Knights from neighboring Assemblies to proudly show our patriotic Catholic spirit. Special thanks to Faithful Admiral Dave Todd, Jr., and his twins for manning the Hall to provide morning refreshments and post-march sustenance to our weary but determined Color Corps members.

Finally, this past Saturday, the Assembly had the honor of presenting the Colors to open the State Organizational Meeting that took place on the campus of St. Leo the Great parish. A list of those who participated in the Color Guard may be found elsewhere in this issue of the *Navigator's Log*. These Sir Knights presented the Colors in excellent fashion, and I thank them for taking time out of their Saturday to support the Assembly.

Each of these events are great examples of proudly representing our American Catholic spirit, and doing so with other Assemblies to show that we are, together, a strong Catholic fraternity in support of our country. This year we will be looking for new opportunities to demonstrate our patriotic Catholicity, both through Color Corps events in our church and community, but also through other activities that show the patriotic nature of our Assembly. If you hear of opportunities for the Sir Knights of our Assembly to demonstrate their patriotism, either through Color Corps or other events, please let me know.

I am looking forward to working with each of you to buildon the Assembly's successes of past and to develop new opportunities to showcase the patriotic Catholic spirit of our Order.

VIVAT JESUS!!!

Fraternally, SK Matthew T. West Faithful Navigator

# Faithful Friar's Report



My Brother Sir Knights,

Continuing the theme of monthly devotions, July is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus. This is appropriate for us Catholic Americans as July is often a time where we focus on our nation's freedom. We can think of freedom in many different ways: freedom from tyranny, freedom from slavery, freedom from sin, etc. Pope John Paul II often reminded us that true freedom is not an absence of injustice nor is it the ability to do whatever we want. Rather, true freedom consists in the ability to do as we ought. It is a positive force inside of us. True freedom comes by being purchased and washed clean in the Precious Blood of Jesus. This freedom allows us to live as children of God. This is what allowed Admiral Jeremiah Denton to say that it was his time in a North Vietnamese POW camp where he experienced the greatest freedom of his life. This is what allowed St. Thomas More to go merrily to his guillotine. The most profound freedom is often experienced in times of trail and opposition and seldom during times of ease and comfort.

Part of the great American Experiment is to allow different religions the ability to operate free from government interference. This is not only a gift but a responsibility to evangelize. In ages past, the Church was aided by the State to make the Gospel known. Today, in America, there is a free market for the hearts and minds of her citizens. We may become discouraged by the apparent opposition. There does indeed seem to be a culture of anti-Gospel and anti-Church, as St. John Paul II would call it. Nevertheless despite any opposition and trail, ours is a freedom that no resistance can take away. This July we focus in a special way to remember that freedom isn't free. We commemorate our civic freedom purchased by the blood of patriots and our eternal freedom purchased by the Precious Blood of Jesus. May we grow in gratitude in both by exercising this freedom well.

Fraternally, SK Rev. David A. Dufresne Faithful Friar



## Faithful Captain's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

Our first meeting of this fraternal year will be on Wednesday, July 19, in Providence Hall (3702 Old Lee Hwy, Fairfax, 22030). We will begin with the recitation of the Rosary at 7 PM, followed by our Sir Knights' Café. After our meal, we will be conducting our regular meeting.

In the meantime, we are looking for volunteers to provide Sir Knights' Café throughout the year. Anyone willing to be responsible for a particular meal (month or theme) should contact me at <a href="mailto:cdglass@gmail.com">cdglass@gmail.com</a> as soon as possible.

As the year begins, I want to thank all of those Sir Knights that have joined us for Assembly meetings in the past. Last year, our meetings provided meaningful opportunities for strengthening our faith and fellowship. We want to continue that tradition. If you have not been able to join us for a meeting recently, I hope that we get a chance to see you in this fraternal year, as together we grow our faith and strengthen our bonds as Knights of Columbus.

Fraternally, SK Carroll D. Glass Faithful Captain

#### Faithful Pilot's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

Please pray for the following:

- Repose of the soul of Brother Joseph Baringhaus, brother-in-law of SK Herbert F. Zimmerman (Linda), and for comfort of the Baringhaus family.
- Repose of the soul of Brother Louis Hargenrader of EDW Council, #2473

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

Fraternally, SK F. "Randy" Bordelon Faithful Pilot

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



Worthy Sir Knights,

I have humbly accepted the opportunity to serve as the Color Corps Commander for the period of 2017-18. It is an honor as well as a challenge to serve in this capacity, and hope to count with brother Knights' understanding and cooperation. I want to express my appreciation for having been selected Color Corps Commander by our Faithful Navigator, SK Matt West. Also, my thanks go to Past Faithful Navigator Dave Todd, Jr. for his guidance and support.

#### Recap of Past Color Corps in July

Corpus Christi Masses & Processions: 20 Sir Knights supported three Masses and Eucharistic Processions for Corpus Christi, one at St. Leo the Great, one at Queen of Apostles, and one at St. Ambrose.

On June 25, an Honor Guard was assembled for the Farewell Mass held for Fr. Innocent Ragaragu, who returned to Rwanda. The Most Reverend Anaciet Mwumvaneza, Bishop of Nyundo in Rwanda, celebrated the Mass.

Independence Day Parade: Color Corps from Fr. Malloy Assembly, Fr. Casey Assembly, and other Assemblies, marched in the City of Fairfax Independent Day Parade. There were 30 Sir Knights proudly displaying their Patriotism at this annual event.

State Organizational Meeting: Fr. Malloy Assembly provided a Color Guard for the Presentation of Colors to open the annual State Organizational Meeting.

#### Future Color Corps Events

Wreath Laying at the Graveside of Fr. Malloy: We will participate in a Memorial Mass at St. Timothy's and a Wreath Laying at Fairfax Memorial Park. Please look for details elsewhere in this issue.

On November 11 (Veterans' Day), the next 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification will be held at the Renaissance Hotel in Portsmouth.

Fraternally, SK Alfonso Munevar Color Corps Commander





## Faithful Admiral's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

As we prepare for the next Exemplification, I ask each of you to talk to the members of your Councils who are not yet 4<sup>th</sup> Degree members, and encourage them to take the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree. If they are not 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree members, help them receive the honors of full Knighthood. Better yet, look for your fellow parishioners who are not members of the Knights of Columbus, and invite them to join! Then work with them on getting thru the Degrees, including the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree.

The next 4<sup>th</sup> Degree for the Virginia District will be Saturday, November 11, at the Renaissance Hotel in Portsmouth. It is worth the time and expense for Candidates and Members alike to travel to Portsmouth for the weekend. There will be Hospitality Rooms, a Ladies Program at the same time as the Exemplification, a Memorial Mass, and a Banquet Dinner. Details—including the special room rate, cost for Ladies Program and Banquet Tickets—are forthcoming.

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

# Faithful Comptroller's Report

Worthy Sir Knights,

Per Supreme Records, as of July 1, 2017, Fr. Walter F. Malloy Assembly membership decreased from 321 to 319 Sir Knights. The reason for the decrease is not yet known—still waiting on the Statement from Supreme.

We still approximately 30 members who have not paid their 2017 dues. As a reminder, dues are payable upon receipt of the dues notice. There is a grace period through March 1. Some Brothers are in arrears for multiple years and need to bring their membership accounts current in order to remain in good standing in the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree. If you are unable to remit payment at this time due to hardship of other circumstances, <u>please contact me to discuss and/or make other arrangements</u>. I need to hear from you.

If you have any questions about membership, membership cards, or dues, please contact me at <a href="www.weich@yahoo.com">wweich@yahoo.com</a>, or at (703) 307-9163.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally, SK William W. Weich, PFN Faithful Comptroller

## **Corpus Christi Masses & Processions**

On Sunday, June 18, Fr. Malloy Assembly supported three separate Corpus Christi Masses and Processions, all at about the same time. In all, 20 Sir Knights participated, pleasing Priests and parishioners at St Leo the Great, Queen of Apostles, and St. Ambrose:

Many thanks to:

SK David J. Todd, Sr., PFN; SK George H. Billy, PFN; SK Dennis M. Makurat, PFN; SK Vincent J.



Wilson; SK Timothy J. Hogan; SK R. Keith Morrison; SK Daniel J. O'Malley; SK Charles D.

Stimley; SK Timothy T. Tilson; and SK Matthew T. West for helping at St. Leo the Great.

SK Carroll D. Glass; SK
Tobias C. Amadi; SK
James T. "Jay" Moore; SK
Ramon J. "Ray" Venero;
and SK Roger L. Williams
for helping at Queen of Apostles.



 SK David J. Todd, Jr., PFN; SK Jose R. Olivero; SK Alfonso Munevar; SK
 S. Michael Pollak; and SK
 Peter W. Rynkiewicz for helping at St. Ambrose.



## **Farewell Mass**

On Sunday, June 25, four Sir Knights of Fr. Malloy Assembly participated in a Farewell Mass for Fr. Innocent Rugaragu at St. Mark's Church in Vienna. The Most Reverend Anaclet Mwumvaneza, Bishop of Nyundo in Rwanda (Fr. Innocent's home Diocese) presided over the Mass. Many thanks to SK F. Randy Bordelon, SK Karl R. Lesher, SK James D. Milosavich, and SK Alfonso Munevar for representing our Assembly at the Mass.



#### **Pass in Review**

On Wednesday, June 21, Fr. Malloy Assembly hosted its annual Pass in Review. About 90 people gathered to celebrate a spectacular year with a nicely prepared steak dinner. Additionally, 15 of the 23 new Sir Knights were formally welcomed into the Assembly and received their 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Certificates. All Faithful Officers were present, and each was recognized for his dedication and service to the Assembly. SK Francis "Randy" Bordelon was named as the Sir Knight of the Year for the Assembly, and SK Richard P. Owen, PFN, was presented with the "Robert D. Neary Award" in recognition for his charitable service to the Assembly, the Order, the community, and the Church. The Assembly made a \$500 donation in PFN Owen's name to Virginia Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc.

State Warden Bob Szerszynski and District Master Tom Trudeau were present and addressed those gathered. The speeches were followed by the Faithful Navigator toasting all Assembly members and their family for such a wonderful year. With all Past Faithful Navigators of the Assembly who attended lined up behind him, the Faithful Navigator presented Faithful Navigator-elect Matthew T. West with his new white cape and the "SK Edward M. Corcoran, PFN Memorial Sword", and he passed the gavel to his successor.

Many thanks to all who helped make the evening enjoyable, most notably SK Matthew T. West and SK Patrick A. McGuire.

#### **Installation of Officers**

On Sunday, July 2, Sir Knights of Fr. Malloy Assembly joined with the members of Marian, Msgr. Bradican, and Fr. Casey Assembly at St. Mary of Sorrows Parish Center for the Installation of Officers. District Master Tom Trudeau, assisted



by Marshal Rosario Chechile and Associate Marshal Al Grimmig, read the charges for each office, and thereby installed the officers from each of the four Assemblies.

Following the Installation ceremony, Fr. Casey hosted a nice reception in Farrell Hall, allowing the Officers and Members of each of the Assemblies to visit with each other, building the spirit of fraternalism that is quickly becoming a hallmark of this group of Assemblies.

## **Independence Day Parade**



On Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, 30 Sir Knights, including 11 from Fr. Malloy Assembly, marched in the 51<sup>st</sup> annual City of Fairfax Independence Day Parade. The Color Guard

presented the US, Vatican, Virginia, and Order flags, and were

followed by an impressive Honor Guard that included five different colors of capes. All marchers gave a great presentation of Catholic Patriotism, and the announcers provided an excellent explanation of who and what we as Knights of Columbus are. After the parade, Sir Knights

returned to Providence Hall for lunch and fraternalism. Many thanks to all who participated and supported our event!



# **State Meeting**

Officers and members of Fr. Malloy Assembly provided the Color Guard for Presentation of Colors at the opening of the State Organizational Meeting on Saturday, July 8. Most of them met with the District Secretary on Friday afternoon for practice, and then again Saturday morning prior to the meeting. State Deputy **SK Stephen J. Kehoe** proudly recognized the

members of his Assembly after the posting of the Colors to rousing applause. Many thanks to all who are participated:



SK David J. Todd, Sr.; SK Matthew T. West; SK David J. Todd, Jr., PFN; SK Dennis M. Makurat, PFN; SK Alfonso Munevar; SK Paul F. Cataldo; SK Carroll D. Glass; SK Timothy J. Hogan; SK Patrick A. McGuire; and SK R. Keith Morrison.

#### **Installation of Pastor**

An Honor Guard has been requested for the Installation Mass of Fr. Matthew Zuberbueler as Pastor of St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church (3305 Glen Carlyn Rd, Falls Church, 22041). The bilingual Mass, celebrated by Bishop Burbidge, will be on Thursday, July 13, at 7PM. Color Corps members who will be participating should muster in full Service Regalia with swords (swords will be worn, but not drawn) by 6:30 PM in the back of the church. A reception will follow the Mass. Please watch email for more details.

### Wreath Laying at Grave of Fr. Malloy

We will once again participate in the Memorial Mass for Fr. Nudd, and wreath laying at the graves of Fr. Malloy and Fr. Nudd. The Mass will be on Sunday, August 13, at 12:30 PM, at St. Timothy Catholic Church (13807 Poplar Tree Rd, Chantilly, 20151). The Wreath Laying will be conducted at Fairfax Memorial Park (9900 Braddock Rd, Fairfax, 22032), at approximately 2 PM. Fr. Nudd Council provides refreshments afterwards for those who participate, while members reminisce of the lives of Frs. Malloy and Nudd.

# **Next Exemplification**

The next 4<sup>th</sup> 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 begin recruiting for this Exemplification.

Please talk to the members of your Council and encourage those who are not 4<sup>th</sup> Degree to consider this opportunity. Cost is \$70 per Candidate (this covers the cost of their Social Baldric and 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Lapel, as well as their Banquet ticket). There is an additional cost for tickets to the Ladies Program, as well as for extra Banquet tickets (as needed).

I would encourage the Candidates to consider spending the weekend in Portsmouth at the Renaissance Hotel. There will be several Hospitality Rooms, as well as the annual Memorial Mass before the Banquet. And 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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!

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