

THE NAVIGATOR'S LOG

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

Faithful Navigator's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

Happy New Year! With the beginning of a new calendar year, we reach the mid-way point in our Fraternal Year. As I look back on the past 6 months, I am amazed at all our Assembly has done. We have kept up on our normal monthly and annual activities, enhancing several; we have resurrected some old programs that had fallen by the wayside; and we have introduced some new events with great success. As I ponder all we have accomplished, I am filled with a spirit of gratefulness for all of the contributions of our Officers and Members.

However, now is not a time to rest on our laurels... we have much more to do, and January is an extremely busy month. You will find elsewhere in this issue details of our upcoming events, but I would like to take a moment to just mention them. On Wednesday the 18th, we will be providing an Honor Guard at the Deanery VI Mass being celebrated by Bishop Burbidge at Our Lady of Good Counsel; and on Monday the 23rd, we will be donning the capes again at the Deanery II Mass that His Excellency will be celebrating at St. Bernadette's. Our Assembly meeting will be conducted on Wednesday the 25th; and on the morning of Friday the 27th, we will be participating in an Honor Guard for the "Life is Very Good" Mass prior to the March for Life.

Finally, I would like to take a moment to address dues. Our Faithful Comptroller has sent out dues notices already, and some of our members have already remitted their payments. I encourage you to do so quickly. By far, most of our Assembly's income is from our dues; very little comes from outside sources. IF you cannot pay your dues, or if you are in arrears, PLEASE contact the Faithful Comptroller or me to discuss your options. And remember that your 4th Degree membership is contingent on your 3rd Degree membership... if your Council membership is suspended, so is your Assembly membership.

I pray that each of you has a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

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

Faithful Friar's Report



My Brother Sir Knights,

Have you ever stopped to wonder why we are called knights? Isn't that archaic? Medieval? Backwards? Perhaps... if such a knight were going around trying to slay windmills like Don Quixote. When I think of a knight, it conjures in my mind two realities: first, we are subject to our King, Jesus Christ; and second, that we fight for those who cannot fight for themselves. It is the King who gives us our mission, who gives us our training, and who gives us our reward. We fight for Him, in the way that He wants, ultimately so we can live in eternal peace in the fullness of His Kingdom.

The month of January presents us with several causes worthy of our attention. The US Bishops in particular would like us to become knights for the weakest in our society; among them are the immigrant and the pre-born. Rather than list all the things we can do this month to help protect the defenseless, I propose that we just examine our first reaction to this mission. Do we grumble? Do we have a sense that we are already too busy and burdened to be concerned with another event or "issue"? Does the mission of our King rub our political views the wrong way? Even if we don't have a lot of extra time to devote, do we have a tender place in our heart for those that need our help? In short, do we take our title as knights seriously?

If you are like me, which I suspect you are, you are a work in progress. You know where you should be and are aware that you fall short. This month, dedicated to the immigrant and to the pre-born, let us redouble our effort to conform our heart and mind to that of our King.

Praised be Jesus Christ, now and forever.

Fraternally,
SK Rev. David A. Dufresne
Faithful Friar



PLEASE NOTE: January's meeting will be held on the FOURTH Wednesday of the month instead of the third Wednesday... please come join us on January 25!!! Rosary will begin at 7:30PM, followed by a "Lunar New Year Café". The Meeting should begin about 8:20PM.

Also, this is a good time to bring completed Form 4's for the April 1 Exemplification!

Faithful Captain's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

Happy New Year! I hope the Christmas season was enjoyable for you and your family.

To start the New Year, **our January meeting date has been changed to the 4th Wednesday of the month, January 25.** The meeting will still be at the same location, Providence Hall at St. Leo the Great, and at the same time, 7:30PM. We will begin with praying the Rosary and will then have our Sir Knights' Café. The theme for the January Café will be "Lunar New Year". We will be offering some tasty Asian cuisine to celebrate the start of the New Year. Following the dinner, we will be having our monthly business meeting of the Assembly.



As you think about your New Year's resolutions for 2017, consider making a resolution to join us for an Assembly meeting. On one evening a month, for a couple hours, you have the opportunity to share prayer and fellowship (including some great food) with your brother Sir Knights in the 4th Degree at an Assembly meeting. If you haven't been able to make a meeting regularly, I hope that you will resolve to join us soon at an Assembly meeting; we've missed you. And if you have attended meetings, keep coming back in 2017; it's not the same there without you. I look forward to seeing you all at our meeting on January 25.

Fraternally,
SK Matthew T. West
Faithful Captain

Faithful Pilot's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

Prayers are requested for the following:

- Repose of the soul of Ethel Payne, mother of SK Steven Payne (formerly of Fr. Malloy Assembly)
- Karen M. Gonzalez, sister of **SK Ernesto Gonzalez, II**, is undergoing throat cancer radiation treatment
- Thanksgiving for the Ordination to the Priesthood of **SK Ernesto Gonzalez, III**, on January 3, 2017.

If you have any additional prayer requests, please contact me at cdglass@gmail.com.

Fraternally,
SK Carroll D. Glass
Faithful Pilot

Color Corps Commander's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

Happy New Year! This is our first full calendar year with the new Bishop, and as such, it is full of activity! The year is also starting out very busy on a local level with the Mass of Thanksgiving for SK Fr. Ernesto Gonzalez, III, which took place at St. Anthony of Padua on January 8. The presence of his Assembly's Honor Guard made this Mass even more special for this newly ordained Priest! Please continue to keep him in your prayers and keep praying for vocations!

While the snow storms to the south put a damper on the Virginia State Council's Mid-Year Meeting in Richmond, they completely cancelled the Religious Freedom Day Parade in

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Fredericksburg. Sorry to all of those who were disappointed. (I think God just wanted to make sure there was a good showing at Fr. Ernesto's Mass!)

Several very important Color Corps events are right around the corner! This Saturday is the Diaconate Ordination at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More. Mass begins at 11AM; Muster is at 10AM in Msgr. Burke Hall. Full Service Regalia with sword! Please advise CC Commander Bacalski at robertobiz@mac.com if you are able to participate.

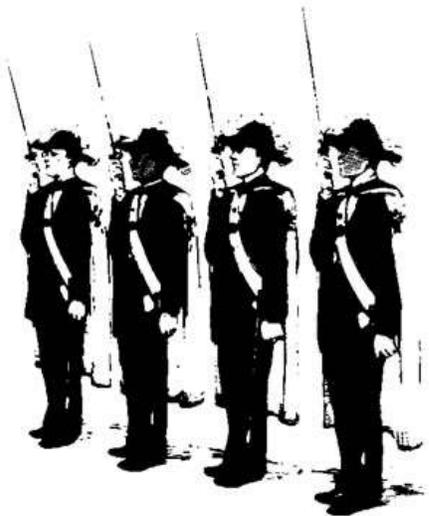
On Wednesday, January 18 at 7PM, Bishop Burbidge will celebrate Mass for Deanery VI at Our Lady of Good Counsel in Vienna. Muster at 6:30PM in the back of the church in full service regalia with sword. Likewise, on Monday, January 23 at 7PM, Bishop Burbidge will celebrate Mass for Deanery II at St. Bernadette's in Springfield. Again, muster at 6:30PM in the back of the church in full service regalia with sword. Please advise Faithful Navigator Dave Todd, Jr. at djtoddjr@gmail.com if you are able to participate in either or both of these Masses.

The next Color Corps and Commanders Training for the District of Virginia will be conducted at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Winchester on January 21, 2017. Training is provided in two separate sessions. The opening session is for all Sir Knights, followed by training for Commander's role. Both sessions will include hands on drill demonstrations by everyone in attendance. In between sessions, there will be a short break. Fr. Robert O. Hickman Assembly, #1883, is the host for this event. Training will begin at 9AM with coffee and donuts available at 8:30AM. Please advise CC Commander Roberto Bacalski at robertobiz@mac.com to participate.

That's just the beginning of what will be a very exciting and fruitful 2017!

Vivat Jesus!

SK Roberto Bacalski
Color Corps Commander



Faithful Admiral's Report



Worthy Sir Knights,

Although this is a new calendar year, we are half way through the fraternal year. Now is the time to get busy recruiting new members for the Spring Exemplification!

Do you carry a Form 4 with you to remind you to talk to your brothers in the 3rd Degree about joining us? Since the Degree will be in Manassas, this is about as convenient as it can get and a minimal cost!

So let's all make a push to get those applications to me or the Navigator (with a check for the \$70 fee) so they can be voted on at our January meeting!

Fraternally,
SK Dennis M. Makurat, PFN
Faithful Admiral

Faithful Comptroller's Report

Worthy Sir Knights,

As of January 1, 2017, Fr. Walter F. Malloy Assembly membership remains at 300 Sir Knights.

As your Faithful Comptroller, my responsibilities include maintaining all Assembly membership 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 calendar year **and are separate from Council dues**. To be in good standing in the 4th Degree, members must also be in good standing in their Council.

All dues notices were sent out in late December. Membership cards will be forwarded upon receipt of dues payments. If you have not received your Assembly dues notice, please contact me and I will forward to you. Members who have attained Honorary Life Membership will also receive paper cards to be carried along with the plastic cards.

If you have any questions about your dues or would like to discuss, please contact me at weich@yahoo.com, or at (703) 307-9163.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,
SK William W. Weich, PFN
Faithful Comptroller

Simbang Gabi Mass

On the evening of Tuesday, December 20, 2016, Fr. Malloy Assembly provided an Honor Guard for the Simbang Gabi Mass at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church. The Mass is part of a nine day celebration in the Filipino community, preparing for the Solemnity of Christmas. In the Diocese of Arlington, there are Simbang Gabi Masses in each Deanery, and the Masses rotate through various churches within the Deaneries. This year, prayer cards were being collected at each Mass to be presented to Bishop Burbidge at the culmination Mass on December 23rd at St. Bernadette's in Springfield.



Many thanks to the TWELVE Sir Knights who participated in this year's Mass: **PFN Richard P. Owen, PFN George H. Billy, SK Vincent J. Wilson, SK Thomas W. Howard, SK John P. Morgan, SK Alfonso Munevar, SK James T. Hogan, SK Douglas Schneyman, SK Karl R. Leshner, SK Carroll D. Glass, SK Patrick A. McGuire, and FN David J. Todd, Jr.**

Following the Mass, participants were treated to a delicious Filipino dinner, and entertained by Carlos Ibay from St. Michael's Church in Annandale.

Assembly Member Ordained a Priest!!!

On Tuesday, January 3, **SK Ernesto Gonzalez, III**, was Ordained to the Priesthood at the Cathedral Basilica of San Juan Bautista for the Diocese of San Juan in Puerto Rico.



The following Sunday, January 8, seven members of Fr. Malloy Assembly provided an Honor Guard at a Mass of Thanksgiving held at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Falls Church. Many thanks to **FN David J. Todd, Jr., PFN, SK Eugene J. Bransfield, SK James E. Connell, SK Carroll D. Glass, SK Karl R. Leshner, SK Felix T. Tecaraya, and SK George S. Vogen** for participating in the Honor Guard!

Deanery Masses with Bishop Burbidge



Now that he has been installed, Bishop Burbidge is planning to visit each Deanery. Honor Guards have been requested for two of the Masses that directly impact Fr. Malloy Assembly:

- 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

The Masses begin at 7PM, so we will be mustering in the back of each church by 6:30PM in full Service Regalia with Sword. If you have regalia but do not plan to attend, we 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** at djtoddjr@gmail.com.

Renewal of Obligations

The Renewal of Obligations previously scheduled for our January meeting, has been postponed until February 15. At 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.

Website Redesign

We are in the process of redesigning and rebuilding our Assembly's website in an effort to help streamline our methods of communication. Anyone interested in assisting with the new website, or anyone who has ideas for the new website, should contact Faithful Navigator **SK Dave Todd, Jr.** at djtoddjr@gmail.com. No experience in web design is necessary to provide ideas, which can include appearance and/or functions that are desired. The sky is the limit as far as ideas that will be considered... let your creative side out and give us your concepts.

Hard Copy of the Newsletter



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

Beginning this month, only those who are not on our email list are receiving a hard copy. If you know of a Sir Knight in our Assembly that is not receiving emails, please let the Faithful Navigator or the Faithful Comptroller know so they can add them 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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