



# Assembly 3296 Review

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## Message From FN John McCarty, Assembly 3296

Congratulations Sir Knights of the Assembly 3296 for having successfully survived the long and challenging months of winter. I must admit it's all relative especially if one has spent a portion of their lives in the northern part of the country. None the less we've all had our challenges the past few months and with the help of other nights we have managed successfully.

I personally want to thank all who have stepped up on my behalf over the past few months and even after last Wednesday's meeting I still have some work to do to get my act back together.

We do have work to be done and need the help of all in the assembly as well as family members or friends. One of our needs is the placement of flags at the Florida National Cemetery on May 28th starting at 9:00 AM with removal of those flags on Saturday June 3rd at 9:00 AM as well we do need volunteers. If we have plenty of volunteers the amount of time to place the flags in our section should not take more than an hour and 15 minutes. We are advising everyone to leave early enough and plan on arrival by 8:15 am at the latest as the traffic will be backed up going into the cemetery. Please declare yourself and members of your family or friends that you are available by providing the information that appears in this newsletter.

Also, you will find our other project of selling American flags and retiring those that are worn out. That information has also been included please consider purchasing the flag for yourself and check with neighbors who may need a replenished flag for their flag-poles.

While a preliminary slate of candidates

for office for the next fraternal year has been published there's still time for you to consider serving in one of the officer capacities and I would ask that you prayerfully consider doing such. There's plenty of qualified individuals that could serve, and I personally believe it's healthy if individuals limit their responsibilities to one position and not try to overextend themselves by taking on other positions either in a council as well et-cetera.

I do want to express a sincere thanks to Deacon Kevin for his presentation and encouragement on praying for the souls in purgatory.

I also thank you all for your support the past few months and your prayers.

God Bless

FN John McCarty

Assembly Officers 2022-2023	
Navigator	John McCarty
Captain	Joe Castrigno
Pilot	Mike Lepore
Comptroller	Chet Sedke
Scribe	Steve Gilkeson
Purser	Hank Casey
I-Sentinel	Jerry Jackovich
O-Sentinel	Ted Deshaw
Admiral	Joe Rzepka
1 Year Trustee	Gerry Becker
2 Year Trustee	Mark Manno
3 Year Trustee	Bill Delaney
Indicates color corp member	



### Message From Dea. Kevin Mukri

Choose to See, rather than Remain Blind. The Pharisees hated and opposed Our Lord from the very beginning. They were horrified by Our Lord who: Mixed with sinners, who preached mercy and forgiveness, and where many of the common people though out Israel became His disciples. The Pharisees were losing followers and the temple revenues were going down. Their personal pride was being hurt and their privileges were being weakened. Their stubborn pride prevented them from seeing in this humble "Son of Man" the long-expected Messiah, and made them incapable of seeing the many miracles of healing that were evident to everybody except them.

For example, when Our Lord cured the blind man, he demonstrated his great patience for those who are blind but want to see, but also demonstrated his contempt and judgment for those like the Pharisees who are so prideful they refuse to see and choose to remain blind. Christ Our Lord wants to overwhelm us with His magnificent revelation of Himself and truth that is preserve in Church that He established upon the rock of Saint Peter, the Roman Catholic Church. If you either don't know or are unsure about some truth of the Church, reach out to one of our priests and deacons. Never be ashamed or shy about some truth you don't fully understand. Christ wants to open your eyes to see perfectly His fulness of revelation. Christ will love you for your ef-

fort and help you to see fully. Now the Pharisees, who fought so hard to hang onto their position, have long since disappeared from history, but there are thousands still among us who, blinded by the same pharisaical pride and prejudice, refuse to see the truths of Christ's revelation. Yet they are not content to keep their irrational unbelief to themselves but want others to join them. They blindly say abortion is a right, rather than see the truth that a child is the supreme gift of Almighty God to a man and woman in marriage. They blindly insist on same gender marriage, rather than see the truth that marriage is a sacrament and partnership between a man and woman for their whole lives for the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of their children.

They blindly insist that children be read to by men dress up as women or that children should be able to choose their gender, rather than see the truth that it is the parent's primary responsibility to educate and evangelize their children. May Almighty God open the eyes of those who in their folly ignore Christ and deny His truths. We ask Christ to bless us in our spiritual works of mercy which include: Instructing the ignorant, Correcting sinners, Advising the doubtful, Showing patience to sinners and those in errors, And forgiving others. And we ask Our Lord to continue to bless us so the errors of today will not blind us, and that we can keep our eyes fully open to His light and truth until we take our place in heaven.

Effective January 11, 2023, the new service baldric are available for sale through English Company [kofcsupplies.com](http://kofcsupplies.com). The baldric will be sold in various sizes. The new baldric color for each position will be as follows.

Supreme Master/Supreme Knight/former - Dark Blue  
Vice Supreme Master/FVSM - Light Blue  
District Master/FM - Gold  
Marshal (active/ currently serving) - Green  
Faithful Navigator/PFN - New White  
Color Corps Commander (active / currently serving) - Purple  
Member Original issue service baldric - NO CHANGE

## Assembly 3296 Prayer List as of January 2023

### Sick

Mario & Deb Acevedo	Bob & Chris McClean
Richard Bauer	Rev John McCracken
Richard & Cookie Brown	Mike & Bonnie Jean Miller
Joseph Casey	Rick Nelson
Dennis M. Chibeau	William Nisbet
Dcn Charlie Cimmino	Robert Nixon
Jay Cottle	Sean O'Connell
Bill Delaney	Leah Pistarelli
Lenny Dimarco	Tom & Mary-Jean Rueck
Roger Ellison	Joseph & Debbie Rzepka
Thomas Feenaghy	Rosemarie Schwaber
Steve Gilkenson	Chet & Harriett Sedke
Dr. Tony Gill	Dave & Sonja Simmons
Thomas Henry	Bob & Pat Smelas
Elif Higgins	Bud & Sophia Stegmeyer
Julie Kilbride	Fred & Mary-Ann Targos
Nicole Lepore	John Thomas
Dennis Lyonais	Gloria Van Leuven
John Magee	Denny Weiinski
John McCarty	Bill Wirtz

### Repose of Souls

Carol Ann Pilz	1/1/21
John Perry Sr.	1/3/21
William Banta	1/9/21
Sister Rita Gray	2/10/21
Thomas Verrastro	4/12/21
Ann Bracchi	6/11/21
Norma Delaney	7/5/21
Linda Gerena	7/13/21
John Grindle	7/16/21
Richard Pilz	7/18/21
Marvin Beachy	1/1/22
Debbi Burke	1/1/22
Robert Anderson	1/9/22
Beatrice Dubois	1/22/22
Ursula Giaccone	4/11/22
Kelly-Marie Farr	4/3/22
Sam Van Leuven	9/30/22
Linda Robacker	10/1/22
Dennis Thibeau	10/1/22
Richard Pryble	10/2/22
Lenny Capobianco	11/25/22
Roger P Sabatino	11/8/22

3/22/2023~4th Degree Meeting, 6:30 Social Hall.  
 3/25&26~Diaper drive after all masses.  
 3/26/2023~Donut Sunday after 8 & 10am Masses.  
 4/1&2~Food Drive after all Masses.  
 4/26/2023~4th Degree Meeting, 6:30 Social Hall.

Proposed officer nominations  
 taken from the floor at May Meeting  
 Assembly Officers 2023/24

F N	J. Castrigno
Captain	C. Fenstermaker
Pilot	D. McMullin
Admiral	G. Becker
Comptroller	C. Sedke
Scribe	D. Rodini
Purser	H. Casey
Inner	T. Peter
Outer	T. Deshaw
3yr Trustee	J. Rzepka
2yr Trustee	B. Wirtz
1yr Trustee	M. Manno



Pictured on the left is our Faithful Navigator John McCarty presenting our Worthy Treasurer SK Henry (Hank) Casey with a Knight of the Month certificate for the month of April 2023. The Assembly is very fortunate to have Hank as our Treasurer, I don't see how we could function without him. Thank You Brother Hank for your hard work and preservice.

Hold the date, sometime in August or thereabouts when Assembly 3296 will be conducting the installation of officers for the year July 2023 to June 2024. This promises to be a beautiful affair with the installation in the church followed by dinner in the social hall, don't miss it.



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Brothers all, did you know that Assembly 3296 is offering \$300.00 towards the purpose of a 4th degree uniform plus a prior owned sward and scarab? The Assembly is very short of color corp members and they are constantly being called out for their services.

Presently they are teamed up with Assembly 2722 and Assembly 3296, however this still makes their coverage very difficult.

If you are a member of 3296 or know of anyone who would be willing to serve with 3296, please let me know and I will pass the info on to those involved, 352 343 1046.

Thank You,  
Chet Sedke



### Message from CCC Cliff Miller Jr

Things have been relatively quiet so far this month with only one funeral to report:

On Friday, March 10, the Color Corps acted as honor guard at the funeral of BK Paul James Jr. celebrated at St Theresa's in Belleview. We received an urgent call for assistance from our brothers at St Theresa's as they were unable to provide an honor guard. With just two days notice, five Sir Knights turned out to help: Mike Grindel, Steve Gilkerson, Bill Wirtz, Jim Anderson and Jerry Loomer. Praise the Lord and thank you, brothers

Vivat Jesus

Cliff Miller  
CCC Assembly 3296



Picture

Pictured above are FN John McCarty presenting our Worthy Phillip Graniello knight of the month for January with the correct spelling of his name.