The Patriot

Knights of Columbus – Fourth Degree Assembly 2794 January 2023

Our Lady of Hope Port Orange, FL



My Fellow Sir Knights,

Someone pinch me, it can't 2023 already! I won't bore you with the usual look back in time because we've got plenty to look forward to.

At our next meeting on January 26th we will celebrate our Renewal of Obligation where we pledge ourselves to be faithful Catholics to our God and church, our Faithful Order, as well as loyal citizens of our great country. We will also need to nominate a new two (2) year Trustee to replace SK Art Klobucar who was called away from us much to soon. The election for that position will take place at our February 23rd meeting. Between now and our February mtg I ask that you look ahead to events that the Assembly might participate in for our 2023/2024 Fraternal Year. Fr. Matt has asked all organizations at OLH to submit a twelve (12) month calendar to better organize events at OLH. The OLH calendar will run from 7-1-23 thru 6-30-24.

I will also ask you to look ahead to our May election of officers to serve in 2023/2024. We will need a nominating committee of 2 SK's to help with this task. The only positions not open are the Faithful Comptroller and the 2nd & 3rd year trustees which slide to the 1st & 2nd year trustee slots. Of course all other current officers can stand for re-election.

Brothers, as we work through the last six months of this Fraternal Year I ask our Founder Blessed Michael McGivney to bless you and our work.

Fraternally, Bob Gillikin, Faithful Navigator bobgillikin@gmail.com

Faithful Friar, Fr. Paul's Corner



Happy Lunar New Year to My Worthy Brother Knights. We celebrated New Year's Day here in the Western World on January 1st with the Feast of the Solemnity of Mary. Some will celebrate the Lunar New Year on Sunday the 22nd. It will be the Year of the Rabbit. For the Vietnamese and other East Asians, the Lunar New Year is an important opportunity to make changes in their lives. Traditionally, to Vietnamese Catholics the festival usually begins with Mass and takes up to three days. The first day, they offer praise to God; the second day they pay respects to and pray for their ancestors; and the last day they ask for blessings and pray fpr a more prosperous new year. This year the festival starts on the Feast of St Paul's conversion. Paul converted from the persecutor Saul, who persecuted Christ and his people, to the Apostle Paul, who was sent to proclaim to all nations the saving gospel. Both celebrations call upon us to change our lives to better God and his people.

For those who celebrate the Lunar New Year, I want to wish you good fortune, Peace, and prosperity. May your families be blessed with joy, happiness and peace in The Year of the rabbit!

Sincerely Yours in Christ, Fr. Paul

"One can give without loving, but one cannot love without giving"

Assembly Officers 2022-23

Faithful Navigator SK Bob Gillikin Faithful Comptroller SK Louis Rosa Faithful Friar SK Fr. Paul Dau Faithful Admiral SK John B. Hoaq Faithful Purser SK Lou Greci Faithful Captain SK Sam Tedesco Faithful Pilot SK Vito Benedetto Faithful Scribe SK Pat Santovasi Inner Sentinel SK Andy Duzyk **Outer Sentinel** SK Ted Morrell One Year Trustee SK Ray Zall Two Year Trustee SK Art Klobucar Three Year Trustee SK Marty Librizzi Faithful Steward SK Bob Dytowski

Color Corps Report



Corps report for December 2022

The assembly 2794 Color Corps answered four Call-Outs in December.

The 35ht anniversary for Fr. Chris Hoffman was held on December 6th at Our Lady of the Lakes in Deltona. Fr Chris concelebrated with his classmate Fr Matt Mello. Both are Assembly 2794 members. There were 16 Sir Knights in Regalia, including six from 2794 – Lou Greci, Ted Morrell, Stan Hetrick, Tim Carnego, Gene Cicone and myself. We were joined by District Master John O'Toole, and Immediate Former District Master Charlie McLaughlin.

On Dec9th OLH held the funeral for Ann Schuh, widow of Brother SK Vern Shuh. The Corps consisted of Jerry Wojciechowski, Ted Morell, Stan Hetrick, and myself. The Corps was also present at the Procession and Mass to celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe at St Elizabeth Ann Seton in Palm Coast on Dec 11th. I served as Corps Commander for seven members. The last call-out was for SK Howard Gowan, a member of Assembly 2794 and Council 8086. His funeral mass was on Dec12th at Prince of Peace with Jerry Wojciechowski, Tim Carnego and myself representing 2794.

Thank you for your generous gift of time and service.

SK John J. O'Malley, Color Corps Commander

Happy Birthday!

December

- 2 Leo Decker
- 5 Dave Montgomery
- 5 Joe Watson
- 8 Clif Alliott
- 8 Egon Gantner
- 10 John Gawdun
- 11 Sean Zebrowski
- 13 Bob Brock
- 14 Mike Miglioranzi
- 14. Arnold Sevcik
- 20. Steve Martino
- 21. John Reilly
- 22. Nolan Archer
- 23. Bob Dytkowski
- 23. Ken Weaver

- 28. Joe Hochdoefer
- 29. Bob Novell
- 31. Pat Santovasi

Upcoming and Noteworthy Events

January

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Renewal of Obligation

February

Please Continue to Keep the Following in your Prayers

SK Al Citro and Wife Dottye
SK Edwin Kronseder
SK Ernest Rossi
SK Tom Circelli
Phil Circelli, brother of SK Tom Circelli
SK Bob Dytkowski
Ronnie Santovasi
Klobucar Family
Maureen Wojciechowski
Brother Knights and Families in the Ukraine