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The Patriot

Knights of Columbus – Fourth Degree Assembly 2794

March 2023

Our Lady of Hope Port Orange, FL



My Fellow Sir Knights,

As we approach the Easter season for our church which brings renewal to all of us, I ask that you renew your obligation to our Blessed Order and pledge to do even more for those we serve. Your service thus far has been outstanding, and I know you will continue to serve as we quickly finish this Fraternal Year. We will continue to have Vets Bingo every first Thursday and we'll wrap up our year with the Armed Forces Day Picnic on May 22nd.

At our meeting this Thursday March 23rd we will have the first reading of the slate of proposed Officers for the 2023/2024 Fraternal Year. We will also nominate and vote on a Sir Knight to fill the 2 Year Trustee position left open by the passing of SK Art Klobucar.

I have repeated our Faithful Friars message from last month because I thought it very appropriate to repeat it.

If you have any suggestions for programs that you think the Assembly should sponsor please contact me or any of your officers.

Brothers, as we work through the last three 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



My Worthy Brother Knights,

Lent is around the corner. The message of our biblical passages running throughout the Lenten Season is a call to a life of conversion. For most of us, to prepare for Lent we usually give up some of our favorite foods like chocolate, donuts, pizza or drinks like beer, wine, or Coke. However, for some of you like me, giving up these things doesn't effect the call of conversion. Thus, perhaps we should do something else rather than avoid things we really don't need. Almsgiving, such as works of charity and participation in public activities, is a spiritual and religious practice that strengthens our love for others, increases our detachment and contributes to greater social justice. When we do so, it allows us to step outside of ourselves and focus on the needs of others. It is also an act of love that can deepen our prayer life and bring a greater sense of meaning to fasting. Therefore, at it's core, almsgiving can convert not only our lives, but also the lives of others.

I hope that all of My Worthy Brothers have a blessed Lent.

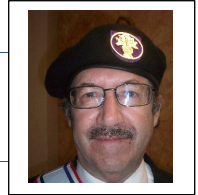
Sincerely Yours in Christ,
Fr. Paul

"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. Hoag
Faithful Purser	SK TBD
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 Dytkowski

Color Corps Report



Corps report for March 2023

We would like to welcome SK Jacques Roch for joining the Color Corps – and seeing double duty on his first day of duty. SK Jacques and SK Jerry Wojciechowski stood at both the funerals for Joyce Swanson at Our Lady of Hope and – three hours later – for SK John Katrenicz at Prince of Peace. Both SK Jacques, Jerry and I returned on Monday to Prince of Peace for the funeral for SK Tom Medved.

We had seven SKs for the funeral at OLOH, also including Paul MacNamara and Lou Greci. We had eight SKs for the Katrenicz funeral. On the following Monday, I served as CCC for the SK Tom Medved funeral. We had 12 SKs, also including Tim Carnego and Andy Duzyk to give our assembly five representatives.

I also served as the Color Corps Commander for Central Florida Laps for Life on Saturday, March 4, with a group of 10 SKs at Bishop Moore for opening ceremonies.

We will lead the procession for Coastal Laps for Life on Saturday, April 1, at 9 a.m. at Father Lopez Catholic High School.

We will then take turns at Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following Holy Thursday Mass at Our Lady of Hope on April 6. There will be an anniversary Mass at Prince of Peace on April 15 at 4 p.m. Also please put the May 7 May Crowning at Our Lady of Hope on your schedule.

Thanks again for your generous gift of time and service!

John O'Malley, Color Corps Commander

Vivat Jesus!

SK John J. O'Malley, Color Corps Commander

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Happy Birthday!

April

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| 1 | Kevin Middleton | 23. | John O'Malley |
| 3 | Mark Provenzano | 28 | Jarrold Eich |
| 4 | Jim Gallagher | 29. | Ted Morrell |
| 4. | Tony Manzolillo | | |
| 6 | Sam Tedesco | | |
| 13 | Phil Callea | | |
| 17. | Chris Lavender | | |
| 17. | Tom Mies | | |
| 18. | Rev Jim McCabe | | |
| 19. | Noah Belanger | | |
| 20. | Charles Berry | | |
| 20. | Ken Carson | | |
| 20 | Tom Eisenschmidt | | |
| 22 | Rev Matt Mello | | |
| 23. | Bill Anderson | | |

Upcoming and Noteworthy Events

March 23 *Regular Assembly Meeting*
April 6 *Vet Bingo*

Please Continue to Keep the Following in your Prayers

SK Al Citro and Wife Dottie.
SK Edwin Kronseder
SK Ernest Rossi
Hilda Junco

SK Bob Simcoe
SK Mike Pettit
SK Jim Gallagher

SK Tom Circelli
Phil Circelli, brother of SK Tom Circelli.
SK Bob Dytkowski
Ronnie Santovasi
Klobucar Family
Maureen Wojciechowski
SK Art Hobbs
SK Al Morganti
Sk Rich Smatt
Brother Knights and Families in the Ukraine

Vickie Kalkenbrenner
Jean Tedesco
Andrew Milholland