



# Knights of Columbus

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## The Flag, Sword, and Cross Newsletter

### From the Faithful Navigator...

Thanks to all that contributed to our September Newsletter. I'm still happy to turn over the duties of putting the newsletter together, so let me know if you're interested.

We are starting to hit our stride meeting in person and being part of events and activities. Let us pray that COVID doesn't change our ability to be together. We had a great Officer Installation on August 22 with Assemblies 1162 and 2588. It was great to share time with brother Knights and their families from around Southside Hampton Roads. Thanks to SKs Mark Stinard and Glenn Rodriguez from Holy Family for all their logistical help. Thanks also to District Master Stephen Raschke and Regional Marshal Roy Blakeburn for conducting the installation. And finally to the ladies in my house who coordinated the reception.

The Past Faithful Navigator Dinner will be Saturday September 18 at the Columbian Club, social hour beginning at 6:00 and dinner at 7:00. Details are still being finalized, so look for an email from me with details on tickets and a call for Color Corps support.

Please read the details of upcoming events throughout the newsletter. Of particular interest to me are the opportunities to be the **visible arm of the Knights** at upcoming parades and religious events. You can participate even if you don't have the Official Dress Uniform. The Faithful Captain and I are both in the process of ordering our uniforms. I challenge you to consider doing the same.

The next Officer Meeting will be Monday September 20 at the Columbian Club beginning at 6:00pm. The September business meeting will be on the 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Church of the Holy Family, Rosary at 7:00pm and the meeting at 7:30. We have had good turnouts at our July and August meetings and I hope to see even more of you at Holy Family in September. Please read the Faithful Captain's Corner for information on **Have a Friend, Bring a Friend**.



Fraternally,  
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## Good of the Order



### Repose of the Soul:

Lady Evelyn Malana  
 Lady Beverly Mele  
 Lady Betty Wemhoff  
 Lady Jean Burke  
 Patricia Ann Ramos  
 Beverly Miller  
 Pascualita Jayme

### Prayerful Intentions:

SK Bishop Paul Loverde  
 SK Fr Rene Castillo  
 Fr Charles Breindel  
 Lady Vivian Ramos  
 Lady Christine Avery  
 SK Mark Nunz  
 SK Craig Zombar  
 SK Jim Swanick  
 SK Kevin Cassidy  
 SK Don Coons  
 SK Paul Janiszewski  
 SK Dick Guevin  
 SK Christian Chenard  
 Joe Lassuy  
 Paul Whalen  
 June Rodriguez  
 Sharon Schlossberg  
 Magdelina Harber

Our Military Deployed overseas,  
 their families and loved ones.

Our Military Veterans

Persecuted Christians throughout  
 the world.

First Responders and those caring  
 for COVID patients.

All Priests, Deacons, and  
 Religious

Afghanistan Citizens

Victims of Natural Disasters

Lord, grant Your healing touch on  
 these persons and grant Your  
 peace to them and their families.

### September Birthdays

wishes to these Sir Knights:

Thomas Morwick, Msgr. Frederic  
 Elkin, Jeffrey Goodchild, Robert  
 Abbate, Raymond Zmuda, Jeffrey  
 Uthe, Alberto Caboteja, Felipe  
 Clamor, Timothy Murphy, Thomas  
 Famulari, Robert Kinci, Bella Ah-  
 Hing, Robert Aggen, Dennis Atkins,  
 Paul West, Phillip Meyer, George  
 Webb

## Faithful Friar's Minute... (Fr. René Castillo)

We are on the edge of the summer season. People are concluding their vacations, and families are gearing up for the new school year. It appears that the Covid-19 virus is still foremost on people's minds, especially as school starts. The virus has affected us in varied ways. We continue to ask God's healing on those who have suffered severely, as well as those who were mildly affected. We mourn the loss of family and friends who unfortunately did not survive this scourge. All in all, this coronavirus has produced in us a heightened sense of awareness of our own safety and also of our own mortality.

The question that may cross our minds is this: What is the value people place in suffering, their own or that of others? As Catholic Christians, we know that suffering has value, not of its own accord, but only when we turn our gaze toward our Lord Jesus Christ on the cross and unite our sufferings to his. It was a Roman custom for crucifixion to be used for special crimes: rebellion against the state or Rome, criminal activity of those on the lowest rung of society. It was a very humiliating form of punishment. It was also meant as a spectacle, to warn others who planned to commit similar crimes. The accusation that Jesus declared himself the King of the Jews implied rebellion, and consequently crucifixion. But the Gospel portrays it as something that Jesus knew would happen to him and that Jesus was in control of the situation and willingly gave his life for our salvation. Moreover, "he humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him...." (Phil 2:8-9).

Any suffering of God's children has eternal value, but it matters too how one accepts it, what one's attitude is. This is an occasion when our faith is tested. The Letter of James tells us: "Consider it all joy, my brothers, when you encounter various trials, for you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance" (James 1:2-3). In the end, that is what we need from God: the grace to persevere faithfully until the end. Let us lift up to the Lord those who continue to be afflicted by this pandemic. Let us ask God's comfort on those who have lost loved ones. On our part, let us encourage each other and those we encounter to continue to trust God in these challenging times.

## Faithful Admiral's Report... (SK Toby Robillard)

### FALL EXEMPLIFICATION

Our next Exemplification will be October 30, 2021. We are hoping it will be in-person at The Church of Ascension in Virginia Beach. The decision will be made early in September if it will be in-person or virtual. Either way, please recruit those 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree members that would be good for the Assembly and get a Form 4 filled out and turned in. This is the only degree now that performs a Knighting ceremony and only degree that offers a chalice ceremony.

### **THE FIRST MEMBER WHO SUBMITS A PROPERLY FILLED OUT FORM 4 FOR THE FALL EXEMPLIFICATION WILL RECEIVE A SPECIAL GIFT.**

Form 4's are available on the secure side of the website. (Hint Hint)

For more information contact:  
 Faithful Admiral Toby Robillard:

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## ***Faithful Captain's Corner (SK Dave Smith)***

Just a reminder of our “**Have a Friend, Bring a Friend**” initiative (will be a recurring theme this Fraternal Year). Please think of those who are fellow Sir Knights that have not been to a meeting for a while and ask them to come with you to the next meeting. On the other hand, if you are reading this and have not been to a meeting in a while, remember you have a home here; we would like nothing better than seeing you.

Following is a list of the near-term upcoming events:

Saturday Sep 18 – PFN Dinner (more details will be coming from the FN)  
 Saturday Sep 25 – Neptune Festival Parade  
 Friday Oct 8 – USO Warrior Classic Golf Tournament – Sewells Point GC

## ***USO Warrior Classic – Chair: SK Ted Quinter***

The USO Warrior Classic Golf Tournament will be held on Friday, October 8<sup>th</sup> at the Sewells Point Golf Course, and is open to the public. Help is needed soliciting support for Team and Hole sponsorships and Raffle Ticket Sales. You can find more information at the tournament website at

<https://birdeasepro.com/2021USOWarriorClassic>

If you have any questions, please call Ted Quinter, Chair at 757-390-6719 or Ass't Chair, Stan Schnell at 757-618-7793.

## ***Assembly Shirts and Gear***

Assembly Shirts and other gear can be ordered through SK Pat Savarese or SK Don Gordon. To order shirts, please obtain the order form on our Assembly website or at our Business Meeting and fill out both sides. The form can also be printed from the website and brought to our next business meeting! One will be turned in with your order, and the other will be kept verifying completed orders for accuracy. Please note, no orders will be submitted without payment up front, make checks payable to: Safeguard. For questions please contact SK Pat at: (718) 757-5521, or [pat.savarese.kofc@gmail.com](mailto:pat.savarese.kofc@gmail.com)

## ***Color Corps Commander – SK Joe Burns***

Upcoming HG/CG events include:

- Support for PFN Dinner – September 18
- Neptune Festival Parade – September 25
- Veteran's Day Parade – November 11

Please contact the Color Corps Commander at [cc1505@vakofc.org](mailto:cc1505@vakofc.org) and let him know if you can assist or would like to join the Assembly Color Corps.



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If it has been a while since you talked to your Field Agent, or if you are interested in becoming an owner, looking to make a change to your existing policies, or perhaps start an annuity, long-term care policy, or even open a retirement savings account, please contact your Field Agent to set a meeting date.

## Assembly Website

Please visit our Assembly website located at <http://kofc1505assembly.org>. We are posting all upcoming events, news, and information on our website.

You can access the Members Only area from the top menu using your membership ID and birthday for entry. All Officer Reports and Meeting Minutes are posted in that area. You can also enter any Prayer Requests that you would like to have read at the next Business Meeting, we will pull them the day of the Meeting and ensure they are put on our Prayer List.

If you have any questions about the website please reach out to either SK Dan Peterson or SK Wayne Phelps. You can also provide questions, comments, or thoughts at <https://kofc1505assembly.org/p/contact-us/> and someone from the web team will reach out to you and ensure your needs are met.

# 'ROUND THE TABLE

## Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Father Michael J. McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, June we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church.



Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we June continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen. Through Christ our Lord. Amen. (Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be)

## Assembly 1505 Calendar of Events ~

### September 2021 ~

- 06 – Labor Day ~ *Fly the Flag*
- 18 – PFN Dinner ~ Columbian Club 6:00pm
- 20 – Officer's Meeting ~ Columbian Club 6:00pm
- 22 – Business Meeting ~ **Holy Family** ~ Rosary at 7:00pm & Meeting at 7:30pm
- 25 – Neptune Festival Parade ~ Oceanfront 11:30am

### October 2021 ~

- 03 – State Quarterly Meeting ~ Newport News
- 08 – USO Golf Classic ~ Sewells Point 12:00pm
- 10 – Rosary Procession ~ Oceanfront 3:00pm
- 11 - Columbus Day ~ *Fly the Flag*
- 25 – Officer Meeting ~ Columbian Club 6:00pm
- 27 – Business Meeting – **Eastern Shore** (Cape Charles) ~ Rosary at 7:00pm & Meeting at 7:30pm
- 30 – Virginia District Fall Exemplification ~ Virginia Beach