

Sir Knights present: 39

Presiding officer: Faithful Navigator, Bill Camden

Here is the schedule of future Assembly meetings:

St. Andrew April 20<sup>th</sup>
 Mary Our Queen May 11<sup>th</sup>
 All Saints June 8<sup>th</sup>

The rosary was recited before the meeting as usual. Dinner followed with a spaghetti casserole, asparagus, bread, dessert, and beverage. Jim Gonzales was thanked for the nice meal.

The meeting began slightly early at 7:17 PM with the usual ceremonies. FN called for a reading of the past minutes. A vote called for acceptance of the last minutes as transcribed with no corrections.

Joe Thibadeau was introduced as a new Sir Knight. Birthdays were acknowledged for Chuck Langgood and Wulf Lindenau. David Lemcoe was announced as transferring back into Watters Assembly.

Anniversaries were announced: Lou Hlad (44), Dennis Klein (57), and Bill Camden (40).

Handshakes among all brothers were exchanged.

#### **Roll Call:**

Faithful Captain	Chuck Langgood	Present	Faithful Friar	Fr. Dan Rogaczewski	Excused
Faithful Admiral	Stan Wasowski	Excused	Inner Sentinel	Terry Petrukovich	Present
Faithful Pilot	Jon Bird	Present	Outer Sentinel	Nick Mattera	Present
Faithful Comptroller	Dave Mason	Present	Trustee 3-year	Bob Webster	Present
Faithful Scribe	Lou Hlad	Present	Trustee 2-year	Bob Mitchell	Present
Faithful Purser	Abe Kassis	Present	Trustee 1-year	Ron Collins	Present

#### **Faithful Navigator Report**

Reminders: - Notice - Meeting Change due to Holy Thursday

Assembly Meeting Thursday, April 20th at St. Andrews, 6:30 Rosary followed with Dinner and meeting to start on or before 7:30

In March we had (1) Honor Guard

• March 18th St. Andrews – 7:30 – Spanish Youth

New upcoming Honor Guards:

- April 22nd All Saints Divine Mercy 5:00/4:15 show up
- April 22nd 4th Degree St. Joseph, Macon 10:00
- April 23rd All Saints Divine Mercy 10:30/9:45 show up
- April 29th All Saints 1st Communion 10:30/9:45 Show up May 6th St. Andrews 1st Communion 4:45/
   4:00 Show up
- May 7th St. Andrews 1st Communion 12:45/12:00 Show up



- May 7th Mary Our Queen Confirmation 11:00/10:15 show up
- May 13th- Dedication-Battle Cross Memorial-Johns Creek 3:00/2:15 Show up
- Nov. 19th Fr. Bill Hao– Dedication of the Holy Name of Jesus Chinese Mission church

I ask once again that you please participate in as many Honor Guards as you can as we need each of you so we can make a spiritual showing for our Faith, Priests and our Assembly. Please remember to support the other parishes and not just the one that you attend.

All Saints served a great dinner at our last meeting. We thank the Sir Knights and Jim Gonzales for the work you gave to the Knights preparing a great dinner and for the hospitality for our Assembly. Great job!

The Prayer List had several people on our list from last month. Dennis Caniglia, Andy Diaz, Linda Sperick, Wiley Maloof, Bill Campbell's wife Linda, Mike Smiths daughter Courtney, Jan Gahalni, Steve Smith, Janet Belinsky, Jessie Blair, George Petrukovich, Tom Stump, and Ron Collins' wife Jackie, Msgr. Kiernan, Margret Plunkett, Nancy Dill, Mike Dorico, Lauren Echols, Jim Snoddy, John Barranco, Mary Westbrook, Frank Farrell's wife Jean, Joy Fahey and Peter Leibowitz, Deborah Blair, Norma Pierson, and Mary Cross, Gordon Stintz, Marty Dough, Danny Medina, Dennis Klein, Don Houser and Aidan Toolan, Judy Klein, Randy Hines, Ted Throne, Olga Waltering, Kathy Harvey, and Mary McCallen, Tom Drico, Harvey Moskowitz and James Ambrose.

We added Danny Ross, Florence Wasowski & family, Ortfeo Trombetta Sr. and Bob Santos. Please keep these wonderful Brother Sir Knights and their family and friends in your prayers.

Please pray for our countries new leaders that they will lead us in the direction that our Lord asks of us. Please pray for the men and women in the military that are fighting for our freedom and religious rights and for all the Christian refugees in the Mid-East. Please pray for the Clergy of our faith.

Items of Interest:

<u>Elections for 2017-2018</u>: Elections are in May and If you are interested and an active member in the 4th degree and would like to become an officer, please give your name to one of the trustees or to me. If you have any questions or would like more information on a position, give the trustees or me a call or email.

Bob Webster – 770-335-6918 – <a href="mailto:bob.b.webster@gmail.com">bob.b.webster@gmail.com</a>
Chuck Langgood – 770-992-8386 – <a href="mailto:clanggood@szabo.com">clanggood@szabo.com</a>
Bob Mitchell – 770-310-1760 – <a href="mailto:bobmitchellga@yahoo.com">bobmitchellga@yahoo.com</a>

**Spring Picnic:** The Social Committee (Chuck Langgood, Nick Mattera and Joe Inglima) are planning the Spring Picnic and will be announced.

<u>Civic Award</u>: The "Civic Award" for the State of Georgia has been submitted to State and Supreme for the current year of 2017-2017. We won this award in 2015-2016.

<u>Patriotic Award</u>: The "Patriotic Award" has also been submitted to State and Supreme for our current year 2016-2017. We also won this award in 2015-2016.



<u>Star Assembly Award</u>: The "Star Assembly Award" was submitted for our current year 2016-2017. We won the First ever Star Award in 2015-2016.

**Knightline:** Our story on the "Military Chaplains Fund Drive" was in the Knightline monthly News online and to be forthcoming in a future mailing.

**<u>Columbia Magazine</u>**: We also submitted our story to Columbia Magazine for the Military Chaplains Fund Drive.

<u>Battle Cross Memorial</u>: We have completed construction for the bronze "Battle Cross Memorial" in Johns Creek Veterans Park. A dedication and unveiling will be on Sunday, May 13th at 3:00 pm.

We have invited our Vice Supreme Master Robert Anderson, District Master Stan Rapciewicz, and Our Highest ranking Knight in the state of Georgia, State Deputy Mark McMullen. We have also invited Military Chaplain, Award Winner, Author, and Doctor Fr. Roy Lee. The Mayor of Johns Creek, Mike Bodker and the City Council has been invited as well as newspaper coverage.

We will have the Johns Creek Veterans Association as well as a lot of Veterans in attendance. An Honor Guard with our Sir Knights will be in attendance with a Military Color Guard working together. Please attend this event and be a part of the Honor Guard if possible. We want to take pictures of our entire Assembly Sir Knights and update our photos. This is a beautiful place to do that.

Johns Creek Newtown Park located at 3150 Old Alabama Road, Johns Creek, to commemorate our fallen heroes. This is the fourth largest Veterans Park in the United States. We are honored that our monument was selected to be at the entry of the park.



Seven Foot Battle Cross Memorial



K of C Assembly 2688 Dedication Plaque

#### Awards and Completed Projects for 2016-2017:

- Supreme Star Award
- State of Georgia Civic Award
- The Phoenix Patriot Foundation
- American Heritage Girls Troop 1412 & Wreaths Across America



- Fisher House
- 2nd Chalice Presentation this year. Fr. Roberto Suarez and honored our passed Sir Knight Brothers Richard (Doc)
   Malone, James Edward Lamb and Michael Nassr.
- Solders Battle Cross Memorial
- Golf Tournament for Veterans
- Military Chaplains Fund Drive
- Military Rosaries for the deployed to the Mid-East
- Veterans Dinner for the Mid-East Wars
- Sir Knights and Wives Appreciation Dinner
- First Annual Picnic

My Brother Sir Knights, you can be very proud of what you have accomplished this year and I thank you for the time and efforts you have contributed and doing what we are called to do as Sir Knights. You have gone above and beyond and you will be blessed and rewarded for your all your efforts. Your time, talent and your treasure have been proven time and again that we are a great assembly in the Knights of Columbus. I thank you for all your help and the support you have given to make this happen. God bless and reward you all.

Please, don't forget to pay your membership dues as they are due on Jan.1st of each year. The dues are \$30.00 per year. Make your check out to "K of C 2688". Some have still not paid at this time and it is a hardship on our Controller when you are late. You can pay at our next meeting on April 20th or send your check to David Ma-son, 5468 Red Bark Pl., Dunwoody, GA 30338

I look forward to seeing all of you at the Assembly meeting at St. Andrew on April 20th (note date change) at 6:15 for Rosary with dinner to follow and the meeting starts at 7:30 or a little before.

God's blessings be with you all.

William M. (Bill) Camden

Vivat Jesus

Faithful Navigator



### Faithful Purser Report – Abe Kassis

BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE 1.30.2015		\$ 10,798.33
RECEIPTS		
CHAPLIN FUND	\$ 60.00	
FOOD/BEV	\$ 223.00	
50/50	\$ 81.00	
DUES	\$ 2,376.00	
DONATION	\$ 20.00	
EXEMPLICATIONS	\$ 630.00	
BADGES	\$ 80.00	
SUB TOTAL RECIEPTS		\$ 3,470.00
		\$ 14,268.33
<u>EXPENSES</u>		
FOOD	\$ (222.88)	
CHAPLIN FUND	\$ (5,110.05)	
SUPPLIES	\$ (143.08)	
EXEMPLICATION	\$ (630.00)	
ATTENDANCE AWARD	\$ (20.00 <u>)</u>	
SUB TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ (6,126.01)
BANK STATEMENT BALANCE 1.31.2016		<u>\$ 8,142.32</u>
OUTSTANDING DEPOSITS/ (CHECKS)		
CONVENTION AD	\$ (160.00)	
EXEMPLICATIONS	\$ (660.00)	
DUES	\$ 210.00	
CHAPLIN FUND	\$ 120.00	
DUES	\$ (6.00)	<u>\$ (496.00)</u>
CHECK BOOK ACCOUNT BALANCE 02.11.2016		<u>\$ 7,646.32</u>

### Faithful Comptroller Report—Dave Mason

- 1. Confirming checking account balance as of March 9, 2017 at \$19,689.85 with \$8,161 for Patriotic / Veteran's Charities.
- 2. Membership. We have 212 Sir Knights in our Assembly. We added one new SK with the Fourth Degree Exemplification in February (Joe Thibadeau).
- 3. Our next Fourth Degree Exemplification will be April 22, 2017 in Macon, GA.

This will be a degree and lunch only.

Candidates fees are \$80.00 (includes 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Badge).

Need Form 4 completed and payment by April 10<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to include candidates email address.



Get candidate ready. If he plans to wear the tux he got married in, he might find that it has gotten a "little tighter" setting in the closet. Try the tux on. Alterations may take a week or two.

4. ASSEMBLY MEMBERSHIP DUES: As of today, we have 39 members who have not paid their 2017 Membership dues. Dues are \$30.00. Covers membership period January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017.

Make check payable to K of C # 2688. Mail or hand deliver to me.

Send Check: David Mason

5468 Redbark Place Dunwoody, GA 30338

5. Election of Officers for 2017 -2018. Nominate in May and vote in June.

I will email all members of # 2688 Our Assembly Bi-Laws (which describes each Officer's description and responsibilities). I will also send list of current officers.

You will be more information from the Trustees.

### Faithful Friar Report (Father Dan)

Our Faithful Friar, Father Dan Rogaczewski, was not in attendance.

#### Bills and Communications (Lou Hlad)

There were no communications this month.

#### Widows Ad Hoc Committee Report (Lou Hlad)

All Saints had two widows participate in our March Bingo event and they played free due to the agreement of All Saints to pick up their \$15 fees.

#### **Social Committee Report** (Nick Mattera)

Nick mentioned that the committee is looking into some possible fun events like a square dance and of course a summer picnic like last year. No date set yet.

Our Annual Member/Spouse dinner is April 23rd at 5 PM at Altobeli Italian Restaurant. Cost is \$30/person or \$60/couple.

FN wants to take a formal picture in regalia at the battlecross monument. Maybe this could be combined with the dinner above. We could do the photos at 3 PM and head to Altobeli.

Chuck related that there was a meeting last month to discuss what the Assembly wanted to do for special events in 2016. After recognizing the WW II, Korean, and Vietnam vets in past years, the committee decided that we would honor Desert Storm, Iraq, and Afghanistan vets this year. An insert into our church bulletins is being formulated to announce our intentions and reach out to candidates. The dinner is planned for June 11th. The span of years served is 1975 to present. All Saints already has a good list. St. Andrew and Mary Our Queen are working through their parish offices to complete theirs.



Discussion on how to fund the event this year giving vets and wives free meals is open. We have no fundraiser yet planned. We can immediately begin canvassing our council parishes to discover the number of vets we can find.

He is meeting with Dominic Palermo and Joe Inglima to begin food discussions. Lou Hlad and Stan Wasowski are also on the committee. Soon all hands will be needed to pull this off.

#### **Chalice Committee Report** (Ed Pierson)

We have \$1,000 in our budget for two chalices. We will need additional chalices because of the backlog we now have.

• Presented to Fr. Ceballos, a chalice with the names:

	Anthony Allan Kosek passed	12.25.2014	(All Saints)
	Charles J. Robinson passed	12.30.2014	(St. Andrew)
•	Presented to Father Roberto Sua	rez on Nov. 3rd.	
	James Edward Lamb passed	3.5.2015	(St. Andrew)
	Richard (Doc) Malone passed	6.12.2015	(All Saints)
	Michael A. Nassr passed	10.31.2015	(St. Andrew)
•	Awaiting two more Chalices. (ne	xt budget cycle)	
	Dennis M. Crean passed	11.1.2015	(All Saints)
	Fr. Joseph M. Peek passed	3.14.2016	(All Saints) (solitary chalice for a priest)
	Thomas Templeton passed	5.1.2016	(All Saints)
	Guy E. Stryker passes	9.26.2016	(All Saints)
	William O'Shaughnessy	1.11.2017	(St. Brendan)

3.12.2017

### Membership Committee Report (Bill Camden)

Joe Thibadeau became a new member. The next fourth degree will be held June 10th at Holy Family in Marietta.

(All Saints)

#### **Color Corps Report** (Stan Wasowski)

Robert Heald

These were mentioned in the FN report. Commander Stan Wasowski was excused.

#### <u>Trustee Report</u> (Bob Mitchell for Trustees)

Bob spoke about the coming election and stated that the trustees would like to know of any interest in becoming an officer. They would like a slate of officers to present in April for an election in May.



#### **Unfinished Business**

Bob Santos spoke about his speaking engagements that he holds across the country. He wears a KofC pin and sometimes a double star pin. When people ask about the knights, he tries to clear up misconceptions about the Order and gives out info about what we done. It is surprising how many Catholics are ignorant about the Knights. He mentions Frontline Faith, the Military Chaplains Fund, and passes out Form 100s. Bob stressed that we should all be proud of what we do and tell people about what we do. This will help the Order grow.

### **New Business**

Dennis Caniglia rose to talk about the Mens Club of which he is the president. He mentioned that Brother Tom Chrisman would speak about Genealogy at the next meeting on Monday. He is also an expert on Fair Tax also. In April Dunwoody Police Chief Billy Grogan will speak about human trafficking.

The Assembly has sent in submissions to Supreme for a patriotic and a civic award. They also were sent to Knightline Newsletter and Columbia Magazine. We were also noted at the recent 4th degree exemplification for the \$5000 donation to the Chaplain Ministry Fund.

The Charity Gala has a theme of "Evening of Sharing and Caring" on Saturday April 23rd at St. Ives Country Club in Johns Creek. Cocktails 6-7 PM and dinner at 7 PM. Tickets are \$100 or a table of ten for \$900 until January 31st. A silent auction will be held. A speaker has not yet been identified.

Also, a Wheelchair Sunday has been planned. It's a 3rd degree program, but Assemblies can also do it. For every \$150 donation, a brand new wheelchair is received. They arrive in large containers from the factory. Donations are tax-deductible to the KofC Georgia Charities. If a parish or KofC organization raises money for 100 chairs, that fulfils all 4 requirements for the community Star Council Award. He has poster and DVD.

### Reports of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree

### Mary Our Queen (Mike Baylot)

No report.

### St. Andrew (Bill Campbell)

- Held their first Fish Fry March 3rd with a record turnout of 269 diners.
- Held a 1st degree Feb. 11th and got two new members.
- Held a 2nd Degree Feb. 18th dedicated to Monsignor Marren and advanced six members (two from St. Andrew).
- Planning a Red Cross Blood Drive March 26th.
- Holding Mass with Archbishop Gregory on March 18th with Honor Guard for Diocesan Hispanic Young Adults.
- Dennis Klein was cited by OLA at their 3rd degree as the official honoree.



### All Saints (Lou Hlad)

- Held a Super Bowl Party February 5th at our McGivney Hall. First few hours were fun.
- Many of our members attended the parish Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP) Retreat March 11/12. Speakers and Father Confessors were our brothers as well.
- The Officers of the All Saints Mens Club (all knights) hosted a town hall with DeKalb Commissioner Nancy Jester in the Social Hall.
- Awarded Sir Knight Frank Seco de Lucena and wife Alice our Family of the Month Award.
- Ralph Stinson was awarded our Knight-of-the-Month.
- Exemplified 5 new 1st degree brothers this month.
- Exemplified two new 3rd degree brothers.
- Added Joseph Thibadeau as a new Sir Knight.
- Started a new Roundtable at the Holy Name of Jesus Chinese Mission in Norcross. We al-ready have five of their congregation as knights in our council. They will transfer when that Mission gets its own council.
- Awarded a Certificate of Appreciation to Whole Foods Market Co. for their donation of all the meat for our Council Christmas Party.
- Held three Fish Fry Events—a Knights-only Practice Fry, and Ash Wednesday Fry, and one Friday Fry. We are already 132 meals ahead of last year which was a record year. Our first Friday event served 1,145 meals. We are shooting for 9,000 Lenten meals this year for 8 events.
- We hosted the District KofC Basketball Free Throw Tournament in our gym on Feb. 19th.
- We held a Bingo night with a record 171 players. Half of profits go to the Marist Sophia Academy.
- We sponsored a Family Movie Night in our hall and showed "Finding Dory" movie.
- We are scheduling a parish membership drive at all doors of all Massed March 18/19. We need 10 new members to get a Star Award before June 30th.
- We are cooking a Spaghetti Dinner for the parish Boy Scout Troop Court of Honor on March 27th.
- We added five new acolytes to our acolyte teams and they will be taking training for our own Sir Knight Deacon Ed Krise.
- We will be donating a \$1,000 scholarship to a Catholic Student/athlete again this year.



#### **Good of the Order**

The running list was mentioned in the FN report.

Special prayer requests were also added for:

- Sir Knight Bill O'Shaughnessy
- Joy Fahey, wife of Sir Knight Pat Fahey
- Sir Knight Joe Liebsack
- Sir Knight Danny Ross
- Monsignor Kiernan
- Sir Knight Ray Grupinski
- Sir Knight Wiley Maloof
- Sir Knight Bill Campbell's wife
- Sir Knight Andy Diaz
- Sir Knight Dennis Caniglia
- Sir Knight Bob Heald
- Sir Knight Bill Camden's son, BJ Camden, on deployment
- Florence Wasowski passed away.

Several others whose names could not be heard on tape.

### **Split the Pot**

New member Joe Thibadeau won \$63 in the split-the-pot raffle.

### **Attendance Award**

Bob Fiscella was chosen, but he was not present.

### **Meeting End**

The standard ending ceremonials were completed and the meeting ended at 8:24 PM.



## William O'Shaughnessy Has Passed



Brothers, We lost member Bill. He was a member of St. Brendan.

Here is the message from his widow Kathleen.

Not sure if I already sent this email but wanted the Assembly know that Bill passed away on Wednesday, January 11th.

His injuries plus the health issues that came with serving the Navy and Air Force for almost 17 years took heavy toll on his body.

Darby Funeral Home is handling the arrangements and we are awaiting for the response from Cherokee Memorial Cemetery.

I would suggest you check with Darby Funeral Home in Canton Website to get the latest information.

**Kathleen E. Prairie-O'Shaughnessy** 



## **Sir Knight Robert Heald Passed**

A longtime member of All Saints Council 11402 and an officer of the Fr. Charles J. Watters Assembly 2688, Sir Knight Robert W. Heald, passed away in an Atlanta hospital while undergoing hip replacement and also late stage treatment for cancer.

He was a very active member of our council, serving as a planner of our past golf tournaments. As a member of the Rosemont Country Club, he reserved their clubhouse and private park for our use. He was the Faithful Comptroller and web site editor of our Assembly for some years. His passion for programs benefiting veterans was exceptional. He led the drive to send thousands of golf balls to our troops in Iraq.

Bob was currently a resident of Spring Hill, Florida where he had retired several years ago. He maintained contact with several of our Assembly members, notably Jim Rainsford, John Buchholz, and Deacon Ed Krise. They had visited him in an Atlanta hospital until the time of his passing.

