

## **Minutes of October 12th, 2017**

### **Fr. Charles J. Watters Assembly 2688 Meeting**

The October Assembly Meeting was held at St. Andrew Parish. Here is the schedule of future Assembly meetings:

All Saints.....November 9th  
Mary Our Queen.....December 14th  
St. Andrew.....January 11th

The rosary was recited before the meeting as usual. Dinner followed with a nice meal of chicken, green beans, pasta salad, cake, and beverage. Shay Langgood was the chief cook and was thanked. There were 31 total Sir Knights attending.

The meeting began early at 7:08 PM with the usual ceremonies.

There were no first time attendees present. FN announced that Bob Webster and Terry Petrukovich had a birthday in October and had received a birthday card.

October wedding anniversaries were announced for Frank Paolozzi (54), Deacon Ken Melvin (53), Al Garofalo (60), Frank Zimmerer (32), Jim Maloney (45), Steve Strong (11), Jerry Adkins (39), and Joe Liebsack (22). Handshakes among all brothers were exchanged.

FN then called for a reading of the past minutes. A vote called for acceptance of the last minutes as transcribed.

A roll call of officers yielded these results:

<b>Faithful Navigator-</b>	<b>Nick Mattera</b>
<b>Faithful Captain –</b>	<b>Bob Mitchell</b>
<b>Faithful Controller-</b>	<b>Rich Tomaszewski</b>
<b>Faithful Admiral-</b>	<b>Stan Wasowski</b>
<b>Faithful Purser-</b>	<b>Dave Lemcoe</b>
<b>Faithful Pilot –</b>	<b>Jon Bird</b>
<b>Faithful Scribe –</b>	<b>Lou Hlad</b>

<b>Inner Sentinel-</b>	<b>Gary Romanick</b>
<b>Outer Sentinel -</b>	<b>Open</b>

<b>1 Year Trustee –</b>	<b>Bob Webster</b>
<b>2 Year Trustee –</b>	<b>Chuck Langgood</b>
<b>3 Year Trustee –</b>	<b>Dave Mason</b>

<b>Faithful Friar—</b>	<b>Fr. Dan Rogaczewski</b>	<b>(excused)</b>
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# Faithful Navigator Report— Nick Mattera

FN reminded all that we have an obligation to support our clergy because of oaths we have taken. He felt bad about the perception of Monsignor Marren that we trail in this obligation as Monsignor expressed at a recent All Saints meeting.

FN reminded all that we have anew Assembly web site [KC2688.org](http://KC2688.org) and we should all register to gain complete access to all the information on it. Our Scribe has sent out the registration instructions. If you have not received them, please contact Lou Hlad.

At this point, our Faithful Captain Bob Mitchell rose to read the success of such registrations. He reported that 50% of the officers are registered, but only 6% of the total membership has done so. He reported that one of the links in the instructions was having a problem, but has now been fixed. The link given was mistakenly going to the KC11402 web site. Try again if you had that problem.

Stan Wasowski mentioned a password problem he was having and Mitchell said he would check the status tonight.

## Faithful Friar Report

Our Faithful Friar was excused from the meeting.

## Faithful Comptroller Report—Rich Tomaszewski

**Checking Account Balance:** As of October 1, 2017 it is \$16,533.72. \$5,854.29 is earmarked for Patriotic Events (Funds from the Golf Tournament).

**Membership:** Currently, we have 199 members in our Assembly.

**Membership Dues:** We have two members who have not paid their \$30.00 membership dues for the 2017 (William Hall and William Walsh).

**Fourth Degree Exemplification:** Our next Fourth Degree Exemplification is Saturday November 4<sup>th</sup> at Saint Monica's. Our candidates are Ky Phanhsavath and Lyle Johnson. The particulars for this event are as follows:

**Mass (optional):** 9:00 in the Sanctuary

**Registration:** 10:00-10:30 after the conclusion of Mass

**Preparation for 4<sup>th</sup> Degree:** 11:00 in the antechamber followed by the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree ceremony

**Lunch:** Commences after the 4<sup>th</sup> degree ceremony finishes and you are dismissed.

**Dress code - Candidates:** Dark Suits( Black or dark Blue) **no tux**, white dress shirts, neck tie, black hose, black shoes no social baldric or adornments.

**Dress Code Members/Observers-** Same as above or tux with social baldric and a small 4th Degree Pin. Officers may wear the jewels of previous office held or the current office held for 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> Degree.

# Faithful Purser Report— Dave Lemcoe

		<u>10/1/2017</u>				
<b>BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE 8/31/</b>			<b>16,692.42</b>			
<b>RECEIPTS</b>						
<b>50/50</b>	<b>\$ 60.00</b>					
<b>EXEMPLIFICATION</b>	<b>\$ -</b>					
<b>BANK CHARGE</b>	<b>\$ -</b>					
<b>DUES</b>	<b>\$ 80.00</b>					
<b>FOOD DONATIONS</b>	<b>\$ 168.00</b>					
	<b>SUB TOTAL RECIEPTS</b>		<b>\$ 308.00</b>			
			<b>\$ 17,000.42</b>	<b>GOLF FUND</b>		
<b>EXPENSES</b>				<b>NET INCOME</b>		<b>\$ 15,899.00</b>
<b>BANK CHARGE</b>	<b>\$ -</b>			<b>DONATIONS</b>		
<b>BADGES</b>	<b>\$ -</b>			<b>FISHER HOUSE</b>		<b>\$ (2,500.00)</b>
<b>MEET FOOD/BEV</b>	<b>\$ (206.38)</b>	Incl August		<b>PHOENIX FOUNDATION</b>		<b>\$ (2,000.00)</b>
<b>CHALICE FUND</b>				<b>WREATHS ACROSS AM</b>		<b>\$ (1,500.00)</b>
<b>REGALIA</b>	<b>\$ (40.32)</b>	Cleaning		<b>ROSARY FOR VETS</b>		<b>\$ (250.00)</b>
<b>ATTENDANCE AWAR</b>	<b>\$ (20.00)</b>			<b>BATTLE CROSS</b>		<b>\$ (1,488.00)</b>
<b>CCC/ COMPTROLLE</b>	<b>\$ -</b>			<b>BATLE CROSS PEDESTA</b>		<b>\$ (800.00)</b>
<b>EXEMPLIFICATION</b>	<b>\$ (200.00)</b>	Gifts		<b>BATTLE CROSS MISC SL</b>		<b>\$ (244.72)</b>
<b>SUPPLIES</b>	<b>-</b>			<b>BATTLE CROSS FR. ROY</b>		<b>\$ (100.00)</b>
<b>BATTLE CROSS</b>	<b>\$ -</b>			<b>BATTLE CROSS SUPPLIE</b>		<b>\$ (161.99)</b>
	<b>SUB TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$ (466.70)</b>	<b>T. BURLEIGH--LOURDES</b>		<b>\$ (1,000.00)</b>
<b>BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE 9.30.2017</b>			<b>\$ 16,533.72</b>			
				<b>TOTAL DONATIONS</b>		<b>\$ (10,044.71)</b>
	<b>OUTSTANDING DEPOSITS/(EXPENSES)</b>			<b>BALANCE OF FUND TO</b>		<b>\$ 5,854.29</b>
	<b>TOTAL OUTSTANDING CHECKS/DEPOSITS</b>					
	<b>CHECK BOOK ACCOUNT</b>		<b>\$ 16,533.72</b>			
	<b>Balance 10.1.2017</b>					

## **Faithful Scribe Report—Lou Hlad**

- Sent out the monthly minutes as usual.
- Sent out the prepared letter on our thoughts regarding new regalia to all members. FN had sent it out to the state officers.
- Sent out the registration instructions for joining the new Assembly web site. Let me know if you did not receive them.
- Updated the Widows Database to add St. Andrew widows and made several other updates in preparation for the Deceased Members Mass.
- Updated our Assembly email distribution list with corrections from Bob and Anita Mitchell.

## **Ad Hoc Widows Committee—Lou Hlad**

- Widows played BINGO at Council expense this month.
- Hlad received a letter from All Saints widow Mary Ann Stojka saying that she and her daughter will attend the Mass of Remembrance and bring a photo of her late husband. She thanked the council for providing free passes to the upcoming parish fish fries. She asked why she hadn't gotten a free pass to play BINGO. We don't have one. They only have to state that they are knight widows and they play free. (laughter)
- For the first time, widows were remembered at our Mass of Remembrance by mention of names and the placement of a rose. Our widowers were also honored by mention of their deceased wife names for the first time. Two widows brought up the gifts at the Mass. We believe that 14 widows attended.
- Applause for Ralph Stinson was given for the wonderful job that he did on the event. Ralph mentioned that he was so gratified that we had 16 honor guards.

## **Patriotic Report—Jon Bird**

Jon related that he had been looking for a color guard for an Army Reunion Event he is helping to manage. He thought of the color guard for our Battlecross event. He has gotten the Johns Creek Vietnam Color Guard to participate in the event at the Atlanta Westin Hotel.

There is a Vietnam War Commemoration Committee in Washington. They will be awarding 50 year pins remembering the end of the war. Jon asked for a list of Vietnam War vets so that he can get them pins.

Jon continues to work with his Vietnam veterans group regarding their scholarship program and a potential golf tournament.

# Chalice Committee Report - (Ed Pierson)

Ed Pierson reported that he had talked to our new potential recipient in Fr. Bradley Starr. He is very busy at St. Patrick Parish. He is interested in a travel chalice and we can move forward since he is a priest. A lunch with Ed, Rich Tomaszewski, and Starr is being set up. Ed mentioned that it seems as if most chalice candidates seem to be more interested in travel chalices. Rich Tomaszewski took the place of Dave Mason on the chalice committee with Ed Pierson.

Ed had lunch also with Deacon John Klein who will become a priest in December in Rome. A chalice can not be presented to him until January at the earliest. They visited the Legionnaires Home on Spalding Drive. Ed was referred by Klein to Deacon Michael Metz who also needs a travel chalice. He will not be ordained until June 2018. Ed asked if we could get some kind of a discount on travel chalices. We also have our RSVP candidate Jack Knight in line for a chalice next June.

We will need additional chalices because of the sad backlog we now have. If we present a solitary chalice for a priest, we now have potential names for three additional chalices. If these become travel chalices which only contain two names each, we will need more chalices. We will certainly need at least three chalices next year.

- **Presented** to Fr. Ceballos, a **travel 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 Suarez, a **chalice** 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)
- **Presented July 16th to Fr. Bryan Kuhr—Travel Chalice**  
Dennis M. Crean passed 11.1.2015 (All Saints)  
Thomas Templeton passed 5.1.2016 (All Saints)
- **Awaiting Future Chalices**  

Fr. Joseph M. Peek passed	3.14.2016	(All Saints)	(solitary chalice for a priest) #1
Guy E. Stryker passed	9.26.2016	(All Saints)	#2
William O'Shaughnessy	1.11.2017	(St. Brendan)	
Robert Heald	3.12.2017	(All Saints)	
Patrick J. Callahan	5.18.2017	(All Saints)	#3
PFN George P. Novac	5.31.2017	(All Saints)	
One open spot on potential third chalice			

## Color Corps Commander Report—Bob Mitchell

Mitchell thanked the 16 honor guard participant at the Mass of Remembrance. The event gets bigger and better every year.

He said that there were no more October honor guard events, but we will be slammed in November. There should be 6 to 7 events then.

### Future Honor Guards

Nov 4th – Fourth degree exemplification at St. Monica.

Nov. 5th—Flag retirement with Boy Scouts at All Saints after 10:30 Mass.

Nov. 11th—Veterans Day

St. Andrews has a ceremony at 4:45 PM

All Saints has a ceremony at the same time 5 PM

Nov. 18th—Confirmation at All Saints at 10 AM Mass

Nov. 19th – Fr. Bill Hao – *Dedication of the Holy Name of Jesus Chinese Church 10:30*  
(Food banquet follows. Archbishop will be there.)

Nov 30th—feast of St. Andrew. They may have a service there. Unconfirmed.

There will be an Honor Guard competition early next year. It will take practiced at length with no more than 6-10 people. There will be tryouts. About 8-10 Assemblies will participate.

Bob Santos mentioned that he will give a pair of Falcons tickets and a pair of Gladiator Hockey tickets to Sir Knights that participate in the most events through the end of the year.

## Trustee Report - Bob Webster

No report

## Unfinished Business—Nick Mattera

The elephant in the room is the update in regalia proposed by Supreme. FN repeated that he had sent out the letter explaining our reservations to many state officers. He read the letter out loud that was sent to all Assembly members separately. (It is printed at the end of this document.)

E.J. Couvillion opined that it was an outstanding communication and he praised those that composed it.

Wulf Lindenau mentioned that the latest Newslines stated that Assemblies may “choose” to use the old regalia into the foreseeable future. We do not know if the old regalia will be available at the manufacturers into the future.

B.J. Van Gundy announced a humorous web site “Eye of the Tiber” that mocked the movement to the new regalia.

## **New Business**

Jim Gonzales has resigned from All Saints and is searching for a new parish. His position is open. The position must be advertised for a month before filing. It can be voted next month. No one volunteered to run at this meeting.

FN mentioned that he is planning an Assembly Dinner at Aldo's on Nov. 5th for \$18/person. It should be noted that the idea was canceled after this meeting and for now there are no firm plans.

## **Reports of the Third Degree**

### **Mary Our Queen—Mike Baylot**

- Had to cancel their summer picnic to a later date.
- October will see their second Sunday Pancake Breakfast.
- Fifth Sunday rosary will be continued.
- Preparing an October barbeque with Brunswick stew. Presales will continue. May send a message to scribe to send out.
- A monthly Spaghetti Dinner is being planned to encourage parish fellowship. This was requested by the pastor.
- They will be setting up a smoker to roast Boston Butts in their parking lot at night. That will be a party followed by sales of the barbeque to parishioners the next day.
- A date is being researched for a (cooking?) demo they have previously held.
- MOQ has a new Youth Minister. He has approached the Council to get involved with the Confirmation candidates. Meeting with him to see what he plans.

### **Saint Andrew— Bill Campbell**

- Made \$250 each donation to Supreme hurricane relief funds for Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma.
- We hosted coffee and Donuts fellowship for parish on courtyard following Masses on Sept 30/Oct 1
- Had Parish Picnic, Fall Festival Saturday Oct.7. Council prepared and hamburgers and hot dogs and various food items for the event.
- First degree scheduled at St. Andrew Saturday Oct 21 at 10:00 am.
- Second Degree by our team will be held Saturday Oct. 28 at Transfiguration Church in Marietta on Saturday Oct. 28. Candidates arrive 9:30
- St Andrew Parish hosting a near-by Lutheran congregation for Joint Service followed by social. Council will serve refreshments.
- We will conduct recruiting pulpit talks October 28 and 29.
- Annual pecan sales begin Nov. 4

## All Saints (Lou Hlad)

- All Saints held a 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Ceremony at McGivney Hall on September 26<sup>th</sup>. They progressed four of our brothers and several from other councils.
- Our Council sponsored and staffed a *Habitat for Humanity* Saturday on September 30<sup>th</sup> for the 24<sup>th</sup> All Saints house. A full contingent of forty people participated.
- We received an 18-wheeler on September 23<sup>rd</sup> with 3,000 pumpkins for Halloween. Our members unloaded the truck and the parish campus was decorated with them. We are using online *Signup Genius* software to schedule council sales teams to sell them throughout October.
- Our monthly BINGO evening had 131 players on September 28th. We continue to enjoy strong attendance and we post coupons in the local *Dunwoody Crier* newspaper to attract the general public.
- Sponsored our monthly Adoration in our Knights Chapel on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Sir Knight John Gannon schedules the guardians in shifts throughout the entire night. Prayers are for the end of abortion.
- Held our annual Mass of Remembrance for deceased knights on October 10<sup>th</sup> at All Saints. Honor guard of 16 Sir Knights took part in the moving ceremony along with our acolyte altar team. Thanks to all non-11402 brothers who participated. We again also honored our deceased Watters Assembly brothers. For the first time we also lit a candle for our deceased widows as well as the deceased wives of our council widower brothers. We lost the wife of Brother Ron Hedin and also widow Evelyn Wittman in September. They were both honored at our Mass of Remembrance.
- Our parish Mens Club sponsored a town hall meeting on Human Trafficking in Georgia on October 9<sup>th</sup>. All the officers of that parish club are brother knights.
- Our annual Oktoberfest Family Picnic along the Chattahoochee will take place this Sunday October 15th. It was rained out last Sunday.
- The St. Vincent de Paul Georgia Society will posthumously honor our deceased Sir Knight Dennis Crean and his living widow Marie at their 10<sup>th</sup> Annual *Evening for Hope Gala* at the Renaissance Waverly Hotel on October 21<sup>st</sup>. They gave generously to that charity and many others (including the KofC Charities) over the years.
- The council will hold a 1<sup>st</sup> degree on October 24<sup>th</sup>, Bingo on October 26<sup>th</sup>, a Fifth Sunday Rosary on October 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Our acolyte teams served at all parish funerals this month.
- Our Faithful Friar Emeritus, Monsignor Donald Kiernan, will be the celebrant of this Saturday's 5 PM Mass at All Saints. He is still active at 92 years.
- Donated another \$500 to Sir Knight Gray Plunkett's missionary trip to Benin, Africa.
- Donated \$500 to the Gold Shield Foundation.
- We sent out a 23 page council newsletter.



# **Good of the Order**

The running list has been carried from past meetings:

**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 Smith's daughter Courtney Hertel, Jan Gahalni, Steve Smith, Janet Belinsky, Jessie Blair, George Petrukovich, Tom Stump, and Ron Collins' wife Jackie, Msgr. Kiernan, Margaret Plunkett, Nancy Dill, Mike D'Errico, Lauren Echols, Jim Snoddy, John Barranco, Mary Jo Westbrook, Frank Farrell's wife Jean, Joy Fahey, Peter Leibowitz, Deborah Blair, Mary Cross, Gordon Stintz, Marty Dough, Danny Medina, Dennis Klein, Don Hauser, Adrian Toolan, Judy Klein, Randy Hines, Ted Throne, Olga Waltering, Kathy Harvey, and Mary McCallen, Tom D'Errico, Harvey Moskowitz, James Ambrose, Danny Ross, Ortfeo Trombetta Sr., Stephen Powell, Carolyn Lively, Bill Camden, Julie Kassis, Larry Aston, Loren Echols, Bill Driscoll, Les Washington, George Swartz, Abe Kassis, Fr. Dan McCormick, John Petrukovich, Tom Hoover and Debra Webster.

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 our Clergy.

Special prayer requests were also added for:

- We lost our former Assembly Brother Joel Gray who moved to Florida.
- Ernie Spencer's daughter Robin
- Bob Mitchell's sister Nancy Dill
- Lou Hlad asked prayers for his brother Frank Hlad
- Gray Plunkett requested prayers for a priest in Togo who had passed.
- Walt Gauthier had successful hip surgery and Bob Santos asked recovery prayers.
- Bob Santos asked prayers for himself as he travels to Florida for disaster relief.
- Dennis Klein asked prayers for his daughter Debra taking a new MS wonder drug.
- Stan Wasowski asked prayer for cousin Dan French.

## **Split the Pot**

Dave Mason won \$50 in the split-the-pot raffle.

## **Attendance Award**

Attendance Award won by Abe Kassis. He was not present as required.

## **Meeting End**

FN said the closing prayers. The meeting ended at 8:25 PM.

# Letter Regarding New Regalia

Dear Brother Knights,

Assembly 2688 based in Dunwoody, Georgia includes three Parishes in the Atlanta Metropolitan area, with over 200 Sir Knights. We pride ourselves as one of the most active and Charitable Assemblies in the country. We are extremely active in support of our Parish needs as well as support to our sister Parish ministries. We approach 50 Honor Guards per year as requested by our Pastors, our Archbishop and Community.

Our Assembly members were shocked to learn of the Executive decision reached with respect to the Patriotic Order's ceremonial Regalia. We were equally shocked and saddened by a directive to not provide critical feedback beyond our District. We were advised that, it being a done deal, there should be no escalation of comment. This is contrary to our normal process allowing free and open communication. In response, our membership then present in the Assembly monthly meeting, voted unanimously, with one abstention, to nevertheless, provide written feedback.

A number of our senior Clergy were equally concerned about this change and expressed their desire for continuation of our participation in the current Regalia which is recognized and well received by our fellow Parishioners, and in particular our First Communion and Confirmation candidates. Non-Catholics attending funerals when we are present as a Guard of Honor on watch are greatly impressed and thankful for our respect to the soul of the deceased. Often busy young fathers are drawn to the Order when they witness our selfless contributions.

Yes, our Fourth degree Brothers are more senior, not only in experience, but also in average age. When we were younger often our family responsibilities, Parish ministries, work, travel and relocations inhibited our progression to Knighthood in the fourth degree. We believe that a Sports Jacket, Slacks, Tie and Beret will not alter those factors. The current Regalia are well recognized and, at least in our area, do not pose an impediment to recruitment into or participation in the fourth degree.

We would suggest that consideration be given this Uniform to first, second and third degree Knights. Counsel often purchase, shirts, sweaters and sometimes jackets to have a common look in their Council. In one of our Parishes, our brother Knights serving as Acolytes wear Grey Slacks, Blue Jacket and a distinctive Knights of Columbus tie as they serve at the Altar. They can buy all but the tie anywhere at reasonable cost. An embroidered emblem can be attached at reasonable cost.

In summary, we respectfully disagree with the premise that this change is "Good for the Order". It may be the inverse, as we work in support of our Parish and our Church Ministries.

Thank you in advance for your thoughtful consideration of our concerns.

Vivat Jesus ,

# Joel Edward Gray

December 23, 1939 - October 19, 2017

Joel Edward Gray, passed away on Thursday, October 19, 2017, at age 77.

Born December 23, 1939, in Birmingham, Alabama, to Edward R. and Sadie Cooper Gray, he was the oldest of eight children. He was a member of the 82nd Airborne in Europe during the Berlin Crisis. During his military service he was European ping pong champion and active in basketball and baseball. Joel became a successful businessman with Allen Edmund Company and retired as a resident in Orange Beach, Alabama. He had a very outgoing and loving nature and he has left behind an army of friends everywhere he went. He will be greatly missed by all.

Joel attended Blessed Sacrament Elementary School and John Carroll High School in Birmingham. He continued his involvement with the Catholic Church in Atlanta and Orange Beach. He made numerous mission trips across US and abroad with the church. Joel was proud of his Catholic faith and was very devoted.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Edward R. and Sadie Cooper Gray; and sister, Regina Gray Adams.

Joel is survived by his son, Marc-Alan; grandson, Nils; siblings, Marcia Bailey, John Gray (Betty), Herbert Gray (Sherry), Geraldine Turner (Jim), Ed Gray (Joan), and Ben Gray (Neysa); many cousins, including Bobbi Carol Smith; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, October 21, 2017, from 1-2 PM at Currie-Jefferson Funeral Home in Hoover, Alabama. The service will begin at 2 PM in the Chapel and the burial will immediately follow at Jefferson Memorial Gardens, South.

In lieu of flowers, the family request donations be made in honor of Joel to either: The American Cancer Society ([www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org)) or St. Thomas-By-The-Sea Catholic Church in Orange Beach, Alabama ([www.stthomasbythesea.org](http://www.stthomasbythesea.org)).



Born: December 23, 1939  
Death: October 19, 2017



# Assembly Blessing of the Swords



Every year after the Officer Installation of our Fr. Charles J. Watters Fourth Degree Assembly, a special “Blessing of the Swords” ceremony is held. Sir Knights Monsignor Marren and Deacon Ed Krise did the honors. Former Master of the Fourth Degree, Tom Frizzi, was on hand to perform the Officer Installation itself. All brothers should prayerfully consider advancing to join the fourth degree Assembly to be fulfilled as a Knight. This group is the most visible arm of the Order and is beloved within the Church.



# Father Anthony ala Honor Guard



**Before our own Sir Knight Father Anthony Eshun returned to Ghana, he wanted very much to participate in his first honor guard ceremony. He got his wish on the Feast of the Assumption on August 15 when the Watters Assembly held a special honor guard at the Mass for the visiting bishop from India. Father was one of our 24 honor guard participants and he couldn't have been prouder. Commander Bob Mitchell presented him afterward with a donation from the Watters Assembly. At the reception following, Father sang for the diners. We will miss that man.**



# More Knight Photos from August



Showing the impressive honor guard for the August 15th Feast of the Assumption at All Saints Parish. Father Anthony Eshun was featured in the center of the front row. Two bishops celebrated the feast day and welcomed the Catholic community from India.



Sir Knight Nick Mattera (left) is escorted by Sir Knight Joe Mitchell to receive his medallion as new Faithful Navigator of the Fr. Charles J. Watters Assembly 2688.



# *Adopt-A-Cop Project Renewal*



**The Adopt-A-Cop ministry is a prayer program.  
It provides the opportunity for ALL law enforcement officers  
EVERYWHERE  
to be prayed for on a daily basis.  
Are YOU signed up to pray for one?**

The goal of Adopt-A-Cop is to assign law enforcement officers to a family, group, or individual who will pray daily for them and send a note of encouragement, support and a thank you for their service to the community.

Imagine the powerful difference you can make in the lives of those who put their lives on the line for us everyday! While a bulletproof vest gives a level of protection for our law enforcement officers, an even greater blessing and shield of protection can be found in the power of a faithful, praying believer or group of prayer warriors.

Besides the obviously high physical risk in their profession, officers also have a risk of becoming cynical, feeling hopeless, having relationship problems, succumbing to alcohol abuse and even becoming suicidal. The divorce and suicide rates among those in law enforcement are well above the national average.

*"I urge then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone – for kings and for all those in authority that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness." – 1 Timothy 2: 1-2 (NIV)*

## **Praise God!**

*Adopt-a-Cop is growing rapidly. It is amazing to see God at work.*

*This ministry is now represented in 20 states.*

*It is with the hard work, dedication and prayers of those involved that this ministry will continue to provide the protection our Law Enforcement Officers need.*

**Send an email to our Sir Knight Deacon Ray Egan at [dekeray@aol.com](mailto:dekeray@aol.com) to be assigned an officer to pray for and encourage.**