Minutes of December 13th, 2018 Fr. Charles J. Watters Assembly 2688 Meeting

The December 13th Assembly Meeting was held in the St. Andrew Multi-purpose Room. Here is the schedule of future Assembly meetings:

| All Saints | Jan. 10th |
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| Mary Our Queen | Feb. 14th |
| St. Andrew | Mar. 14th |

The rosary was recited before the meeting as usual. Dinner was served by Sir Knights of St. Andrew and consisted of baked ziti, chicken, salad, bread, cookies, and beverages. There were 33 total Sir Knights attending.

After dinner, we were surprised by the attendance of about 50 St. Andrew Heritage Girls who entered to room to serenade us with Christmas carols. This was in return for the donation we had given them. It was an enjoyable interlude. Hlad took photos of new members for the web site and minutes.

The meeting commenced slightly on time about 7:30 PM. There were no first time attendees or members of another Assembly.

District #7 Deputy Victor Ojeda gave a talk about results of the latest DD meeting. He stressed that ceremonial robes are being done away with in favor of dress suits and sashes. Military and seminarians will be offered Order membership without dues. He stressed that great change was in the air for the Order going forward.

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as transcribed.

Here was the officer roll call. Outer Sentinel Euse Durah has moved from the area and must be replaced.

| Faithful Captain-Faithful Pilot-Faithful Admiral- | Nick Mattera Bob Mitchell Jon Bird Ernie Spencer Lou Hlad Dave Lemcoe Ted Tada Ray Grupinski open | (Euse Durah has moved) |
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| Trustee—one year - Trustee —two year - Trustee —three year - | Chuck Langgood Dave Mason Wulf Lindenau | |
| Faithful Friar— | Msgr. James Fennessy | (excused) |

Faithful Navigator Report—Nick Mattera

While performing our Honor Guard duty, sometimes the question comes up; 'Why am I doing this"? What payback is it for me? Well my Brother Sir Knights, those questions were once again answered for me this past week.

Our Honor Guard again answered the call to duty to be there for Sir Knight Ernie Spencer's daughter Catherine's wake. These are tough times for all the family members of the deceased. My proud moment was when we were getting ready to start the Honor Guard shifts, Ernie came in to the room we were in, with a 'calm' look on his face and said to us. "Thank you for being here, and you put me at ease when I am here with you'.

Thank you to all my fellow Sir Knights for stepping up and adding dignity and comfort for our Brother Sir Knight.

We have a few more Honor Guard call-outs planned for the upcoming months. Our Honor guard Commander SK Bob Mitchell will tell you more about each one. Please come and participate in the Honor Guard. We have loaner regalia (Not the uniform!!!) so there is nothing to buy. There are plenty of Brother Knights that can walk you through the 'What-do-I-do' concerns. Stand Proud!!

We are planning to have another chalice presentation this month. This presentation will be a little different from our usual presentation. This time instead of presenting the chalice to a newly ordained priest it will be given to well known and loved priest within All Saints parish. The chalice will be presented to Fr. Kevin Peek.

Instead of having 3 names of our deceased Brother Sir Knights engraved on the chalice, it will have only one. The name on the chalice will be Fr. Joseph Peek, Fr. Kevin Peek's own brother. I'm sure this will be a very heart-warming presentation.

The presentation will take place on Sunday January 20, at the 10:30 mass at All Saints Church. Hopefully you can set some time to attend this mass. There will be no Honor Guard needed for this.

Our next 4th Degree Exemplification is set for February 23rd at 10:00 am at St. Monica's in Duluth.

Keep an eye out for those 3rd degree Brother Knights who are thinking about becoming a 4th degree and help them along to finally joining our Assembly.

I hope to see you at our 4th Degree Assembly meeting at All Saints at 6:15 pm on January 10th (6:15 pm .. Rosary).

Faithful Comptroller Report—Dave Lemcoe

Checking account balance: \$12,135.20.

Membership: Currently, we have 202 members. Seven new members on our rolls. Four attended the Exemplification last month. Three had to postpone. I observed as well as SKs Victor Ojeda and Dennis Klein.

Exemplification November 10. Jack Porter and Jon Biasini from St Andrew plus

- Christopher Lekan and Vincent Masi from All Saints went though. The Faithful Purser has cards and name badges.
- **Councils**: I have the current Form 4s. Remember to fill them out completely! Nary a one of the recent ones have been completed. Member number for candidate/proposer, applicable degree dates, signature of FS, Parish information, signature of FN, Council/Assembly information, and all other complete applicant information need to be provided.
- **Dues:** Dues notices sent out last week. Through today, 24 have paid by mail. Not all got the initial email as their record was set for mail only. Thus, the second subsequent email.

Faithful Purser Report—Ted Tada



PURSER REPORT

12/1/2018

| BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE 11/01/2018 | | <u>\$ 13,115.37</u> | |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---|
| RECEIPTS | | | |
| 50/50 | \$45.00 | | |
| KofC CHARITY of GA | \$ 112.00 | | |
| SOCIAL EVENT | | | |
| DUES | | | |
| MEETING DINNER | <u>\$ 153.00</u> | | |
| | SUB TOTAL RECIEPTS | <u>\$310.00</u> | |
| | | \$ 13,425.37 | |
| EXPENSES | | | |
| SOCIAL EVENT | | | |
| | Cabalay /Lauradaa | | |
| CHARITY/WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA MEET FOOD/BEV | Scholar/Lourdes \$ (204.94) | | |
| CHALICE FUND | Ş (204.94) | | |
| REGALIA | | | |
| STIPEND | | | |
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| CCC/ COMPTROLLER STIPEND | | | |
| KofC CHARITY of GA | \$ (112.00) | | |
| SUPPLIES | \$ (115.23) | | |
| BATTLE CROSS | | | |
| VETERANS DAY | \$ (500.00) | | 3 |
| | SUB TOTAL EXPENSES | <u>\$ (932.17)</u> | |
| BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE 12/01/2018 | | <u>\$ 12,493.20</u> | |

Faithful Scribe Report—Lou Hlad

Hlad sent out the monthly minutes and the instructions for registering on the web site as always.

Hlad read a letter from our Sir Knight Fernando Pequero stating that he has not been to our Assembly meetings for some time because he has been caring for his very sick wife, Patricia.

She sadly has just died and he is dealing with that event. Hlad wrote to him to assess his situation. He has paid his dues of \$30 in a very nice gesture.

We have written him our condolences and asked him to rejoin his brothers when he is able to do so.

Ad Hoc Widows Committee—Lou Hlad

- One widow, Mary Ann Lehman Dellaria, asked if some knight could help install the new telephone system that she had purchased. Our Brother Matt Allen did so for her.
- One widow, Patricia Lucerna, asked if someone could come over and fix a broken closet door, and Sir Knight John Knight volunteered to do so.
- Two widows played Bingo free last month. All Saints paid their \$15 fee.
- Two widows thanked us by email for sending them the All Saints council newsletter.

Chalice Committee Report - (Ed Pierson)

Mark White, a deacon who will be ordained a priest on 6/1/2019 has been added as a later target recipient. We wondered if the St. Brigid Assembly would present a chalice for Rick Sisko. It was determined that they do not present chalices.

The chalice for Fr. Kevin Peek has arrived. It will be presented to him at the 10:00 Mass on 1-20-2019 at All Saints. It has his brother's name, Fr. Joseph Peek, on it. <u>We agreed to present him with his brother's chalice for his use at a permanent location of his choice.</u>

Three chalices are allocated for next fraternal year. Already 5 needed. The cost for these chalices will extend into the next budget cycle. Ed believes a regular chalice with engraving costs about \$600.

A vote was held, and Fr. Dan McCormick will be honored with a chalice although he was not a Fourth Degree. Richard Sisko passed and we will start another chalice (#5).

| • | <u>Presented</u> to Fr. Ceballos, a travel | chalice on July | y 21st, 2016 |
|---|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| | Anthony Allan Kosek passed | 12.25.2014 | (All Saints) |
| | Charles J. Robinson passed | 12.30.2014 | (St. Andrew) |

- <u>Presented</u> to Father Roberto Suarez, a chalice on Nov. 3rd, 2016 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)
- <u>Presented</u> to Fr. Bryan Kuhr, a travel chalice on July 16th, 2017 Dennis M. Crean passed 11.1.2015 (All Saints) Thomas Templeton passed 5.1.2016 (All Saints)

| • | Presented to Fr. John Klein, a chalice on April 22nd, 2018 | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|---------------|--|--|
| | Guy E. Stryker passed | 9.26.2016 | (All Saints) | | |
| | William O'Shaughnessy passed | 1.11.2017 | (St. Brendan) | | |
| | Robert Heald passed | 3.12.2017 | (All Saints) | | |



| • | Presented to Fr. Michael Bremer | , a chalice on | August 11th, 2018 |
|---|---------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| | Patrick J. Callahan passed | 5.18.2017 | (All Saints) |
| | PFN George P. Novac passed | 5.31.2017 | (All Saints) |
| | Michael J. Schultz passed | 11.26.2017 | (All Saints) |

| • | To Be Presented to Fr. Kevin Peek, a chalice on 1-20-2019. | | | |
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| | Fr. Joseph M. Peek passed | 3.14.2016 | (All Saints) | (solitary chalice for a priest) #1 |

<u>Awaiting Future Chalices</u>

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| Msgr. R. Donald Kiernan | passed 1/09/2018 | (All Saints) | (solitary chalice for a priest) | #2 |
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| Edward J. Trainor passed | 12/23/2017 | (All Saints) | chalice | #3 |
| Don L. Myers passed | 2/17/2018 | (All Saints) | | |
| Richard Szyperski passed | 4/27/2018 | (All Saints) | | |
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| Fr. Daniel McCormick | 4/19/2018 | (All Saints) | Approved . Solitary priest chalice | ; # 4 |
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| Richard G. Sisko | passed 9/24/2018 | (All Saints) | chalice | #5 |

Membership Committee—Wulf Lindenau

Wulf thinks we may have two new members in line. Mike Martell of all Saints is interested, but he is becoming a Deacon and his training begins on the same day as the next Fourth Degree Exemplification. We have his paperwork for the next time.

Al Bolet of All Saints is also interested. He is a veteran who was a prisoner of war at the Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba. He would also make an interesting speaker for our group.

Please give all leads to Wulf and he will follow up with them.

Hlad added that Father kevin Peek wants to transfer to our All Saints Council and the Watters Assembly, so we should have at least one new member soon. He is a fourth degree brother.

Social Committee—Nick Mattera

Nick had sent out an email asking for interest in a night at the Atlanta Gladiators Hockey Night game. He is also contacting new restaurants in the new Peachtree Corners area to see if we can plan a social dinner there. Info to follow.

Patriotic Report—Jon Bird

Jon reminded the brothers that the young Heritage girls who entertained us this evening will be putting our donated wreaths on the graves at the Marietta Civil War cemetery on Saturday. He encouraged all brothers to be there for the ceremonies. The events start at 11 AM. Jon will be there.

Trustee Report - Dave Mason

Required forms have been submitted. No report.

Honor Guard Report—Bob Mitchell

Bob Mitchell was on vacation from October 7th through November 17th. Various brothers served as commanders to take his place. He thanked everyone who stood in his place. Here is what he missed.

- Fourth Degree at Holy Family in Marietta.on Saturday Nov 10th at 11 AM. Report at 10 AM. Holy Family Church in Marietta. Dave Lemcoe was an observer.
- Veterans Day Mass at St. Andrew Sunday Nov. 11 at 11 AM Mass.
- Veterans Day Mass at All Saints Sunday Nov. 11 at 10:30 Mass.
- An unexpected Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass at St. Andrew last night. Dennis Klein talked about the event and he was able to get 6 guys at the last minute.

Bob congratulated Dennis for putting on a great performance at the 11th hour when these badly communicated events occur.

Possible Future events:

- 13 January, Sunday, Dedication of Mary Our Queen Church. Not set in stone.
- 20th January- Roe v Wade 10:30 Mass at All Saints Pro-Life
- Fourth Degree Exemplification on 23rd February at St. Monica in Duluth.

Unfinished Business—Nick Mattera

None.

New Business—Nick Mattera

Nick mentioned that we have purchased a paver brick for the Peachtree Corners Memorial on May 11th. There is a ceremony and we may be asked for an honor guard there. Bob Santos will be giving a presentation about Father Watters at that event.

Third Degree Reports

Mary Our Queen—

No one was present from Mary Our Queen.

The date of the church completion and dedication by the Archbishop has slipped several times and may do so again. The January 20th date is looking suspect. An honor guard will be anticipated.

St. Andrew—Chuck Langgood

- Held their most successful Breakfast With Santa. Very large crowd. They set up, cooked, and cleaned.
- Faith in Action Project is painting a house in Roswell, so a homeless family can move in.
- Christmas assembly basket project is progressing. They had 70 families served for Thanksgiving and should have at least that and more for Christmas.
- They will be holding a first degree in January. Exact date not known.
- They will be selling car magnets for "Keep Christ in Christmas" very soon.
- Pablo and Diego Cervantes received their 3rd degree 10/6.
- We have 4 candidates for the 4th Degree: Pablo and Diego Cervantes, Jack Porter and Jon Biasini. Porter and Biasini became members.

All Saints—Lou Hlad

- All Saints Confirmation Mass honor guard on November 2nd.
- All Saints held a Veterans Day Mass ceremony on Nov. 11th with posting of colors.
- Two new Sir Knights for All Saints were exemplified into Watters at Nov 10th fourth degree.
- Our brother Denis Shortal, Mayor of Dunwoody, was a speaker at All Saints Mens Club Nov. 12.All the officers of the Mens Club are knights and ran the meeting and served food.
- Our Nov. 15th Bingo featured 87 players including two knight widows who played gratis.
- Council managed Knight Homeless Shelter on Nov. 17th at Shrine of Immaculate Conception. We served the homeless men and stayed the night with them.
- Held a 1st degree on Nov. 27th. All Saints got 2 new brothers. Sacred Heart Basilica got one.
- Our Pumpkin Patch recorded double the net profits this year --\$11,300. Sir Knight Dave Richardson managed the event beautifully.
- Our missionary, Sir Knight Gray Plunkett, returned from 6 weeks in Benin, Africa.
- We tended bar for Monsignor Marren's Parish Christmas Party on November 30th.
- Sir Knight John Gannon continues to manage the All Saints Parish monthly Adoration in Our Lady Queen of the Knights Chapel, featuring one-hour prayer shifts throughout the entire night to end abortion on 21st of each month.
- Our 5 Knight acolyte teams participated in all funerals this month.
- We sent out a 21 page newsletter to all brothers, widows, and select outsiders this month.
- Upcoming:

We will report on our Desserts with Santa Party, Fudge Sale for Conyers Monastery, Council Christmas Party, and another night at the downtown homeless shelter in December's report. We will install the outside parish crèche this Saturday. We have a KofC Youth Free Throw Basketball Tournament coming up Jan. 13th.

Good of the Order

This running list has been carried from previous meetings. <u>Please send any spelling</u> <u>corrections, additions, or deletions to <u>louhlad(a) comcast.net</u> for update.</u>

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, John Petrukovich, Tom Stump, Ron Collins and wife Jackie, Margaret Plunkett, Mike D'Errico, Tom 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, Judy Klein, Don Heiser, Adrian Toolan, Randy Hines, Ted Throne, Olga Waltering, Kathy Harvey, Mary McCallen, Harvey Moskowitz, James Abrose, Danny Ross, Ortfeo Trombetta Sr., Stephen Powell, Carolyn Lively, Bill Camden, Abe Kassis, Julie Kassis, Larry Aston, Loren Echols, Bill Driscoll, Tom Hoover, Ernie Spencer's daughter Robin, Lou Hlad's brother Frank, sister Therese, daughter Amanda.

Please keep these wonderful Brother Sir Knights and their families and friends in your prayers. Please pray for our country's 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 for religious rights for all Christian refugees in the Mid-East.

Please pray for our clergy. Prayers for victims of the recent mass shootings.

Special new prayer additions are:

- Gray Plunkett asked prayers for a priest in Togo who has passed.
- Bob Santos requested recovery prayers for Walt Gauthier's successful hip surgery.
- Bob Mitchell asked prayers for Sister Nancy Dill's brain surgery.
- Joanne Worrell, Erica Hyatt
- Sir Knight Joe Mitchell lost his granddaughter.
- Benny Mastrogiovanni not doing well
- Jerry Cross lost his brother-in-law.
- Ron Collins' surgery
- Kevin Mason
- Joe Cavallaro
- Mike Walker's wife Kathy
- SK John Shaffer is having open heart surgery.
- Dennis Klein's daughter has had a turndown.
- Stan Wasowski lost his 100-year-old father.
- Ernie Spencer's daughter, Catherine, Passed.

Pray for those brothers recently passed:

- Monsignor Donald Kiernan
- Mark Nucera
- James W. "Bill" O'Brien
- Rich Szyperski
- Fr. Dan McCormick
- James McGill.
- James Stockelman of MOQ—stage four cancer passed.

Split the Pot

Bill Camden won \$65.

Meeting End

The meeting ended at 8:35 PM.

Watters Has 4 New Sir Knights

On November 10th, a Fourth Degree Exemplification was held at Holy Family Parish in Marietta. Our Fr. Charles J. Watters Assembly 2688 received four new members to put their membership over 200. Saint Andrew Council provided two new Sir Knights and All Saints did likewise. Here are some photos of the new Sir Knights.



St. Andrew SK members Dennis Klein, <u>new SK Arthur Porter</u>, <u>new SK Jon Biasini</u>, Victor Ojeda, and David Lemcoe.



Chris Lekan

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CATHERINE E. SPENCER

November 13, 1956 - January 3, 2019



Catherine was the daughter of Sir Knight Ernie Spencer.

We ask prayers for Catherine, Ernie, and the family.

Her funeral Mass will be held at St. Brigid Church on Tuesday January 8th at 11 AM.

Obituary for Catherine E. Spencer

Catherine E. Spencer, age 62, of Alpharetta, GA, peacefully passed away, Thursday, January 3, 2019. Funeral services for Catherine will be held on Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Brigid Catholic Church with Fr. Neil Herlihy and Deacon Leo Gahafer officiating. The family will receive friends on Sunday, January 6, 2019 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. and on Monday, January 7, 2019 from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Peachtree Corners Chapel of Crowell Brothers Funeral Homes & Crematory, Catherine is a member of St. Benedict Catholic Church. She loved reading, playing piano, guitar and enjoyed singing. Catherine served as the Religious Education Coordinator at Holy Redeemer Catholic School for 9 years. Catherine was very involved in her church and was very spiritual. Catherine is preceded in death by her mother, Barbara Ann Larkin Spencer and sister, Susan Spencer Cockrell. She is survived by her father, Ernest Clifford Spencer Jr; sisters, Robin Spencer Pastush (Robert T)., Mary Spencer Miskill (Patrick), Anne Spencer Pilcher (Toby), Monica Spencer Lanier (Jeffrey); brother-in-law, John Cockrell; as well as numerous nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers the family ask that donations be sent to St. Vincent De Paul, The Atlanta Humane Society or St. Jude's Children Research Hospital in loving memory of Catherine E. Spencer. Online condolences may be expressed at www.crowellbrothers.com. Arrangements entrusted by Crowell Brothers Funeral Homes & Crematory, 5051 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard, 5051 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard, Peachtree Corners, GA, 30092. 770-448-5757.

To send flowers or a remembrance gift to the family of Catherine E. Spencer, please visit our **Tribute** Store.

Mary Our Queen Church



Shown is a model of the new Mary Our Queen currently under construction. It is hoped it will be completed by the middle of January if weather permits.