

## **Faithful Navigator's Report – February 2021**

Worthy Sir Knights,

2021 has started out with a string of deaths in our Assembly and the All Saints Council. Our Assembly has lost S.K. Wiley Maloof, Deacon Ed Krise, and S.K. Steve Berrigan in just the last four weeks. In addition to these three All Saints Council Sir Knights, All Saints has lost Third Degree members Fred Frerichs and Larry Cullen. To my knowledge, neither the Mary Our Queen nor St. Andrew Councils have lost anyone this year, and I pray that their strings continue! While only one of the deaths is directly attributable to Covid-19, we all need to take whatever steps are available to “flatten our own curves”. Please pray for the families and friends of these recently deceased Brothers.

Thanks to the loosening of the Covid-19 restrictions implemented by All Saints and the Archdiocese, we have provided Honoring Guards to the funerals of Sir Knights Wiley and Ed, and will do so again on February 12<sup>th</sup> for the funeral for Brother Larry (only 6 so far). Each family has expressed tremendous gratitude for our members stepping up to honor their fallen Brothers during these trying times for all of us! Fourteen Honoring Guard members participated in Wiley's funeral and eighteen in Ed's. Other than a small Veteran's Day Honoring Guard at St. Andrew last November, these are the first Corp Corps activities since early March of 2020. I want to thank all of the Sir Knights who have taken part!

Our February business meeting is scheduled for Thursday night, February 11<sup>th</sup> at St. Andrew Catholic Church, 675 Riverside Drive, Roswell. Masks are required for those attending the meeting in person. Please park at the northern entrance to the campus, and come up the outside stairs to the large Family Center, where the meeting takes place. We remain limited to prepackaged snacks and beverages, so dinner will not be served. We will also stream the meeting virtually (thanks to the efforts of S.K. Steve Strong), and I hope you will attend either in person or online. The number of participants in person and online continues to grow. Look for Steve's email with instructions on how to connect via your computer.

We will start with the rosary at 7:00 PM, led by our Faithful Scribe Lou Hlad. After a ten to fifteen minute break when pre-packaged snacks and beverages are served, we will start the business portion about 7:30 PM. With little activity beyond the meetings and the Honoring Guards, I expect a short meeting. If you have anything for the Good of the Order, please email that information to both S.K. Lou Hlad and to me in advance. Officers – please confirm whether or not you plan to attend.

Elections for most officer positions will occur later this spring. Please contact one of the Trustees or me, if you are interested in serving as an officer. Other than two Trustee positions and that of Faith Friar, all other positions will be contested.

Remember that Ash Wednesday is on February 17<sup>th</sup> this year, daylight saving time begins on Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, Holy Thursday is on April 1<sup>st</sup>, and Easter follows on April 4<sup>th</sup>. These dates do not conflict with any of our upcoming monthly meetings, so meetings will occur on their normally scheduled days.

Since All Saints remains unavailable for meetings, we will use MOQ on March 11<sup>th</sup> and return to St. Andrew on April 8<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendars for these Thursday nights. We hope that later this spring, we may also be able to return to All Saints.

Vivat Jesus,

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