#### Minutes of the May 9th, 2024 Fr. Charles J. Watters Assembly 2688 Meeting

The May 9th, 2024 Assembly Meeting was held at Mary Our Queen. There were 21 Sir Knights in attendance. The meeting started early at 7:20 PM. A Rosary was said for ailing Sir Knights Gaffey, Marklein, Hlad, and Diaz. There were no members from another Assembly present. Fr. Byrd was there and actually helped serve the meal and stay for the proceedings.

The meal was chicken with rice, salad, and beverages. Mike Baylot and Wes Bridwell oversaw the meal and were thanked.

Scribe Lou Hlad recorded the meeting electronically for this report. Minutes of the past meeting were approved.

The lists of members with birthdays and anniversaries for May were announced by FN Mike Baylot. No one was present who was celebrating a May birthday or anniversary. (Complete lists are enclosed on following pages.)

The next meeting will be held at St. Andrew following our existing tri-venue rotation. Here are future meeting rotations:

St. Andrew	June	13th
All Saints	July	11th
Mary Our Queen	Aug	8th

This is a list of officer attendance.

#### **Officers Attending**

Faithful Navigator - Mike Baylot (MOQ)

Faithful Captain - Chuck Langgood (St. Andrew)

Faithful Pilot - Jon Bird (All Saints) (excused)

Faithful Admiral - Nick Mattera (All Saints)

Faithful Scribe - Lou Hlad (All Saints)

Faithful Comptroller - Loren Hauck (MOQ)

Faithful Purser - Robert Mitchell (All Saints)

Inner Sentinel - Shane Patilla (All Saints)

Outer Sentinel - Jon Biasini (St. Andrew)

Trustee —three year - Bob Santos (All Saints)

Trustee— two year - Dennis Klein (St. Andrew)

Trustee— one year Wulf Lindenau (All Saints)

Faithful Friar— Rev. Fr. Charles Byrd (MOQ)

All above officers have notified the Assembly of intent to run for another term. Wulf Linenau has indicated he will transition to Trustee 3 year. Santos and Klein drop down one year slot. Last minute entries may change this.

# **May Birthdays**

Birth Day	First Name	Last Name	Nickn ame	Birthday	
3	Jerry	Cross		3-May-56	
3	Scott	Earley		3-May-66	
5	Michael	Bagnulo	Mike	5-May-45	
7	Michael	Palicia	Mike	7-May-64	
8	Harwood	Jones	Woody	8-May-50	
10	Ky	Phanhsavath		10-May-69	
12	James	Gaffey	Jim	12-May-43	
13	David	Richardson	Dave	13-May-57	
15	Thomas	Hoover	Tom	15-May-52	
15	Christoper	Lekan	Chris	15-May-78	
21	Thomas	Foley	Tom	21-May-60	
27	Harold	Walker	Mike	27-May-42	
29	Dean	Trantow		29-May-51	

# **May Anniversaries**

Annive rsary Day	First Name	Last Name	Nickna me	Wife	Anniversa ry	Years
10	Doyle	Cheatham		Julia	10-May-97	27
15	Christoper	Lekan	Chris	Chinazor	15-May-16	8
17	David	Mason	Dave	Carol	17-May-75	49
18	Bryan	Kler		Brandi	18-May-02	22
27	Ronald	Curtis		Lisa	27-May-87	37
29	Esnar	Couvillion	EJ	Suzanne	29-May-76	48

## Faithful Purser Report—May –Bob Mitchell

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		5	/1/2024		
ANK ACCOUNT BALA	NCE 4/1/24			\$	10,067.45
RECEIPTS					
Meal Income - April Me	etina	\$	75.00		
Membership Dues		\$	270.00		
Name Badges		\$	10.00		
Split-the-Pot		\$	42.00		
	SUBTOTAL RECEIPTS			\$	397.00
EXPENSES					
Masters Fund	Lunch for 3 Meeting Delegates	\$	36.00		
Meal Costs - April		\$	42.88		
Name Badges		\$	15.66		
Other	Key for ASCC	\$	2.53		
	SUBTOTAL EXPENSES			\$	(97.07)
ANK ACCOUNT BALA	NCE 4/30/24			\$	10,367.38
OUTSTANDING DEPOS	SITS				
None					
	SUBTOTAL DEPOSITS			\$	5
OUT STANDING CHECK	S				
Check #1122	Dunwoody Vietnam War Mem.	\$	650.00		
	SUBTOTAL CHECKS			\$	(650.00)
	24 (Actually Available)			\$	9,717.38

### Faithful Comptroller's Report May 2024 SK Loren Hauck

#### **>** Membership

- As of 5/01/24 there are 170 members on the roster
  - 1 Honorary
  - 17 Honorary Life
  - 4 Exempt

#### **>** Dues

o 115 members are current

#### **≻**Cards

 Members cards are printed and those that have paid will be handed out or mailed as appropriate.

#### > Exemplifications

 6/1/24 Mary Our Queen Catholic Church, 6260 The Corners Parkway, Norcross, GA 30092

#### ➤ Assembly Statement

• As of 5/01/24 the balance is \$15.00 credit

## Scribe Report—May—Hlad

- Sent out April Minutes to all Assembly Members.
- Updated email distribution lists for Assembly.
- Took several Photos included in Minutes. Added some historical photos this issue.
- Ordered prayers for members as requested.
- Acted as backup Color Commander as requested.
- Led the Rosary at Meetings.

## Widows/Wives Report—May—Hlad

- Sent out newsletter to all widows.
- Invited widows to Bingo for free.
- Helped widow Colleen Trainor download the newsletter. She has no PDF viewer.

### **Color Corps Report—Bob Mitchell Coming Calendar**

Bob mentioned that there are many honor guard opportunities coming up, and we do not have many guys for them. He added new participants from those assembled at the meeting.

#### **Upcoming Events**

- Saturday May 19th- Mary Our Queen 11:00 AM Mass- Lou Hlad commanding. So far only 4 signed up. Jim Gaffey had also signed, but is not yet able.
- Saturday June 1st
   – Fourth Degree Exemplification at MOQ. Need people to help the
   night before to set up. Need HG people there by 10 AM to aid the ceremony at 11 AM.
- Sunday June 2nd—Father Silloway is instituting a procession in honor of Corpus
  Christi around the All Saints Campus after 12:15 Mass. Not strictly an Honor Guard,
  but he needs Knights to carry the canopy over the monstrance and watns many
  knights there to visibly lead the procession.

# Trustee Report—Lindenau, Klein, Santos No report.

### **Chalice Committee Report—Ed Pierson**

Ed reported that there is no status change. Chalices are purchased and no new ones assigned. No Assembly deaths. Summary follows on next page.

## **Membership Report—Hlad**

John Francis transferred into 2688 (Picture in Minutes) Seminarian Sean Lee Transferred into 2688 (Picture in Minutes)

Did Deacon Chris Waken recently transfer into 2688?

Wallace Taylor restored?

Biomah Gbelly restored?

Edgar Davis needs to be restored from affiliate.

Bryan St. Romain needs to be restored from affiliate.

Mark Foster has asked to return to 2688.

#### In Pipeline:

Joseph Zolfo of St. Andrew to be exemplified.
Michael Crowley of MOQ to be exemplified.
Deacon Mike Martell wishes to join 2688. He cannot make June 1<sup>st</sup>.
Is Father Bryd in the pipeline for June 1<sup>st</sup>? Cannot make it.

## **Deceased Sir Knight Chalice Remembrances**

With all the sad news regarding deceased brothers in the last few years, our 4th degree Sir Knights are specially remembered. Our Fr. Charles J. Watters Assembly 2688 honors all deceased Sir Knights on engraved chalices given to new priests. The Assembly has now purchased over two dozen chalice and paten kits over the years to new priests in need of them. Sir Knights from All Saints, Mary Our Queen, and St. Andrew are honored.

Chalices have traditionally been presented to our diocesan priests, but many families purchase chalices for their own new priests. The Assembly has often moved to awarding new chalices to deserving priests in foreign lands. The names of three deceased Sir Knight grace each chalice, so that they are specially remembered in every Mass said using them. Chalice remembrances are a strong reason to become a fourth degree knight.





# Chalice #26 Remembers

#### Gregory Kane Gregory Coletta Frank Filipowicz

"We do not want you to be unaware, brothers, about those who have fallen asleep, so that you may not grieve like the rest, who have no hope".

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# **New Assembly Transfers**



#### E. John Francis

Original All Saints member who transferred to St. Jude Council.

Now transferring back to All Saints and the Watters Assembly.

Very active Sir Knight.

#### Sean Lee

Atlanta Archdiocesan Seminarian two years from becoming a priest. Has been assigned to All Saints Parish for one year.

Sean will remain in his council outside Atlanta, but will transfer to the Watters Assembly.

All Saints hopes to get him back some day permanently.

#### Patriotic Report—Jon Bird

Jon was out of the country and there was no report.

### **Social Report—Bob Santos**

The July 20th Striper Social is still moving forward. There will be an Acuna bobble-head giveaway. Gates will open 2 hours early. We will sit in Section 104 behind home plate. There is a new Coca-Cola section right there with a bar and special seating.

Tickets are \$26 and you get a food coupon. We werea ble to get six donated parking tickets and they are all gone. The rain date game is Sept. 14th against Jacksonville. All tickets, parking, and food coupons are transferrable in event of rain.

A slight snag developed, where the Stripers placed all the tickets, food coupons, and Parking Passes into my Ticketmaster account. We are working to correct that, have all those items printed.

Once that has been corrected, I shall present the Assembly with a check request for payment. It will be mailed to the Purser. Once I receive the check from the Purser. I will hand carry this to the Stripers Ticket Office. They will notify me once all the tickets have been printed, and it will be received. Projected date of delivery will be the July Meeting

### **Trustee Report—Bob Santos**

Bob reported that there is an upcoming Audit Report due in June. Bob was in New aven recently and got new forms tat can be submitted. He suggested an interim bank statement that can be obtained from a bank to give a more detailed report. He also wanted a record of cash deposits versus check deposits.

Bob also asked Loren Hauck if he could get a current membership roster.

Bob Mitchell opined that the audit does not require any further details than as ever been required and additional information such as is asked is unnecessary and time-consuming.

### **Old Business**

There was a discussion over the payment of Signup Genius reimbursements to Bob Santos. The item has not yet been discussed and approved, so it must be tabled until such time as it is. It is thought that the amount is \$22 per month, but we are not sure. We await his return to our meetings and a full discussion. Bob Mitchell is not certain that Signup Genius is totally adequate to his needs, but has at least considered using it.

Hlad suggested that the Assembly set up a Zelle online account so that Sir Knights can pay their dues online. This has been very successful at All Saints. The extra charge would be \$1.50 for paying dues this way. Venmo is also an option, but not used by All Saints because of "woke" considerations as a Paypal subsidiary. Steve Strong of All Saints might be a good starting source. It was noted that this is already underway.

#### **New Business**

Assembly elections will be held in May or June. Trustees need to know who will continue and which officers are needed. Klein asked for the info sent to him.

April 6th was the date of the State Assembly Meeting at St. John Neuman from 10-2 Pm. Three delegates were chosen. Mike Baylot, Dennis Klein, and Bob Mitchell were scheduled to attend. Don't believe we received a report on the outcome. A new Disrict Master was to be chosen.

John Francis of All Saints was transferred back into 2688 from 3856. Lou Hlad, Bob Mitchell, and Woody Jones spoke highly of him.

New Brother Joseph Zolfo from St. Andrew was approved to join the Assembly at June 1 exemplification. Dennis Klein spoke in his favor. He is a wonderful cook.

Michael Crowley was also sponsored by MOQ. Franz Haller (SP?) wants to become financial comptroller after Ed Konopka.

## Reports of the Third Degree

### St. Andrew Report—Charles Langgood

- Joseph Zolfo will join the Assembly.
- St. Andrew reached new member goal and are eligible for Star Award.
- · Hold a Holy Hour every Thursday including rosary.
- · Council elections next month.
- · Council kicking off a new program re Cyber Security for parishioners.
- · Several knights spent night at Homeless Shelter Downtown.
- Planning a Veterans and First Responders Town Hall with speakers.
- They had a successful Blood Drive with 38 pints donated. SK Dave Lemcoe was in charge again.
- Their Faith in Action Program resumes May 18th with Father Roy Lee leading a giveaway at West Point View Apartments in Southeast Atlanta.

### Mary Our Queen—Travis Matthews

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The Assembly is proud of this Star Council which has stepped up into an active body.

- Made a \$750 donation to MOQ Youth Group.
- Going to State Convention next week.
- Participated in Vidalia Onion Drive with All Saints. Sold out first weekend.
- Officer elections coming up. A nice crew of young candidates.
- MOQ will host our Assembly's first 4th degree exemplification. Please help us and participate. MOQ will have several candidates. We need kitchen help also and room setup. Pizza and drinks the night before. He stressed that every one should come.
- Made a \$2500 donation to MOQ Pro-Life Food Pantry.
- Getting money back from Supreme for RSVP program.

#### All Saints May Report - Lou Hlad

Held an exemplification and got two new members on April 30th.

We handed out Tootsie Rolls for donations to Intellectual Disabilities at the church doors on April 13/14. Net was \$1500. Now we move to various businesses to hand out tootsie rolls at their doors.

A team of 12 brothers ran and gave presentations at a men's parish Welcome Retreat (formerly called CRHP) April 20/21.

Our pastor asked the knights to form a work party to clean up, power wash, paint, stripe, and mulch the campus. We had about 30 people do that on April 6<sup>th</sup>.

Our annual Vidalia Onion sale was a sellout. We provided onions for 10 councils. Mary Our Queen was one.

We supported our parish's first Annual Bonfire Party. Our members built the bonfire pit and served the food.

Our Lenten Fish Frys were extremely successful. We had the third largest meal servings of all time (just under 8000) and the greatest revenue.

Bingo was held on April 25th with 115 patrons.

Our brother SK Dean Trantow was instrumental in helping form a new council on St. Simons Island-- St. William Catholic Church.

Our Financial Secretary Shane Patilla is the president of a club called Knights on Bikes. He has added a resolution at the Georgia Convention to add this organization to the list of sponsored Georgia Council organizations. Shane will present at the Convention.

All Saints as several entries in the contest for honored 2024 events.

Every month we have knights who drive indigents to medical appointments for I Care Project and others who visit sick Knights with our Home Visit group.

#### **Recent donations:**

Food Pantry in Dunwoody \$2000

Financed two Boy Scout Eagle projects.

Donated \$2000 to Our Lady of Perpetual Cancer Home.

Helping finance Sir Knight Gray Plunkett's next missionary trip to Benin, Africa \$1000.

# **Attendance Log for 5-09-2024**

Fr. Charles J. Watters: Assembly 2688

Attendance Date: 1924 Location: HOW

Sign-in #	Print Name
1	Nick multerA WOLT LINDEIYAN
2	WOLF LINDEIYAU
3	Bonsantor
4	LOVHIAD.
5	JonBigsini
6	JULy Francis
7	Travismatthems
8	WesBridwell
9	ED DIENSON
10	EDPIENSON
11	Dennis Kiein
12	ChrctLanggood
13	John Jordan
14	Ted TADA
15	FR. BRYD
16	Gray Plustett
17	Shave Patilla
18	TRBYRD Loven Harck
19	Abbert of Mub Dell
20	Son Vno

# "Good of the Order" Prayer Requests at May 9 Meeting





#### PRAYER REQUEST FOR OUR SICK AND DISTRESSED

Meeting Date:

	Prayers Intended for:	Requested By:	Information
1	DICK MARKLEIN	LOU HLAD	CANCER CHEMO AND RADIATION
2	LOU HLAD	NICK MATTERA	CANCER IMMUNOTHERAPY
3	FRED DYER	// //	NEUROPATHY. STAGE FOUR CANCE
4	ANDY DIAZ	LOU HLAD	Stage Four CANCE
5	LINDA WE LOUDER	DenNis KLEIN	CANCER HEALTH
6	DENNIS KLEIN & JUDY	11 11	HEALTG
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#### **Good of the Order Prayer Intentions**

#### Please help us update these prayer intentions. Many are quite old.

#### **Recent prayer requests:**

- Widows: Ellie Pavlik hip replacement, Nancy Cullen Heart Valve, Polly Callahan—death.
  New Widows—Arla Moskowitz, Judith Kane, Laura Maloof, Donna Brach, Maralind
  Klapka, Judith Kane, Lena Trombino, Suzy Luckert, Sharron Coletta, Jackie Collins.
- SK Dick Holcomb brain surgery recovery
- SK Ron Collins' wife Jackie- knee replacement.
- SK Cary Kean's liver tests, daughter Amber in psychiatric hospital, and wife Denise ailments.
- SKs Dennis Caniglia, Bill Clough, Harvey Moskowitz, Deacon Ray Egan —recent SK deaths.
- SK Joe Inglima—COPD breathing difficulties
- SK Brian St. Romain—death of his sister Laurie, his depression.
- SK Woody Jones' brother—J.J.
- SK Bob Fiscella—blood pressure,
- SK Mike Baylot—Stroke recovery
- SK Bill Camden—cancer rehab
- SK Andy Diaz—stroke recovery and daughter Liz Tierney Chemo
- SK Ron Hedin's sister-in-law Lois Brousteau breast cancer
- SK Rich Tomaszewski's daughter Annamaria and granddaughter Arti with Covid
- SK Mike Haslach's brother-in-law Mike Finnegan chemo
- SK Carl Stryker—Uncle died from Covid, Aunt sick with Covid
- SK Dennis Klein—daughter Deborah Blair's MS, wife Judy, Gerry Geringer, Jimmy Mitchell
- SK Keith Kieffer's son Brian– passed from Covid 9/27
- SK Joe Thibideau—Merita Tromp, stage 4 cancer.
- SK Mike Bagnulo—Ed Wegener surgery
- SK Terry Petrukovich—George Petrukovich and Ken Wainwright
- SK Ernie Spencer—Garrett Pilcher—Covid
- SK Jon Bird—Mike and Katrina Smith-death of son Shane, wife Yoshii surgery
- SK Rich Rowlands-SK William Schmitz & William Torresala—deceased Watters members
- SK Ray Grupinski—prayers his pneumonia and for his brother Eugene's collapsed lung
- SK Mike Walker requests prayers for Wife Kathy
- SK Chuck Langgood—Garold Jordan Death
- SK Wulf Lindenau—Beth Lindenau blood problems, Amy Lindenau death
- SK Joe Cavallaro- prayers for brother-in-law Joe Tomczyk who had a stroke
- SK Michael J. Schaaf, SK Ralph Stinson, SK Jack Klapka, and SK Greg Coletta have passed.
- SK Frank H. Filipowicz was added to chalice #26.
- SKs John Trombino, William Luckert, and Al Garofalo quickly filled Chalice #27.
- SK John Buchholz lost his wife of 60 years, Karleen
- SK Abraham Kassis passed August 6th to start chalice #28.
- SK Ronald Collins passed September 9th and added to chalice #28.
- SK Joe Mitchell lost his wife of 50 years, Dolores.
- SK Bob Santos for his possible congestive heart failure diagnosis.
- Sks Jerry Adkins and John Vander Wiele both passed in December 2023.
- SK Lou Hlad
   – for his successful cancer immunotherapy infusions.
- 50/50 Raffle—After a long absence, the raffle was resumed and Woody Jones won \$42.

## Fr. Charles J. Watters' Parish Church

From: Jerry Tiarsmith < jerry tiarsmith@hotmail.com >

Date: April 17, 2024 at 12:37:20 PM EDT

To: "B. K. Travis Matthews" < steelbook@comcast.net >

**Subject: St Michaels Catholic Church** 

This is the parish in Cranford, NJ where Fr. Charles Watters served as Pastor. His service and sacrifice is dutifully remem-

bered.

Thought you might appreciate the history and connection.

I attended noon Mass here while awaiting the birth of my newest grandchild. Still waiting.

Best, Jerry

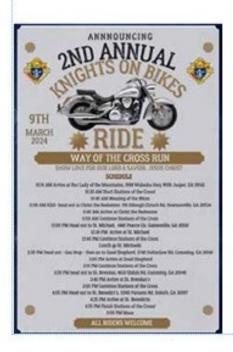


Jerry Tiarsmith is the Past Grand Knight of St. Jude the Apostle Council. He was nice enough to send up this photo journal of Fr. Watters' original parish.

# Shane Patilla Introduces New Ministry



Shane Patilla (pre-beard) is shown with his family including wife Kelley.



All Saints' Sir Knight Shane Patilla (our Worthy Financial Secretary) is the President of an organization called "Knights on Bikes". He had the idea that this organization was worthy of official recognition and support by the Georgia State KofC Council.

To that end, he introduced a resolution to the state convention that this group be adopted officially by the state council. The resolution was approved, and we will be hearing more from this group soon. Any knight who rides a motorcycle is welcome to join.

Instead of terrorizing the community, this "gang" of KofC bikers:

- Get blessings for their bikes
- Troll various churches to say Stations of the Cross
- End their journeys with a Mass
- Help the Pregnancy Aid Clinic
- Help USMC Toys for Tots Campaign
- Visit the Conyers Monastery

Movie rights are under discussion. Unfortunately, Marlon Brando has passed.







#### KNIGHTS ON BIKES GEORGIA

#### Who Are We?

We are Knights of Columbus members who ride motorcycles (2 or 3 wheeled)

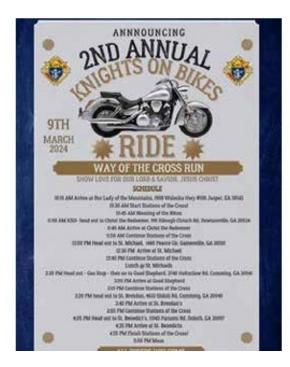
#### What do we do?

We hold a monthly ride, such as North Georgia Mountains, Catholic functions and charities. We are statewide and anyone in Georgia can participate. Our last ride we rode out to the Monastery of the Holy Spirit in Conyers. On this ride we had brothers from North Georgia to as far south as Vidalia.

We do an annual run called Way of the Cross, which was started by our Brother Stan Leo, and our past President Carlos Gonzalez. We ride between various Churches in Georgia and say the Stations of the Cross. There is a blessing of the bikes, as staying safe and close to our Lord is important to us. The run usually ends with a Mass at the last Church stop.

Knights on Bikes are stewards of the Silver Rose, which will be coming to Georgia July 7 – August 3, 2024. We also do different community and charity work such as Pregnancy Aid Clinic, USMC Toys for Tots and others. If you are interested in riding with Georgia Knights on Bikes, please contact us.

Shane Patilla State President spatilla@bellsouth.net





### Ed Pierson Achieves Second Honorary Life

Ed Pierson has been a staple fixture in our Order since sliced bread.

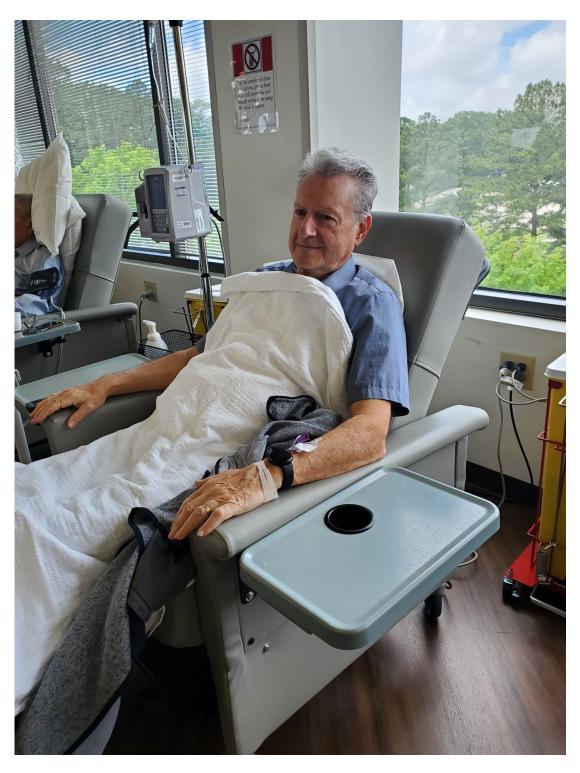
He achieved an Honorary Life Award in All Saints Council when he qualified as a 25 year continuous member and 70 years of age. He got a permanent plastic membership card and no longer pays council dues. He is now a 27 year KofC member.

He went two years without joining the 4th degree, and so he just qualified for 25 years as a fourth degree member and got another plastic honorary Sir Knight card. Faithful Navigator Mike Baylot is shown awarding his 4th degree card and now again pays no dues to the Assembly.

We're not quite sure what Ed will do with all the money savings, but we hope he stays in our organizations until they stop slicing bread.



## **Hlad Cancer Infusion**



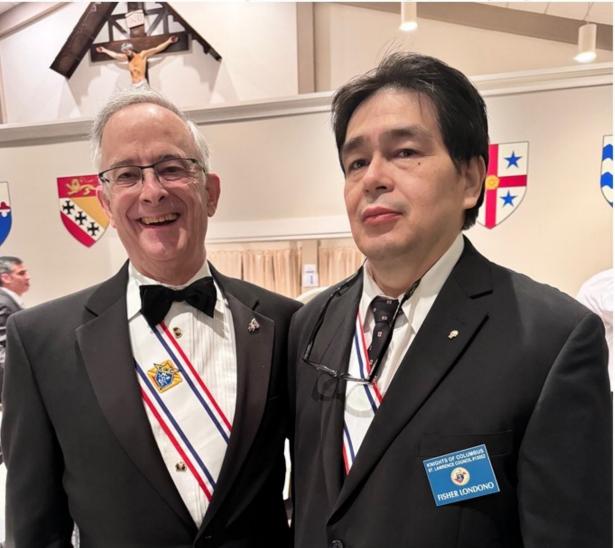
Our Faithful Scribe, Lou Hlad, is just one of the latest Sir Knight to suffer medical woes. He as been diagnosed with renal (kidney) cancer and is undergoing infusions to kill the cancer cells. Please pray for him and all the sick Sir Knights detailed in our Good of the Order sections.

# June 1st 4th Degree Exemplification



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Here is a picture of me and Mr. Fisher Londono, from Saint Lawrence church in Lawrenceville, Georgia.
Yoshii and I are the godparents of Fisher's child Hanna and Fisher is a Knight in the St. Lawrence church Council. When I signed up for the fourth degree honor guard, I didn't know that Fisher was going to be an inductee.



Mary Our Queen did our Assembly proud with their 4th degree ceremony.

More information in the next Minutes.